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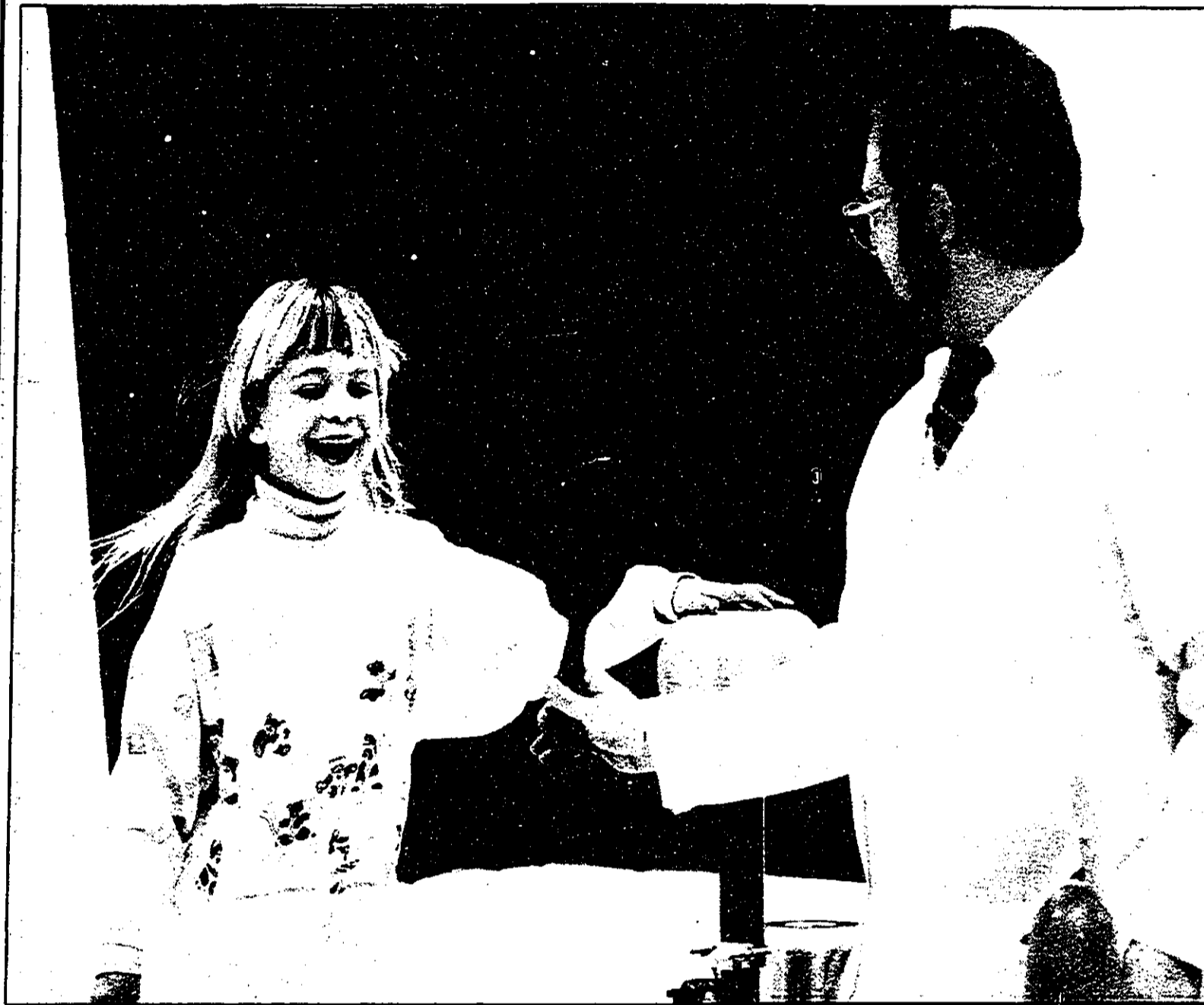
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Weird science

Learning and fun combined to make a special assembly at the Village Oaks Elementary school full of laughter. Above, Molly Haberman, a first grader at the school, is shown how her hair stands up due to static electricity. The demonstration was part of the "Mr. Wizard's World of Science Show" which came to town last Monday. Left, members of the audience appreciate the show.

Photos by Chris Boyd

Millage vote this Tuesday

By BRENDA BONZHEIM
 staff writer

Voters will be asked to take a few minutes out of their busy schedules next Tuesday, March 8, to determine the fate of a 10.5 millage renewal request for the Novi Community School District.

The polls will open at 7 a.m. and close at 8 p.m.

The 10.5 mills expired with the 1987 tax levy and are used exclusively for operating purposes, which include salaries, supplies for classrooms, maintenance, transportation costs and day-to-day operation of the schools.

School officials remain optimistic that the renewal election will be successful. The 10.5 mills comprise one-third of the school district's operating budget, according to Superintendent Robert Piwko.

The school district has two millage packages for operating purposes, one of 13 mills and the other of 10.5 mills, which recently expired. The 13 mills will expire with the Dec. 1989 tax collection.

School administrators have indicated they feel the election will be successful because the Novi school district has a good track record in maintaining high quality in its educational programs. For example, Novi Woods Elementary School was named one of the 20 exemplary elementary schools in the state in Dec. 1987.

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Local voters undecided on whether to vote/11A

Store break-in leads to arrest

By PHILIP JEROME
 managing editor

A 27-year-old Novi man has been charged in conjunction with the breaking and entering of a store in the A&P Plaza on Ten Mile at Meadowbrook Road.

James Scott Sanderson, 27, of 22539 Cranbrooke, was arraigned in 52nd District Court Monday on one count of breaking and entering, two counts of attempted breaking and entering and a fourth count of possession of burglary tools.

Bond was set at a total of \$7,000 for all four counts. Sanderson was released from the Oakland County Jail when a friend posted a 10 percent surety bond.

Novi Police Captain Richard Faulkner is crediting Officer Greg Huntersmark with an outstanding

piece of police work in conjunction with the arrest of Sanderson.

The incident began at approximately 1 a.m. on Monday, Feb. 29, when an employee working late at Domino's Pizza in the A&P Plaza heard a noise at the back door.

The employee proceeded to the back room where she observed that the door was locked but the deadbolt lock had not been fastened. After pulling the deadbolt lock into place, the employee said she again heard someone tugging at the door and proceeded to call Novi police.

Arriving minutes later, Huntersmark questioned the employee as to what had happened and then went to the rear of the building to see if the responsible party was still around.

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Mackenzie named to court

By ANN E. WILLIS
 staff writer

Novi resident Brian MacKenzie has been appointed by Gov. James Blanchard to the 52nd District Court judgeship left open by the retirement of Judge Martin L. Boyle.

MacKenzie announced the appointment Monday, Feb. 29.

"I'm pleased that the governor selected me for the position. I hope that I can live up to his expectations," MacKenzie said.

The new judge has been a Novi resident for eight years. He currently is an assistant attorney general with the state attorney general's office in the corrections division, primarily as a trial lawyer.

Prior to his work there, MacKenzie worked as the assistant prosecuting attorney for Wayne County.

MacKenzie said he is planning to hold swearing-in ceremonies in the Novi Civic Center on Thursday, March 24, at 7 p.m.

He lives in the Cedar Springs subdivision with his two children Kate and David, ages 12 and 9.

No-alcohol policy wins waiver

By ANN E. WILLIS
 staff writer

While city officials expressed delight with the appointment of Novi resident Brian MacKenzie to the judicial bench in 52nd District Court, the new judge's plans to hold swearing-in ceremonies, complete with alcoholic beverages, in the Novi Civic Center was a topic of some discussion.

During the Feb. 29 city council meeting, City Manager Edward Kriewall alerted the council of MacKenzie's plans to hold what will be a large-scale ceremony and reception in his home city hall. Kriewall said MacKenzie wants to serve alcoholic beverages at a reception following the swearing-in ceremony.

The city council passed a Community Center Use Policy last October which prohibits the use of alcohol in the community center.

Crawford: 'But once the decision was made to not allow it — we should uphold it . . . everybody has an extra special event.'

The policy was adopted with the stipulation that it would be reviewed in six months to evaluate its effectiveness.

At the Feb. 29 meeting, council members voted 5-2 to allow MacKenzie a special exception to the policy, allowing him to use the facility and serve alcoholic beverages. Council members Martha Hoyer and Hugh Crawford voted against the exception.

Crawford said he was "flabbergasted" by the change in poli-

tion taken by the council during the meeting. Crawford and Council Member Joseph Toth had lobbied hard for the inclusion of alcoholic beverages in the original Community Center Use policy, but Crawford said once the council majority voted against it he felt they had to stick by the rules.

"I really fought for the use of it (alcohol) on a limited basis," Crawford said, noting that he had attended public hearings of the Parks and Recreation Commission

to discuss the matter.

Crawford said he had been in favor of a policy allowing alcohol on a very limited basis for specific civic and community functions, such as fund-raisers, art auctions or such. "But once the decision was made to not allow it — we should uphold it," he said.

Crawford said he felt the council could not waive the restriction for one particular event because "everybody has an extra special event."

Crawford has asked for the matter to be placed back on the council agenda for next Monday's meeting, March 7. He will ask the council to either amend the restriction against alcohol totally and set up specific criteria for its use — or to stop the exception.

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Homework is key to winning appeal

By ANN E. WILLIS
 staff writer

When the envelope arrives from the City of Novi Assessment office, chances are it is not opened to sounds of joy.

Let's face it, when you own a house and the assessment on that house goes up — you rarely dance with glee. Despite the fact that a rise in assessment means the value of the home has gone up, it generally means the homeowner will pay more taxes until the home is sold.

But some people take the news of a rise in assessment more seriously. For some homeowners, the rate

increase is more than unwelcome-but-deserved news; for some it is seen as unfair and downright wrong.

And for those people there is the Board of Review.

The Board of Review is an appeals board charged with making sure the assessment process in the City of Novi is done on a fair and equitable basis.

The Novi Board of Review is made up of three Novi residents, Carol Mason, William Gladden and Fred Atiyeh.

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The Novi Post Office was not particularly busy Monday, despite the fact it's now closed Saturdays. Novi News/CHRIS BOYD

Reactions to postal hours vary

By ANN E. WILLIS
staff writer

The Novi Post Office closed its service windows on Saturdays two weeks ago, and the reaction to the closing is mixed.

Post office branches around the Detroit area have closed on Saturdays in an effort to save \$2.67 million from the U.S. Postal Service's Detroit division.

Saturday mail delivery will continue, despite the closings.

Jim Asher, postmaster at the Novi Post Office, said the Saturday closing hasn't really affected business in the Novi office. He said he has heard a couple of negative remarks, "but also a couple of positive ones," about the closing. Those in favor of the closing have said the office didn't really need to be open on Saturdays anyway, Asher said.

A trip to the post office on a recent Monday afternoon found a piece of tape covering the former Saturday

hours. The building is open from Monday to Friday from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Asher said that for all intents and purposes the only thing that has closed on Saturdays is the office's ability to weigh and stamp parcels.

"The only thing you can't do on Saturdays is mail a parcel," he said. Post office employees still work on Saturdays, and the lobby and vending machines for stamps are still open, Asher said. In addition, accounts and parcel pick-ups are open from 8 a.m. to noon each Saturday, he said. Certified mail and express mail can still go out on Saturday.

The reaction of customers outside the post office varied. "It won't really affect me," Wilma Ravlin said as she went in the building on Monday afternoon. "I suppose there are times when you might need it on a Saturday, but it shouldn't affect me overall," she said. Ravlin did say it would probably affect those who work away from home Monday through Friday more than it would

her.

Colleen Vickers of Novi at first said, "Well, it really won't bother me," but after a moment countered with, "I'd probably be upset if I needed it and couldn't use it."

"It's not a big problem," Linnie Strunk of Northville said as she went in the Novi Post Office. Strunk said she is in real estate and uses the post office all days of the week. "The service isn't all that good no matter when they're open," she said laughing.

Deanna Himml had no hesitation in deciding she did not like the new hours. "I think it's horrible," she said. "If they're not open on Saturdays, I have to take time off of work or come here on my lunch hour when they are so busy," she said. Himml said the change was a major inconvenience to working people.

"I haven't seen any drastic changes here," Asher disagreed, noting that the traffic on Monday has not increased significantly because

of the lack of Saturday hours. Asher said the post office used to see approximately 250 customers on a normal Saturday.

The division's current \$550 million budget must be cut to help balance the federal budget, Detroit division postmaster John M. Horne said in explaining the change in hours.

By themselves, the Saturday closings are expected to save the district \$600,000, Horne said. "Other cuts will come by not filling vacant positions, fewer hours for part-time flexible employees, cutting down on travel and training costs and not updating computerized equipment," Horne added. "No layoffs are anticipated."

Stamps prices are expected to rise from 22 cents to 25 cents in mid-April, he said.

Horne said the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1987, mandated by Congress, requires the U.S. Postal Service to reduce operational spend-

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New owners plan changes for Farm

By ANN E. WILLIS
staff writer

Say goodbye to the Goat Farm and hello to the new Mr. B's Farm.

That's right, the Novi landmark known first as the Goat Farm and later as just The Farm will become Mr. B's Farm sometime within the next three weeks.

The new owners are partners in several successful bar/restaurants in Rochester, Utica and Royal Oak. Michael Nash, new owner of The Farm, said he is one of the partners in Mr. B's Food and Spirits in Rochester. Nash said he plans to make The Farm into a similar type of restaurant as the other two Mr. B's.

Nash said the new owners plan to be in the building within three weeks. He and two of his partners in the new bar showed Novi City Council members plans for an expansion and remodeling project for the bar at the council's Feb. 29 meeting.

Plans call for the immediate addition of an outdoor patio area/deck area between where the current volleyball court and baseball diamond lie. The patio would seat an extra 75-80 people, Nash said.

The bar will remain open during the remodeling, Nash said.

The group plans to overhaul the restaurant's kitchen in the fall, putting in all new appliances and upgrading the menu.

Eventually, plans call for the outdoor patio to be enclosed for year-round dining.

"Our goal is to bring in the best of what the Goat Farm represents, sort of a controlled rowdiness, and the best of the Mr. B's ambience which is more of a laid back family-type tavern," Nash said. "It will be a sports bar motif with real good food."

Nash and partners petitioned the city council for a transfer of the current Farm liquor license to the new Mr. B's Farm. The city council approved the recommendation for the transfer unanimously. The state makes final decisions concerning liquor licenses.

"We have big plans for Novi," Nash told the council. "We feel we can bring a lot to the community and we are in it for the long haul."

Nash said the partners will put in \$100,000 in improvements in the first phase of renovation and another \$100,000 in the second phase next fall. The total capacity of The Farm currently is 225 persons. With the planned addition of the new Mr. B's Farm would have a capacity of 316 persons, Nash said.

The site plan for the addition to the restaurant is currently in the review process. Council Member Martha Hoyer expressed concern over the number of parking spaces available for the bar/restaurant facility. "It's not only a restaurant, it's a recreation facility," she said, referring to the baseball diamond and volleyball court.



Novi News/CHRIS BOYD



Unstoppable

A gravel truck was unable to stop at the intersection of Nine Mile and Haggerty Road on Monday, Feb. 29 and collided with a car. The truck, left, was southbound on Nine Mile when the driver found he was unable to stop for a red light at the intersection. The driver attempted to avoid a collision and ended up crashing through on to the lawn of the attorney's office on the south side of Nine Mile. The driver of the vehicle, above, suffered minor injuries. Her car was totaled according to Officer Roder of the Novi Police Department.

Bands to present 'festival' concert

Novi residents will have an opportunity to hear the award-winning Novi High School and Novi Middle School bands perform in concert next Monday, March 8.

The concert, which is free and open to the public, will be held in Novi High School's Fuest Auditorium at 7:30 p.m.

The concert has been scheduled in preparation for the upcoming District Band Festival sponsored by the Michigan School Band and Orchestra Association (MSBOA). Both the high school and middle school bands will present the music they will be performing in the district festival during next Monday's concert.

Strain noted that the concert will mark the first time both bands have performed their festival music at the same concert.

Each band will perform the "warm-up" march, the required piece and the selected piece that they will be playing in the MSBOA District Festival.

"The pre-festival concert," said Strain, "gives parents and the community an opportunity to hear the music that is being prepared for the district festival."

"In addition," he continued, "the concert gives the students an opportunity to perform the music in front of an audience prior to performing it in front of judges during the district festival."

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Council approves church standards

By ANN E. WILLIS
staff writer

Church buildings will be required to meet more specific standards following passage of a zoning ordinance amendment by the Novi City Council at its Feb. 22 meeting.

The amendment provides additional standards for churches built within districts zoned for single-family residential development.

Planners are taking a closer look at standards for church construction within residential neighborhoods following the application for site plan approval by St. Plus X, a church-school complex.

The St. Plus X application was for a six-building church-school complex. The proposed plan would have included a chapel, church school, rectory, convent, garage and a secondary chapel as well as provisions for a future main church on a 5.9 acre site. The proposed site was on Ten Mile west of Beck Road.

Many residents of the adjacent Echo Valley subdivision voiced opposition to such a large scale complex being built so close to their homes. Residents said they had no real opposition to a church building on the site, but were against such a large scale development project in the area. They cited increased pressure on roads and the front yard being defined as the space between the front lot line and the actual building setback line) and no parking any closer than 20 feet from any side or rear lot line. The council also added the stipulation that no parking would be allowed any closer than 35 feet if it abutted residential lot.

The screening of parking areas to conform with city requirements... A church would still be considered a special land use within a residentially-zoned area and as such would still be required to obtain a special land use permit and go through a special land use hearing conducted by the planning commission.

Planning Consultant Brandon Rogers said the specifications were not made in an effort to deter church development, but rather to set definitive standards and minimum standards to provide "elbow room" for churches and neighboring residents.

The amendment to the zoning ordinance was passed unanimously by the city council.

□ A minimum building setback of 75 feet from all the property lines
□ No front yard parking (the front yard being defined as the space between the front lot line and the actual building setback line) and no parking any closer than 20 feet from any side or rear lot line. The council also added the stipulation that no parking would be allowed any closer than 35 feet if it abutted residential lot.
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Toy tempts child into stealing

A "sound simulating machine" proved to be too much temptation to handle for a six-year-old child who was apprehended for removing the toy from the A.J. Cheers store at Twelve Oaks Mall on Tuesday, Feb. 22.

The youngster was apprehended by a store employee who told security officers she watched the youth enter the store with a white female and move toward the rear where the "Evenger" sound simulators were displayed on a shelf.

The clerk said she observed the youth open one of the boxes, put the sound simulator in his pocket and run out of the store into the Ganto's, which is located immediately across the hall from A.J. Cheers on the lower level of the mall.

The clerk said she found the youngster hiding underneath a clothing rack in the Ganto's store.

The youth was turned over to the custody of an 18-year-old sister who told security officers the youngster's father is deceased and the whereabouts of the mother is unknown.

SOME \$3,500 IN CASH was stolen from a Haggerty Road residence on Sunday, Feb. 21.

The complainant said he left the house to pick up his wife at the hospital at 10:15 a.m. and returned shortly before noon to find the house had been broken into.

The responsible parties took rolls of coins from the kitchen table and a bag of envelopes containing cash from a kitchen counter.

The thieves proceeded to the living room, taking several items from a desk drawer, and then entered a bedroom, where they removed several pieces of jewelry from a jewelry box. They also took a pillowcase from the bed, apparently to carry off the stolen loot.

Investigating officers reported finding tracks made by a pair of tennis shoes leading from the back door of the residence to the driveway. Police also noted that the residence had not been ransacked and several items of value had not been touched by the intruders.

Police Beat

A CRANBROOK DRIVE resident reported the theft of some \$4,200 worth of jewelry from her home on Tuesday, Feb. 9.

The woman told police she believes the jewelry was taken by a white male who came to view the residence which is for sale. She described the suspect as being approximately 35 years old, 5-11 inches tall with brown hair and wearing a suit and tie.

The complainant told investigating officers the man was alone in the bedroom where the jewelry was kept for a few minutes as he looked through the residence.

The following day, the woman said she noticed the jewelry missing from the top of the bedroom dresser.

Stolen were a yellow gold wedding ring with 24 small diamonds valued at \$1,200 and a gold band with a one-half karat diamond and five emeralds valued at \$3,000.

The woman also reported that the wallet was stolen from her purse which also had been in the bedroom. The purse contained approximately \$150 in U.S. currency.

THREE WHITE TEENAGERS are believed responsible for the theft of \$14.50 worth of earrings from the Jon Bari store at Twelve Oaks Mall on Feb. 23.

The assistant manager told mall security officers the three teens came into the store at approximately 4 p.m. and began looking through the earring display in the center of the shop. After the trio left without making a purchase, the assistant manager found seven empty earring packages on the display counter where the youths had been shopping.

Stolen were three pairs of single

cross earrings, three pairs of single hoop earrings and one pair of single dangle earrings.

The suspects were described as a 5-10 inch white female, a 5-7 inch white female and a 6-0 white male.

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A YAMAHA DIRT BIKE was stolen from outside the owner's residence on Byrne Drive sometime during the week of Feb. 21-27.

The complainant said the bike had been left outside the home and the garage during the period of time in which it was stolen. The bike was valued at \$600.

MISCELLANEOUS BUILDING supplies have been stolen from a home under construction on Eleven Mile over the past four months.

The complainant reported that a gas can, two paint rollers and a paint pole disappeared Oct. 12; an aluminum ladder valued at \$221 was taken Dec. 11; and another aluminum stepladder was taken Feb. 23.

Total value of the stolen property was placed at \$163.

THE WOODEN GATE outside the Pavilion Court Apartments on Haggerty Road was damaged by vandals on Feb. 25 between 4:30 and 6 a.m.

The complainant told police that unknown individuals destroyed the gate by hitting it with a vehicle. Damage to the gate was estimated at \$200, while an additional \$50 worth of damage was caused to a 1983 Mazda which was parked near the gate and struck by the flying debris.

VANDALS DID AN estimated \$100 worth of damage to directional signs outside the Multi-Elmac Company at 2270 Heslip Drive during the night of Feb. 22-23.

The complainant said a "stop" sign, a "do not enter" sign and a "one-way" sign were damaged after being struck by an unknown vehicle. In addition, the lawn outside the building suffered an undetermined amount of damage after it was run over by the vehicle.

AUDIO EQUIPMENT valued at more than \$800 was stolen from a 1987 Ford Ranger pickup truck parked outside the owner's residence on Spring Lake Drive during the night of Feb. 18-19.

Stolen were a Clarion in-dash radio valued at \$400, a Clarion equalizer valued at \$175, two Kenwood speakers valued at \$135 and two Ford speakers valued at \$100.

Novi Briefs

Driver's ed classes: Novi High School is now accepting applications for summer driver's education sessions. Registration of eligible students began March 1 and runs through March 15.

Two driver's education sessions will be offered at the high school again this year. The first session will run from June 20 to July 15 and the second session will run from July 18 to Aug. 12.

For more information call Bob Hubbert at the high school, 344-8333, or pick up driver's education applications in the main office of the high school.

Bring your own mustard: The Novi Players Theater Group is presenting its spring production on March 11, 12, 23 and 26 at 8 p.m. The production is called "The Man with a Plastic Sandwich," a comedy about Walter Price, a man down on his luck who meets three interesting characters in a city park.

The show will be held at the Novi Community Center on Ten Mile. Tickets are \$4 and may be purchased at the door.

For more information on the Players or the play call 476-2059.

4-H group takes the trophy: Members of the Novi Adventurers 4-H Group led by Margaret Schmidt have been chosen one of the top 10 programs in the county for their work on the Pioneer Festival last summer.

The Novi 4-H group won a trophy and state recognition for its work.

Unemployment rate: Annual unemployment figures for the City of Novi show a jobless rate lower than that for the greater Detroit area, according to the Michigan Employment Security Commission (MESC).

During 1987, the average unemployment in Novi was 5.9 percent, according to MESC figures. In contrast, the 1987 average for the southeast Michigan region — including Wayne, Oakland, Macomb, Monroe, Livingston, Lapeer and St. Clair Counties — was 8.1 percent.

In Novi, 1987 average figures were: a work force of 13,800 people — 13,000 employed and 800 unemployed.

Cable connection: Lark Reid, executive director of the Southwestern Oakland Cable Commission, wants Novi residents to know she is available to talk face-to-face with MetroVision cable customers about consumer questions or problems.

Reid will be at the Novi City Hall on Thursdays from 9 a.m. to noon to answer consumer questions. To make an appointment contact the city manager's office at city hall or drop by. Reid said she will act as a liaison with the community and the cable company.

Reid is also available any day, Monday-Friday at 474-5500. Reid said she would be happy to change her community hours as needed by the residents.

Any service groups needing information on the community access cable channel can contact Reid to talk to their groups.

Well water checks: Residents who use wells in the City of Novi may have their water checked free of charge by the Oakland County Health Department. Information and bottles for the check are available through the City of Novi and can be picked up at city hall.



Novi News/PHILIP JEROME

Going downhill — fast

You could hardly call the family sledding party for Village Oaks students at Lakeshore Park last Sunday a huge success. Perhaps because of the warm-ish weather, relatively few families showed up. But those that did had a great time on the sledding hill. Katy

O'Neill and her son Brendan, a kindergartner, were among those who showed up, and, according to Katy, it was the first time either she or her son had gone sledding. "I think it's great," she said after her initial sledding trip down the hill.

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Biggest sock hop planned for Novi

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Billed as "the biggest sock hop in Michigan history," the dance is the first pre-festival event planned by the Michigan '50s Festival Committee.

Connie Mallett, executive director of the Novi Chamber of Commerce and chairman of the Festival Committee, said the date, entertainment and most of the preparations are ready for the Sock Hop.

"We have put together an evening of fun and nostalgia, something for everyone to enjoy," said Mallett.

