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## Convention center may need 'tax break' to start

By B.J. MARTIN  
 staff writer

Whether Novi will see construction of a "convention" center here in the next year or two — or at all — may be a decision ultimately made not by developers, the city council, planners or the school board.

The decision may rest with a judge. The reason for the uncertainty is that the Dallas Market Center wants to build its long-anticipated expo-fashion center under a Tax Increment Financing Authority (TIFA) — a mechanism which gives a tax break (usually lasting 10-15 years) for development which meets the act's criteria and uses the tax sav-

ings for public improvements. In the case of the convention center, those improvements would consist of just over \$4 million in construction of road, sewer and water networks.

But municipal uses of TIFA are under fire from various school districts in the State of Michigan — and the status of bonds issued by financial institutions are threatened by such court action.

At its meeting Monday, Novi City Council unanimously agreed to schedule a public hearing March 12 to consider creation of a TIFA for the convention center project and for additional development in the Town Center area. Novi Schools Superintendent Robert Piwko

and School Board President Robert Schram attended the meeting, but did not address the council on the issue.

Council members were cautious in approaching the issue, however, raising the point that school district voters could be liable for covering the cost of lost tax revenues if court action renders private revenue bonds unavailable.

"I want to make it clear that we are having this public hearing to get public input and that we are in no way committing ourselves to supporting (a TIFA)," Council Member Martha Hoyer stressed.

School officials have discussed the option of a lawsuit against the city if it creates a TIFA in

apparent violation of Michigan Attorney General Frank Kelley's recent interpretation of the state statute.

In a January 16 statement, Kelley interpreted a clause of the TIFA Act as forbidding its enactment where property values are not declining.

"A municipality may establish a Tax Increment Financing Authority in an area of the municipality containing a significant number of parcels of property experiencing a decline in value," Kelley concluded.

The project district originally described by the Dallas Market Center, an entity related to the Trammell Crow Company, contained property south of the existing West Oaks shopping

center and north of I-96. While that land obviously was desirable for commercial development, it also is contained in the city's special assessment district for infrastructure (road and sewage) improvements.

That special assessment district kept the property from skyrocketing in value, noted City Assessor John Merrifield. Still, Merrifield said, property values there are increasing — and according to Kelley, Trammell Crow's

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□ Convention center backers release details of project/2A

## Virus outbreak called 'serious'

By B.J. MARTIN  
 staff writer

The rash of influenza in the Novi area — particularly the illness leading to hundreds of school absences — is far more serious than the average flu bug, a prominent local pediatrician has reported.

"The thing that concerns me is that this is a virulent virus going around," said Dr. John Romanik, head of the pediatrics department at Providence Hospital in Novi. "Obviously this is a new viral strain to which a large segment of the population is vulnerable."

"People may be thinking it's a 24-hour illness, but it's more like a 96-hour illness, maybe 148-hour. Characteristically, I see kids losing five days of school because of it."

While Romanik said he stops short of terming the viral illness outbreak an "epidemic," he said he was certain cases of pneumonia or meningitis will go undetected if parents do not check with a doctor.

"It always worries me," Romanik said. "There are always a few times during a flu outbreak when children get meningitis and it isn't detected soon enough... That's within this community alone."

Romanik warned that parents whose children come down with the flu virus in succession often will get the first child or two examined, but if a third or fourth appears to contract the same symptoms, they will assume the same illness is in effect and won't contact the doctor.

"This happens in a great number of cases," Romanik said. "All of southern Michigan is seeing this," he added. "Its spread has been amazingly rapid. Things had been quiet around the hospital this winter, but in the last 9-10 days we've seen a significant increase in patients. It's been havoc these last three days," he said Friday.

Reports from Providence Hospital's pediatrics ward are that as of yesterday (Tuesday), the number of children being treated for influenza has shown no signs of slowing down. "If anything, it's up," one worker advised.

Romanik said he could not set exact guidelines of what symptoms would merit a call to the doctor, although he stressed the very latest a doctor should be contacted is after the second day of high temperatures.

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**'There are always a few times during a flu outbreak when children get meningitis and it isn't detected soon enough.'**

One school official who declined to be identified said, "Too many parents are allowing their kids to come back to school too soon. It's important they keep them home until they're completely over this thing."

The most serious outbreak of viral illness has taken place at Novi Woods Elementary, where 113 of the 530 students missed class Tuesday of last week, an absence rate as high as any the school has ever experienced.

Orchard Hills Elementary staff last week reported three times the normal amount of flu-related absences, "about 43 all week, where the average is around 15." As of Friday, the outbreak showed no signs of abating.

Novi Middle School South has experienced close to a 20 percent absence rate. From Wednesday to Friday last week, "between 90-100" of the schoolchildren were absent.

Other absence rates oddly remained close to normal. At Novi High School, absences of four to five percent were reported, not unusual for this time of year. Village Oaks Elementary staff reported no more than 25 students had missed class last week with flu.

Novi Middle School North had significantly fewer absences than Middle School South. "Maybe 10 percent at its most last week (the week before last)," said Principal Paul Lepie.

In Northville schools, the most serious outbreak has taken place at Meads Mill Middle School where approximately 90-95 students missed classes last Wednesday through Friday, according to Principal David Longridge.



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### Wildcat roar

After weeks of on-again, off-again play, the Novi basketball team put it all together Friday night with an impressive 60-57 win over KVC arch-rival South Lyon — and it's obvious Wildcat fans appreciated it. Turn to page 4C for game details.

## Commission may replace plan board

The Novi Planning Board may be replaced by the Novi Planning Commission sometime in the not-too-distant future.

The decision to change the planning board to a planning Commission likely will be among the most significant results of the joint council-planning board conference sessions held over the last two Saturdays.

From a psychological standpoint, board members are happy about the arrangement. Board Chair Ernest Aruffo said the change would reflect an increase in status and respect for the council-appointed body.

From a legal standpoint, the difference in power between a board and a commission also is noteworthy.

As a commission, Novi planners may adopt a

Master Plan independent of city council approval, thereby distancing the city's long-range guide to development from possible short-term political pressure. City council advice as a practical course may continue to be used, officials note.

The board also retains the right to hire and fire a planning consultant, although the council retains its right to enforce a line-item budget which limits the amount the board is empowered to pay the consultant.

Council's retention of line-item budget approval would also be a check on the board's authority to hire special consultants for specific projects and authorize studies. Currently, the board must obtain council approval not only for funding studies and paying consultants, but also for the nature of the studies and consultants themselves.

Board and council members clashed last year when the board requested approval for a comprehensive traffic study for the city. City council vetoed the request.

The change from a board to a commission would not affect the site plan approval process in the city, according to city attorneys David Fried and Dennis Watson.

Fried said he would prepare "within two weeks" the appropriate documents the city council needs to change the board into a commission.

□ Board and council issue joint statement/11A

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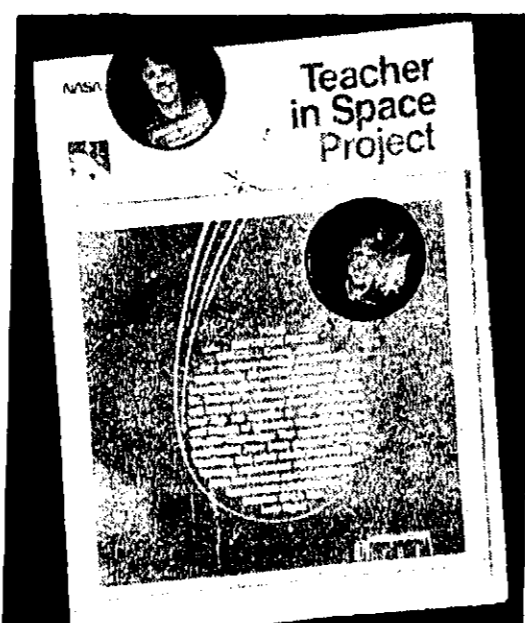
### Earthquake shakes some

A lot of Novi residents felt the earthquake which rumbled across the Midwest shortly before noon last Friday.

And a lot of them didn't. Gerhard Seibert, general manager of the Novi Hilton, was one of the latter. "I'm sorry I missed it," said Seibert, who was at work in his office on the first floor of the Hilton when the quake occurred.

"My secretary was on the phone to someone from Detroit, and he felt it. She told me she could see the water in the goldfish bowl in her office moving, but I never felt a thing. It must be a unique experience, but I was one of those people who didn't feel a thing."

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Teachers were undaunted by shuttle tragedy

### Shuttle tragedy felt here

By MICHELE M. FECHT  
 staff writer

Teachers and students in the Novi Community Schools joined fellow educators and classmates throughout the nation last week in mourning the loss of Christa McAuliffe and the six other crew members of the space shuttle Challenger.

The stunned silence and disbelief which has gripped much of the nation during the past eight days was evident throughout many of the district's schools.

Though the nation grieved over the loss of all seven of the Challenger's crew, McAuliffe's death seemed particularly poignant to members of the teaching profession.

The Concord, New Hampshire, schoolteacher was chosen last July from

more than 11,400 applicants to be the first teacher in space.

Her mission aboard the challenger was to re-energize public interest in the space program by "connecting with the average student in the classroom." Tens of thousands of school children across the country were readying for their first space lesson to be broadcast via satellite.

Among those awaiting their first space-to-earth assignment were Kathy Scullen's students at Middle School South.

"We had lesson plans to coincide with her live broadcast," Scullen noted, adding that McAuliffe's first assignment, titled "The Ultimate Field Trip," instructed students to describe the shuttle and its major functions.

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# Convention center details discussed

By B.J. MARTIN  
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Conventions, home shows, boat shows, garden shows, antique shows, auto shows and a steady run of fashion-related shows and conventions are among the projected uses for the Expo Center the Dallas Market Center intends to build in Novi.

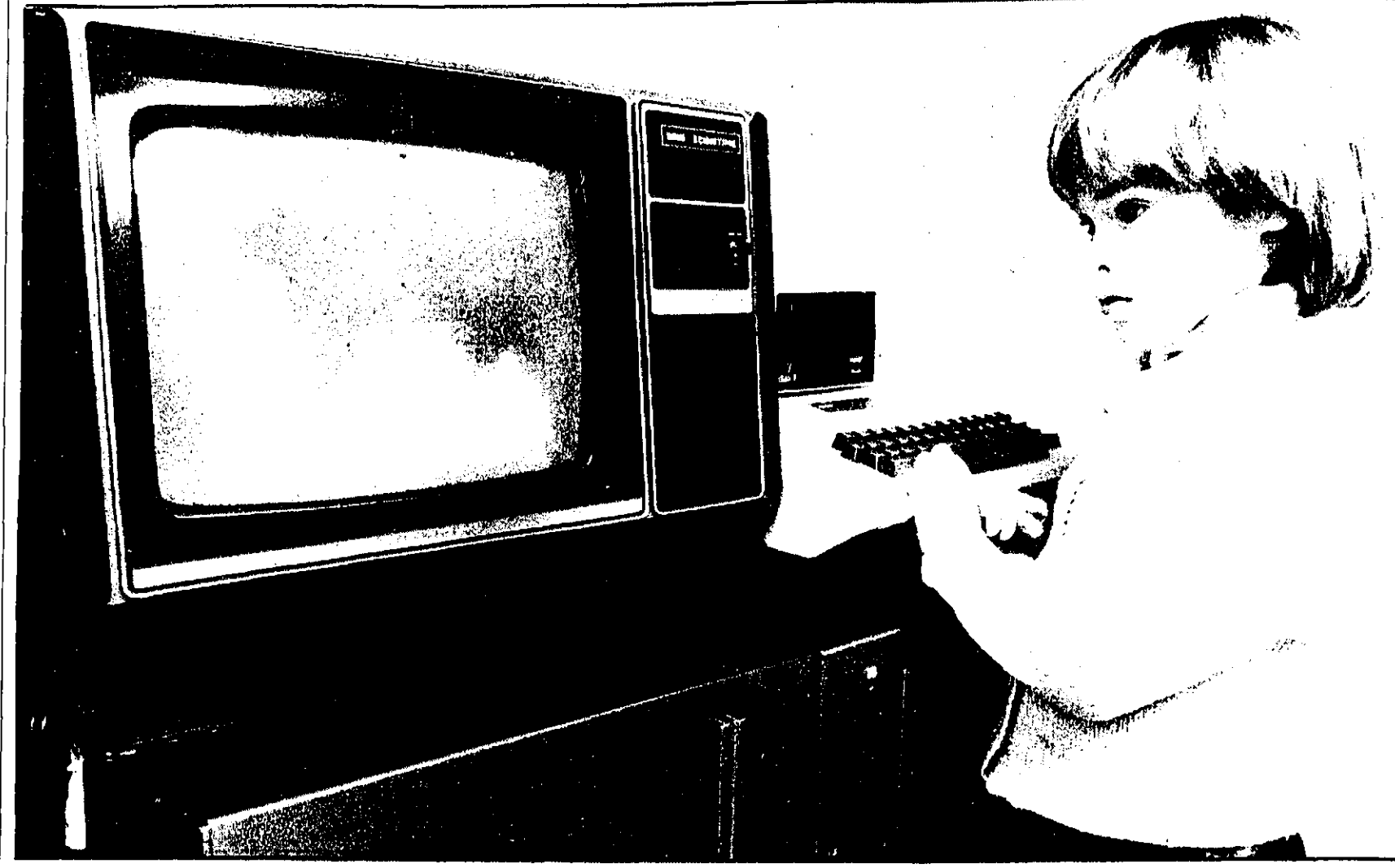
**Clayton: 'We feel the location here will give us an overwhelming advantage.'**

Richard Clayton, one of the coordinators of the convention center project, unveiled some new information about the proposed uses and advantages of the new structure in addressing Novi City Council Monday. "We feel the location here is excellent and will give us an overwhelming advantage in competing with convention centers in downtown Detroit," Clayton explained. "At Cobo Hall, for example, there are very high set-up and show costs. Here, we'll be giving exhibitors a better chance to show their merchandise away from the hustle and bustle of downtown Detroit." Clayton said the Fashion Center's intent is to serve the 4,000 clothing retailers throughout the out-state area which currently often use Chicago as a commercial center. The fashion industry, Clayton said, will account for 13 shows a year in the Expo Center, and the Dallas Market Center "expects to bring in about 40 additional shows and conventions."

## New law governs displaced people

The City of Novi will help you if it condemns your property — and a new ordinance outlines exactly how much help you can expect. Novi City Council voted unanimously January 27 to adopt the "Novi Relocation Assistance Ordinance," which provides assistance to residents affected by city-initiated programs to acquire or vacate privately-owned residential property. Assistance depends on whether the persons to be moved is caused by "substantial economic injury" because of the action. The ordinance establishes a relocation assistance advisory services pro-

and rectangular expo center, combined totaling an estimated 150,000 square feet, will be joined at the corner. An entry roadway leading to the north-south special assessment district drive actually runs underneath a hallway connecting the expanded Sheraton hotel to the expo center. The hotel sketch shows a nine-story structure, which Sheraton Oaks General Manager Gerald Abel said was necessary in order for a large retention pond to be built on adjacent property owned by Pico Industries, which also owns the Sheraton. The hotel expansion will be directly west of the existing Sheraton Oaks hotel, and the expo center and fashion center will be located across the north-south roadway. According to Clayton, the Dallas Market Center is considering yet another major building, a trade mart, on property northwest of the fashion center-expo center development. Estimated cost of the expo center and fashion center is between \$5.5 and \$8.25 million, according to figures available last week.



Novi News/STEVE FECHT

## Alphabet games

Remember when you learned the alphabet by watching the teacher draw perfectly-formed letters along carefully-chalked lines on the blackboard? Well, they don't do things like that anymore, Quinn DeLoughery, 5½, shows how modern students learn the alphabet —

by playing computer games. Quinn is participating in a special computer class offered by the Novi Community Education Department at Village Oaks Elementary School.



## Look out, Isaiah

Sure, the Novi High School basketball team is struggling along with a sub-500 record. But don't worry. Help is on the way. Novi youngsters are learning the basics of basketball in a special after-school hours class being offered by the Novi Parks and Recreation Department at Village Oaks Elementary School. In the picture above, instructor Deanne Mullett of the Parks and Recreation staff offers some suggestions to David Zibell, 7, on how that big basketball can be made to go so high in the air and fall through such a little hoop. In the picture on the right, Greg Morgan, 8, launches a jump shot that would make Isaiah Thomas himself proud. The gym at Village Oaks School is equipped with eight-foot baskets to make the job of scoring hoops a little easier for the budding young cage stars.



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# Fix-up of Ten Mile planned for spring

If you're worried that the newly-paved portions of Ten Mile between Novi and Haggerty roads are beginning to fall in spots, worry no longer. Oakland County Commissioner John Calandro (R-Nowi) said the Oakland County Road Commission is abundantly aware of the problems and will rectify them this spring. "I've received a lot of phone calls about the condition of the road lately," reported Calandro. "People have expressed concerns that the new road contains some obvious failures, and they want to be assured that the project will be done properly." Calandro suggested that some resident concerns may be due to confusion about the status of the paving project. Although the Ten Mile improvements got underway last fall, the Oakland County Road Commission was unable to complete the project prior to the onset of bad weather. The road commission plans to return to Novi to complete the resurfacing of Ten Mile this spring. "The road commission assures me that the failures were expected during the winter, and there's nothing to worry about," said Calandro. "They say that Ten Mile will be a top-grade, first-class road when the project is completed."

## Charter committee members selected

An 11-member committee to study the issue of dispensing with Novi's mayoral election process was established Monday by the Novi City Council. After receiving 14 applications for serving on the recently reconstituted Charter Review Committee, council members agreed to limit committee membership to individuals not currently serving on active boards, commissions or committees in the city. Members of the Charter Review Committee will include: Kathleen Johnson, a campaign worker for Mayor Patricia Karevich in last year's election; Helen Stabler, for two years a president of the Novi Business and Professional Women's Club; Barbara Brinker, a 29-year Novi resident and member of the Oakland County Canvassing Board; James Shaw, a Farmington Public Schools employee, a former Novi city council member and a resident of Novi for 18 years; Timothy Pope, a Jaycees activist who listed "House of Representatives" under his professional qualifications; John Brett, former planning board member and civic activist; Russ Sutton, lifelong Novi resident, former city council member, former president of Chamber of Commerce, and former member of the Novi Charter Commission; Helen Seaward, for 23 years a member of the League of Women Voters; Vincent Walker, former Woodlands Committee member; Rose Grain, board of directors, Novi Chamber of Commerce, and a resident of Novi for 31 years; Robert Steiner, former stormwater and mobile home committee member.

# Council endorses I-696 strategy

The Novi City Council last week gave its thumbs-up to the preliminary recommendations of the Michigan Department of Transportation's (MDOT) West I-696 Access Study Committee for improvements in the I-696 corridor. The recommendations confirm several projects which have been discussed frequently by members of the committee and were codified December 10. At its January 27 meeting, council gave the projects its unanimous support without committing specific funding of any improvements. The recommendations include: 

- Widening I-696 to six lanes, and eight lanes (west of Northwestern Highway) to be evaluated during the next design phase for freeway expansion.
- Providing access for existing and planned development in the Twelve Mile corridor west of Orchard Lake Road. It is recommended design and environmental studies be initiated for building an interchange west of Drake Road. The studies would consider alternative interchange designs, including a "trumpet" type interchange providing a high level of service to the developing Twelve Mile corridor area.
- Additional access to Haggerty Road is needed to ease north-south travel in western Oakland County. Design and environmental studies should be initiated for building a connector or stub between the I-696/I-275 interchange and the Haggerty/Twelve Mile intersection. Studies should consider alternative designs using existing Michigan Department of Transportation right-of-ways and existing improvements within the interchange area.
- Alternative designs for intersecting with Twelve Mile and connecting with Haggerty Road also should be considered. Design alternatives and implementation should be coordinated with the ultimate development of a north-south state highway through western Oakland County.
- Existing north-south roads serving western Oakland County require major capacity improvements to serve existing and future traffic. A north-south highway corridor study should be initiated cooperatively between the MDOT and local agencies to evaluate options for improving north-south highway service in western Oakland County. Included in this study would be consideration of upgrading Haggerty Road to a multi-lane facility (this already has been identified as a priority by MDOT officials).
- The Oakland County Road Commission and the cities of Farmington Hills and Novi should coordinate their improvement projects to coincide with the provision of additional access improvements to I-696. This coordinated approach will assure maximum system operation between the freeway and local road and street systems. Specific improvements that must be made are Twelve Mile widening from Orchard Lake Road to Novi Road, and monitoring of needed improvements as development proposals become known for land west of Novi Road.
- Revenue availability will affect the timing of proposed improvement projects. The MDOT, local jurisdictions and the private sector should complete, in conjunction with the recommended design and environmental studies, the exploration of options for funding recommended improvements.

