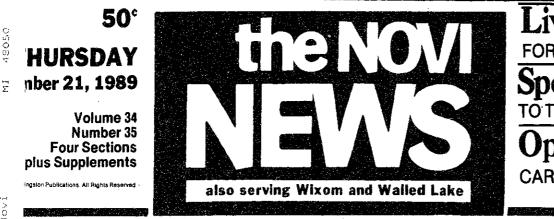
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## Traffic snarl forces police to briefly close mall

### **By PHILIP JEROME** nanaging editor

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A traffic jam of major propor-tions caused police to close off the westbound I-96 ramp to Novi Road and shut down Twelve Oaks Mall for approximately 30 minutes on the busiest shopping day of the year last Saturday.

"We just ran out of places to put people," said Novi Police Detective Jack Grubb, who headed up traffic

operations around Twelve Oaks Mall and West Oaks Shopping Center.

Grubb said Saturday's traffic iam was the worst case of gridlock he has ever encountered in the Twelve Oaks/West Oaks area.

Asked to compare Saturday's snarl with the giant traffic jam which occurred Friday, Dec. 23, 1983, Grubb said last Saturday's situation was much worse.

Twelve Oaks General Manager Philip Morosco said a number of factors combined to create the giant gridlock which shut down the

regional shopping center. Morosco said the biggest factor was probably the opening of the final segment of the 1-656 (Walter Reuther) expressway which links the eastern suburbs with the western suburbs. The eight-mile segment passes through Southfield,

Lathrup Village, Royal Oak Township, Oak Park, Huntington Woods, Royal Oak, Pleasant Ridge and Ferndale. It was opened Dec.

14. "A lot of our store managers reported talking with people who said they came from places like Warren and Mt. Clemens and were making their first visit to Twelve Oaks,' 'said Morosco.

"A lot of media attention was

given to the opening of the 696 and a lot of people apparently came out from the east side. We have a whole new market," he said. Another factor in the crush was

the fact that Hannukah is almost three weeks later this year than last. Hannukah was celebrated Dec. 5 in 1988. It will be celebrated

Dec. 23 this year. Novi Police Chief Lee BeGole said that police and mall officials

had anticipated the traffic jam and

had anticipated the traffic jam and began monitoring the traffic situa-tion in the early afternoon. "We felt we would be engulfed after the opening of 696," said BeGole. "Our shopping areas are becoming increasingly popular with people from other suburbs because of the quality of the stores and the safety of the stores and the safety of the shopping areas.

## **Eldridge files** suit to retain Landing site

### By JAN JEFFRES staff writer

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Milford-based real estate developer Jay Eldridge, one day before his contract with the city to build a hotel on Walled Lake expired, filed a four-count lawsuit against Novi on Dec. 14

Eldridge seeks to retain title of the site known as The Landing, damages in excess of \$10,000 due to the low of the terms of the project his loss of future earnings from the development, compensation for the value of his services, reimbursement for \$400,000 in out-of-pocket expenses, and legal fees.

The suit contends that the developer's time, expertise and money have improved the 12-acre parcel to a value today of approximately \$2 million. It also asks the court to prevent the city from selling, morgaging or otherwise dispos-ing of the land for the duration of the lawsuit.

Last Friday (Dec. 15) was the expiration date for the city's site plan approval for Eldridge's designs for a 100-room hotel, four restaurants. a banquet facility, 10,000 square feet of retail space, a boardwalk and marina. A four-month exten-sion had been granted the developer in August. Under the terms of the contract, if he did not begin building by the deadline, the land reverts to the city.

The suit, filed in Oakland County Circuit Court and assigned to Judge David F. Breck, requests a jury trial. Eldridge is represented by Birmingham attorneys George Googasian and Michael Hohauser. Hohauser told The News that he

never discusses a pending lawsuit. The city received the suit Mon-day. Assistant City Attorney Dennis

Watson: 'I think Eldridge said all along he had a lot the project. When you have money tied up, a lawsuit is not unusual.'

build a public boardwalk, a community room and a 25-boat slip marina. The value of the public improvements was estimated at \$1.5 million

But due to legal difficulties, the city was unable to give Eldridge clear title to the land until March 1989. In September, the developer contended that the hotel market was built-out and he was unable to secure financing for the project.

Meeting with opposition to his plans to replace the hotel with condominiums, Eldridge requested instead to construct the project in phases — a restaurant and banquet facility to be followed within five years by a hotel. This was denied by the city council on Nov. 20.

Count one of his lawsuit accuses Novi of breach of contract, stating



### Santa's Frosty Follies

Could that be Frosty the Snowman, Santa Claus and Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer bringing you sounds of the season? Nah, it's just Andy Sill, Steve Page and Jason Rutherford revving up their voices to remind everyone of the Holiday Concert being presented by Novi Community School District choirs at Fuerst Auditorium tonight (Thursday) at 7 p.m. Admission to the concert is a canned good, paper product or non-spoilable food item that can be delivered to the Novi Emergency Food Program.

## Grand plan?

Watson said a response from the city will be filed within the next two and a half weeks "I think Eldridge said all along he

had a lot of money in the project. When you have money lied up, a lawsuit is not unusual," Watson said.

Two years ago. Eldridge and the city entered into a public sec-tor/private sector development agreement for a project at the site of the old Walted Lake Casino, on the south shore of Walled Lake at the intersection of Novi Road, Thirteen Mile and South Lake Drive.

The city purchased the land for \$504,000 and sold it to Eldridge \$10 an acre. on the condition that he

that on Sept. 21, 1987, the city and Eldridge entered into a develop ment agreement which included the city's responsibility to get clear title to the land "expeditiously." The suit states that Eldridge was assured by the agents of the city that he would have the property title within weeks of September 1987. By denying his request to build in

phases, the suit charges that the value of the contract was destroyed for Eldridge, rendering his per-formance impossible and depriving him of the benefit of the bargain, as well as costing him \$400,000. It contends that the city was in breach of contract by failing to perform its

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## Residents oppose relocation project

### **By JAN JEFFRES**

The city calls its ambitious business relocation program "The Grand Plan," but it appears some people living near the western Novi of a proposed industrial park might use other, less complimentary adjectives. At a Dec. 13 standing-room only

meeting at the Novi Civic Center, a small wave of opposition to the project flowed across the city's borders, as a number of citizens from Lyon Township and Wixom joined Novi residents in expressing their dismay over designs for an in-dustrial park, a Meijer's Thrifty Acres and possibly a seven-

community waste transfer station on a 320-acre parcel bounded by Twelve Mile, Wixom and Napier Roads, About 10 acres of the Meijer's site are in Wixom.

"If we had known this park was going to be put up, we would never have considered moving to this area. We paid too much money for this to happen. I'm afraid our pro-perty value is going to decrease now," said Dorothy Bentley, who moved to Napler Road in Lyon

Township last month. The "Grand Plan" - the reloca tion of potentially as many as 22 industries from downtown Novi and the West Grand River Corridor (the area between Grand River and In-terstate 96 west of Talt Road) to the

industrial park - was first publicly unveiled to rave reviews Nov. 21 at a joint city council/planning commission meeting. The land would then be available for commercial and office development, as well as some residential in the downtown area. The relocation program is tentatively scheduled to begin in 1990.

A public hearing on zoning changes necessary for the creation of the industrial park and the Meiier's Thrifty Acres was scheduled for Wednesday (after The News' deadline).

The Dec. 13 meeting was the first organized opportunity for citizens of Novi to learn about the project from Novi's Community Develop-

ment Director James Wahl and a panel of city consultants. Wahl said the city normally doesn't hold informational meetings of this nature, but decided to do so because of the ambitious scale of the program.

It was also the first chance for residents to speak out about "The Grand Plan," and they did. Many present at the meeting lived in Wix-

om and Lyon Township, as well. Residential areas adjacent to the site include Old Dutch Farms and Novi Meadows mobile home parks in Novi, five homes on the west side of Wixom Road and two on the south side of Twelve Mile, east of Napier

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## Company releases response times

### By JAN JEFFRES staff writer

Statistics on ambulance response times released by Community Emergency Medical Services (CEMS) show that just under 13 percent of all responses in Novi exceeded 10 minutes from January through November 1989.

The average year-to-date response time calculated by the Novi-based ambulance service was

7.53 minutes. The figures were given to The Novi News on Monday hv CEMS President Greg Beauchemin. CEMS is owned by Botsford Hospital in Farmington

Hills The Novi Fire Department is currrently monitoring the non-profit ambulance company's response times. Fire Chief Arthur Lenaghan has said that the city uses guidelines established by the Michigan Department of Public Health which call for ambulances with advanced life support units to respond to calls within 10 minutes or less 90 percent of the time.

CEMS records show that monthly percentages for response times over 10 minutes range from a low of six percent in January to a high of 21 percent in October.

The remaining months are February --- 12 percent, March -- 14 percent, April -- 8 percent, May ---20 percent, June --- 15 percent, July

- 11 percent, August - 12.6 percent, September - 20 percent and November - 19.6 percent.

In November, CEMS records for Novi show 12 responses that exceeded 10 minutes in length. Three of them were to the American House of Novi - senior citizens' housing on West Road, six were north of Thirteen Mile, two were on Napier Road in the west end of the city and one was near the center of Novi.

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## Wrapping up Christmas

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That's what the Novi Jaycees are doing at Twelve Oaks Mall again this year. The Jaycees are providing a gift-wrapping service for the convenience of customers... and to raise funds for their annual Needy Family Christmas Project which provides toys, food and

### clothing for needy families during the holiday season. That's Becky Staab putting the finishing touches on a package in the picture above.

# Developer denied Ten/Beck appeal

Watson said

The Michigan Court of Appeals on Dec. 8 denied leave to appeal to developer Lee Walters, upholding an Oakland County Circuit Court deci-sion that a referendum election on zoning is legal. Walters seeks to build a conve-

nience shopping center on a 10-acre parcel at the northeast corner of the Ten Mile/Beck Road intersection. On June 6, Novi voters approved a referendum to repeal a rezoning of

the land, thereby blocking the pro-posed Briarwood Plaza. Novi's Assistant City Attorney Dennis Watson said that the lawyers representing Walters now have 21 days to file for a rehearing or to file a leave to appeal with the Michigan

Supreme Court. "We assume he's going to do that,"

## Bank lends board bus money

Sept. 13.

### By BRUCE WEINTRAUB

Novi News/CHRIS BOYD

The Novi Board of Education accepted the lowest of four bids and voted unanimously last week (Thursday, Dec. 7) to borrow over \$300,000 for the purchase of school buses and

computers. Assistant Superintendent William Barr said the low bid of 6.6 percent interest was submitted by Security

The total loan is \$320,952, payable in five annual installments, beginn-ing in the fiscal year which includes Bank & Trust of Sterling Heights. The four other bids submitted to the district include: Michigan Na-Dec. 7, 1989. School officials received tional Bank (7.37 percent), National the bids during a public hearing last Rank of Detroit (7.64 per cent), and

A residents group, Citizens for Responsible Development, spearheaded the opposition to the In April, Walters had filed suit

against the city in Oakland County Circuit Court, seeking to block the referendum election and restore the parcel to commercial zoning. But Judge Francis X. O'Brien refused to grant a motion halting the

election, ruling that a referendu over a zoning question was legal. At

the time. O'Brien said that the ques

tion would probably have to be resolved by a higher court. Walters filed the leave to appeal

with the state appellate court on

Manufacturer's National Bank (bet-

Barr said Security Bank & Trust

was able to offer the district a lower-

than-prime interest rate because the

"Security Bank & Trust is in a posi-

tion to open its portfolio and put a tax exempt note in it and offer a lower in-

ween 7.5 and 7.875 percent).

school's loans are tax exempt.

terest rate," he said.

## Who is this guy?

Let's be perfectly honest about this. Santa Claus is a great guy and all that, but . . . well, he is a little different with that goofy red suit and fluffy white beard. Allison Lloyd, 21/2, wasn't real happy about meeting Santa and began calling for her mother while her for the Novi Jaycees' Breakfast with Santa Program.



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brother Scott, 6, seemed a little disgusted about the entire unfortunate turn of events. The Lloyd kids were just two of several hundred children who showed up at the Civic Center last Saturday

## Vandals destroy windows in cars

### By PHILIP JEROME managing editor

The windows of several more vehicles were shot out by vandals last week as the city's residential areas continue to be plagued by a rash of vandalism.

The latest incidents - which occurred in the Country Place Conlominiums — came less than a week after police announced that they had apprehended a trio of suspects for shooting out the windows of cars parked along the street in the Meadowbrook Glens subdivi-sion on Saturday, Dec. 9.

Those three individuals — a adult and two juvenile males have not been charged in conjunc-tion with the Meadowbrook Glens incidents and have been released. The three suspects have not been linked to the incidents in the Coun-try Place Condominiums on Friday, Dec. 15.

Novi Police Lt. Robert Starnes, head of the detective bureau, said Monday that the suspects apprehended in Meadowbrook Glens ave been turned over to Juvenile Officer John Zimmer for further inestigation

Starnes said further that police have "several" suspects they will interview in conjunction with the inestigation. He said the list of suspects contains the names of more than the three individuals who were apprehended on Dec. 9.

"The road patrol has come up with several other names of people who could be likely suspects," said Starnes.

"We consider this to be a very serious case. It costs a couple of hundred dollars to replace a win-dow, and the dollar value from all these incidents is beginning to add

"We're also concerned about the inconvenience to our citizens," said Starnes. "It's very frustrating to get up in the morning and discover that somebody has shot out your ca window.'

Starnes said some people have been victimized more than once and one person has been victimized on four different occasions

Police are attempting to put stop to a series of malicious destruction of property (MDOP) complaints which have plagued the city for almost a month. The initial outbreak occurred Thanksgiving Eve (Wednesday, Nov. 23) when vandals shot out the windows of at least 16 different vehicles parked on the streets in nine different Nov. All the incidents have occurred in

e southern portion of the city.

There have been several additional outbreaks of vandalism since Nov. 23. Police believe the vandalism is being perpetrated by individuals - probably teenagers - who ride through subdivisions and shoot out the windows of cars park-

ed along the streets. That theory was generally validated by the apprehension of the three suspects in Meadowbrook Glens on Dec. 9. In that case, officers on routine patrol stopped a suspicious vehicle early Saturday morning shortly after finding a shattered window in a Chevrolet Monte Carlo.

In the process of questioning the driver, the officer observed several marbles and small stones lying on the floor near an individual occupying the back seat of the vehicle.

Novi News/CHRIS BOYD

## 'Windex bandit' nabs windows

struction site at the Maples of Novi is going to need a lot of Windex. Stolen from the site were a total of 20 win-

A supervisor with Classic Contruction Company told Novi police that unknown individuals entered the construction site sometime during the night of Dec. 5-6. The windows were last seen at 5:30 p.m. on Tues day, Dec. 5, and were discovered missing the next day at 7:30 a.m. Included among the 20 windows were a 2-by-8 foot circle top window and a 2-by-8 inch octagonal window. Total value of the stolen windows was

A NOVI WOMAN reported that vandals shot out the window of her 1990 been disturbed as soon as she entered Dodge van while she was stopped at a traffic signal at the Grand River/Novi Road intersection. The incident occurred at approximately 6:25 a.m. on Friday, Dec. 22.

The complainant, who was travelling eastbound on Grand River, said she was stopped for the traffic signal when unknown individuals shot out the driver's side window with a bb or pellet gun. The woman noted that it was dark at the time the incident occurred and she was unable to see any

The woman said she returned home and notified police immediately after the incident.

Police were dispatched to the park-ing lot at Bates Hamburgers — the approximate location from which a shot would have been fired. Responding officers spoke with several people but were unable to locate anyone who had observed any suspicious ac-

Damage to the vehicle was

THIEVES TOOK the high road while individuals broke a window in the breaking into Bo-Rics in the West Oaks Shopping Center recently. They came in through the roof. A small quantity of cash was stolen from the halr cutting business during

**Police Beat** 

the break-in which occurred during the night of Dec. 4-5. The complainant said she arrived at work at 8:45 a.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 5 to discover that unknown in-dividuals had broken in during the night. She told police that she observed the front desk and a cash box had

the door She then proceeded to the rear of the building where she found two ceil-ing tiles had been broken out and a rear door had been unlocked, ac-

cording to reports. made their getaway through the rear door. Detectives said the burglar aparently climbed up a drainage pipe to the roof and then broke in through an air-conditioning vent. After gain-ing entry to the building, the erpetrator walked along an air vent until he was able to remove the ceil-

ing tiles and climb down into the business below.

A PIZZA HUT employee reported the theft of a \$1.50 tip in an incident social studies room (Room 106) sometime between 6 p.m. on Tuestwo females ordered a pizza and then brought it back to the counter, saying day, Dec. 5, and 7:15 a.m. the followit was not what they had ordered ing day. Damage was estimated at \$100.

A NOVI MAN reported the theft of a had taken a \$1.50 tip from a previou brown leather jacket from the Vic Tanny Health Club in the Novi Town

Center The man said the jacket was valued at \$250.

A VILLAGE OAKS resident was vic- residence on Malott in the timized by vandals on two separate occasions on Friday, Dec. 15. The man, who resides on Heatherbrae Way, said vandals drove across observed that the deadbolt lock in the 6 p.m. on Friday, leaving the tracks on the grass. The man called police a second

time on Saturday morning to report that the unknown subjects had again driving across his yard after police had taken the initial report and cleared the scene The man also said there have been previous incidents of people driving across his lawn.

A NOVI WOMAN reported that vandais slashed the tires on her 1984 Plymouth Horizon while it was parked at Builders Square in the West Oaks II Shopping Center on Satur- on Friday, Dec. 15. VANDALS SMASHED out a window at Novi High School sometime during the minime during t

THE DRIVER'S side window of a 1981 Mercury was shot out by vandals

between Dec. 13-15.

the night of Dec. 5-6. The damage was reported by the ed an hour later to find that unknown Glenbaven in the Country Place Con-

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The employee, a Canton man, said

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VANDALS SMASHED out th

passenger's side window of a 1979 Chevrolet parked outside the owner's

Willowbrock subdivision on Thurs

The window was smashed by

clear bottle which was found lying on

the floor inside the vehicle. The inci-

dent occurred between 1 and 10:30

THE WINDOW OF a 1989 GMC van

was shot out by vandals while it was parked on the street outside the

owner's residence on East

Glenhaven in the Country Place Con-

dominiums. The incident occurred

Investigating officers said the win-dow was shot out by a bb or pellet

which occurred Nov. 30.

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## **Novi Briefs**

Department of Corrections: A Dec. 14 article in The Novi News incorrectly reported that Plymouth officials sent a memo on Com-munity Emergency Medical Services (CEMS) to the Northville Police Department. The memo was actually written by Northville Police Chief Rodney Cannon after interviewing the Plymouth fire chief about the amublance company.

Santa Claus stages a comeback: Meadowbrook Glens Subdivision resident Harold Cavanagh took his Santa Claus suit out of relire-ment for a Dec. 13 children's party at the home of Bob and Bev Baum in Sim-

Mons Orchard. A retired Burroughs Corp. employee, Cavanagh began his career as St. Nick in 1958, distributing gifts and goodies to children in several Detroit hospitals, as well as at schools. He hung up his red and white togs in 1973 for medical reasons, but decided to come out of retirement last week. According to a friend, Cavanagh's motto is: "There's no bad girl or bad bar, bar we unbudy up of " boy, only an unlucky one.

Back at Twelve Oaks: Bill Clogg, who retired two years ago as general manager at Twelve Oaks Mall, is back at work in the mall. Nope, Clogg has not come out of retirement to assist current G.M. Philip Morosco in the central office. Instead, he's working as a salesperson in the men's department at JCPenney. "I love retailing and I love working with people," said Clogg, explaining nporary return to the work forc

Doctor donates fees: Dr. David Schindler, a board certified family practioner with Oakland Family Physicians, will be donating the fees from his "Hypnosis Sessions to Quit Smoking" to the Novi Council for Substance Abuse.

His offer will be for all sessions during the week of Tuesday, Jan. 2 through Saturday, Jan. 6. Cost is \$60 per program. Dr. Schindler has a 75 percent suc The Novi Council on Substance Abuse will donate all money to the DARE

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## Traffic jam shuts down Twelve Oaks

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BeGole reported that police saw the problem developing as early as 1:30 p.m. BeGole said he and officers with the Michigan State Polic checked westbound traffic on I-696 nd 1-96 and found vehicles stacked up to use the Novi Road exit ramp all he way back to the city limits at Haggerty Road.

In addition, a second lane of traffic was beginning to form adjacent to

was beginning to form aujacent to the first with people trying to merge onto the same exit ramp. Adding to the problem was the heavy volume of traffic trying to reach Twelve Oaks and West Oaks on Novi Road. Efforts to reach either shopping center were inhibited by bumper-to-bumper traffic on Novi

The crunch hit its peak as people were trying to leave the mail bet-ween 4 and 6 p.m., according to

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police and shopping center officials. Grubb, who was directing traffic activities outside the mall, said that as many as 24 officers were involved in directing traffic at various loca-

tions around the area. To facilitate people trying to leave the mall, police started closing the entrances to the mall at approximately 4:30 p.m. The entrance b Denny's restaurant was shut down at 4:30 p.m. and police proceeded to close down the entrances one-by-one north on Novi Road and then east on

Twelve Mile. At one point, all the entrances to Twelve Oaks were closed. Morosco said the mall was entirely shut down

for a period of approximately 45 minutes The entrance by Denny's restaurant was reopened at approx-imately 5:15 p.m. and police reopened other entrances in the same order they had been closed.

In addition, shoppers inside the mall were being informed of the situation outside and were being ask-minutes, according to BeGole. Many d not to leave. Grubb said the four major tenants exit onto Novi Road continued west ed not to leave public address systems.

"Unfortunately, not enough people believed us," commented Grubb. "Everybody was in a big hurry to get home, so they got into their cars and contributed to the traffic jam - and they didn't get home any faster than those people who stayed inside the mall.'

Grubb also reported that several motorists ran out of gas while waiting to get out of the mall, contributing to the size of the traffic jam. as two hours to get out of the mall, ac-

cording to Grubb.

(Hudsons, Sears, JCPenney's and and used the Beck Road exit. Some of Lord & Taylor's) were asked to notify those then used Twelve Mile to return shoppers of the conditions over their to the Twelve Oaks and West Oaks areas. Despite the massive traffic jam on Saturday, things around the two shopping mails had returned to nor-mal by Sunday. Morosco said traffic

was smooth all day Sunday. "There was the normal five-minute wait to get out at closing time, but there were no unusual problems," Morosco reported

"It was a typical Sunday." Police and mall officials are op-Some motorists had to wait as long timistic that the problems experience ed last Saturday will not be repeated this Saturday - the final Saturday

The Novi Road exit ramp off I-96 before Christmas.

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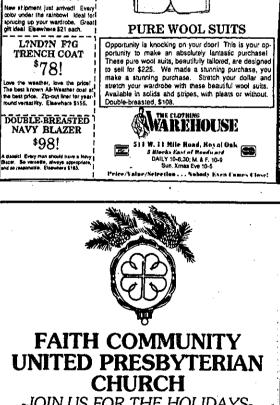
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Growing traffic will continue choke off roads in Oakland County and the state unless a better job is done responding to transportation needs, said Michigan Department of Transportation Director James Pit:

recently. But that primarily means maintaining already-built roads first, Pit: stressed.

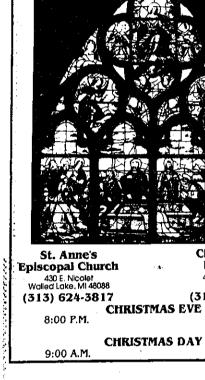
"We need to take the dollars we have and make sure we stay current that we don't fall behind. We cannot let our existing roads and bridges deteriorate further," Pitz said. "Once that's in hand, we believe

the priority for the '90s - that was not the priority for the '80s --- is that we have got to respond to the traffic growth," said Pitz growth," said Pitz. According to Pitz, there was a 30 connector project will not be anti-quated by the time it is completed. percent growth in traffic on Michigan's roads during the '80s, but can adequately handle traffic in the

Pitz also said: Municipalities in heavily traveled Oakland County need to step up

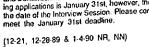
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## Road maintainance required as traffic flow rises

Pitz: 'We need to take the dollars we have and make sure we stav current, that we don't fall behind. We cannot let our existing roads and bridges deteriorate further.'

🗅 new federal dollars are forecast for reads: and □ the projected Haggerty Road To make sure that the state's roads

'90s, Pitz said there are "all kinds of system inprovements" possible, such as expanding or widening existing freeways or building new inter-

freeway construction remaining in the state is around I-69 in Lansing, Pitz said. But freeway interchanges may be

more frequently built to better facilitate traffic. "In the works," Pitz said, Is an I-696 interchange at Tyler Road, near Inkster. Pitz stressed that local

municipalities will have to share the financial burden for maintaining Michigan's 9,550-mile system, which

The state now relies heavily on a

"pay as you go" 15-cent gas tax and The state transportation chief said the project would handle traffic license plate fees for revenues used new federal dollars for Michigan growth for 20 years, Pitz said 11-12 for state, county and city road repairs, Pitz said.

the state level" to generate new road revenue, he said.

Oakland County failed in a bid to do that, when voters turned down a local registration fee. "That's not a bad approach to take and it should be considered again," Pitz said.

A local gas tax there is another in teresting possibility, he added. And with new building construction booming in Oakland County, Pitz suggested turning to developer im-pact fees, where large developers vould pay for certain infrastructure

"Given that there is a need to raise some money within Oakland County (for roads), I don't know what I'd rule out," Pitz said. "The developer fees are an attractive way.

"This is one area where ... to be blunt about it, there are enough developers to go around." Such fees vouldn't be possible in remote areas,

roads are a distinct possibility.

"I support the notion that we have to look at ways locally as well as at the static number of the static support support of the static support of the stat outline his goals for the '90s, cluding allocating \$13 billion in federal highway trust fund money to the state, Pitz said.

That money would go a long way toward paying for \$2 million in an-ticipated road expansion work over the next 10 years.

Meanwhile, Pitz said the proposed Haggerty Road connector, north of I 696 in Oakland County and one-half mile west of the current two-lan road, will do the job it is supposed to - carry heavy traffic volumes an take the heat off other county surface

The planned Haggerty road connector, a six-lane limited-access boulevard, will take several years to

complete, with federal and state funds paying its \$75-80 million tab. and used underneath the main road Pitz said he hopes the work begins by late 1990.

Although projections showed that

years is closer to the mark. 'It would run at capacity (after 12 years) and be under congestion for a few years until there could be further development." Pitz said. "(But) no. Haggerty will not be antiquated by the time it opens. It will clearly have a design life to approach the 20-year projection.

According to MDOT figures, nearly 27,000 vehicles daily traveled Hag-gerty Road in 1988. Traffic engineer Paul Riley said that figure would pro-bable increase 50 expects of first the bably increase 50 percent after the widening project.

Cutting project costs is another way for the state to maintain its roads during the next decade, Pitz

One way is recycling cement instead of burying it after roads are broken up. With the process, Pitz said cement is broken into pebb

surface, to prevent pon The process cut project costs by 20 percent, Pitz said

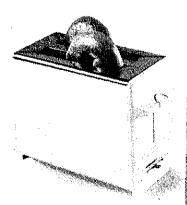
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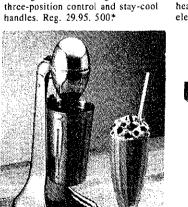




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## Bill to take away tax loophole

### By TIM RICHARD

LANSING - After a bitter contest, the Michigan Legislature last week passed a bill shutting a property tax e discovered by the courts. The bill, on its way to Gov. James Blanchard's desk, is designed to take away a tax break for home improvements the 1976 Legislature never intended to give.

The Senate barely approved the bill on a 20-15 vote with three absent. It was vocally fought by three senators from Oakland County. "Give the taxpayers a break," said Richard Fessler, R-Commerce.