"We have the music of WKSJ/KISS FM with 'Solid Gold' deejay Paul Christy and the Danny Vann 'Tribute to Elvis' show. We

have dancing to a live band and dancing to recorded music. It's a sensational kick-off and festival raiser. All indicators point to a great evening with a few surprises yet to be announced."

Mallett said the '50s represent "happy days," and that's exactly what the committee plans to accomplish throughout the pre-festival activities right into Michigan '50s Festival Week (July 13-17).

Beginning at 8 p.m. and running to 1 a.m., the Sock Hop will include a cash bar, free food, entertainment and dancing for the ticket price of \$10 per person.

Tickets will be sold at the door and selected outlets as long as they last. Additional information about the Sock Hop and Michigan '50s Festival is available by calling Mallett at Novi Chamber offices, 349-3745.

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Video industry poised to fight new legislation

LANSING — A State Senate proposal co-sponsored by a local lawmaker that would require video tapes to display the motion picture ratings and provide penalties for any violation of the act is not going to a fight from the video industry.

Senator Robert Geake (R-Northville) initiated Senate bill 490 in response to news reports and parents' complaints that their children can obtain and view films that many consider objectionable, said his legislative aide, Jon Smalley.

If approved, the video tape version of a film would be required to display the Motion Picture Association of America's rating of the movie.

However, a trade organization, while in support of the bill's intent, wants lawmakers to leave any regulation of the video business to the video industry.

Jim Bevak, president of Video Software Dealers Association of Michigan, said he and other store owners should be able to have control.

guidelines (for renting tapes to minors) but the video store owners, through the organization, would like to try to police themselves," he said.

Bevak, who owns Video Vista in Livonia, said dealers who are organization members will ask adults when applying for membership if they have any children who will be renting tapes.

"If they do, we'll ask the parents if the kids have their permission to rent any film with the MPAA's R rating," he said.

The bill received the Senate Committee on State Affairs endorsement Feb. 23, which, Smalley said, would allow the Senate to vote on the bill as early as this week.

Geake, the principal sponsor of the bill, proposed the legislation in response to news reports and parental complaints of harmful effects from children's viewing violent and sexually explicit films, Smalley said.

One such video that repeatedly gets complaints is "Faces of Death," which consists of graphic scenes of violent death and dying.

A 16-year-old boy was one of the group convicted in Oakland County Probate Court of assaulting a family with baseball bats.

The teen's mother placed partial blame on the fact that the boy and his friends viewed the film before the attack.

Produced 10 years ago, the film now has two sequels. All, Bevak said, are very popular with young adults and all are unrated — a common feature of many films that would receive an "X" rating from the MPAA.

Such is the case with the new video release of the film "Angel Heart," a film that when released in the theaters forced the filmmaker to delete a scene in order to obtain an "R" rating instead of "X."

The scene was restored in the video and is now unrated.

Yvonne Howell, assistant manager of Universal Video in Redford, said her store put the "Hard R" rating on it — an unofficial rating used by video dealers.

"We'll call parents if kids come in and want to rent this sort of film," she said. "But there's no law against it right now for 'Hard R' and non-rated videos, the way there is for those with the 'X' rating."

"And yet, when you see 'non-rated,' what does that mean?" Bevak asked. "Educational, documentary, 'how-to' programs — they're not rated now, and who's to judge?"

Violent and sexually explicit films, though, are being addressed directly by Geake's other bill, SB-491, currently awaiting discussion in the judiciary committee.

The bill, Smalley said, would have video stores restrict access for minors to films that fall into that category.

Also sponsoring the legislation are senators Norman Shenkie of

Lambertville, Jack Welborn of Kalamazoo, Vernon Ehlers of Grand Rapids and Harman Crosey of Decatur.

All are Republicans but, Smalley said, "We've had strong bipartisan support."

While video dealers opposed to a regulation, Smalley said just 30 percent of the video outlets belong to the organization "and those tend to be the better-run businesses. There's a portion of people who don't follow rules."

Michigan has 600 video stores.

Bevak said. About 185 are members of VSDA "but that doesn't mean the others aren't complying," he said.

Just Maryland, Georgia, Tennessee and Illinois have laws governing videos, Smalley said. A few other states, including New York, New Jersey, Massachusetts and California, have legislation pending.

"The proposed law would have the ratings serve only as a guideline for parents," Smalley said. "Some laws could infringe too much."

Bevak agrees with this assessment.

Report card High school staff is evaluated

By BRENDA BONZHEIM staff writer

For a change of pace, the tables were reversed on the staff members at Novi High School.

Instead of issuing evaluation reports for students, the school staff was evaluated by 23 visitors from the North Central Association evaluation team.

The team reviewed the high school after taking a look at current academic programs, curriculum, services and school facilities over a three-day period in November 1986.

After completing the evaluation, the North Central Association group issued a lengthy written report of its findings. Novi Board of Education members recently received a copy of the report from Novi High School Principal Robert Youngberg.

"In an overall review of Novi High School's program and curriculum, Eva Swenarton, administrative assistant of staff development at Farmington schools, offered the following remarks:

□ "Novi High School is to be commended for the comprehensive educational program offered to students.

□ "A variety of courses geared to the needs of all students is being offered.

□ "Teachers, administrators, parents and students contribute to the program by providing input into educational decisions.

□ "Clearly, the staff, students and community are proud of the education students receive at Novi High School."

Weaknesses were indicated in the following areas of high school programs and curriculum:

□ "As enrollment increases at Novi High School, there is a persistent need to look at the issues of staffing and course offerings.

□ "Because many of the families moving into the community are upwardly mobile, there appears to be increasing emphasis on the college-bound student.

□ "Caution must be taken not to over-emphasize the high achievers at the expense of the low achievers."

The review recommends implementing increased graduation requirements and adding advanced placement classes with limited enrollment to reduce elective offerings while increasing student/teacher ratios in remaining classes.

Youngberg noted in the margin of the report that action is progressing in this area.

□ Long-range planning by the high school's curriculum council also was recommended by Swenarton, who noted, "the curriculum council appears to play a reactive rather than proactive role in curriculum change. The council swings into action when a change is initiated as opposed to providing both short and long-range leadership. More structured, meaningful input of staff into curriculum is recommended."

Youngberg indicated in his notations that Swenarton's recommendations about the curriculum council are already current at the high school, or have been implemented since the study was completed.

Another comment in the review of the school curriculum suggested that on-going professional development be built-in to ensure academic improvement.

Youngberg indicated action was progressing with that particular issue.

In the North Central Association's evaluation of the high school facilities, five strengths and seven weaknesses were listed. The overview of school facilities was prepared by Richard F. Shepich, assistant principal at Troy High School.

Strengths included:

□ "The use of high quality building materials and carpeted hallways and classrooms provide a quiet, safe and attractive educational setting."

□ "The building was clean and well-maintained during the day. The kitchen/catereria area was very adequate for food preparation. Serving and seating was adequate for the existing population in the lunch periods scheduled. Serving of food was completed quickly and efficiently."

□ "The auditorium is spacious and very functional for both school and community activities."

□ "The outside grounds and athletic facilities are very adequate."

□ "The cafeteria, commons and central locker area is unique in its concept."

Weaknesses were observed in the following areas:

□ "The commons area is a separate building, not attached to the main instructional facility. This creates an undesirable situation when students and staff must be exposed to the elements to go to and from this facility two or three times a day."

□ "There is a general shortage of adequate storage space for teacher and custodial supplies."

□ "The weight training room is too small and inadequate for a Class A high school."

□ "The gymnasium is taxed to the maximum, especially for after-school interscholastic sports."

□ "Because of limited regular classroom space, some math classes are being taught in shop balcony facilities."

□ "The football field and running track have a drainage problem, sometimes causing the cancellation of athletic events."

□ "There is a concern among some staff that the heating and cooling facilities are not functioning properly, causing some rooms to be very uncomfortable."

Recommendations to correct problems with the school facilities included exploring the possibility of "building an attractive, functional enclosure from the main building to the commons area."

It also was suggested that more room be added for weight training, perhaps by constructing an annex to the physical education wing to include an auxiliary gym and weight training rooms.

In rating the staff and administration, Shepich provided the strengths listed below:

□ "There is a good staff/student ratio in all departments."

□ "The staff is well qualified and experienced."

□ "Overall staff attitude displays concern for maintenance of excellence within its subject area."

□ "The building principal generates a monthly newsletter and maintains an open communication with the community."

□ "Parents are invited and encouraged to participate in counselor/student annual conferences."

□ "The principal has created a unique student advisory committee which meets monthly for the purpose of providing student input on school policy and procedures."

□ "The Novi school district is financially healthy and this is reflected in supported programs at Novi High School."

□ "The administrative staff makes frequent classroom visits."

Four weaknesses were identified in the review of staff and administration at Novi schools, which included:

□ "The building principal is required to formally evaluate all staff members each year. Fifty-six plus staff members is too many to adequately evaluate annually."



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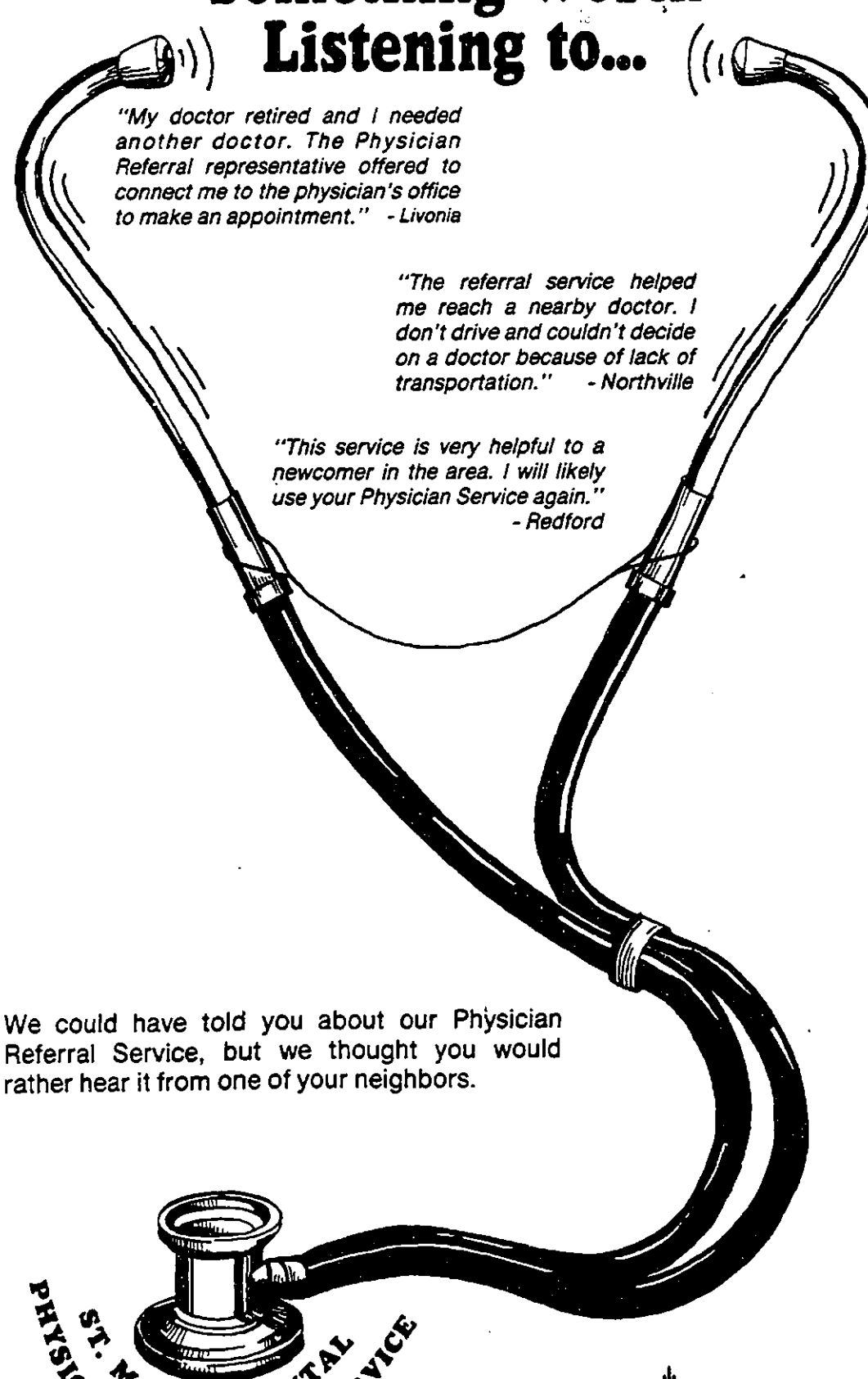
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PART II. CONFLICTING PROVISIONS REPEALED. Any ordinance or parts of any Ordinance in conflict with any of the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

PART III. WHEN EFFECTIVE. The provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety and is hereby ordered to take effect ten (10) days after final enactment and publication. The effective date of this Ordinance is March 3, 1988.

Made and passed by the City Council of the City of Novi, Michigan, this 22nd day of February 1988. Copies of the Ordinance Amendment may be purchased or inspected at the Office of the City Clerk, Novi, Michigan, weekdays between 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM.

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GERALDINE STIPP
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Those were the words of painter Bob Gaskins of Northville after a class member observed the amount of detail work needed to complete an oil painting.

Gaskins, a 10-year veteran of the trials and tribulations of the painted canvas, has been showing up most Wednesdays since September for an oil painting class in Novi. The class is sponsored by the Oakland Livingston Human Service Agency (OLHSA).

The painters have settled into a new room in the community center portion of the Civic Center and instructor Francis Fleischman likes the surroundings. Fleischman gives the new room better marks because it is a lot brighter than the group's previous site.

Class requirements are fairly casual, and registration is not necessarily a problem. "I'm starting classes all the time," Fleischman said. She has taught the class for eight years.

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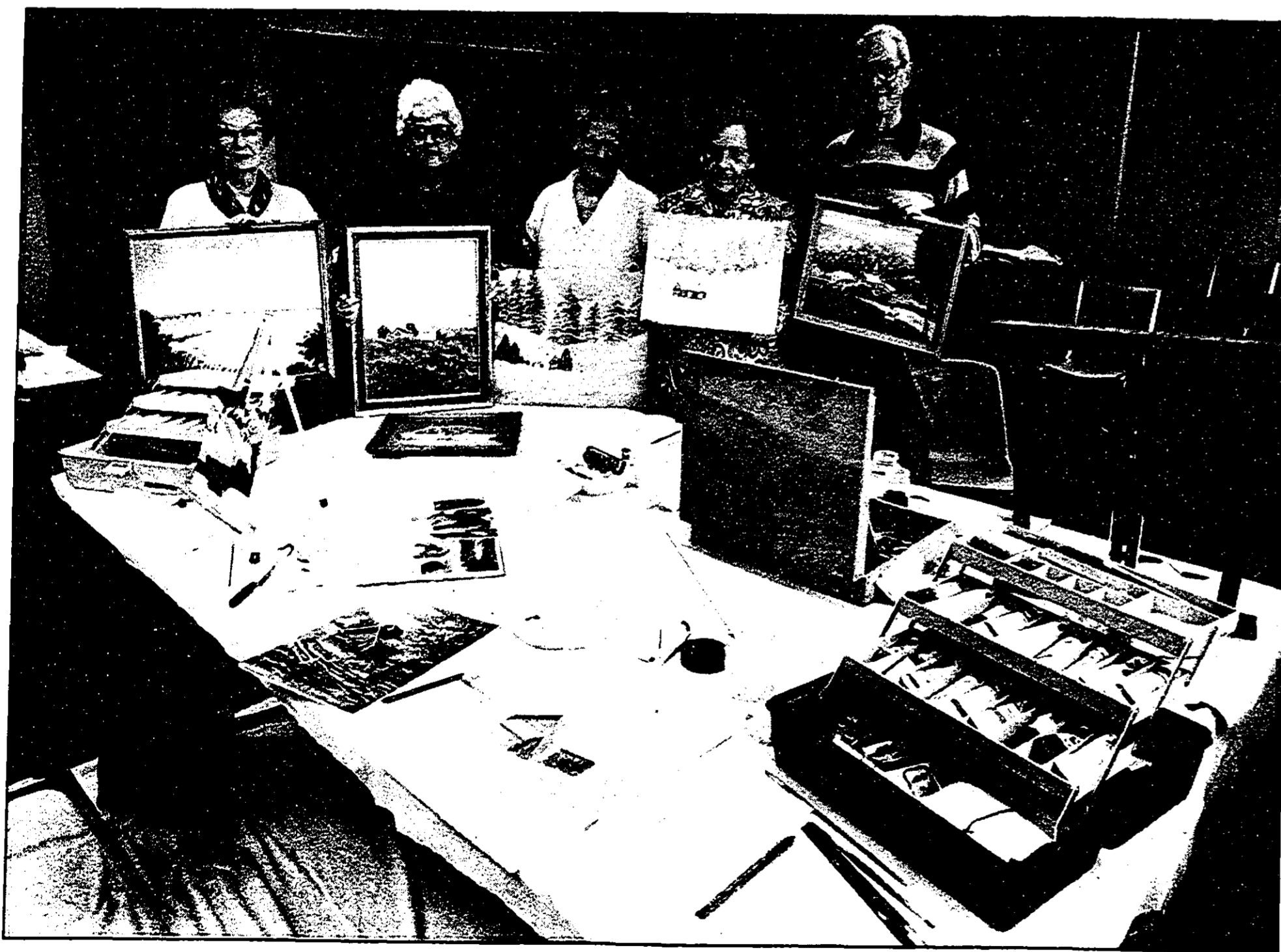
community center portion of the Civic Center and instructor Francis Fleischman likes the surroundings. Fleischman gives the new room better marks because it is a lot brighter than the group's previous site.

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During class Fleischman wanders over to an aspiring artist. She ponders for a moment, puts a finger to her lips in thought, then offers advice about that nagging detail.



Instructor Francis Fleischman, left, with student Jessie Franz



Left to right, Lil Perry, Francis Fleischman, Hanna Fritz, Jessie Franz and Bob Gaskins display some of the class' work

Photos by Chris Boyd

Planners report on '87 work program progress

By BRENDA BONZHEIM
staff writer

It was another action-packed year for Novi planners. Development projects during 1987 remained consistent with 1986 planning levels, keeping the Novi Department of Planning, the Novi Community Development Department and the Novi Planning Commission tied up in meetings and site plan review proceedings.

The 1987 Planning and Community Development Annual Report traces work completed by Novi planners — the planning commission, Brandon M. Rogers & Associates, JCK & Associates, Inc., Barton-Aschman & Associates and the Novi Community Development Department throughout the year. The report was presented to planning commissioners recently for informational purposes.

Significant projects in 1987 included the Sandstone PUD (Planned Unit Development), The Landing, the Novi Town Center, Trammel Crow Properties, Westbrook Place, Orchard Hill Place and several major subdivisions — Deerbrook, Jamestown Green No. 3, Timber Ridge and Dunbarton Woods.

Community Development Director James Wahl said the purpose of the

Planners' Report		
Novi Planning Commission 1987 Annual Report		
Planning Commission Activities (reviewed)	1986	1987
Site Plan Applications (number processed)	79	82
Woodland Affidavits	113	138
Conferences with developers, etc.	338	337
Zoning Ordinance Text Amendments	—	17
Zoning Map Amendments	—	14

Source: Novi Planning and Community Development Dept.

annual report is to document all of Novi's planning functions in black and white for city officials and the public to see. He explained the document could be helpful in negotiating the planning commission's upcoming budget.

Planning Consultant Brandon Rogers pointed out highlights in the report after presenting it to the planning commission at its Feb. 17 meeting. He said a few revisions and

additions have to be included in the report before it is complete.

Commissioner Charles Kureth complimented Rogers and Wahl for compiling the material into a readable form. He said the document was a great reference material.

Several planning commissioners agreed that the report was very informative and interesting. In a written introduction to the report, Wahl stated: "In order to effectively monitor, manage and give overall direction for planning and development, the City of Novi has provided for approximately \$450,000 for Planning and Community Development activities during the 1987-88 fiscal year."

According to the report, there were 82 new site plan applications submitted during 1987, compared to 79 in 1986 and 52 in 1985. In addition, several plans initiated in 1986 were re-examined. Since re-submittals of each site plan often are required, the number of actual reviews totaled about 350 cases.

Also, more than 100 projects were inspected for landscape planting conformity throughout the year.

The report stated that 25 new woodlands permits were reviewed and work was completed on 20 applications carried over from 1986. A

total of 138 woodlands affidavits were processed in 1987, up from 113 in 1986.

In addition to attending countless meetings, planners conducted 337 conferences with developers and property owners in city offices, almost matching 338 similar workshops in 1986.

Major projects initiated or completed in 1987 by the planning commission, and its support staff included finishing — elements of the new city Master Plan; making recommendations to the Novi City Council on new or amended regulatory ordinances; revising the site plan manual; and taking action on proposed site plans, rezonings, subdivisions and woodlands permits.

Master Plan update work consumed a lot of time during the year, when its goals and objectives were finalized and integrated with the city's Philosophy Statement.

Several studies — begun or finished in 1987 — aided the planners with their work on the Master Plan, such as the Existing Land Use Study, the Population Study and Forecast, the Housing and Density Study, the Transportation Plan, the Retail and Office Sector Study and Plan, the Industrial Areas Plan, the Comprehensive Natural Resource Design Study, the Urban Design Plan, the Capital

Improvements Program and the Hagerly/12 Mile Traffic Study.

To coordinate city zoning with master plan objectives, several important zoning ordinance amendments were prepared and adopted in 1987, including 17 text amendments and 14 zoning map amendments.

Text changes occurred in residential density figures, facade materials, senior citizen housing and subdivision densities, just to name a few.

In addition, the planning commission's environmental committee completed a draft of the Hazardous Materials Ordinance, which is associated with the Pollution Incident Prevention Plan (PIPP).

JCK & Associates reported that 557 sets of plans — not including soil erosion and wetlands plans — were considered by the company's Plan Review Department.

Other data included in the annual report includes the number and subject of planning concepts meetings held during 1987, street naming committee meetings and legal opinions issued by Fred & Levitt, the city's legal consultants.

After revisions are made to the document, Rogers suggested that it be printed on quality paper and made available to interested parties.

Local man killed in crash

A Novi man died in a fatal automobile early on the morning of Wednesday, March 2.

Robert L. Stevens, 19, of Christina Lane in Novi was declared dead at Botsford Hospital at 2:37 a.m.

According to the Farmington Hills Police Department Traffic Section, Stevens was traveling westbound on M-102 (Grand River Expressway) in Farmington at a high rate of speed. Steven's car left the road, police reported,

and struck two support columns on the expressway bridge. The car careened off the columns and came to rest west of the bridge. The accident occurred at 1:50 a.m.

The bridge is located at the point where northbound I-275 and westbound I-96 intersect in connector lanes.

The police reported that the victim was not wearing a seatbelt. There was no evidence of drinking, according to the traffic report.

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Mixed reaction greet new hours

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 Home said, "This is over and above the forthcoming rate increase expected in April."
 "We were given the cut and told we can't raise rates or borrow money."

side postal workers, Horne said. "We are asking the public to understand the cuts were mandated by law. As a consequence, this is our response to it," he said. "We will continue to provide service with the least inconvenience to customers."
 "We know that some people may be inconvenienced by the changed hours, but we hope they will also understand our difficult position," he added.

The workshop is being sponsored by the Michigan Association of Children's Alliances (MACA) in conjunction with Vista Maria of Detroit, Michigan Federation of Private Child & Family Agencies, and the Lutheran Child and Family Service of Michigan. The cost is \$65 for MACA members, \$85 for non-members and is open to the public. Reservations may be made by calling 517/465-0840.

Dr. Michael E. Samuels, assistant to the Surgeon General, will present a one-day workshop titled "AIDS: The National Perspective" at the Novi Hilton this Friday, March 4.
 Dr. Samuels is responsible for development, preparation and publication of the Surgeon General's Report on AIDS. He serves as the principal liaison between the Surgeon General and institutions, groups and other governmental entities on the AIDS issues. He will represent the Surgeon General at the workshop.

AIDS workshop held Friday at Hilton

Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) is the most serious form of disease caused by the AIDS virus and is usually fatal. In the United States 41,500 cases of AIDS had been identified as of Sept. 10, 1987, of which 4,000 confirmed cases are in Michigan, according to the Michigan Department of Public Health.
 The workshop also will feature a panel representing the Department of Education, Public Health, Child Welfare agencies and Legal.



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THE POLLS OF ELECTION WILL OPEN AT 7 O'CLOCK, A.M., AND CLOSE AT 8 O'CLOCK, P.M.

The following proposition(s) will be submitted to the vote of the electors at the special election:

MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSITION

Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property in Novi Community School District, Oakland County, Michigan, be increased by 10.5 mills (\$10.50 on each \$1,000.00) on state equalized valuation for a period of 3 years, 1988, 1989 and 1990, to provide additional funds for operating purposes (this being a renewal of 10.5 mills for operating purposes which expired with the 1987 tax levy)?

THE VOTING PLACE(S) ARE AS FOLLOWS:

PRECINCT NO. 1
 Voting Place: Novi Middle School South, 25285 Taft Road, Novi, Michigan.

PRECINCT NO. 2
 Voting Place: Orchard Hills Elementary School, 41900 Quince, Novi, Michigan.

PRECINCT NO. 3
 Voting Place: Village Oaks Elementary School, 23333 Willowbrook, Novi, Michigan.

All school electors who are registered with the city or township clerk of the city or township in which they reside are eligible to vote at this election.

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Voters undecided about millage renewal request

By BRENDA BONZHEIM staff writer

If a recent informal poll of 15 Novi residents is any indication, a major portion of voters in the school district are aware of the upcoming March 8 millage renewal election, but don't know if they'll cast a ballot or not. The voters said they hadn't heard about the election, but two of those six said they planned to vote Tuesday, March 8. Nine residents said they had read about the 10.5 millage renewal election or heard about it from friends.