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# Thieves rob Village Oaks home

Thieves broke into a residence on Village Oaks Drive in the Village Oaks subdivision and stole more than \$1,000 worth of personal property while the owners were attending a party at a nearby home. The theft occurred January 24 between 7:10 and 10:15 p.m.

The break-in was discovered by the owner's son when he returned home from a school dance and found the television set and a videocassette recorder missing from the family room.

The youth ran to the nearby home where his parents were attending a birthday party and informed them of the break-in.

Investigating officers said the responsible parties gained entry by prying open a rear door to the garage. Once inside, they ransacked the master bedroom and searched extensively through two other bedrooms in the home. They also used two pillowcases from the master bedroom to haul away some of the stolen property, police said.

"In addition to the 19-inch color television set and Sears videocassette recorder, stolen property included a microwave oven, three shotguns, two revolvers, a woman's jewelry box, a woman's antique ring and a girl's jewelry box.

An observant attendant at the Novi Standard gas station at Grand River and Novi Road helped chase off thieves who were helping themselves to oil and antifrize on an outside display rack at the Twelve Oaks Mobil station across the street on January 23.

The attendant told police he was washing the windows of the Standard station at approximately 2:15 a.m. when he looked across the intersection and observed two white males and a

## Area Blotters

white female taking items off an outside display rack at the Mobil station. Since the attendant at the Mobil station was not visible, the Standard attendant ran across the station to stop the three suspects from taking the items off the rack. Upon his arrival, the three suspects put several items back on the rack, valued at \$28 and five quarts of Mobil 10W40 engine oil valued at \$4.75.

The Mobil attendant told police he was in a restroom and not seen the incident. Stolen were four gallons of antifrize valued at \$28 and five quarts of Mobil 10W40 engine oil valued at \$4.75.

Vandals smashed windows on two vehicles parked on Breguet Court in the Country Place Condominiums sometime during the night of January 22-23.

Police were summoned to the condominium complex by a man who reported that unknown individuals broke into the passenger-side window of his 1983 Lincoln Continental while it was parked outside his residence. Investigating officers said it appeared the responsible parties were attempting to steal a radar detector from inside the car but had been unable to remove it from the dashboard. Damage to the car was pegged at \$200.

While investigating the first complaint, officers observed that the passenger-side window of a 1983 Oldsmobile also had been broken out. Stolen property included a radar detec-

tor valued at \$100, a 25-foot measuring tape valued at \$5 and 12 cassette tapes valued at an additional \$50.

The windows of two more vehicles were smashed out the same night on Manor Park in the Tree Top Meadows apartment complex.

The responsible parties smashed out the window of a 1985 Ford Thunderbird and stole a Bell radar detector valued at \$100 sometime between 9 p.m. and 3:40 a.m. the next day.

The window of a 1985 Ford Mustang convertible also was found broken out, but the owner said nothing appeared to have been stolen.

A Fenton man reported the theft of approximately \$465 worth of personal property from his 1985 Ford Thunderbird while it was parked outside a residence on Village Woods Road during the night of January 22-23.

The man said unknown individuals broke into the passenger-side window and stole a Fox Vixen radar detector valued at \$250 as well as a leather attache case containing a Lanier cassette recorder and a Texas Instruments calculator. Damage to the Thunderbird was estimated at an additional \$100.

The Novi Palmett Company at 28940 Taft Road reported the theft of nine blank checks from a padlocked check drawer in the office area sometime dur-

ing the January 25-26 weekend.

The complainant said the responsible party gained access to the desk by using a screwdriver to unscrew the hamp of the drawer.

Also stolen from the office area was a chainsaw valued at \$100.

A Shadybrook resident reported that vandals shot a hole in the front storm door window on January 25 between 8 and 11:59 p.m. The responsible parties also shot out a window in a 1984 Mercury parked in front of the residence.

Police said the damage appeared to have been done by a pellet from a BB gun. Damage to the door was pegged at \$100, while damage to the vehicle was estimated at \$250.

A Passport radar detector was stolen from a 1986 Chevrolet Corvette while it was parked outside a residence on Pheasant Run in the Novi Ridge Apartments. The theft occurred January 22 between midnight and 3 a.m.

The owner of the car, a Farmington Hills man, reported that the thieves gained access by smashing a window. The stolen radar detector was valued at \$295.

A Spectrum Whistler radar detector was stolen from a 1983 Buick Park Avenue owned by a Northville man while it was parked in the Blue Lot at Twelve Oaks on January 18.

The car was driven by the owner's 16-year-old son who he parked it at 6 p.m. and returned five minutes later to find the radar detector missing.

Investigating officers said the responsible parties appeared to have used a coat hanger to gain access to the vehicle. Stolen property was valued at \$200.

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## Novi News Briefs

ORCHARD HILLS has been recognized as one of the top 20 elementary schools in the state by the Michigan Department of Education. Superintendent Robert Piwko said the district received word last week that Orchard Hills will be recognized at a special ceremony April 22. The elementary school was recognized for the work it has done in conjunction with Wayne State University, according to Piwko.

The honor marks the first time the state Department of Education has awarded such a distinction at the elementary level.

NOVI COMMUNITY SCHOOLS will host the first three public hearings on redistricting at 7:30 p.m. tonight (Wednesday) at Village Oaks Elementary School.

Hearings also are scheduled at Novi Woods on Monday, February 10, at 7:30 p.m. and at Orchard Hills on Tuesday, February 25, at 7:30 p.m.

DRIVERS EDUCATION registration for Northville school district residents continues through Friday, February 14. For additional information, phone 349-3400.

MORE THAN 60,000 registrants participated in the various trips, special programs and special events sponsored by Novi Parks and Recreation last year. Lakeshore Park visitors accounted for most of that figure, with 31,374 visiting the city's park on the south shore of Walled Lake.

LITTLE CAESAR ENTERPRISES donated \$40 to the Camp Rainbow Individual Sponsorship for physically and mentally handicapped people, a program administered by Novi Parks and Recreation. The company also has offered to host a pizza party for 10 handicapped children.

TELECOMMUNICATOR LESLIE HIFF of the Novi Police Department was commended by South Lyon Police Chief Gerald Smith for HIFF's "calm, professional handling" of a phone call reporting a homicide in South Lyon.

"She kept the caller on the line while dispatching all necessary response personnel and was able to obtain a great deal of information from the caller which she relayed to the responding officers," Smith reported. "Ms. Hiff is a credit to her profession and to your department."

HOW MANY SOFTBALLS does it take to equip this year's youth and adult softball programs in Novi? According to the Novi Parks and Recreation Department's request for bids, 100 dozen are needed at an estimated purchase price of \$40 per dozen.

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# MDOT: widen road or no interchange

FARMINGTON HILLS — Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) officials have made it clear that an additional interchange off I-96 will not be built in Farmington Hills unless Twelve Mile is widened, according to Farmington Hills City Manager William Costick.

Costick told the city council recently that state officials have said they will not approve an interchange on a two-lane road (Twelve Mile).

The problem lies in the fact that Farmington Hills officials maintain that a Tax Incremental Financing Authority (TIFA) must be established in order to fund the widening of Twelve Mile, and officials with the Farmington Hills Schools are threatening to file a lawsuit opposing formation of a TIFA district to widen Twelve Mile.

Without TIFA financing, city officials say, Twelve Mile will not be widened. And if Twelve Mile is not widened,

MDOT will not proceed with plans for an additional interchange in Farmington Hills.

At the heart of the discussion is MDOT's I-96 Access Study which calls for the interstate highway to be widened and additional interchanges to be constructed in the Drake Road area and another near Haggerty Road.

MDOT officials plan to present the study to the federal highway commission for endorsement and approval to continue with proposed improvements.

MDOT officials formally unveiled the proposed I-96 improvements in mid-December before 40 area developers, corporate representatives and city officials from Novi and Farmington Hills.

The proposed I-96 improvements are an integral part of Farmington Hills' preliminary Twelve Mile Master Traffic Plan, which documents the need for major traffic improvements along Twelve Mile and I-96. The Master

Traffic Plan serves as the basis for the city's proposed TIFA district along the commercial corridor, west of Farmington Road.

Farmington Hills City Council created a TIFA District December 16 and designated the geographic boundaries in which the financing mechanism would be used.

Traffic exiting onto Orchard Lake Road — the city's only 1-86 interchange — adds to existing congestion from intensive development along Twelve Mile and Orchard Lake Road.

One of the recommendations in MDOT's I-96 Access Study calls for the Oakland County Road Commission, Novi and Farmington Hills to coordinate improvement projects to coincide with additional interchanges on I-96.

Specifically, the improvements that must be made include widening Twelve Mile from Orchard Lake Road to Novi

Road to a multi-lane facility.

The MDOT study also recommends that officials monitor Twelve Mile between Novi Road and Beck Road as development plans become known so that appropriate road improvements can be planned.

The Farmington Hills City Council created the TIFA District on December 16. Farmington Public Schools officials — who have publicly opposed the measure — have approximately half of the 60-day period (from December 30) to respond to the city's creation of a TIFA District.

School officials on Jan. 16 received an opinion from the State Attorney General's office on the state's TIFA Act that confirms its primary argument that the city cannot create a TIFA to help finance Twelve Mile improvements if property values within the district are not declining.

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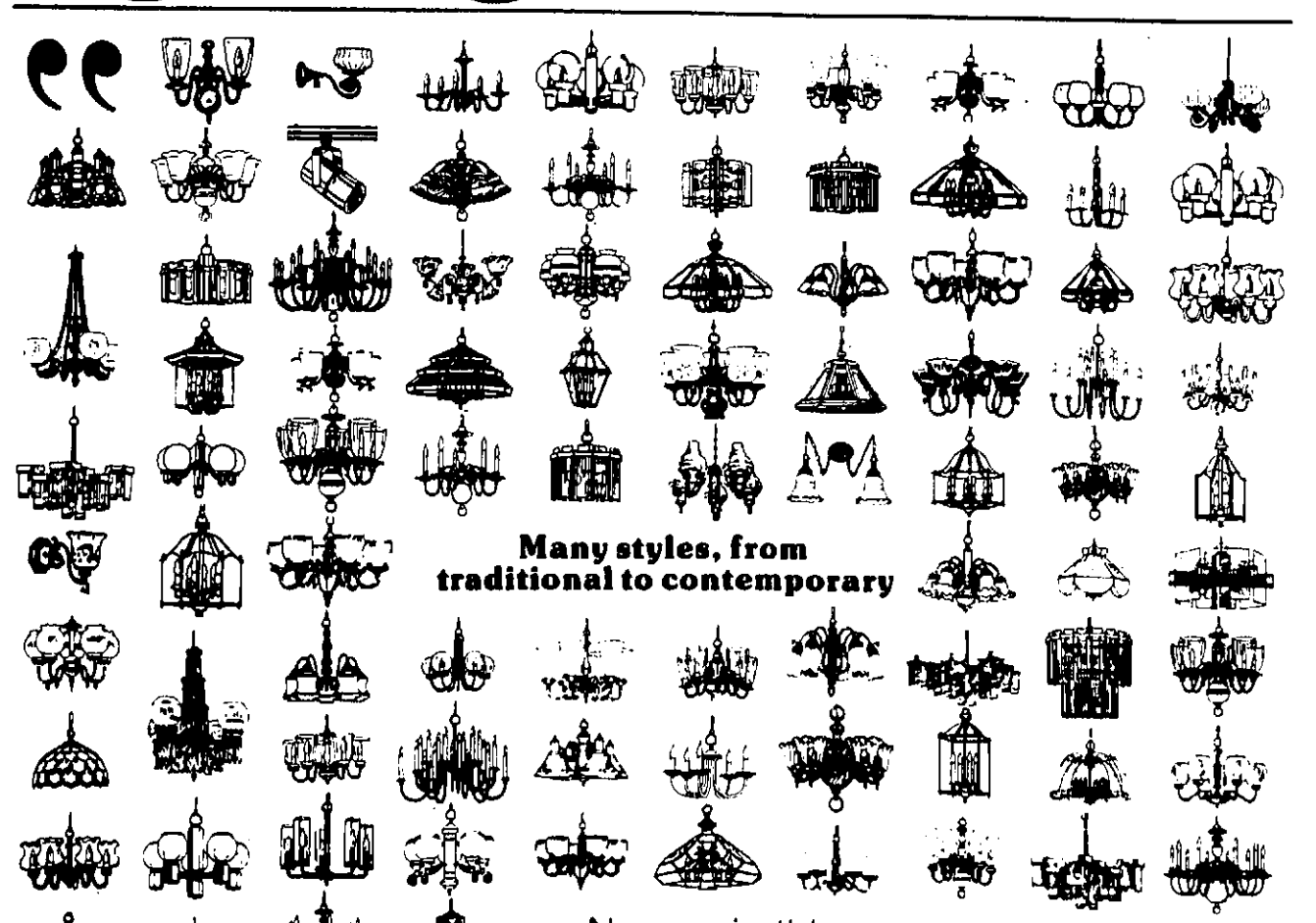
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Kathy Scullen's Middle School South students are continuing their study of space and aeronautics

# Plan carefully, 'think tank' says

Michigan businesses and unions will have to hold down wage increases, and state government must think in terms of "investing" in economic development instead of "consuming" on welfare, according to a think tank hired by the state Senate.

Metropolitan Detroit could reverse its downward slide in both city and suburbs by forward-looking planning, said the Hudson Institute, an Indianapolis-based research firm hired by Senate Majority Leader John Engler (R-Mi., Pheasant).

"We want to get the debate off who's responsible for what was and onto where we are going," said Engler at a news conference at which he unveiled the report called "Michigan Beyond 2000." The Senate put up \$200,000 of the \$450,000 cost for the report.

Engler and Hudson Institute President Tom Bell denied that the report, already the target of Democratic criticism, would be used to maul Democratic Governor James Blanchard in the 1988 election.

"The 'Comeback State' — that's yesterday," said Bell referring to Blan-

chard's current slogan. "The question here is what kind of state we'll live in tomorrow. This report is not critical of the present administration.

"A cooperative attitude is the message we want to leave," he added.

The Hudson Institute report concentrated its suggestions in four areas: 1) making industry here more cost-competitive compared to other states; 2) delivering government services more efficiently; 3) attracting college educated professionals and retirees here; and 4) adopting strategies toward entire metropolitan areas instead of just cities.

The auto industry's high wages, which set a pattern for much of the state, were seen as "the single most significant cost disadvantage... (and) there is evidence the disparity is growing."

In the welfare-economic recovery, Michigan's combined ADC (aid to families with dependent children) and general assistance caseload is half again less in 1979.

"Despite economic uncertainty, the state recently chose to add addi-

tional coverage to its Medicaid program... in harmony with Michigan's political liberalism... In another state, this silver lining might have been used to free up state funds for other purposes."

While saying Detroit had "redevelopment potential," the Hudson Institute predicted further decay in the "near future," extending beyond city limits into the nearby suburbs.

Suggestions for reversing Detroit included:

- Continue the riverfront development.
- Eliminate ambivalence or hostility toward change.
- Improve competitiveness with the suburbs for black businesses and black middle class.
- Improve cordiality to white visitors, businesses, residents and financiers.
- Do more with less — accept lower pay and fringe benefits in the short term with the long-term belief and commitment to making Detroit the "Capital of Black America."

# Shuttle's tragedy felt in classrooms

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McAuliffe's lesson plans were available to school districts across the country. Workbooks were provided by NASA to be used in conjunction with the live broadcasts.

While Challenger's mid-air explosion January 28 proved a devastating blow to the nation's space program and shattered the hopes and aspirations of educators across the country, Scullen said she was not disappointed with her space unit despite the tragedy.

"The kids are trying to learn from the tragedy," she said. "Many of the students have deep feelings about the loss of the astronauts.

"I'm trying to reinforce that if we don't try, we can't learn."

Scullen said her own reaction to the disaster was one of disbelief.

"I felt stunned," she said. "Like others I had come to expect successes from our space program."

The kids' reaction to the space shuttle was the first fatal in-flight accident among all 56 manned U.S. space missions. NASA's other major tragedy occurred on January 27, 1987, when three Apollo 1 astronauts were incinerated in their space capsule on the launching pad.

"We don't take safety for granted anymore," Scullen noted. "We have learned how tenuous life can be."

Scullen's students spent Monday in the gym flying aircraft they constructed as part of their space unit.

"We dedicated the lesson to the (Challenger) astronauts," Scullen said. She further noted students are keeping a day-to-day log of new developments in the Challenger tragedy. A bulletin board in the classroom is filled with newspaper clippings and photographs piecing together the grim picture of the nation's loss.

Scullen, who confessed an interest in astronomy, said she always has been captivated by space. Though she did not apply for the Teacher in Space Program, which thrust McAuliffe into the limelight, the Middle School South teacher noted she "certainly would like to take the plunge should the program be offered again is Julie Kaufman, a fourth grade teacher at Orchard Hills.

Kaufman, the only Novi teacher to apply to the Teacher in Space Program last spring, said that while she was "devastated" by last week's disaster, she would apply again in a minute.

Kaufman said she first became in-

terested in the program after hearing President Reagan's 1984 pledge to put a teacher in space.

"All I did was call the State Department to request my application," Kaufman noted, adding that she was requested to answer six to seven essay questions.

"I was really serious because it sounded like the opportunity of a lifetime," she remarked. "I have taught 13 years and I can't think of a better way to teach students about space."

The 33-year-old elementary teacher said she always has been interested in the space program.

"I can remember the first Mercury rocket going up when I was in the third grade," she noted. Though she has watched nearly all space missions since the early days of Apollo, Kaufman admitted the frequency of recent space programs made them seem somewhat mundane.

"That was until the 10th flight of the Challenger."

Kaufman, who works mornings at Orchard Hills through the district's shared time program, said she was driving her three-year-old daughter to a birthday party when she heard news of the explosion on the radio.

"I was in total shock," she said. "I was just awed. This was something very near and dear to me."

Kaufman said she spent a good deal of the following morning discussing the incident with her students.

"The kids really needed to talk," she said. "They asked some very candid and pointed questions."

Despite last week's tragedy, Kaufman said she still remains enthusiastic about the space program and hopes to see another civilian put into space sometime in the future.

"The danger factor never really entered my mind when I applied," she said. "I think we have to realize the success rate outweighs the two failures."

"It was an unfortunate mishap but we are going to have to learn something from it," she emphasized. "We have to go on."

While Kaufman admitted she was disappointed at not being selected as a finalist in last year's space program, she said she thought Christa McAuliffe was an excellent choice to be the first teacher in space.

"The more I read about her, the more I thought she seemed like such a neat lady," Kaufman noted.

"I think NASA selected somebody who truly represented the teaching profession."

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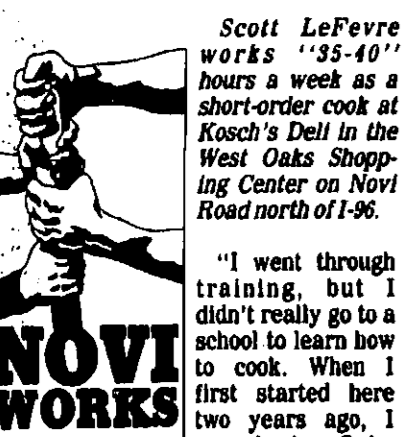
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Scott LeFevre works a 35-40 hour week as a short-order cook at Kosh's Deli in West Oaks Shopping Center on Novi Road north of I-96.

"I went through training, but I didn't really go to a school to learn how to cook. When I first started here two years ago, I was a busboy. So by the time I moved up to being cook, I pretty much knew what was going on.

"How do I fill orders so fast? It comes with practice. You start every day prepping up the place. Everything has to be prepared right. You start off bagging and cutting the meats and slicing the vegetables. Everything is kind of pre-set.