"The Grinch that stole Christmas," said Rudy Nichols, R-Waterford "No burden on the Treasury," said

Doug Cruce, R-Troy, They all voted no, as did Fred Dillingham, R-Fowlerville Voting yes were Jack Faxon, D-

Farmington Hills, and R. Robert Geake R-Northville But state leaders of both parties

prevailed in closing the loophole, which Treasurer Robert Bowman said could cost local governments \$500 million in property taxes. leader John court decision would change the

The Michigan Humane Society (MHS) is "nowhere near" closing its doors, officials said.

But they admit the society is in

serious financial trouble, with debl

"What we're trying to do is work with our creditors," said society

spokesman Chuck Korotko. "To say

A group representing humane

society creditors is expected to

recommend a 90-day moratorium -

suggesting suppliers hold off on their

demand for payment while the

humane society drafts a pay back

Humane society officials met

recently with creditors at the socie-

ty's Rochester Hills shelter to discus

more than \$1 million in unpaid deb

owed by the society for goods and

The society is awaiting word on

whether creditors will adhere to the

moratorium, though an attorney for

ervices in the past year.

we're going out of business is

topping \$1 million.

nowhere near accurate."

Engler, R-Mount Pleasant, Blan- lay his Republican troops in line. Senate appropriations chair Harry

Gast, R-St. Joseph, said a 1976 law was designed to exempt 17 home improvements from the tax rolls. Labelled "normal maintenance," they included outside painting; repair or replacement of siding, roof, porches, steps, sidewalks and drives; replacement awnings, gutters and wiring; insulation; a new furnace

and hot water heater; and so on. "We intended 17 home improvements to be non-taxable." Gast said. "The courts ruled that whatever you spend can be deducted from today's value. On an older home, you may end up with a negative assessment. They'll have to

pay you to live there." House Bill 5172 was drafted to close the loophole and passed last month by the House of Representatives. It was supported by three major local governmental lobbies - the Michigan Association of Countles, the Michigan Municipal League and the Michigan Townships Association. "The current practice is what this bill maintains," said Engler. "The

chard's probable 1990 rival, took a Cruce criticized the state rare trip to the microphone to keep treasurer's "rush" to reverse the court decision. Cruce's calculations put the lost revenue at \$7.5 million a year - "less than 1 percent. We've been led astray by the administration.

"We should be ashamed of this bill," said Nichols, who was elected in the 1983 revolt against the income tax increase. "First we say they (homeowners) have this benefit, then they don't. It's a sham. "For 12 years this law has been on the books. The courts agreed with a

plaintiff who fought his assessment. It found 'no ambiguity' in the statute." Fessler joined in: "The loophole was created by the court." He said his western Oakland district is seeing assessment increases of 18 to 23 per-

cent a year. Fessler argued that the economy would be stimulated by not taxing home improvements, and governmental revenue would be generated by sales taxes on building materials and income taxes on home improvment laborers Fessler was publicly pressured by

Taxpayers United, through a letter issued by spoksman Bill McMaster.

Korotko said.

voted for HB 5172. McMaster, a Bloomfield Township public relations executive and tax

foe, noted state Rep. David Honigman, R-West Bloomfield, voted for the measure. Honigman has an-nounced he will oppose Fessler in the 1990 GOP primary.

Fessler issued a political warning Honigman: "To those who ar aspirants to higher office — give the ayers a break.' The Senate also rejected an amendment to tie-bar repeal of the state inheritance tax to the property

The inheritance tax repeal, SB has been approved overwhelmingly by the Senate but languishes in the House Taxation Committee, where treasurer Bowman and Democratic

aders oppose it. A tie-bar would have meant the property tax bill couldn't become law unless the inheritance tax is repealed. Senate leaders like Gast said S 1 though desirable, was irrelevant to the property tax issue and shouldn't be tie-barred.

Cruce, Dillingham, Faxon, Fessler and Nichols all voted for tie-barring.

really had no control over that.

The revelation that the society was

more than \$1 million in debt comes on

the heels of embezzlement charges

filed against the society's former ac

counting manager. Humane Society officials aren't

Free immunization clinic: The Oakland County Health Division will offer an immunization clinic at the Walled Lake United Methodist

**Health Notes** 

Church on Tuesday, Jan. 2, from 9:30 a.m. to noon. The church is located at 313 Northport in Walled Lake. Immunizations will be available for measles, German measles, mumps, polio, diptheria, tetanus, whooping cough and Haemophilus influenze Type B (HIB). A parent or legal guardian must accompany children under 18 years of age and should bring any previous immunization records including notice could be a few of the statement of the

notice sent home from the school For more informtation call 424-7042.

**Expectant parent classes:** A series of six Expectant Parent classes will be offered at the Oakland County Health Department's Southfield office beginning Tuesday, Jan. 9. The Southfield offices are located at 27725 Greenfield Road. Classes will be taught by public health nurses for six consecutive Tuesdays

from 7-9:30 p.m. Topics will include maternal physical changes, good nutri-tion, growth and development of the fetus and baby, labor and delivery, infant care and parenting

There's no charge for attending the classes, but pre-registration is re-quested due to limited enrollment. The Health Division recommends that expectant mothers enroll as early in their preganancies as possible. To preregister call 424-7042 by Jan. 5.

Adult diabetes classes: A series of six diabetes classes will be offered at the Oakland County Health Division's Southfield office beginn-ing Thursday, Jan. 18. The Southfield offices are located at 27725 Greenfield

The classes, which are for adult diabetics and members of their families are taught every Thursday from 7-9:30 p.m. by a public health nurse and a registered dietitian. Topics will include the nature of the disease, dietary management, medications and suggestions for coping with everyday pro-The classes are (ree; registrations will be accepted until Tuesday, Jan. 16.

Classes will be cancelled if less than eight people register. To register call 424-7042.

Parkinson's Disease: A support group for individuals suffer ing from Parkinson's Disease in the Novi/Northville area meets the first Wednesday of each month from 7-9 p.m. at the Holy Family Church in Novi. The church is located on Meadowbrook Road between Ten Mile and Grand

In addition to people afflicted with the disease, the group includes friends and relatives of those suffering from Parkinson's. For more information call Frank Raabe at 348-2631.

Women for Sobriety: An organization of women for women, the purpose of Women for Sobriety, Inc., is to help all women recover from problem drinking through the discovery of self, gained by sharing experiences, hopes and encouragement with other women in similar cir cumstances

The group meets every Wednesday afternoon at 1 p.m. at Botsford Hospital's Family Services Center. The group is not affiliated with Alcoholics Anonymous, but is a "New Life" program. Membership requires a desire to stop drinking and a sincere desire for a new life. For more in-formation call 537-1110.

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nowhere near accurate.'

Money woes strike Humane Society

Korotko: 'What we're trying to do

is work with our creditors. To say

we're going out of business is

to give them time," said Deborah Fish, a member of the Detroit-based firm that is advising creditors. Bills are owed for animal supplies, offices supplies, construction work,

printing, insurance and other business-related expenses, Fish said. While no animal-care services have been curtailed, the society has already laid off 10 office workers, Korotko said. Layoffs affected roughly 10 percent of MHS staff. Maintaining services at the

Westland, is the society's primary goal, Korotko said. "We want to continue uninterrupted services to the animals," he said. "The people who were laid off didn't directly serve the animals." Restoring contributors' confidence is another goal. Most of the estimated \$5 million generated for society activities each year is raised through private contributions and the holiday season is the biggest fund-raising

commenting on whether the court case is linked to its financial woes. "Really, no reason was given (to creditors) for the cash flow pro blem," said Attorney Joseph Fischer, who is representing the humane society in its talks with

Fischer's Birmingham-based firm s representing the humane society a no charge.

Interim executive director Gary Tiscornia announced the society wa at least \$500,000 in debt when he took office in late June. The humane society takes in stray animals, operates pet adoption ser supervises humane vices and

destruction of rabid or unwanted



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### By BRUCE WEINTRAUB

Novi High School students who enroll in the CVS (Community Volunteer Service) class do so for a variety of reasons, according to instructor Ron Wixom

"Some students are volunteering to earn one-half class credit," he said. "Some are trying to learn about potential careers, and some students want to earn credit for entry into the National Honor Society

Regardless of the motivation for taking the class, Wixom said each student will learn a lot about helping others . . . and themselves. "Students in the CVS class leave the program with a glow because, if they're successful, they've seen someone detached from the system get a sense that they belong," he said.

Students currently involved in the CVS class say Wixom's evaluation of the program is correct. "Being in CVS makes me feel better as a person because I know that I'm helping others," said Novi High freshman Jolie Ziegler.

"I'm getting the satisfaction of helping others, which also helps me," added Tara' Perkins, Wixom said the CVS program involves students volunteering for various non-profit agencies or selected profit businesses throughout the com-

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CVS student Kim Laine (center) helps Christy Julp and Kadle Warning with their studies at Novi Meadow

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## Funds earmarked for Haggerty plan

Vocational center

attracts students

A total of \$2.8 million in federal money was earmarked last week in Washington D.C. for the proposed Haggerty Road Connector project. The \$75 million project is tentative

y slated to begin in 1990, assuming an environmental impact statem gets approval from the Federal Highway Administration. Federal money is expected to fund

The remainder of the project will be preferred plan for relieving northfunded by the state.

According to information from the office of U.S. Representativa William S. Broomfield, allocation of the S. Broomfield, allocation of the will the building of the interchange money was approved Dec. 12 and will and would likely take 4-5 years to be taken from the Interstate Discre- complete, according to MDOT of tionary Fund used for construction of ficials. ramps and related improvements.

ed as a five-mile link beginning with an interchange one-half mile west of cerned that construction of the roa in Novi. The road would then extend Commerce north to Pontiac Trail in Commerce Township.

Sixty students from the Novi Com-

munity School District are currently

attending vocational education

classes this semester, according to

figures compiled by school officials. Community Education Coordinator

Clara Porter said Novi High School

sends its students to the Oakland

Fechnical Center Southwest Campus

each year to participate in a variety

The vocational center, which is one

By BRUCE WEINTRAUB

staff writer

f programs.

Plans call for the controlled acc boulevard of six to eight lanes to be built about one-half m west of Haggerty Road. Access to the new road way would be at Twelve Mile, Thir-teen Mile, Fourteen Mile, Fifteen Mile and Pontiac Trail.

The proposal follows three years of study by the Michigan Department of Transpoortation, which has selected the Haggerty Road Connector as the south traffic congestion in western Oakland County.

Construction would start in Nov

The state received both support The Haggery Connector is propos- and opposition to the plan from residents, some of whom are con Haggerty Road at I-696, I-275 and I-96 will disrupt wetlands in Novi and The Interstate Discretionary Fund

is made up of money previously ear-Proponents of the project believe it marked for state projects, but uns Hand the state projects out to be state of state projects, but dis-will relieve traffic congestion on pett. MDOT made the request for Haggerty Road. federal money late in November.

## Students learn to help others

He said work assignments range from library aides to tutors/teacher helpers in various schools to readers in local convalescent centers. Wixom said CVS students go to their respective work stations after completing their regular class schedule and do not receive any money for their

He noted students can earn one-half credit for the class by accumulating 100 hours of volunteer time during the school year

The class is open to students in ninth through twelfth grades "The purpose of CVS is to provide the volunteers

and their work station sponsors with a rewarding and enriching experience," Wixom said. "When CVS students show care and concern for

others, a feeling of good will develops between them and the community," he added. Wixom said he believes students involved with CVS develop a sense of self-image and confidence

helping others. "Everyone involved benefits from this program." Ziegler, who tutors a seventh grade student at Novi Middle School, said she initially signed up for

the program as a way of entering the National nor Society. One of the criteria for entering NHS is completing at least 40 hours of community service,

Wixom noted. "I was interested in tutoring and thought getting into the CVS sounded like a good idea," Ziegler

herself in the program Sometimes, the student I'm tutoring doesn't do his homework, so I try to encourage him to do it," she said. "I really helping this kid who was not doing well in school.

"I can see he's making progress."

Meanwhile, Perkins said she joined the CVS pro-gram "because I thought it would be fun to tutor people and I want to be in the National Honor But, three months into the school year, she ad

mits being in CVS has been more than she bargained for 'It's a nice feeling that I can help someone

understand a concept," Perkins said. "It's nice to be able to help others, because someday maybe I'll need someone to help me."

Of the 26 students who participated in CVS last year, Wixom said 17 students finished their own narticular goals, three students earned credit and 11 students earned enough NHS hours.

"We had a total of nearly 800 hours of commun y service performed through CVS last year, and these were services that would not otherwise have been performed," he said. Wixom said one student told him something last year which pretty much sums up the CVS pro-

gram

### of four in Oakland County, is located on Beck Road in Walled Lake. Superintendent Robert Piwko said at least one Novi student is enrolled in 15 of the 17 vocational education programs offered at the center. The nly two programs not attended by a Novi student are printing and visual

merchandisla Piwko said it should be noted that Novi Schools have several "nontraditional" placements in the pro-gram. He said boys are in the Medical Assisting Program and He added that all Novi students there are girls in Architectural Drafe were placed in programs they had re-

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"The OTC (Oakland Technica Center) also serves the prevocational and vocational needs of 17 special education students," he add

The breakdown of students in each vocational program shows seven students in Architecture, two in Auto Body, six in Auto Mechanics, four in Cosmetology, four in Data Process-ing, three in Dental AssSistant, one in Diesel Mechanics, four in Elec tronics and one in Floral Design.

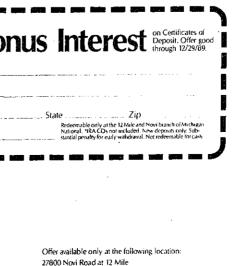
The list also includes five students in Food Service, six in Greenhous and Landscaping, one in Machines Trades, three in Medical Assistant, seven in Automated Office and three

Board Member Robert Schram asked Piwko if any Novi students had been denied enrollment in a particular program due to crowding. Piwko responded that the Novi district occassionally trades off space in programs with other school districts in order to accommodate

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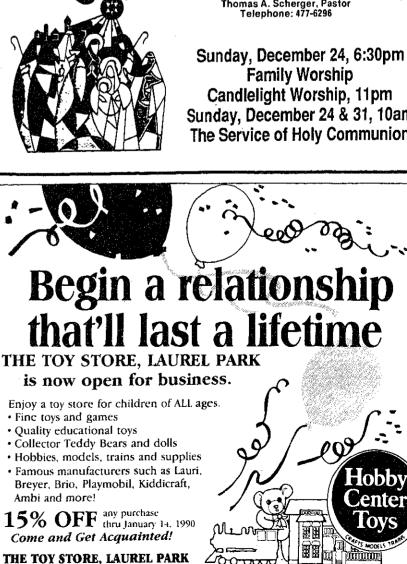
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Civic Concern volunteer Kaye Rich helps stock bags for delivery to needy individuals

## Group assists needy families

### By STEPHEN KELLMAN

Thanks to community organizations like Civic Concern, many families in and around the Novi/Northville area will be having a brighter Christmas this year.

Civic Concern provides assistance to the needy in Livonia, Farmington and Farmington Hills in addition to Novi and Northville residents. More than 20 volunteers from the Novi area

make Civic Concern work. Together with secretary Marlene Kunz, they prepare and distribute food to the needy in the community, provide them with gift certificates for clothing, and offer emergency assistance. Over 85 families are helped by the program regularly. The group provides assistance to as many as 200 needy individuals a mo

Civic Concern is also one of several organiza-

tions that will be seeking a new location, after los-ing its space at the Cooke School in Northville next due to the reopening of the school. While such organizations help the needy all year long, their importance becomes more obvious during the winter, as poorer families fight to heat their homes and feed and clothe their children. Such organizations provide an even more special

"These people have been fantastic," said a Northville Township resident named Beverly. "If it wasn't for them the last two Christmases, my

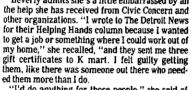
daughter and I wouldn't have had anything. "It's not just the material things," she added. "They're always there to talk to. They're always there for you. Beverly, 37, has a degenerative spinal disease

which makes it difficult for her to walk, much less work. A former insurance agent and photographer, she is now unemployed. While she's

had the problem for years, the condition has recently worsened. But Beverly refuses to give up hope. "The autors said I would be in a wheelchair by now, but I'm still kicking," she said with pride.

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She's also still trying to provide for her daughter Heather, 9. "She's a straight-A student, the light of my life," Beverly said, the pride returning to her Beverly admits she's a little embarrassed by all



"I'd do anything for those people," she said of the people at Civic Concern. "They do so much."



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## Novi juveniles put on probation

### By PHILIP JEROME managing editor

Three juveniles charged with breaking into a series of Novi homes last summer have been placed on one-year probation after pleading guilty to the charges in Oakland County Juvenile Court.

The one-year's probation was part of the sentence handed down by Oakland County Probate Court Judge Joan E. Young last week.

The three juveniles pled guilty to charges of breaking into the homes lov. 16 and were sentenced Dec.

In addition to being place on probation, each of the juveniles was ordered to pay \$50 per month probation costs and \$322 in restitution. The judge stipulated that the money must be earned and paid by the juveniles. The judge further ordered that each youth serve 100 hours of com-munity service, submit their school grades to the court for review for the duration of the probation, and each family be involved in counseling. The three juveniles were charged n conjunction with a series of cat burglaries which occurred last sum-

mer in the Village Oaks, Whispering Meadows and Turtle Creek subdivi-Juvenile Officer John Zimmer of

outheastern section of the city dur- the burglaries

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to walk through the backyards of subdivisions, testing screen doors to see if they had been left open, according

When they found an unlocked door, two would go inside and take whatever they could find lying around the kitchen while the third stayed outside to serve as a lookout. They stole a lot of women's purses as well as some jewelry and an occasional bottle of wine, police reports

ing a two-month period.

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All three were said to be 15 years old and students at Novi High School. Their names have been withheld

throughout proceedings because they

Their basic mode of operation was

indicated, Because the burglaries typically involved the theft of items from kit chen counter-tops, they were refer-red to by police as the "counter-top ourglaries.

Police broke the case on Sept. 22 when they discovered a stolen credit card in the possession of one of the three youths

The rash of counter-top burglaries in Village Oaks, Whispering Meadows and Turtle Creek had bee under the investigation of Barabas who had identified 16-20 burglaries in the three subdivisions during a the Novi Police Department reported after the youths were apprehended in September that they had admitted to committing 12 burglaries in the suburglaries in the burglaries admitted to only 12 of

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to combat industrial park By JAN JEFFRES stalf writer

send was on her way to becoming a community activist. That's when she received notice would require rezoning from residenfrom the city that an informational meeting for cilizens on "The Grand about 300 acres of land just north of - a proposal to build an in-

community waste transfer station just north of the subdivision of 300 mobile homes - would be held at commercial, to allow construction of 7:30 p.m. that night. "I don't have a dog so I didn't know

someone was at the door. My neighbor called and told me I had a flyer in my door," Townsend said. The brochure deposited at Townsend's doorstep by the city said that due to an oversight, Old Dutch

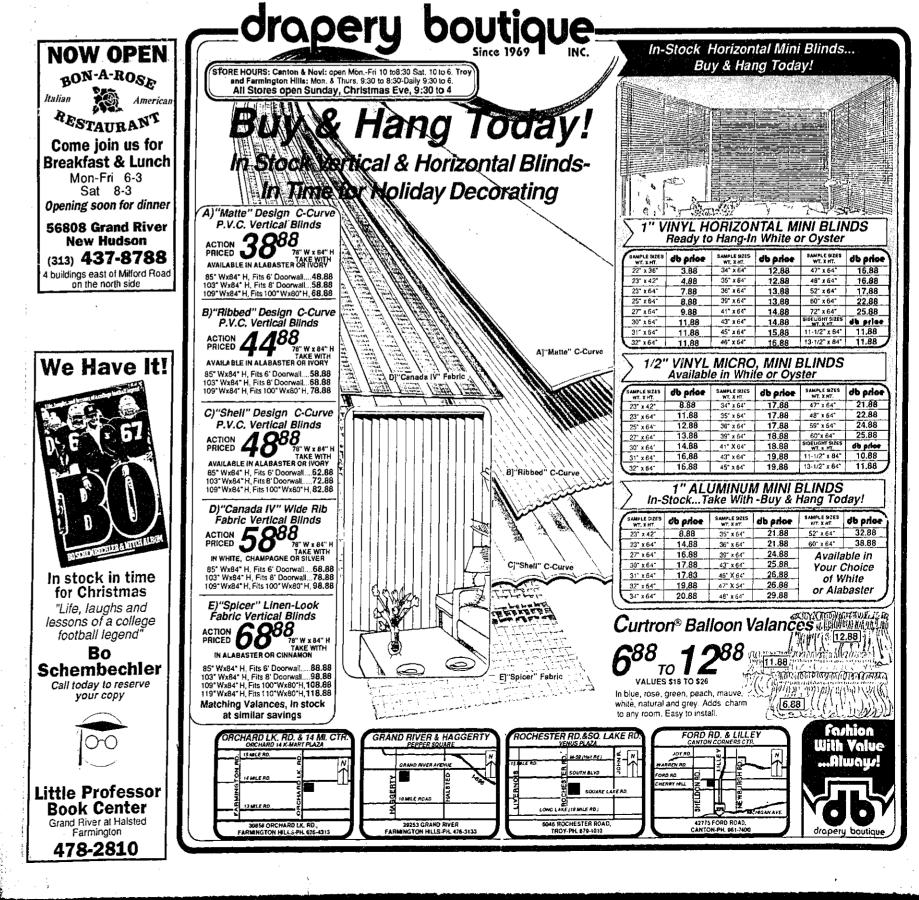
Farms was receiving late notifica-tion of the meeting. Late or not, Townsend made it to the Novi Civic Center in time to become one of the most voluble opponents to The Grand

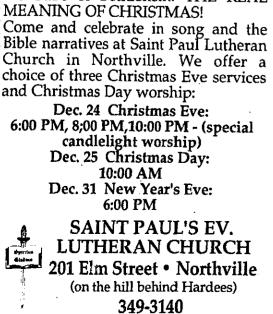
By the next day, Townsend would be coordinating a petition drive, cir-culating flyers, calling city hall and planning neighborhood meetings. The mother of three sons less than two years old, Townsend says she doesn't want her children's playground to back up to an in-dustrial park.

"The industrial park as far as I'm concerned is going to increase traffic more than our roads can handle." fownsend said. "We all know that the south end of Napier Road can't take any more traffic." "I don't want it. Not any part of it. Maybe I could live with the Meijer's,

but 1 did not move out here to live next door to an industrial park and a Meijer's - and certainly not a recycling plant." "I know they need to recycle but I

don't want it in my backyard.'





The proposed industrial park would offer a new home for industries located in Novi's downtown At about 5:30 p.m. on Dec. 13, Old Dutch Farms resident Linda Town-along Interstate 96, freeing that land for office-tech, commercial and residential development. The project

tial to heavy industrial and busines Old Dutch Farms, boun nded by Wixdustrial park, a Meijer's Thrifty om Twelve Mile and Napier Road. Acres and possibly a seven Another 26 acres at Wixom Roa Another 26 acres at Wixom Road and Grand River Avenue, would be rezoned from heavy industrial to

the Meijer's Thrifty Acres. In addition, the 320-acre site is number one in priority of three sites proposed by the Resource Recovery and Recycling Authority of Southwest Oakland County, a seven-

community consortium which in cludes No Friday afternoon, Townsend and about a dozen other residents met in the community room of Old Dutch

Farms to plan their campaign against the project. They'll be trooping through the snow to circulate petitions throughout Old Dutch Farms, as well as the adjacen mobile home park, Novi Meadows and along neighboring streets. They have already received permission t recruit signatures in front of nearby Kroger and K mart stores.

The Old Dutch Farms residents have formed a united front with at least one Lyon Township resident who shares the same concerns. Laura Tuomi lives on the western side of Napier Road and by Friday she had already been going door-to-door with a petition against the

rezoning. "Everybody's unhappy down our way . . . in Lyon Township on Napler Road," Tuomi said. "We're concerned about the environment, the air,



be too busy to notice the project and will let it slip past," Townsend said. Townsend has been writing and xeroxing flyers and distributing them throughout the mobile home park to get a full contingent of residents out for the public hearing before the Novi Planning Commis-

whom have very young children.

sion on Dec. 20 (after The News' deadline). The planning commission's recom-

The holiday season complicates forwarded to the city council, which will makes the final decision

Susan Riley, a four-year resident of "I frankly think they pushed it at a time when they think that people will blick they have been a second to be the telephone numbers of Novi's mayor and city council members and urge others at the Old Dutch Farms meeting to start calling. "Call our council members, get on

the phone, harass them, bug them Let them know how you feel," said Riley. "We all moved our families out

here to be in the country, to get away from the city life. We don't want the city in our backyard. We want our woods and our lifestyle. We aren't go-ing to let them come in and take that

Traffic, industrial noise, construction, an industrial park in their backyard, the loss of their rural environment, fears over their property values if the industrial park and the waste transfer station are built, were concerns voiced by a number of the

women. "Does anybody realize how frequently Meijer's Thrifty Acres shows up in 'The Northville Record' police blotter? My mother says, whatever you do, don't go to Meijer's Thrifty Acres after dark." Townsend said "If the one at Eight Mile and Haggerty is ending up on the police blotter, this one will too."

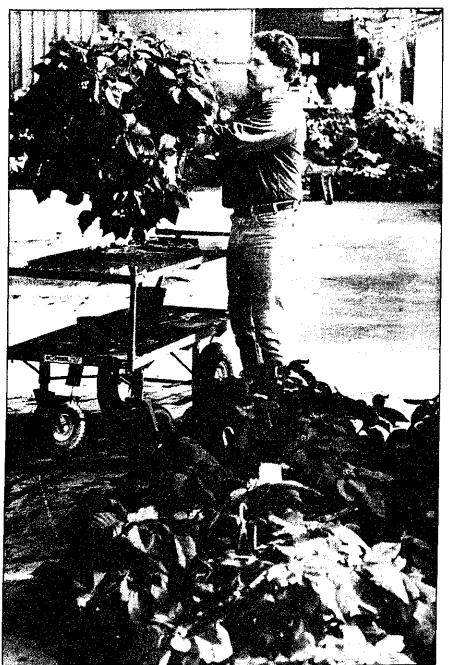
The industrial park would be surrounded by a 10 foot berm and a 100 foot wide greenbelt. "I build berms and I know they do not stop sound and they do not stop

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smells," Riley said. "I guarantee you with some ex-perience it will stink and it stink for several miles. Did you move out here to have an industrial park in your backyard or did you move out for the

Townsend concededed that the i dustrial park might provide jobs for some residents of the mobile home park, some of whom are





### In full bloom

Dinser's Greenhouse on Wixom Road in Novi was poinsettia in the picture above. Dinser's grew ablaze in shades of red only last week as orders for poinsettias were being filled and shipped out the door. That's Bill Dinser checking out a state in time for the holidays.

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more than 23,000 poinsettias this year, most of

Novi News/CHRIS BOYD



## Watchdogs 'CRD' still on guard in Novi

### **By JAN JEFFRES** staff writer

The first thing on next year's calendar for Citizens for Responsible Development (CRD), a residents' group originally organized to fight a grocery store and strip mail at the corner of Ten Mile and Beck Roads, will be taking a more active stance on Novi's current development

scenario. The group anticipates becoming more involved in the near future and be inappropriate.' will be "expanding its bases" in January, said CRD Treasurer Jerry

CRD also plans to form a new eering committee in January. One of the original officers of the organization, Tim Pope, says he has resigned because of his November election to the Novi City Council.

Pope said he is still philosophically

lined up with CRD and will remain a member of the organization. Current CRD officers include Harris, Pope, Jim Shaw, Dennis lski and Kathy McGuffin. The group got together Dec. 12 to decisions are made, even if they're cess itself seems to be flawed and review "The Grand Plan," a project to relocate industries from the Novi Road/Grand River area and along Interstate 94, to an industrial park in the west end of the city.