When asked if they planned to vote in the election, four residents said "no", five said "yes" and six said they weren't sure.

Most of the "not sure" responders commented that the election is for a millage renewal, a rather cut-and-dry issue. "Those same residents indicated that if the election were a request for increased millage they would be sure to vote."

Frequent responses included:
 "Yes, I'm aware of the election. I don't know if I'll vote — millage renewals happen all the time. If it was for more millage I'd vote."
 "No, I haven't heard about the election, but I'll probably vote because education is important in Novi."
 "No, I haven't heard about any election. I don't know much about it so I don't know if I'll vote."
 "Yes, I know about it — I've read about the election and I plan to vote."
 "I'm aware of the election, but I'm not going to vote."
 The Novi Community School District's election is a request for a renewal of 10.5 mills, which will be used strictly for operational purposes.

The 10.5 mills expired with the Dec. 1987 tax collection. Despite the variation in answers to the questions above, all those included in the poll said their overall impression of the Novi school district was favorable.

"I think it's a very good school system," one Novi resident commented.

Millage decided Tuesday

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Novi's Orchard Hills Elementary also won a national honor in 1986. In addition to Novi Woods and Orchard Hills, Novi High School has won state and national recognition and Novi Middle School won state recognition before there was a national program for secondary schools.

Piwko said the educational programs at the district's schools speak for themselves. He said he thought public confidence in the district was high because the school administration has made a point of levying only the number of mills needed to operate current school programs.

The district's current authorized millage rate is 33.04 mills, according to Assistant Superintendent William Barr. Yet only 31.3 mills have been levied.

Retaining its position to levy only what is needed, Barr said he doubted the district would levy as much as 31.3 mills for the upcoming school year.

Although the March 8 millage election asks that the 10.5 mills be renewed, language in the ballot proposal contains the word "increase." This language is required because the 10.5 mills have already expired, Piwko explained.

To make the election's intent more clear to voters, state law allows the inclusion of a parenthetical phrase stating that the election is a millage renewal for operating purposes. Such a phrase will be included in Novi Community School District's ballot proposal.

The March 8 ballot proposal will read as follows:
 "Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property in the Novi Community School District, Oakland County, Michigan, be increased by 10.5 mills (\$10.50 on each \$1,000.00) on state equalized valuation for a period of three years, 1988, 1989 and 1990, to provide additional funds for operating purposes (this being a renewal of 10.5 mills for operating purposes which expired with the 1987 tax levy)?"

Voters may cast their ballots at three locations:
 □ Novi Middle School South at 25285 Taft Road (Precinct 1);
 □ Orchard Hills Elementary at 41900 Quince (Precinct 2); and
 □ Village Oaks Elementary at 23333 Willowbrook (Precinct 3).

Piwko said the 10.5 mills have been levied in the previous years and because of this, the public is aware of what they are used for.

CITY OF NOVI NOTICE OF ENACTMENT ORDINANCE 88-18.50

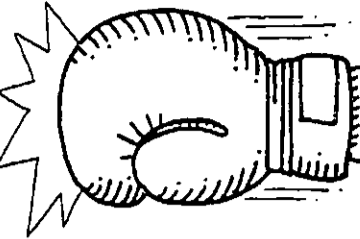
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Novi City Council has adopted Ordinance 88-18.50, an Ordinance to amend subsection 402-1 of Ordinance No. 84-18, as amended, the City of Novi Zoning Ordinance, to amend the regulation of Churches as Special Land Uses within One-Family Residential Districts.

A public hearing having been held, the provisions of this Ordinance become effective fifteen (15) days after its adoption. The Ordinance was adopted on February 22, 1988, and the effective date is March 8, 1988.

A complete copy of the Ordinance is available for public purchase, use and inspection at the office of the City Clerk during the hours of 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Local Time.

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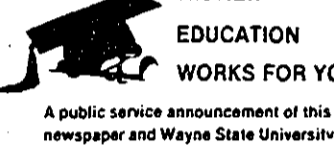
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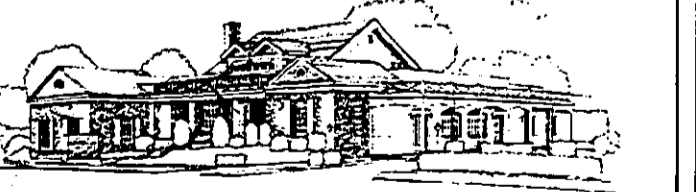
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Novi News/PHILIP JEROME

Informal research

Susan Mason found a comfortable spot on the floor in front of the encyclopedias at the Novi library recently to do a little research. So what was she researching? The new tax code? Einstein's

Theory of Relativity? "Actually," said Mason, "I'm looking for information to settle a bet about Bachelor's Day and Leap Year."

Novi man arraigned in break-in

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After finding the alley behind the store empty, the officer proceeded to the parking lot of the Tree Top Apartments which are located immediately north of the A&P Plaza.

The parking lot was very quiet with no apparent movement, according to reports, but within a few minutes the officer reportedly observed a vehicle traveling eastbound on Manor Park Drive, accelerating rapidly.

Huntersmark noted that the driver of the car looked in his direction and then jerked his head away. In addition, the officer noted that the vehi-

cle's windshield was clear, while the windshields of most of the other vehicles in the parking lot were covered with frost.

When the suspicious vehicle turned southbound onto Meadowbrook Road without making a stop, Huntersmark activated the overhead lights in his squad car and apprehended the vehicle on Meadowbrook, just north of Ten Mile.

According to reports, the driver of the vehicle, later identified as Sanderson, got out of the car immediately and walked quickly toward the patrol vehicle with his

hands thrust in the pockets of his army jacket.

Huntersmark reported that he ordered the suspect to get his hands out of his pockets and proceeded to conduct a pat-down search for possible possession of weapons.

When ordered to produce a driver's license, Sanderson returned to his vehicle and reached into the glove compartment, revealing a set of lock-picking tools in the process.

Sanderson subsequently was placed under arrest for possession of burglary tools. In the meantime, additional of-

ficers responded to the scene and began checking the back door of other stores in the A&P Plaza for possible signs of breaking and entering.

Officers reported finding that the locks on two other businesses showed signs of tampering and the rear door of the Subway Shop at 4178 Ten Mile had been destroyed.

Police subsequently summoned the owner of the Subway Shop to the scene. After checking his store, the man reported that a Minolta 35mm camera, a black pouch containing U.S. currency had been removed from the premises.

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Residents should prepare assessment appeal

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The Board of Review meets once a year to hear resident's appeals concerning their assessments. The Board is scheduled to meet Monday, March 7, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Tuesday, March 8, from noon to 9 p.m.; and Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, March 9-11, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The meetings will be held in the assessor's office at the Novi Civic Center. This year anyone wishing to meet with the board must make an appointment in advance. The deadline for appointments is Friday, March 4, at 5 p.m.

"Prior to making an appointment, the assessor's office must be in receipt of a petition from the appealing party. These petitions are available at the assessor's office. An appeal to the Board of Review is not a chance for the homeowner to complain about his or her taxes. The board deals strictly with the assessments handed out by the City of Novi Assessor."

"Lots of people come in and say, 'I can't afford this increase; it's so much more than I paid last year,'" Board of Review member Bill Gladden said. Gladden has been on the review panel approximately six years. Merely having a big increase is not

a reason for appeal. And residents appealing their assessments must support that appeal with some hard facts. If a resident shows up at the appeal with just a verbal argument to support the contention that the assessment is too high, he or she will not be able to prove the point.

Gladden suggests that homeowners be aware of one major thing: "Assessments are based on the fair market value of the property involved," he said.

If a resident feels the amount assessed against his or her property is too high, Gladden suggests a simple test to determine if they have a case for appeal. "Take the assessed value and double it. Is the house worth less than that amount? If the answer is yes, then the job is to try and prove it."

There are several ways for a homeowner to prepare proof for the appeals board, Gladden said.

Comparable value: Gladden said an expert would be a real estate person or home appraiser who could show the property is not worth the amount at which it has been assessed.

Comparable sales: If the homeowner can present proof that a similar house sold for less than double the assessed amount of the home

in question, it may refute the assessor's bill.

Construction flaws: The homeowner may show proof of some construction flaw that the city assessor did not take into account in his evaluation of the home, Gladden said.

If the homeowner can show some sub-standard construction such as a basement setting, Gladden said the homeowner can start to prove the negative factor with a picture of the problem. "We won't make a decision based on a picture," he said, "but it may convince the board to have a physical examination of the house done by the assessor's office to determine if the fault would lower the value of the home."

Hardship: "I wish they called this something else," Gladden said. "It sounds like a handout or a dole." The hardship appeal is a part of the Board of Review to assure that people are not going to lose their houses, Gladden said.

"If certain circumstances have happened," he said, which effect a homeowner's ability to pay the assessed value than the board has the right to lower the assessment. But Gladden warns homeowners to bring data to prove the contention. Any homeowner pleading hardship must

supply a Michigan Property Tax Homestead Return to show current income.

Hardship cases are decided on a case by case basis, Gladden said. If the homeowner has had unusual living costs or circumstances, they must document them to the Board of Review.

Often people will plead hardship and yet not allow the board to look into their records to determine the extent, which stops the appeal cold.

While the board's meetings are open to the public, if an individual wishes to meet with the board on a confidential basis they can request that the meeting be closed, Gladden

noted that it is rare to find an audience attending the board's meetings so homeowner's should not feel intimidated.

Gladden said one of the worst things that happens during each session of the Board of Review is that a resident accuses board members of raising their taxes. "We're just ordinary citizens," Gladden said. "We do not work for the city. The appeal is to us, not to the assessor." He said citizens do not even have to address the assessor who is present during the board meetings.

"Our job is to watchdog the assessor and to provide relief if we can," Gladden said.

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As We See It

District has earned renewal of millage

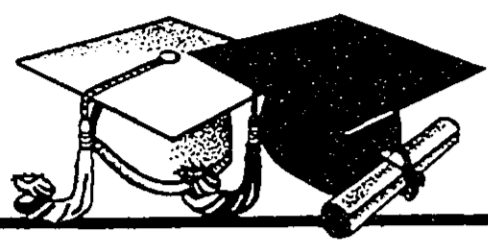
On Tuesday, voters in the Novi Community School District will be asked to renew 10.5 mills for operating purposes over a three-year period. The election appears to be a relatively simple, cut-and-dry issue, yet voters shouldn't let that fact deter their intentions to vote because the school district needs their support.

Novi school administrators have indicated that defeat of the renewal proposal would be devastating to the district because the 10.5 mills comprise one-third of the school's operating budget. The 10.5 mills expired with the Dec. 1987 tax collection and are used strictly for day-to-day operational purposes such as salaries, supplies for classrooms, maintenance and transportation.

On-going and upcoming school construction projects are not included in the operating budget. Those building projects are funded by the district's \$6.25 million bond issue, which was approved by voters in June 1987.

Based on the firmly held practice the school administration has shown in its position to levy only the number of mills needed to operate current school programs, we urge Novi voters to approve the millage renewal request. The district's present authorized millage rate is 33.04 mills, yet only 31.3 mills have been levied. Likewise, the administration has not requested a millage increase in more than 10 years and has recently stated that it has no intention of doing so in the near future because contracts have been settled and work has begun on upcoming budgets.

There are a number of other factors that give the school district's millage renewal request merit. For example, take a look at the school district's academic achievements over the past few years. Novi Woods Elementary School was named one of the 20 exemplary schools in the



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state in Dec. 1987. Prior to that, Novi's Orchard Hills Elementary School won a national award in 1986. Academic excellence recognition has also been bestowed upon Novi High School and Novi Middle School in the past.

Students have shown that they flourish in their academic settings by displaying commendable MEAP scores. Several teachers within the school district also have been acknowledged for their methods of educating and for inspiring their students to learn. Yet, students, educators and the administration haven't let all the recognition go to their heads. Instead, they continue to strive to make their school system even better.

The school district has two millage packages for operating purposes, one at 13 mills and the other at 10.5 mills, which recently expired and will appear on Tuesday's ballot proposal. The 10.5 mill package is an integral part of the school district's operational funding source.

Novi voters have consistently been supportive of the school district's financial needs — expressed by several successful millage elections. In a recent poll by the News, a handful of residents commented that they were aware of the election but weren't sure if they would vote because it only asked for a millage renewal and they occur quite frequently. We urge these and other Novi voters not to ignore the importance of Tuesday's election and to approve the millage renewal.

Guidelines needed

Prohibition is over.

At the Novi City Council meeting last Monday, a majority of council members decided to allow newly-appointed 52nd District Court Judge Brian MacKenzie to hold his swearing-in ceremony in city hall. No problem there.

Council members are justifiably proud of the appointment of this Novi resident to the bench. MacKenzie's ceremony will bring a host of state dignitaries to the Novi Civic Center and that can only add to the image of the city.

But there is more to the story. MacKenzie would like to serve alcoholic beverages at a reception following the swearing-in ceremony. The city council last October voted to ban alcoholic beverages from the community center for at least a six-month trial basis.

So, on Monday, the council decided to give the MacKenzie ceremony a waiver on the no-alcohol ban. The new judge will be allowed to serve alcoholic beverages for that night only.

Council Member Hugh Crawford said he was "flabbergasted" by the change in the council's decision. Crawford noted that he had been an adamant supporter of allowing alcohol use in the community center on a limited basis, but that after the vote by the majority to outlaw the use for at least six months, he felt the

council had an obligation to uphold the policy.

Council Member Martha Hoyer also voted against the special waiver on the grounds that the council had set no criteria for the granting of exceptions.

Both Hoyer and Crawford make good points. As much as we approve of the use of the civic center for the judge's swearing-in ceremony, as the building is an ideal structure for such an event, we cannot approve of the "special" exemption granted MacKenzie regarding the use of alcohol.

When the council debated the alcohol question for the community center (which was debated during several council meetings throughout last summer and into the fall), several possible "special events" were discussed as meriting alcohol. In the end the council felt that no alcohol for any event was the proper course.

Now for the council to find one event meriting a special exception to the policy seems out of place. Either specific criteria are in place to determine which events merit waivers or else the council risks being accused of favoritism.

The council will review the matter again at this Monday's council meeting. The policy decided upon must be consistent for all citizens of Novi across the board.

Old books — old friends



Ann Willis

We went book shopping last weekend and it was like a trip down memory lane.

I was doing a story on used book stores and that was the perfect excuse for a Saturday excursion downtown to John King Books. Around my house the mere mention of a trip to a bookstore ensures a full car.

Books have been a part of my life for as long as I can remember. I vividly remember nights around the house when all was quiet except for the sound of pages turning. I remember trying to vacuum the living room and read a book at the same time. In our house, interrupting someone who was reading was a life-threatening experience and starting a book that someone else was in the middle of could get you in serious trouble.

The biggest problem with books is the hold they can get on you. Particularly the books you read with such pleasure as a child. When I visited the Book Exchange in Northville I was surprised at the small number of children's books available at the used book store. Diane McCulloch owner of the Book Exchange said that people have a hard time turning in children's books. It seems that the kids themselves don't want to give the books up. Even if they're done with Nancy Drew or Encyclopedia Brown, they don't want the titles wiped from their shelves. I can relate.

For years after we grew up my mother would plead with my sister and me to give away our tattered collection of children's books. We held fast. We could not let

go "Little Women," "An Old Fashioned Girl," "The Five Little Peppers and How They Grew" let alone our vast number of "Trixie Beldon" girl detective stories and "Hardy Boys" novels.

As long as they were there to be given an occasional glance, to be riffled on our way to more adult books and even, on some cold and long afternoon, to be re-read with as much pleasure as the first time — then they could not be given away. These were our books and they filled more than the shelves on which they stood.

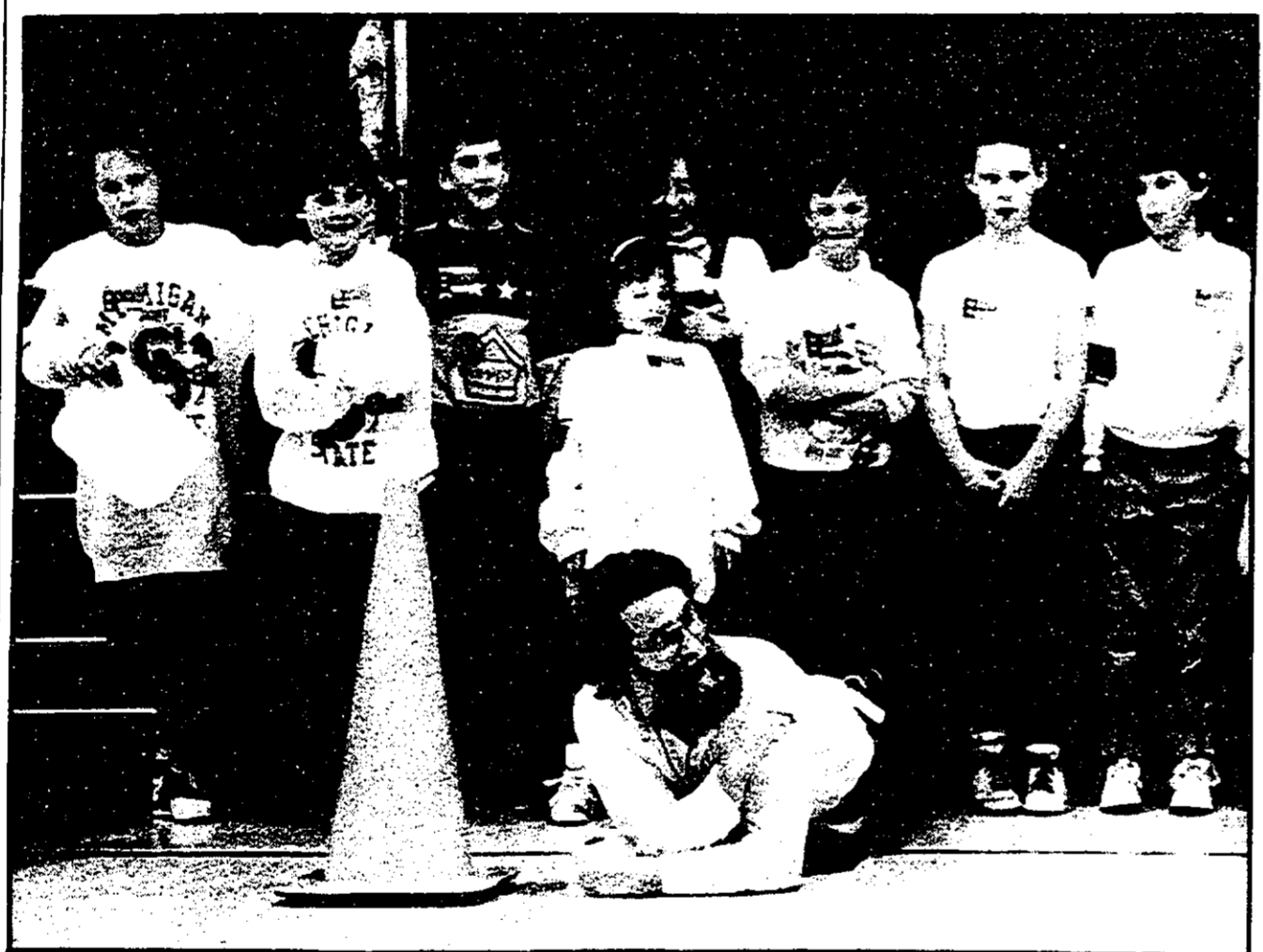
So the books have stayed and stayed and stayed. Over time and with moves they have been thinned somewhat, but we have always managed to add to their ranks. Every move I have made has been accompanied by boxes and boxes of books. Wherever I have landed, it just wouldn't seem like home without their familiar titles and aged bindings winking out at me from the shelves.

As I have grown I have noticed that some of the titles from my childhood days are disappearing from the shelves of the new book stores. Authors change and children's tastes change so the titles change accordingly. But once in a while I have wondered about the books I dug out of my grandparent's basement and read with such pleasure — even though they had little to do with the times in which I lived. Were they still around? If I ever have children would they be able to read them?

Last Saturday as my sister and I roamed the aisles looking at titles, we would occasionally call out to each other in surprise and pleasure. Old friends — old books. There they were on those shelves waiting for new children.

Forum

By Chris Boyd



Hands on teaching

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Phil Jerome

place up a bit."

"You can't leave now," she wailed. "Debi Thomas is next. You don't want to miss Debi Thomas, do you?"

Actually, I did want to miss Debi Thomas. The suspense had been building for a couple of weeks and had gotten a lot worse since she and Katarina Witt were first and second after the short program.

I had watched them skate all night long. I had seen the Japanese girl skate her heart out. I had seen

"Where you going?" she asked as I left the TV room and headed for the kitchen.

It was right about 10:15 Saturday night. The Russian girl was about half-way through her long program and I knew what was coming next — Debi Thomas. That's why I was headed for the kitchen.

"Think I'll do the dishes," I said. "Kind of straighten the place up a bit."

Katarina glide through a flawless program. I had seen the girl from Canada skate her heart out in another flawless program. And I didn't think I could bear to watch Debi Thomas try to do the same.

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So I headed for the kitchen and ran some water in the sink. But my curiosity got the best of me. I returned just as she was skating onto the ice to begin her long program.

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Like everyone else, I didn't need to see the judges' marks. "Think I'll finish those dishes," I said, heading back for the kitchen.

Criticism of planners not valid

To the Editor:

I read with amazement the letter from the writer who thinks the architecture in Novi is "blatant." Every time I drive by the Bob Evans restaurant, I want to thank the Novi Planning Commission for their wisdom and hard work in planning Novi's development.

It would have been very easy for them to give rubber-stamp approval to the "normal" Bob Evans design. Instead, they worked hard to find a design that would enhance Novi's image.

The usual garish red trademark of the Bob Evans chain is an example of polluting the environment with visual screams of blatant commercialism. When we recognize development in our community, it can encroach upon us gently. There is no need for it to stick out like a sore thumb.

It seems our environment is too crass for the writer who criticized the planning commission. Perhaps we

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should cut down trees and erect billboards to decorate the landscape. Perhaps the strip in Las Vegas is that writer's ideal.

The residents of Novi and surrounding communities can take pride in the well thought out and planned growth of Novi. Architecture working in harmony with the environment is evident in the planning commission's decisions. Keep up the good work.

Joyce Conklin

Support AAUW

To the Editor:
 This year March 6-12 has been set

aside to observe AAUW Week. The American Association of University Women is the largest, oldest national organization working for the advancement of women and education.

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AAUW Week highlights the work of its members to open doors of higher education to all individuals, to provide scholarships and fellowships for advanced study and to improve the quality of all education.

AAUW supports programs to prevent juvenile delinquency, to develop day care centers and to improve mental health facilities.

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This year all appearances will be by appointment only. If you or your representative want to appear in person, the appointment must be made on or before 5:00 p.m. EST, Friday, March 4, 1988. Appearances before the Board of Review are limited to five (5) minutes or less. Petitions are available at the Assessor's Office, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI. NO APPOINTMENTS WILL BE GIVEN UNTIL A PETITION IS RECEIVED BY THE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE.

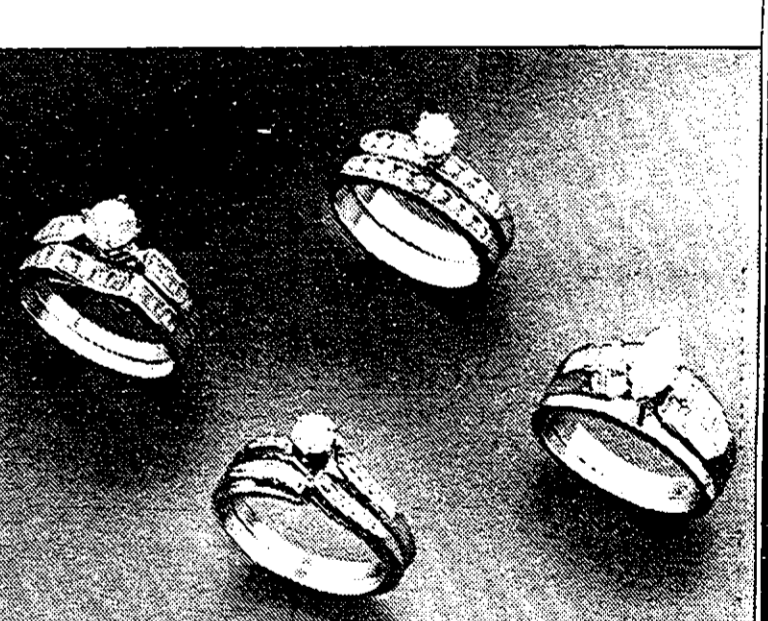
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 Wednesday, March 9, 1988, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
 Thursday, March 10, 1988, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
 Friday, March 11, 1988, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
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Brenda Bonzheim

Sibling rivalry has never been a big problem in my family. But I must admit that recently the little ugly green monster of envy fleetingly crept into my blood.

My brother, Bret, graduated from college just last week. That's not why I felt a twinge of jealousy, though. I'm as proud as any sister could possibly be that he made it through almost five years of rigorous schooling at Ferris State University. I'm happy for him because he successfully completed his college education — about as ecstatic as I was when I finished my own college career at Michigan State University, as a matter of fact.

Because he graduated during winter term, there was no lavish celebration and no family get-together with a huge spread of

Area Blotters

Southfield a single family town: Single-family homes account for 83.4 percent of all residential land in Southfield, according to McKenna and Associates, a consulting firm.
 • More than 3,422 acres have been developed for residential purposes since 1982 and 83.4 percent of it is single-family homes, according to a report. Interestingly, multiple-family units account for about half of the city's residential units.
 • Nearly 60 percent of commercially-zoned land is developed with offices; only 10.5 acres in the city are zoned for industrial use.