"Some days when it's busy I get around 50 orders in an hour. Usually there's a couple mistakes but they're nothing really major, maybe you'd forget 'no onions' or that somebody wanted something medium rare. If it's a mistake I make it well-done. I start all over.

"Sometimes people get mad when they're not getting their food fast enough. You just keep at it right now."



Scott LeFevre works as a cook at Kosh's Deli at West Oaks

## NYA Bowlathon coming

Novi children and adults will pair up for free bowling in the fourth annual Novi Youth Assistance (NYA) Bowlathon at the Novi Bowl on Sunday, February 16, from 9 a.m. to noon.

"We're encouraging kids and volunteers from the community to participate," said Frank Pepp, manager of Novi Bowl. "We'd like to see the kids meeting community leaders and business people."

The combined scores of the adult and child teams will determine the amount of pledge money raised. The game will be nine pin no-tap, which means if nine pins are knocked down on the first ball it is counted as a strike.

Bob Campbell, WCZY deejay, will be the master of ceremonies for the bowlathon. He will award prizes donated by local merchants to lucky bowlers and those with high scores and pledges.

Terri Tarver and Gianna Amati, co-chairpersons of the event, said more adult bowlers are needed to be paired with local kids. To participate, call NYA secretary Joan Morris at 349-8398.

NYA is an organization made up of citizen volunteers assisted by professional staff provided by Oakland County Probate Court. The City of Novi and Novi Community Schools also sponsor NYA.

Volunteers are needed to help plan and implement programs to prevent youth delinquency and neglect in Novi. Those interested in joining or requesting more information, should call 349-8398.

## New videotapes aid police

The Novi Police Department has purchased four audio-visual films in conjunction with its efforts to make Novi a better and safer place to live.

The award-winning films were developed to aid in the fight against drug and child abuse. The films are available free of charge to schools, churches, clubs and organizations through the police department's community relations office.

The four films are:

- "Drugs of Abuse." An overview of America's drug problem, explaining the five classes of abused drugs, the symptoms and the paraphernalia associated with each.
- "Marijuana in the Classroom." It will be easier to determine if a youngster has been smoking marijuana after watching this film, which is a look at the marijuana problem among today's youth.
- "The Safety Net." This film trains teachers, day care workers and other child care professionals to recognize and report suspected cases of child abuse to law enforcement officials.
- "Drugs in the Eighties." With look-alike and designed drugs and widespread use of cocaine, the drug abuse problem is increasingly complex. This film is a "state of the art" look at today's drug scene.

For additional information or to schedule a free showing of any of these films contact Captain Richard Faulkner of the Novi Police Department at 348-7100.

## Cable Listings

The Southwestern Oakland Cable Commission has announced next week's programming schedule for Channel 12, the community access branch of the MetroVision System serving Novi, Farmington and Farmington Hills.

- MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10**
- Noon - Lifestyles: Chuck Gaidica
  - 12:30 p.m. - Artist in You
  - 1 p.m. - Serendipity: Valentine's Day/preschool children
  - 1:30 p.m. - 1985 Farmington Rockets junior varsity football
  - 3 p.m. - John Akauri Show: Interview with Mr. Olympia
  - 6 p.m. - Lifestyles: Chuck Gaidica
  - 6:30 p.m. - Artist in You
  - 7 p.m. - Serendipity: Valentine's Day/preschool children
  - 7:30 p.m. - 1985 Farmington Rockets junior varsity football
  - 9 p.m. - John Akauri Show: Interview with Mr. Olympia
- TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11**
- Noon - How to Prepare Income Tax Forms 1040A and B
  - 1 p.m. - Sixth Annual Festival of Community Bands: Novi Community Band featured at Twelve Oaks Mall
  - 1:30 p.m. - Madonna Magazine: Cooperative education
  - 2 p.m. - Insight
  - 2:30 p.m. - Community Upeat: What's a Jaycee? and Why Hypnosis?
  - 3 p.m. - Backporch Video
  - How to Prepare Income Tax Forms 1040A and B
  - 7 p.m. - Sixth Annual Festival of Community Bands: Novi Community Band featured at Twelve Oaks Mall
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  - 9 p.m. - Backporch Video
- WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12**
- Noon - Health Talks: Cosmetic surgery and kidney stones
  - 12:30 p.m. - Serendipity: Valentine's Day/preschool children
  - 1 p.m. - High Blood Pressure: Stress
  - 1:30 p.m. - Splicer Property Public Hearing
  - 6 p.m. - Health Talks: Cosmetic surgery and kidney stones
  - 6:30 p.m. - Serendipity: Valentine's Day/preschool children
  - 7 p.m. - High Blood Pressure: Stress
  - 7:30 p.m. - Splicer Property Public Hearing
- THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13**
- Noon - Perceptions: Petra Knight
  - 12:30 p.m. - Library Express: Valentine's Day
  - 1 p.m. - Keeping in Touch: Adult Day Care
  - 1:30 p.m. - Viewpoint: City of Farmington Hills
  - 2 p.m. - Insight
  - 2:30 p.m. - Community Upeat
  - 3 p.m. - In One Ear
  - 3:30 p.m. - Art in Review: Oakland Community College
  - 4 p.m. - Oakland County Connection
  - 6 p.m. - Perceptions: Petra Knight
  - 6:30 p.m. - Library Express: Valentine's Day
  - 7 p.m. - Shores of Your Mind Special: The Shuttle Disaster
  - 7:30 p.m. - Viewpoint: City of Farmington Hills
  - 8 p.m. - Insight
  - 8:30 p.m. - Community Upeat
  - 9 p.m. - In One Ear
  - 9:30 p.m. - Art in Review: Oakland Community College
- FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14**
- 4-8 p.m. - Call in the morning to ask that your favorite Channel 12 show be rerun between 4-8 p.m.

## SWOCC helps cable subscribers

Lark Samouelian wants Novi-area residents to remember that the Southwestern Oakland Cable Commission (SWOCC) is intended to help cable television subscribers.

"In general, they should contact us if they have questions that are not being addressed," said Samouelian, executive director of the cable commission. "It never hurts to ask. We won't think it's a silly question. That's what we're here for."

Samouelian's office is located in Farmington City Hall. SWOCC representatives can be reached by calling 473-7266 or 473-7267.

SWOCC is a consortium comprised of representatives from Novi, Farmington and Farmington Hills - the three cities involved in a 15-year franchise with MetroVision Cable Company of Oakland County. The cities are heading into the fourth year of the franchise.

Consumers should call the cable company directly for problems with service. But if questions and concerns are not addressed or problems solved, consumers should contact Samouelian's office. The same goes if service representatives do not keep appointments or if consumers have trouble reaching the cable company.

Although Samouelian wants to hear from consumers, some things should be kept in mind regarding MetroVision's operations and the entire cable industry.

Samouelian said she frequently gets calls about MetroVision's monthly billing, programming, trouble in getting through to the cable company and cable service for apartments.

**Samouelian: 'They should contact us if they have questions that are not being addressed. It never hurts to ask ... that's what we're here for.'**

"At the first of the month, MetroVision's phones are always busy. People are asking why is the price on the bill different than was quoted," said Samouelian.

If cable service began in the middle of the month, the consumer's bill will reflect the rate for the coming month plus the two or more weeks in the previous month. "The bill is retroactive," she said.

Busy phones, she continued, do not mean MetroVision has taken them off the hook. Although problems existed with the company's phone system more than a year ago, company officials have since changed the phone system "and worked out the bugs," she asserted.

Samouelian called programming an "interesting dilemma."

Consumers often complain about the selection of programs, especially on the movie channels because of the number of repeats. "But the cable company has no jurisdiction over the scheduling of programming over HBO or anything like that. But we (SWOCC) do have addresses (for HBO and other movie channels) so we can write and complain," she said.

As far as cable service in apartments, residents should contact the manager to determine whether a contract has been negotiated with MetroVision. Samouelian said, "Cable is to be available to everyone who is within the density requirements - 30 homes to a strand mile."

Although other problems arise with service - poor reception and sprinkler lines cut during cable line installation, for example - frustration can be reduced if consumers read the information provided by the cable company when they first subscribe.

Problems are not the only thing that

consumers can contact Samouelian about. She'd like to hear from people interested in understanding the cable industry or producing shows.

Approximately 500 people in the tri-city area have been trained and certified to produce cable access programs. Workshops are available through SWOCC and MetroVision.

"It really is educating them (residents) to cable industry terms and a way of communicating that is going to be standard," she said. "And it's free education. It is the only spectrum on TV that you can see and address your neighbor. We want to encourage people to share their talents," she said.

SWOCC and MetroVision also have internships for students. SWOCC offers four- and six-month internships that provide students with an opportunity to produce a show in the community.

"They are really producers, directors and video editors. They learn how to use the video equipment."

Most of the interning college students are majoring in telecommunication, public relations or journalism.

MetroVision's internships are designed to interest students in working with the cable equipment by helping residents who produce their own shows. Students have a chance to do actual cable casting, and now they can produce a show.

Samouelian also noted that residents can tour MetroVision production facilities to see how the system operates.

Interested residents should call the SWOCC office. Residents also are encouraged to attend the quarterly SWOCC meetings at Farmington City Hall.

## Workout advised before winter sports

Michigan has always been referred to as a "Water Wonderland." With the arrival of winter, the water turns to ice and snow, making our state a haven for winter sports enthusiasts.

Cross-country and downhill skiing, ice skating, tobogganing and snowmobiling are but a few of the winter activities to be enjoyed.

But for the unconditioned, such vigorous exercise can be dangerous, according to Rose Snyder, athletic trainer at Henry Ford Hospital's Center for Athletic Medicine.

Before you head outdoors for a winter activity - whether it be your favorite sport or just to shovel the snow - plan to stay within any physical limitations directed by your doctor and do some limbering up exercises to prevent possible injury. "You should stretch out before and after to loosen the muscles," Snyder said.

A good start is three to five minutes of jumping jacks or running in place. Next, you need to thoroughly stretch your back thigh muscle, or hamstring,

and your back muscles. Sit on the floor with your legs stretched out in front of you; bend forward at your waist and touch your toes. Hold each stretch for 30 seconds, repeating the exercise at least three times. Do not bounce, just stretch.

The unbearable cold winter weather can tax the body, and there's nothing worse than ruining the fun by dressing improperly for your planned event. If you're going to do vigorous exercise outdoors, it is best to dress in layers of clothing. The layers can be removed as your body warms up. Layers also provide more warmth since they trap pockets of air. "You should wear something that is absorbent such as cotton that allows the skin to breathe," Snyder said. "On windy days, a wind-breaking layer helps."

Snyder also suggests wearing a hat or other head covering. On bitterly cold days, breathe through a scarf or mask to warm and moisten the air before it enters your lungs. "Make yourself aware of the conditions you'll be facing," she said. "The most important thing is to protect exposed areas from frostbite."

During this time of especially cold weather, Henry Ford Hospital's Department of Emergency Medicine offers these suggestions for frostbite prevention:

- Wear multiple layers of clothing rather than just one heavy coat.
- Cover your face, nose and especially your head.
- Wear two pairs of gloves rather than just one pair.
- If any part of your clothing gets wet, change it immediately.

If a burning sensation or numbness occurs on any part of the body, warm that part with another part of the body. For example, warm your feet or ears with your hands. If a part of your body does freeze, warm it as soon as possible and be very careful not to let it refreeze. Symptoms of frostbite include a painful, cold sensation; burning, tingling or numbness; and redness of skin, followed by a white or blanching look.

Initial treatment of suspected frostbite should include getting out of the cold; re-warming the affected area of the body; covering the exposed areas with warm clothing and a warm part of the body and warming the affected area in warm water for 15-20 minutes.

It is very important that you re-warm a frostbite area completely and rapidly only once. You must not allow a re-warmed area to get cold again or refreeze. If this is likely to happen before you arrive at your destination or at a doctor's office or hospital, initial re-warming should be withheld.

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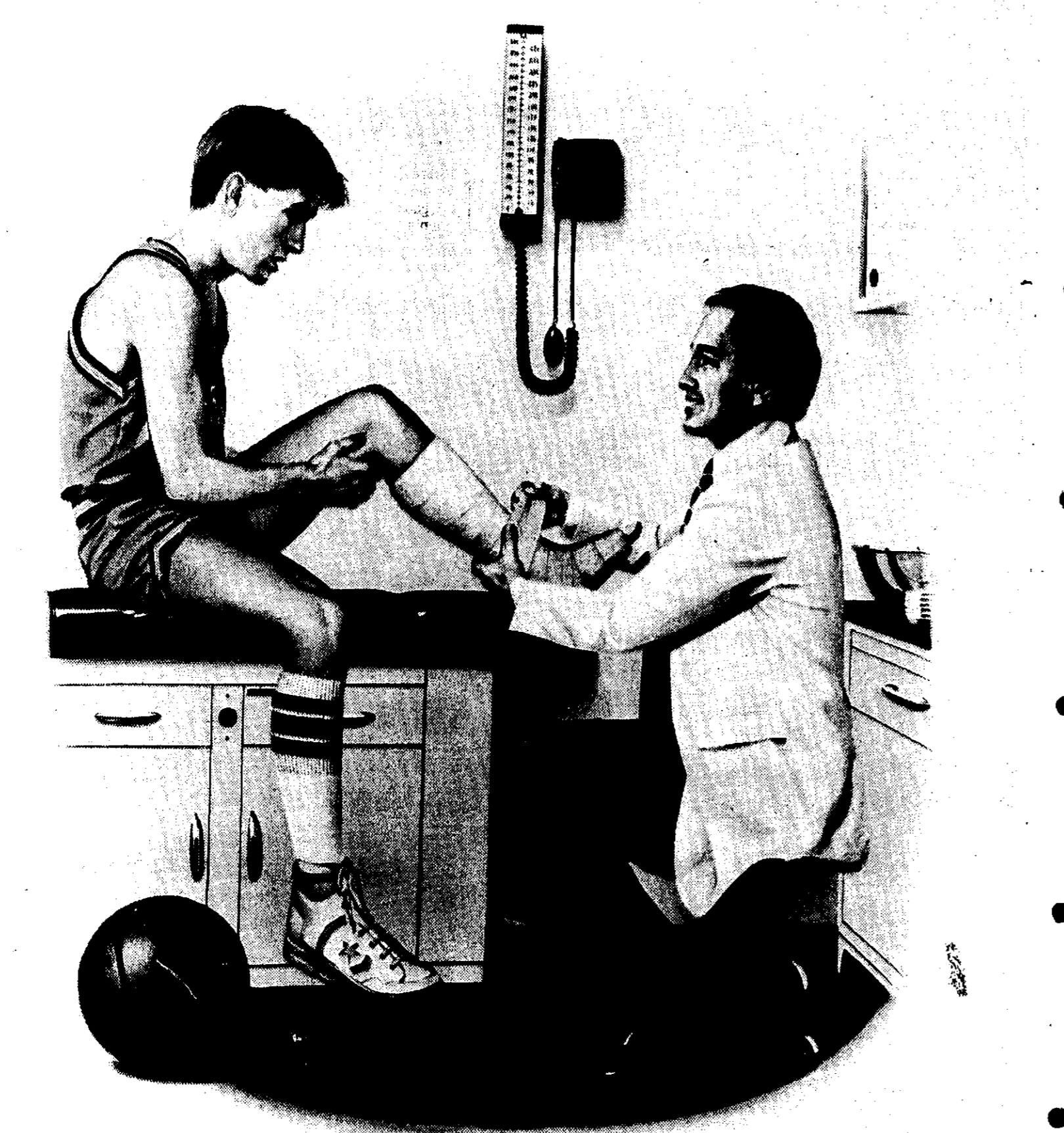
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Real estate	1,234,567
Other assets	987,654
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>24,234,567</b>
Liabilities	Thousands of dollars
Deposits	18,765,432
Other liabilities	5,469,135
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>24,234,567</b>

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# Tax break request

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 original project therefore could not qualify as a district eligible for TIFA assistance.

But representatives of the Dallas Market Center did not have far to look to find property that would qualify under Kelley's strict interpretation of the statute.

The TIFA district boundaries developers submitted last week included property immediately south of the parcels where the Dallas Market Center plans to build an expo-fashion center at an estimated cost of \$5.5 to \$8.5 million.

Specifically, the proposed district extends south all the way to Grand River, encompassing the depreciating Portec, Inc. plant as well as the entire northwest quadrant of the Town Center.

If the entire district is ruled eligible for TIFA financing, and if the city council approves the TIFA, officials suggest it may be possible to complete a "ring-road" servicing the Town Center district. Among other improvements, Portec may be allowed to move its operations further west to permit development of a more desirable Town Center environment.

Taken in its entirety the district the Dallas Market Center proposes is declining in assessed value, Merrifield confirmed Monday.

"Much of the property is landlocked. The road systems are terrible," Merrifield said Monday. "For that property west of the commercial land fronting Novi Road we can see nothing other than a five to 10 percent annual decline in market value with it leveling off sometime in the future. That's not an unreasonable expectation."

Merrifield added he "has some problems" with whether the retail and restaurant properties facing Novi Road should be included in the TIFA district, but he affirmed the boundaries proposed by Trammell Crow qualify with the letter of the law in declining value.

Novi City Council, if it decides to enact a TIFA following a public hearing in March, has the option of striking property out of the district without having to schedule an additional public hearing.

Representatives of the Dallas Market Center revealed a good deal of new information concerning their project (see accompanying article) in defense of creating the district. According to their projections, which Merrifield described as "conservative," the TIFA will generate \$38.6 million in tax revenue between 1986-1996.

If the convention center property remains undeveloped (not likely, but almost certainly to a lesser extent than Dallas Market Center proposes), it would bring in \$2.5 million during that same period.

In stating their case in favor of the TIFA, Dallas Market Center described six advantages to the community:

1. The \$38.6 million in added tax revenues over the next decade;

2. Easing of traffic congestion through added road systems providing two exits to Twelve Mile. The convention center's TIFA district roads also would connect to new roads to be financed through a special assessment district for properties located to the northwest. City engineers currently are attempting to pin down a special assessment district agreement with Section 15 property holders.

3. City taxpayers will not have to pay back the state the \$400,000 used for ramp improvements the state approved because of the promised convention center.

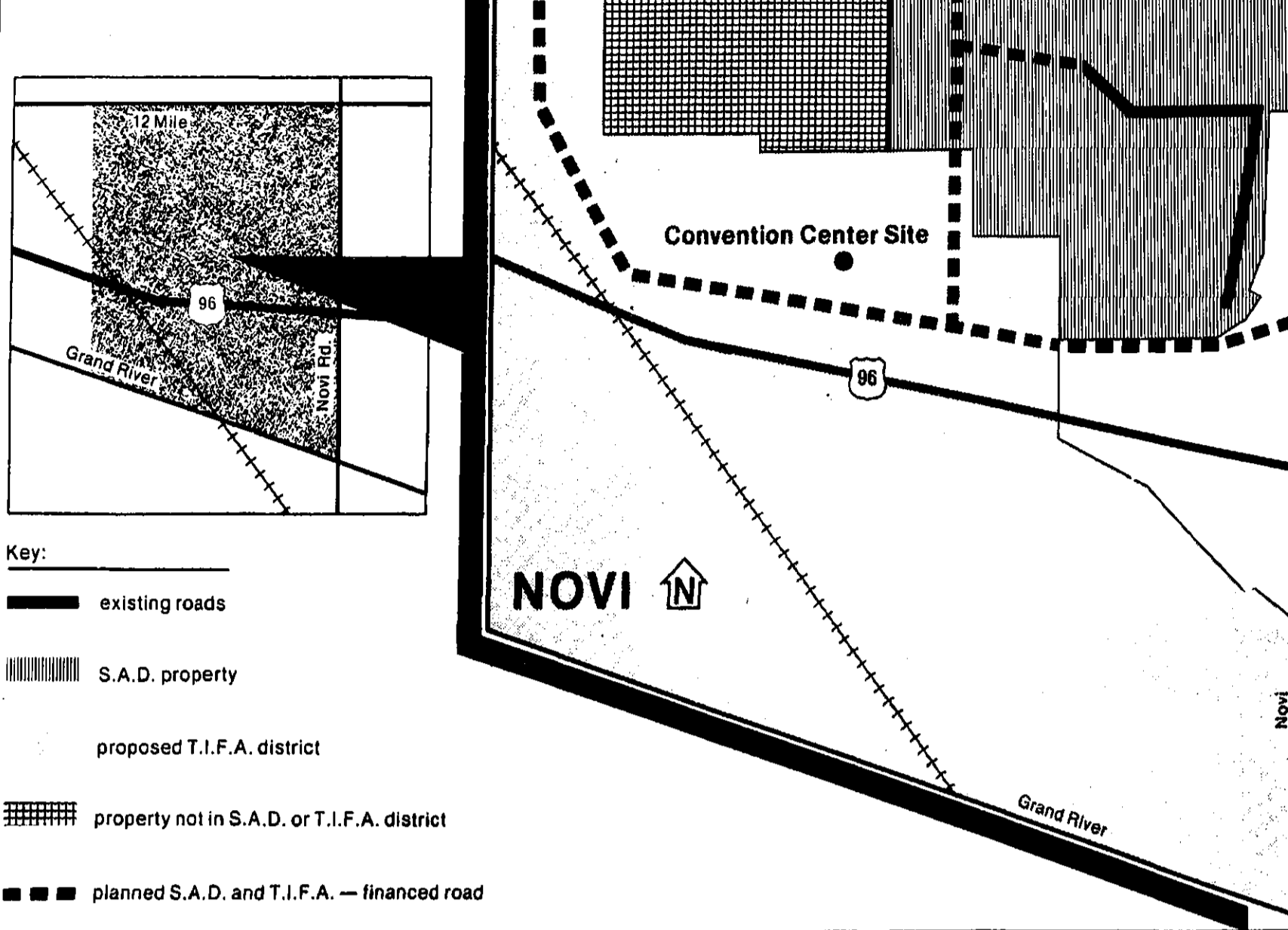
4. The city will recoup \$300,000 in engineering fees from the proposed special assessment district (which would not likely proceed promptly without the convention center).