Harris said that a consensus was reached at the meeting that the was not enough. elocation plan appeared to be

Pope: 'I think it's important on city council that you represent all points of view and all people in the community. To act as an officer of a watchdog organization of the council I serve on would

to the public at a Nov. 21 joint city and Meijer's Thrifty Acres is accouncil/planning commission complished, the city should rezone a meeting, members of CRD took the comparable number of commerical city to task for not generating any ad-vance publicity on the unveiling and for placing the program on "the fast rack" v

said.

They have a very informed public County who are interested in knowing how

When the plan was first presented to accommodate the industrial park

sensitive and that the city was not do ing a good job with its P.R. Authority of Southwest Oakland

good decisions. The people in city seems to favor Mr. Bowman," Harris good decisions. The people at the government and city planning need said. Bill Bowman, president of Thomp-

was not enough. Harris said that CRD's opinion is process and also worked on site loca-tions for the waste transfer station.

"reasonable, but it does need further public review." that if the zoning of 300 acres to in-dustrial and 26 acres to commercial "I think it's important on city coun-cit that you represent all points of view and all people in the communi-ty." Pope said. "To act as an officer ty." Pope said. "To act as an officer ty." Pope said. "To act as an officer the city has been working on it since last spring. It was presented Thenksolving week. And the first the city has been working on it since that spring. It was presented the first in priority in a list of three which also includes sites in Southfield and Wixom. The facility "We feel that the issues are really would be owned and operated by the

"The real problem is the siting pro-

to know this." The city held a special informa-tional meeting on the Grand Plan on Dec. 13, but Harris contends that it Bill Bowman, president of Thompson Son Brown Realtors of Farmington Hills, is working as a go-between for the city in the industrial relocation the city in the industrial relocation

FYI

City/school board meeting: Novi city officials will at-tend the Novi School board meeting tonight (Thursday, Dec. 21) to discuss the issue of tax abatements and how it relates to the city's plan of moving industrial developments from the town center area to a proposed heavy industrial park in Section 18 "I'm personally pleased with their plans," said School Board President Raymond Byers, saying the district wants to be assured that such a venture will not have a negative financial impact on school revenues. Byers added that city officials will meet again with the school district in January to discuss future growth "with respect to multiple and single-family

Video coupon books: The Novi Choir Boosters and Novi High School Choir members are selling coupon books which entitle the purchaser to free movie rentals at Novi Video. The books are priced at \$10 apiece, and each book contains 24 coupons. Each coupon is good for one free movie rental when another movie is rented The coupons are good until May 31, 1990. Coupon books can be obtained by calling the high school at 344-8300 or by contacting any member of the high school choir. Choir Boosters point out hat the coupon books make great stocking stuffers

Saving on auto insurance: A new free booklet produced by AAA Michigan shows why one driver could pay 20 percent more for automobile insurance than a neighbor with the same driving record and model ca

"The ABCs of Auto Insurance" uses plain English to describe auto in-surance coverage and spells out options consumers can use to cut their annual premiums. The color booklet reviews cost-saving options for coverages such as Collision and Comprehensive which together account for 57 percent of the typical AAA Michigan auto insurance premium. The 16-page booklet is available to the public by writing: "The ABCs of Auto Insurance," Public Relations Department, AAA Michigan, One Auto Club Daive Department MI 46106 Club Drive, Dearborn, MI 48126.

Radon kits available: The City of Novi is continuing to offer radon testing kits for purchase at a price of \$13. Novi residents can contact Assistant City Manager Craig Klaver at 347-0445 for more information.

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.

**Recycling waste oil:** Looking for a place to drop off your waste oil? There is one location in Novi and another in Northville that will accept used oil, according to the East Michigan Environmental Action Council

EMEAC is encouraging do-it-yourself oil changers to retur their used motor oil for recycling instead of dumping it on the ground or into streams or sewers. In Novi, used oil can be taken to Sovel's Service Center at 41425 West Ten

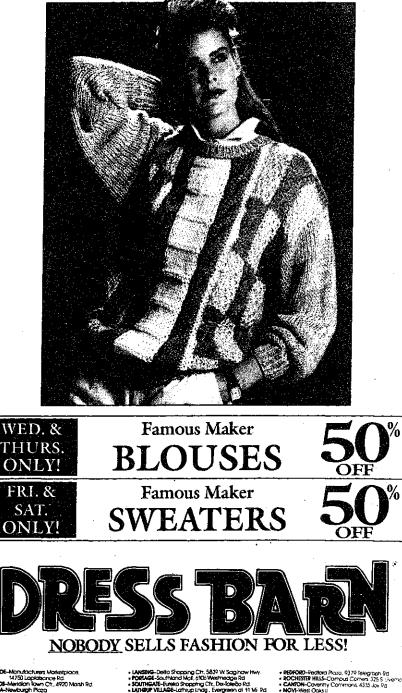
Oakland County dog shelter: All impounded unvac-cinated dogs at the Oakland County Animal Center will be released only after they have received rabies vaccinations by the contracting

a.m. to 1 p.m. If a dog owner wants to claim his animal after 1 p.m., arrangements can be made for vaccinations the day before. Public hours for the Animal Care Center are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday; 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday; and 9

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## Ambulance times are released

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Distance was the predominant reason cited for the longer reponse times. However, a 31-minute response time was recorded at a Ten Mile/Novi Road location The response times to the

American House, a senior citizens said. ousing complex in the north end of and 13 minutes. Beauchemin said he American House but that he hasn't received any complaints from the management The ambulance services responds

to an average of 64 emergency calls per month in Novi, but about 30 percent of the calls are cancelled.

Beginning Dec. 1, Lenaghan said that Novi firefighters answering emergency calls were asked to fill out a report on the ambulance response time and whether a basic unit or an advanced life support unit responded to the call. These reports will be evaluated at the end of the

"We told them here's what we want and here's what we expect. We're making sure they meet their commitment." Lenaghan said.

Representatives of the Lakes Area

"There's a definite geographic pro-

blem, that's not only this ambulance company but for the (Novi) police department and fire department. They've cured the problem. We feel we've done the same," Beauchemin

"We knew there was a problem and the city, were 11 minutes, 20 minutes that we had an arduous time getting up there.It's not totally fixed. There knew there was a problem getting to are still speed bumps around the lake and we're still contending those.'

> He said the ambulance response times were in the middle of the city's full-time firefighters' average response time of 5.2 minutes and the paid-on-call firefighters' average response time of 8.7 minutes.

> CEMS, which has its corporate headquarters on Heslip Drive in Novi, opened two new ambulance stations on Dec. 8. One is in the north end of the city at Thirteen Mile Road and Novi Road; the second is in Northville on Center Street south of Eight Mile. The Northville station will also serve Novi, handling all calls south of Ten Mile. An ambulance station at Ten Mile and Novi Road was closed.

Residents Association (LARA) have also been keeping an eye on CEMS. Beauchemin said the company's statistics bear out that a response

one would be sent from the head-quarters near Nine Mile and Meadowbrook Road. If a vehicle was unavailable there, the call would be answered by an Eight Mile station near Interstate 275

Beauchemin said the new Thirteen Mile/Novi Road ambulance station response times have been clocked in t five and six minutes. A Sept. 11 letter saving that the

company's service had been declin ing over the past three months was sent to CEMS by Novi Fire Depart-ment Chief Arthur Lenaghan. Beauchemin said he was unaware any problem existed until this time.

"We didn't have any complaints from the City of Novi until this whole issue of response times came up. Nothing has been brought to my attention at all. It was a surprise when this thing hit the press," he said.

Beauchemin met with Lenaghan Sept. 20 and presented an "action plan" for CEMS. The plan called for the company to redefine its am-bulance deployment policy, add an additional ambulance and a new station, send monthly response times to Lenaghan and to arrange for another ambulance service to fill-in as a backup when needed Beauchemin said the action plan has been completed, except for finalizing the backup arrangment. "We've done all of it. We took some

preity aggressive action." Beauchemin said. "Now we're just going to have to monitor the response times up there. We are gong to be ac-tive in this whole issue. We have othing to hide."

It costs \$210,000 per annum to maintain an advanced life support unit ambulance, Beauchemin said, and the company has an annual net revenue in Novi of \$140,000.

"There's a tremendous potential for loss by just deploying a vehicle. To remain solvent, you have to utilize that vehicle for surrounding communities," he said.

CEMS has also been criticized fo sending basic unit ambulances to calls. "If a basic unit is closer than an

ALS (advanced life support) we res-pond," Beauchemin said, adding that an ALS is then sent for if needed.

In 60 days, CEMS will inaugarate a computerized dispatch system which will have a tracking screen for the ambulances. The system will be fully operational in about six months and will allow the company to monitor 911 telephone calls directly, rather than waiting for a police or fire department dispatcher's call.

In those communities interested in the program, CEMS will set up a system which allow them to transmit CPR directions to bystanders at an

Tenants' protection bill sits in House

### By TIM RICHARD

LANSING - State Representative David Honigman found himself out on a broken limb when the state House of Representatives backed away from a bill to prohibit "retaliatory evictions" by landlords,

Honigman, R-West Bloomfield, was the only Republican to support out loud a Detroiter's bill to protect tenants. As a blaze of red (no) lights flashed on the House tally board, sponsor Ted Wallace, D-Detroit, saw defeat and called "clear the board" — a signal to the speaker to stop the roll call without completing

So House Bill 4536 still sits on the House calendar, and there is no record roll call.

The bill would bar a landlord from evicting a tenant in retaliation for the tenant's joining an association to secure rights or reporting health and safety code violations. Wallace's bill failed last June 15 and had languished on the House calendar almost six months. Last week he decided to try again.

"I was the only Republican to support it in the Judiciary Committee," said Honigman, an an-nounced candidate for fellow Republican Richard 'essler's state Senate seat.

"I've represented landlords," said Honigman. an attorney. "Believe me, it doesn't do anything bad to landlords.

"We've compromised a lot with the landlord community," he said, claiming support from small landlords' groups in the outstate area.

'The Apartment Owners' Association is the only

one opposed to it, and the president of that group (Mel Kaftan) lives in my district." Honigman said tenants should be protected when protesting that an apartment "is infested with rats or hasn't had hot water in three mon-

Wallace introduced the bill after the state Court of Appeals found a hole in a 1972 tenants' rights law passed by the Legislature. The appeals court said the law applied only to month-to-month leases not to fived-term leases

Other Republicans criticized the bill.

Rep. Bill Runco, R-Dearborn, said "the spirit of the bill is good" but made it too difficult for a landlord to evict a tenant for cause. "They (tenants) can drag this lease out. It's not going to be very good for landlords." Rep. Paul Wartner, R-Portage, a real estate

broker who denied being a "slum landlord," said landlords already lose two months rent in evicting a tenant - "that's how slow the courts are. This bill is an unconscionable burden on the landlord." The bill is supported by the Michigan Rental Housing Association and Michigan Consumers

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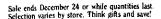
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## Safety tips for holiday lighting

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Detroit Edison is all for Christmas lighting — as long as it's done safely. Joan Bradley, the utility's lighting specialist, said that correctly done, decorative lighting is a safe and inex-

ensive option. "A good starting place," she said, "is to examine every light string, inch by inch, for frayed wires and chipped or damaged sockets. Any such items should be thrown out." Also discarded, Bradley said, should be any lights not bearing the Underwriters Laboratories (UL) seal indicating they meet specific safety standards.

She said holiday lighting is inexpensive, since most strings of lights have an operating cost of only three-quarters of a cent to 7.5 cents per str-

ng for six hours of use. "So if you operate one string for six hours a night for 15 nights," Bradley said, "it will cost you a minimum of 45 cents and a maximum of \$6.75 for that string for the full holiday

season." She added that twinkle-type lights use even less electricity because they're off half the time.

Bradley also offered the following safety suggestions: INDOOR LIGHTING: Use no more than three sets of

standard lights on each indoor extension cord. Never use lights on a metal tree.

Instead, lighted revolving color wheel or low-wattage colored floodlights may be used to illuminate the tree

□ Keep lights away from carpeting, furniture, curtains and drapes. Some standard lights pro-duce enough heat to scorch or damage iteras they touch. Use only flame-resistant or-naments and other decorations, in-cluding artificial snow on and

cluding artificial snow, on and around the tree.

Don't put the tree near an active fireplace. OUTDOOR LIGHTING:

□ Use only weather-resistant equipment and lights manufactured for outdoor use.

Use only heavy-duty outdoor ex-tension cords with molded plugs and sockets. Keep cords out of the way to

prevent tripping over them. Keep all electrical connections off the ground and hand sockets downward to prevent snow or rain water from seeping into them. ☐ Fasten extension cords of light sets to wood surfaces with insulated

staples; never use nails or tacks because they may pierce the wires and cause shock or shorts. □ Don't run outdoor lighting cords through door or window openings where they can be damaged.

## Grand plan is debated

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Road. In Wixom, the Leisure Co-op Apartments, a senior citizens hous-ing development, is located on Twelve Mile north of the project. In addition, a number of houses are located along Napler Road in Lyon Township. Plans call for a 100-feet wide

greenbelt around the industrial park, with 10-feet high landscaped berms, except where woodlands and vegetation already exist. The city has said that woodlands along the south border of the property would be

preserved as a park. The Leisure Co-op Apartments was represented by about a dozen residents, among them NaDean Sellman, who said she was docked a half-hour's pay at work because she xeroxed a bundle of homemade flyers on the industrial park for distribution at the Leisure Co-op Apartments

Apartments. "If you do put this facility close to our area, with the garbage trucks, our property values will go down very much. Most of us who live there, our sons and daughters are going to own these someday. They'll be very low in resale value. I just think it's unfair," Sellman said.

uniar," Schman Sard. The waste tranfer station would be approximately 1,000 feet from the senior citizens' co-op. However, the Novi site is one of three under con-sideration for the facility. The other

Bentley: 'If we had known this park was going to be put up, we would never have considered moving to this area . . . I'm afraid our property value is going to decrease now.'

would be owned and operated by the Resource Recovery and Recycling Authority of Southwest Oakland County. Solid waste from Novi and six other communities would be separated at the transfer station for recycling or shipment to a county landfill. Novi's traffic consultant Rolf

landfill. Novi's traffic consultant Rolf Kilian said that an estimated 200 gar-bage trucks per day would travel to the transfer station, but would pro-bably not use the gravel portion of Wixom and Napier roads. At the in-guest to a residential community and the property values are Wixom and Napier roads. At the in-dustrial park, Kilian said that peak hour total tarffic would be 873 vehicles entering the site and 1,182 leaving. The Meijer Thrifty Acres store would account for 615 vehicles entering and £20 exiting at a peak hour. Fifty percent of the Meijer's traffic would use Wixom Road going

top priority potential locations are in south, he said. Southfield and Wixom. The site "I think Novi is asking for the would be owned and operated by the worst traffic in the world to have this



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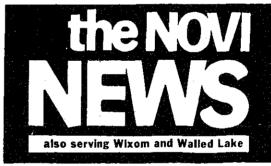
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## Opinions the NOVI NEWS

## As We See It

## City moved wisely on mayoral policy

In one of its finer moments, the Novi City Council decided recently to grant the mayor the right to make appointments to advisory committees while retaining the right to approve the mayor's appointees.

Although Mayor Matthew Quinn quite properly referred to the action as a "bookkeeping" matter, it went beyond that and qualified as a "finer moment" because of the quality of the debate and the efficiency with which it was resolved.

The issue arose during a Nov. 13 council meeting shortly after the general election. What happened is that Mayor Quinn appointed Councilman Hugh Crawford to a vacancy on the Town Center Steering Commit-

Councilmember Nancy Covert objected to the appointment, saying that she has a strong interest in serving on that particular committee. After some debate on proper procedures for making appointments, the council decided to bring the entire topic of mayoral appointments back for review at its Dec. 11 meeting.

The result of the Dec. 11 discussion was that the council granted formal approval to the informal process which it has been following for some time on mayoral appointments - the mayor appoints, the council approves the appointments.

One of the problems was that there was no formal procedure for making appointments to advisory committees comprised of city employees, elected officials, citizensat-large, or any combination of those three groups of people. The city charter grants the mayor the right to name appointees to standing commit tees composed entirely of city council members (the Ordinance Review Committee, for example), And the charter also prescribes the same procedure for appointments to various city boards and commissions (library board, planning commission, etc.). The charter makes no mention, however, of the procedure for appointments to citizen/council ad visory committees. The procedure for such appointments that has evolved by practice over the years has been 'mayor appoints/council approves.''



Opposition to formalizing this procedure was led by Councilmembers Covert and Tim Pope, who argued that granting the major authority to make appointments was expanding the power of the office.

The argument has some validity within the philosophy of the charter, which, in general, makes an effort to restrict mayoral authority. Although the charter calls for the mayor to be elected by the people separately from other council members, it gives the mayor only one vote (the same as all other council members) and it does not grant veto power to the mayor's offic

Although we believe the council made the appropriate decision on this matter, we are highly appreciative of the arguments about limiting mayoral powers.

Bevond that, however, it is appropriate for the person elected to the office of mayor by the majority of the people to be able to make appointments to important boards and commissions - advisory and otherwise.

The part of the equation which should not be forgotten is that the council did not give away its right to approve the mayor's appointments.

If the system works as it is designed to work, the mayor will have to be prepared to justify his or her appointments to advisory committees, At the same time, the council will have to be prepared to challenge those appointments in a professional issue-oriented manner

An appropriate system of checks and balances has been established. It is now up to the city's elected officials to make sure that system works.

## Enjoying half-decked halls

I can't seem to stop humm ing Christmas carols.

"Have yourself a merry little Christmas .... sleigh bells jingling ... and friends are calling yoo-hoo." The famous phrases just keep running around and around and around in my head. I find myself humming as I lay out Ann pages of the newspaper late at Willis night. I'm humming as I vacuum, humming while I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ chase the cat down from the middle of the Christmas tree, and I'm humming while my feet are freezing as I walk to the bank to take out yet another bunch of "free

cash from the money machine Something's definitely amiss.

My shopping isn't done. I haven't wrapped. No cookies stand ready on the sideboard. My cards still lie in the box waiting for the chummy notes telling faraway friends I'm still kicking around in Northville. I've thrown no parties stuffed no stockings and no eggnog has touched my lips. Yet none of this is filling me with my usual sense of panic and holiday desperation. I'm strangely peaceful . . . strangely happy . . . strangely

channels of the TV at least once an hour, every hour).

and too much to do. Lists of things to buy, lists of things

And then it started snowing. I stopped in my panicked search through catalogues and looked out the window, Lights reflected off the white outside. My Christmas tree, while not fully decorated (and not likely to ever get there at this rate) twinkled in the dark.

The cat and the dog lay on the couch looking like a Rockwell painting. I put a carol on the stereo. Persnective.

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THURSDAY

December 21,

I decided to go to church the first Sunday of Advent instead of hitting the mall at the opening bell.

Peaceful. And on a gentle Sunday afternoon bunches of riends went to a carolling party. As I walked across the

street to the party I could swear I heard "yoo-hoo". As evening fell the group moved outdoors. Lots of small children in bright-colored parkas. Everyone carrying a candle (which for the first 20 feet staved lif) At the first house a rather rag-tag rendition of "We Wish You a Merry Christmas" filled the air and several mini vans slowed down to watch

Poignant.

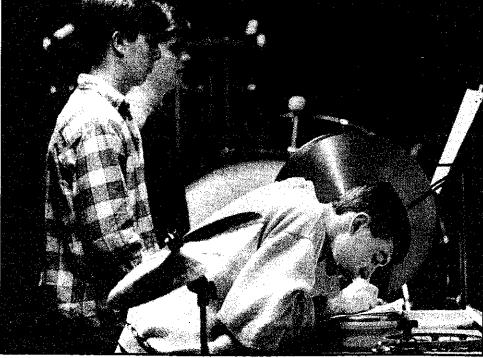
Tuesday is a busy day here at the paper. Around Christmas time it's even busier. I took a walk to the Presbyterian Church at noon to visit the Rotary and was treated to the Northville High School Choir singing holiday songs. Led by Mary Kay Pryce the spirited and talented group of young people gave voice to a season. All in all, good use of an hour on a Tuesday.

Priorities

A bottle of egg nog stood next to the Diet Coke. A pound Two weeks ago I was frenzied. Not enough time, of sugar and cartons of creme did battle with light mayonnaise. The season confuses us.

> But too many things happen these days to waste time and energy missing out on good things. So I'll enjoy the half-decked halls, warble out-of-tune carols, and beam at strangers on the street.

Humming all the while.



Skipping the beat

Making time for the holidays

## 'New kid' starts fast

In an interview with The Novi News prior to the Nov, 7 election. then-city council candidate Tim Pope said he didn't want to be a controversial city council member. He described himself as low-key and committed. It seemed as if he didn't want to make waves.

Following his Nov. 7 election to the council, however, Pope has jumped in feet first right from the very beginning. The surf's up on the city council.

Instead of sitting back and catching his bearings, as a freshman member of local government might be expected to do, from the very beginning Pope has questioned council decisions - sometimes big decisions. And he has done so with grace. spelling out his reasons clearly.

Frequently, Pope's the first to introduce what eventually becomes the council minority opinion. He took a stand against the political machinations that overrode the selection criteria used in siting the Resource Recover and Recycling Authority of Southwest Oakland County's propos-ed waste tranfer station by refusing to endorse three locations for the facility.

On the issue of the mayor's perogative to make committee ap ntments, Pope made failed motion after motion in attempt to keep this power with the council. He has spoken up against the fast-track schedule the city's industrial relocation program has taken, going so far as to tip off several active citizens' groups in ad-vance about the first public introduction of the plan, which was presented without fanfare on Nov. 21.

An officer in Citizens For Respon sible Development, Pope has stepped down from that position on the grounds that he must represent the entire community. A reasonable deci sion. But he hasn't cut his connection with that organization, which is where he says his sympathies lie.

He was the campaign manager for Nancy Covert in her first bid for city council four years ago. The two frequently find themselves on the same side. But Pope shows every sign of being an independent thinker.

It's apparent Pope does his homework and nothing slips by without his examination. The new kid on the block is doing a thoughtful and conscientious job.

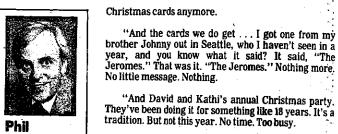
Ann Willis and I were put-ting the finishing touches on this week's paper when she asked if I thought it was okay for her to write something about Christmas in her col-

"Do I think it's okay to write something about Christmas in our last edition before Christmas?" I replied, more or less repeating the question. "Yes, I think it's Jerome okay. I think it's very okay.

umn.

"In fact, I beg you to write something about Christmas. I'm going to write something about Christmas in my column. And what I'm worried about is that we don't have enough stuff about Christmas in this week's paper.

"The problem is." I continued, warming to the topic, "that nobody has time for Christmas anymore. Everybody's too busy. Have you noticed that Christmas cards are down this year. People are too busy to send



"Things are bad, Ann. People don't roast chestnuts by the open fire anymore. They have 'em catered. There are even companies which will come out and decorate your Christmas tree for you. In the midst of this general malaise, the very least we can do is write our columns about Christmas."

"And the cards we do get ... I got one from my

"And David and Kathi's annual Christmas party,

Ann is used to seeing me getting fired up about a topic. And she usually lets me rant and rave 'til I get it out of my system. I don't know what her Christmas nessage is. You're going to have to read her column to find out for yourself

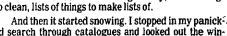
But my message is going to be short and simple -Merry Christmas, everybody

Forum

**By Chris Boyd** 

hummini I feel like a cast member of "It's A Wonderful Life" (the wonderfully sugar-coated movie now playing on all down in my cart I realized the dilemmas of Christmas.

to clean, lists of things to make lists of.



## Toth clarifies club dues issue

Subject: City Council Meeting, Letters Reference: Article/editorial on the

Novi Ontimist Club dues/assessmen Although both the article a editorial did explain and stress a number of my discussion points,

are summarized below City Pollcy: The city administration

with any of these Novi service service organizations is important to should be encouraged to participate give to those who need their n activities of this type. Novi Optimist Club: My discussion

with the other council members did not specifically identify the Novi Opimist Club (this point was introd was essentially an attempt to focus on the fact that the city needs to have a fair and reasonable policy with respect to active membership and financial support for city personne who participate in any and all Novi

Barbara

Louie

several other equally important facts Optimist Club member – paid for out ship between Twelve Oaks Mall in were not adequately covered. These of my own pocket. And, as a past Novi has been relatively positive. of my own pocket. And, as a per-president, former officer and charter member of the Novi Lions Club; a member of the American Legion of the American Legion needs to have a policy with regards to some limited financial support for ci-(Novi post), an exhausted rooster the mall or outside mall entrances. ty employees who should be involved (Detroit Jaycees), etc., I know from personal experience - and can well organizations. Support for these Novi appreciate - the tremendous effort, time and money that members of community and city personnel these service organizations raise and & Taylor) to receive permission to assistance. Joseph G. Toth

Novi City Council

### ed by another council member) and Kettle controversy

To the Editor In recent days there has been much

Membership: I am currently a Novi wants it to be known that the relation-

The mall management has always allowed the Army to work directly with the main department stores (Hudsons, Sears, JCPenney and Lord "ring" outside of their stores.

Hudsons and Sears have always been marvelous in their cooperation. JCPenney kicked us off of their premises three years ago which has esulted in a significant loss of potential dollars.<sup>3</sup>

The Mall Management of Twelve

In the early Israel Nash, a millright, was able to make up cess of grinding wheat was developed in the

Built cheaply, with the machinery made a higher quality white flour. By the late

many American mills

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settled over 100 years ago.

largely of wood, the mill was not as modern 1800s, metal rollers replaced millstones in

1820s, a man by the his own burr stones to be used as grinding mid-19th century. By placing the two millstones farther apart, the grain could now

All the money raised in the Army Kettles at Twelve Oaks Mall is used to help people in Novi, Farmington Hills, Farmington, Southfield, Livonia and Redford. Without cooperation of the Twelve Oak nagement and Hudons and Sears we would be in big trouble. For further information about The

Salvation Army in the area, please call 477-1153 or write to The Salvation Shiawassee, Farm-Army, 2750 ington Hills, MI 48024.

> Lt. Jonathan Rich. Salvation Army

EDITOR'S NOTE: This newspape welcomes Letters to the Editor. We ask, however, that they be issue oriented, confined to 400 words and that they contain the signature, ad dress and telephone number of the writer. The writer's name may be withheld if the writer fears bodily harm, severe prosecution or loss o his or her job. The writer requesting Oaks earmarked all of the money col- anonymity must explain his or her lected in the mall fountains to The circumstances. Deadline for receiv-Salvation Army last year. This has ing letters is Monday at 5 p.m. We negative publicity regarding The Salvation Army last year. This has ing letters is Monday at 5 p.m. We Salvation Army and the malls. The amounted to a \$5,000 donation to the reserve the right to edit letters for

be cracked rather than crushed, resulting in

In 1890, the Northville Mills was pur-

However, with automation taking over

chased by the Yerkes brothers who were

able to keep up with the changing technology

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in the early 1900s which produced flour even

more efficiently and of a better, more consis-

tent quality, the old days of the gristmill and

Today, nothing remains of Miller's stone

In memory of these bygone days stands

ristmill, or the larger Northville Mills, but

the pond is there, as is the millrace and a

the charming, Victorian-style outdoor museum known as Mill Race Historical

Village, located on the very site that Miller

Barbara Louie is the local history librarian at the

the millrace were definitely numbered.

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recognize a paid-on-call Fire Fighter. We want to make our Community aware of the many residents, your neighbors and friends, who dedicate their time and energy the Novi Fire Department.



Robert Perry joined the Novi Fire ROBERT PERRY Department in December of 1987 He works out of Fire Station #4 on Eleven Mile and Beck Road Robert has always been interested in fire fighting and wanted to help his community. After joining he received his Emergency Medical Technician License.