Dangerous dog ordinance: Livonia is close to adopting an ordinance that clamps down on the ownership of vicious dogs. If adopted, the law would require any person owning a dog that has a "known propensity" to bite humans to have at least \$100,000 worth of public liability insurance.
 • The proposed three-page ordinance requires that (1) the owner keep a dog believed to be vicious either confined or on a leash; (2) the owner file proof of public liability insurance with the city clerk; and (3) the owner post a sign warning that a dangerous dog is on the premises.
 • A vicious dog is defined in the proposed ordinance as one that has bitten a person at least once. The city then could charge the owner with harboring a vicious animal — a misdemeanor.

Downsizing in Birmingham: The Birmingham City Planning/Historic District Committee is considering changes to the zoning ordinance that will place further limits on the size of downtown office buildings.

Planning Consultant Larry Bauman said the proposed changes are prompted by concerns about overdevelopment of the city's central business district. "One of the things city leaders are trying to do is preserve Birmingham's admittedly unique, desirable characteristics," he said.
 • The changes are opposed by the Birmingham Bloomfield Chamber of Commerce.

Among the proposed changes: Allowing all-residential buildings to be five stories and up to 60 feet tall, as compared to other new buildings which can be four stories and 48 feet; requiring 10 percent of open space in commercial buildings to provide retail or service uses adjacent to and abutting sidewalks; and cutting the floor area ratio (amount of floor space of a building compared to the size of the land) for new office and retail buildings from the current 2-to-1 ratio to a 1-to-1 ratio.

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Council releases guide on appeals

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 • The one-page pamphlet provides important information on Michigan's property tax appeal procedures, including summer tax collections.
 • The brochure clarifies how an individual property tax bill is computed using the state equalized valuation (SEV) rate. There is also information on how assessments are made and how property owners can determine if the assessor's appraisal

of their property is correct.
 • The Michigan Consumers Council advises property owners who may feel their appraisals are unfairly high to review the appraisal records in their assessor's office for accuracy. Common assessment errors include such false assumptions as a house having a finished basement or fireplace when it doesn't.

Copies are available free of charge by writing the Michigan Consumers Council, 106 W. Allegan St., 414 Hollister Building, Lansing, MI 48933; or by calling (517) 373-0947.

Liquor policy waived

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During council discussion of the Community Center Use Policy, some mention was made of the fact that the atrium and city hall side of the building were not an official part of the community center and could have alcoholic beverages served there. Crawford said he could not approve of alcohol in the atrium, but not in the community center under the current policy.
 • Kriewall said MacKenzie had wanted the option to use both the atrium and the community center and the waiver should include both.

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Travel scams
Area travel agents recommend caution

By JEAN DAY

"If an offer sounds too good to be true, it almost certainly is."

As travel scams are becoming more and more prevalent, using the telephone, mails and newspaper ads to sell offers that will never materialize, local travel firms are issuing this warning to clients.

"People come in after the fact when they've been burned by a come-on - like coupons for a trip to Hawaii for as low as \$29 offered in Chicago - instead of checking before with us," reports Ed Jamieson, owner of Northville Travel Plans, Inc.

Maria Glover, manager of The Travel Agency of Walled Lake, concurs, emphasizing that reputable travel agents are happy to take a few minutes to check out questionable offers.

"We encourage people to do that - to come in first," he said.

Phillips, Jamieson and Glover all suggest that would-be travelers look for the symbol of the industry association, the American Society of Travel Agents. All three are

"They were asked to confirm with their credit card number over the phone," she says, urging anyone so contacted to be sure to get the name of the caller and then return the call to verify its authenticity. "Don't give out that (credit card) information," she warns.

Dallas Phillips, owner of Phillips Travel Service in South Lyon, agrees that "there's no such thing as a free lunch" in the business and says he has had people come in "after the fact" with travel scams.

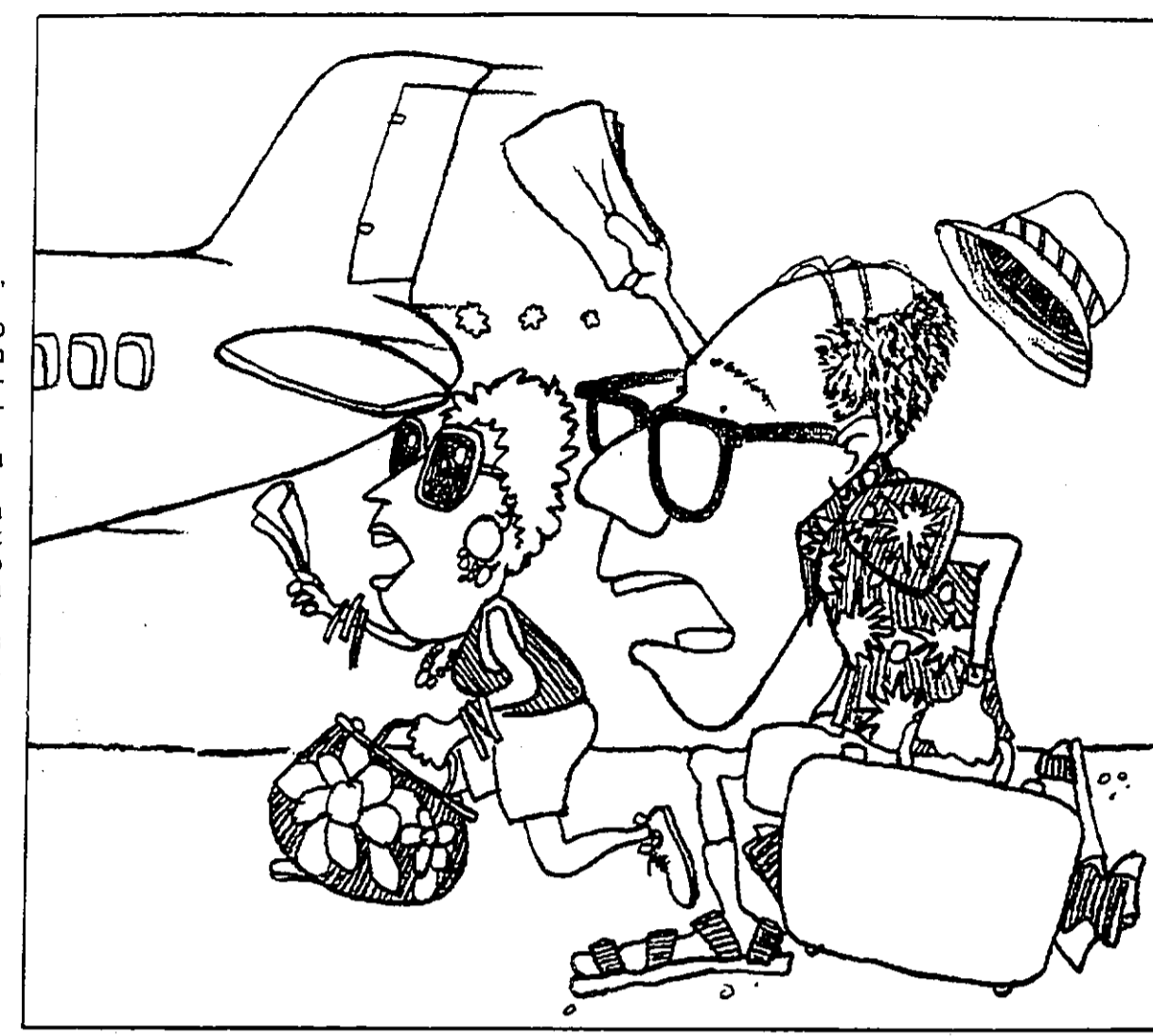
Phillips, the owner of a long-established business begun 43 years ago by his father which has been in South Lyon more than 22 years, says an agency that has met the standards of the industry can be counted on to be willing to check out questionable offers.

"It was based on availability, was almost impossible to get, and you can buy two super savers for one coach fare to begin with," she says.

Jamieson says that those who purchased the Chicago scam of vouchers for Hawaii (120,000 were sold) have only the attorney general in Illinois to complain to.

"It's a warning for people not to get involved (without checking)," he says.

"If they come beforehand, there



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Business Briefs



JAMES R. HICKS

JOHN D. REEBER

JAMES R. HICKS of Novi is president and co-founder, along with Deborah Altman, of Questor Financial Services, a new firm headquartered in Birmingham.

A certified financial planner (CFP) who has been in the financial services industry more than 12 years, Hicks also is a residential and commercial real estate developer.

He received his CFP designation in 1982. He also is the president and sole shareholder of Hicks Financial Planning, Ltd., an investment advisor registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

JOHN D. REEBER of Northville has been named "Man of the Year" at MONY Financial Services Metropolitan Detroit Agency for 1987. The announcement was made by Kevin Counihan, manager of the agency.

Reeber has been with MONY for 31 years as a chartered life underwriter. He is a qualified member of the Million Dollar Round Table and has been named "Man of the Year" five times during his association with MONY. He also is a former instructor in the Chartered Life Underwriting Program. He received his BBA degree from the University of Michigan.

Reeber and his wife Lore have been Northville residents for four years. They are active members of the First Presbyterian Church of Northville where he serves as an elder on the session.

2V INDUSTRIES of Wixom has signed a 10-year contract with a large automotive company headquartered in Detroit to create the special alloys and plating technology for developing transmission components.

2V Industries was established 20 years ago as a chemical processing and electroplating company by Dr. Ram Bedi and his wife Uma. The company was named after their twin sons, Vijay and Vivek, meaning "success" and "enlightened person." Company headquarters and main facilities are located on 2.5 acres in Wixom. The company's products include metal-working fluids to machine and shape metal parts. 2V has 16 employees.

Terms of the contract define "transmission components" as valve spools and control elements in transmissions. The contract also stipulates that any inventions conceived or reduced to practice during the term of the contract shall be joint property of 2V and the auto company.

GUERSEY FARMS DAIRY will hold an open house to celebrate its 48th anniversary on Sunday, March 13.

The dairy, which is located at 21300 Novi Road in Novi, has been owned and operated by the McGuire family since 1940. The open house will include tours of the modern dairy plant where the McGuire family processes farm-fresh milk and ice cream.

Originally located in Northville, Guersey Farms Dairy moved to expanded facilities on Novi Road several years ago. In addition to the dairy, the Novi Road facility includes an ice cream parlor and a restaurant. In conjunction with the open house, the McGuire family will offer a corned beef and cabbage dinner special during the open house.

KEITH G. ARENZ of Novi has been appointed industrial sales manager for the eastern region of the United States for Federal-Mogul Corp. In his new position, Arenz is responsible for managing the salespeople who serve industrial bearing distributors and original equipment manufacturers in the eastern region.

Arenz previously served as market planning manager for the Industrial Division of Federal-Mogul. Prior to that he was responsible for the direct-ship programs to heavy truck dealer organizations. He joined Federal-Mogul in 1980 as an industrial sales engineer. He earned a bachelor's degree in economics from the University of Wisconsin at Oshkosh in 1973.

Arenz lives in Novi with his wife, Kathy, and their two children: Jeff, 9, and Jon, 6.

Federal Mogul, headquartered in Southfield, operates 40 plants, more than 70 distribution centers and four major research facilities throughout the world. Its products range from a variety of precision parts for the transportation, farm equipment, construction and manufacturing industries to aerospace components.

NORTHVILLE CHIROPRACTIC HEALTH CENTER at 42973 West Seven Mile in Northville will host a Patient Appreciation Day Open House to celebrate the center's first anniversary this Saturday, March 5, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Dr. Mitchell H. Marr says that, "In honor of patient appreciation day we will be providing all our services, including all necessary x-rays at no patient expense." He and his staff will be giving tours as well as answering questions about modern chiropractic care. Refreshments will be served.

"It is our way of saying thank you to the people of Northville for making us feel like a welcome part of your community during our successful first year," said Marr. Reservations would be appreciated at 348-6166.

MARY SEROSKI CARPENTER has been appointed Client Service Director at Gondek & Associates, a marketing communication resource company in Sterling Heights.

A former Novi resident currently living in Canton, Carpenter joined Gondek & Associates in January 1988 with a strong background in management and research. She earned a BA degree from Point Park College in Pittsburgh, Pa., and went on to earn a MS degree at Millersville State University in Pennsylvania and a Doctorate at the University of Massachusetts.

Prior to joining Gondek & Associates, Carpenter worked for Electronic Data Systems, Corp., for three years in several positions including supervisor sales, CAD/CAM training. With Gondek & Associates, she is responsible for designing and implementing national public relations and promotional campaigns.

At Gondek & Associates, Carpenter's staff interviews, researches and coordinates client accounts, press releases, promotional pieces and presentations. Her attention to detail and executive management experience characterized by her organizational skills have secured the company more projects with some of the most prestigious local and national clients.



DAVID AND LISA NELSON

DAVID AND LINDA NELSON of Northville are the new owners of the MAACO Auto Painting & Bodyworks Center at 1625 East West Maple Road in Walled Lake.

The Nelsons are taking over a location that previously housed a MAACO Center. Dave Nelson attended Phoenix College in Arizona, while Linda Nelson attended and earned a bachelor of arts degree in social work from Michigan State University. She was a case worker for the State of Michigan and more recently did clerical work for Kelly Services.

The Nelsons noted that the average age of cars on the road today has climbed to an all-time high of 7.5 years, according to many manufacturers. The Walled Lake Center is equipped to handle any kind of painting or repair work from minor touchups to major collision work. It uses the latest equipment and highest quality, low pollutant materials in bringing cars back to peak appearance.

The MAACO chain was founded in 1972 and had gross yearly sales of more than \$220 million in 1986. Founder and President Anthony A. Martino attributes the company's rapid growth to "quality work at a price the public can afford, sound management and marketing, and controlled expansion."

PAUL N. FOSTER of Northville has been named a Region IV delegate to the Governor's Conference on Small Business to be held Feb. 25-26 in Lansing.

"This conference will give us an additional forum to identify the needs and concerns of small business and set the agenda for the future," said Gov. James Blanchard.

Approximately 97 percent of all companies in Michigan employ fewer than 50 persons, said Blanchard, noting that small business owners and entrepreneurs are creating the majority of new jobs in Michigan.

THE WATERWHEEL CAR WASH in downtown Northville has reopened as Mr. Glow, a Belanger prototype carwash for their soft cloth equipment and marketing program that will be used throughout the country in hundreds of other Belanger carwash installations.

The equipment in Mr. Glow is manufactured in Northville by Belanger and is used by most major auto manufacturers to wash new cars as they come off the assembly line.

Belanger has been manufacturing in Northville since 1969. The company employs 110 people. Mr. Glow is open seven days a week. The Glow wash costs \$4.50.

CPAs issue warning about 'kiddie tax'

Money Management

"Beware of the kiddie tax." If you hear the preceding warning from your tax advisor, neighbor or business associate, don't laugh. Her she is not joking.

Tax reform has not been very kind to children — or to parents who are trying to save for their children's education. Children have lost a number of tax benefits and are likely to pay more tax under the new tax law. According to the Michigan Association of CPAs, tax reform has affected two of the most popular methods used by parents to reduce taxes on money being saved for children.

New regulations now govern the taxing of money parents put in their children's names, and the tax benefits of Clifford Trusts have been virtually eliminated. And that's not all. While taxpayers are enjoying a boost in the personal exemption, children are not so lucky. They can no longer take an exemption if they can be claimed as a dependent on their parents' return.

There are new rules for children's unearned income. Under the old law, all the interest earned on money put in a child's name was taxed at the child's rate. The new law actually has two sets of rules — one set for children under 14 and another for children 14 and older.

For children under 14, the first \$1,000 of year in unearned income will be taxed at their own rate. (Unearned income, sometimes referred to as investment income, comes from dividends, interest, capital gains, rents and the like.)

It works like this. A child is allowed to apply \$500 of his or her standard deduction to offset the first \$500 of unearned income, making this amount tax-free. The next \$500 in unearned income is taxed at the child's rate and all unearned income above that amount is taxed at the

parents' highest marginal tax bracket.

Suppose, for example, your 10-year-old daughter's only income is \$1,400 in investment income. She applies her \$500 standard deduction to reduce her taxable investment income to \$900 of which \$500 would be taxed at your daughter's rate and \$400 at your highest rate.

This rule applies regardless of where the money comes from. So if your son or daughter has a generous grandparent, uncle or friend, the income he or she earns is taxed at your highest rate — not that of the donor. These rules do not affect children 14 and older. Their investment income continues to be taxed at their own rates. Presumably, Congress felt that funds transferred to children 14 and older were transferred primarily for education purposes rather than for tax reasons.

Earned income is not affected. Income from a job is always taxed at the child's rate, regardless of the child's age. For 1987, the standard deduction will offset the first \$2,540 a working child earns. If you have a family-run business, employing your children can provide two tax advantages. Wages paid to your children are taxed at their lowest bracket and you or the family company can deduct the children's wages as a business expense.

There is no more doubling up on personal exemptions. Prior to tax reform, parents could claim a child on their tax return and the child could claim an exemption as well. The new law eliminates this tax advantage. If a child can be taken as a dependent on a parent's return, the child cannot take an exemption on his

or her own return.

Incidentally, under the new law, in order to claim dependency exemptions, parents are required to list the Social Security numbers of all children who are at least five years old. To apply for a Social Security number you must complete form SSA-5 available from your local Social Security office.

Short-term trusts have long been a common method for shifting income from a parent's higher tax bracket to a child's lower tax bracket. The most popular of these trusts, the Clifford Trust, got its name from a Supreme Court case involving a trust set up by George Clifford Jr.

Clifford Trusts allowed parents to transfer assets to a trust where the earnings from the assets were taxed to the child. By law, the trust had to last for more than 10 years, but when it expired, the trust's assets reverted back to the individual who created the trust.

Clifford Trusts set up prior to March 2, 1986, retain their tax-preferred treatment for transfers made prior to that date. Note that the Tax Reform Act does not say that you cannot create a short-term trust just that income generated by a trust set up after March 1, 1986, must be included in the grantor's taxable income.

There are still ways of getting around the rules. It may very well still make sense to shift some income to your children, for tax purposes as well as to begin a college savings fund. Remember — the first \$1,000 of unearned income is still treated favorably. That means, at today's rates, a child under 14 can have more

than \$10,000 invested in his or her name before the investment income would reach the \$1,000 point where earnings would begin being taxed at the parents' rate.

For children under 14, instead of investing in assets that generate taxable income each year, the general strategy being recommended is to consider investments that are either tax-free or to defer taxable income until the child reaches age 14, when it will be taxed at the child's lower rate.

One of the simplest ways to do this is to buy United States Series EE Savings Bonds in your child's name. The interest on savings bonds is not generally federally taxed until the bonds mature or are redeemed. New savings bonds mature in 12 years so you can time your purchases so that the bonds mature after your child's 14th birthday.

Growth stocks that are not paying dividends are another possibility. The potential appreciation accumulates tax-free and the child would be taxed on capital gains only when the stocks are sold.

High quality zero-coupon municipal bonds might also be considered, particularly for a college savings plan. Like all zeros, you buy zero-coupon municipal bonds at a price significantly below the value and receive the full face amount when the bonds mature. This gives you the advantage of knowing exactly how much your child will receive, while having the gain exempt from federal taxes.

CPAs recommend that you review your child's assets and re-examine your plans for putting money away for your child's education. As you can see, there are still ways to avoid paying your higher tax rate on funds put away for your children. If you have substantial funds invested in your child's name, a meeting with a financial consultant might be helpful.

Lost and stolen goods may be tax deductible

Almost any time something you own is stolen or damaged and you are not compensated by insurance, you are eligible for a tax deduction.

The loss need not be connected to business and could include personal items such as jewelry, furs and antiques. This could benefit many itemizers, although the new tax law has made casualty and theft losses more difficult to deduct (or abuse).

The Tax Reform Act of 1986 requires you to file insurance claims on lost or stolen items. Otherwise, the IRS could argue that the loss arose not from the casualty but from failure to file a claim.

However, in a recent case a taxpayer who had several theft claims for burglaries and feared another claim would cancel his insurance, reported the loss only on his return. In light of these circumstances, the Tax Court found in favor of the taxpayer and did allow the deduction.

To prevent frivolous claims, the IRS requires proof of the following: (1) the nature of the casualty, ownership of the property, and when you discovered the property missing or damaged. The burden of proof is up to the taxpayer, so any evidence you can produce to show the original cost of the items will be helpful.

Also, you should file a police report and include a copy of this report along with a receipt or appraisal for the property's value when you send in your return. Accidental loss or disappearance of property may qualify as a casualty loss if it results from an identifiable event that was "sudden, unexpected and unusual in nature." For example, a car door is accidentally slammed on your hand, breaking the setting of your diamond ring. The diamond falls from the ring and is never found. The loss of the diamond is a casualty loss.

Damage from termites or moths is not a casualty because it was not sudden but occurred over time. The lower of fair market value (Blue Book amount for an auto) or the price you paid for the property is the loss realized. This amount is decreased by any reimbursement you receive from insurance. However, the portion of the loss that is not covered by insurance is deductible. For example, if you have a \$500 deductible on your car insurance, the first \$500 of an auto collision is a qualified loss.

The new tax law requires a \$100 floor for subtracted from each event, with the excess of this amount over 10 percent of adjusted gross income being your deductible loss. A person with gross income of \$30,000 who has an uninsured stereo worth \$3,600 stolen will receive an itemized deduction of \$3,500 — \$100 floor less 10 percent of \$30,000.

Each casualty and theft claim must be separately filed on a Form 4684 and added to other deductions on Schedule A of your 1040. These forms and instructions can be picked up at any of the IRS office listed in the phone book.

Travel agents caution about vacation scams

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are some ways to check," he notes, mentioning that in one case complimentary lodging was offered at a Sheraton hotel. The claim said it knew nothing about the offer at all.

"Time sharing also can be hazardous. Be careful before making any arrangements unless you know the association handling the program," Jamieson warns.

He and others mentioned the Pontiac agency that went bankrupt after advertising a free trip to the Canadian Rockies offered with a trip to Alaska. Senior citizens' groups and a General Motors employee group all were out, Jamieson notes.

"There are plenty of legitimate bargains," says Jamieson. "The area's travel agents themselves are consumers and would rather take a few minutes to check out a questionable offer.

"Agents would not like to be ripped off in travel or some other way," she says, mentioning that she personally had received cards with a Florida vacation offer.

"You're taking your chances," she says, "unless it's a legitimate contest from someone like Ford Motor Company or a food company."

"We're glad to take a few minutes to check for anyone, whether they're a client or not — we're here to service the community," she adds.

Jamieson mentions that the unbelievable bargain vacations and the agencies selling them are getting attention in Congress.

U.S. Rep. James Florio (D-New Jersey), chairman of the House Subcommittee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Competitiveness, says that the public is being bilked

out of an estimated \$900 million a year with travel scams.

He, too, urges anyone who is offered a travel bargain that seems too good to be true to investigate.

"Check it out with a legitimate travel agent or a member of the American Society of Travel Agents," he urged in a recent interview.

"Second," he said, "never join a travel club that offers you 'free trips' for becoming a member without first determining how long the travel club has been in business."

"If it's a newly-formed firm, the chances are good it's a scam."

He also suggests checking with the Better Business Bureau "before paying a cent to a travel firm offering something free."