5. More than 1,000 jobs would be created from the \$56.7 million in added Expo Center business.

6. The "quality image" long pursued by city officials would be possible, giving an impressive gateway to Novi at I-96 and Novi Road.

According to Mike Broomell of the Dallas Market Center, it's possible the short-term tax revenues lost to the Novi school district would be made up in six years — but financial arrangements made by the company are timed for approval by April 15.

Map — Showing Proposed Tax Increment Financing Authority (T.I.F.A.), and Special Assessment Districts (S.A.D.), proposed Convention Center Site and proposed new roadways.



Key:  
 — existing roads  
 ■ S.A.D. property  
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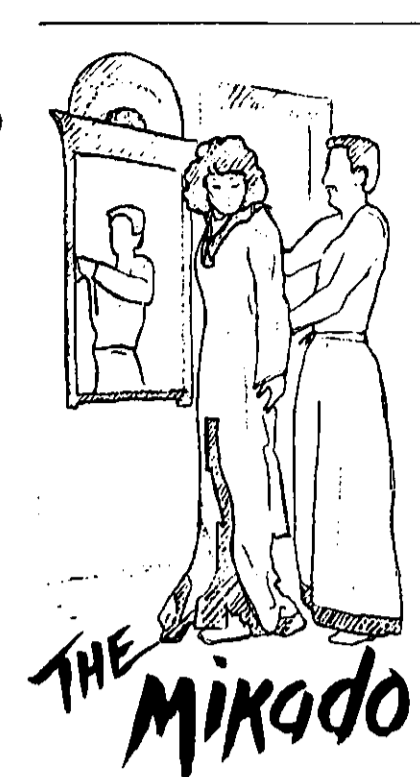
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**"THE FANTASTICKS,"** the longest running musical in the world, is being performed at the Actors Alliance Theatre Company, 5080 Evergreen Road (at the corner of Thirteen Mile) in Southfield. Four performances of the popular production will be offered each weekend through February 22 — Fridays at 8:30 p.m., Saturdays at 5:30 and 9 p.m. and Sundays at 5:30 p.m. Tickets prices are \$9 on Fridays, \$8 on Saturdays at 5:30 p.m. and \$10 on Saturdays at 9 p.m. and \$8 on Sundays. Call 642-1326 for reservations or more information.

**A ONE-MAN SHOW** entitled "An Evening with Abraham Lincoln" will be presented at the Trinity House in Livonia. Jack Bradford will present the show at 8 p.m. on February 7-8. Trinity House is located on the northwest corner of Six Mile and 1275 in Livonia. The program is an intimate portrait of one of our greatest presidents taken from his words and thoughts. Tickets are priced at \$4 and reservations are available by calling 464-6302.

**STAGE I PRODUCTIONS**, the amateur theater group based in Novi, will present "Bell, Book and Candle" on February 7, 8 and 9 and February 14-15 at the Novi Community Building. The comedy is about a conniving witch who casts a spell on a young, unattached publisher. He falls head over heels in love with her as a result. Supernaturalism is shown on the lighter side in this comedy. Performances begin at 8 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays and at 7 p.m. on Sunday, February 9. Tickets are priced at \$4; call 349-7673 for more information.

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Kevin Brady of Wixom and Candelora Versace of Bloomfield Hills rehearse a scene from State I Productions' performance of "Bell, Book and Candle." The comedy is about a conniving young witch (Versace) who casts a spell on a young, unattached publisher (Brady). The play opens this Friday at the Novi Community Building on Novi Road between Grand River and I-96. Performances are slated this Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. and this Sunday at 7 p.m. The production also is slated next Friday and Saturday, February 14-15, at 8 p.m. For ticket information call 349-7673.

## Churches face limits

Tighter regulations for churches, synagogues or other places of worship to be located in the City of Novi are being suggested by City Planning Consultant Brandon Rogers.

Among the ordinance alternatives Rogers is proposing are:  
 □ Establishing that the proposed site for a church not be less than 2 to 5 acres, that no parking be permitted in the required front yard and that the church site be adjacent to a major thoroughfare.  
 □ Establishing a minimum lot width of 150 feet.  
 □ That use be permitted in high-density and low-density residential areas.

## Seismic permit set

A permit to conduct geologic tests for oil and gas will be required from the Novi Department of Public Services from now on.  
 That's the result of action taken by the Novi City Council at Monday's meeting. The council approved the ordinance in response to complaints and concerns over explosive seismic testing near Echo Valley subdivision last fall. According to the terms of the permit, an applicant wishing to conduct seismic testing must fill out, sign and file a permit application and filing fee of \$25. The application would include information about the time and location of the testing.

The application would be reviewed by the Department of Public Services director or a designee to determine whether the proposed testing will have a detrimental impact on adjacent or neighboring property owners. Seismic testing involves the use of explosives to test the density of various layers of sediment.

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By JEAN DAY  
editor

**NORTHVILLE**—If all goes as planned, construction could begin on a revised 100 Center project at the southwest corner of Main and Center streets in downtown Northville sometime this summer.

Six weeks after the property went back on the market and Paul N. Hoffmann's dream for the center of town ended when he was unable to secure financing by his option deadline, the owners — the Ten Grand Club — have a new buyer.

Philip Ogilvie, a Ten Grand member, announced last week that the nine members of the Ten Grand have accepted the offer of Equity Advance in Birmingham to purchase the property.

He said a "substantial," non-refundable deposit had been accepted and is being held by Switzer Real Estate Inc. in Plymouth with purchase to be completed in 60 days. Dave Owens from that office and Stan Tomaga of Stanley Realty and Management Inc. in Plymouth handled the sale.

A spokesperson (who did not want to be identified) for the new investor, said Equity Advance was talking with Northville architect Walter Capoen who had drawn up the plans for the original six-story complex of shops, offices, restaurant and residential apartments.

"He's done a lot of background work and most likely will use his services. The outside will be virtually the same, but new studies will be done on the site."

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side," he said. Equity Advance, a firm incorporated in 1983, it was explained, has a background in residential units, mostly upscale, and "has been doing projects for six years."

Residential use, the spokesperson said, is what Equity Advance had in mind for the property "along with some retail and some office."

"A big reason Equity Advance took a large interest in the property was that we were looking at the Northville area."

He mentioned that the downtown renovation "makes us comfortable knowing the town is involved."

Equity Advance was described as a small company that gets involved with joint venture capital and with limited partnership syndications. The spokesperson added that Equity Advance owns several residential units in Birmingham and is looking at expanding in other northern suburbs and Northville.

He said Equity Advance will be talking with builders, including R.E. Daley, and taking bids but really

doesn't have a construction timetable at this time. Daley, a general contractor, Ten Grand said they understood, had been doing preliminary soil borings for Hoffmann.

Equity Advance also indicated that local interest has been shown in participating financially with the firm.

Ogilvie stated the Ten Grand group had agreed to sell to Equity Advance because it "liked the concept of what was being planned for the site."

Ogilvie said the plans would likely have to go back for minor revisions and he didn't expect the new owners would have any problem.

It was emphasized that Hoffmann is not part of the new group. Ogilvie added that Ten Grand had opportunities to sell parts of the property separately but held out for one owner in the interest of developing the property in the most desirable way for the city.

"Frankly, we would have netted more selling it in separate pieces," he commented.

Equity Advance's spokesperson said its interest lies in "upscale rental units — we tend to cater to very stable, upper

middle clientele."

There has been discussion of designing the units so that they could be converted to private, condo ownership, he added.

Equity Advance, he said, is aware of the liquor license that goes with the bowling alley cocktail lounge and there has been discussion regarding a restaurant but nothing has been committed, leaving several options open.

Questioned about whether Equity Advance would be interested in the Winner's Circle building, he said there was no interest at this point as it was felt Equity Advance "can accomplish our purpose without the acquisition."

The previous plans for the 100 Center Street complex had received all the necessary municipal approvals.

The purchase price sought by the Ten Grand group was indicated as being "in excess of \$500,000."

In addition to Ogilvie, members of Ten Grand are A.M. Allen, Stan Johnson, Donald DiDome, Ervin Kamp, William Finkel, John M. Miller, Linwood Snow Jr. and Robert Hodson.

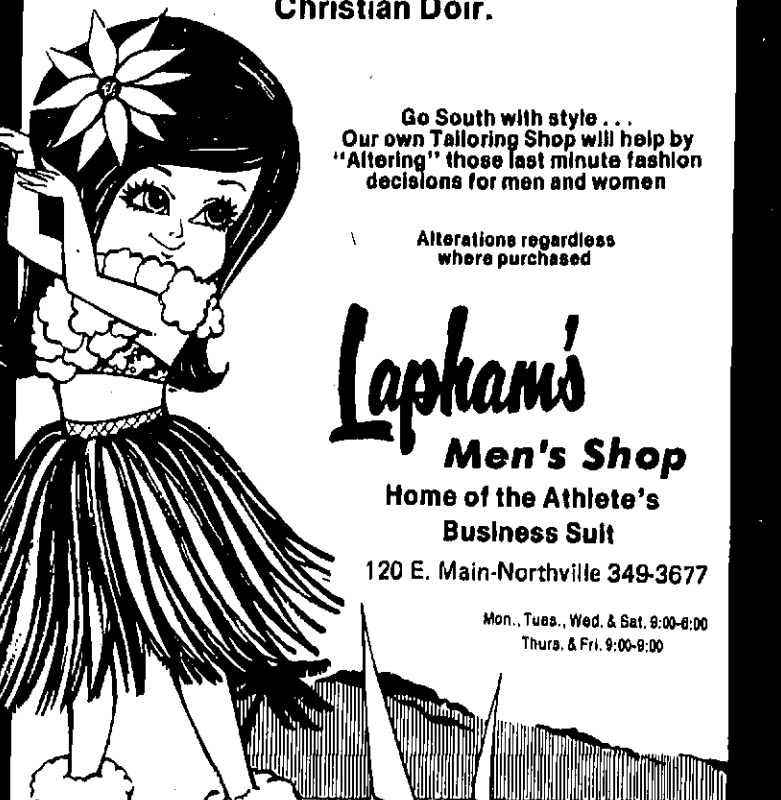
In announcing Hoffmann's failure to complete the purchase arrangement in December, Ogilvie noted that during the previous 10 months Hoffmann had spent a great deal of money as he had a complete architectural plan for the property which had been approved by the Downtown Development Authority.

He said that Hoffmann had stated repeatedly that "money is not a problem."

so that Ten Grand members decided not to extend the option in December when he could not raise the \$500,000 Hoffman made no statement then on advice of his attorney.

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The Novi Library is instituting a new program called "Adopt A Magazine" because of what staffers call the "wide-ranging tastes of a community like

Novi."

To satisfy those tastes, the library staffers are asking for donations of subscriptions to specialized magazines going beyond the library's basic general collection.

The purpose of the program is to engage the subject content of the library's magazine collection and thereby expose the community to a wider variety of current thoughts and ideas. Subscriptions can be for one or more years; there is no obligation to renew the subscription once it expires. All subscriptions are tax-deductible as a gift.

If you like the idea but cannot think of a specific title to donate, library staffers have compiled a "wish list" of magazines that would be appropriate to add to the collection.

Copies of the donation form and the wish list are available at the library. For more information call 349-0720.

## How to get information on snow days

The Novi Community School District advises parents that the best way to find out if school will be in session during winter storms is to tune their radio dials to WJR, WXYZ or WWJ.

"Each winter there are several days on which schools in southeastern Michigan are forced to close because of inclement weather," noted Assistant Superintendent Dr. William Barr.

"On those days, many schools in the selected areas are virtually swamped with telephone calls from concerned parents and students, inquiring whether or not their school will be conducting classes.

"To help alleviate this problem," he continues, "the administration has made special arrangements with selected area radio stations to provide weather-related status reports to the public."

## CITY OF NOVI NOTICE OF ENACTMENT ORDINANCE 86-18.17

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Novi City Council has adopted Ordinance 86-18.17, an Ordinance to amend sections 8 and 9 of Section 3005 of Ordinance No. 84-18, as amended, the City of Novi Zoning Ordinance, so as to provide for the issuance of Temporary and Final Certificates of Occupancy and the posting of security for completion of buildings and structures, or parts thereof, in accordance with the provisions of Section 4 of Act No. 207, of the Public Acts of 1921, as amended, the provisions of this Ordinance shall become effective fifteen (15) days after adoption. The Ordinance was adopted on February 3, 1986, and the effective date is February 19, 1986.

**CITY OF NOVI NOTICE OF ENACTMENT ORDINANCE 86-18.11**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Novi City Council has adopted Ordinance 86-18.11, an Ordinance to amend Section 31.06 of Ordinance 84-18, the City of Novi Zoning Ordinance as amended, to provide for Notice of Hearings held by the Board of Appeals.

A complete copy of the Ordinance is available for public use, purchase and inspection at the office of the City Clerk, during the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. local time.

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## Area Briefs

**PARKS AND RECREATION PROGRAMS** should become more popular in West Bloomfield in the months ahead. The West Bloomfield Parks and Recreation Commission has retained the services of a Birmingham-based marketing consulting firm to help it market its programs.

The commission has approved a six-month contract in the amount of \$6,000 with Salogor and Associates, Marketing Communications Consulting of Birmingham. The firm previously developed a communications program for the Oakland County Parks Department.

Parks and Recreation Director Joey Spano said the intent is that the professional firm will help train employees in terms of marketing, publicity, promotion and effective communication with the press. "We want to try to market our programs better, using their expertise on a short-term basis. We want to try to establish our identity more," he said.

**TWO NEW HOUSING PROJECTS** for the elderly have received approvals from the Farmington Hills City Council.

The council has approved rezoning requests from the Finnish Cultural Association (FCA) and the Chaldean Catholic Church of the USA to accommodate senior citizen housing.

The FCA already has 88 apartment units under construction adjacent to the Finnish Cultural Center on Eight Mile, west of Gill Road. The rezoning of an additional 2.1 acres at that location will permit construction of 26 additional units.

The Chaldean Catholic Church of the USA received approval of a rezoning request for 6.8 acres of a 20-acre site east of Middlebelt Road and north of Ten Mile. Church officials are in the early planning stages and are unsure how many apartments will be built.

**ACTION ON A MASSAGE PARLOR ORDINANCE** has been tabled until February 17 by the Farmington Hills City Council.

The council postponed approval of the proposed ordinance after hearing objections from licensed and certified employees and owners of area health spas and beauty institutes. Officials of the state's two massage associations — the Michigan chapter of the American Massage Therapy Association and the Michigan State Association of Myoanatomists — objected to the ordinance which, as proposed, would not exempt their members, who are trained and certified.

The council has introduced the city's first ordinance designed to license and regulate massage parlors, massage schools, sauna baths and spas. The proposed ordinance, patterned after one adopted by the Royal Oak City Council, includes the controversial provision prohibiting massage services provided by members of the opposite sex.

**THE WEST BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP** Board has decided to take adoption of the Woodlands Protection Ordinance into its own hands.

The board voted recently to bypass the planning commission and bring the ordinance up for adoption after a developer cut down a large quantity of trees in the Aldingbrook subdivision, which is under construction on Drake Road near Walnut Lake Road.

The planning board has been working on the Woodlands Protection Ordinance for the past nine years.

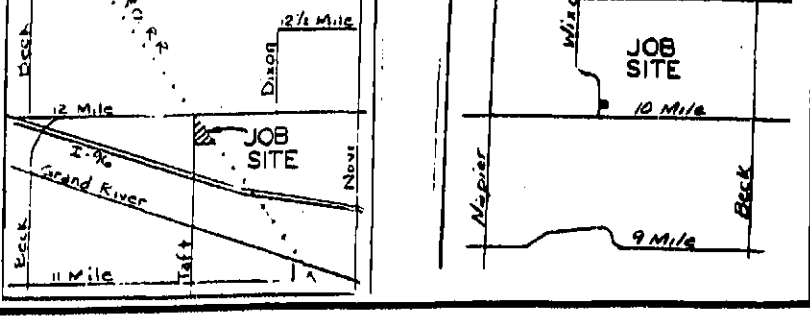
The township board decided to take the ordinance into its own hands after the Bestak Company, developers of the Aldingbrook subdivision, removed all the trees from two of three acres in the Aldingbrook project. A resident claimed that Bestak workers cut down 25 to 30 trees of 12-24 inches in diameter.

However, Township Supervisor Robert Tindale said the tree clearing to make way for 19 town houses complied with the approved site plan for the third phase of the development.

## CITY OF NOVI NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Board of the City of Novi will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, February 19, 1986 at 7:30 p.m. EST in the Novi Public Library, 45245 West Ten Mile Rd., Novi, MI regarding Deerbrook Subdivision to be located S. of 9 Mile & W. of Meadowbrook Rd.

All interested persons are invited to attend. Information concerning the proposal is available at the Dept. of Community Development and any written comments may be sent to that dept. at 45225 W. Ten Mile Rd., Novi, MI 48050 until 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, February 19, 1986.



## Officials issue joint statement

The following statement of purpose was issued with the joint approval of Novi City Council and the Novi Planning Board following a meeting on Saturday:

"Novi is a diverse and balanced community. We want businesses of all sizes to thrive here. Offices of major national corporations and of local individuals should be able to operate here in the most pleasant of surroundings. We should have a place for clean industries to develop and produce the finest of modern technology."

"With full recognition of our responsibility to plan for a city that can 'attract itself,' we will encourage commercial investment in the community and the innovative and ambitious use of property. But this encouragement will be given only to the extent that such use have a positive effect on the people who live here. Sound planning considerations must prevail over untempered market place demands."

"The cornerstone of our community is its residential neighborhoods. Our most precious commodity is our open land and natural environment. Our ideal is for each resident to be able to see as much open sky and natural beauty as possible. We are committed to always take the greatest care when anything is built on our precious land."

"We will make every effort to preserve our tree resources and wetlands, to guard our air and soil from contamination, to protect our natural woodlands, to save as many trees as possible in any type of development, and to plant still more trees along our streets and throughout the city for future generations."

"Because the spaces between each other, our individual privacy and the open areas which are available to us are essential elements to the quality of our lives, our ultimate population and the overall density of population within our city may be lower than that which a totally unrestricted market might dictate. We realize that what makes us feel good about ourselves and where we live

may not always be what "sells." It is our intention to demand the highest quality development in our city to enhance our lives and those of future generations. We are concerned that the overall quality and well-planned atmosphere of the city will go well beyond our residential areas, and will evidence itself in commercial profits as well.