Last month Robert completed the Western Wavne County Fir Academy course through Schoolcraft College. Robert, one of the Fire Academy's first graduating class, received the top academi award for the 320 hours of specialized training. His employer at Precision Point in Livonia is very supportive o

his second job. He gave Robert time off the complete the eight-week Fire Academy course. Robert and his wife Nancy have four children ages 8, 7, 6 and

3. He is very thankful for his family's support. As a Fire Fighter Robert puts in extra hours for the sleep-over program and i on-call seven evenings per week. He feels very positive about the effectiveness of the new sleep-over program. Robert's neighbors also feel very secure knowing that a Novi Fire

Fighter lives close by, ready to answer all fire calls to protect their homes and businesses. Our Fire Fighters, like

Robert Perry, care abou Novi....what about you?

### Novi Public Library. She is currently working on two books of history — one on Novi, the other on Northville. Her columns about the history of Novi Using a large boulder found a short Changing technology gradually meant distance from the site, Miller, along with doom for many of the old mills. A new prowill appear regularly on the pages of The Novi Bo's loose jaw leaks news story



Richard

He regretted a "leak" had caused them to learn it from news reports.

coach.

What Bo neglected to say was that he was the leak. It was his own fault, if indeed there is any sin in a public figure telling thepublic he's leaving.

The Ann Arbor News, which printed the story five hours before the news conference. told how it happened:

university sociology class that he would whom all the town characters tell their never sit in the coaches office of the new \$12 million Center of Champions football building. He also told the class that (Gary) Moeller would be the next coach at Michigan.'

A half-hour prior to the news conference WUOM-FM broadcast that a sociology proessor had indeed tipped the media about the End of an Era story.

Too bad Coach Schembechler couldn't have ended the era by admitting his own jaw was loose.

"Nobody really understands how hard it is to stop smoking.

The Bo story drew attention from a Bo Schembechler charade in Detroit where U.S. attorney grumbled, as he Stephen Markham was admitting that, well, pened his End of yeah, we're investigating alleged misuse of an Era news con-ference, was that he ment. vished he could nave told his

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It has only been front-page news for players first that he weeks. Michigan football rather than good sense, think a major cor- just disappears from the face of the earth. ruption story can be hushed up until the in

vestigation is complete. Detroit Mayor Coleman Young came back from vacation to curse "the media" - a code word, as he uses it -- for reporting on it.

The simple truth is that when big things for incinerator ash. happen — especially bad big things — people talk. And they like talking to newspeople.

If you want to explore this psychological phenomenon, check out a book of short stories by Sherwood Anderson called "Winesburg, Ohio," in which the central "On Monday, Schembechler told a figure is a young weekly newspaper editor to

> What we in the news business dislike most is not the accusations of the Schembechlers and the Youngs but the complaint that a story has been "covered up."

ter cases. In one Wayne County city this year, a 16-year-old girl was shot in the head,

When you consider how many relatives. neighbors, work associates of the father and

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hospital staff from several shifts knew abou it, and add the number of fellow students who noticed she was missing Monday morning, it was incredible that police officials thought they could cover it up by denying there was any such incident, and that hospital spokesmen denied there was any such patient.

A reliable tipster gave the paper the Lawyers, who work by rules of law truth. Americans don't like it when someone

> In mid-year I covered a state Senate Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs Committee meeting at which many in the audience complained angrily they hadn' been notified of bills to ease the standards

They hadn't read the papers.

A pro-life friend last year asked why no news medium had reported that a certain cosmetics manufacturer was using the remains of aborted fetuses. That one stumped

A couple of weeks later, Ann Landers had the explanation in her syndicated column. The story had been circulating for years, Ann said. Her staff had checked it out, and so did other media. There was absolute-

ly nothing to it. We in the news business do miss a few. Most commonly it occurs in police blot- When we do, our friendly readers help set us straight.

> We don't work for coaches or mayors. We don't work for cops or hospitals. We work for the readers.

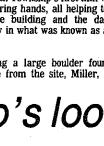
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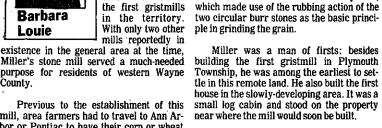
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nill, area farmers had to travel to Ann Ar- near where the mill would soon be built bor or Pontiac to have their corn or wheat ground into flour.

sometime between 1825-1828, according to beginnings in the 1820s, the mill was even various accounts. Located on the site of what tually purchased by Captain William Dunlap is now Mill Race Historical Village, Plymouth Township's first mill was built by posing structure known for many years as neighboring hands, all helping to construct both the building and the dam for the Northville Mills. By 1889, this company was raceway in what was known as a "building capable of grinding 1,000 bushels of grain per

Miller was a man of firsts; besides building the first gristmill in Plymouth Township, he was among the earliest to settle in this remote land. He also built the first house in the slowly-developing area. It was a Previous to the establishment of this small log cabin and stood on the property

John Miller's mill was a rotary mill,

which made use of the rubbing action of the

become Northville. as it might have been, but it was efficient

Village rests on site of gristmill

This first modest little house and its accompanying mill became the major force in John Miller began his gristmill creating the tiny town of Northville. From its who tore it down in 1847, building a more im the Northville Milling Company, or simply,



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Becky Halloran is surrounded by books and stuffed animals at The Learned Owl in Milford

The Learned Owl Milford store specializes in kids' books

### By DAVE WASKIN

Velveteen rabbits, good dogs nam-ed Carl, and bears that dance have

course, and can be found on the pages

"We specialize in children's books," said store owner Becky Halloran. "Ages for kids reading our books go from infant to 12, probably

A current best seller available at the store is The Eleventh Hour by Graeme Base, a mystery story which gives clues to readers and provides answers in the back. Although hardcover books such as The Eleventh Hour are expensive, the store gives free balloons to all children who walk through its door, and provides a 10 percent discount for teachers.

'Hardcovers are more expensive, but they're a keepsake," Halloran pointed out. "You have them forever. And we do carry inexpensive books, such as the Bearenstein Bears. They're real popular. They sell for \$1.95."

In addition. The Learned Owl offers a variety of games, stuffed animals, pens, paper, some toys, col-oring books, a small selection of children's videos, and a birthday club for the kids. The club gives a child a \$3 gift certificate or 10 percent off any book on his or her birthday. Halloran, who also owns The Stitching Bee, a cross-stitch store in the same building as The Learned Owl, explained the origin of her new store,

which opened in July of this year. "We wanted a place in Millord for kids to go," she said. "I've been in Millord for six years with The Stit-ching Bee, and moms are always coming in saying, 'I'll be back without the kids,' and so on. So I thought it would be nice if I had something for the kids."

What that something turned out to be was actually the idea of her husband, Patrick, who suggested she open a bookstore. A family business was born.

"My kids work here and they love it," Halloran said. "I thought that working here would be something for my kids to do because they're going to be working their way through col-lege and we're all interested in books

"I have a 12-year-old at home. She comes down here, works with me Thursday nights. So she's going to work her way right into it." Halloran is quick to give credit where it is due in relating the secret

of the store's early success. "Part of the reason we have such good books is when someone asks for a book 1 order it. And when I order one for them, I order one for the store. I figure if one person wants it, so will another.'

Does she enjoy running her new store? "I have spent more time over

here than over there (at The Stit-ching Bee)," she laughed. "I have fun in the bookstore." While Halloran reads many of the

books her store carries, she does not have time to keep up with all of them and encourages customers to offer suggestions on what to order.

"I'm trying to get a feel for what people want me to do so they don't have to go to the mall or somewhere else to get their books."

Halloran also pointed out that before it receives community feed-back, the store must generate awareness

"I don't know if all the people who live around Milford are always shop-ping in Milford — because I don't know if they know what all is there."

Yet the small business climate is still good. "It's flourished for me," she said. "I started with just one little shop and its grown to two businesses now." As people discover Halloran's se-

cond store, they will discover a business with a philosophy emphasizing learning, and a logo that is an owl wearing a graduation cap — the only

such bird in town. "People have said, 'Finally, we have something like this in Milford.'"

Future plans for the store include moving to a new location at 328 West Summit Street in February.





moved into Milford. Their home is with a learned owl. And children of all ages are welcome to make friends with them. They are fictional characters, of

> of books for sale at The Learned Owl. a new children's bookstore located at 120 East Liberty Street.

13 years old. Our specialty is in the hardcovers, although we do have some paperbacks. We try to keep up with the best sellers."

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### Thursday, December 21, 1989-SOUTH LYON HERALD-MILFORD TIMES-NORTHVILLE RECORD-NOVI NEWS-3-B

To paraphrase Mary Poppins, a

payers assume that the only in-dividuals who can take advantage of medical deductions are those who have been seriously ill or hospitalized

cording to the Michigan Association of CPAs. Every year, people deprive themselves of a medical deduction nedical expense.

liagnosis, treatment or prevention of ease, or for treatment affecting leductible. You may be surprised a how many items satisfy this require

CPAs suggest that you review the following list of eligible expenses. If your medical expenses are close to or just over the 7.5 percent threshold you may be able to boost your deduc tion by scheduling that long-delayed dental appointment or annual checkup before the end of the year. MEDICAL, MENTAL HEATLH and HOSPITAL: You probably know that you can deduct tees paid to doctors and to hospitals. But you may not be aware of some finer points. For example, you may deduct the fees paid to any qualified medical practitioner. cluding acupuncturists, dentists and chiropractors.

The tax courts have even allowed an individual to deduct payments to in Indian medicine man. Fees paid



for mental health service supplied by receiving medical treatment. psychiatrists, psychologists and However, you may also deduct the social workers also represent qualified expenses. Deductible hospital services include all surgery fees, even those for such elective operations as a face lift or a hair transplant MEDICINES AND DRUGS: Any

amount that you spend for medicine or drugs requiring a doctor's prescription may be deductible. Remember, the deduction holds only for prescription drugs, so don't start offecting receipts for every bottle of aspirin you buy - even if a doctor recommends that you take one aspirin a day.

TRANSPORTATION: One of the most commonly overlooked medical expenses is the cost of traveling to a cility where you receive medica care. In fact, you may deduct the ous, train, plane, taxi or ambulance fare for transportation to a doctor's large, it may help him meet the 7.5 office or hospital.

If you drive yourself, you can deduct such out-of-pocket expenses surance may represent a greater ex-as gas, oil, parking fees and tolls. In pense — and a greater deduction. lieu of itemizing these expenses, you Schemployed taxpayers can now may choose to use the standard ceduct from their gross income up to allowance of 12 cents per mile. 25 percent of the health insurance Transportation expenses are also costs for themselves, their spouses deductible for parents accompanying and their dependents. This special child to a medical facility.

MEALS and LODGING: Obviously, you may deduct the costs of meals similar facility in which you are

However, you may also deduct the cost of lodging outside a hospital if. for example, you are a parent trave ing with a sick child seeking medical care. In such circumstances, you are generally allowed to deduct \$50 per person per night. You should also note that a person

who lives in a nursing home primariy for medical purposes may deduct all nursing home fees, including

meals and lodging. INSURANCE PREMIUMS: If you work for a company that requires you to pay for your medical in-surance, make sure that you add that cost into your medical expenses. For instance, Don's employer takes \$80 out of his paycheck each month to pay for his medical and dental policies. Over the course of the year, Don will pay \$960 in insurance premiums. While the sum is not very

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One last point: unreimbursed medical expenses can generally be deducted only in the year in which only to taxpayers who itemize. For further information on how to deduct your medical expenses,

## HP employees receive profit-sharing checks

More than 300 employees of Hewlett-Packard Company's offices in Novi recently received cash profit-sharing checks totaling \$378,000. Companywide, HP distributed nearly \$94 million to more than 83,500 eligible employees

broughout the world. "HP achieved a 25 percent increase in revenue and a 23 percent increase in operating profit during the final quarter of this year," said John A. Young, HP president and chief executive officer. "Profit-sharing is one way we recognize the con-

ribution employees make to HP's performance. Young said the company's profit-sharing pool included an additional \$6 million allocated to offthis quarter's financial costs of acquiring Apollo Computer Inc. As expected, the acquisition reduced earnings for the quarter by 10 cents per share. Employees of HP's Apollo Systems Division now participate fully in the profit-sharing olan

HP employees are eligible for profit-sharing after six consecutive months of service with the company. Two checks are issued annually - one in December and one in May. When combined, the checks represent from two to four weeks of extra

1962, but the 50-year-old company has been distributing profits to employees in one form or HP's Midwest Sales Region, which markets, sells and services HP products, has offices in 27 Midwest cities located in 13 states and employs more than 2,700 people.

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With upper echelon employees, the perks sometimes are more important than the salary. Drake said.

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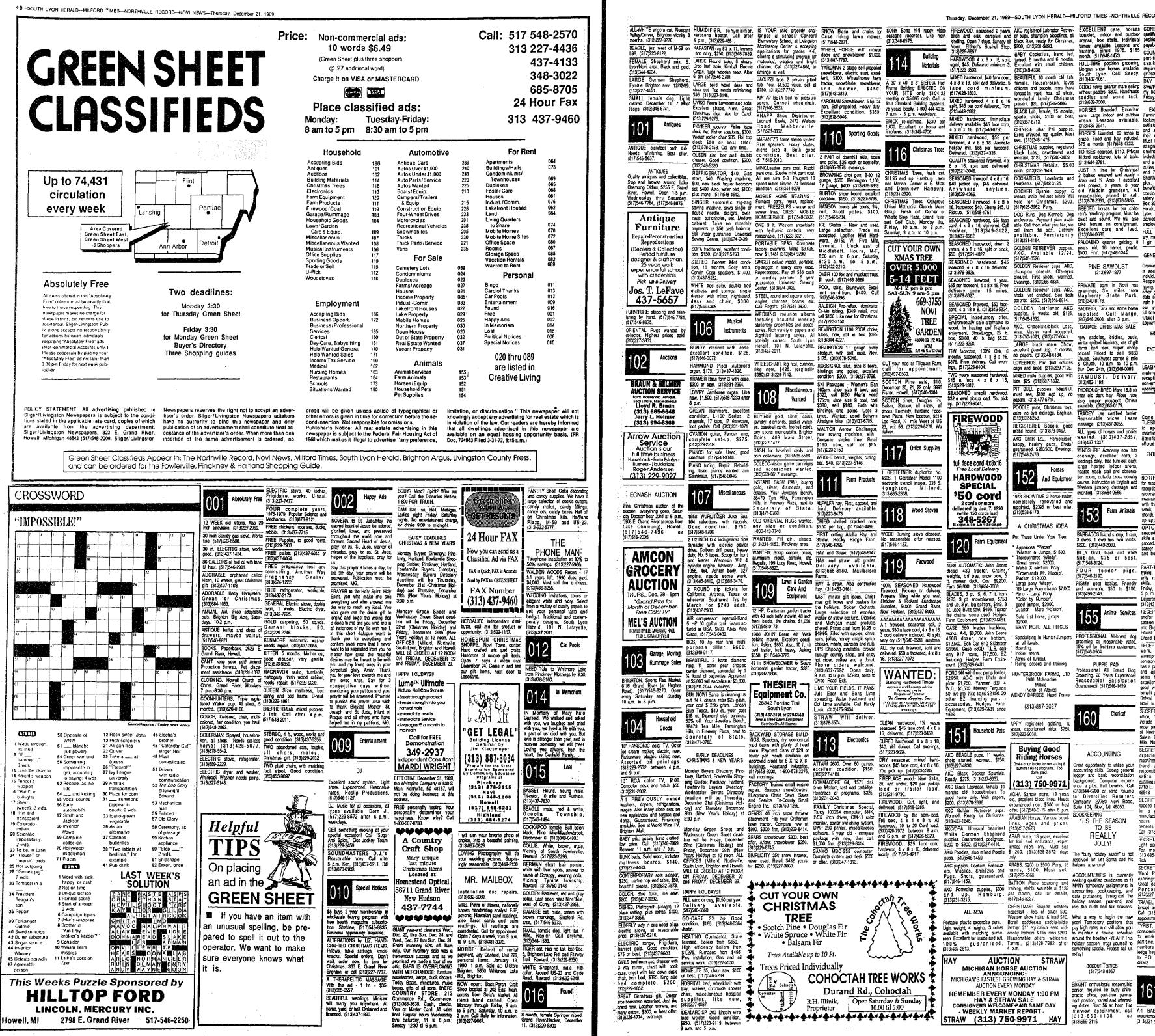
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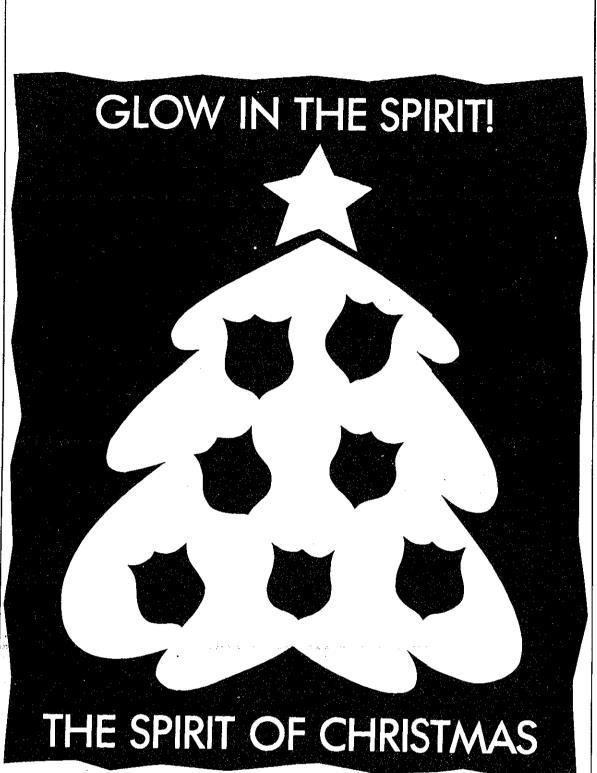


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**REAL ESTATE SECTION** 

# Creative Living House

# **Fires**

## 'Tis the season to take special care

### By Jim Wood

Most of the things you love and cherish are inside your home. Those who have lost them all in a house fire-family, furniture, collections, the priceless things-could tell you how horrifying and devastating that experience can be.

It doesn't have to happen. But the risks increase at Christmas time. A dried-out Christmas tree can easily turn into a torch. Those 24 strings of flashing lights plugged into a single socket can ignite in a flash. That roaring fire in the fireplace can roast more than chestnuts if a spark or hot coal escapes.

Nine out of 10 people killed in building fires die at home. The great majority of fatal fires occur during the hours when people are asleep. They wake too late to escape the deadly smoke, heat and toxic gases.

There's an increase in house fires during the Christmas season," said Howell Deputy Fire Chief Jim Reed, mostly due to carelessness, you know.

Prevention costs a lot less than a

fire. Your first, or maybe last, line of in your house is the minimum; two, three or more are better, depending on the size of your home. One should be near the bedrooms. Another should be in the living room. Another near the basement stairs.

Some detectors plug into an electrical outlet, but they won't work if the power's off. Others use batteries that must be replaced on a regular basis.

Fire extinguishers are inexpensive for the protection they provide. You should have several, including one near the stove and at least one on every level of the house.

Prevention means knowing where fires can start and doing what's necessary to reduce the danger.

During the winter, especially if you're heating with a woodstove, the chimney should be cleaned.

The chimney should be cleaned at least once a year," said Reed. "Once a month is not too much."

You can see Reed himself clambering up on his roof every month now with a long chimney sweep's brush to clean the vertical part of his flue. Then he takes the pipes apart near the stove. It only takes him 45 mi-nutes or so, he reports.

As for the stove, be sure to use the driest wood, he said. It has less of the creosote that collects in the chimney

and can cause the terrilying chimney fires you've heard about.

"If you have a chimney fire, call the fire department. Especially if it's go-ing real good, let the fire department handle it," Reed said. Before you evacuate the family, close the damper and close everything on your wood-stove to starve the fire of oxygen.

Roofing is generally made of safe materials now, although cedar shakes can dry out and become a hazard. Likewise, attic insulation made of fibreglas or cellulose tends to smolder rather than burn, said Reed.

He doesn't recommend kerosene heaters. But if you have one, fill it outside the house. He knows of cases where people filled them with gasoline instead, with disastrous results.

Remember, gas and oil heaters use up oxygen in the room. If you don't leave a window open a crack, there may not be enough air for you and your family. The heater doesn't know this.

Though the electric space heater is afer, there are dangers to avoid with them, too. Keep them away from the drapes. Don't move them too close to the bed, where blankets or bedspreads can be tossed over them. They should be guaranteed to turn off if knocked on their side, whether fueled by electricity or kerosene.

If you are a lover of fireplaces and an open fire, despite the heat loss, re-member that glass doors or fire arresters are needed to keep coals from popping out on the rug.

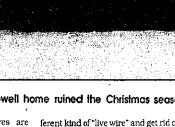
Over in the corner is your beautiful Christmas tree, the centerpiece of your holiday decor. But things could turn ugly if you forget to fill the stand beneath it with water.

Christmas trees dry out, even the one you cut yourself so recently, especially the one cut a month ago in the Upper Peninsula. A dry Christ-mas tree can be turned into a giant torch by an errant match or burning insulation on tree lights.

Reed's advice to those who heat and cook with gas is to heed their nose: gas is supposed to be smelled and you shouldn't smell any. "If they don't know what the prob-

lem is, they should call someone right away," Reed said.

Every member of the family should be aware that when grease, fat or lard begins to smoke, the next thing coming is fire and the heat should be turned down. They should know, if it does catch fire, not to throw water on it. Smother it with a lid if it's in a pot. Or use a dry, chemical-type extinguisher.



started by faulty wiring than any other cause. Older houses in particular, because there are so many demands today from microwave ovens, stereo components. TVs, video cassette recorders, electric shavers, and more, including electric heaters And during the holiday season, all those colorful lights.

If your house's wiring hasn't been modernized, be wary of those strips with multiple outlets that plug into the regular wall outlet. If you plug something in and the lights dim, you may have reached a limit. Reed recommends the kind of strip that has a circuit breaker built in

Look around you: do you see extension cords running under the rugs, crisscrossing each other, snaking through cracks in doors? Doors closing on electrical cords can break the insulation and the wires themselves, creating a dangerous fire hazard, not to mention shock. Be a difThat holds for Christmas lights.

Its seal means solid safety standards have been met.

scorch such materials. And use only flame-resistant ornaments and decolabels.

And whatever you do, don't put your tree next to a stove or fireplace in use. If it doesn't actually catch fire, it will dry out enough to catch fire from

the slightest spark.

Your outdoor lighting should util-ize only weather-resistant equipment and lights intended for outdoor use. Extension cords, plugs and sockets should be molded and heavy duty. All connections should be off

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the ground. Hang sockets downward to keep snow and rain out of them. Never use nails or tacks to fasten light sets to wood surfaces; use insulated staples.

If a fuse blows or circuit breaks, orrect the problem before replacing the fuse or resetting the breaker. And if it is happening regularly, call an electrician.

But if a fire happens, your family should be trained and prepared to escape. Map out escape routes by drawing floor plans and marking them, especially how to escape from the bedrooms. Make sure all windows can be opened.

Tell the children it's okay, in case

Photo by SCOTT PIPER

of fire, to break windows in a way that doesn't leave jagged pieces. Provide escape ladders for second-story windows if a porch or garage roof or other such means aren't available.

Be sure everyone knows how to test a door before opening it. Feel the knob or door itself. If it is warm, don't open it. Use an alternate escape. If it is a normal temperature, open it slowly to prevent a surge of heat or flame from coming in. If you can't get out of a room by the

door, block cracks with clothes or bedding to keep out smoke. If there is too much smoke to walk, crawl along the floor, since heat and smoke rise. Head for an exit window.

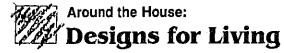
Speed is all important. Once out of the building, all members of the fam-ily should gather in a pre-planned meeting place so heads can be counted. And don't go back in once you're out.

It may occur to you, about then, how cheap a little prevention would have been.

A recent fire at this Howell home ruined the Christmas season for at least one family Probably more house fires are ferent kind of "live wire" and get rid of them. too. Light strings should be exa-

mined carefully for frayed wires. chipped sockets. If you find any, pitch them out, along with anything electrical that doesn't bear the Underwriters Laboratories (UL) seal.

Detroit Edison recommends using no more than three sets of standard lights on a single extension cord. Keep lights away from carpeting, fur-niture, curtains and drapes. Some standard lights are hot enough to rations, including artificial snow, around the tree. Check the cards and



### Perfect for the growing tamilv

### By James McAlexander

The Radford, a traditional home with modern touches, is ideal for a growing family. Its brick and turnedpost entryway, horizontal wood siding and shuttered windows look com-fortably familiar. Contemporary accents are provided by the triple roof line, cornice-trimmed gables, halfround windows and uniquely shaped stucco chimney.

Vaulted ceilings in the living room and dining area give an open and spacious feel to this medium-size home. Two large windows at ground level in addition to three half-round windows higher up, brighten both areas and add to the airy feeling.

One unusual feature is the second floor bridge. It transects the vaulted area, connecting the master suite to the other bedrooms. On the ground floor it functions as an archway, providing a sense of separation be the living and dining areas while still leaving them visually open.

Placing the master suite so far from the other bedrooms gives it added privacy-a feature particu-larly appreciated in families with older children, where tastes in music and volume may clash. The fireplace adds elegance and invites cozy evenings while the generous bathroom of fers room to spread out.

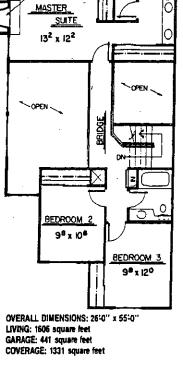
Family members naturally gravitate to the kitchen/family room area, minimally divided by an eating bar. A . and number when ordering.)

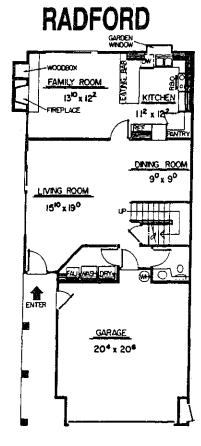
garden window adds charm and light to the kitchen. Sliding glass doors provide access to the patio area in summer, but on chilly winter evenings, the fireplace is the main attrachere.

Utilities and a small bathroom are convenient to both the garage and the stairway to the bedrooms

The Radford is designed with zero lot-line concept in mind. Two could fit back-to-back on one standard-size lot.

For a study plan of the Radford (208-21), send \$5 to Landmark De-signs, P.O. Box 2307 CN, Eugene, OR 97402. (Be sure to specify plan name





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Around the House: **Cooking** 

## Sweet tooth? Give a taste to country cakes

### By Carol Cutler

There are two sides to America's current preoccupation with watching calories. The obvious one is the self-righteous counting of every bite that goes into the mouth.

The other side of the coin is our infatuation with sweets. Restaurants are serving more rich desserts than neath them for a special effect." ever before

Wickedly rich chocolates are the status gift to bring a hostess or sent later as a thank you. Cookbooks devoted to confections are best sellers.

Those dessert cookbooks are lucious to look al. The photographs are replete with spun-sugar toppings, pulled-toffee bows, perfectly piped ribbons, pink fondant roses and exlded chocolate leaves. These intimidating elaborations defi- strange. The method is a bit unconnitely are not the work of a Sunday

Take heart, now there is "Country Cakes-A Homestyle Treasury" by Lisa Yockelson (Harper and Row, \$10.), a cozy kind of a book. How else can you describe a book that offers 2 cups unsified cake flour chapters on Back Porch Cakes, Cof- 1/4 teaspoon sait fee Cakes, Traveling Cakes, Teatime 4 extra-large eggs, at room Upside-Down Cakes, Pound Cakes temperature and Little Cakes? They sound just 2 cups granulated sugar like the kinds of cakes your mother 1 teaspoon pure vanilla extract and grandmother baked—and prob- 1 teaspoon baking powder ably are. "Country Cakes" follows another (optional)

homespun Yockelson book, "Country Pies, equally inviting and with equally do-able recipes. This little 9-inch tube pan. [Do not use tube duet falls right into the mode of the kind of cooking emanating from fam-batter will seep out.) Set aside. Preily kitchens across the land. Chichi is heat oven to 350 F. out, comfort cooking is in.

ence the cordiality of this mode of in large bowl of electric mixer on mod ntertaining.