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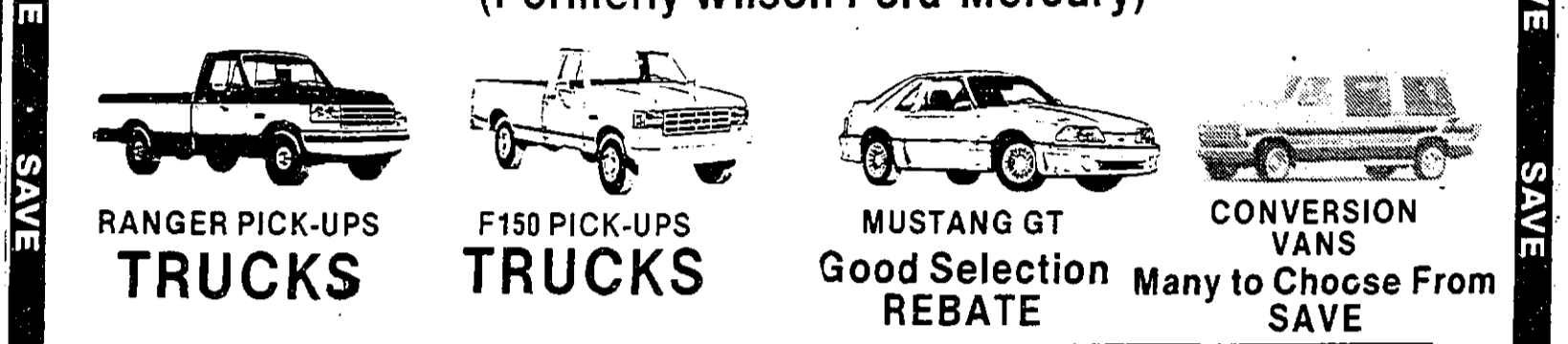
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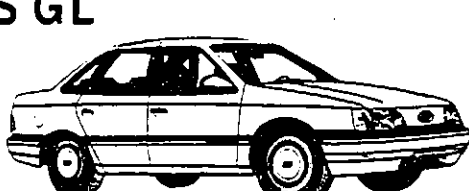
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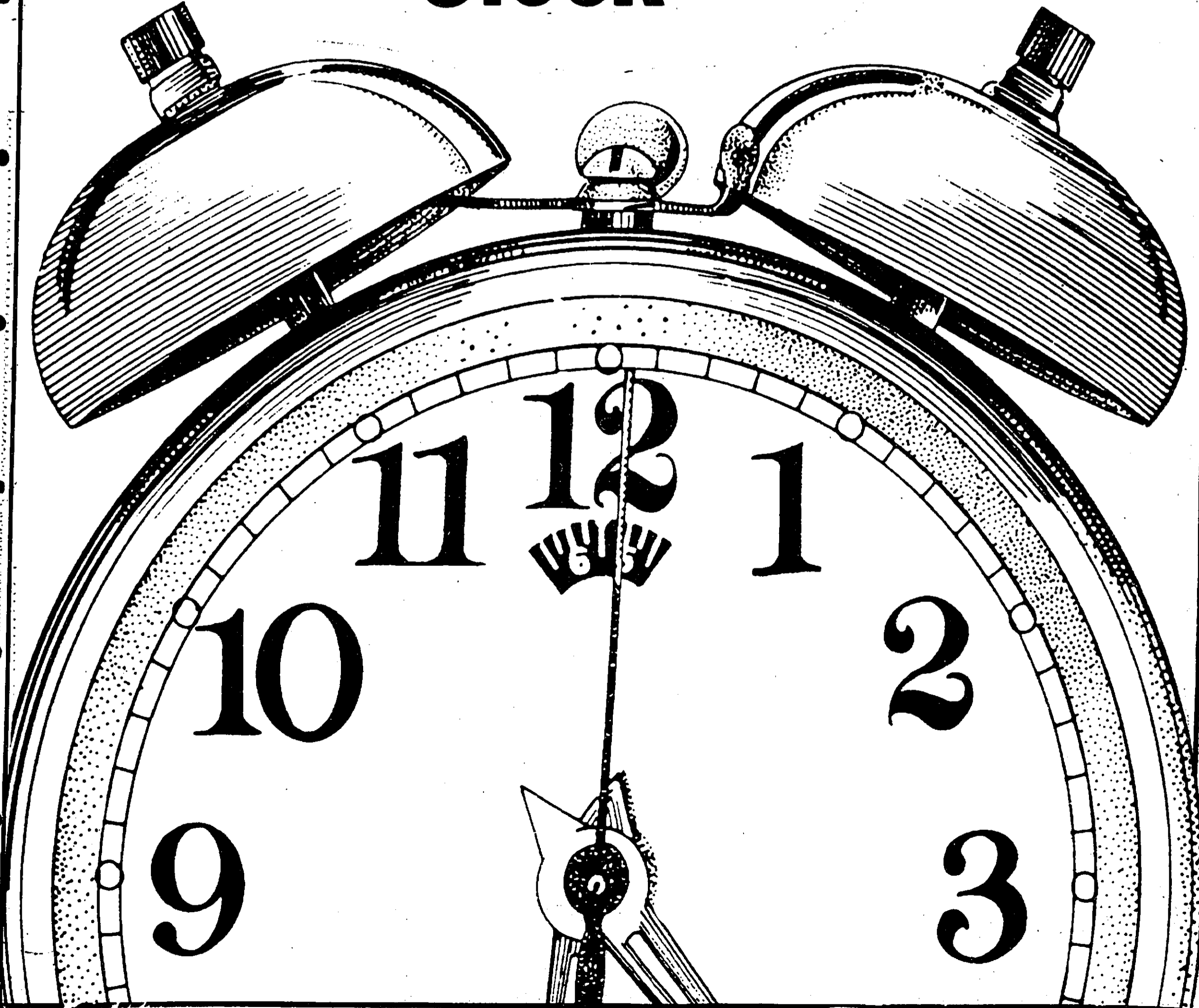
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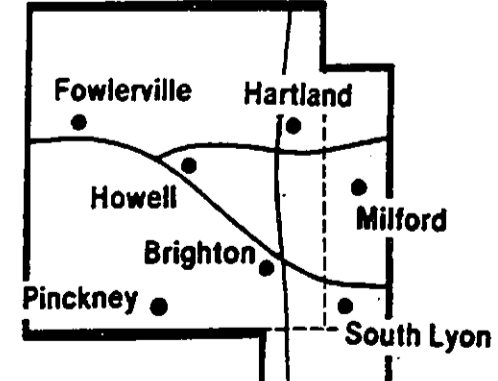


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PARKS

for all seasons

Many reasons to spend a day at metroparks

By Daniel Grantham

Maybe you're seeking refuge from the oppressive humidity of summer, or the cabin fever of winter. On the other hand, a walk through the fall colors could be what you had in mind, or a stroll to look at spring flowers.

Regardless of what outdoor activity you're interested in, you're sure to find the proper setting at the nearest Huron-Clinton Metropark.

You're also sure to find more activities than you thought, says William Sherman, deputy director of the metropark system. Today's metroparks are more than just a picnic table and a barbecue grill. "There's just all kinds of activities that are going on," he said.

Golf courses, boat launches, wave pools, a demonstration farm, dance programs, toboggan runs and cross-country skiing trails are just a few of the



Kensington

Just keeps improving with age

By Marilyn Herald

Kensington Metropark, probably the most popular of the 13 Huron-Clinton Metroparks, celebrates its 40th birthday this spring and, like wine, it improves with age.

It is located just off I-96, between Brighton and New Hudson.

The big birthday celebration, planned for the Memorial Day weekend, commemorates the official opening of the 4,350-acre park. When it opened in the spring of 1948, bathhouses at Martindale Beach were only large canvas-enclosed shelters with no roofs and no dividers for privacy. But it didn't really matter to the local residents and city kids who flocked to the park to enjoy the sparkling waters of the newly flooded area.

Today, both Martindale and Maple beaches have landscaped grounds, walks, sandy beaches and modern bathhouses which continue to attract lots of visitors during the summer months. Showers, dressing rooms,

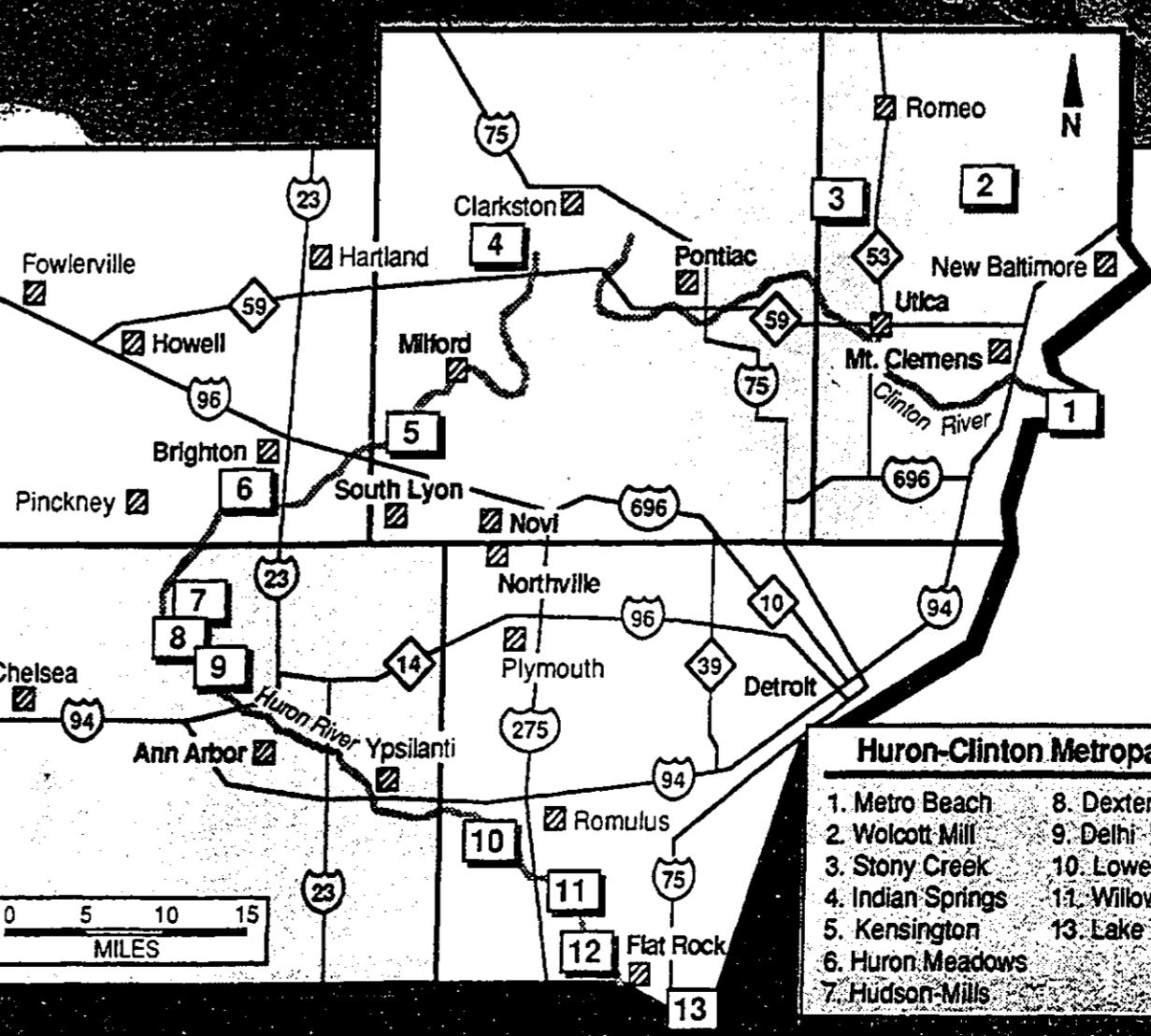
first aid stations and food bars are available.

Visitors come from the five-county area of Oakland, Livingston, Wayne, Washtenaw and Macomb as well as from outstate and out-of-state to see what the magnificent park has to offer.

The big birthday celebration is expected to draw an additional flock of visitors, according to Dick Shafer, Kensington Metropark superintendent. "We'll start with plenty of fireworks over the lake at around 9:30 p.m. Saturday, May 28," Shafer said. "If we have rain, we will still have Sunday and Monday nights for alternatives."

Part of the birthday party are still in the planning stages, but Shafer said a Spring Festival will highlight May 28-29 with special programs at the Nature Center and the Farm Center, located within the park.

Roscoe the Clown is coming and Elias Brothers, the food concessionaire.



Parks ring metropolitan area

Although Kensington may be the best known, many of the other parks in the Metroparks system are within a reasonable driving distance. And your drive time can be rewarded with many different locales and available activities. The other metroparks are:

- Metro Beach** — East of Mount Clemens along the Lake St. Clair shoreline. Opened in 1950; 770 acres. The park features one and a half miles of sandy beach, an Olympic size swimming pool, a trackless train, a 1600-foot boardwalk, tennis courts, shuffleboard courts, horseshoe areas, an outdoor dance pavilion, boat ramps and marinas, food bars, and special events.
- Indian Springs** — Southwest of Clarkston, in Springfield and White Lake townships. Opened in 1982; 2,206 acres. Features include a nature center, nature trails, biking and hiking trails, and picnic areas. A golf course is under development.
- Huron Meadows** — South of Brighton in Green Oak Township, opened in 1948; 1,495 acres. The park has an 18-hole golf course, a driving range, and food service.
- Hudson Mills** — 12 miles northwest of Ann Arbor, opened in 1957; 1,624 acres. Attractions include picnic and playground areas, biking and hiking trails, an activity center, tennis courts, a basketball court, volleyball courts, shuffleboard courts, softball fields, food service and canoe rentals.
- Dexter-Huron** — 7 miles northwest of Ann Arbor, adjacent to Hudson Mills Metropark. Opened in 1952; 122 acres.
- Stony Creek** — Northeast of Rochester. Opened in 1964; its 4,461 acres make it the largest park in the system. Attractions include a

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Novi '50s Festival opens with gala 'Sock Hop'

By JEANNE CLARKE
Special writer

The Michigan '50s Festival sponsored by the Novi Chamber of Commerce will get under way with a pre-festival "Sock Hop" at the Novi Hilton on Saturday, March 12, at 8 p.m.

The "Sock Hop" will include a cash bar, free food, entertainment and dancing for the ticket price of \$10 per person. Tickets will be sold at the door and selected outlets as long as they last. Additional information about the "Sock Hop" and Michigan '50s Festival is available by calling Mallett at Novi Chamber offices, 349-3743.

A second "Sock Hop" has been scheduled for May 20 when the theme will be a look-alike contest with everyone encouraged to attend as their favorite '50s personality.

The Michigan '50s Festival is slated for July 13-17. The Novi Jaycees will sponsor a carnival outside the Novi Civic Center beginning July 13 and running for five days, and there will be special events at West Oaks and Novi Town Center.

A drive-in theater will be held at Twelve Oaks Mall on Thursday, July 14, and the mall will carry a memorabilia display provided by MTV. A "Sock Hop Express" similar to a pub crawl is scheduled for Friday, July 15, when participants may purchase tickets to visit four hotels and hear four different bands or deejays.

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A new program called "Coffee and Conversation" is held at the Novi Civic Center every Friday at 10:30 a.m. The program enables seniors to discuss current events.

Registrations are now being accepted for the Golden Retrievers Golf League which meets at the Pebblecreek Golf Course. There will be separate leagues on Mondays and Thursdays for Novi residents who are 55 or older. Registration fee is \$18, and there are weekly greens fees of \$15.

Substitute bowlers are needed for the Swinging Seniors Bowling League which meets at the Novi Bowl every Thursday at 1 p.m. More information is available from Clay Perry at 349-7645. Seniors wishing to play on the Old-Timers softball team this summer may call manager Chuck Burke at 478-2735.

Other upcoming events for seniors include a tax assistance seminar on March 17 (call 347-9400 for an appointment), a St. Patrick's Day Party on March 12, a kitchen show on March 18, a "Taste of Spring and Art Concert" on March 19 and a trip to the scenic Lakes Dinner Theater on March 31. Tickets for the dinner theater trip cost \$35 and include lunch and dinner.

NOVI CONGREGATIONAL: The Meadowbrook Congregational Church will be the site of a special "Arts at Meadowbrook" presentation when the Chancel Choir, soloists and a chamber orchestra comprised of members of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra present "The Requiem" by English composer John Rutter.

The program will be presented on Palm Sunday, March 27, at 2 p.m. A catered meal will be served at noon for those who attend morning worship services, and child care will be available during the concert. Tickets are available from the church at 349-7757.

Lenten services started with a potluck dinner and worship service on Ash Wednesday. The Rev. E. Neil Hunt is offering a series titled "A Look at Redemption" every Wednesday night from 7:30 to 8:45 p.m.

A prospective members meeting will be held at the church on Tuesday, March 22, at 7 p.m. Coming up this

weekend (March 4-6) is an outing for adult skiers at the Northwood Lodge at Schuss Mountain.

Peg Pointon has been elected president of the Women's Service Club. Other officers are Barbara Madens, vice president; Donna Browne, secretary; and Sharon Hunt, treasurer. Committee chairpersons are Linda Jo Hare (publicity) and Eileen Cheek (sunshine). The ladies have started planning their annual rummage, plant and bake sale which will be held in May.

The women's group also continues to collect Community Support Points from Bill Knapps restaurants and recently obtained service for 200 in stainless steel silverware. Anyone dining at Bill Knapps is requested to collect Community Support Points and donate them to the church.

The senior and junior high groups went to Schuss Mountain for a weekend ski trip with members of the North Congregational and First Congregational Church of Royal Oak. The senior high group also attended a winter retreat; the junior highs will be going on a winter retreat March 12-13.

BEREAVEMENT CLASS: Anyone who has suffered the loss of a loved one is invited to attend a series of bereavement classes held the fourth Thursday of every month at the Novi Civic Center (Room 100) at 7:30 p.m.

Classes are led by Dr. Michael Meyer, bereavement counselor for the O'Brien Chapel of the Ted C. Sullivan Funeral Home. The classes are co-sponsored by the Novi Ministers Association and Providence Hospital.

Dr. Meyer has a Doctor of Ministry degree from Marygrove College in Detroit. His doctoral dissertation was titled "Guidelines for Those Who Minister to Those in Grief." The classes use the writings of Dr. William Warden who will be the special speaker at Oakland Community College on March 11.

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Sherman said the metropark system has seen an increase in the demand for winter activities. Eight of the 13 parks now have cross-country skiing trails and other winter activities, he said.

The metropark system is also developing "fit trails," special trails for exercisers, to keep up with the physical fitness boom, Sherman said. But the biggest reason for visiting metroparks will probably always remain the same—to get back to nature, feel the grass underfoot and enjoy the view. And that part of the metroparks will never change.

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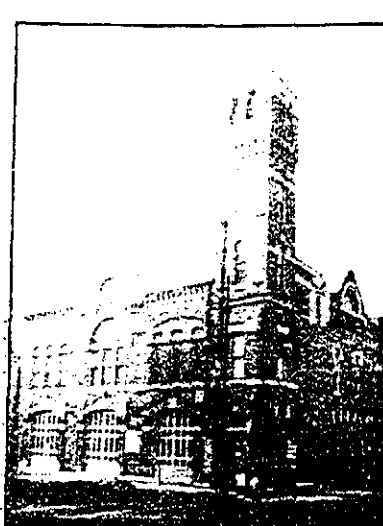
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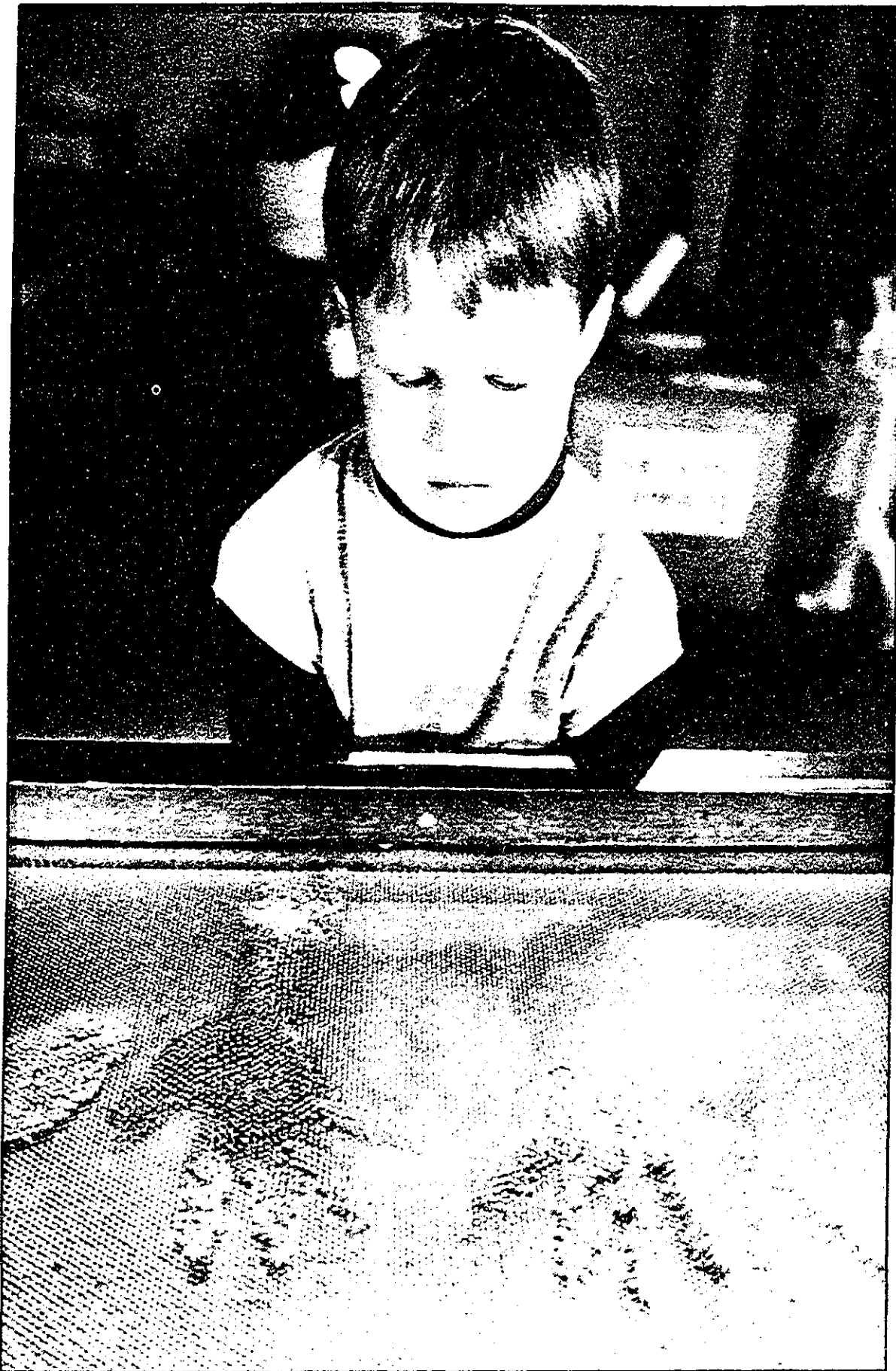
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Phone — (313) 645-3200

Impression 5 Science Museum
Location — 200 Museum Dr., Lansing, Michigan 48933
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Photos by Chris Boyd

A budding genius (above) makes an impression at the pin board while another youngster (left) experiments with patterns caused when a bow vibrates a metal plate.

The Great Wall: Taste of Orient for entire family

For the restaurant connoisseur searching for a taste of the Orient in a family atmosphere, The Great Wall of China fits the bill.

The Farmington Hills restaurant is in the Drakehire Shopping Plaza and offers a wide variety of Chinese, Cantonese and American cuisine. The restaurant has a somewhat informal, relaxed atmosphere where couples, groups of friends and families visit for an authentic bite to eat.

Once seated at one of the restaurant's booths or tables, it's advisable to spend a few minutes studying the menu before ordering because it takes that long to become familiar with the selections. A basket of won ton chips is served upon arrival, giving hungry patrons something to munch on while doing just that.

Appetizers include egg rolls, barbecue pork and baby barbecue ribs.

Taste-tempting entrees such as Warr Shui Gai, breast of chicken with crushed almonds and vegetable sauce; Warr Shui Gop, pressed duck with crushed almonds and vegetable sauce; How U Steak, cubes of tenderloin steak blended with chinese vegetables, wine, garlic



The Great Wall of China offers a relaxed atmosphere for its guests

and oyster sauce; Woo Dip Har, split shrimp enfolded in bacon with crushed almonds; and Hoi Sin Kow, cubes of lobster meat, fresh shrimps and sea scallops with chinese vegetables, are just a sampling of the dishes to choose from. All diners include rice, soup, an eggroll, chinese tea and dessert.

The Great Wall of China's dinner for two, priced at \$17.90, is a good value for the amount of food it includes, while allowing customers to taste a variety of chinese selections in one sitting.

The dinner consists of Warr Shui Gai, breast of chicken with chinese vegetables; Hoi Sin Kow, jumbo shrimp blended with chinese vegetables, your choice of eggdrop or won ton soup, tasty pork fried rice, an eggroll, tea and a fortune cookie. Dinners for four and six also are available.

Prices range from \$7.45 for chinese vegetable chow mein, to \$22.50 for Lobster Cantonese, chunks of lobster mixed with minced pork in a black bean and egg sauce.

American food selections include breaded jumbo shrimp, broiled white fish and broiled pork chops, fried chicken and hamburgers. These dishes are served with french fries and a roll.

Domestic and imported beers, wines and mixed drinks are served to accompany meals, as well as soft drinks, chinese tea and coffee.

On a recent Saturday night, patrons at the restaurant, included young, middle-aged and older couples, as well as quite a few families. Attire is casual and major credit cards are accepted.

For those who prefer restaurant fare while dining at home, the restaurant provides a full-menu carry-out service. Henry Lum, host of the restaurant, also caters banquets, weddings and business meetings.

MAR What's Going ON

Art

ART EXHIBITS: BOTSFORD INN ANTIQUE SHOW, Botsford Inn, Farmington. The 20th running of the show and sale begins March 5. Exhibits include china and glassware, furniture and tool collectors, among other items. Show times are noon-8 p.m. March 5 and from noon-6 p.m. March 6. Admission is free. **BIRMINGHAM SOCIETY OF WOMEN PAINTERS** exhibition, Somerset Mall, Troy. An 11-day showing of the recent work of society members. The exhibition concludes March 13 and admission is free. **SHOLEM ALECHEM INSTITUTE Show and Sale**, Shenandoah Country Club, 5600 Walnut Lake Rd., West Bloomfield. More than 125 Michigan artists will exhibit during the event. Nominal admission charge. Show hours are from 11 a.m.-10 p.m. March 11 and March 12 and from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. March 13. **MINIATURES AND TEDDY BEARS**, Northwest USA, 25940 Grand River, Redford. Contest and showing for amateur miniaturists and Teddy Bear collectors. Miniatures will be judged for originality of concept, quality of workmanship and use of scale. Teddy Bears will be judged by the public for most loved, smallest, largest and best-dressed. Admission is free. The event runs from 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Music

MUSIC: FARMINGTON MUSICALS, North Farmington High School Auditorium, 32900 W. 13 Mile Rd., Farmington Hills. Jim Whitten, director of the Farmington Community Chorus, will sing highlights from "Kismet," "Oklahoma," "West Side Story," and other Broadway musicals at 8 p.m. March 4. Also performing are members of the musicals. Tickets are \$5 and are available at the door or by calling 626-3856 or 553-4059. **SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHOIR** and University of Toledo Chorale in joint performance, St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 2475 Five Mile, Livonia. The joint choirs will perform John Rutter's "Requiem," a seven-movement work scored for mixed choir, soprano soloist and small orchestra at 7:30 p.m. March 5. Tickets are \$5 for adults, \$3 for students and seniors and may be purchased at the Schoolcraft College bookstore, or using Visa or MasterCard by calling 591-6400, ext. 265. **AMERICAN ARTISTS SERIES**, Cranbrook Kingswood Auditorium, 500 Lone Pine Rd., Bloomfield Hills. Harold Orbach will be the featured performer in Peter Warlock's "The Curlew," a song-cycle of William Butler Yeats set to music. Sharing the program are Detroit Symphony Orchestra artists Donald Baker on English horn; Ronald Fischer on violin; Hart Holliman on viola; Ervin Monroe, on flute; Linda Sneddon Smith on violin; John Thurman on cello and Joann Freeman on piano playing Beethoven's "String Trio No. 3 in G and Taneyev's "Piano Quartet in E, Opus 20." Tickets are \$9.50 at the door. Additional information may be obtained by calling 551-5044 or 647-2230. The concert begins at 3 p.m. March 6 and is preceded by a preview at 2 p.m. **PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY CHORUS** concert, Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church, Penniman at Church, Plymouth. Chorus members and soloists will present Schubert's "Mass in C," Mozart's "Ave Verum" and Faure's "Requiem" in a benefit concert. Tickets are \$4 at the door. The concert is at 4 p.m. March 6. **FISHER THEATER** concert series, Fisher Theatre, in the Fisher Building, Detroit. Johnny Mathis performs at 8 p.m. March 3-5 and at 3 p.m. March 6. Gary Manilow is in concert at 8 p.m. March 8-10 and Engelbert Humperdinck performs at 8 p.m. March 18 and 19, at 2 p.m. March 19 and at 3 p.m. March 20. Tickets for Mathis and Humperdinck are \$30 and \$22.50 and for Manilow are \$40 and \$30 and are available at the Fisher Theatre Box Office, at Hudson's and TicketMaster outlets. **OFFICE OF MAJOR EVENTS**, University of Michigan Hill Auditorium, Ann Arbor. Robert Merrill, world-renowned vocalist will present "From Broadway to Opera." Tickets are \$16 and \$13.50 and available at the Michigan Union Ticket Office, all TicketMaster outlets, or by phone by calling 763-7KTS. The concert is at 8 p.m. March 19.