"The quality and design of buildings can be related to our quality of life. We will seek a variety of beautiful architecture. We desire extensive green plantings and landscapes uncluttered by garish signs. There should be significant setback distances between buildings and between different uses."

"The stability of a community can be reflected in the structure of its buildings. This is why we will encourage design and building materials purposes will serve as a positive aesthetic force to enhance the general visual impression of the city."

"Factors beyond our time and control have provided us with a multiplicity of school and postal districts. To achieve a strengthened oneness of community spirit, we will continue to pursue elimination of these divisive boundaries."

"We seek a city that is united in purpose and identity. Our history and character as a city are unique. It is our objective to find and develop symbols of that uniqueness as expressions of our collective personality."

"Outside is a city of warmth and welcome. We encourage visitors from our city who limits to enjoy our excellent shopping, top hotel and convention facilities and other historic, cultural and recreational attractions. We hope their fond memories will be not only of museums and boutiques or pleasant accommodations, but of the beauty and "feel" of the city itself.

## Hot-line offered to curb drunk drivers

Michigan citizens are urged to help the Michigan State Police combat the problem of drunk driving by calling a special toll-free hotline — 1-800-525-5665.

Colonel Gerald Hough, department director, said that drunk driving is not just a police problem, it's everyone's problem. Although 80,000 arrests are made statewide by law enforcement agencies, Hough said the statistic represents only a small percentage of the offenders.

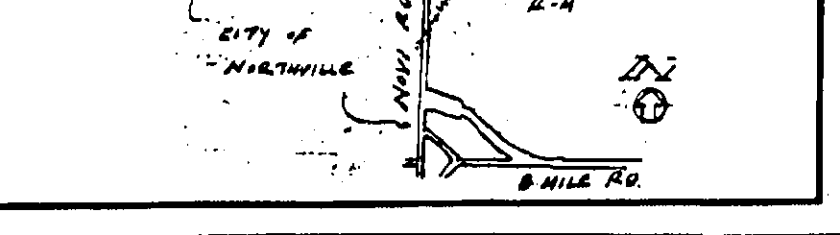
The toll-free number will be in operation 24 hours per day for citizens to report intoxicated drivers. It is the first time a hotline has been used in the state to increase the opportunity for removing drunk drivers from the roads. To report a suspected drunk driver, citizens should call 1-800-525-5665.

They should provide the location and direction of travel, vehicle description, license number and be able to describe the type of erratic driving observed.

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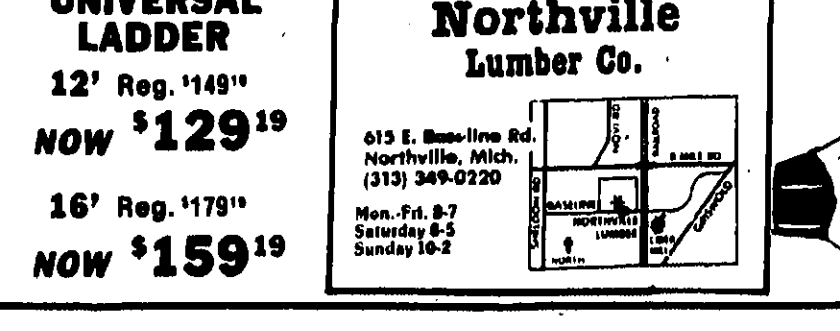
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## As We See It

### Young's overture offers opportunity

In the past month, free of the need to pander to voters in an election year such as 1985, Detroit Mayor Coleman Young has twice said publicly that regional cooperation is the only way for both city and suburbs to thrive in the long term. Both in his inaugural address and his State of the City speech, Young suggested that he will be more open-minded in his dealings with suburban leaders.

While such a recognition of common sense on Young's part may be late in arriving, it is noteworthy. In December, 1984 we published an editorial in this space urging more cooperative relationships between suburban communities and the City of Detroit. We were roundly criticized for suggesting that any such thing could be accomplished while Coleman Young is mayor of Detroit. Now that Young seems to be opening the door to a more cooperative period, we must urge suburban leaders to reconsider their stance.

We expect that many in the suburbs will reject the suggestion that anything has changed. "Mere rhetoric," was one explanation we were offered. "He wants something from us, and once he gets it he'll go back to screaming at us and calling us racists."

That Young wants something from the suburbs is clear — he needs more cooperation to accomplish some of the goals he has for his city, including items like the Cobo Hall expansion and a public transportation system that works. He may need to seek support for casino gambling in the city. He isn't stupid — he knows the continued rebirth of the downtown and riverfront areas relies heavily on

suburbanites drawn to the business and events of the city, and that his own inflammatory rhetoric puts off some potential contributors to renewal.

We suspect there is more to Young's apparent conversion than that, however. In the past year, he has been active with the "Big Four," a shorthand reference to conferences between the Detroit mayor, the Oakland and Wayne County executives and the Macomb County board of commissioners chairman. The meetings have been cordial and productive, by all accounts, and it may be that Young has learned from experience that it is far easier to accomplish things by cooperating with one another than by pushing a steamroller over the opposition.

A couple of mayoral statements, of course, don't make everything sweetness and light. There are definite competing interests between the city and suburbs which will not go away, and the day will come when suburban leaders will find Young has once again employed the political clout he carries as mayor of this state's largest city to accomplish something he wants at their expense.

That should not preclude efforts to work together for the common good of southeastern Michigan. To reprise our comments of 13 months ago: A bustling Northville or booming Novi may thrive for a time despite decay in Detroit. Detroit may make some gains at the expense of its suburbs. But neither side in this endless division will ever reach its full potential without some union of efforts.

## Solutions needed

Novi residents will have their first opportunity tonight (Wednesday) to comment on a redistricting proposal submitted January 23 to the Novi Board of Education.

The proposal, which redraws the district's long-standing boundaries to alleviate the current overcrowding problem at Novi Woods and make more effective use of the two remaining elementary schools, not only deserves the community's serious consideration — but its input as well.

The proposed plan is an ambitious project worked out over many months by a committee of 15 residents. It is important to note that while the citizens' committee studying the school district's facilities and enrollment has recommended the board approve its redistricting plan, it is by no means etched in stone. The Novi Board of Education is giving residents ample opportunity to voice their concerns and suggestions at three public hearings scheduled throughout the month.

Redrawing school district boundaries is among the most emotional issues (aside from school closings) faced by a community. It also can be among the most divisive. We urge all residents to thoroughly examine the committee's proposal and take into account the reason for its inception.

At the start of the 1985-86 school year, parents protested the overcrowding situation at Novi Woods — and rightfully so. With nearly all of the district's growth occurring in the Novi Woods' attendance area, the elementary school has been bulging at its seams in recent years. In looking at proposed housing construction in that area, the prospect for greater overcrowding in future years is virtually assured.

We believe the board acted wisely in formulating a citizens' group to study the district's facilities and enrollment and recommend both short and long-term solutions to current and potential problems. Though many in the community will find fault with this plan (as evidenced at the board's January 23 meeting), we encourage residents to look beyond the redrawn boundaries and consider the full scope of the proposal.

## Letters welcome

The Novi News 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 Monday p.m.. We reserve the right to edit letters for brevity, clarity and libel.

## Series makes your job our job



B. J. Martin

Last week, with muted fanfare, The Novi News introduced "Novi Works," a weekly article in which somebody describes his or her job in his or her own words.

I concede this idea was one I borrowed — well, okay, stole — from essayist Studs Terkel. Maybe Studs stole it from somebody, too, I'm not sure.

But for me, the sentiment behind "Novi Works" predated my first brush with Terkel. It goes directly back to the numerous times I've been in a restaurant and overheard patrons treating waitresses as if they were contemptible subhumans. Some of my best friends happen to be waitresses, I'm proud to say.

I envisioned doing this particular series a year or so ago, but never managed to arrange my schedule to devote the time to it. Those were the days I was responsible for sports news, which everyone familiar with our business knows requires more hard work than writing regular news.

The intent of "Novi Works" is not necessarily to document particularly glamorous, high-paid or high-powered careers. Instead, the idea is to show there are different perspectives and different sorts of dignity inherent in all types of jobs.

I fear one of the difficult problems posed by a technologically advanced society is that there will be fewer and fewer jobs which the common person will be trained — or even able — to perform. Automation already has had a dramatic impact on employment levels in free-market economies like ours, and I suspect it contributes in large part to the stress we feel making our career choices.

It's a stress I certainly understand, since newspapering may very well become a lost art in my lifetime. When I see slick graphic effects on television, I get edgy. I know it's a communication weapon I do not have in my arsenal. Not yet 30, I can't help feeling a little chill thinking about my potential obsolescence as a worker. Someday they may have to drag me off for video communication retraining seminars. I will not go happily.

## In sight

By Steve Fecht



Tiny dancers

## Town was loaded with desperados



Phil Jerome

Does anyone remember a game called "Post Office?" If memory serves me correctly, it's some kind of kissing game played by adolescents. I don't think I ever played "Post Office," so I don't remember the details. And nobody around the office will own up to ever having played it either.

But there was a different kind of "Post Office" game that my brother and I used to play on long, hot summer days on those rare occasions when we tired of playing baseball.

What we used to do was head down to the post office in our little farming community town and read all the "Wanted" posters. Scourious individuals wanted by the FBI for a variety of heinous crimes.

We paid particular attention to the criminals for whose arrest there were large rewards. We memorized the details on the posters and then went walking around town, hoping to track a few cases for J. Edgar Hoover by spotting some of the

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One of the questions I ask people featured in the series is: "What do you wish people understood about the difficulty of your job?" Some of the respondents have shrugged off the question, which I take to mean it would not occur to them to complain about how rough they have it.

That sort of non-response makes it harder for me to write the article — I have to ask more questions; I have to work harder to organize their quotes. But I can't say I don't like them for it.

"Novi Works," I think, has merit for a couple other reasons. It's democratic. Every kid in Novi might grow up to be a "Novi Works" interviewee.

Also, the series will feature the handiwork of our photographer, Steve Fecht, who will attempt to do visually what I hope to do verbally: reveal something about the nature of the person and the job. Not incidentally, the pictures will likely be more interesting than check-and-plate-passing. If I did a "Novi Works" about Steve, he'd probably say the worst thing about his job is when a reporter asks him to do a dumb picture.

I hope Studs Terkel will forgive me for stealing his idea. But then, I've got to make a living somehow. He'd probably understand.

## 'Gift compromised environment' Letters

To the Editor: Everyone seemed so concerned about the environment last fall before the election. Pat Karevich, in answer to the Quartzite issue, said that we should enact ordinances to protect against this type of problem in the future.

The city engineers in their "Environmental Inventory for the City of Novi" recommended that we "incorporate environmental protection standards into local ordinances," and went on to say that it could be "done with the expertise and advice of our planners and attorneys."

Why, then, are our mayor, council and city administration turning the responsibility of an ordinance to deal with companies that violate Federal environmental laws over to a new committee rather than using the "expertise and advice of our planners and attorneys?"

Could it be because Stricker Paint is one of the companies in violation and Kim Stricker, a non-resident of Novi, donated \$200 to Pat Karevich's campaign fund?

Why did the city administration appoint an environmental committee rather than allow citizens to apply for committee positions? Could it be to make sure people like Robert Letand, former president of the Chamber of Commerce, served on it to protect the interests of the businesses?

I am not comfortable with the way the mayor and city administration are handling our environmental concerns. People who serve on the environmental committee should be people who feel that all companies should conform to State, Federal and City, when they get around to writing them laws no matter what the cost to these businesses even if it means them going out of business if they can't conform.

The federal regulations were written with the belief that if a violating business could not clean up their act, they should be out of business. Stop their pollution of our precious air and water for the sake of their profits.

Nancy Janik

## Report explained

To the Editor: On Thursday, January 23, 1988, the Task Force Committee on Boundaries presented to the school board of Novi Community Schools their final report.

## Drain construction will cost city extra

Phase II of the Caddell Drain, used by Providence Hospital and several residential developments in eastern Novi, is going to cost the city \$45,000 more in special assessments than the \$181,000 which had been anticipated.

Bids opened in December on construction of the drain came in at \$6.5 million, about \$1 million more than had been anticipated in forming a special assessment district split between Farmington Hills, Farmington, Novi, Oakland County and the State of Michigan.

Novi's share in the expenses came out to 3.8 percent — a significantly smaller amount than any of the other public bodies sharing in construction of the drain. It will be paid out of the city's earlier bond issue for drain projects.

The drain is expected to solve several long-standing drainage problems in Farmington Hills, which is paying 60 percent of the construction cost. Flooding often has occurred in that area of the city.

While the project has been discussed since 1982, several officials expressed displeasure with its slow progress. Nevertheless, Novi Director of Public Services Robert Shaw pointed out, "The city committed you back to this project. It has to move forward and be completed."

Construction of the drain will begin this spring or summer, according to City Manager Edward Kriewall. When completed it will serve an area ranging from Haggerty Road south of Ten Mile in Farmington Hills, Chatham Hills subdivision in Farmington and down to Eight Mile near Gill Road.

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## Deerbrook's latest in Novi 'sub race'

Plans for an 89-lot subdivision will be presented to the Novi Planning Board this month, the third major single-family home project city officials have encountered this year.

The new subdivision's working name is Deerbrook, and is being developed by Concept Construction, a Southfield firm. According to preliminary plat renderings, the subdivision will be built on the west side of Meadowbrook Road south of Nine Mile.

City officials currently are on track to review a final plat for the Bektak Corporation's Dunbarton Pines II, a 188-unit subdivision located just north of the existing Dunbarton Pines development. Construction is expected to begin this year.

## Novi Choralaires seek new patrons

The Novi Choralaires currently are in the midst of their annual patron drive.

The Choralaires must raise money each year to purchase music, pay salaries and fund their annual spring concert. Individuals and merchants may show their support for the choral group by donating during the 1986 patron drive.

In exchange for contributing to the group, patrons receive a decal that can be displayed to show their support of the arts in Novi. They also receive two tickets to the spring concert and are listed in all programs printed by the Choralaires during the year.

Individuals contributing \$24 or less will be listed as "friends" in the program. Merchants contributing \$25 to \$49 will be listed in the program as "business patrons."

Individuals and merchants who contribute over \$50 will be listed as "major patrons."

Becky Staab, vice president of the Choralaires, is in charge of the annual patron drive and can be contacted at 348-2919 for more information or to accept a donation.

Having just completed a joint concert with the Novi High School Concert Choir, the Novi Choralaires have begun rehearsals for their spring concert, which will be presented in Furst Auditorium at Novi High School on Saturday, May 10. They also will be entertaining at the Novi Jaycees' Distinguished Service Award Breakfast and at the Novi Senior Citizens' St. Patrick's Day party.

**Report of Condition**  
Consolidating Domestic and Foreign Subsidiaries of the **Michigan National Bank - West Metro**

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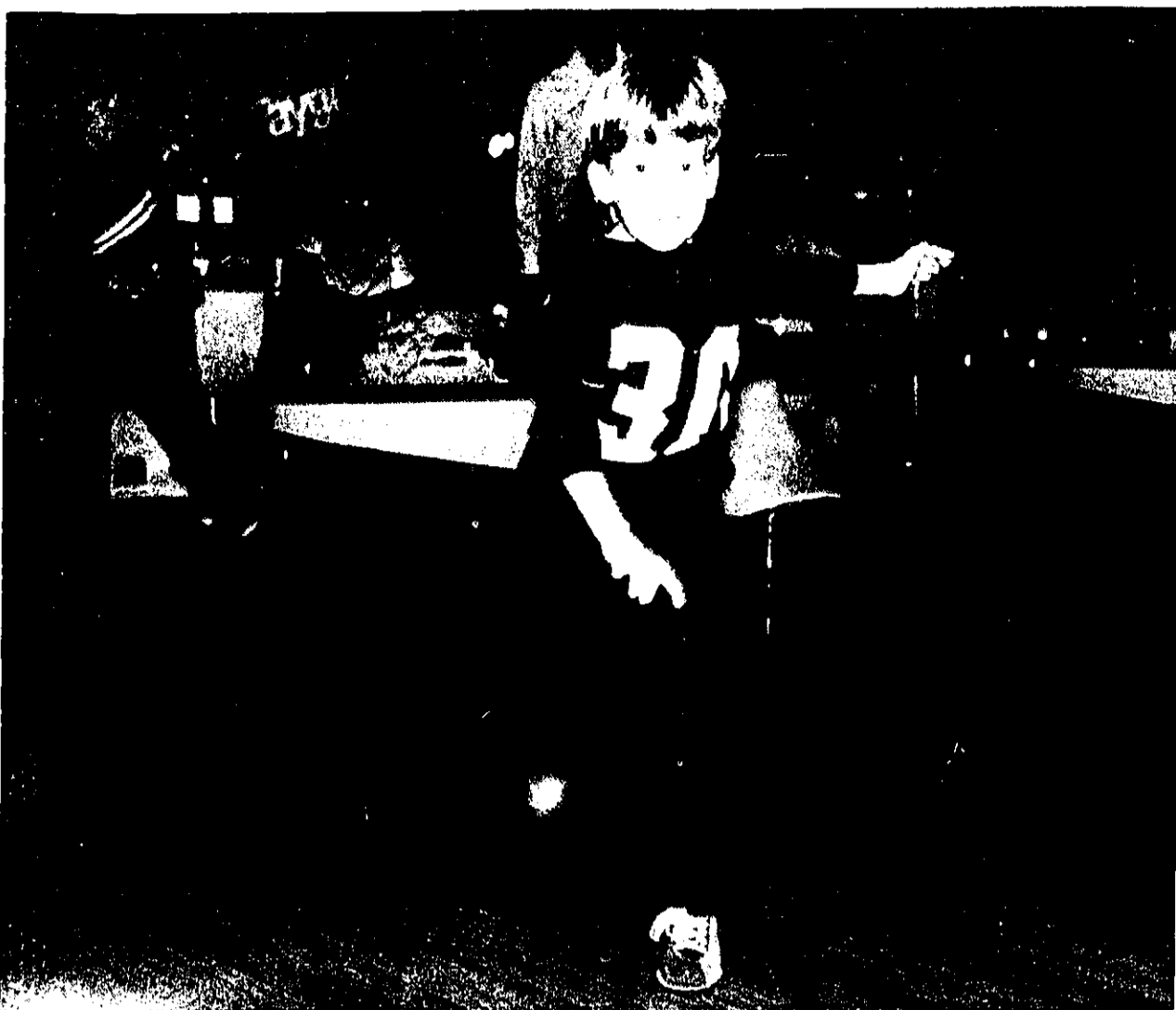
Statement of Resources and Liabilities

ASSETS	Thousands of Dollars
Cash and balances due from depository institutions	19,529
Noninterest-bearing balances and currency and coin	NONE
Interest-bearing balances	68,303
Securities	27,000
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	27,000
Loans and lease financing receivables:	
Loans and leases, net of unearned income	227,263
LESS: Allowance for loan and lease losses	(2,274)
LESS: Allocated transfer risk reserve	NONE
Loans and leases, net of unearned income, allowance, and reserve	224,989
Assets held in trading accounts	NONE
Premises and fixed assets (including capitalized leases)	3,946
Other real estate owned	520
Investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries and associated companies	NONE
Customers' liability to this bank on acceptances outstanding	NONE
Intangible assets	NONE
Other assets	4,084
Total assets	348,371
LIABILITIES	
Deposits:	
In domestic offices	311,732
Noninterest-bearing	60,800
Interest-bearing	250,932
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	1,900
Demand notes issued to the U.S. Treasury	4,173
Other borrowed money	NONE
Mortgage indebtedness and obligations under capitalized leases	1,744
Bank's liability on acceptances executed and outstanding	NONE
Notes and debentures subordinated to deposits	700
Other liabilities	5,938
Total liabilities	326,187
Limited-life preferred stock	NONE
EQUITY CAPITAL	
Perpetual preferred stock	NONE
Common stock	2,880
Surplus	2,880
Undivided profits and capital reserves	16,424
Cumulative foreign currency translation adjustments	NONE
Total equity capital	22,184
Total liabilities, limited-life preferred stock, and equity capital	348,371

I, Donald A. Zeolla, Accounting Manager 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.