"A tea party is a fine time for introducing new neighbors to the com- beat in sugar in 3 additions, beating munity, for visiting with old friends, well after each portion is added. With getting together with colleagues or mixer on low speed, blend in vanilla, ust plain relaxing. It is a welcome in Beat in flour in 2 additions. brightens the day.

the day. Although the teatime chapter is svoted to warm fruit upside down devoted to warm fruit upside-down cakes, there isn't a single cake among Last, add baking powder and beat 1 the nearly 50 in the book that doesn't qualify. The author may have pre- pour and scrape batter into prepared sented Coconut Layer Cake as a back-porch cake, but I'm willing to

bet it would be a teatime star. The friendly minibook is sprinkled til nicely risen and golden on top; with lovely serving and entertaining wooden pick inserted into center of

"Be it sparkling patterned glass or richly colored porcelain, a beautifui cake plate shows off a cake in a won-derful way. Over the years, i've ex-side up. Dust top cake with sifted panded my collection of pressedelass cake stands to include platters cake cut in medium-thick slices and plates, and I love to choose from the array of softly colored Depression-glass plates, flowery author of seven cookbooks. Her lat china plates and footed cake stands, matching the cake to the serving Course for the '80s" and 'Carol Cut-

"For your own tea party, bake cakes of different textures and tastes; choose a fruit-based cake, a chocolate cake, a nuity cake and a spicecharged cake.

"Offer hot tea with a small picther of cream, a bowl of sugar and a plate of lemon slices. Set out the cakes attractively, using lacy doilies under-To illustrate how approachable Yockelson's recipes are, here is her Grandma Lilly's Hot Milk Cake. Grandma Lilly is cited with rever

ence throughout the book. If this light, buttery cake is typical of her style, she was a delicious, no nonsense kind of person.

"My grandmother was famous for this cake. As cake recipes go, the procedure for this one may strike you as ventional, but it does work."

Grandma Lilly's 1/2 CUP [1 stick] unsalted butter

1 cup milk

Confectioners' sugar for dusting

**By Carol Cutler** 

Friends come bearing adornments

to add to your collection. Some are

iomemade, others purchased-but

everyone tries to be singularly artistic

and clever. Every new bauble is

preeted with oohs and aahs. When

you get right down to it, there's still a childlike core within each of us.

gest job for the host and hostess. Standing there in the corner of the

room, totally naked, it had better

lane takes over. This is the time you

Once the tree is secured, memory

have a pretty good shape.

Selecting the perfect tree is the big-

Place butter and milk in large The tea party also has made a big saucepan and bring to over moderate comeback, and dedicated baker Lisa heat. Stift cake flour with salt onto Yockelson urges readers to experi- large sheet of waxed paper. Beat eggs erately high speed for 2 to 3 minutes. With mixer on moderate speed,

rlude that warms the heart and Add boiling butter milk mixture with bowl moving and beaters turn-

minute at moderate speed. Quickly

pan. Bake cake on lower-third-level rack of preheated oven 1 hour, or uncake should come out clean and dry, Let cool in pan on wire rack 5 mi-

confectioners' sugar if you like. Serve

Carol Cutler is the award-winning est books are "Pate: The New Mair ler's Great Fast Breads."

balls and trinkets and tinsel that Many children wake up Christmas have been collected and saved over morning to the miraculous sight of a Christmas tree where there wasn't the years. As each box is opened, there will be instant recall of where you bought one before. If the tots look hard at

nvite the whole crew over this year

Mom and Dad they might detect signs of fatigue, all of which take wing when the little faces light up. Just rite angel that had a place of honor year after childhood year. And this is look what Santa did. the cardboard reindeer Billy made in Alas, then we grow up and dis-

cover that Santa was the busy to de- crafts class. corate our tree. But not all the magic Don't unpack the baubles, just reneed be lost in the creation of a move the lids from the boxes. All of vondrous holiday tree. The longthe accessories are spread out on the standing tradition of trimming-tree floor as inspiration to the tree decoraparties is the wand grown-ups can ors. Other provisions include extra

hooks for balls, red ribbon, paper clips and sticky tape for emergency repairs, and a ladder. Everyone will have a different idea of what looks good where, but again, the artist in each of them will come forth. Of course, the tree may not have as cohesive a look as if done by

you alone, but that's no fun. Holiday time is togetherness time. The first thing to do as people arrive is to ask for volunteers to string the lights. If the tree stands high, someone will have to get up on the ladder so that the lights encircle it top to bottom. Once the lights are fixed,

bring out all the boxes and bags of anything goes with the placement of the de

provided. Little sandwiches of home- free made biscuits and cured ham are very popular. If you have a local bakthat glittery trinket shaped like a giant snowlake. And here is the favo you, order them in advance. The best size is between 1 inch and 11/2 inches, which can be neatly dispatched in a single bite or two.

Smoked fish or turkey also is good on the biscuits. Make a tasty fish spread by mashing canned salmon or tuna with some mayonnaise and yogurt, plus some grated onion, pepper and a good dash of soy sauce. Cheese counters showcase all sorts of special creations at this time of year. You will find cheddar balls covered with chopped nuts or pa-prika. Creamy cheeses are studded with grape halves, sometimes alternating green and black. Other logs of cheese are spiked with toasted al-

monds, porcupine fashion. A selec-tion of fanciful cheese and a brimming fruit bowl make an attractive cent rpiece. Have bowls of nuts, pretzels and

popcorn in the tree room so that seri- 1 ounce brandy ous decorators also can nibble. Pop- Champagne, well-chilled corn brings up fluffy white garlands. Orange slice, optional

Guests who don't feel like hanging orthe decorations. naments can still contribute by str-Some light sustenance should be inging popcorn. No one gets off scotnaments can still contribute by str-

> Set up a self-service bar. Provide a nice dry white wine and all the regular liquors popular with your crowd Just make sure there also is plenty of bottled bubbly water and another non-alcoholic beverage such as apple

The beauty of this cocktail is that the base can be prepared before re-

Champagne Cocktail 1 sugar cube

Host tree-trimming party this year

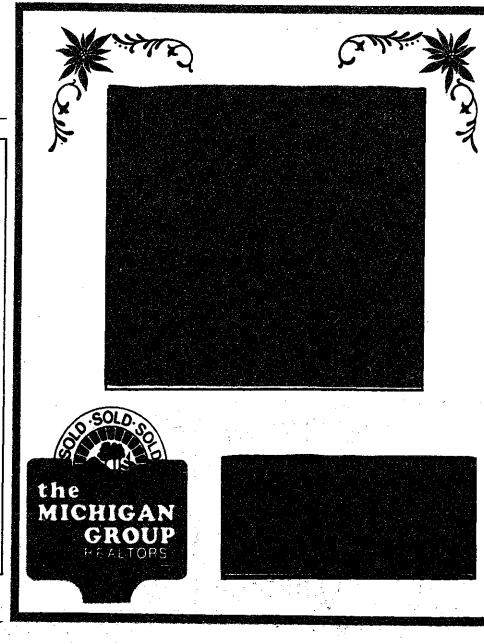
vin mousseux (frothy wine) from France, Spain or the United States.

on the bubbling wine.

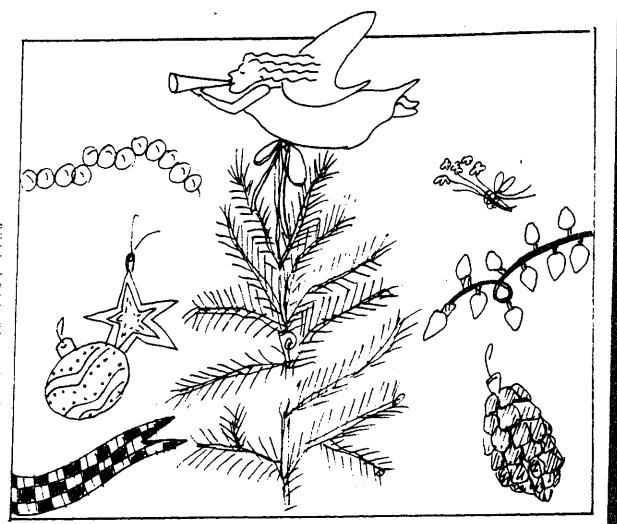
cider or fruit punch. A very festive and easy cocktail to offer is that throwback to the great days of plano cocktail lounges-the champagne cocktail. It seems espe-cially fitting for a party with an oldfashioned tradition. Fine champagne is not only not necessary, but a waste. Instead, select a well-made, dry

velers arrive. All you do later is pour

Angostura bitters







By Kay Severinsen and Bob until smooth and creamy. Refrigerate dream about next January when you mixed into batter. What tokens one Gonko

How did the anniversary of Jesus' birth become an excuse for overeating? Should we change our carols to "Gloria in Excess Deo" and "A-weigh in a Manger"?

But do calories really count when 2% cups oat bran we are so busy shopping, wrapping 1 tablespoon baking powder and partying? There is a difference of opinion on Sweetener to equal 1/2 cup sugar holiday dining—should we watch our % cup skim milk caloric intake or should we adhere to 2 eggs

old adage. 'Eat. drink and be merry 2 tablespoons vegetable oil 1 cup unsweetened applesauce Year's Dayl we diet." "Often the results of holiday dinners and celebrations are extra

pounds which need to be dieted off after the new year," observes Cindy Teggart, a registered dietician. "Smart cooks," Teggart says, "look for ways to reduce the excess fat and cessor recommended). Combine oat sodium which, by helping people avoid a post-holiday diet, can be considered a sort of holiday gift. "Fat is a major contribute not only

of flavor, but also of calories. The fat carries the flavor, but the cost of that flavor is unneeded calories." However, fat can be reduced without altering the flavor and finished quality of the food.

Although self-basting turkeys are easy to cook and generally tasty, they often have added fat and sodiur Teggart recommends purchasing a

fresh or frozen turkey that is not selfbasting. Another calorie-cutting tip is that spices can make sweet foods taste weeter, even if they are low in sugar. Today we offer you an array of desserts-some easy on the calories,

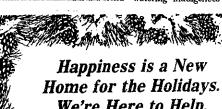
others go-for-broke decadent delights. All are delicious. First are the guilt-free seasonal foods. Equal Nog, for example, substitutes skim milk for cream and brandy and rum extracts for liquors. A 4-punce serving tallies 110 calories, Cranberry Oat Bran Muffins are rich in fiber and are only 117 calories per muffin-but don't slather then

Equal Nog

1 cup non-fat dry milk powder <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> cup warm water 24 packets artificial sweetener teaspoon brandy extract 1/2 teaspoon rum extract 2 eggs 2 cups skim milk teaspoon nutineg

with butter.

warm cookies in bag and shake to Yields 8 (4-ounce) servings at 110 coat. calories per serving. Combine first 3 ingredients in For glaze: Combine sweetener and cinnamon in boiling water. times, lucky charms and coins were blender. Blend on high for 5 to 10 mi- Brush over cookies while warm. nutes or until smooth and creamy, Add extracts and eggs; blend until And for for those rich, mouth well mixed. Add skim milk and blend



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### Cranberry Oat Bran Muffin

1 cup whole raw cranberries

¾ teaspoon salt

Yields 10 muffins at 117 calories per muffin. Heat oven to 425 F. Grease bot-

toms only of medium-size muffin tins or line with paper baking cups. Coarsely chop cranberries (food probran, baking powder, salt and sweetner. Sür in milk, eggs, oll, applesauce and chopped cranberries. Spoon batter into mullin tins. Bake 16 to 18 mi nutes or until golden brown. Most supermarkets carry oat bran, a hot cereal, in the oatmeal section.)

### Ginger Spice Cookies

Cookies: ½ cup vegetable oil3 tablespoon diet margarine

1 tablespoon skim milk l egg

½ teaspoon vanilla extract. 1/2 teaspoon salt I teaspoon baking powder

1/4 teaspoon cinnamon

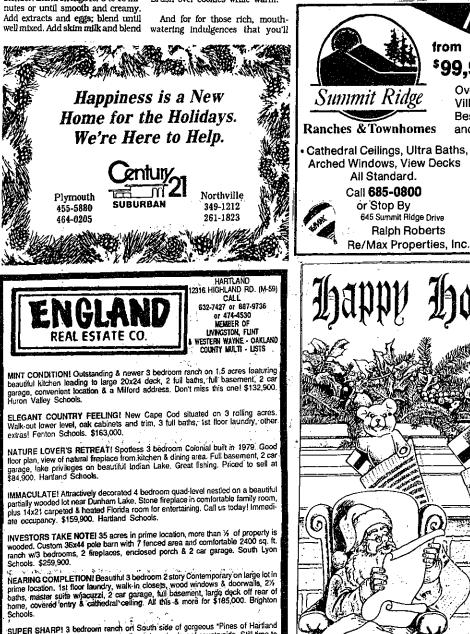
½ teaspoon ginger¼ teaspoon ground cloves 11/2 cups all-purpose flour

Topping

12 packets artificial sweetener teaspoon cinnamon 2 tablespoons boiling water

Yields 36 cookies. Three cookies have 122 calories.

Beat together oil and margarine. Add milk, egg and vanilla and beat well. Combine dry ingredients, then blend into liquid mixture. Roll out into % -inch thickness and cut into 2-inch rounds. Place cookies on baking sheet spraved with non-stick ating. Bake at 375 F for 7 minutes. Add topping or glaze while warm. For topping: Combine sweetner and cinnamon in plastic bag. Place



until chilled. Pour into mugs and have gone on your yearly weight-loss sprinkle with nutmeg. Use within 4 regimen. Bete Noire (black beast) is an eleg-

ant but easy dessert for chocolate lovers. Beaten well, the cake has a thin, crispy top with a creamy smooth in-side, tasting like a chocolate truffle. Beaten just until it is mixed, it has a smooth top, easier for glazing with the panache given here. It can be served hot out of the oven,

warm with whipped cream or cooled and glazed. Bette Noire

8 ounces unsweetened chocolate ounces semisweet or bittersweet chocolate

1/2 cup water 1% cups sugar cup unsalted butter, room temper-

ature, cut in small pieces 5 large eggs at room temperature

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F with rack in center of oven. Butter 9-inch cake pan, not springform, and line bottom with buttered waxed paper or parchment Chop both chocolates into fine

pieces and set aside. Combine water with 1 cup sugar in heavy 1% -quart saucepan and bring to rapid boil over high heat. Cook for 2 minutes. Remove from heat and immediately add chocolate pieces,

stirring to melt completely. Place eggs and remaining ½ cup sugar in bowl and beat with electric mixer until tripled in volume for crunchy crust cake. Or, mix only until sugar dissolves for a smooth top, which is better for frosting.

Add chocolate/butter mixture to eggs and mix to incorporate completely. Do not overbeat; it causes air bubbles.' Spoon into prepared pan. Set pan into larger pan. Set both in wen and pour hot water into larger

Bake for 25 to 30 minutes. Let cool in pan for 10 minutes and then run sharp knife around sides to release cake. Unmold onto platter, remove waxed paper and invert onto serving platter. Glaze when cool with Chocolate Panache (recipe follows). Chocolate Panache: Scald ½ cup

heavy cream. Remove from heat and add 5 ounces semisweet or bittersweet chocolate, cut in small pieces; stir very gently until smooth. Cool slightly and pour over cake, rotating cake to coat evenly. Refrigerate cake until glaze sets.

Minement Pudding is an English Christmas dessert tradition dating back to Henry VIII. In Victorian

received foretold one's fortune for the next year

### **Mincemeat** Pudding

1 cup bottles mincemeat or 9 ounces condensed

1 cup orange juice teaspoon orange rind

large eggs 1/2 cup dark brown sugar

1 tablespoon dark rum ¼ cup fine stale bread crumbs

1 cup flour 2 teaspoons baking powder

% cup chopped pecans or walnuts

Combine mincement, juice and rind in small saucepan. Bring to boil and simmer, stirring occasionally for 2 minutes. Allow to cool,

In large bowl, beat eggs well; beat Ain sugar and rum and stir in mincemeat and bread crumbs. Into bow sift and baking powder; stir in nuts

Turn batter into well-buttered 1-quart steamed pudding mold and cover tightly with lid. Set mold or rack in kettle with tight-fitting lid; add enough hot water to reach 3 of the way up sides of mold and steam udding covered over moderate heat for 1 hour. Let stand on rack for 15 minutes; uncover and invert onto serving plate.

Serve warm with Rum Butter fre cipe follows). Can be made days ahead of time and reheated by steam ing or microwaving. Can also be steamed in 16 individual half-cup molds. Rum Butter: Cream together 1/2

cup unsalted butter, % cup sifted confectioners' sugar, 2 tablespoons dark rum, I tablespoon orange rind teaspoon nutmeg. and ½

(From Gournet magazine.)

Apple Pita is a traditonal Serbian Sweet, served on special occaions,

### Apple Pita

1 box filo dough 1/2 cup butter, melted to ¾ cup oil added to butter

Warm water Bread crumbs 2 cups sugar, mixed with 2 teas-

3 pounds tart apples, peeled, cored and grated

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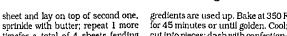
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with butter on the last filo) Sprinkle bread crumbs over 1/4 of

spread some apples on top; sprinkle grated lemon, cinnamon sugar and then bread crumbs. Brush edge of dough with water;

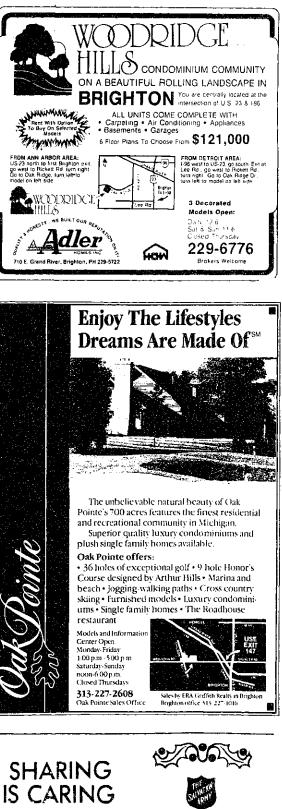
roll like jelly roll; gently transfer to prepared pan; brush with butter; pierce top a few times with fork.

Repeat above procedure until in- field, Ill.

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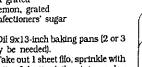
sprinkle with butter; repeat 1 more for 45 minutes or until golden. Cool; timefor a total of 4 sheets (ending cut into pieces; dash with confectioners' sugar. (Can be frozen but do not bake prior to freezing; increase bak top of filo; follow that with a bit of sugar/cinnamon mixture. Gently Cheery Pita: Follow recipe for Apple Pita but substitute canned cherry ple filling (2 large cans) for apple

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1 lemon, grated Oil 9x13-inch baking pans [2 or 3 may be needed).





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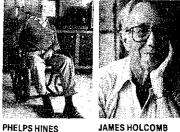
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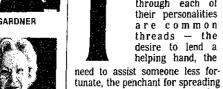






KATHY LANGHAM





They take time out of their own lives to touch the lives of others. In turn, they ask for little in return. And the rewards, they are likely to tell us, are colossal.

Volunteers.

A wave of volunteerism appears to be spreading throughout the country these days. Much of the credit may be attributed to Presi-dent George Bush, who has made it somewhat of a personal crusade to promote volunteerism. Television spots urge the American public to set aside an hour each week and to give that time to a charity of choice.

generosity. Who are these people?

We're hearing more about volunteers and the organizations they support. And we're becoming more aware of the tremendous need for more involvement.

Locally, there are countless volunteers who give a segment of their time to something or someone they believe in. Nearly every week since May 1988, The Novi News and Northville Record have highlighted someone in the community who volunteers for a worthy cause. So far, 51 local residents have been highlighted at the bottom of this page - you'll find their faces bordering this story.

Northville's Dorothy Nash has all of the terviewed nearly volunteers, as well as about 600

reward is enough.

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"Helping someone else or a cause is the most satisfying thing for volunteers. Most people will do

it because they need it," she added. Using her knowledge of the subject, Nash wrote a book "Volunteering Is Good For You," but wasn't successful in attracting a publisher. She said the book would have been "good in the doc-tor's office" to give people a resource and show them all the volunteering opportunities available.

"There's such a broad spectrum of volunteers and reasons for volunteering. There are teenagers who want something to do after school. There are some, maybe older people, who use volunteering as a career.

"Or the volunteer may be a woman who wants to re-enter the work force and gives volunteering a try to see if she likes an occupation before committing to it. All of it is getting out and working with

people," Nash remarked. Her observations ring true with many of the local volunteers we have introduced in the newspaper. Eileen Dunn, the first volunteer to appear in the paper, spoke about her work with the American Cancer Foundation.

"When you live in a community I think it's important to give something back," she commented in a May 12, 1988 story. "And this is a very worthwhile organization to help.

Judy Williams, another featured volunteer, discussed her volunteer work at the Novi Youth Assistance Teen Center with Nash in a July 21, 1988 article.

"I thought I had something to offer," Williams told Nash. "Also, I thought that by doing this I could sharpen my professional skills so I could get back into things." Anne Bright, a hospice

The reason to become a volunteer may be quite simple. Dolores Vedro, a volunteer for Novi Youth Baseball, said in a June 23, 1988 story that the reason she and her husband offered their time to the group was because "we love baseball and we love kids."

volunteer, it's important to find something enjoyable. "You have to find something that

suits you," Nash said. "Get out of it if it's not for you. There are plenty of other things you can do. It's not like a job - you don't do it for pay. You do it for inner satisfaction.

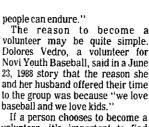
Volunteer James (Bud) Holcomb agrees. In a Sept. 29 story he said: 'I think it would be good if people would try to help each other." A volunteer at the senior citizen program at the Novi Civic Center, he lends a hand in the Meals On Wheels service. "It's not a lot of work," Holcomb said. "... but it's helping — and besides I have to do volunteer work or get a job. I have too much time on my hands."

Lee Ann Schanne, a volunteer featured in a story on Oct. 12, described her volunteer work as "reaching out to others." She volunteers as chairperson of the Church and Society Committee sponsored by the First United Methodist Church of Northville.

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Harriet Watt, a volunteer at the Northville Area Senior Citizens Activity Center at Cooke School said in a Sept. 21 article: "I like to be around people and I like to be busy." Her volunteer work in-volves answering the phone and doing clerical work for the group. Her efforts don't go unnoticed. " ... in return I get a smile and a soft thank-you," she said.

"It's volunteering that makes





others as a writer for the Saginaw News. She's identified similarities among most people who choose to volunteer.

"People volunteer for themselves -- it's what you get out of it that matters . . ." Nash said. 'You don't need pay ... the

volunteer, commented in an Aug. 25, 1988 story: "It's very uplifting to hear the positive things people say about their lives." She also said being with a patient "gives you an appreciation for how much

you feel so positive," remarked Marlene Kunz in a Nov. 9 story. She volunteers for Civic Concern. "You know you gotta be doing something

right." Novi volunteer Doris Schultz started lending a hand at the Novi

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KATHLEEN OTTON



## Novi parks offer winter recreation opportunities

### **By JEANNE CLARKE** special writer

'Tis the season for winter fun. So get out those skis, pull on those mittens and head out into the snow bepartment offers many op-portunities for outdoor winter activities throughout the city. Lakeshore Park, located on Walled Lake, has 30 acres that can be used Gombasy, formerly of the Novi area, chairperson, and Linda Crowley, are the proud parents of a son, Brett chapter secretary. Lake, has 30 acres that can be used for cross-country skiing (on an un-marked course) and sledding. Grills He weighed 8 pounds, 2½ ounces. He also are available for outdoor cook-

School), the Spirit of '76 Park at the aunt; and Alan Statezni, his nephew corner of Eleven Mile and Taft Road who is stationed in Germany. The and Ella Mac Power Park with 70 Gombasys now reside in Seattle, acres available for cross-country ski-

the high school tennis courts that is birthday party for Ray See of Farmbeing flooded and will be available after Dec. 22 for ice-skating, weather permitting. Novi residents can also take ice-

skating lessons at the Cultural Center Plymouth at a special Novi price for ages 4 and up, starting Jan. 22. Registration day is Thursday, Jan. 18 at the Cultural Center.

The third annual Chilly Willy Festival has been scheduled for Saturday, Jan. 13, at Ella Mae Power Park and the Novi Civic Center, beginning at 10 a.m. Families and new residents are encouraged to attend For more information, stop by the Novi Parks and Recreation Department to pick up additional in formation about the festival. Planned activities include hayrides, a Snow Sculpture Castle Contest, Sno-Ball Tournament, Little Ms. Icicle Conest, Ms. Junior Snowflake Contest, Old Man Winter Contest and Old Woman Winter Contest. Inside ac tivities include a bridge tournament, born to Becky (Schuh) and Charles a euchre tournament, a lip sync contest, a youth coloring contest and Chilly Willy cartoons

Cook-off, limited to restaurants. There are only a few weeks left to enter the 1989 Novi Photo Contest with divisions for adults and children. Entry deadline is Dec. 29 at tinues to meet and host activities dur-5 p.m. More information about the contest is available at the Novi Parks and Recreation office or Dunns Camera at Twelve Oaks Mall.

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PERSONALS: George and Patrice joins a brother, Michael, 31/2, at home. Relatives in this area include

ington at Key Largo on Dec. 1. Thirty guests were present, which included

guests were present, which included The group is making plans to at-friends and relatives. The party was tend the 40th annual Wingless planned by Mr. Sprader's children. Bob, Tom, Jim, Lynne and Ray Jr. and his wife, Pegg See. Another local baby born on

Darling, son of Tom and Wendy Darling. Baby Ryan weighed 7 pounds, 10 ounces. Grandparents are Tom and Judy Darling of Novi and Dick and Alice Ritter of Union Lake, Greatrandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Darling of Novi.

Mrs. Marie Travis and Mrs. Jeanne Clarke attended the 15th birthday party of their grandson, Patrick, last Tuesday evening at the Bonanza Restaurant. He is the son of Karen and Pete Timko. Other guests included Mrs. Betsy Clarke, another grandmother living in Pontiac, and his aunt, Mrs. Sue Brundige. Rilee Jordan is the baby daughter

Chastain, now living in Dearborn. She was born Nov. 13 at Huron Valley hilly Willy cartoons. Hospital, weighing 8 pounds, 13 The festival also will feature a Chili ounces. Grandparents are John and Diana Schuh of Highland, formerly of Novi.

GOLD WINGS: This group coning the winter, even though the "Gold Wing Motorcycle" trips are at a standstill until spring. Members hosted their Christmas

Registrations for youth floor party for Chapter H at the Village tain Louis Gombasy and his ty at the parsonage with an exclusion bockey closes this Friday at 5 p.m. Oaks Clubhouse. About 55 people at for both boys and girls in third tended the party from both Chapter A

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Novi Parks and Recreation through eighth grade. The event is and Chapter B. The evening included Department offers many op sponsored by the Novi Lions Club. a disc jockey, dancing, dinner and door prizes. Organizers of the party included Nancy Drown, co-

Members recently met at Blakeney's Ranch House for dinner with about 30 in attendance, where they made final plans for del Other Novi parks include Mr. Louis Gombasy, the baby's \$700 worth of toys and clothing for St. Brookfarm Park (near VIIIage Oaks grandfather; Linda Statezni, his Vincent and Sarah Fisher Center for Vincent and Sarah Fisher Center for Abused Children. The items were delivered this week by members of the motorcycle club.

Chapter H also will be assisting in Val and Joe Sprader of D'Mae Several other charitable causes, such There also will be an area behind Ceramics attended the surprise 70th as helping plan the 60-mile "Road Run" with proceeds going to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society.

> Weekend to be held Feb. 9-11 in Lansing with the bike raffle proceeds to go to the "Michigan Make-A-Wish Fou dation." During this event, Fred and Thanksgiving Day was Ryan Thomas Darling, son of Tom and Wendy Darl-ple of the Year" and will be competing with other couples from other chapters. The DeLongs will represent Chapter H. The winning couple will advance to the state level and eventually to the regional level.