And more

FILM: DETROIT FILM THEATRE, Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward Ave., Detroit. The DIT presents "My Life As a Dog" at 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. March 6. "The General," starring Buster Keaton at 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. March 13. "Au Revoir, Mes Enfants" at 5 p.m., 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. March 20 and at 1 p.m., 4 p.m., 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. March 27, and "Blind," at 7 p.m. April 3.

MUSEUM FARE: GREENFIELD VILLAGE AND HENRY FORD MUSEUM, Dearborn. The museum celebrates the automobile during its great-escape weekend March 5-6. The Hotel Savaine Society Orchestra will host "the Ford Radio Hour," a remake of a radio show popular in the 1940s, each afternoon a different band will perform and role-playing sales representatives will airforce the merits of such cars as the 1916 Stanley Steamer, the 1934 Airflow DeSoto and the 1955 Chevrolet Bel-Air.

Captain Richard Faulkner of the Novi Police Department has watched the community grow during the 27 years he has been on the force. Faulkner enjoys a host of activities when work and family life allow him the time. A few of his favorite things include:

- 1. FISHING** — the whole family enjoys trips to the Port Huron area to fish for walleye and trips to northern Michigan for trout and salmon.
- 2. TRAVELING** in the family's motor home. Faulkner enjoys trips both in Michigan and to visit relatives in other states.
- 3. READING**: "I like a good book," the captain said, and spending time reading is one of his favorite pastimes. The last good book he read? Tom Clancy's "Patriot Games."
- 4. JOGGING** is both a relaxer and a way to stay in shape for the police officer. He jogs about three to four times a week, a minimum of four miles. On weekends he can sometimes fit in a longer run of up to six or seven miles.

My Favorite Things

The Great Wall of China, 35135 Grand River Ave., Farmington Hills, is open 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 11 a.m. to midnight Friday and Saturday and noon to 10 p.m. on Sundays.

RECORD-BREAKER:
Jon Cohen continues record-setting spree/2D

OUT OF GAS:
Spikers fall short in conference tourney/2D

IN SHAPE:
Local dentist finds relaxation in running/4D

OSTEOPOROSIS:
Older women must take special precautions/4D

Bobcats headed to state

Four members of the Novi Bobcat swim team will be competing in the 1988 Girls State Short Course Swim Championships at Oakland Community College in Farmington Hills this weekend (March 4-6).

Gwen Rowlands, Julie Sommers, Sheila Osborne and Alana Marron will represent the Bobcats in competition with approximately 500 female swimmers from 9-18 years old who have met qualifying times in the freestyle, backstroke, breaststroke, butterfly and individual medley (IM) in addition to relays.

Approximately 60 clubs will be competing for the state championship which was won by the Michigan Stingrays out of Farmington Hills last year.

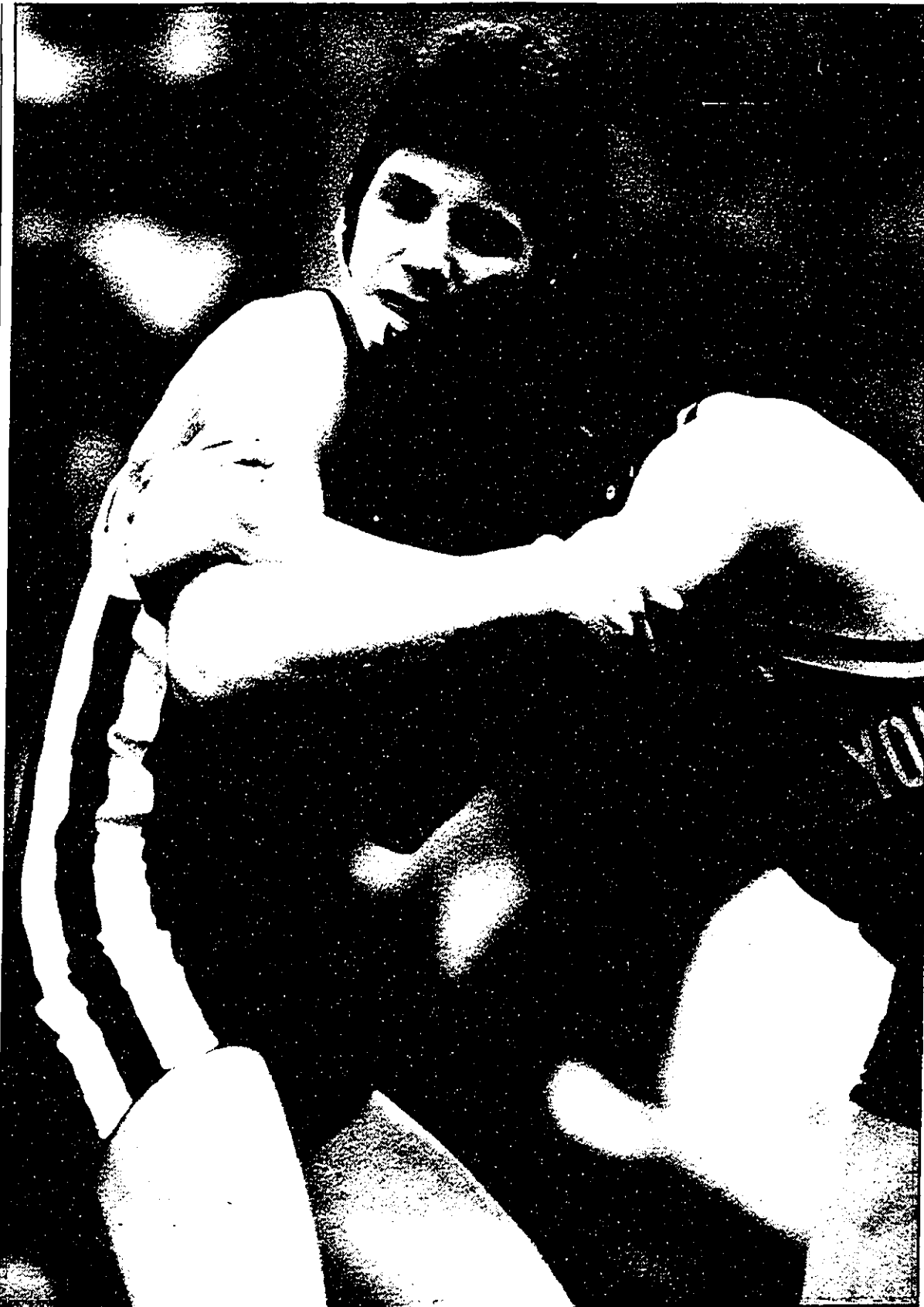
Rowlands has qualified to compete in six events. In addition to the 50, 100, 200 and 500 freestyle, the Bobcat standout has qualified for the 100 and 200 butterfly.

Sommers has qualified in the 200 backstroke, Osborne has qualified in the 50 and 100 freestyle, and Marron has qualified in the 100 freestyle, 100 butterfly, and the 50 and 100 backstrokes.

Rick Anderson, coach of the Bobcat tankers, is optimistic about his swimmers' chances. "Gwen (Rowlands) and Julie (Sommers) are only sophomores and have two more high school years ahead of them," he noted. "Gwen should have some excellent times at this meet."

Sheila is in sixth grade and Alana is a fourth grader, and they both have shown great progress this year," he added. "I'm sure all the girls will go out and swim their best."

The State Meet at OCC will run Friday, March 4, from 5-10 p.m. and continue all day Saturday and Sunday, March 5-6, from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.



Ron Nutt finished fifth in the state in the 112 pound class

Novi News/CHRIS BOYD

Keir sparks Novi matmen in state meet

By NEIL GEOGHEGAN staff writer

Tom Fritz felt both relieved and proud when the 1st MHSAA Lower Peninsula Individual Wrestling Finals came to an end last Saturday, Feb. 27.

All season long, his squad has been fighting for respectability and it didn't come easily. Fritz knew he had one of the state's best teams, but not many others agreed — until last weekend, that is.

With senior stars like Ron Nutt, Scott Brown, Ron Fritz and Bret Keir with him in Battle Creek's Kellogg Arena, Fritz was able to showcase his team on a grand scale and everyone came away impressed — even Fritz himself.

All four performed very well against the best Michigan could offer, compiling an impressive 13-7 record in the two-day event, but it happened to come in the 198-pound finals against an old rival. But the big senior grabbed runner-up honors and set a school record in the process — no wrestler from Novi has ever placed second in the Class A state meet. It was the highest finish by a Wildcat wrestler since Kevin Mills captured the Class B title at 126 exactly 10 years ago for Novi.

Brown (126) and Nutt (112) each dropped early matches, but then showed a lot of courage by battling back in the consolation rounds to finish fourth and fifth respectively in their weight classifications.

Fritz didn't place at 167, but his only defeats were to the eventual state champion and to the third-place finisher — and both losses came on relatively close decisions.

"You're talking 300 schools in the State of Michigan, and to have three of them place in the top five is no shame at all," Fritz said. "It's the best performance in a state meet we've ever had. It was a real reflection on our wrestlers and our program."

"It's been an excellent year — it will be very hard to top it."

Throughout the season, Keir has been occasionally ranked among the top five performers in the state at 195, but in Battle Creek he proved

the skeptics wrong, especially in the first round on Friday, he defeated John Pierce of Harper Woods Notre Dame 14-5 and then clobbered Lake Orion's Kurt Phillips 12-1 in the second round. The second win was significant because Keir was 0-2 against Phillips during the regular season, and he won with unbelievable ease.

"It was a good win for Bret," Fritz observed. "If he'd have wrestled like this on Saturday, he'd have been untouchable."

In the semifinal match the next day, Keir beat Olio's Art Learn 5-4, but it wasn't with the same intensity or abandon he'd shown the previous day. According to Fritz, Keir started wrestling cautiously.

In the finals, he was pitted against Redford Catholic Central's highly-regarded Lee Krueger in one of the more interesting bouts of the day. Krueger had Keir's number earlier in the season, going 2-0-1 in the first three meetings, but Keir came back strong in the state tournament to beat Krueger twice and turn a lot of heads all across the state.

But in the finals, Krueger came out with fire in his eyes and revenge on his mind, while Keir went on the defensive and never really got untracked. Krueger came away with an 8-2 victory and a state title.

"If I could understand it, I'd bottle it and be the best coach in the world," Fritz said. "Krueger was hot and Bret was too defensive — that was the only difference. If they wrestled again today, it would be a toss-up."

"But I never could have predicted Bret would go this far."

Scott Brown pulled off a rare feat in Battle Creek by beating the same opponent he lost to just a few hours earlier. The comeback helped the senior place fourth overall at 126 despite performing with a painful muscle injury. Keir, Novi, and I Brown started the tournament on a down note by falling to Grandville's Glenn Brown 15-2, but he managed to fight his way back into contention in the consolation round with three straight wins.

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Grapplers fall prey to CC in regionals

By NEIL GEOGHEGAN staff writer

The MHSAA Team Regional Wrestling Tournament at Redford Catholic Central on Feb. 24 was a disappointment to Novi Coach Tom Fritz. And it had nothing to do with his team's performance.

With Catholic Central on hand, the Novi regionalists were the underdogs in even more impressive fashion. His 9-5 victory proved to everyone concerned that the first win was not a fluke.

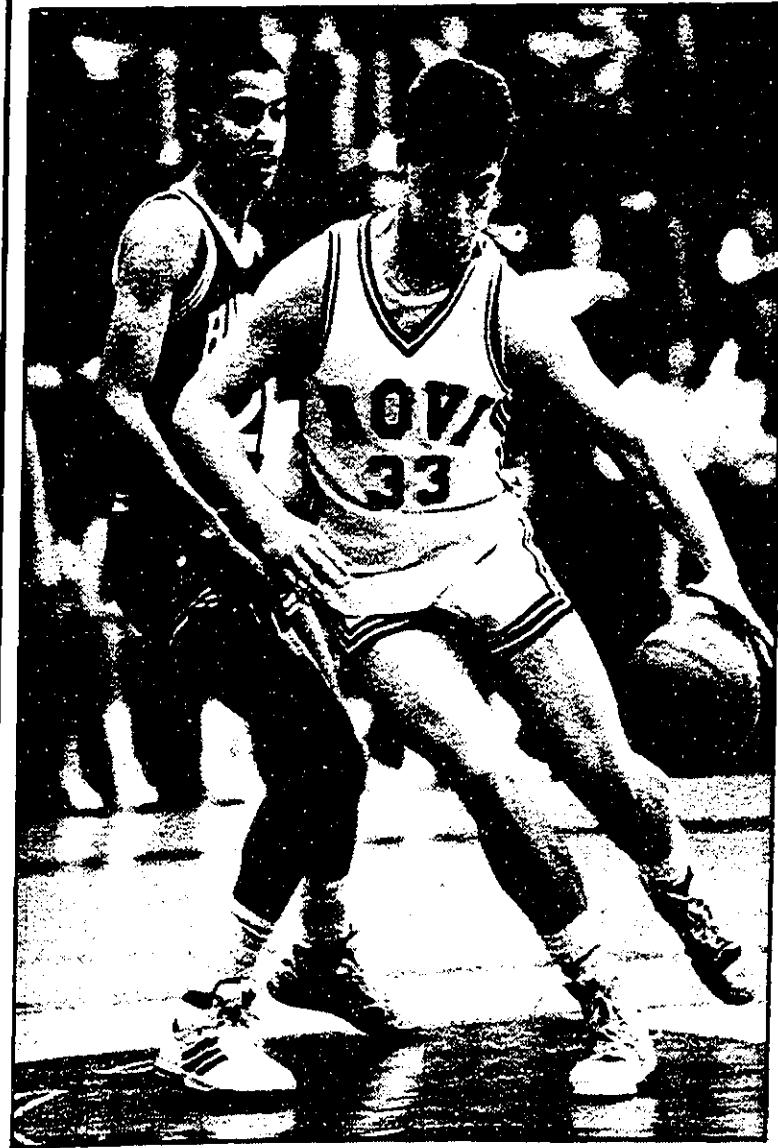
"It was a tremendous effort by Bret," Fritz said. "He went out with a great mental approach; he wanted to prove that he is a legitimate standout this season."

The remaining four Novi wins came in some unlikely areas — including 128 and 155 — from wrestlers who were substituting for injured Scott Brown and Matt Brinker. Brian Paquette decisioned Keith Fowler 16-5 at 98, Mike Gowans topped Jim Martin 6-5 at 128, Dan Brogan pinned Paul Bellas 11-39 at 158 and Andy Price decisioned Brian Tully 7-2 at 155.

"I was pleased," Fritz said. "The kids knew there wasn't much of a chance against CC, but they fought their hardest and did the best they could do."

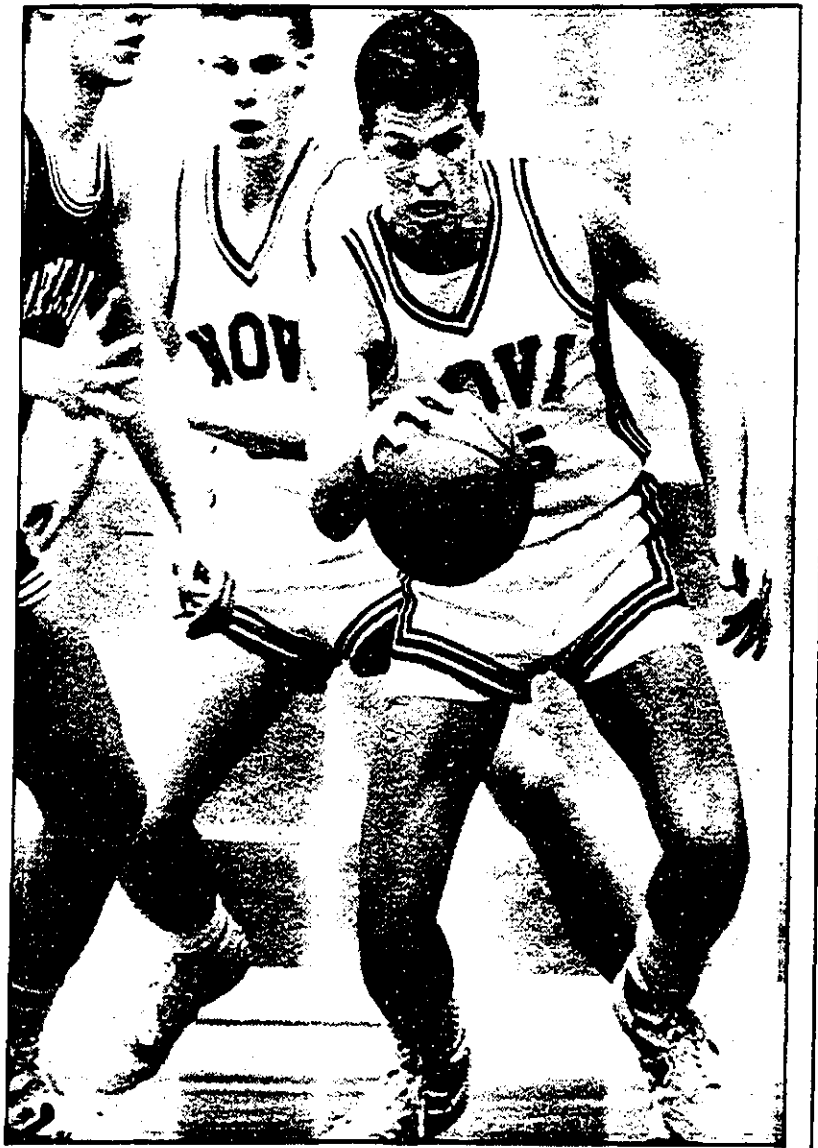
Kept Brown, (Ron) Fritz and (Ron) Nutt out of the line-up because I thought the state meet was more important. Even if we would have had them in there, we wouldn't have won, but it would have been closer. I didn't want anybody to get hurt with the state meet coming up in a few days."

Since it was technically a dual meet, Novi dropped its second of the season in 19 trials. Both losses came at the hands of the powerful Shamrocks.



Novi's Dave Skown (above) drives toward the bucket, while senior center Brian Schram (right) comes

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In the groove

Wildcat cagers rebound to post two wins

By NEIL GEOGHEGAN staff writer

The competition wasn't the greatest, but the Novi cagers still won two ball games last week.

And Coach John Cicchelli isn't complaining at all.

With a 66-54 non-conference win over Dexter on the road Feb. 23, the 'Cats ended a frustrating three-game losing skid.

Three days later on Feb. 26, Novi built an early lead against Kensington Valley Conference cellar-dwelling Hartland and then held on down the stretch for a 69-58 triumph which raises the Wildcats' records to 10-7 overall and +4 in the KVC.

The Dexter-Nov match-up was a curious one because the two teams haven't played each other in years and nobody was quite sure what to expect.

Cicchelli was well aware that his team has been struggling offensively and wasn't about to take anything for granted — especially on the road.

"We didn't know what (Dexter) had," he said. "All I knew was that they were 10-7 heading in."

The Wildcats ended up playing two rather mediocre middle quarters against Dexter, but won the game by sandwiching them between two exceptional quarters. Novi opened the game with a full-court press, and it paid dividends early on and helped the team pull ahead 13-3.

"The press definitely worked to our advantage," Cicchelli pointed out. "Dexter kept it close with foul shots."

The two teams exchanged baskets for much of the second quarter, and the Wildcat lead was just 32-27 at halftime. Novi then came out flat in the third quarter as Dexter erased the lead and actually pulled in front by seven with 2:19 remain-

ing. The 'Cats managed to score the final five points in the quarter, but Dexter still had the lead, 46-44.

"We didn't execute and we were very lackadaisical until the last couple minutes in the third," Cicchelli said. "I thought it was very important that we made that little run because it kept things close."

Cicchelli changed his defense in the fourth and it confused Dexter. In the meantime, Novi regained the lead and started to pull away and eventually won by 12. In the final stanza, the 'Cats outscored Dexter 22-8.

"It was our best quarter of the season," Cicchelli said. "I had a good feeling after the game because we played well at the end when we needed it. It was a good win."

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Cohen leads Novi tankers with record-setting wins

The Novi High School swimming team did not win the Brighton Invite as a matter of fact, they didn't even place second.

The squad also lost 26 points after suffering a disqualification in a relay race.

But, all in all, it was another good performance by the 'Cat tankers at the seven-team event on Feb. 26-27. Novi placed third behind Class A power Grosse Pointe South and Class B standout Milan — the team's highest finish ever — and also set a team record for most points with 178.

"We did a pretty good job," Wildcat Coach Larry Teahan said. "It was our highest finish ever, and we had more points than ever so I was pretty happy with the way things ended up."

Jon Cohen was one of only two two-time individual winners, but the fact that he was the outstanding swimmer

in the meet didn't surprise anybody. Cohen grabbed firsts in the 200-yard freestyle (1:43.7) and the 100 breaststroke (1:59.6) and set new meet records in both events. Cohen's time in the freestyle also set a new school record.

Steve Warthman and Steve Cohen topped Novi's first-place total to four with wins in the 100 freestyle (50.2) and 500 freestyle (4:55.5) respectively. The 'Cats only second place finish came from Matt Lorenz in the 100 butterfly (personal best time of 55.7).

Rudy Speersneider (500 freestyle) and Warthman (50 freestyle) paced the rest of the Novi top-12 finishes with third-place honors.

The others came from Steve Cohen in the 200 IM (fourth), Speersneider in the 200 freestyle (fourth), Joe Jablonski in diving (seventh), the 200 medley relay team of Josh Matta, Bob Bates, Lorenz and

Steve Strausberg (seventh), Matta in the 100 backstroke (eighth), Dave Suchyta in the 100 breaststroke (eighth), Bates in the 100 breaststroke (10th), Matta in the 200 IM (10th), Strausberg in the 100 freestyle (10th) and Ryan Devereaux in both the 100 (12th) and 200 freestyle (12th) events.

"We lost 26 points for an early start in the 400 freestyle relay, but it wouldn't have made any difference in the final standings," Teahan said.

The MHSAA State Swim Meet is slated for March 12-13 at Michigan State University, and the 'Cats have several qualifiers including Jon Cohen, Steve Cohen and the 400 freestyle relay team.



Steve Warthman checks the clock while Steve Cohen celebrates a new school record.

Wildcats ready for tourneys

The high schools in Northville and Novi are only a few miles apart and obviously the Michigan High School Athletic Association (MHSAA) has decided to keep these two neighboring schools together as partners for the upcoming state tournaments in basketball, volleyball and swimming.

The following is a summary of where the Mustang and Wildcat teams will be going during the 1988 tournaments, as assigned by the MHSAA:

BASKETBALL: Northville will be host for the Class A District Tournament (No. 22) and Novi will be one of the five teams in attendance. The others are South Lyon, Plymouth Canton and Plymouth Salem. Canton, currently in first place in the WLLA Western Division standings, will probably be the district favorite heading in.

The tourney will be held March 7 with the winner advancing to the regional tournament (No. 2) at Eastern Michigan University's Bowen Field House. The Northville District winner will be paired with the Wayne-Memorial District (No. 14) in the first round. The other two participants will be the district winners from Temperance-Bedford (No. 4) and Flat Rock Woodhaven (No. 13).

VOLEYBALL: Novi and Northville are both slated to compete at the Walled Lake Central District (No. 12) on March 5. There will be 10 other teams in attendance including several Kensington Valley Conference and WLLA schools. Qualifiers from Walled Lake will then advance to the regional tournament at Waverly High School in Lansing.

Wildcat spikers fall short

Painful memories of season's past are coming back for the Novi volleyball team.

The squad isn't playing very well lately, as the results from the Brighton dual meet on Feb. 25 and the Kensington Valley Conference (KVC) Meet on Feb. 27 can attest. The Wildcats failed to win a game in six tries last week and were outscored 96-29 in the process.

A 15-1, 15-9 defeat to state-ranked Brighton wasn't an ideal way to end the regular season, and the woes continued in Howell at the league meet. Novi was seeded fifth heading in, but lost to two KVC rivals in near record-time in the first two rounds to finish sixth overall.

The loss to Brighton on the road

wasn't unexpected, but Wildcat Coach Teri Wyman wasn't happy with her team's play anyway. Novi scored the first four points in game one and then were outscored 15-1 the rest of the way. In game two, Novi faced only two servers and it was over embarrassingly fast.

"It wasn't a very good night," Wyman said. "My team didn't play well — they just didn't do much out there."

"Our serve reception was very poor. Brighton scored a lot on their serves, and their hitting hurt us, too."