January 28, 1986  
David L. Griffin  
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### Bowling for dollars

Chad Ortwine may not have his eye on the lane, but his heart is in the right place. Chad was one of the people who turned out to participate in the "Bowling for Dollars" bowling at the Novi Bowl Sunday. Sponsored by the Novi Jaycees, the purpose of the bowling was to raise money to battle Cystic Fibrosis. Chad suffers from scoliosis, but still managed to do his part for the worthwhile effort despite the fact he must wear a body brace. His mother, Jill Ortwine, said it's important for her son to know that many children have far worse limitations than he does. "It makes him feel good to do things for children less fortunate than he," she said.

## Quake shook up a few

Continued from Page 1

Seibert wasn't the only one at the Hilton who didn't feel the tremors. Seibert reported that the switchboard logged no inquiries from guests about the rumbling. "My wife was on the second floor, and she said she didn't feel it," said Seibert. "And there were no calls from guests to the switchboard." The switchboard at the Novi Police Department was another matter altogether, however. "We had numerous calls," reported Clerk Deborah Blasfield, who was on duty when the quake occurred. "Right after it happened, the switchboard started to light up and it stayed lit for approximately 15 to 20 minutes. It was non-stop... one call right after another."

## SAD roads: 'Make or break'

The status is unclear for a special assessment district (SAD) outlined for the regional commercial center and planned trade-market center northwest of I-96 and Novi Road.

Amid a flurry of last-minute real estate negotiations by the Dallas Market Center, the parameters of the SAD are in flux at a critical time. This week, city engineering consultant Joseph Kapeleczak is to meet with property owners in Section 15 to discuss the SAD. Under the plan submitted to City Council by the Dallas Market Center

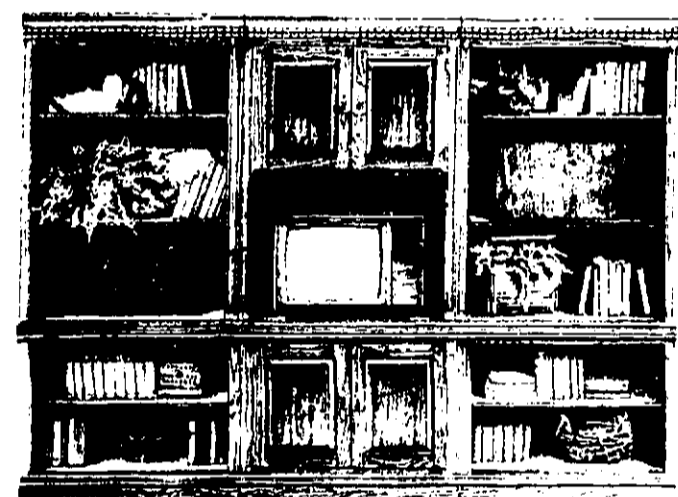
Monday, cost of Section 15 improvements would be split between Tax Increment Financing Authority and properties in the SAD. "The SAD road might not get done in the near future if the convention center falls through," said City Manager Edward Krievial. "But it will have to be completed there eventually as the property becomes more marketable." Michael Ward of Ramco-Gershenok, currently developing the West Oaks II project north of the existing West Oaks shopping center, told city council members January 27 the SAD was a "source of concern" to him — although he supports the SAD. "It would sure be embarrassing to invest in this project and still be lacking an SAD (road)," said Ward. "In the event the SAD falls behind schedules, though, we are willing to do some improvements to improve traffic flow toward our project."

Ward said the extension of West Oaks Drive and a northern entrance facing Twelve Mile would be among the improvements which the SAD road is completed soon or not. Blasfield, incidentally, did not feel the quake, possibly because she was on the ground level. The quake also was felt over at Novi High School. "People who were on their feet and working didn't feel a thing," reported Principal Robert Youngberg. "There were some vibrations for maybe five or six seconds and then everything returned to normal and people went about their business." In fact, there were no reports of damage anywhere in the city. According to the U.S. Geological Survey, the quake struck at 11:47 a.m. and was centered 9.3 miles below the surface of Lake Erie, roughly 30 miles northeast of Cleveland. The quake registered 5.0 on the Richter scale and was described as "moderate." The last earthquake to strike Michigan occurred six years ago. It registered a 5.6 on the Richter scale and was centered in Kentucky.

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The provisions of this Ordinance shall become effective fifteen (15) days after its adoption. The Ordinance was adopted February 3, 1986, and the effective date is February 16, 1986.

A complete copy of this Ordinance is available for public use and inspection at the office of the City Clerk.

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## Former waitress takes over ownership of restaurant



LueCille Collier (right) and daughter Cindy make LueCille's a real family restaurant

By MATT SEIDL

"We're getting the family back together." Those are the words of LueCille Collier, a former waitress at the now-defunct Jimmy's Restaurant in South Lyon. Collier recently purchased Lyn-Nor's Restaurant at 2870 Pontiac Trail, and after just a few days of organizing, she has changed the name to "LueCille's" and brought in a touch of Jimmy's. "It's just like the old days," said Collier, while sitting in an office adjacent to her restaurant's kitchen. "A lot of the faces around here are the same ones you saw at Jimmy's." The surroundings are obviously different, but the style is the same. Hopefully we can make this work just like Jimmy's did. The interior of the building hasn't changed since its days as Lyn-Nor's, and the exterior also is very similar. The lone difference outside is a large oval sign with fancy script lettering. Collier has done some house cleaning with the staff, though. Her daughter Cindy Collier is now manager of the restaurant, and several old friends, including Jimmy Gibson, have joined the team. Gibson is a come-and-go chef for his former employer, working mainly during the morning hours. "Everything I know about the restaurant business, I learned from Jimmy," Collier said. "He was a very easy man to work for. But don't get me wrong, he made you work." Collier then moved to Middletown, Ohio, and worked in a lounge owned by her sister Sadie Dowles. After two years, Collier came back to South Lyon and recently was employed at the VFW Hall. So how did Collier, who was a waitress at Jimmy's for 15 years, climb the ladder of success? "Well, I'm not quite to the top yet," she laughed. "This is all very new to me. It's something I've always wanted to do, and I've just been waiting for the right opportunity to roll around. "Being the boss is a little different, but the experience I picked up with Jimmy has helped. And, of course, if I have any problems I can always turn to him. To me, Jimmy will always be the real boss." Collier's family and friends are very excited about the restaurant as well, which is evidenced by the abundance of volunteer helpers. A good portion of the women waiting on tables right now are working without pay, and several old jobs also are being performed without compensation. "People helping people," explained Ron Perdue, who is Collier's youngest brother. "All her friends want to see the restaurant do well. It's like one big family working together to make this thing go." "We're all real happy for LueCille. She's really pushing herself right now, and I think her personality will carry Gibson suffered a heart attack about

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### Business Briefs

**JOHN A. MALASKY**, national director of Alexis, Inc., in Northville has been named to Albion College's newly-formed Economics-Professional Management Visiting Committee. The committee, which held its initial meeting January 24-25, was created by the Albion College Board of Trustees to provide the college's economics and management departments with support and guidance from key executives in businesses across the country.

Chairman of the committee is Walter E. Auch, chairman and chief executive officer of the Chicago Board Options Exchange, who also is an Albion College trustee. The role of Malasky and other committee members will be to help promote and sponsor internships for Albion students in leading corporations, to guide faculty in curriculum development and revision, and to help identify leading candidates for admission to Albion and the college's Professional Management Program.

During the two days of the committee's initial meeting, members met with faculty and students for an overview of various aspects of the departments' programs, saw demonstrations of computer simulations used in the classroom and heard about recent developments in accounting education. Albion's economics program and liberal arts program in professional management are based on a rigorous economics and accounting curriculum. Internships at some of the country's leading businesses are an integral part of the department programs.

Malasky, a 1951 graduate of Albion College, has held the directorship of Alexis, Inc., since 1981. He served as chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Corporate Service, Inc., from 1960-85. He is a member of the National Association of Safety and Claims Organizations (NASCO) and has served as president and treasurer of that organization. He is a member of the Detroit Athletic Club and a trustee of the Michigan Opera Theater.

He and his wife, Dorothy, live in Northville.

**JUDITH J. FIELD**, a Northville resident who has been head of the general reference department at the Flint Public Library since 1972, has been appointed director of the Legislative Reference Library for the Minnesota Legislature in St. Paul, Minnesota.

Field received her BBA, AMLS and MBA degrees from the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor. Field assumed her new position January 15. She and her husband Nathaniel L. will continue to reside in Northville.

### Blanchard proclaims Masonry Week in state

Governor James J. Blanchard has declared February 9-14 as "Masonry Week in Michigan."

Headquartered in Farmington, the Masonry Institute is the educational, technical and promotional arm of Michigan's masonry industry. Masonry materials include concrete block, brick, stone, glass block and other hand-laid materials.

Blanchard made the following comment in his Masonry Week declaration: "For the 11th consecutive year, members of Michigan's masonry industry are being recognized for their many contributions to our state and its economy. This observation is sponsored by the Masonry Institute, located in Farmington.

"The masonry trade has been an important aspect of the success of Michigan since the very early beginnings of humankind. Today, its function in our state is of equal importance as all trades and industries strive to utilize technological developments to improve the quality of life in our state and nation."

"During this observance, it is important to recognize the many talented members of the masonry industry and their significant contributions to Michigan's design and construction. Masonry Institute President Joe Neussendorfer added "that as Michigan moves toward its 150th anniversary in 1987, it is important to recognize the many contributions of masonry to the success of Michigan, its foundation for growth," Neussendorfer said.

"From our State Capitol Building to buildings new and old of every purpose all around Michigan, masonry has been the basic material used to build the state over the years."

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### Realtor board president is on the move

Joanne Bryngelson is a woman on the move. In fact, she's moved seven times in the last 10 years as part of a successful career in real estate sales.

The most recent move was job-related, but had nothing to do with the physical aspects of new-home ownership. It was a boost upward career-wise with her election to the presidency of the Western Wayne Oakland County Board of Realtors and the Metro Multi-Living Service.

Bryngelson is only the second woman to hold the post since the board was organized in 1920. The previous woman president held office in 1956.

It is a fitting tribute to a decade of hard work that brought Bryngelson with a part-time secretarial job in a real estate office near her home. At that time she was living in Livonia.

"Returning to the work force was a necessity," she recalls. "My husband would quit, and we had four children to support."

The job was ideal because she could name her own hours, work while the children were in school and be back home when school ended.

Then the unanticipated occurred. She liked working so much that when the family's financial picture brightened, she stayed on.

Those few hours a day in the reality of office were a real education, recalls Bryngelson. "I would observe the sales people, and I would say to myself, 'If that was me, this is how I'd handle it.'"

"Her keen interest in the business led a co-worker to suggest that she apply for her own broker's license. And therein began a career that has included owning her own franchise for awhile in Northville."

But being tied to a desk handling the administrative matters involved in running an office wasn't her cup of tea. Bryngelson, who was a telephone company customer representative before marriage, credits much of her success to organizational skills learned under the tutelage of Ma Bell.

"The telephone company had a great training program. We really learned how to organize things and how to talk to people," she said.

As presidents of the Realtors' board, Bryngelson said one of her priorities would be to see that the inner workings of the organization continue to work smoothly and possibly improve in the area of computerization.

The Western-Wayne board with three other area groups, the North and South Oakland County Board of Realtors and

the Birmingham-Bloomfield board, recently jointly purchased a computer system they refer to as Real Comp. It is designed to provide members with specialized state-of-the-art computer services. "I'd like to see that become as problem-free as possible," she said.

Bryngelson also said she would like to see more involvement by individual board members and the 3,500 members of the multi-listing group.

She also expects to get the Western-Wayne group involved at the state level by actively supporting one of its members, Conrad Jakubowski of ERA Rymal Snyes Realty in Novi, who was installed as president of the Michigan Association of Realtors on January 16.

Meanwhile, Bryngelson said the real estate field is gearing up for a banner year in sales.

Last year was phenomenal, she noted, with record-high area sales of over \$1 billion. Approximately 17,000 units were sold, second only to 1978 when 18,000 units were sold.

"We sold less units last year, but prices were higher," she noted. "From all indications, 1986 should be even better because interest rates have been working at 15.5 percent last year, a current 11 percent.

### Former waitress tries hand at ownership

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her through. It's the first time in her life she had a chance at making the big dollar."

Lucille, Sadie and Ron are three of the nine children in the family. There are four more sisters and two more brothers within the group.

The real bulk of the staff, however, comes from the Gibson family. Neuber, Rick and Roger Gibson and grandson Tom Teddy are chefs, while sister-in-law Pio Daniels, granddaughter Mita Juddy and niece Linda Pasternack and Jody Barker are all waitresses.

Other key members of the 22-member staff include cooks Bob Stampler, Ron Siebert, Paul Lucas and Brian Schmidt and waitress Linda Wilson.

With all these people helping out, one would think Collier could put her feet up on the desk and relax.

"That's not my style," she said. "This is my big dream and I want to be a part of it all the way. I probably could sit back now but it wouldn't be any fun."

Collier says everything has gone smoothly since she purchased the restaurant January 1st and the staff. "Business has been real good, and the

thing I'm really happy about is everyone seems to like the food," she commented. "The best advertising in the world is filling someone up with good food."

"There have been a few negative comments from people because they don't get their food in five minutes, but that's just the way it is here. This is a sit-down restaurant and everything is home cooked, so it takes a little longer.

The menu at Lucille's is similar to the one at Lyn-Nor's, but Collier has spiced things up with breakfast, lunch and dinner specials.

Also, Collier says the food is much different because "cooks always do things differently."

The early favorite during Lucille's grand opening has been the barbecue ribs, which also were popular at Jimmy's. "Nobody makes ribs like Jimmy," Collier claims.

Ironically, Collier thought about buying the old Jimmy's building on the corner of Pontiac Trail and Ten Mile, but the price was too high. She then took over as manager of Lyn-Nor's and six

weeks later she was sole owner. Norma Jean Cozzari, also a former waitress at Jimmy's, shared ownership with David Griffiths prior to Collier's purchase.

"Norma Jean got sick and really couldn't run the place any longer," Collier said. "The restaurant started to downhill a bit after she got sick, so I really believe Norma Jean could have made it had she not gotten sick."

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SPECKLED orange and black, SPOKED, declawed, litter-trained, black cat. \$175-746-8102.  
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ZENTH 25 in. console TV. Needs tube. You haul. \$130-222-2700.

**02 Happy Ads**  
CAROL, Happy Valentines Day, We Love You, Mike, Annie, Don.  
**NOTICES**  
010 Special Notices  
ARE income taxes giving you a headache? Call the Tax Busters at Michigan Tax Consultants, Inc. For an appointment call, (313)476-3145.  
PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT: Holy spirit who you make me see everything and showed me the way to reach my goals, you who gave me the divine gift to forgive and forget the wrong that is done to me, and you who are in all instances of my life with me, in this short dialog want to thank you for everything and confidence that you will never want to be separated from your love towards me and my loved one. Person must pray the prayer three consecutive days. If you are praying your wish, after the third day your wish will be granted no matter how difficult it may be. Then promise to publish this dialog as soon as the wish is granted. TO.

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PREGNANCY HELPLINE (313)229-2100, 24 hours. Problem pregnancy help, free pregnancy tests, confidential. \$130-222-2700.  
TOP DOLLAR paid for your diamonds and coins. Just bring them to our store, Northville, (313)348-3340.
- 011 Blingo  
AMERICAN Legion Brighton, 3300 Old US-24E, Mondays, 6:30 p.m., Free parking. \$130-222-2700.  
LIVINGSTON County Wildlife and Conservation Club, 808 M-36, Hamburg, Wednesday night Blingo, 8:30 p.m., \$130-222-2700.
- 012 Car Pools  
BRIGHTON, 2,000 sq. ft. brick ranch on 5 acres, 2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, 2 car garage, 1 1/2 carports, large deck, central air conditioning, call (313)227-4436.

**US DJ'S!**  
Entertainment makes or breaks your event. Before you hire anyone, check references. Get what you pay for! Jim, (517)46-2287.

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Telephone installation at 30% to 50% savings. (313)227-5996.

**Make Someone Happy THIS YEAR YOU CAN SEND Happy Valentine Ads**

**VALENTINE GREETINGS**  
Send personal VALENTINE GREETINGS to the ones you love. You can place a happy Valentine ad in the Wednesday, February 12 edition of this newspaper for only \$5.00 for 10 words or less if prepaid. Phone orders will be charged at the regular rate of 10 words for \$5.24.

**Our classified counselors will be happy to help you word your message.**  
Send your Valentine something like this:  
VALENTINE Greetings to Mom & Dad!  
Love Jean and Jim  
or this: SUE, Sugar is sweet, and so are you.  
Love, Bill  
or add a happy little extra like this:  
TO My Valentine, Linda, I love you.  
Your Husband, Larry  
or TO Miss Jones, Be our valentine!  
Your 3rd grade class  
Little Heart only 50¢ extra or the Big One just \$1 more.  
Northville, 348-3022- Novi, 348-3024- South Lyon, 437-4133- Brighton, 227-4436- Livingston County, 548-2570- Milford, 685-8705  
Deadline — 3:30 p.m., Friday, February 7, 1986

**THE GREEN SHEET**  
Central Classified Dept.  
P.O. Box 251  
South Lyon, MI 48178  
Enclosed please find my check or money order for the total amount  
( ) Happy Valentine ..... \$5.00  
( ) Small Happy Heart ..... \$1.00  
( ) Large Happy Heart ..... \$5.00  
Total amount enclosed..... \$5.00  
Mail this form with your check to:  
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**New Hudson Lumber**  
56601 Grand River  
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Above Ground POOLS — SPAS —  
EARLY BIRD POOL SALE  
14x28 In-Ground Pool  
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Quality Pool Workmanship  
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3457 E. Grand River - 3 Miles East of Howell  
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OPEN 10 to 6 Mon. & Thurs.; 10 to 3 Sat.

**Presidents' Day SALE**  
35-65% off  
SALE ENDS FEB. 15  
DUNLOP GOLD \$338  
SEAL  
ALL SEASON STEEL BELTED RADIAL  
LOWEST PRICES GUARANTEED  
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**Firestone CALIENTE**  
\$2488  
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**HIGHWAY HELPER KIT \$895**  
Flashlight • Gas siphon with coupon  
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Road/rain action booklet  
Collision tag  
Reg. \$24.95 expires 2/22/86

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Any type property anywhere in Michigan. 24 Hours. Call Free 1-800-292-1556  
First National Acceptance Co.

**Adler HOMES INC.**  
WISHES TO ANNOUNCE WE WILL BE MOVING TO A NEW LOCATION — BRIGHTON  
New No. (313) 229-5722  
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Call (313)229-5722 or (313)227-9111 after 7 p.m.

**MLS Gentry Real Estate, Inc.**  
Milford... (313) 684-6666  
Highland... (313) 887-7500  
Hartford... (313) 632-0700

**Century 21**  
EXCEPTIONAL COLONIAL features 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, family room with natural fireplace, formal dining room, breakfast room, 1st floor laundry and 2 car attached garage. Small private lake. Redwood floor. \$145,800.  
NICE RANCH STYLE CO-OP in adult community in South Lyon. 2 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, kitchen with appliances, dining room, finished basement and enclosed patio. Clubhouse, pool, tennis courts with inground pool. Must be 50 or older for this one. \$46,500.  
VERY PRIVATE AREAL Super Colonial features 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, large family room 20x30, dining room and great room. New carpet, 2 car garage, 2,700 sq. ft. garage w/ heated workshop. 10 Acres with 40+ beautiful trees. \$145,800.  
CITY SUE IN SOUTH LYON. Nice 2 bedroom ranch with ornate study, great room with fireplace, patio with privacy fence and 4 additional bedrooms master finished in basement. Beautiful with mature trees on dead end street. \$53,900.  
COUNTRY LIVING AT ITS BEST! Beautiful 4 bedroom Spanish Ranch with 3 full baths, step down living room with full wall. Call, driftstone fireplace, open hearth, breakfast room and finished walkout basement with wet bar. Beautifully landscaped 2 1/2 acres with 7.5 acres available. \$159,900.  
CENTURY 21 HARTFORD SOUTH-WEST 2246 E. Howell Trail 437-4111







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HOWELL, Executive 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath on fenced 10 acres. Ideal for horses. 5 minutes from 168. Available March 1. Lease option to buy available. \$175,000.00.
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DON'T WAIT UNTIL MONDAY!
You can't see your new apartment until Monday. The office hours are 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Office hours to help you will be happy to help you.
(313)437-4133
(313)346-3022
(313)227-4433
(313)465-0765. Call (313)454-2570

007 Industrial, Commercial For Rent
HARTLAND, Office space, 200 sq. ft. to 1300 sq. ft. (313)322-7110.
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009 Wanted To Rent
2 or 3 bedroom in Milford-Tri-County area. (313)387-3038.
HOUSEHOLD
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102 Auctions
BRAUN & HELMER AUCTION SERVICE
FREE GARAGE SALE KITS!
ASK ABOUT YOURS WHEN YOU BUY A GARAGE SALE KIT!
JERRY DUNCAN'S AUCTIONEERING SERVICE
Huron, Michigan. Antiques, Miscellaneous. 437-9175 or 437-9104

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LARGE chest freezer, Works good. \$100. (313)547-8747 after 5 p.m.
LARGE contemporary dining table, 6 ft. x 12 ft. white upholstered chairs. One piece oak dining table. \$150. (313)547-8747 after 5 p.m.