The Gold Wing Road Riders Association has been in existence for 12 years. Members have a comm interest in riding Gold Wing motor cycles. The group was formed originally to establish a better image of motorcyclists in their respectiv communities. There are now 40,000 members in 25 countries, with 500 active chapters. The Novi Chapter meets every Saturday at Donna's Place at the Union 76 Truck Stop a Wixom Road and I-96 for breakfast a 9 a.m. During the summer, member participate in an "ice cream ride" every Wednesday evening. For more information about the group call Fred DeLong, area representative, at 474-8338.

CIVIL AIR PATROL: Personnel from the Sixgate Composite Squadron par-ticipated in the annual Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day in Trenton. Those in attendance included Cap-

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threw a wreath into the river, witnessed by other squadrons who had gathered that day for the memorial service. The group also recently celebrated

Chaplain Ivan Speight handling the details of the service. Cadets Heckett and senior cadet Lamoreau took part in the flag ceremony. Other members from the squadron atten-ding the celebration included senior members Linda and Dale Lemoreau. Captain Alan Strong, Squadron Com-mander Major Noel Gregory, Major Sue F'Geppert and guests Erwin F'Geppert, Mrs. Heckett and her son, Adap

girls at least 13-18 years old. Members over the age of 18 take part in a senior member program, which meets every Tuesday from 7 to 9:30 p.m. at the Novi Middle School, with visitors welcome.

The program provides cadets with skills in an aerospace-oriented environment under the guidance of adult CAP members, assisted by Air Force liaison personnel. The Civil Air Patrol has a structured program of aerospace education, leadership training, physical fitness, mora leadership and planned aerospace related activities. Members take part in encampments, orientation flights and exercises to prepare for emergency situations during a disaster. For more information cal 349-2607

NOVI BAPTIST: Christmas activities at the church include the Christmas program presented by the Sunday School children last Sunday

evening. The program included specia music, recitations and refreshments. Parents also had a chance to meet the childrens' teachers. Of Christmas Eve the children are planning their first candlelight service starting at 6 p.m. They will also include a baptismal in the evening's program that will include carol

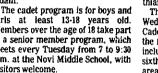
cluding "O Holy Night" by Valeri Jackson The adult Sunday school classes had an old-fashioned Christmas par ty at the parsonage with an exchange of handmade gifts, decorating the

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rtunities to develop leadership

Heckett and Leone handmade ornaments and a potluck dinner. The New Year's Eve program will begin at 7 p.m. and includes a buffet supper, film, devotional service and

communion service. Game time in CAP Day Sunday, held this year at the First Baptist Church of Novi with those who wish to participate. Several groups within the church meeting during the will not holidays but will resume the first week in January. This includes the ladies Bible study on Tuesday at 10 a.m. under the direction of Mrs. Never A Doubt (183 in 518 series)

Burgess. Any lady in the area who would like to come to the meetings is in 516 series). Minnie Legal of the welcome. The group is reviewing the book "Growing through life's Bose of Lookin' Good (177). Stan challenges," a study in II Corin-

The Whirly Birds, which meets Wednesday evenings, and the Jet Cadets will resume meetings after the first of the year. The Jet Cadets includes children in third through sixth grades. Those who assist in this area include Nancy Wybo, Shellie Mrs. Ano, Lorraine Judy Pearson, Sharon Kahl and Karen Pittsenbarger. Special music every Wednesday is directed by Mrs. Burgess. Children can be picked up from their homes and transported to the church for these services. Call 349-3477 for more information.

NOVI METHODIST: The beginning saries and other events for the "Perof the Advent season started Dec. 3. with a special ceremony called same number.

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### "Lighting of the Advent Wreath" in morning services. In the evening a special program was held called the Advent Interna tional Christmas Festival with

presentation by the music department directed by Ruth Ann Zimme followed by a church-wide carol sing PIN POINTERS: High bowlers were Barb Dettore of B&L (273 and 207 in 599 series), Dyanna Martin of the M&Ms (191), Rosemary Banish of

Shirley Downing of Lookin' Good (180 dings are as follows:

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Although it's the dead of winter now, local gardeners can look ahead to the University of Michigan's Mat-thaei Botanical Gardens flower and garden show April 6-8 at the universi-

Garden Show will focus on four kinds of displays. Landscape designers and plants in horticultural classes.

Want to know the solution to lawn pests? What is the right plant for that lifficult shady spot Oakland County's Master Gardener training program may be the help you have needed. Graduates are versed in those aspects of gardening that let them control their ards and assist their neighbors and communities with improving the world around us.







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the landscape firms and nurseries will be among the show's highlights with special exhibits by the ikebana, rose, bonsai and orchid societies. Selected by a panel of leading landscape and gardening authorities, landscape designs will feature Japanese spruce, paper bark maple,

ty's Yost Field House. The 1990 Ann Arbor Flower and

opportunity to interact with horticultural and environmental ex-

In addition, the public will have the Garden environments created by

nursery firms will feature dramatic garden environments, Michigan garden club members and commercial florists will exhibit original floral arrangements and community residents will be invited to enter

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A group of Novi seniors stop to admire a wreath created by the small hands of first grade students hanging at the Novi Civic Center.

## Flower show slated in April

azaleas, snapdragons, daffodils, tea houses, waterfalls, small streams and other traditional and innovative gardening ideas. The Flower and Garden Show will

adhere to flower show guidelines established by the National Council of State Garden Clubs. The show will serve as a major fund-raising event continue the development of the Matthaei Botanical Gardens' and programs.

The gardens provide the university community, the surrounding region and the State of Michigan with a naturalistic setting for native plants and exotics. The gardens also "serve as an outdoor classroom for taxonomists and botanists as well as a place for families to come and enjoy the tropical plant display, speciality gardens, rare plants and nat trails," according to its directors.

Besides exhibits, the Flower and Garden Show will include a marketplace for retail sales of garden and plant materials. For more information on the show, call o write Judith Corkran Katch, Mat-thaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 Dixresearch and educational facilities boro Road, Ann Arbor, MI 48105, 998

## Master Gardener program set

You don't need to be an expert, just a little experience in gardening is all that it takes to be accepted into the quired to volunteer 40 additional program. Starting Jan. 22, students hours after the formal training to will attend one intense evening class per week covering topics such as lawn care, perennials, fruit trees and

others. tion they need to have a better understanding of the plants around tificate.

To be part of this program call At the end of the 12-week training, participants will have the informa-Cooperative Extension Service of Oakland County at 858-0887.

## **City plans family activities** for entertainment in 1990

Residents who receive calendars as Christmas gifts are advised to mark off upcoming dates planned for family entertainment in Novi.

The Novi Arts and Culture Committee plans to host several events in 1990. On Jan. 12, a family film series saluting man's best friend, the dog, will continue with a showing of "The Courage of Kavic." All films are shown at 7 p.m. in the 136-seat Novi City Council Chambers at the Novi Civic Center. Tickets purchased at the door are priced at \$1.50 adults, 75 ents children

Films featuring famous dogs are shown on the second Friday of each month through May 11, 1990. On Feb. 9, "Big Red" will be the featured film. Other scheduled films include "Pluto" cartoons on March 9; Where the Red Fern Grows" on April 13; and "The Incredible

Journey" on May 11. For those who prefer live enterent, the Novi Concert Band, Novi Choralaires, Novi Players and Novi Youth Chorus will join for "Cabaret, Cabaret, Cabaret," an evening of singing and dancing on

Saturday, Feb. 10, beginning at 7

The cabaret will be held at the Novi Civic Center Doors open at 6 p.m., when families will have a chance to enjoy a dinner of pizza, soft drinks and snacks. Tables may be reserved for groups of eight. The actual show follows at 7 p.m. Tickets for the cabaret are \$3 for

individuals, \$10 for families or \$24 for a reserved table for eight. Tickets are available at the Novi Parks and Recreation Department office or at the door.

Other scheduled activities include performances of "Crimes of the leart," by the Novi Players, the city's community theater group. Permance dates for the play are on Feb. 23, 24, 25, March 2 and 3 at the Novi Civic Center. Ticket prices and show times will be announced later Novi Parks and Recreation Department also is busy making plans for winter activities. The city's annual Chilly Willy Festival place Saturday, Jan. 13. Events see "Seasame Street Live" on Satur begin at 10 a.m. at Ella Mae Power day, Jan. 27, and the "Ice Capades" Park and the Novi Civic Center.

All-day events include sledding, ice skating, cross-country skiing, Chilly Willy cartoons and havrides. Other highlights planned during the festival will be a Sno-Ball Tournament, a Snow Sculpture Castle Contest, Youth Coloring Contest, Broombal a Score-O Contest, Tug-O-War, a Lit tle Ms. Icicle Contest. Ms. Jr Snowflake Contest, an Old Man Winter Contest, an Old Woman Winter Contest and a lip sync contest. Information flyers and registration

forms are available at the Novi Parks and Recreation Department. Novi also will host its third annual

Valentine's Day Daddy Daughter Dance on Friday, Feb. 9, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center. Refreshments, music, photos and flowers will be provided. Cost is \$7 per couple, \$2.50 for each additiona daughter. Registration deadline is Friday, Feb. 2.

Family entertainment trips plan ed outside of Novi include a trip to on Saturday, March 17.



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elen and Al Weiss, center, play card with members of the Novi Bridge Club

## **Bridge boosters** Weisses organize popular card group

### By BRENDA DOOLEY

Thursdays are bridge-playing

For members of the Novi Bridge Club, that is. Practically every week, without fail, 48 to 52 men and women flock to the Novi Civic Center, pick up a deck of cards and seat themselves at

tables for four. Then they wait for the official goahead to begin playing. Instructions are usually offered by Helen Weiss, founder of the group, or her husband,

Al Weiss. "I belonged to two other bridge clubs -- one in Farmington and one in Plymouth — and I realized there was a need for one in Novi," Helen recalled. She was ready to organize the group as soon as the Novi Civic Center first opened.

Initially, the club consisted of a handful of card players seated at three to four tables in one of the rooms at the civic center. Since its two years ago. "I just enjoy it very humble beginnings, the group has exand now uses 12-13

Weiss: 'I belonged to two other bridge clubs - one in Farmington and one in Plymouth and I realized there was a need for one in Novi.

tables and occupies three rooms at the civic center "Lo and behold, it grew and grew," Helen Weiss commented. "There are a bunch of wonderful people here."

Her sentiments are echoed by "Helen and Al (Weiss) are very gracious," said Sophie Stotter of Farmington Hills, a three-year member of the bridge club. "I love it. The people are very alert and friendly and Roseanna Cahill, also of Farm

ington Hills, joined the club about much," she said. Jeanne Conway of Novi agrees keep them busy

some of the club members.

that makes a difference.'

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"It's fun," she added. Although most of its members are seniors, Helen said the group doesn't cater to any particular age group. "It's for everyone," she said. Anybody's welcome ... as long as

they can play bridge." Both Helen and Al Weiss now take responsibility for the group. They organize all the supplies, make sure there is plenty of coffee and oughnuts for the players and oversee the card playing activities The couple have played bridge 20 years and manage to sneak a few games in now and then. But the pridge club isn't the only activity to

Al Weiss is president of the Novi Senior Club, while Helen serves as secretary. They also are involved in the Novi Players, where Helen serves as house manager and Al mans the concessions. And they find time to volunteer for the Disabled American Veterans - both are pas commanders of the group. In 1975 the Weisses moved to Novi from Brooklyn, New York, so they could be closer to their son. Be

and his wife, Mary. "We love it here," AI said. "We got involved immediately," added Heien.

Anyone interested in joining the Novi Bridge Club is encouraged to drop by the Novi Civic Center any Thursday from 12:30 to 4 p.m. A 50 cent donation is requested — 25 cents is used for refreshments and 25 cents used for prize money.

# Training set for Special Olympics

he Glen Oaks Country Club in Farm- traverse and herringbone.

gton Hills. The training school will run from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. and is open to any novice or advanced nordic skiers inerested in coaching Special Olympians in nordic skiing or anyone inerested in the Special Olympics pro-

Jim Bradley, the Michigan Special lympics Nordic Skiing Sports Director, and Tedd Bradley, Michigan Special Olympics Winter Games Committee for Nordic Skiing and Special Olympics Nordic Ski Coach, will lead the training school. cover beginning nordic

## Schoolcraft hosts annual poet hunt

red by Schoolcraft College and The MacGuffin" literary magazine. The competition is open to all Michigan residents.

Entrants may submit from one to five previously unpublished, original the college on Monday, April 9, 1990, poems of 50 lines or less. There is an at 7 p.m. All winning entries will be entrance fee of 50 cents per poem. Poems must by typed on 8½- by 11inch paper. Name, address and daytime telephone number should

not be placed on the poems, but on a separate 3- by 5-inch index card. Entries should be mailed to: "Poet Lindenberg, English Department, Hunt," Liberal Arts Building, Schoolcraft College, 462-4400 (exten-Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty

## City collects photos

There are just a few days left . . . Load the film, get out the camera and snap some photos. Better yet, dig through those piles

of forgotten pictures. The deadline is nearing for entries to the 1989 Novi win plaques. Photo Contest. Entry deadline is Friday, Dec. 29, at 5 p.m. This is the se-

cond year for the competition. Two divisions in the contest are adult and children 13-and-under Contestant entries are open to any

and all subject matter. Both black- and Recreation office at 347-0400 for and-white and color photography are more details.

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Michigan Special Olympics, a skills including putting on skis, fall sports program for the mentally im-paired, will hold a training school for strides as well as advanced skills volunteer cross country (nordic) ski-ing coaches on Saturday, Jan. 6, at skate turns, stride turns and uphill

For registration information con tact Nancy Joseph at 674-4924 or contact the Michigan Special Olympics state office at Central Michigan University, Mount Pleasant, MI 48859. The phone number is (517) 774 3911.

Nordic skiing is part of Michigan Special Olympics' year-round pro-gram of sports training and competition for mentally impaired children and adults. Michigan Special Olym pics is part of the world wide Special Olympics program which reaches more than 1 million athletes in 80

LIVONIA - Distinguished poet Road, Livonia, MI 48152. Entries will Alice Fulton will judge the seventh not be returned. The deadline for sub-annual "Poet Hunt," a competition mitting material is Jan. 31, 1990. mitting material is Jan. 31, 1990. Prizes include \$100 for first place

\$50 for second place and \$25 for third place. There will also be three honorable mentions. All six finalists will be invited to read their poetry at published in "The MacGuffin." Fulton will be at Schoolcraft Col-

lege to read poetry and announce the winners' names on March 12, 1990, at 8 p.m. For more information contact Art

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The entrant judged "Best in the Show" will receive a 35mm camera. Winners of the 13 other awards will

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Oaks Mall, the contest sponsor Those interested in entering the contest also may call the Novi Parks

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Shepherd King Chapel: Experience a "little bit of heaven" when Raphael, the Christmas angel, is asked by God to announce the birth of Jesus to the world. Children and adults are likely to be fascinated as they eavesdrop on the

heavenly conversation between Raphael and God on Sunday, Dec. 24 at Shepherd King Chapel. This is the story of what happened in heaven before the Christmas story unfolded on earth This special service begins at 10 a.m. at Novi Meadows School on Taft Road, near Eleven Mile Road. Shepherd King Chapel, a new congregation in Novi invites the community to react the service of the ser Novi, invites the community to enjoy refreshments after the service

Novi Baptist: The First Baptist Church of Novi will offer its first candlelight service on Christmas Eve, Dec. 24, beginning at 6 p.m. The even-ing will include carol singing by the congregation, special music by out-of-town guests and a baptism service. The church is at 45301 Eleven Mile Road at Taft Road in Nov

Meadowbrook Congregational: The congregation at Meadowbrook Congregational Church will celebrate Christmas with two worship services on Sunday, Dec. 24. The young people of the congregation will present a ceremony of candlelighting with a nativity pageant at the 6 p.m. service The service progresses from a solitary flame on the communion table with music and pageant. The worshippers are given a lighted candle and dismissed with the blessing "Spread the Light." At 9 pm. a service of carols and lessons will be presented. The Rev. E. Neil Hunt will offer a Christmas message and the Chancel Choir will provide

Meadowbrook Congregational: A small tree in the narthex at Meadowl

People are urged to hang donations of hats, scarves, mittens or gloves in all sizes on the tree. The items gathered through the generosity of the congregation will be distributed to those in need.

## Group plans party

NORTHVILLE - Single Place will host a Christmas Party on Saturday, Dec. 16, at 8 p.m. Participants mus bring their own beverages and an appetizer to serve six. Call 437-6931 for directions to the location of the party. A Single Place New Year's Eve Celebration is planned at Getzie's Pub in Northville on Sunday, Dec. 31 from 8:30 p.m. to 1990. Cost is \$17 per person in advance or \$22 at the door is room is still available. The cost includes admission. food and a disc jockey. A cash bar will be available Attendance is limited. Call 349-0911 for more information and reserva-

tions. Ongoing events planned by the group include brunch at Elias Brothers Big Boy on the northeast corner of Eight Mile and Haggerty Road in Novi every Sunday at 12:30 p.m. Those planning to attend should ask the hostess for Single Place. The group was organized to provide friendship, caring and sharing

Mall offers gifts

for single adults.

Children who visit Twelve Oaks Mall this holiday season will receive a living gift from nature. "This year our young visitors will take home a wonderful, growing tree seedling,'' says Elaine Kah, marketing director for Twelve Oaks. 'A gift the entire family can enjoy." In the spirit of the bolidays, the shopping center has enlisted the sistance of the Novi Jaycees to

help package the tree seedlings. "This year we wanted children to have a unique gift," says Kah. "They can enjoy watching their tree grow and have an opportunity to care o omething that's alive and growing. "This a chance to have fun while

learning about the world of nature." An entertaining booklet accompanies each tree seedling. It in cludes a growth chart, coloring pages and a space for a thank-you letter to Santa, who will present the gifts in

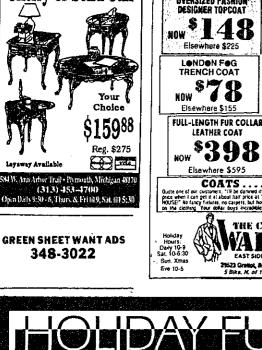
the center court. Twelve Oaks is located near the intersection of I-96 and Novi Road.

## Citizens donate time Continued from 1

Civic Center five years ago. Among her volunteering duties, she supervises weekly pinochle tournaments for seniors. "If they're short of help somewhere, I help," she commente in an Oct. 19 story. Why does she do it? The answer is simple. "I can't stay home every day and de

nothing," she answered. As Nash begins her second year of interviewing local volunteers, she says the work is fun because she neets people and gets new ideas. I you know someone in the community who volunteers and has not been featured in the newspaper, please give us a call at 349-1700. We'd like to offer local volunteers a moment i the spotlight.

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Local churches are planning special worship services, music and activities to celebrate Christmas buy Christmap Dor and New Yorks will be offered for adults. Eve, Christmas Day and New Year's The evening services also will in-Eve. Following is a list of events clude candlelighting ceremonies. No planned at Novi churches: services are planned on Christmas

will celebrate Holy Eucharist on Christmas Eve at 7:45 and 11 a.m. feature a family service and Holy Eucharist. The 11 p.m. service will Year's Eve services also will be conducted at 7:45 and 11 a.m., with Holy Eucharist. Church of the Holy Cross s at 46200 W. Ten Mile Road in Novi. Church of the Holy Family will offer

12:15 p.m. New Year's Eve masses will be celebrated at 7:15, 8:45 and ered at 10 a.m. Church of the Holy amily is at 24505 Meadowbrook Road in Nov

Faith Community United Christmas Eve with services at 9:30 10:30 a.m. Also, on Dec. 30, the conand 11 a.m. and 6, 8 and 10 p.m. The 6 gregation will serve luncheon to

Church of the Holy Cross Episcopal Day. On New Year's Eve the church will offer communion services at 9:30 and 11 a.m. Faith Community United Services also will be celebrated at 6 Presbyterian Church is at 44400 W. and 10 p.m. The 6 p.m. worship will Ten Mile Road in Novi, one-half mile

west of Novi Road. First Baptist Church of Novi will of-Feature Holy Eucharist. On fer its first candlelight service on Christmas Day a 7:45 a.m. Holy Christmas Eve, Dec. 24, beginning at Eucharist will be celebrated. New 6 p.m. The evening will include carol singing by the congregation, special music by out-of-town guests and a baptism service. No services are planned on Christmas Day, On Dec. 31, New Year's Eve, the church will Christmas Eve services at 5 and 7 host a buffet supper beginning at 7 p.m., as well as a midnight mass. p.m. Other highlights during the The church's Junior Choristers will evening include a film, devotional perform holiday music at the 5 p.m. service and communion. Games will service. Christmas music also will be played in the gym following the begin at 11:30 p.m., prior to the mid-night mass. Christmas Day masses ticipate. The First Baptist Church of vill be held at 8:45 and 10:30 a.m. and Novi is at 45301 Eleven Mile Road at

10:30 a.m., as well as 12:15 p.m. A celebrate Christmas Eve with ser-New Year's Day mass also will be of-vices at 10:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. The evening service will include carols, scripture, stories and candlelighting. No services are planned on Christmas Day. On New Year's Eve resbylerian Church will celebrate the church will offer a service at

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Road.

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Novi will celebrate Christmas Eve with a 7 p.m. service, when children from the congregation will re-enact scenes from the time of Christ. A candlelighting ceremony and music by the choir also will be offered. On Christmas Day a 10 a.m. service will be held, featuring special music by the choir. The church will offer a communion service on New Year's Eve at 7 p.m. The church is at Nine Mile and Meadowbrook roads in

Meadowbrook Congregational Church will offer two celebrate Christmas Eve. A 6 p.m services will feature young people of the congregation presenting a nativi ty pageant and candlelighting ceremony. The service progresses from a solitary flame on the communion table with music and pagaent At 9 p.m., a service of carols and Taft Road. lessons will be presented. The Rev. Novi United Methodist Church will E. No services are planned on Christmas Day. The regular church schedule will resume on New Year's Eve with Chancel Choir rehearsal a 9 a.m., worship and church school at 10 a.m. and fellowship hour at 11 a.m Meadowbrook Congregational Church is at 21355 Road in Novi

Orchard Hills Baptist Church in

United Methodist Church in Detroit's Christmas Eve, featuring special Cass Corridor. Novi United music by Charlotte Munro. No Methodist Church is at 41671 Novi Christmas Day services are planned. On New Year's Eve, the congrega tion will host a potluck dinner begins ing at 6 p.m. Other activities planned on New Year's Eve include a movie, games and a time of prayer to ushe in the new year. Orchard Hills Bap tist Church is at 23455 Novi Road, bet ween Nine and Ten Mile roads

> Spirit of Christ Lutheran Church will offer a family Christmas Eve service at 6:30 p.m. and a candlelight service at 11 p.m. On Christmas Day the church will join with the congregation at Hope Lutheran Church for a special service at 10 a.m. Hope Lutheran Church is located on Twelve Mile Road, east of Haggerty Road, in Farmington Hills.. On New Year's Eve the congregation will enjoy food and fellowship, followed by a prayer service to welcome in the new year at 11 p.m. Spirit of Christ rch is 40700 W. Ten Mile utheran Chu Road, west of Haggerty Road.

> St. James Catholic Church will celebrate Christmas Eve with masses at 4:30 and 7 p.m. The 4:30 mass will include a surprise for children in the congregation. On Christmas Day the congregation will celebrate mass at 9 and 11 a.m. All of the services on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day will be held at Parkview Elementary School on Eleven Mile and Taft roads

## Churches plan holiday services







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## Choo-choo! . . . Model trains increase in popularity

### By PHILIP JEROM nanaging editor

Model trains are back

"Sales are up from last year, and last year was the best year for model trains since back in the '50s," reported Bob Reckinger, owner of Plymouth Yard Hobbies and Gifts located at 904 Starkweather in Plymouth.

Actually, you can almost forget the 'hobbies and gifts'' part of the name. What Plymouth Yard is all about is nodel trains.

Reckinger estimates that model trains comprise approximately 9 percent of his business. Except durng the Christmas season when they account for about 99 percent of the The store is located in a former

Chesapeake & Ohio freight house adjacent to the railroad tracks which un through Plymouth Reckinger attributes the

resurgence of interest in model trains to the fact that the baby boom generation is coming of age.

'The baby boomers are now old enough to have their own kids. And their own kids are old enough to be able to appreciate model trains," he

"We have a lot of customers who are getting their old train sets back from their parents and bringing them in here to be refurbished," he con-

"They want their kids to be able to enjoy the trains just like they did when they were kids.' Reckinger said the majority of

train sets are sold to people who put them under the Christmas tree and keep them on display for three or lour weeks a year. At the same time, however, he says

there is an increasing number of peo ple who buy trains for "table-top" ayouts that stay up year-round. Models trains come in all shapes and sizes --- nine of them to be exact.

The smallest are the Z-gauge trains; the largest are the G-gauge. The most common - and popular

 sizes are the O-27 and O gauges. somewhat



Bob and Bonnie Reckinger, owners of Plymouth Yard Hobbies and Gifts, display model trains

under Christmas trees and also can be used outdoors in garden railroads, he noted

And how much does a set of trains cost this year? A basic set of Lionel O-27 gauge trains sells for \$65. The boxed set includes an oval of tracks, a transformer, an engine and four cars - a tender, a box car, a gondola and a caboose.

And the prices go up from there. For \$340 you can get a Lionel passenger train set that includes a steam engine, a tender and six

Those are only basic sets, however, and true model train enthusiasts will Motorized crossing gates, cattle-

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Reckinger: 'They want their kids to be able to enjoy the trains just like they did when they were kids.'

made a model of it. Special cars are also available cattle cars, cars which carry cranes, refrigerated cars. Reckinger said the hottest item last year was a car made by Lionel which contained a video camera inside.

"You could hook it up to your run out of money before they run out television set and see exactly what of accessories to purchase for the engineer of the train was seeing," elaborate "table top" displays, said Reckinger, Some companies sell special colloading docks, signals and switches lector editions. Lionel is currently

have been made from the dies used back in the 1930s. Reckinger points to a Lionel Classic of an electric engine with three passenger cars ... suggested retail price is \$3,333. And what advice does Reckinger have for someone thinking about buying a model train

"Two things," he said. "The most important thing is 'play value' for the age group it is inter "And number two is - don't shop by price alone. Make sure you're in







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ace; the other is that the Wildcats are not much of a threat without star forward Mark Fisher. Against the lowly Eagles, Novi ped out to an 11-point lead in the early going, but eventually lost the lead after Fisher was whistled for his third foul at the six-minute mark of the first quarter. The 'Cats really didn't regain control again until the final period, and then ran away with the victory by outscoring Hartland 12-3 in the inal eight minutes. "I thought the kids held up well," Shoemaker said. "Hartland had everything going their way when Fisher got into foul trouble, but we hung in there. "Like I told the kids afterwards

- it wasn't pretty but we'll tip-toe out with the win. It was Novi's first conference victory of the season, and the first of what are expected to be many KVC triumphs for Shoemaker.

In the first six minutes, the Wildcat lead ballooned to 14-3, and junior Jeff Schram was the big contributor with three consecutive ouckets. But as the quarter came to a close, the Eagles cut into the lead vith a series of foul shots. Then, when Charlie DeCator nailed a hree pointer at the buzzer, the big lead was down to two — 16-14.

points in the second quarter to help he 'Cats hold a 28-25 halftime lead "That was Aaron's best game," "He's getting

## School district presents concert

Novi Community School District presents its an nual Winter Concert today (Thursday, Dec. 21) at

7 p.m. The concert features the Novi High School choirs, combined Novi Middle School choirs and students from Novi Woods Elementary School All the choirs will sing holiday music. The high school choir will present its traditional ending piece "The Hallelujah Chorus" from "The Messiah" by George Frederick Handel. All choir almuni are invited to join the concert choir on stage for a sing-along. Audience members who

have sung the "Halleluiah Chorus" before also are invited to bring their scores and join in the singing of this holiday classic. Admission to the concert will be a canned good, paper product or non-perishable food item. These

goods will be delivered to the Novi Emergency Food Fund for distribution over the holidays. If audience members forget their food items, they will be asked for a 50 cent donation per family member to be donated to the Novi Emergency Food Fund.