In first round action at Howell, the 'Cats fell to Milford 15-1, 15-13. Wyman was very disappointed with the lack of effort in the first game,

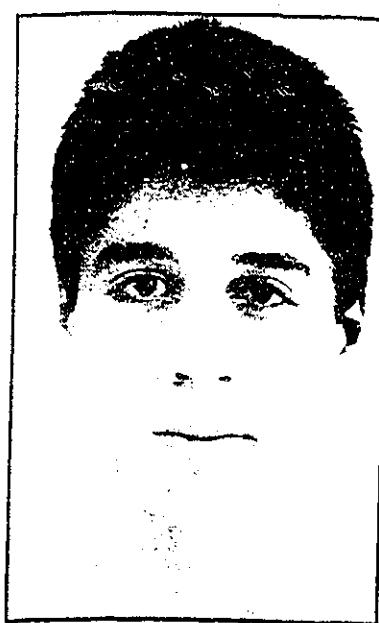
but saw a complete turnaround in game two.

"We stood around and watched the ball fall in the first game," Wyman explained. "I thought it would be a lot closer than that — the girls didn't seem too excited about playing."

"But they woke up in the second game and played 100 percent better. We didn't win, but at least we played well — I know we can play this well, but the girls have to want it."

South Lyon then knocked Novi out of the tournament with a 15-1, 15-9 victory in the next round. Ironically, these two teams squared off in pre-district action yesterday (March 2, after The News' deadline) for the right to advance to district play at Walled Lake Central on Saturday.

Wildcats of the Week



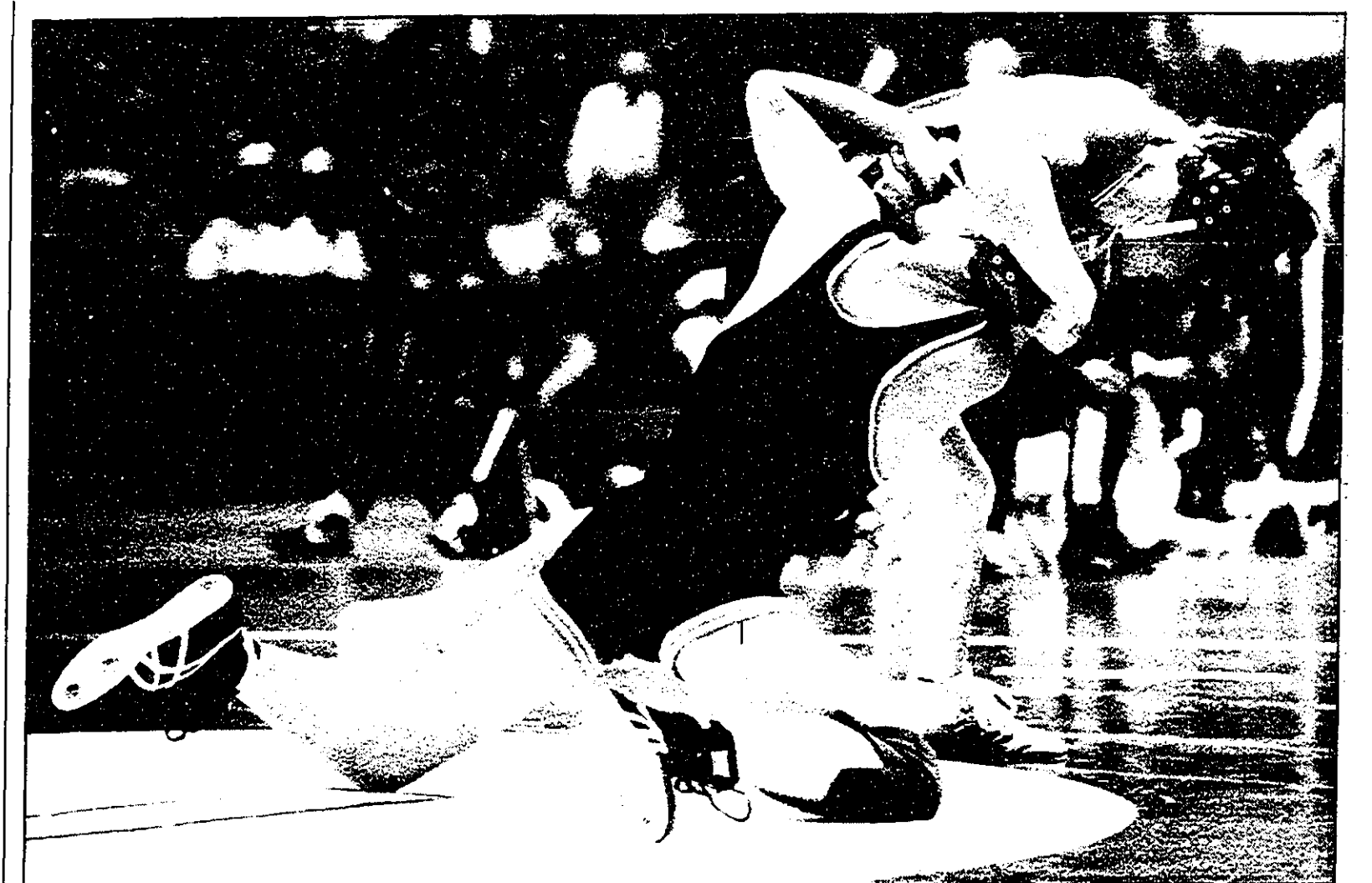
JON COHEN

Junior swimming standout Jon Cohen sets so many records and comes up with so many outstanding efforts meet after meet, it's almost expected of him. Take Jon's performance at the Brighton Invite on Feb. 26-27 for instance. He was a two-time winner in the seven-team event, set two meet records and another school record and it hardly turned anybody's head. It was all in a day's work for Cohen, perhaps the state's best high school swimmer and one of our "Wildcats of the Week." Cohen grabbed firsts in the 200-yard freestyle (1:43.7) and the 100 breaststroke (1:59.6) in Brighton and helped his team finish third with 178 points, the most ever for a Novi team.



BRIAN SCHRAM

Six-foot-six senior center Brian Schram put together two great all-around efforts in basketball action last week to help Novi beat Dexter 66-54 and Hartland 68-58, so he's our choice as a "Wildcat of the Week." According to Coach John Cicchelli, Schram had an outstanding game at both ends of the court against a very tall Hartland squad by scoring 16 points, grabbing 13 rebounds and engineering five steals. In the win over Dexter, Schram added 14 points and 13 rebounds. He is currently the team's second leading scorer and rebounder. "Brian had a good week," Cicchelli said. "He played hard and was effective both offensively and defensively."



Novi's Dan Brogan puts a little twist on a headlock against Northville's John Frisbie.

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Keir second at state mat meet

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First he pinned George Fillar of East Detroit in 37 seconds, then he was awarded an injury default over Romulus' Dennis Corder and finally he edged Drew Wing 5-4 of Temperance Bedford to get into the consolation semi-finals. Once there, Brown completed the great recovery by crushing Glenn Brown 8-1 to assure himself of no worse than fourth place overall.

"It showed a lot of class on Brown's part," Fritz said. "There are a lot of factors that are involved, but I suppose that's what makes wrestling so interesting." In the consolation finals, Brown's winning streak came to an end as he was pinned by Davison's Brad

Smith in 58 seconds. Smith had a 35-1 record heading into the match.

"I was very proud of Scott," Fritz said. "He's been hurt all year but this time he rose to the occasion despite the injury and did a great job. It's a shame he ended his career by being pinned, though."

Brother Rice's Kevin Kinane — who ended up placing third in the state at 112 — decided Ron Nutt 12-2 in the first round, so Nutt, too, had to battle back in the consolation bracket. Nutt decisively outscored Troy Skelly 6-3, then downed Catholic Central's Mike Gentile 1-0 in a thriller, and then assured himself of no worse than sixth place by pinning Gus Petuske of East Lansing in 4:14.

Nutt fell to Pat Coccarelli of Grand Ledge 11-5 in the battle for fourth place, but then grabbed fifth by pinning Kevin Schaffer of Holt in 4:36.

"I thought going out on a pin was an excellent way for Ron Nutt to end a great career," Fritz said. "He's a hard working kid and I'm very proud of him."

Fritz opened the meet on Friday with a 6-0 victory over Yonno Ciarmikaro of Warren Lincoln, but then ran into number-one ranked Roy Hall of Davison. Fritz gave Hall a battle, but the defending state champ at 145 pulled out an 11-5 win and then cruised on to the state title at 167. The loss dropped Fritz into the consolation round, where he

before losing Temperance Bedford's Dan Price 7-5. The loss knocked him out of the tournament. Price went on to take third-place honors.

"A little different draw and Ron would have placed," his father said. "He lost to the first and third place finishers, so he did a nice job — it's just too bad he doesn't have a medal to show for it."

Sadly, the end of the state meet marked the end of the 1987-88 season — one that will go down as the best in Novi history.

"It wasn't a bad ending," Fritz said. "I think we showed a lot of people around the state that we have a few good wrestlers in Novi. There's no shame in what we've accomplished."

Rec Briefs

Spring soccer program: The Novi Parks and Recreation Department reports there are openings in the spring soccer program. Openings exist in the Pee Wee Division (for players born in 1982), the Under-10 Division (for players born in 1978-79), Under-12 Boys WSSL (born in 1976-77), Under-16 Boys WSSL (born in 1972-73) and Under-19 Boys WSSL (born in 1969-71). Openings will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis. Call 347-0404 for more information or to register.

Womens open softball: The Novi Parks and Recreation Department is seeking teams to participate in the 1988 Womens Open Summer Softball League. Team registration fee is \$310 and games are played on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Interested parties should call the Parks & Rec Department at 347-0400 for more information.

Spring fishing show: The Detroit Area Chapter of Michigan Steelheaders will present their spring fishing show at the Dearborn Civic Center on Sunday, March 20, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The show will feature many tackle manufacturers with the latest equipment at show prices, non-stop fishing seminars and how-to clinics on building rods, fly tying, river fishing, boat trolling, curing eggs and smoking fish. Guest speakers will include Tom Huggler on Great Lakes fishery, Don Calhoun on lake and river steelhead and skamania fishing, Steve Hamilton on stream fishing techniques, and Lt. Cliff Johnson of the DNR on enforcement of indian fishing laws. Admission is \$2 for adults and 50 cents for seniors. Children under 16 will be admitted free.

Novi cagers bounce back with wins

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Senior forward Dave Skown lead all scorers with a career-high 26 points and five steals. Brian Schram added 14 points and 13 rebounds, while Ed Cote chipped in 10 points.

The victory over Hartland was much easier, even though the score doesn't indicate it. Novi dominated the Eagles in the first half, and increased the lead to as large as 24 points in the third before coasting the rest of the way with most of the starters sitting on the bench.

"The final score is misleading because we were way ahead in the third and I emptied the bench and played everybody," Cicchelli explained. "The first half was as good as we've played all year. For

the first time in what seems like a long time, we shot the ball pretty well."

Again, the Wildcats' pressure defense picked up the tempo of the game and that was definitely to Novi's favor. The lead was six after one quarter and 18 at the intermission (45-27).

"Our press was working," Cicchelli said. "They are a very big team. They like a deliberate style of play, and it took them out of it."

With the lead over 20 and rising in the third, Cicchelli started to substitute freely, and Hartland made it respectable by outscoring the 'Cats 18-8 in the fourth.

According to Cicchelli, Schram had an outstanding overall game with 16 points, 13 rebounds and five steals. Cote also had 16 including four three-

point shots, while Skown and Craig Cowden added 12 and 11 points respectively.

For the week, Novi hit 45 percent from the field, which isn't outstanding, but it's certainly better than the 31 percent the team hit for the prior week.

"That's the first time we've had four players score in double figures this season," observed Cicchelli. "We used to do that almost every game last year."

"Overall, it was an excellent week for us. We are scoring points and playing better defense."

Novi will be one of five teams to compete in the Northville District tournament starting Monday (Feb. 7). The Wildcats will take on Plymouth Salem on March 9 at 7 p.m. in the first round. Plymouth Canton, South Lyon and Northville will also be competing for the district title.

CITY OF NOVI NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Woodlands Review Board, of the City of Novi, will hold a meeting on Thursday, March 10, 1988 at 4:00 PM at Novi City Offices, to review the Woodlands Permit Application for Deerbrook Subdivision Lots 17 and 63 Meadowbrook Road, south of Nine Mile Road, and for Timber Ridge Subdivision, Lot 2, Novi Road, south of Nine Mile.

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS are invited to attend. Any written comments may be sent to the Department of Community Development, 45175 West Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48050 until 5:00 PM, March 9, 1988.

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Dentist/runner Dr. Kathryn Hoppe pounds the pavement four to five times a week

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Dentist runs for the health of it

By JEAN DAY
editor

Patients of Dr. Kathryn A. Hoppe usually suspect their dentist is a runner as they recline in her dental chair and view a poster on the ceiling that asks, "Why do I run?" On the wall in front of the chair is a large pastel painting of the Philadelphia Distance Run, Sept. 19, 1982.

The trim dentist does run — an average of six miles — four or five times a week.

Hoppe says in addition to keeping her in good physical condition running helps her handle stress.

"It keeps me in shape and I feel I do a better job. Northville's wonderful for running with its great hills," she says.

The dentist says her favorite route is from her home in the Coves of Nor-

thville at Eight Mile and Taft Road through town to Hines Park near her office at 18600 Northville Road and back. She adds that the park is a wonderful place for running.

She admits that at the end of the long run she sometimes feels as if she "just makes it" up the last hill on Taft. After her shower, however, she's ready to see her patients.

As she encourages running to keep fit, Hoppe relates that she only began running regularly three or four years ago.

She remembers running a mile a day when she was 16 growing up on her family's farm in Alpena. Then she ran a little when she was in college.

"When I began running in Northville," she relates, "I ran a mile to a stop sign — then the next time to the tree beyond the sign." She con-

tinued to stretch her distance each time, going from one to six mile runs.

In addition to her full-time practice (which includes working two nights a week and Saturdays), Hoppe teaches one day a week at the University of Detroit Dental School and serves as a consultant for the Delta Dental Plan.

She runs regularly with the Redford Road Runners on Tuesdays. She mentions that the club has Northville members. Their meeting place is a church on West Chicago at Inkster where they use the locker room facilities and, after running, go to the Pizza Hut around the corner.

She also participates in as many as 17 races a year. She says her goal is to run the 10k on the Great Wall of China.

She runs in the St. Patrick Day run, an Ann Arbor run and others in Dexter and Alpena.

Hoppe also has participated in the Turkey Trot in conjunction with Detroit's Thanksgiving Day parade. That's fun, she says, "with 4,000 people all around cheering you on."

There's also the Volkshauf in Frankenmuth.

She's presently focusing on the DalMac four-day bicycle ride from Lansing to Mackinaw City on Labor Day.

"Cross training does help your running," she says, mentioning that she bicycles and finds Maybury State Park a "nice place to bike."

She also exercises at Vic Tanny to keep in shape.

"Sometimes I wonder, 'is this crazy' as I run all through the winter in rain and snow," she says, but emphasizes that she feels great afterward and finds, as a plus, it helps her to enjoy the different seasons.

Schoolcraft slates health workshops

Schoolcraft College is presenting a series of health care workshops in conjunction with Mt. Carmel Hospital during March and April on Tuesdays from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

The workshops will explore a range of topics including: AIDS, blood pressure, weight and nutrition, stress management and osteoporosis.

The first workshop, "AIDS Epidemic: Fact from Fiction," is scheduled for early March. This seminar will attempt to dispel myths and accurately present the reality of the disease. It will be held in the Liberal Arts Building, Room LA-200.

The second workshop, "Back Problems: How to Prevent Them," is scheduled for March 15. Learn how to prevent small problems from becoming big problems. The seminar will be held in the Physical Education Building, Room PE-100.

For further information, contact the College at 591-640, ext. 540. Schoolcraft College is located on Haggerty Road, between Six and Seven Mike Roads, in Livonia.

Blood pressure control: The Oakland County Health Division will offer a series of six blood pressure control classes to residents of Oakland County. The classes will be held each Wednesday from 2-4 p.m. at the Oakland County

Fitness

Health Division's south office, 277725 Greenfield Road in Southfield. The classes go under way Feb. 24 and continue through March 30.

All classes are free but require pre-registration. Topics covered in the class include defining the disease, medication and treatment, dietary recommendations, living with high blood pressure and cholesterol teaching.

For more information or to pre-register call 424-7042.

Weight loss workshop: A weight loss workshop, "Think Trim," that offers a new concept in losing and controlling weight is being offered by Schoolcraft College.

Psychotherapist Lorraine Stefano (ACSW), founder and director of Think Trim, stresses the importance of realizing the true relationship between food and the individual. Her workshop will help students set realistic goals, concentrate on their successes and visualize a new body. Students

will practice techniques for coping with stress in a positive and supportive environment.

The workshop will be held in the Liberal Arts Building (Room 440) on the Schoolcraft College campus. Fee is \$40. To register call 591-6400, ext. 409.

Aerobics classes: An aerobics class will be offered in the Activities Center at Madonna College in Livonia every Tuesday and Thursday through March 20 from 10-11:30 a.m.

The program includes five weeks of toning and strengthening exercises choreographed to popular music and supplemented by daily lectures. Cost is \$94 (for college credit) or \$40 (for continuing education units).

For more information call 591-5188.

Swim/fitness program: The Mercy Center on Eleven Mile between Middlebelt and Inkster roads in Farmington Hills is offering a pair of winter swim and fitness programs.

An early morning open swim is offered Monday through Friday from 6:30 to 8 a.m. and Saturday from 7:30 to 9 a.m. The program includes lap swims, swim classes, private lessons, adult synchronized swimming and adapted aquatics.

Fitness Tips

Osteoporosis a risk for older women

By EILEEN MURPHY, M.D.
special writer

Osteoporosis is a topic of discussion by physicians, the media and many people. It is a condition in which there is an insufficient quantity of bone tissue as well as a possible structural deficit in the bone.

There are two types of osteoporosis — primary and secondary. Primary osteoporosis is the most common form and is associated with aging. Secondary osteoporosis occurs as the result of a disease such as rheumatoid arthritis, lung or kidney disease or prolonged bed rest.

Who should be concerned about osteoporosis? Primarily women over 50. Osteoporosis effects at least one in three post-menopausal women and possibly one in two post-menopausal women.

More importantly, with a hip fracture, there is approximately a 15 to 20 percent mortality rate in the first three months after the fracture. This

does not include the severe disability that can follow.

So who is at risk for osteoporosis? As we have alluded to, if you are post-menopausal, you are at risk. This occurs at its greatest rate in the first five to 10 years after menopause whether it is natural or surgical. Family history is also important. If your mother or other family members are troubled by this disease, chances are you will be, too. It is more common in white and Asian females, as well as thin and petite females.

Lifestyle can also increase or decrease your risk of osteoporosis. If you are a smoker, alcohol abuser or live a sedentary existence, your risk is greater. Being young does not make you immune to the disease. Women who exercise excessively, such as marathon runners or ballet dancers, are also at risk. Anorexia, bulimia and inadequate dietary intake of calcium can also put you at risk.

Do you need to be screened for osteoporosis? Generally speaking the answer is no. Screening is usually done by single photon densitometry, dual-photon densitometry and computer tomography. These methods of testing can be expensive. Usually the need for treatment can be made by taking a medical history, but testing may be needed in special circumstances.

What can be done to prevent osteoporosis? Several things can be done to decrease your risk of osteoporosis. If you are not involved in an exercise program, start. This can be as simple as walking 20 minutes daily, three times a week. The local shopping mall or gymnasium is an ideal location in the winter. Exercise also has a positive effect on the cardiovascular system.

Review your dietary intake of calcium. Your intake should be 1,000 to 1,500 milligrams per day if you are post-menopausal. Dairy products are

important sources. Low-fat dairy products are preferable since they are lower in cholesterol as well. A cup of low-fat milk has approximately 300 milligrams of calcium. Green vegetables are also a good source.

Finally, if you are post-menopausal, estrogen replacement therapy is the most effective means of slowing bone loss. This should be prescribed by your physician after a careful history and physical. If you are not a candidate for estrogen therapy, your physician may recommend other medications.

Free pamphlets on preventing osteoporosis are available from the Northville M-CARE Health Center.

The Novi News is working with medical authorities at the University of Michigan Medical Center (M-Care) in Northville to provide up-to-date information on a variety of health-related topics. The series is coordinated by Peg Campbell of the M-Care staff.

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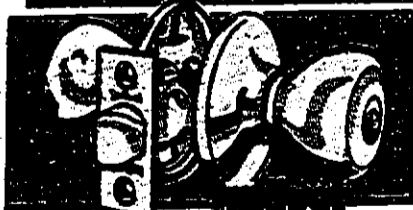
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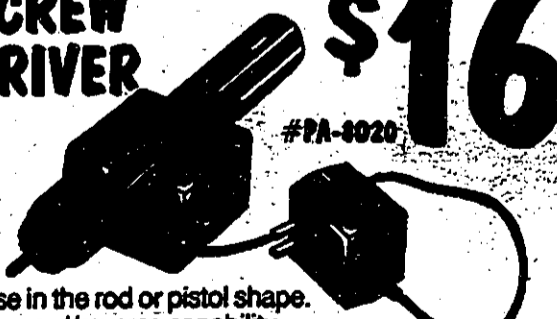


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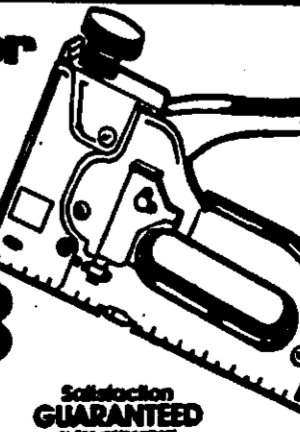
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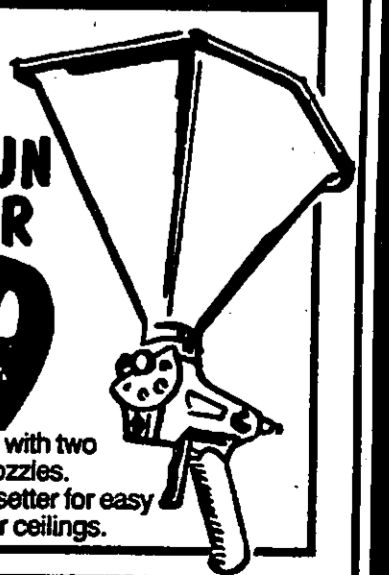
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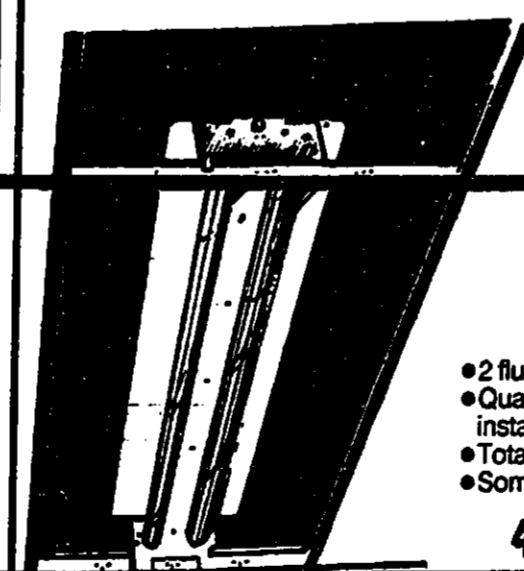
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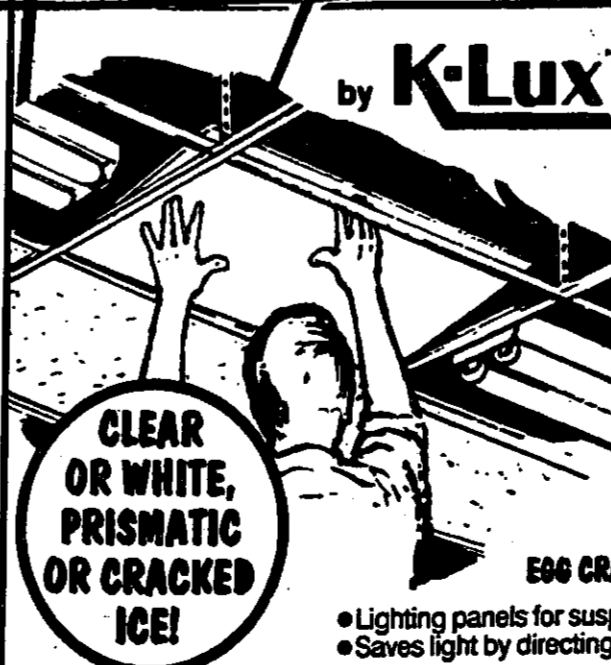
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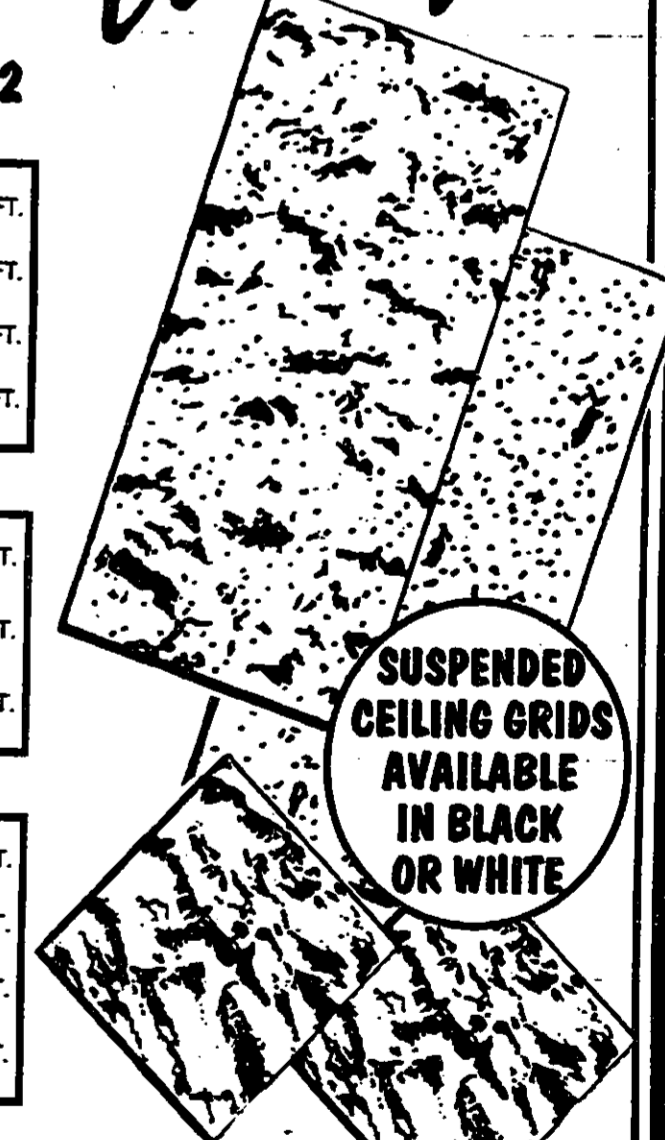
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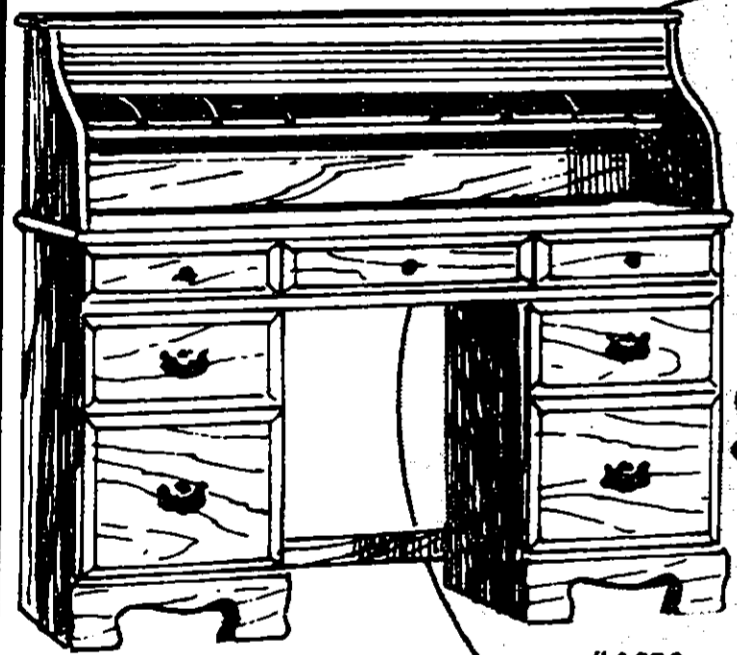