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107 Miscellaneous
CONSIDER Classified then consider.
CLOTHING for tall or big men. Send name and address for information. Matt's Mens Store, 4800 Northville Road, East Lansing, MI 48823. (517)337-3322.
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SAVE UP TO \$1500!  
All Prices Clearly Marked! Over 50 Cars & Trucks To Choose From

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Lots of room in a little car.  
Was \$495 **\$3995**
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Save \$1400  
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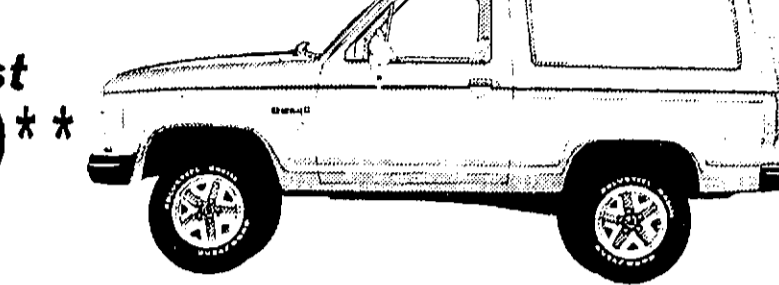
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The train arrives in Union Station right at the landmark hotel, the Royal York, which is among 36 Toronto hotels offering 50 percent off regular rates until March 2. Regular rates range from \$110 to \$131 a night. Canadian funds. A package is available from AAA that includes trainfare and two nights at the Royal York for \$95 a person. Even if you choose another hotel, and Toronto abounds with them, stop in the Library bar for a drink at the Royal York late to to Ambassador Bridge. The 1,600 room hotel, one of the largest in the Commonwealth.

If you visualize your weekend in a smaller history, try the Windsor Arms at 22 St. Thomas Street in the Yorkville area. It's well known for its English atmosphere and antique furnishings - and for the many celebrities who choose to stay there. Its glass enclosed Courtyard Cafe is a popular dining spot. No packages, but room rates are listed from \$80 to \$140 Canadian.

Another choice, that the writer likes, is the newer wing of the Park Plaza Hotel at 4 Avenue Road directly across from the Royal Ontario Museum. It and its sister hotel Plaza II at 90 Bloor in the Preferred Hotel chain offer weekend rates of \$75 a night Canadian for a two-night stay. Exchange your money at a bank before leaving and you'll get about 37 percent additional on the dollar. While it might not seem romantic to choose a northern city in mid-winter, Toronto bills itself as "weatherproofed" with huge indoor shopping complexes such as Eaton Center with major department stores, boutiques and a variety of eating places. They're all accessible easily via the fast, clean and dry subway system.

If it's not snowing too hard, visit the City Tower's observation floor for a panoramic view. Or check on the live theater at the Royal Alexandra Theatre. Buy the Saturday newspaper and a variety of other equivalent of a Sunday Detroit newspaper) to find out about other theatrical, dance or musical entertainment.

Most likely, the dining room in your hotel will have a fine reputation and nearby will be many others. Ed's Warehouse by the Royal Alexandra is popular with tourists for its reasonable prices (try the roast beef specialty) and fascinating antique memorabilia.

Windsor, romantic? Very. Drive south on highway 275, cross the Ambassador Bridge and, within the hour, you're in a foreign country. As dusk falls Friday night, the bridge will glow with a necklace of welcoming lights.

Follow the signs to downtown Windsor and the Hilton International Windsor - on Riverside Drive overlooking the Detroit River and skyline. The weekend package includes free parking adjacent to the hotel. Register, unpack and unwind in the indoor pool, sauna or whirlpool.

Our winter weekend at the luxury hotel was in a spacious room overlooking the river. As we sipped morning coffee, we watched the railroad car ferry being jockeyed into its moorings. The V-shaped picture offered a panoramic view from Belle Isle to to Ambassador Bridge. A hotel spokesperson noted that "if a direct view is requested, we try our best." The rooms with king-size beds and views are on the 10th floor and up and are worth requesting. Current weekend package price is \$87 Canadian a night with the hotel giving 37 percent discount on U.S. funds, which amounts to \$64 U.S. (AAA members' weekend rate is \$78.30 a night Canadian funds). Reserve ahead by calling 962-3834.

While hotels and most stores and restaurants give an exchange on the hotel, it is a good idea to change funds at a bank before leaving as most banks are not open on Saturday in Canada. There are currency exchanges at the bridge and tunnel.

Friday night you can dine right in the hotel at the River Runner Bar and Grill or in the Park Terrace Restaurant. Or you can walk around the corner to the venerable Ye Olde Steak House at 46 Chatham West which is famous for its onion soup and steak and kidney pie.

Saturday explores Essex County. Take highway 18 along the river to historic Amherstburg. Have lunch at the Navy Yard Restaurant. This riverside dining room is housed in an 1860 restored warehouse building at 252 Dalhousie Street. It features Canadian fare with soups, sauces and baked goods prepared on the premises.

Continue afterward on highway 18 to Leamington on Lake Erie. Known as the tomato capital of the world, the town smells of citrus cooking in summer. Its stores offer English china, British marmalades and Canadian crafts.

Two noteworthy restaurants make staying for dinner worth while. Thirteen Russell (the restaurant takes its name from its address) is a Victorian house with elaborate gingerbread. Ask for the table in the bay window for the two of you.

Once past Lansing on Interstate 96 it is less than 45 miles to Grand Rapids, a trip of about 2 1/2 hours total driving time.

A romantic weekend can begin as you check into the Amway Grand Plaza Hotel which now boasts a new tower with Cygnus, a straightjacket dining room with dancing, and pool facilities.

The weekend package at \$85 for one night for two people in a deluxe room, many with king size beds, includes valet parking, a welcoming drink, breakfast and taxes. Breakfast may be in the glassed-in Monroe Cafe, Benham's overlooking the river or ordered right in your room with service. An additional night is \$90 for the room only with tax included, with late check-out at 3 p.m.

From the impressive lobby to the club-like bar - whatever you can linger over your welcoming drink - the atmosphere's definitely romantic.

The Amway offers a smoke-free floor in its new tower for non-smokers. Toll-free number for reservations is 1-800-632-6120.

The western Michigan city is the home of the Gerald Ford presidential museum and quality furniture stores such as Carl Fordland's, a family business located a block from the museum. As you browse among the cherry pieces for which the company is famous it's possible a member of the family will be waiting on you.

Within walking distance of the hotel are the Ford museum and the new Monroe area City Center, a three-level indoor mall of shops. The Ford museum just across the river should be visited. It chronicles the former president's growing up years as well as his White House term and contains many of the former president's personal possessions and pictures. There is also an impressive replica of his office in the White House.

North driving through is the city's Heritage Hill area where old mansions have been preserved and renovated. In one is a restaurant called Gibson's where guests dine in rooms with high ceilings, elaborate woodwork and fireplaces.

A few miles east of the center of town is the city community of Ada, home of the Amway Corporation. The town boasts several boutiques and an antique shop housed in buildings in the center of town. It also is known for its covered bridge. In fair weather, visitors buy an ice cream cone at a corner shop and stroll over the bridge.

Among the Thornapple center village shops is an award winning restaurant, the Thornapple Village Inn, as well as gift shops and an Orvis sporting goods store, one of a handful in the country.



Relaxing and reasonable, the train makes it a perfect place to curl up with a good book or plan your itinerary for the weekend.

Putting into Chicago's venerable Union Station is another added plus. Steeped in nostalgia, this imposing structure is an impressive greeting to the Windy City.

When it comes to hotel accommodations, there are more than ample offerings among the city's varied hostels. Whether a room with a view of Lake Michigan or a small elegant hideaway such as the Tremont, Chicago has plenty to offer the weary traveler.

For the ultimate in romance, your best bet is a weekend in the historic Drake Hotel. Restored to its former elegance, the North Michigan Avenue landmark offers visitors the optimum in luxury. While many of its regular rates at the Drake are high (from \$135-\$180 for a single; \$155-\$200 for a double), weekend packages are available at considerably more reasonable prices. For information about package rates, phone 1-800-445-8687.

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# Novi Baptists plan 140th anniversary celebration

By JEANNE CLARKE special writer

The First Baptist Church of Novi is holding a year-long celebration to mark its 140th anniversary. There will be a different theme every month leading up to June, which is "Homecoming Month." Former Pastor Arnold Cook will speak on Saturday, June 21, and again at a "dinner on the grounds" on Sunday when people will dress in old-fashioned costumes.

## Novi Highlights

**Puppets:** To make children aware of the problems faced by handicapped children, the Novi Girl Scout leaders have received special training in the use of the puppets to help children understand what it is like to live with a handicap. Each of the puppets represents a different type of handicap condition. The program is designed for children five and older.

**Library:** The library is featuring displays entitled "Plan an Adventure" and "How to Beat the Winter Blues." Some of the suggestions include books on planning trips to Mexico or Yugoslavia, a book about Chicago, a book on how to visit Europe and a book on budget vacations at country inns in the United States. There also are now books on calligraphy, building a spa, gardening, fly-fishing and making fantastic decorations.

**Community Ed:** The Novi Community Education Department is still accepting registrations for classes that start in February. Children's classes starting in February include Fun with Felt, Hocus FOCUS 1 and Munchies for Birds. Enrichment classes include Money Dynamics for Women, Getting "Kids on the Block" at the Novi Public Library this Saturday at 1 p.m.

**Brokers:** Also coming up are several one-day workshops: Preparing Will Game with an instructor from Jack's Meat Market, Funding Your Child's Education, Are You Psychic?, Kitemaking, Tax Law Changes, Accessories and Scarves Workshop, After Color Analysis, Make-up and More, Figure Analysis, Personality Clothing, Wardrobe Planning, Closet Inventory and a Psychic Night on February 17.

**AMERICAN LEGION:** High School students living in Novi have been invited by Chairman Robert J. Pohman of Legion Post 19 to compete in the 49th annual National High School Oratorical Contest. The students will compete at 7:30 p.m. February 10 in the staff library with the first-place winner going on to the 17th District Contest February 17.

**Novi Highlights:** The prepared oration must be the original effort of each contestant and must be 8-10 minutes in length. The Post will award a gold medal and trophy to the first-place finisher, a silver medal for second place and a bronze medal for third. The young person winning in Novi will go on, and if he or she reaches state-level participation will receive a \$1,000 scholarship.

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# Travelogue to tour New Zealand

Pat McCarrier will present a program entitled "New Zealand when the Travel & Adventure Series sponsored by the Commerce Township Area Historical Society continues this Saturday, February 8, at 7:30 p.m.

McCarrier will present a lively film and narrative about New Zealand in the program which will be presented at the Walled Lake Central High School Auditorium. Tickets at the door are priced at \$4 for adults and \$2 for students.

**WIXOM LIBRARY:** Three children's movies will be screened at the Wixom Public Library this Saturday, February 8, at 11 a.m.

Movies to be shown are "I'm So Ugly," "Hog Went A-Courtin'" and "Ere-dinand the Bull." The movies are free. Children under six must be accompanied by an adult.

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# Novi Library hosts 'Kids on the Block'

The Novi Public Library will sponsor a special presentation of the "Kids on the Block" puppet program this Saturday, February 8, at 1 p.m.

The program is designed to increase awareness in children of the problems faced by the handicapped through the use of life-sized puppets depicting children with handicaps.

The puppets are used to promote discussions concerning questions and feelings of both children with handicaps and children coming in contact with handicapped children in daily life.

Children who attend the program are encouraged to ask questions and discuss their feelings with the puppets. The life-sized puppets were donated by Detroit Edison to the Girl Scouts, and the scout organization presents the puppet shows to scout groups, church groups, parent/teacher organizations, school and libraries.

The program will be held in the Novi library meeting room and is expected to last 35 to 45 minutes. The program is free and no registration is necessary. Parents are welcome to attend with their children ages five and older.

Because of the nature of the material and the purpose it fulfills, the program is aimed at elementary school-aged children. Parents are urged not to bring pre-school children. For more information call the library at 349-0720.

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## Jekyll-Hyde Wildcats surprise South Lyon

By NEIL GEOGHEGAN  
Staff writer

"The difference is like night and day."  
That's how Novi Coach John Cicchelli tries to describe his team's puzzling habit of playing extremely well one night and terrible the next. The Wildcats have shown several times this season that if they come to play, no Kensington Valley team can take anything for granted — just ask Milford or South Lyon.

Last Friday (January 31), Novi decided to play some spirited basketball, and the result was an impressive 60-37 KVC win over South Lyon. The victory salvaged a split for the week as the Wildcats (el) victim to a hot-shooting Oak Park team on January 28 by a score of 77-52 in a non-league match-up.

"We played one of the best games of the year against South Lyon on Friday and we really didn't play all that badly against Oak Park. Unfortunately, we ran into a real hot shooting team and they hit almost everything they threw up."

But the league win over the Lions was the more important game of the two. It evened Novi's KVC mark at 3-3 while the team's overall mark is a less impressive 4-9. Cicchelli realizes that his team isn't going to have an outstanding overall record, but there is still time to make a good showing in the league standings.

"We know we're competitive in the league, but we need to get strong games out of everybody if we want to win," he said. "With just nine players on the roster, we have to ask an awful lot out of our top six players."

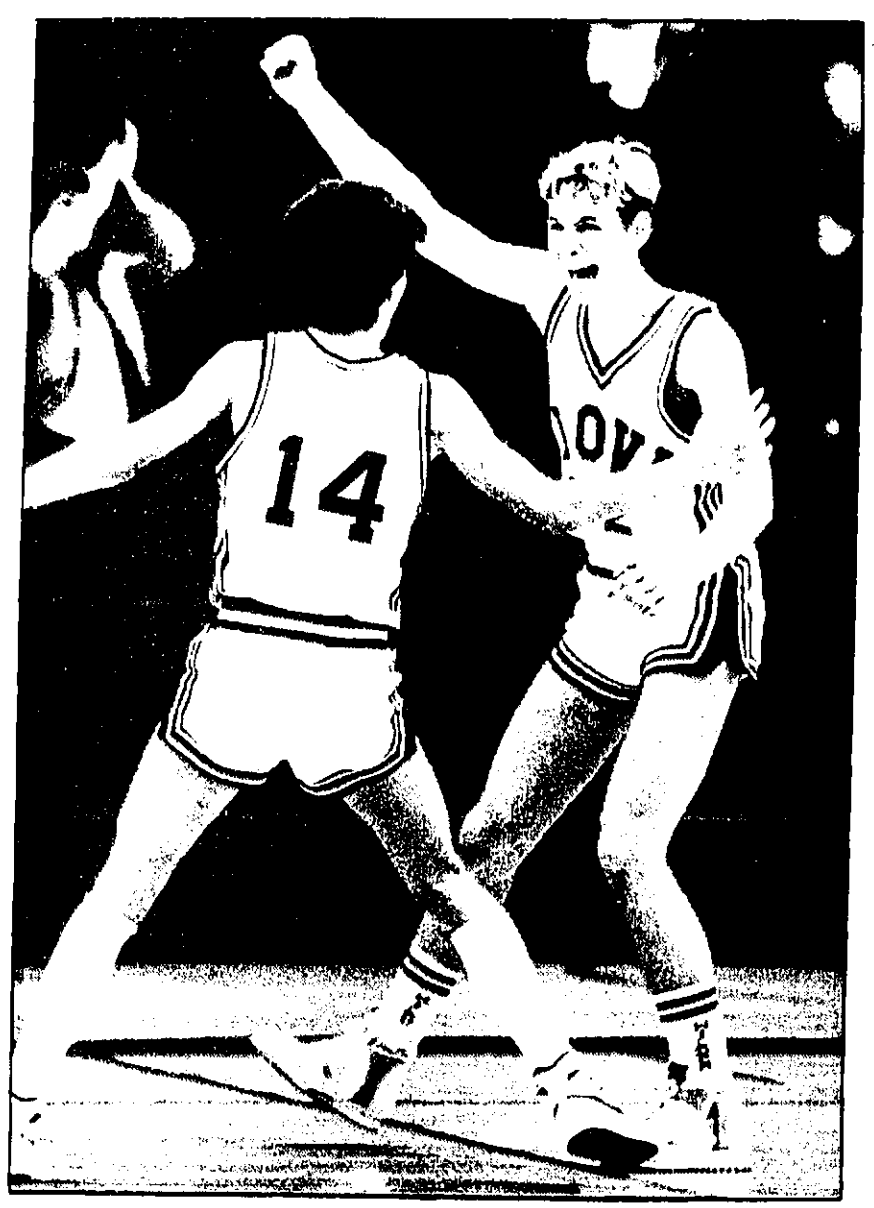
The key to Friday's win was that Cicchelli got a good game from everyone. The Wildcats shot a season high 57 percent from the field, about 10-percent better than the season's average. And the strategy of forcing the muscular Lions to shoot from the outside worked like a charm, as well as South Lyon connected on just 39 percent.

"(South Lyon) took most of their shots from the outside, and they weren't shooting very well," Cicchelli explained. "Our bigger people were a little quicker and I thought the key was that we outplayed them up front."

After a sluggish first quarter, the score was knotted at 10, but Novi exploded in the second and raced to a nine-point halftime lead.

"We seemed to catch fire in the second quarter," Cicchelli said.

But the Lions clawed back in the third, outscoring the Wildcats 19-9, and pulling even at 40 heading into the final eight minutes after trailing by as many as 13. South Lyon's fullcourt press caused Novi to have the worst possible time to play traditionally-tough Oak Park.



Novi News/STEVE FECHT

Craig Cowden (14) and Joe Miskovich celebrates Novi's upset victory over the South Lyon Lions

collapse, allowing the Lions to rip off 10 straight points.

But the Wildcats settled down in the fourth, and started to break the press and convert easy baskets at the other end. With the score tied, Novi beat the press four straight times, and the result was four lay-ups, three by 6'6" forward Ray Samolin.

Down the stretch, the Wildcats got excellent play from sophomore Craig Cowden, who scored seven of his career-high 11 points in the final five minutes, including 5-of-6 foul shooting. Novi outscored South Lyon by three in the quarter — the difference in the game.

Junior guard Joe Miskovich paced the Wildcats with 20 points and seven assists, while Samolin added 19 points and seven rebounds. The Lions (8-5, 3-3 in the KVC) were led by Brent Hepper's 14 points.