The community is invited to attend.

Holiday show: Marquis Theater presents a series of special Christmas shows featuring its new children's theater troupe.

The show, performed by a company of young actors, singers and dancers, features holiday favorites such as Rudolph, Frosty, Suzy Snowflake and Santa Claus. Other highlights include humor, contemporary music and oldfashioned Christmas camls

Performance dates and times are Friday, Dec.

22 and 29 at 7:30 p.m.; Saturday, Dec. 23 at 11:30 a.m. and 3 p.m.; Wednesday, Dec. 27, at 7:30 p.m.; and Thursday, Dec. 28, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$4.50 for all performances. To order tickets by phone call 349-8110. Tickets quis stores

Cinderella: Northville's Marquis Theater presents "Cinderella" on Wednesday, Dec. 27,

Thursday, Dec. 28 and Friday, Dec. 29 at 3 p.m.

The show also runs Saturday, Dec. 30 at 11:30 a.m.

Tickets are \$8 adults, \$7 children. Reserved

seating is available for groups of 20 or more. Tickets can be purchased at the door or at the

Marquis Theater box office at 135 East Main

Film series: Novi Arts and Culture Com-

mittee welcomes the fall season by hosting a fami-

The series features films shown on the second

For more information call 349-8110.

y film series saluting the dog.

chambers at the Novi Civic Center.

Art series: Northville Arts Commission presents a lecture series "Your Favorite Artists," featuring art historian Michael Farrell. He will companied by slide show The series began Oct. 26 with a presentation on Van Gogh and concludes April 12, 1990, with a

of Kavic" on Jan. 12; "Big Red" on Feb. 9; "Pluto" cartoons on March 9; "Where the Red

Fern Grows" on April 13; and "The Incredible

Series tickets for all eight shows are \$10 adults

5 children. Individual tickets are \$1.50 at the door

Journey'' on May 11.

for adults. 75 cents for children

presentation on Andrew Wyeth. All lectures begin at 7:30 p.m. at Northville City Hall. Following is a list of scheduled presenta-tions: Raphael on Jan. 18; Goya on Feb. 8; John ingor Sargent on March 8; and Andrew Wyeth on

April 12. Farrell is professor of art history at the University of Windsor, adjunct curator at the Detroit Institute of Arts and instructor at the Art House of Detroit. Season tickets are available for all six led tures for \$30. Individual tickets are \$6 each and

available at the door on the evening of the lecture. Tickets are available in downtown Northville at Grandma Betty's, Edwards Caterer, Bookstall on the Main, Traditions and IV Seasons. For more information call 349-6104.

Friday of every month through May 11, 1990. All films will be shown in the 136-seat council In Town lists upcoming events in Northville and chambers at the Novi Civic Center. Novi. To have events listed write to "In Town," Following is a schedule of films: "The Courage

## New Year's Eve parties planned

Looking for ideas on how to spend New Year's Eve? A trio of New Year's Eve celebrations are planned in downtown Detroit. Party-goers can choose from celebrations including the Manhat tan Transfer at the Fox Theater, Detroit Red Wings Hockey at Joe Louis Arena and Ted Nugent at Cobo

The Manhattan Transfer will per-form two shows at the Fox on New Year's Eve, at 7:30 and 11 p.m.

Tickets are \$27.50. The Detroit Red Wing tradition continues at the 35th consecutive New Year's Eve hockey game at Joe Louis Arena. The club is 17-12-5 in the previous 34 games. This year the Wings host the New Jersey Devils.

Nearby

and 3:30 p.m.

Street in Northville.

### Tickets are \$9 to \$23.

Symphony Orchestra is hosting a concert of appreciation for blood donors who participate in a special blood drive from Jan. 2.5. "Salute to The fourth annual New Year's Eve Whiplash Bash will rock the river-front as Ted Nugent makes a return to Cobo Arena. Party attitude and dancing feet are recommended. the American Red Cross," a specially arranged DSO concert sponsored by WQRS, will be held at Orchestra Tickets are \$22.75. Tickets for all three events are

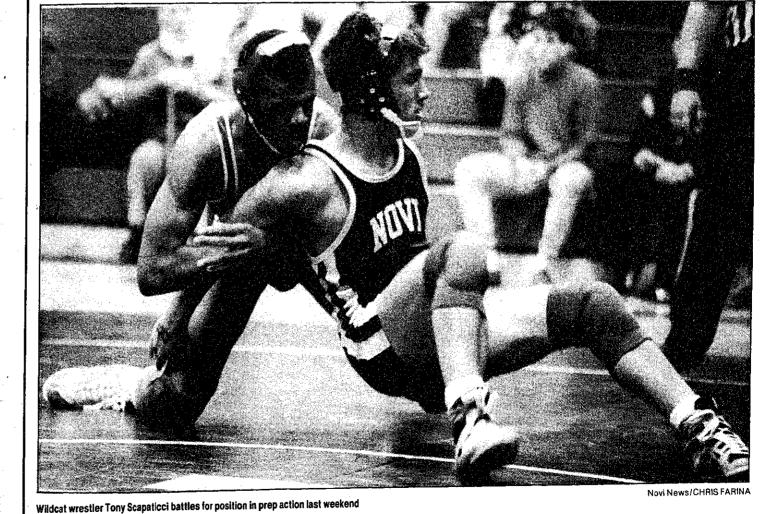
available at the Joe Louis Arena box Hall on Jan. 6 at 7 p.m. Those who office, the Fox Theater box office and donate blood between Jan. 2-5 at one all TicketMaster outlets. For more information call 567-6000. To charge receive a complimentary pair of tickets by phone using credit card tickets to the performance. Red Cross donor centers are call 645-6666.

located in Ann Arbor, Bloomfield Dearborn, Livonia, Oak Park, Port Huron, the Renaissance Center, Roseville and Southgate. For an appointment to donate blood call 494 2800. In Ann Arbor call 971-1500 and in DSO concert: The Detroit Port Huron call 958-7117.

Dorothy Hamill: Olympic Gold Medalist Dorothy Hamill will make her theatrical musical cornedy and acting debut in the national tour of "Broadway On Ice," beginning Tuesday, Jan. 30, through Sunday, Feb. 4, at the Fox Theater. The show incorporates the elements of world-class figure skating with highly stylized dance

and song performed to the music of some of Broadway's most celebrated composers.





### By NEIL GEOGHEGAN staff writer So how tough is Kensington Valley Conference (KVC) wrestling? Just ask Novi Coach Tom Fritz. His Wildcats went to the Oakland County Championships at Oakland Community College last weekend Kild bartien Led by 'Big Bob' Ahrens at heavyweight and Brian Paquette in

# With Fisher on the bench, Novi turned to 6-foot-8 center Aaron nded with six

Federspiel, who resp Shoemaker said.



### **TWO STRAIGHT:** Novi spikers beat Willow Run, Hartland/8

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## Fisher leads Novi cagers past Eagles

- he's got a nice touch for such a big kid.

In the second half. Fisher returned and promptly hit six straight points - all from long range. But it took a three-point play by Chris Weldon with a minute left to give Novi a 39-34 advantage heading into the final stanza.

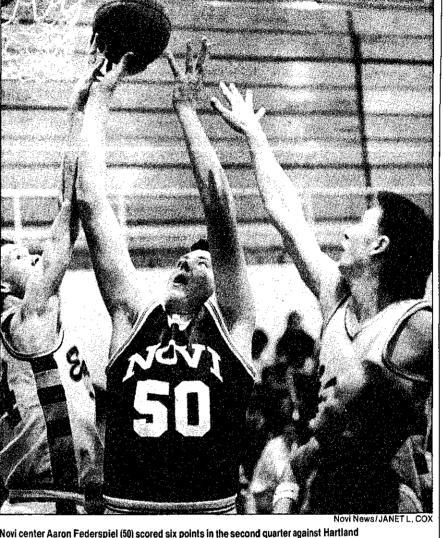
Down the stretch, Fisher took over. With just under six minutes remaining, he made a pair of free throws, then stole the inbounds pass and converted a layup, which open ed the margin to 43-37. Several minutes later, the lead reached 10 after Fisher buried a pair of consecutive jumpers. He then provided the clincher - a two-handed slam dunk off a feed from Bryan Jacobs with a minute left.

"In the fourth, we started to press them and that's when we took complete control," Shoemaker said. "The dunk by Fisher was a nice way to wrap it up. His timing was nderful - it couldn't have come at a more opportune moment.

Fisher had a game-high 20 points, despite sitting out most of the first half. Schram had a fine all-around game with nine points, seven re-bounds and three steals. Steve Long chipped in with five rebounds, three blocks, five assists and five points. Schram is coming off the benc and is capable of playing three dif-ferent positions for us," Shoemaker said. "It takes a bright kid to do

something like that, and he's doing a fine job." For the game, the Novi defense held Hartland to just 11-of-47 shooting from the field. The Eagles leading scorer was Derek Spangler who hit for nine

NOVI 82, WESTERN 48: The Wildcats started the week in impressive fashion by trouncing the Warriors from Walled Lake Western by 34-points on Dec. 12.



maker admitted. "I pron

our sophomores - I call them 'The

the entire fourth quarter regardless

of the score. Well, we got the early

lead and I started putting them in

chkins' - that they would play

Novi busted out to a commanding and it ruined the chemistry. 26-7 lead after one quarter and then cruised from there. The only disap-Novi's up-tempo pace was too much for undermanned Walled Lake Western. In the first-quarter pointing aspect of the game was a lackluster second quarter in which alone, Fisher scored 15 points on 7 Western outscored the 'Cats 12-8. of-11 shooting. ssed up our line-up in the se cond and that's why we struggled,

"When you use pressure defense the superior team has a big ad vantage, and that's what we did," Shoemaker explained. "It was game we knew we should win. thought was played well. We seem to be getting more comfortable with

what we are doing.' Fisher finished with 31 points, six rebounds, two steals and a block for Novi (3-1 overall and 1-1 in the KVC). Sophomore Jason Walker came off the bench and added nine points and eight rebounds. Chris Johnson and Chris Sobieck paced the Warriors with 10 points apiece.

"We'd like to be 4-0, but 3-1 is nice," Shoemaker said. "I hope we continue to improve and have a good year --- I think we will '

# Wildcat grapplers take fourth in county

(Dec. 15-16), took a pair of individual titles and ended up placing fourth overall in a strong field of 43

And ye' Fritz would be the first to admit that finishing in the top four of the seven-team KVC this winter 129 points to finish behind top-ranked Lake Orion (253), Clarkston (215½) and Troy Athens (139). The other three KVC entrees Lakeland, Milford and South Lyon placed 12th, 13th and 14th respec "This comfirms what I've been

the 103-pound division, Novi scored

saving about this team - we will be

good in tournaments because we have some tremendous individua but the jury's still out on how good we'll be in dual meets because we have a lot of holes in our line-up, Fritz said.

"Every guy we took scored points for us, and that's how you do well in tournaments.'

The fourth-place finish is even more impressive when you conside that two key wrestlers - Rich Helfer at 145 and Todd James at 189 were not available. In addition. the Wildcats forfeited the 112-pound classification.

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KVC hoop preview

Does Novi have what it takes be a contender for the 1990 Kens ington Valley Conference cham

The answer to that questions a ains to be seen. But if you're look ing for pre-season favorites it's od idea to look first at Howell an

The Highlanders have won si consecutive KVC cage champion ships and have 6-10 Tim Basa retur ing under the bucket as they tak aim at seven in a row.

Milford has been just as dominan as Howell over the past two years n fact, the Redskins and Highlanders tied for the KVC title i both 1988 and '89 while posting ide tical 22-2 records against co ference competition

Of course, some say the 1990 KVC title is still up in the air with four of five teams capable of emergin atop the standings. Here's a look a the Kensington Valley Conference boys basketball teams for the 198 90 season:

BRIGHTON: It's a season change for the Brighton hoopsters A year ago, the Buildogs were for e to have two players in the foot-6 range. They were able to pound the ball inside and scon from post.

This season, Brighton will lucky to have a single player over 6 4. Coach Dan Christner said he' hoping to make up with quickne what his team lacks in height.

"To be konest, we have below average height," Christner said "We'll have the smallest team in the conference this year. But if ye like the way Golden State plays of Illinois or even Eastern Michiga you'll know what we're doing. Pin ckney did it last year, and I imaging they will do it again this year That's what we'll be doing, an that's the style I like coachin anyway." Leading the returning corps

senior Bob Hartman, a 6-3 cente and a part-time starter last year Brian Mayberry and Brad Cutter are a pair of seniors who saw som playing time last year at guard. Two boys who played as

sophomores on the varsity a year ago are returning. The first is Rom follis, a 6-3 forward. Though h broke his collarbone midway through football season, he's read to go and hasn't missed a day ractice. The other returning juni s Keith Latendresse, a 6-1 forward

"We've got three strengths in n particular order," Christner said "We've got dedicated players we've got good athletes and we'v got intelligent people. If on occasion we can get some of them who can throw it in the basket, we'll d

**HOWELL:** The Highlanders will be rising to new depths this season. This year's Howell basketball team than Highlander fans may be use

"We've probably got more dept this year than we've ever had," said Howell Coach Jerry Johnson "It won't be like past years where we played most of the season with just five people. We'll be changin people quite often. Everyone wil play quite a bit. We always play tough defense, and that's tiring." A year ago, the Highlanders ha

one of the tallest teams the KVC had ever seen. With 6-10 senio enter Tim Basa returning, nothing has changed. He will be one of the major forces in the area. Among the returning non-starter

are a pair of 6-3 senior forwards Brian Trahey and Chad Hardy Trahey, the stockier of the two, will be counted on for rebounds, while Hardy will rely on quickness to make his mark.

The leading candidate at guard is Jason Campbell, a senior. His biggest asset is his strength, and h will likely be the top ballhandler. Also at guard will be Roland Posphala, a junior. He's the quickest on the team, and plays heads-up defense. The Highlanders were 18-5 last

season, tying Milford for the league title and winning their district. Their season ended with an over time loss in the regional semifinal The KVC title was the sixth straig for Howell. It will be an uphill battle for the team to grab nur "We lost four of our starting five

and number six," Johnson said "But I think we'll really be able to get things together and have a nice team. We have a nice nucleus with Basa and the other kids who've played some, but not a lot."

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## **Rec Briefs**

Adult voileyball league: The second season of Novi Parks and Recreation Department adult volleyball leagues will begin in early January

Existing teams from the fall league will be given first priority. Co-ed volleyball is offered Mondays and Thursdays; men's volleyball is offered on Vednesday.

Registration deadline for returning teams is Friday, Dec. 22. League registration deadline is Friday, Dec. 29 (or at 12 teams per league). A mandatory managers meeting will beheld Thursday, Jan. 4, at 6:30 p.m. and the season begins the week of Jan. 8. Call Novi Parks and Rec at 347-0400 for details

Youth floor hockey: Boys and girls in grades 3-8 can enjoy the excitement of floor hockey through a special league offered by the Novi Parks and Recreation Department and sponsored by the Novi Lions Club. Floor hockey is a non-contact game which stresses cardiovascular fitness, team work and fair plan.

Registration deadline is Friday, Dec. 22, at 5 p.m. The fee of \$21 per player includes a T-shirt and awards. The season is scheduled to run from Feb. 3 through March 31 with games played on Saturdays. Practice times and locations are subject to the

availability of coaches. Teams are co-ed. For more information or to register call Novi Parks and Rec at 347-0400.

7-8th grade basketball: Seventh and eighth grade basketball players have the option to keep their skills sharp by participating in this league.

Separate divisions for boys and girls are planned if there's sufficient enrol/ment. The fee of \$21 per player includes a T-shirt. Registration deadline is Friday, Dec. 29. Call Novi Parks and Recreation at 347-0400 for information or to register.

AAU tryouts: The Western Wayne Wildcats - an AAU girls' basket ball program — is urging all interested girls, under 18 years of age to try out for one of five age group teams.

The under-18 squad will start practice on Jan. 7 from noon to 2 p.m. in the Northville High School gymnasium. The under-16 and under-15 teams will practice from 2-4 p.m.

The under-13 and under-11 teams will begin workouts on Feb. 4 from noon to 2 p.m. at Northville High. The coaches involved in the program include Northville's Ed Kritch, Plymouth Salem's Fred Thomann, Plymouth Canton's Bob Blohm, South Lyon's Ron Shanks and Farmington Mercy's Larry Baker. For more information call 349-4524.

More AAU cage tryouts: Tryouts for five AAU girts basketball teams based in Novi will be held next weekend. Teams will be offered for the 11-under age group through to 18-under

The coaches include Novi varsity mentor Chris Drogosch, Walled Lake Western's Bill St. John and Livonia Ladywood's Toni Gasarovich. For more information call 623-1664.

Gymnastics for children: Another session of gymnastics classes for children will be offered by the Novi Parks and Recreation Department after the holidays. Cathy Cabay and her staff will teach students the fundamentals of gym-

nastics as well as how to have fun while doing them. Classes will be held at Novi Middle School on Mondays and Wednesdays for eight weeks from Jan. 8 through March 12. The schedule is the same on Mondays and Wednesdays — pre-beginners (3-5 year olds) from 5-5:45 p.m.; beginners (5 and over) from 5:45 to 5:45 p.m. and advanced beginners (5 and

over) from 6:45 to 7:45 p.m. The fees are \$20 for pre-beginners and \$26 for beginners and advanced beginners. There's a limit of 21 students per class, and registration deadline is Friday, Jan. 5. Call Novi Parks and Rec at 347-0400 for more information.

Cross-country ski clinics: Novi residents can learn the basics of cross-country skiing at two clinics offered in January by the Novi Parks and Recreation Department.

Instructor Frank Smith will teach the sessions at Maybury State Park in Northville on Saturday, Jan. 13, and Saturday, Jan. 27. Both sessions run

from 9 to 10:30 a.m. There's a fee of \$10 per person (\$13 with ski rental) and class size is limited to 15 skiers. A state park daily or season pass will be required to enter Maybury State

Park. Registration deadline is 24 hours before the class begins. Call Novi Parks and Rec at 347-0400 for more information.

Korean karate classes: Novi residents can learn the "Tang Soo Do" style of Korean karate through classes offered by the Novi Parks and Recreation Department

The classes will be taught by fourth degree black belt master Bob Gordon at the Novi Civic Center every Tuesday for eight weeks from Jan. 9 through Feb. 27. Beginners will meet from 6-7:30 p.m. and advanced classes will meet from 7:30 to 9 p.m.

Students must be at least eight years old. There's a feeof \$32 and registration deadline is Friday, Jan. 5, Call Novi Parks and Rec at 347-0400

Teen aerobics classes: Teenagers are encouraged to participate in a Hi-energy Teen Aerobics Class being offered by the Novi Parks The classes will meet after school on Tuesdays and Thursdays at the Novi

Civic Center from 2:45 to 3:45 p.m. Classes begin Jan. 16 and run 10 weeks to There's a fee of \$40.50 per person. Registration deadline is Friday, Jan. 12. Call Novi Parks and Recreation at 347-0400 for more information or to

Horseback riding lessons: "English-style" riding lessons are available at the indoor rink at Haverhill Farms in Novi through the Novi Parks and Recreation Department. Tara Ashton and Geri Cyrulnik teach classes ranging from beginner to advanced There's a fee of \$85 for Novi residents (\$95 for non-residents). Call Novi Parks and Recreation at 347-0400 or Haverhill Farms at 624-5554 for more in-

## Spikers revel in two-win week

By NEIL GEOGHEGAN

Getting two dual meet victories in the span of one week is a new ex-perience for the Novi volleyball team. But Coach Amy Rademacher and her squad are hoping to repeat the feat many times the rest of the The Wildcats crushed Willow Run in straight games on Dec. 12 for the squad's first victory of the season and then came back two days later to edge KVC-foe Hartland 16-18, 15-10, 15-11. Novi is now 2-1 overall and 1-1

n the KVC. a very good, evenly balanced match," Rademacher said. "I said before the season that we needed to serve near the 90 percent mark to be successful, and once again, our serving was the difference." Game one was nip-and-tuck the entire way. The Eagles pulled out the

game by scoring four of the last six points after it was deadlocked at 14-Losting the first game didn't seem

Greater Life Christian Academy.

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On Dec. 12, the Eagles used an active pressure

efense to turn back Clinton Street 84-53. Novi's balanced scoring helped the team roll up a 38-23

Rademacher: 'The match against Hartland was a very good, evenly balanced match. With this win. the girls' confidence is up. They are learning what they can do and what it takes to be suc-

Novi in front 10-9, third server outstanding. She connected on 13-ofthen fourth server Gina Knight closed it out with three straight points off her serve.

in similar style. Hartland was clinging to an 11-10 lead when Tolsdori five points of the game. "Stephanie was very hot," Rademacher said. "It was amazing, She just wouldn't let us lose that last

which was another close battle. With For the match, Tolsdorf was and what it takes to be

ped in 12

halftime lead. The Eagles sank 5-of-10 three pointers in the

game, including 4-of-5 in the fourth quarter, and pions. that was the key in a 27-14 rally in the final eight Again, the Eagles' full-court pressure defense

cessful.'

"The match against Hartland was very good, evenly balanced straight points to make it 12-9 and percent of her serves and made successful passes 90 percent of the time. Novi scored 14 points in three games off her service. The third and deciding game ended Jennifer Fornwald was also a force

Eagles with 29 points, while senior forward Mark

On Dec. 15, Novi Christian topped visiting

Row added 26 and junior guard Chris Mahn chip-

at the net with 12-of-16 successful hits. Setters Dede Kotrych and Dean stepped up and served out the final na Reed had a combined setting percentage of more than .750.

"With this win, the girls' con-fidence is up," Rademacher said. "They are learning what they can do

Eagles raise record to 5-1 with wins The Novi Christian boys' basketball souad got minutes of the game. Clinton's Keith Daniels led translated into a 36-22 halftime advantage back on the winning track last week with a pair of victories over Clinton Street Christian and his teammates. Senior guard Dennis Leech led the Greater Life center Danny McCool kept the out

WILLOW RUN 7-1: II

took the 'Cats a game to really get in synch, but the outcome of the match

against the lowly Flyers was never in

team, so the varsity had to show up and start playing right away," Rademacher said. "It was a different

atmosphere than the girls are used

In the first game, Novi cruised to

"In between games, I gathered the

mber and then try to hold them

girls together and told them to pick a

under that number," she said. "We

settled on three, and we only allowed

"It's not so much that we player

better in the second game, but our

concentration was better. It was

almost as if the girls needed the first

again. She served at a 94 percent clip

(17-of-18) and the squad scored 12

times off her service. Cristie

D'Agustino was 8-for-8 from the ser

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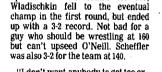
oubt, "(Willow Run) doesn't have a J.V.

come respectable by pouring in 24 points, in-cluding 15 in the second half - but it wasn't nearly enough to change the final outcome. Leech paced the Eagles with 24 points, while Row (12 points), Mike Caswell (11), Mahn (11) and Geoffrey Caddell (11) also contributed. Caswell and Caddell also hauled down 11 rebounds apiece. Novi Christian is now 5-1 for the season 3-1 in

up with a 3-2 record. Not bad for a was also 3-2 for the team at 140. "I don't want anybody to get too ex-

unrealistic to think we can challenge a team like Howell. Unless we continue to work hard and develop some more depth, we'll have trouble in the The Wildcats wrapped up the preholiday portion of their schedule with

The News' deadline)



North Farmington on Dec. 19 (after



Senior standout Steve Cohen takes off for his leg of the 200 medley relay

By NEIL GEOGHEGAN

In past seasons, if you mentioned the word 'depth' to a Novi swim coach, they would cringe. Every season, the Wildcats seemed to have some great individuals but lacked the some great introduces but lacked the biggest win came in the inflat event — The infrast included Devereaux in the 400-yard freestyle relay — and the 50 freestyle (24.33) and 100 freestyle (24.33) and 100 freestyle (54.03). Adam Cox in diving Sveller, Mark Chirgwin, Jamie May and Steve Cohen (3:33.52). (59.2) and Jon Mutch in the 100 butterfly (100.00).

however. And rookie boys' coach Mark Winter couldn't be happier ut it. In Novi's exciting 91-81 dual meet triumph over host Livonia Stevenson on Dec. 11, the big difference was depth.

would be a tough one, especially without one of our big guns - Rudy Speerschneider," Winter said. "We approached it with the idea of going in and doing our best, and the kids responded. Our depth came through and that was the key. We swam

mononucleosis and hepatitis, mediaverse (0.32) and the 200 Speerschneider isn't expected back Speerschneider, Bob Bates,

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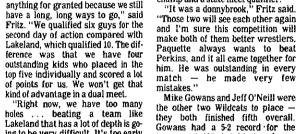
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Athens)

ing to be very difficult. It's too early for me to speculate on the dual meet season, but we do have some great in-Ahrens and Paquette proved on

"I am very pleased for the kids, but

we don't want to sit back and take

Saturday that they are definitely in that class by winning Oakland County titles. Ironically, the two Novi crowns came back-to-back because the competition started with the heavyweight class and then moved

on to the 103-pound division. The 250-pound Ahrens was 4-0 in the tournament. After breezing into the finals, he edged Chris Nutt of Lake Orion 8-5 to win the title in impressive fashion. A year ago, while Ahrens was out of action nursing a shoulder injury, Nutt was a state

meet qualifier for the Dragons. "I think Big Bob proved he's the best heavyweight in the county, but that doesn't mean he'll be the best in the KVC." Fritz said. "Howell and Brighton both have great heavyweights, so Bob will have to

keep working hard. "He's really been doing a nice job in practice and in the meets, but it's early. I am very proud of him.' If Ahrens was impressive, Paquette was simply awesome. In five matches, Paquette was nearly perfect as he won all five, including a heart-stopping 6-5 decision over arch-rival Bryan Perkins in the finals.

"Paquette was awesome." Frit: said. "It's the best I've seen him wrestle - ever. If he can continue to wrestle that way the rest of the season, he'll place (top six) at the state meet at 103. But that's a big

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Ahrens, Paquette win county titles "I thought Mike looked good, but he was disappointed," Fritz said. Paquette headed into the finals with a 1-3 lifetime mark against Perkins, who is the defending KVC "He was seeded somewhere around champ and a state meet qualifier. seventh or eighth."

> "It was a tear-jerker," Fritz eported. "That one really broke Fritz reported. tourney at 135, but his two losses ere to the eventual champ (Dennis Parks of Hazel Park) and to the third

apiece for the team. At 171 Wladischkin fell to the eventua

meets than we were last year, but it's

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cited about finishing so high," Fritz said. "We'll be much better in dual

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### "It was a donnybrook." Fritz said. Like Gowans, O'Nelll suffered a pair of defeats to the number one and number three finishers at 160. The toughest to take came against Da-mien Michelssen of Clarkston. O'Neill, leading the eventual champ him. He was outstanding in every 3-2 with 30 seconds remaining, was warned by the referee about stalling. With that in mind, O'Neill tried to make an aggressive move, was reversed and ended up losing 4-3.

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## Novi tankers edge Stevenson

viving and winning without the two- (1:47.13). time state meet qualifier. The ru

thirds en route to the victory. The the 100 breaststroke (1:09.4).

real close, but we pulled it out." Cohen and Stev e Strausberg were "We went into the meet knowing it. Novi's only two-time individual win-

honors in the 200 freestyle (1:50.68) and 500 freestyle (4:58.11), while Western Warriors. Strausberg won the 50 freestyle (23.8) and the 100 freestyle (51.9).