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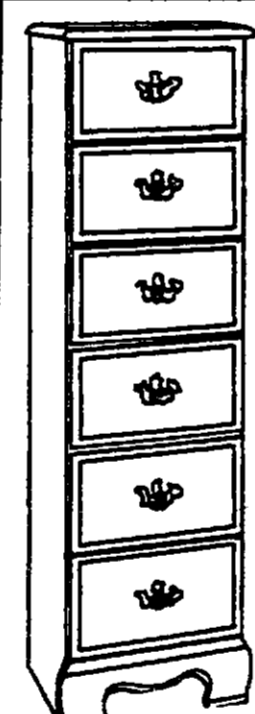
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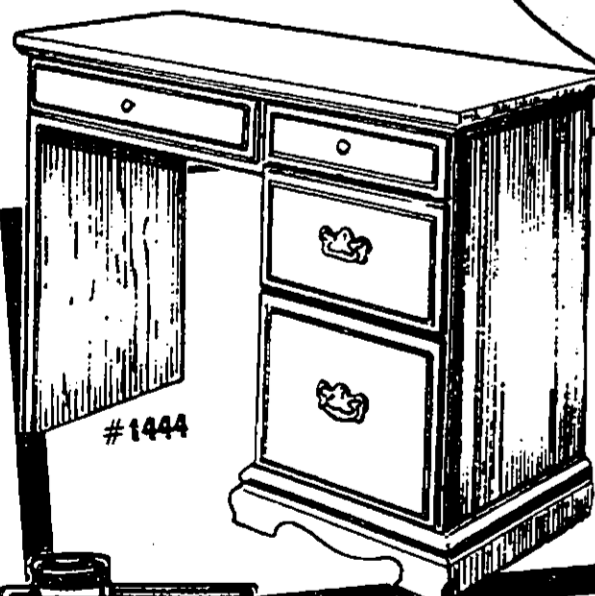
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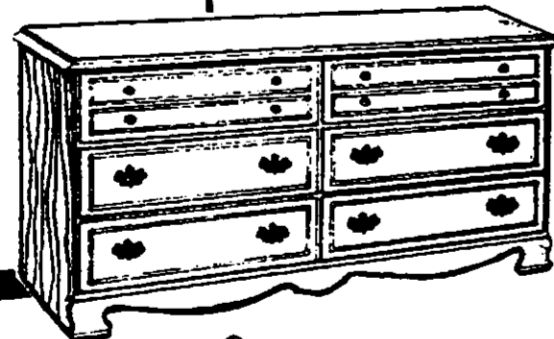
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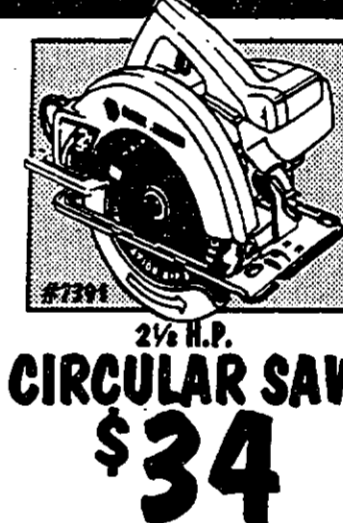
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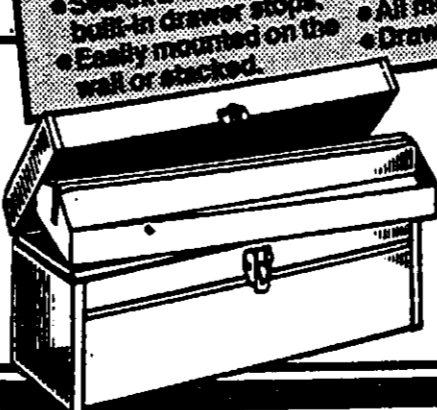
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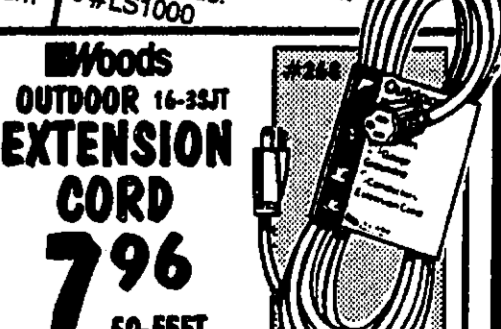
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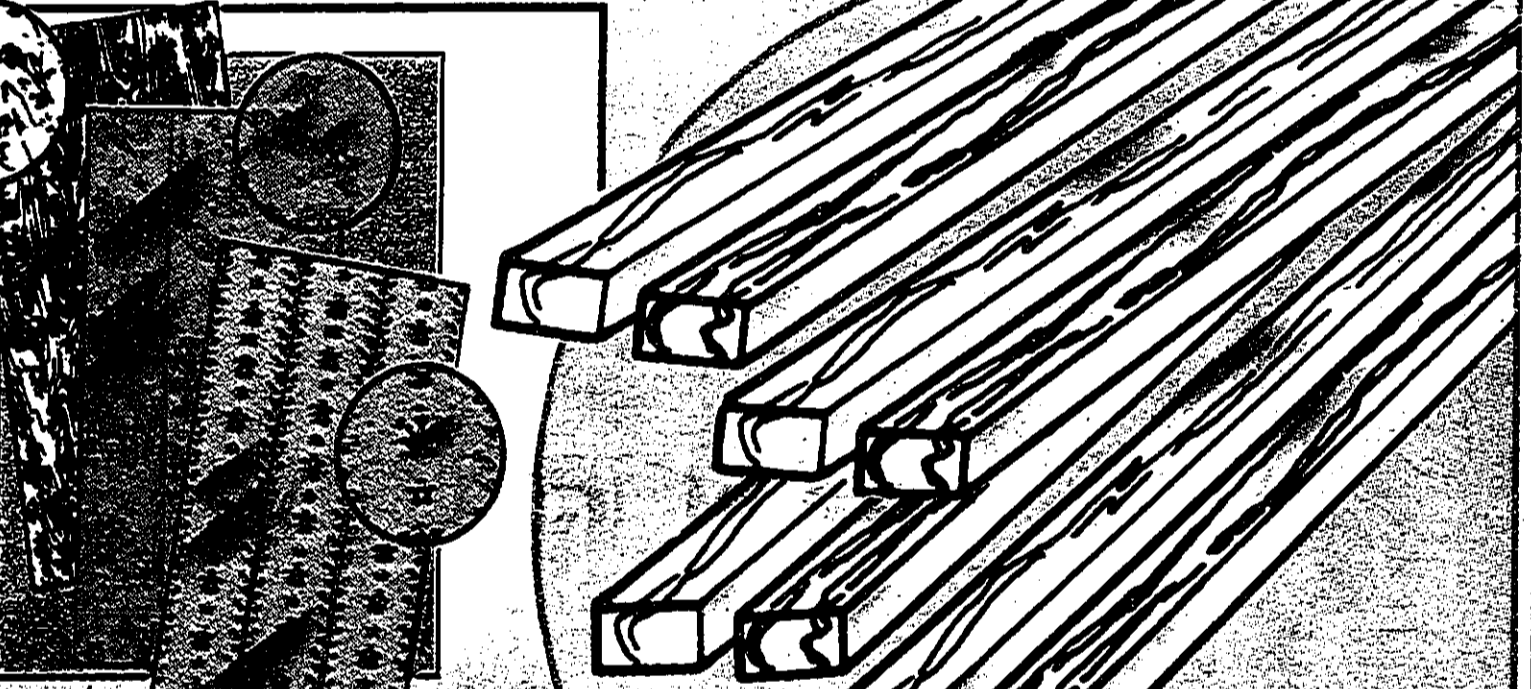
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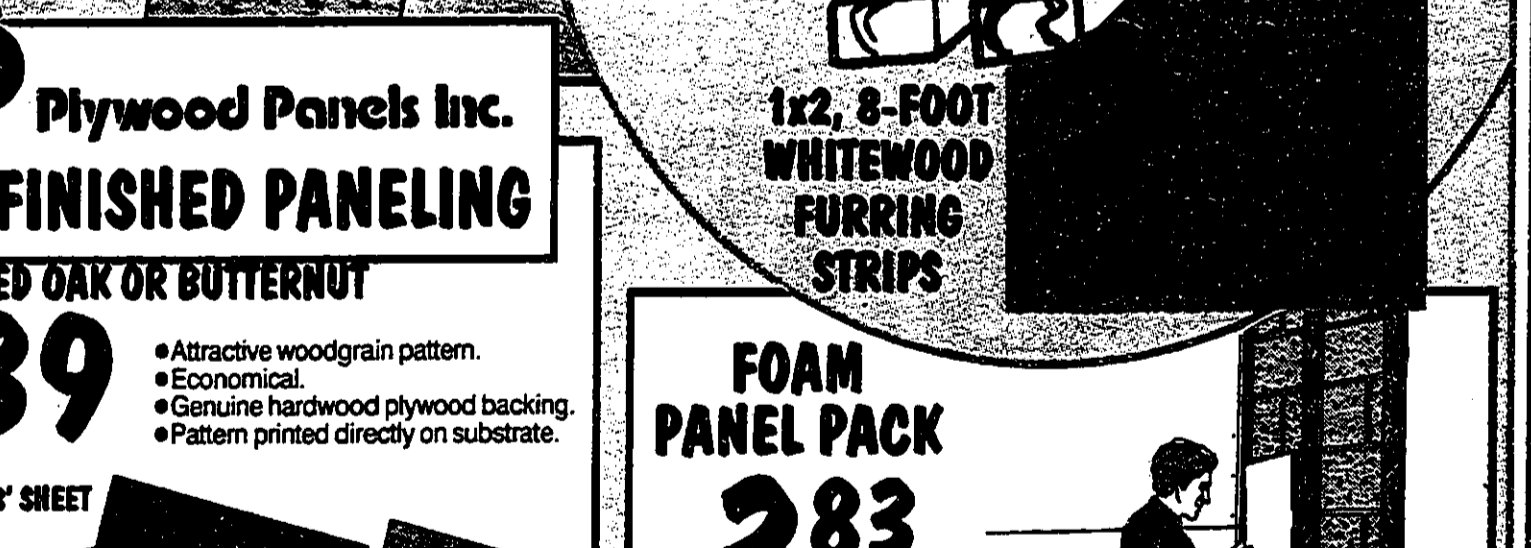
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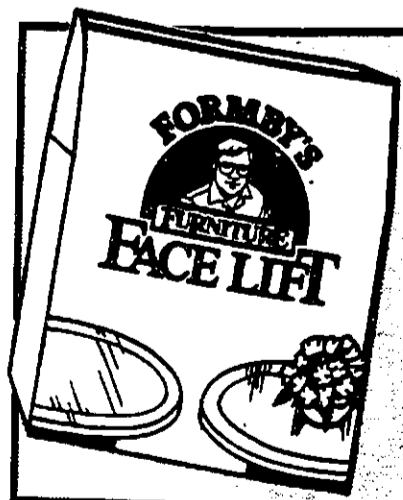


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Glidden ULTRA-HIDE PVA PRIMER \$35 5 GALLON #5019
• For use on new drywall.
• Fast drying, low odor and high hiding.
• Easy application: brushed, rolled or sprayed.
• Professional use product.

SPRED LO-LUSTRE LATEX WALL & TRIM ENAMEL 888 ONE GALLON #3100
• Durable, ideal for all types of interior wall and trim surfaces.

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BAG O' RAGS 98¢
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• All purpose, alkyl based primer-sealer undercoater.
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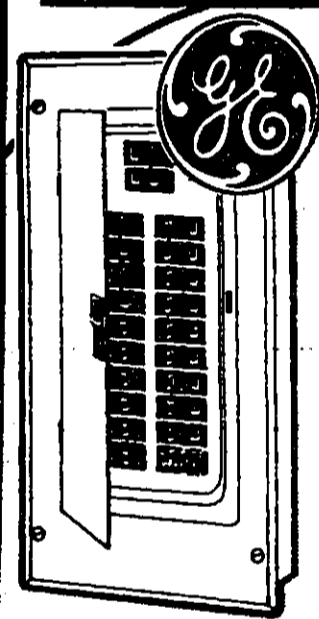
\$17 6 FOOT HOUSEHOLD LIGHT DUTY WOOD LADDER
• Steel braces on bottom step.
• Pinch-proof spreader bar.

POLY DROP CLOTH 77¢ MIL
2.0 MIL 1.47

EZ PAINTR. EZ ROLLER 1599
• Paint a 8'x10' area with only 1 loading.
• YOUR FINAL COST 10.99
Limit 2 rollers per household.

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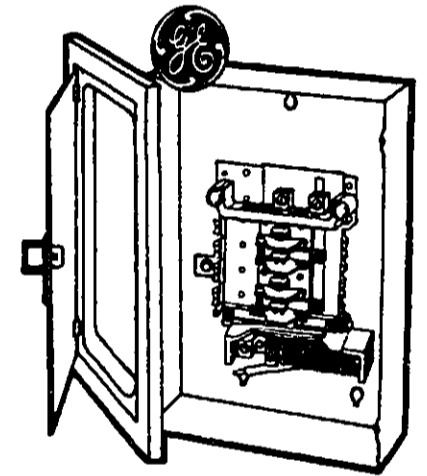
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100 AMP MAIN LOAD CENTER

\$60

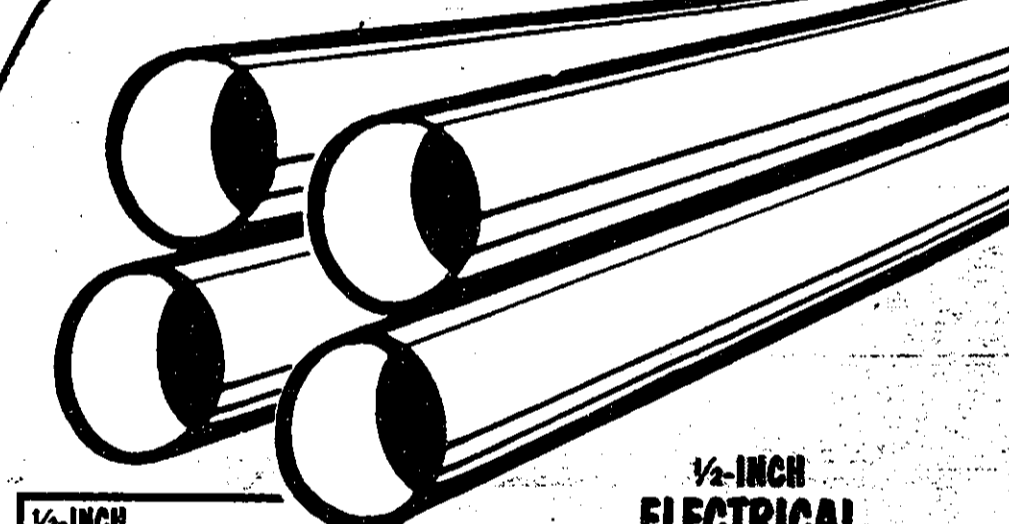
- 100 amp main factory installed.
- Takes 20-1" circuit breakers 1 pole. (NOT INCLUDED)
- 10-1" 2 pole circuit breakers.
- Combination cover.



6 CIRCUIT LOAD CENTER

16.67

- 125 amperes main lugs.
- Convertible to main breaker.
- Surface mount.
- 12-1/2" spaces.
- 6-1" spaces.



1/2-INCH ELECTRICAL METALLIC TUBING

1.44

- Galvanized tubing protects electrical wiring.

1/2-INCH CONDUIT STRAPS
1 HOLE.....5¢
2 HOLE.....4¢

3/4-INCH.....1.97
1-INCH.....3.23

10 FEET

BOWERS ELECTRICAL BOXES!

HANDY BOX 57¢

- Welded construction with 1/2" knockouts.
- 1 7/8" deep x 4" long x 2 1/8" wide.

4-INCH OCTAGON BOX 73¢

- 1/2" K.O.'S.

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- Welded construction with 1/2" and 3/4" knockouts.
- 4" square x 1 1/2" deep.

GANGABLE SWITCH BOX 87¢

- Furnished w/ears for old or cut in work.
- Two 1/2" K.O.'S in each side of two sides.

CIRCUIT BREAKERS!

1/2" OR 1" SINGLE POLE BREAKER 3.33 EACH

- Branch circuit breakers consists of 15-30 amperes and 120 volt AC.

60 AMP 2 POLE AIR CONDITIONER DISCONNECT \$19

- Designed to comply with code requirements for a disconnecting means within sight of central air conditioners and heat pumps.
- U.L. Listed.
- Non-fusible.

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- 10 weather and heat resistant sockets spaced on 10 foot centers.
- Each socket rated 200w.

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- Non-corrosive fiberglass.
- Full 3" aluminum step - deeply serrated for grip.
- Heavy duty spreader bars.
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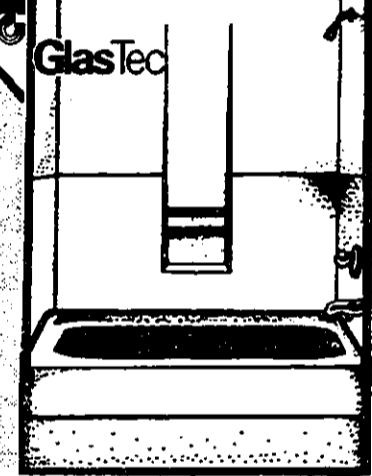


ONE PIECE WHITE TUB/SHOWER \$188

59 1/4" W x 34" D x 73" H

ALMOND.....\$199

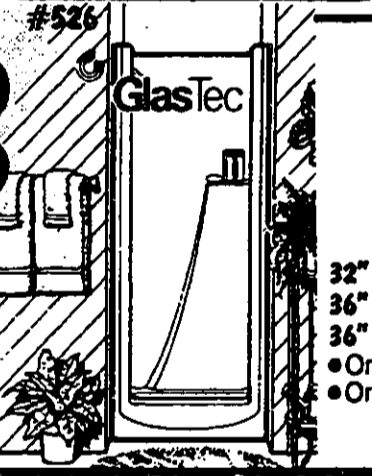
- Durable one-piece construction.
- Molded-in shelf for accessories.
- Clear acrylic grab bar.
- Right or left hand drain.



2 PIECE WHITE TUB/SHOWER \$245

ALMOND.....\$255

- Full size tub is 30 1/2" deep.
- Includes recessed soap dish.
- Right or left hand drain.



32" WHITE SHOWER STALL \$165

32" ALMOND.....\$172

34" ALMOND.....\$185

- One piece fiberglass construction.
- One year limited factory warranty.



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TRIP LEVER BATH DRAIN \$19

- Brass construction with chrome trim.
- Concealed overflow.

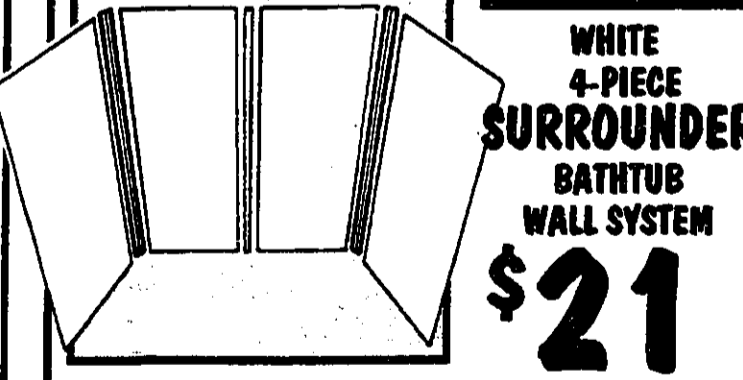
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- Cuts your annual home energy costs.
- Up to 70% water savings.

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- TUB & SHOWER.....\$39.80
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SURROUND YOUR TUB BEAUTIFULLY!



WHITE 4-PIECE SURROUNDER BATHTUB WALL SYSTEM \$21

- Artesian WHITE 5-PIECE "SAVER" SYSTEM.....\$37
- Easily installed.
- Durable four panel unit fits standard size bathtub.
- Complete do-it-yourself installation instructions included.



VERSA COVE™ TUB SURROUND SYSTEM \$49

- Five-sectional system.
- Easy to clean surface.
- Can be used with all five foot tubs.
- Four self draining soap and shampoo shelves.

SEA MARBLE OR AUTUMN MARBLE.....\$63



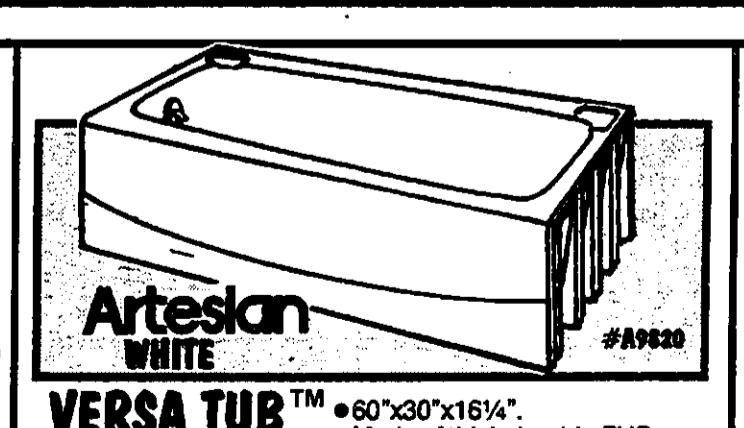
3 PC. ALCOVE TUB SURROUND \$99

- SAND, BLUE OR BONE.....\$108
- Designed for personal luxury and convenience.



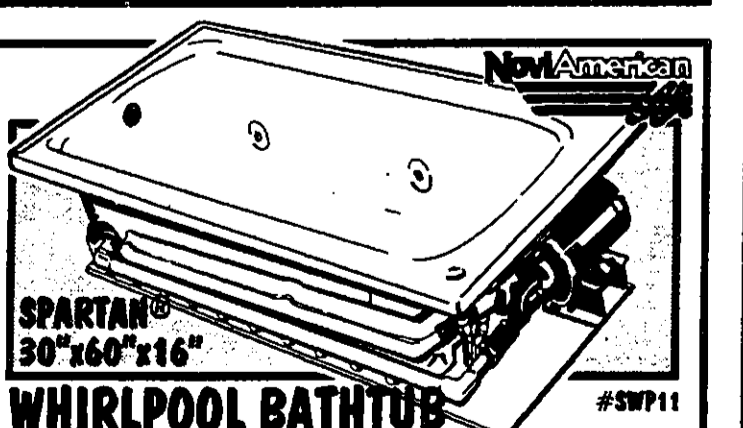
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- #A9640
- Rigid foam pad.
- Fits standard five-foot pocket.
- Full depth for bathing comfort.
- Textured non-slip surface.
- 1" nailing flange assures watertight secure installation.
- Right or left hand drain.



Artesian WHITE VERSA TUB™ \$99

SAND, BLUE OR BONE.....\$114



SPARTAN™ 30"x60"x16" WHIRLPOOL BATHTUB \$355

ALMOND.....\$366

- Four adjustable jets.
- Pre-plumbed, pre-wired, U.L. Listed pump.

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