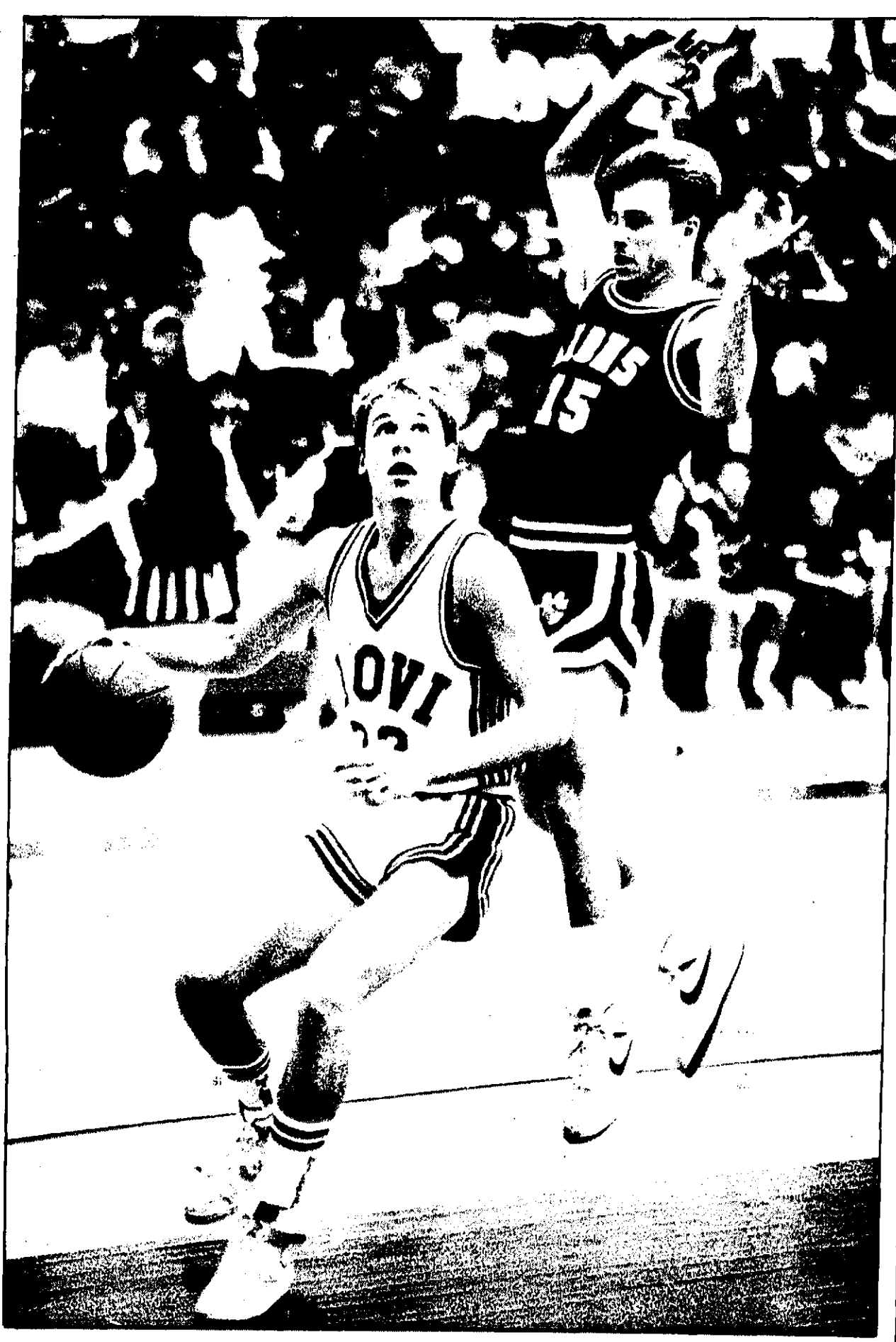
Three days earlier, Novi picked the worst possible time to play traditionally-tough Oak Park.

Academic problems had kept the team's top three players — Don Anthony, Charlie Wingate and Roland Reynolds — out of action most of the season, but all three returned to the line-up against the Wildcats.

Novi trailed by 11 points after one quarter and could never make a run as Oak Park hit 65 percent of its shots.

"(Oak Park) hit their first seven shots. We fell behind early and never could recover," Cicchelli pointed out. "Unfortunately for us, those three kids who just became eligible, scored 47 of their points. We switched defenses but whatever we did, they picked our defense apart."

Miskovich had the best offensive outing of his career, and the top point production of any Wildcat player this season. He poured in 28 points and added eight rebounds. Brian Schram also had his best game of the year, collecting 10 points.



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Novi's Joe Miskovich leaves a South Lyon defender airborne in his wake

## Eagle five takes two to stretch win streak

The Novi Christian basketball squad pulled out two closely contested games last week, and in the process won its fourth and fifth games in a row.

The Eagles outscored Troy Baptist 19-11 in the final quarter to secure a 29-24 halftime advantage over Troy. But the lead was shaved to two heading into the final stanza. That's when senior point guard Tony Leech took charge and directed the Eagles to a 10-point victory. Leech ended with 20 points, while Sorby added 19.

With one minute left in the half, Novi trailed Springfield 31-17 but thanks to two fast break hoops by Sorby, the Eagles trailed by 10 at the half. The third quarter saw Novi outscore Springfield 16-9 as Leech hit for 10 of those points in that quarter alone.

In the final quarter there was six lead changes. With the Eagles behind 51-50 and just 32 seconds remaining, senior guard Jim Driller engineered a steal and drove in for a lay-up. Novi added a free throw and held Springfield scoreless the rest of the way for the win. Leech was again high scorer with 23. Sorby also hit in double figures, collecting 13 points for the Eagles.

The two wins raise Novi Christian's record to 15-4.



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Novi's Jeff Cohen shows his form in the backstroke

## Wildcat tankers battle back to gain a tie with Northville

The Novi-Northville swim meet on January 28 started out as a friendly non-league match-up but it quickly turned into an exciting, well-balanced affair. Northville had the lead for most of the race, but the Wildcats tied it up twice, the second time coming at the end of the competition for an unusual 86-86 tie.

"It's a pleasure to swim against (Novi Coach) Larry Teahan and his team," said Keith Wright, coach of the Northville team. "It was real good competition and they have a very good program. I think this was the beginning of a very good rivalry."

Both teams were missing key swimmers due to the flu and as a result both coaches weren't sure what to expect. Novi was without the services of Todd Marker and Northville was missing John Warren. It was assumed that Novi would have a leg up in diving and the long distance events, while Northville had the edge in the sprint races, but nobody was sure.

"(Wright) thought we'd beat them and I thought they would beat us," Teahan said. "We knew we had a chance to tie them in the diving and long distances, but they are very strong everywhere else. It was give and take the whole way."

The Mustang 200-yard medley relay team of Jeff Bainbridge, Eric Leleudecker, Doug Buel and Craig Smith took top honors in the opening event with a 1:49.1. Novi's team of Jeff Cohen, Matt Lorenz, Dave Bolton and Tim McBride finished next (1:52.9) but Northville took a third and the lead.

The Wildcats' super-freshman Jon Cohen won the 200 freestyle (1:49.6) and teammate Eric Sarlund placed third (1:56.48) but the Mustangs managed a second and clung to a 16-

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14 advantage at that point. The 200 IM saw Buel pull away for a six second victory (2:14.9) over Novi's Jeff Cohen when both swimmers made it 25-21.

Bainbridge captured a first in the 50 free (23.5), six-tenths of a second ahead of the Wildcats' second place finisher Steve Warthman to increase lead to eight, but Novi got it all back in the next event. The more experienced Wildcat divers went 1-2-4 to pull into a 28-39 tie. Brian Paul's 198.8 was good for first.

But Northville responded with a 1-3-4 finish in the 100 butterfly to outscore Novi 11-5 in the event and go back in front. 30-44. Doug Buel's winning time was (56.6), second went to Lorenz (1:06.6).

The next race — the 100 freestyle — was a key juncture and Warthman won to the occasion to steal a first from Northville (52.3) and keep the Wildcats close. In the 500 freestyle, Novi swept the top two spots, as expected, with Jon Cohen first (4:51.5) and Sarlund second (5:13.1), and the Mustang lead was just 65-61.

Bainbridge won the 100 backstroke (58.8) but the real race was for second place. Novi's McBride touched off Paul Steocklin for the important spot with a time of 1:05.3. Jeff

## Wildcats of the Week



STEVE WARTHMAN

Jon Cohen and Eric Sarlund usually grab the headlines for the Novi swim squad, but the supporting cast of swimmers like Steve Warthman are just as important to the team.

In the January 28 tie with Northville, Warthman was a key performer in aiding a Novi comeback and has been honored as a "Wildcat of the Week."

Warthman placed second in the 50-yard freestyle and then surprised everyone by winning the 100 freestyle event in 52.3 seconds — a personal best time. When it came down to the last race, Novi needed a first-place finish in the 400 freestyle relay, and Warthman came through again. He was a member of the team that won the race and secured a tie for the team.



JOE MISKOVICH

Junior Joe Miskovich has been the most consistent scorer on the Novi basketball team this season, but he has still had troubles with turnovers and outside shooting. But last week it all came together for the 6'2" guard as he managed to put two outstanding performances back-to-back. Miskovich was named as a "Wildcat of the Week."

The big bright spot in Novi's 77-52 defeat at Oak Park on January 28 was the offensive show put on by Miskovich. He poured in a career-high 28 points and grabbed eight rebounds. It was the most points scored in one game by a Wildcat all season.

He followed it up with 20 points and seven assists in last Friday's 60-37 win over South Lyon.



Wildcat Ron Nutt works to pin his opponent in a 98-pound match

## KVC teams tough on Novi grapplers

Wildcat wrestling coach Tom Fritz is running long on questions and short on explanations.

When you talk to Fritz about his team, the words "soul-searching" and "hard to figure" dominate the conversation and you can't blame him.

Novi has participated in a wide variety of wrestling tournaments outside the Kensington Valley Conference and each time, the team has performed rather well. But once the Wildcats go up against a KVC opponent, the walls come tumblin' down.

Last week was the same old story. Novi was bombed by KVC foe Howell 50-12 on January 30, but then came back to claim third place and three individual championships in the very difficult Lincoln Park Invitational last Saturday. Needless to say, Fritz is searching for answers.

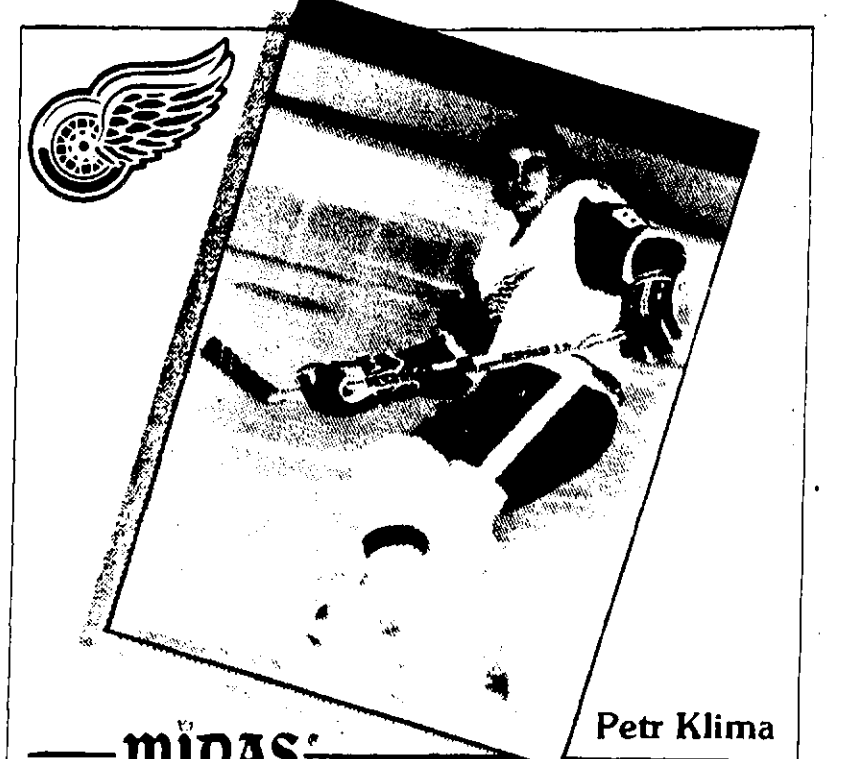
"I've been doing a lot of soul-searching lately to try to find out what the heck is going on here," Fritz admitted. "I'm just lost. We seem to be awarded by KVC teams, but when we go against other teams in tournaments, we do very well."

"If I had the answers I would sure feel better about it."

In all honesty, Fritz never really expected his team to beat powerful Howell, but he didn't expect a blow-out either. It took the Wildcats nine matches before they registered a win, as the Highlanders raced off to an impressive 35-0 lead.

"Howell kicked the living daylight out of us," Fritz stated. "I thought we could keep them under 40 points and that maybe we could score 18 to 24 but they just handled us easily."

The first two bouts of the meet may have been a good indication that it wasn't Novi's day. At 98, Ron Nutt was disqualified for illegally slamming Brad Gehinger to give Howell a 6-0 lead. When the foul was called, Nutt was very much in control and was moving



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## Wildcat net squad suffers two losses

Howell was just as tough as the Novi volleyball team had expected. But Redford Union was definitely not the traditionally weak team the Wildcats had anticipated.

It was painfully obvious that Coach Kathy Bedor's Wildcats were looking past Union to the showdown three days later with the Highlanders, and the result was an embarrassing 1-15, 0-15 slaughter in a non-league match on January 27. Things did get slightly better last Friday in a 9-15, 8-15 loss to Howell, but the spikers' losing skid continues. After winning its first two, Novi (2-4 overall, 1-4 in KVC) has now dropped four in a row.

"I don't think the girls expected such good competition," Bedor said. "Mentally, they had it in their heads that (Redford Union) wasn't very good."

But the Wildcats quickly found out the opposite was true. The first game was history before Novi even attempted a serve as Union scored 11 straight points to start the match.

"We just couldn't return that first girl's serve," Bedor admitted. "We didn't have any spikes — when you don't return the ball, you can't set up any sort of offense."

Game number two was even more disastrous. Redford Union got five points in a row from one server to start the game and ended it with eight straight.

Spiking problems continued for the Wildcats against the Highlanders. As a team, Novi returned service much better and set the ball up quite well, but the hitters up front couldn't connect.

"We didn't have one single spike," Bedor admitted. "(Our players) were so hyped up, they couldn't calm down. We just made too many mistakes."

On the positive side of the ledger, Redford singled out Annie Hwang for her consistent set-ups and Erin Barry for

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servicing. Barry connected on seven serves, three of them aces.

"I think they learned their lesson about taking a team lightly," Bedor said. "They really want to win, and losing really gets them down."

The Wildcats will try to break the slump tomorrow (February 6) when they host South Lyon at 7 p.m. in another KVC match-up.



Erin Barry and Annie Hwang of the Novi Wildcat volleyball team throw up a formidable front at the net as they attempt to block an attempted kill against Lakeland. But not even the efforts of

Berry and Hwang were enough last week as the Novi spikers dropped straight-game decisions to Redford Union and to the Howell Highlanders.

## 'Cats take 15 'firsts'

The Novi Bobcat's fifth annual USSM Swim Meet last weekend (February 1 and 2) was a smashing success. And the fact that the host team performed so well was just icing on the cake.

About 337 swimmers in nearly 2,000 events from 23 swim clubs around the state and Canada converged on Novi High School for the two-day meet and everybody left happy — especially the Bobcats and coach Manse Tian.

Forty Bobcat swimmers participated in the meet, winning 15 events and finishing among the top six no fewer than 61 times.

"We had a goal of dropping 120 seconds off our times as a team, and we accomplished that goal in the first day alone," Tian said. "We were seeing four and five second drops in some cases."

"The kids are familiar with the pool and went out and swam real well." Here is a list of the Bobcat first place relay teams: In the 10 and under boys' 200-yard freestyle relay, the Bobcat team of Sean Kelly, Mike Speerschneider, Drew Sopha and Davis Vanspybrook was first with a time of 1:18.23; in the 10 and under 200 mixed medley, Sophia, Speerschneider, Vanspybrook and Amanda Coe placed first (2:31.45); Beth Surawiec, Christie Duthie, Heather Burgess and Jill Junnola teamed up for first place in the girls' 400 freestyle relay with a time of 4:07.84; in the girls' open 200 freestyle relay, Junnola, Surawiec, Duthie and Heather Holden won the race with a 1:54.15.

The Bobcats' individual winners included Matt Holden in the boys' 10 and under 50 breaststroke (43.59); David Vanspybrook in the boys' 10 and under 50 breaststroke (45.86) and the 50 butterfly (39.60); Dennis Suchyia in the boys' 200 IM (2:24.19), the 50 freestyle (27.21) and the 200 breaststroke (2:42.23); Rudy Speerschneider in the boys' open 100 freestyle (59.88) and the 50 freestyle (27.35); Amanda Coe in the girls' 10 and under 100 backstroke (1:30.45); and Michelle Stevens in the girls' 15-18 200 freestyle (2:32.26) and 50 freestyle (27.49).

## Wixom set for skiing

The Wixom Parks and Recreation Commission will hold its fifth annual "Cross-Country Ski Stampede" at Gilbert Willis Memorial Park this Saturday, February 8, from noon to 4 p.m.

For additional information or to register call Cathryn at Wixom City Hall at 624-4557 Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

## Novi youth league slates registration

Sure, it's cold outside. But it's already time to start thinking about summer as the Novi Youth Baseball League has announced plans to hold registrations for its 1986 season.

The Novi Youth Baseball League will conduct registrations at the Novi High School Commons on Saturday, February 8, and Wednesday, February 12. Registrations will be accepted from noon to 2 p.m. at the Saturday session and from 7-9 p.m. at the Wednesday session.

The Novi Youth Baseball League of

fers play for eight to 16-year-olds in four different age divisions. Players must be eight years of age by August 1, 1986, to be eligible to play this year.

Registration fees are \$35 for 8-9 year olds, \$40 for 10-13 year olds and \$45 for 14-16 year olds. Families with three or more eligible youngsters pay a maximum flat rate of \$95.

More information about the Novi Youth Baseball League's summer program is available by calling Player Agent Jean Flores at 348-7797.

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**Consolidated Report of Condition for Insured Commercial Banks for December 31, 1985**

All schedules are to be reported in thousands of dollars. Unless otherwise indicated, report the amount outstanding at the last business day of the quarter.

**Schedule RC—Balance Sheet**

ASSETS	Mil. Thou.
1. Cash and balances due from depository institutions:	
a. Noninterest-bearing balances and currency and coin	4,058
b. Interest-bearing balances	3,000
2. Securities (from Schedule RC-B)	4,536
3. Federal funds sold and securities purchased under agreements to resell	2,440
4. Loans and lease financing receivables:	
a. Loans and leases, net of unearned income (from Schedule RC-C)	30,640
b. LESS: Allowance for loan and lease losses	588
c. LESS: Allocated transfer risk reserve	NONE
d. Loans and leases, net of unearned income, allowance, and reserve (item 4a minus 4b and 4c)	30,052
5. Assets held in trading accounts	NONE
6. Premises and fixed assets (including capitalized leases)	885
7. Other real estate owned	16
8. Investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries and associated companies	NONE
9. Customers' liability to this bank on acceptances outstanding	NONE
10. Intangible assets (from Schedule RC-M)	NONE
11. Other assets (from Schedule RC-F)	1,097
12. Total assets (sum of items 1 through 11)	46,184
<b>LIABILITIES</b>	
13. Deposits:	
a. In domestic offices (sum of totals of columns A and C from Schedule RC-E)	42,914
(1) Noninterest-bearing	10,748
(2) Interest-bearing	32,166
b. In foreign offices, Edge and Agreement subsidiaries, and IBFs	
(1) Noninterest-bearing	NONE
(2) Interest-bearing	NONE
14. Federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to repurchase	NONE
15. Demand notes issued to the U.S. Treasury	NONE
16. Other borrowed money	8
17. Mortgage indebtedness and obligations under capitalized leases	NONE
18. Bank's liability on acceptances executed and outstanding	NONE
19. Notes and debentures subordinated to deposits	NONE
20. Other liabilities (from Schedule RC-G)	482
21. TOTAL LIABILITIES (sum of items 13 through 20)	43,402
22. Limited-life preferred stock	NONE
<b>EQUITY CAPITAL</b>	
23. Perpetual preferred stock	NONE
24. Common stock	918
25. Surplus	2,192
26. Undivided profits and capital reserves	(328)
27. Cumulative foreign currency translation adjustments	
28. TOTAL EQUITY CAPITAL (sum of items 23 through 27)	2,782
29. TOTAL LIABILITIES, limited-life preferred stock, and equity capital (sum of items 21, 22 and 28)	46,184
MEMORANDA: DEPOSIT STATE OF MICHIGAN	NONE

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