The other Wildcat wins came from Derek Speerschneider in the 100 Suffering from a case of backstroke (57.92) and the 200

anytime soon, but the 'Cats are sur- Strausberg and Ryan Devereaux The runner-up finishes were

biggest win came in the final event - The thirds included Devereaux in

"We were clinging to a four-point lead heading into the last event, so we needed to take first in order to secure the win," Winter said. "It was we needed to take provention of the secure of the wind the secure of the secure the se

formed well and it was exciting." ners and were obviously instrumen-tal in the victory. Cohen took the 12 with a convincing home win over the overmanned Walled Lake

> events because (Western) didn't breaststroke (1:13.27). The other really give us much competition," the clock.

Against the Spartans, Novi manag-ed seven wins in the 11 events, but also added numerous seconds and diving (169.85 points), and Bates in diving (169.85 points), and Bates in ed suit in the 100 backstroke (57.3). Cohen also teamed with Bates. Strausberg and Devereaux to win the 200 medley relay (1:51.35), and combined with Sveller, May and Mike Speerschneider to take the honors in

the 400 freestyle relay (3:41.52). The other wins came from May in the 200 freestyle (2:01.49), Chirgwin in the 100 freestyle (54.2), Bates in the 100 breaststroke (1:08.34) Sveller in the 200 IM (2:16.96), Ted NOVI 132, WESTERN 39: The 'Cats Warthman in the 50 freestyle (25.71), increased their record to 2-0 on Dec. Luther in diving (179.95) and Jeff Leahy in the 100 butterfly (58.79). Leaby paced Novi with a pair of seconds as well - they came in the "We swam a lot of kids in off- 200 freestyle (2:01.96) and the 100 seconds included Mutch in the 500 Winter said. "The kids still swam freestyle (5:45.55) and the 200 IM well, and the reason was they com-peted against each other and against backstroke (1:07.36), Chris Bayer in the 50 freestyle (26.03)

ogether for him. He was outstanding in every match — he made very few



MARK FISHER

If you wonder what defines a 'Wildcat of the Week' performance check out what Mark Fisher did in two games last week. The 6-foot-6 for ward was the force behind two Novi victories over Walled Lake Western and Hartland. Against Western, Fisher scored 15 points in the first quarter alone, en route to 31 points. He also added six rebounds, two the scored 20 points – including a thunderous slam dunk – to propel the 'Cats past the Eagles 51-37. Fisher sat out most of the first half with three fouls, but came on strong in the second to single-handedly open up a close ballgame. He is currently averaging 25 points per outing.

## Training school slated

sports program for the mentally im-paired, will hold a training school for volunteer cross country (nordic) ski-ing coaches on Saturday, Jan. 6, at the Gien Oaks Country Club in Farm-

ngton Hills. The training school will run from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. and is open to any novice or advanced nordic skiers interested in coaching Special Olym pians in nordic skiing or anyone inerested in the Special Olympics program.

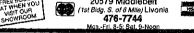
Jim Bradley, the Michigan Special Olympics Nordic Skiing Sports Director, and Tedd Bradley, Michigan Special Olympics Winter

Michigan Special Olympics, a Games Committee for Nordic Skling and Special Olympics Nordic Ski Coach, will lead the training school. They will cover beginning nordic skills including putting on skis, fall ing down/getting up, turns, diagonal such as racing techniques, skating, skate turns, stride turns and uphill traverse and herringbone

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### **Scoreboard**

**IIIness hits** Lion squad

It wasn't easy, but the South Lyon wrestling team turned a negative into a positive at the Oakland County Meet last weekend. The Lions, missing six regulars and several key reserves due to illnesses, totaled 92.5 points to

reserves due to illnesses, totaled 92.5 points to place 14th out of 46 schools. "The kids did a great job considering the cirumstances," said South Lyon coach Larry Janes. "We only took eight kids and six made it to the second day, and even some of them weren't at full

strength. "I've never had anything like this happen in all my years of coaching," he added. "We've got almost 20 kids out. Something just hit us after the Relaville Toursnermet (Dag A)."

Belleville Tournament (Dec. 9). One Lion with just enough strength to compete was Larry Olson, who finished fourth at 160 pounds. He won two matches Friday and split four

iore on Saturday. "Larry wrestled well, but he got a little shaky oward the end," Janes said. South Lyon's other placers were Eric McMillan,

fifth at 171 pounds, and Pat Moll, sixth at heavyweight. McMillan went 5-2 despile an early loss, while Moll won four of seven bouts

risher (Novi) Bolling (Lakeland) Warford (South Lyon) Moyer (South Lyon) Butler (Lakeland) Zimkiewicz (Hartland) Petru (Milford) Weldon (Novi) Rebounding Bolling (Lakel and) Seymore (Milford) Kofahl (Milford) inkiewicz (Hartland isher (Novi Baalaer (South Lyon) Reuter (South Lyon) Armstrong (Milford)

**Basketball** 

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KVC LEADERS

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The Watson Roadster which Dick the grinding melee. Fame of America exhibit at the Novi Civic Center.

For nearly a decade in the late 1950s, the dominant car at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway was the Walson Roadster. Legendary chief mechanic A.J. Watson designed the car for the 1957 Indianapolis 500. The car showed flashes of its potential brilliance as Troy Rutiman set the carly pace in the event, but it drop-

ped out after only 13 laps. Two new Roadsters joined the 1957 model on the front row for the 1958 advantage over other front engine race. The number 97 McNamara Special driven by Dick Rathmann won the pole position with a new four lap qualifying record of 145.974 miles per hour. Sadly, the car also holds the stinction of having been at the forefront of one of the worst chain reaction accidents in Speedway

history Rathman and Ed Elisisan in another Roadster led the pack into the third turn of the first lap, each determined not to give any ground to the other. As they careened into the wall together, Rathmann's car was out in half, and 15 other cars joine

Rahmann put on the pole at In-Bahmann put on the pole at In-Brom two pieces of twisted dianapolis in 1958 is a distinctive new wreckage, the McNamara Special addition to the Motorsports Hall of has been restored by Jack Layton of Howell to the sleek racing condition in which it had been on the morning of that fatal Memorial Day of 1958. Powered by four cylinder Of-fenhauser engines, Watson Roadsters went on to consecutive

wins in the next six Indianapolis 500s, from 1959 through 1964. The last successful front engine cars at the Sneedway, by 1964 they were already being called "dinosaurs." Superior weight distribution had given them a distinct machines. For the same reason, the Roadsters were never able to com pete with rear engine cars which have been the sole winners at the Brickyard since 1965.

A classic design, and the end of the era – the Watson Roadster. The Novi Civic Center is located at 45175 West Ten Mile between Novi and Taft roads. Exhibit hours are

Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. te 5 p.m. COMMEMORATIVE POSTER: The

City of Novi has received as a gift the Motorsports Hall of Fame of

ceremony. The mounted and framed poster is unique because it contains the autographs of four of the five living Hall of Fame inductees. Emblazoned in silver ink on the poster are the per-sonal signatures of A.J. Foyt, Don

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Garlits, Phil Hill and Richard Petty. Chairman Larry Cianclo and Executive Director Ron Watson presented the poster to Mayor Matthew Quinn and City Manager Edward Kriewall. "We are grateful to the Hall of Fame for this beautiful gift," said Quinn. "We are more grateful for the

tremendous asset that the Hall of Fame is and will be for the City of The poster will be displayed along with the Motorsports Hall of Fame of America exhibit in the atrium of the Novi Civic Center. It will rema

the Civic Center when the Hall of Fame moves to its own facility. "This is just a small token of thanks," said Watson, "Even after the permanent museum has been constructed, the poster can be a

Natural Resources (DNR). This is a change from the 1988 season when only the Lower Peninsula and two small zones in the east Upper Peninsulas were required to use steel shot. The Natural Resources Commission approved this action in Feb. 1988 in an effort to significantly curtail

lead poisoning in waterfow). "Historically, lead poisoning has been caused by the deposition of lead

shot from the guns of waterfowlers,' said DNR Director David F. Hales "Michigan now joins Iowa, Min-nesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota and Wisconsin in adopting statewide requirements - all states in the nation must use steel by the 991-92 season. In Michigan, the rule will also app-

ly to the hunting of coots, gallinules, rails and snipe, in addition to ducks and geese. Steel shot is not required for hunting woodcock, however. Jerry Martz, Waterfowl Specialist

with the DNR's Wildlife Division, suggests to hunters who have not us-... wildlife. ed steel before, the following actions

will help them better adapt to the use of steel shot shells in the field: portunity for Michigan residents to become directly involved with nonof steel shot shells in the field: sizes larger than customary lead said. shotshell. For example, Number 4 Gra

shotshell. For example, Nur steel is equivalent to Number 6 lead. under Michigan's Non-game Wildlife Number 2 steel is equivalent to Number 4 lead; and T-shot in steel is tary contributions designated as a equivalent to BB lead. The larger size steel pellet will have about the same weight as the similar lead shot. small grants program since 1985. 2. Use a more-open choke in the when shooting steel because gun

steel shotshells pattern tighter than lead shells. If a full choke was used with lead, use modified with steel. 3. Not all brands of guns and chokes will produce the same patterns. Hunters should pattern their guns with several steel loads at normal hunting distances to find the pat-tern which best fits their own situation. Hunters should make sure their targets are in range; most hunters

are not consistently good shots at ranges beyond 45 yards. PROPOSAL DEADLINE: Director David Hales of the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) announced that Dec. 15 is the deadline for 1990 small grant proposals for projects benefitting Michigan's non-game

"These grants are an excellent op-

## 1. Use a steel shot size about two game wildlife management," Hales

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TUESDAY'S GAME

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Volleyball

KVC STANDINGS

Lakeland, Brighton

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BRYAN JACOBS

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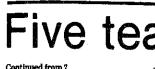
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Grants up to \$4,000 will be awarded check-off on the state income tax form. The fund has sponsored the Suggested projects include development of management guidelines for reptiles and amphibians, guidelines for interior fores bird species management and the use of native plants in landscaping Population surveys are sought for black terns, king rails and spotter turties in lower Michigan. Proposals are also needed to im-

prove the understanding and enjoy-ment of non-game wildlife and endangered species. These could include, for example, brochures on Michigan bats, gardening for humm-ingbird and butterflies or pamphlets watchable wildlife opportunities in sout leastern Michigan.

App ication information is availa, le by sending a stamped, selfaddressed envelope to: Small Grants, DNR Wildlife Division, Box 30028, Lansing, 48909



HARTLAND: It's a fresh slate for the Hartland basketball team this season, which may not be such a bad hing considering the Eagles were 5 16 a year ago. Hartland will be starting out fresh

under the guidance of new Coach Mark Mendolia. "I'm the third coach in three years," Mendolia said. "We've kind of started over brand new, and the kids have really accepted that. I've told them be patient. That's what I've told other people: 'Just be patient with us, and we'll prove to you that we can play the game.' '

Just three players return from last year's varsity, all of them seniors The good news is that Tim Zimkiewicz (6-3), the Eagles' leading scorer from last season, is back at forward. Joining him will be fellow seniors Dave Spamer (5-11) at small forward or shooting guard and Phil Sandula (5-8) at the point

The rest of the squad is made up of juniors. Derek Spangler, a 6-7 center will give Hartland size in the middle that they've lacked since 7-1 Kyle Clark graduated two years ago. Charlie DeCator a 6-1 forward-guard will also see considerable playing time, and will trade spots often with

amer. "We don't have any real standout players," said Mendolia. "They all fit their role and they're happy with that. We're not real dominant at any one position. Since we only have one returning starter, it will take a total team effort."

MILFORD: Despite possessing two of the area's best players, the Milford boys' basketball team remains a question mark in terms of contending for the Kensington Valley Conference tion. So here goes.

It's true that the Redskins, cochampions the past two seasons, boast the ingredients to make another run at the title. They have the KVC standings when it's all over in early March is MILFORD. The Redskins have two the league's most complete player in of the premier players in the league (Scott Scott Armstrong, a steady guard in Armstrong and Greg Petru), and also boast Greg Petru and the ability to put big one of the best coaches (Don Paimer). pers on the scoreboard. That's enough for me. Milford has been co-

But Milford also must rely on a handful of unproven players, many of which are struggling defensively. Coach Don Palmer feels his young





he Holidays are a time for contemplating past accomplishments and future opportunities. As this season approaches, we at Michigan National extend to all of you our wish for happiness and success in the coming New Year.





## reminder of our gratitude to the city for its support

Steel shot is statewide rule Mandatory use of steel shot will be the statewide rule during the Michigan waterfowl hunting season, according to the Department of America a copy of the commemorative poster which was pro-duced for its inaugural induction

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CHRIS WELDON

## Five teams may vie for KVC basketball title

Milford Milford and six-time defending hampion Howell have dominated KVC action the past two years, both

posting 22-2 records. The lone blemishes came in contests against each other.

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My choice for the team that will be atop

the Kensington

Valley Conference

they're capable of beating anyone on the right night,"he added. Armstrong and 3.2 assists on a straight of the state of th and 3.2 assists per game, while con-verting 45.6 percent of his field goal attempts and 72.1 percent of his free

throws. Petru, a 5-9 junior, is Millord's primary balibandler and best perimeter defender. He also

Armstrong, a 6-3 senior forward, started on both of Millord's cham-pionship teams. He is considered the league's top returning player by

senior guard Scott McCurdy and 64 sophomore center Brandon Philips. Seymore was a part-time regular last season, while McCurdy saw limited action and Phillips played for the junior varsity.

SOUTH LYON: You can't help but admire Dave Soderquist's honesty. The first-year South Lyon boys' basketball coach put it on the line when asked to describe his coaching style.

"Defense has never been my specialty," he said. "I'm probably a better offensive coach than defensive coach. My teams usually play an up-tempo style and score a lot of points. You'll probably see the same thing this user?"

South Lyon is a guick all around team, including speedsters like guards Dave Osborn, Denny Moyer and Jason Pinho; forward Kevin Warford; and center Dave Reutter. All run the floor extremely well, ac-

cording to Soderquist, and are capable of applying offensive and defensive pressure to the opposition. Osborn, Moyer, Warford and Reut-ter are probable starters for South Lyon, while Pinho - the leading scorer on last year's junior varsity team — will be the first perimete player off the bench. Two other key Lions, Jamie Dun-

can and Alan Baalaer, can be categorized as finesse players. Dun can should start at one of the forward spots, while Baalaer will share time with Reutter. "We're about seven deep righ

now," Soderguist said. "We have the speed to press a lot on defense, but our endurance is a question mark. The bench needs to come along for us to be a good pressing team."

LAKELAND: Although most feel the Lakeland boys' basketball team --with its hot-shooting point guard and improved center — has the ability to play with anyone in the area on given night, there is another side to the story.

The Eagles, to put it mildly, are skating on thin ice. Coach Bob McFarland plans to use eight or nine players on a consistent basis, yet the team must keep stars Matt Hutchins and Mike Bolling out of foul trouble and free of injuries if it is to be successful.

Hutchins means just about everything to Lakeland. Last season, the 5-11 floor leader averaged 12.3 points, 6.5 assists and 3.3 steals pe game despite filling a supporting role.

McFarland expects Hutchins' numbers to increase this season. especially in the scoring column. "Matt should lead us in scoring," the coach commented. "He's quick

with the ball and he's a great perimeter shooter ... he definitely has the green light to go." As for Bolling, who stands 6-5, he may be the most improved player in the Kensington Valley Conference.

McFarland expects him to score

ding and interior defense are his

more this season, but feels rebour

main strengths.

O.K., so making champs with Howell for the last two seasons redictions about and I think this is the year they win it outright.

Redskins picked to win it all

boys' basketball Milford's biggest obstacle will probably campaign after the be HOWELL, which has a string of sixseason is already straight conference titles and is poised for under way is a little number seven. You can never count out underhanded. It's coach Jerry Johnson's team, even though kind of like putting the Highlanders have just one returning your money on a starter. That's because the lone returnee is horse after the race 6-foot-10 center Tim Basa, who will be a mais over — I admit it. jor force in the KVC. The supporting cast has But I have an exotential but not much experience

By the end of the season. I think the most improved squad will be NOVI, and that should be enough for the 'Cats to place in the When the season started in early December, I was on vacation and never got a top three. Led by explosive 6-6 forward Mark chance to put in my two cents worth - so I'm Fisher, Novi's new coach — Bob Shoemaker going to do it now. And when you go public - has some talent. Once his Wildcats get with predictions like this, it's always nice to comfortable with his sophisticated, upget a sneak preview. If the question is tempo basketball system, look out. With 6-8 what can one week of action tell you? My center Aaron Federspiel and 6-4 swingman answer is -- a lot more than no weeks of ac-Jeff Schram, Novi has good size and ability.

> Another team to look out for is LAKELAND, with hot-shooting guard Matt Hutchins. The Eagles are a streaky team that can beat anybody on a good day, but will struggle when either Hutchins or 6-5 center Mike Bolling is in foul trouble or having a bad outing. If coach Bob McFarland can develop more team depth. Lakeland will be a

A lot of pre-season talk has centered on BRIGHTON. The Bulldogs do have some talented players - like center Bob Hartman and forward Ron Hollis - but the team doesn't have the kind of size that the other contenders do. The quickness is there and so s the athletic ability, but Brighton always seems to have some of the best individual talent - whether it's in football or basketball. The big question mark is an inexperienced backcourt.

difficult challenge - especially at home

The top five teams are all legitimate ntenders, but the remaining two don't have a chance. Both SOUTH LYON and HARTLAND have new head coaches and the two will be fighting to stay out of the basement. I think the Lions will win that battle because coach Dave Soderquist has some fine athletes like Dave Osborn, Denny Moyer and Kevin Warford. The problem is, they are all much better on the football field than the hasketball court.

Hartland was 5-16 last season and do return leading scorer Tim Zimkiewicz, but rookie mentor Mark Mendolia is the Eagles' third coach in three years. Why will they finish seventh in a seven-team league? "We don't have any real standout players." Mendolia said

Enough said.





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## Aerobics gaining in popularity

### By STEPHEN KELLMAN staff writer

They came, they saw, they perspired. Millions of people have jumped along with Jane Fonda, followed in the footsteps of Kathy Smith and learned the meaning of Callanetics from Callan Pinckney

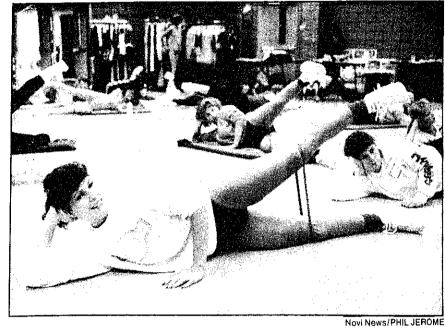
herself. But aerobics was originally a partisan activity - loved by women and feared by men - until guys realized that there are few quicker ways to get to know a woman than to see her sweat.

So aerobic classes became the '80s answer to the singles bars of the '70s. And to some extent, they still are. But with the country's increased awareness of the benefits of exercise have come a broader interest in aerobics.

Aerobics classes in the Northville / Novi area offer a wide varie-ty of exercise styles to an equally broad range of people. According to Jennifer Jankowski, assistant manager at the Vic Tanney Health and Raquet Club in Novi, aerobics classes are continuing to cross the gender line. "I'd say at least 30 per-cent of the class are men," she said. "We've got male instructors here, and I think they've really helped push the men to try it out. It's been a steady change.

Many aerobics afficionados con-sider thmselves in a class by themselves, she added. "It seems that for people who are really into acrobics, that's all they do." The Jane Fonda fan turns up her - or his - nose at free weights and fancy equipment, preferring instead to feel the burn.

And aerobics classes continue to be a place where people of the opposite sex meet. "Especially here, there are a lot of people between 25 and 45," Jankowski said. "So people who don't want to meet people in a bar, they work out. You can get ready and leave from here to go out. It makes it



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Jan Harwood, owner of the Plymouth Fitness Studio, said that while some fitness clubs still offer high-impact aerobics, "this section of Wayne County seems to be into the low-impact more

"Right now we feature low-impact as our mainstay," she said. "We do a couple of high-energy classes a week, but low is where it's at in terms of safety. Anyone can do it, and it's still a wonderful workout. You still get a wonderful cardiac lift." Harwood said that her workouts

provide between 20 and 45 minutes of cardiac exercise. "Anything over 20 minutes is where you begin to burn

fat," she added.

An important consideration in set-ting up an aerobics class is finding good instructors. "You find some of them fall in love with their own image in the mirror and they forget they have 25 people standing in front of them," Harwood said. She makes sure that all her instructors are cer-

tified by groups like the International Dance Education Association or American Federation of Aerobics. While few of the classes at the Plymouth Fitness Studio are coed. those that are draw the occasional male body. "We get some brave guys out there," Harwood said, "But most

of them are husbands of the gals." The classes attract football players trying to stay agile and skiers preparing for the upcoming ski season, she said. The class draws its share of career

women as well as housewives, and people of all ages. "A lot of high school girls are coming back to this type of thing," Harwood said. There are even two 79-year-old women who take the class on a regular basis, she added, holding onto the ballet bars while they aerobicize.

"There's no status in here," she said. "Everybody just has a good time."

## Mercy offers swim/fitness classes

The Mercy Center, located on Eleven Mile between Middlebelt and Inkster roads in Farmington Hills, is offering a wide variety of swimming and fitness classes in 1990.

Mercy is offering open swimming daily from 6:30 to 8 a.m. and on Saturdays from 7:30 to 9 a.m. in addition to several fitness classes: like the 'Trim-Gym-Fitness Class', the 'Pool and Gym Class' and the 'Co-Ed Trim and Swim Fitness

For information, call 473-1815.

MetroPark Skiing: Eight Huron-Clinton MetroParks, serving the five-county area, will provide a combination of cross-country ski trails and ski equipment rentals during the 1989-90 winter season.

The rates remain the same as last year: \$5 per complete set of equipment for four hours opn weekdays; \$6.50 on weekends. An insurance fee of \$2 per set is required on all equipment, but \$1 is returned when the equipment is returned in satisfactory condition. The use of the trails is free with the operation of all facilities.

## Fitness notes

### Teen aerobics classes: Teenagers are encouraged to participate in a Hi-energy Teen Aerobics Class being offered by the Novi Parks and Recreation Department next January.

The classes will meet after school on Tuesdays and Thursdays at the Novi Civic Center from 2:45 to 3:45 p.m. Classes begin Jan. 16 and run 10 weeks to March 19.

There's a fee of \$40.50 per person. Registration deadline is Friday, Jan. 12. Call Novi Parks and Recreation at 347-0400 for more information or to register.

Fitness Over 50: Twelve Oaks Mall offers a free exercise program titled "Fitness Over 50" in the Lord & Taylor Court every Tuesday and Thursday from 9-10 a.m.

Walk at the mail: People who enjoy walking are invited to use the climate controlled corridors at Twelve Oaks Mall, Walkers are welcome Monday through Saturday at 8 a.m. and Sunday at 11 a.m.

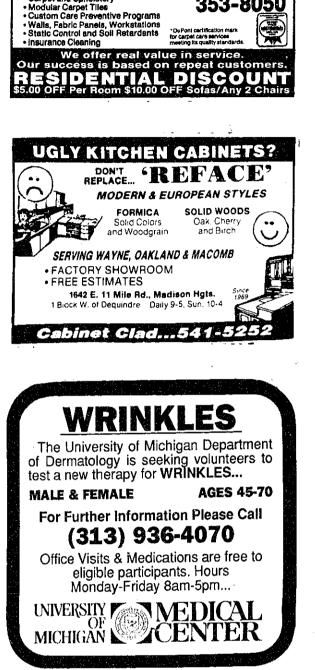
All walkers must register at the Twelve Oaks security office.

The lower level track is five-tenths of a mile, while the upper level track is eight-tenths of a mile. A complete trip around the mall is one and one-third miles.

Swim sessions: The Mercy Cepter on Eleven Mile in Farmington Hills is again offering

swimming sessions this year. Open swimming is available Monday through Friday from 6:30 to 8 a.m. and Saturday from 7:30 to 9 a.m. The Saturday session includes a lap swim, swim classes, private lessons and adapted aquatics for adults. Call 473-1815 for more information.

Novi Trackers: Membership in the Novi Frackers Running Club is open to all interested in-



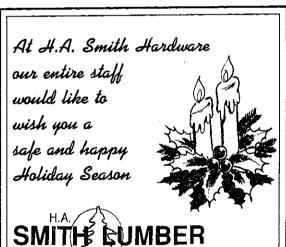
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Kensington Metropark near Milford features over 15 miles of groomed cross-country ski trails, suitable for the novice, intermediate and advanced skier. The Ski Touring Center is located at the golf course, which has coin operated lockers, rest rooms and food service. Sking lessons are \$5 per person on Weekends with advanced registration required. Phone 685-1561 for more information.

or weather conditions, call the Huron-Clinton Metropark Authority at 1-800-24-PARKS. Cross-county maps are available at most metroparks.

Designed and field-tested for 12 years at the University of Michigan, "Fitness Over 50" is a safe, carefully guided, low impact aerobic exercise program set to music. It is particularly aimed at older persons and others who can benefit from increased energy, endurance and muscle tone.

The class is open to all interested persons regardless of their age and current activity level, For more information call the Twelve Oaks Management Office at 348-9438.

dividuals regardless of age, sex or skill level. Prospective members are invited to join the Trackers for either or both of their twice-weekly runs. The group meets Wednesdays at Novi High School at 6:30 p.m. and Saturdays at O'Sheehan's on Seven Mile in Northville at 8 a.m.

More information about membership in the Trackers is available by calling the Novi Parks and Recreation at 347-0400 or Larry Molloy at 474-8277

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## Don't let 'holiday cheer' get out of hand

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### By DOUG GRAMBEAU special writer

**Fitness Tips** 

To "tie one on" brings to mind having at least "one too many" to most of us. But because of Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD), that phrase has taken on a new meaning. In the continuing effort to decrease

alcohol related accidents, especially during the holiday season, MADD is distributing red ribbons to be tied on the antennas and door handles of automobiles, as a reminder to steer clear of drinking and driving.

The holiday season is always a time of good cheer and jovial happenings and along with it comes increased pressure and opportunity to consume alcoholic beverages. It would be wishful thinking to assume that people will quit drinking over the bolidays, simply because they had read somewhere that it was the proper thing to do.

So, let's assume that those of us who do drink, will most likely be faced with more opportunities in the next few weeks. What we do when faced with these opportunities and the ultimate decisions we make could well affect the rest of our lives.

The "One Too Many" Option

Alcohol is involved in over 50 percent of all traffic accidents.

Teenagers are dving for a drink. Friends don't let friends drive drunk.

You've probably heard or read at least one of these phrases before, but unless you've been touched by a personal experience, a death, a crippling injury or some other alcohol-related tragedy, you probably let them go in one ear and out the other. This holiday season when opportunity knocks and invites you to "have just one for the road," avoid the temptation to open that door which could lead to pain and death.

"Think Ahead to Avoid Problems" Option

When you decide to attend a holi-

day function where alcohol will be served, it's a good idea to think about the situation in advance and take precautionary measures if you think you may indulge excessively. The Designated Driver is a great

solution, when two or more are atten-ding a party or event. The group decides amongst themselves who will not consume alcohol and that person does all the driving for the evening This includes picking up everyone in your group and dropping them off at their final destination.

If you're alone, limiting your in-take to one drink per hour will, in most cases, prevent you fron becom-ing intoxicated. Consume water or non-alcoholic drinks to round out the hour, if you must.

If social pressure is strong, simply garnish your non-alcoholic beverage with a twist and swivel stick, and you and the drink are the only ones who know.

Safe, Se Cautious, Be Happy

The holidays can be a great time to M-Care staff.

share with friends and loved ones, and many fond memories will linger with you forever. So, when you're wrapping that package with a red ribbon, remember not to "tie one on.'

Non-Alcoholic alternatives include:

- Mineral water on ice
   Tonic water and lime
- Π Iced tea or lemonade
- Fruit spritzers
- 🗆 Club soda
- Diet tonic water

U Virgin Mary (spicy tomato

- iuice) 7-Up and Grenadine
- D Bitter lemon straight

□ Sugar-free soda pop □ Seltzer

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



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