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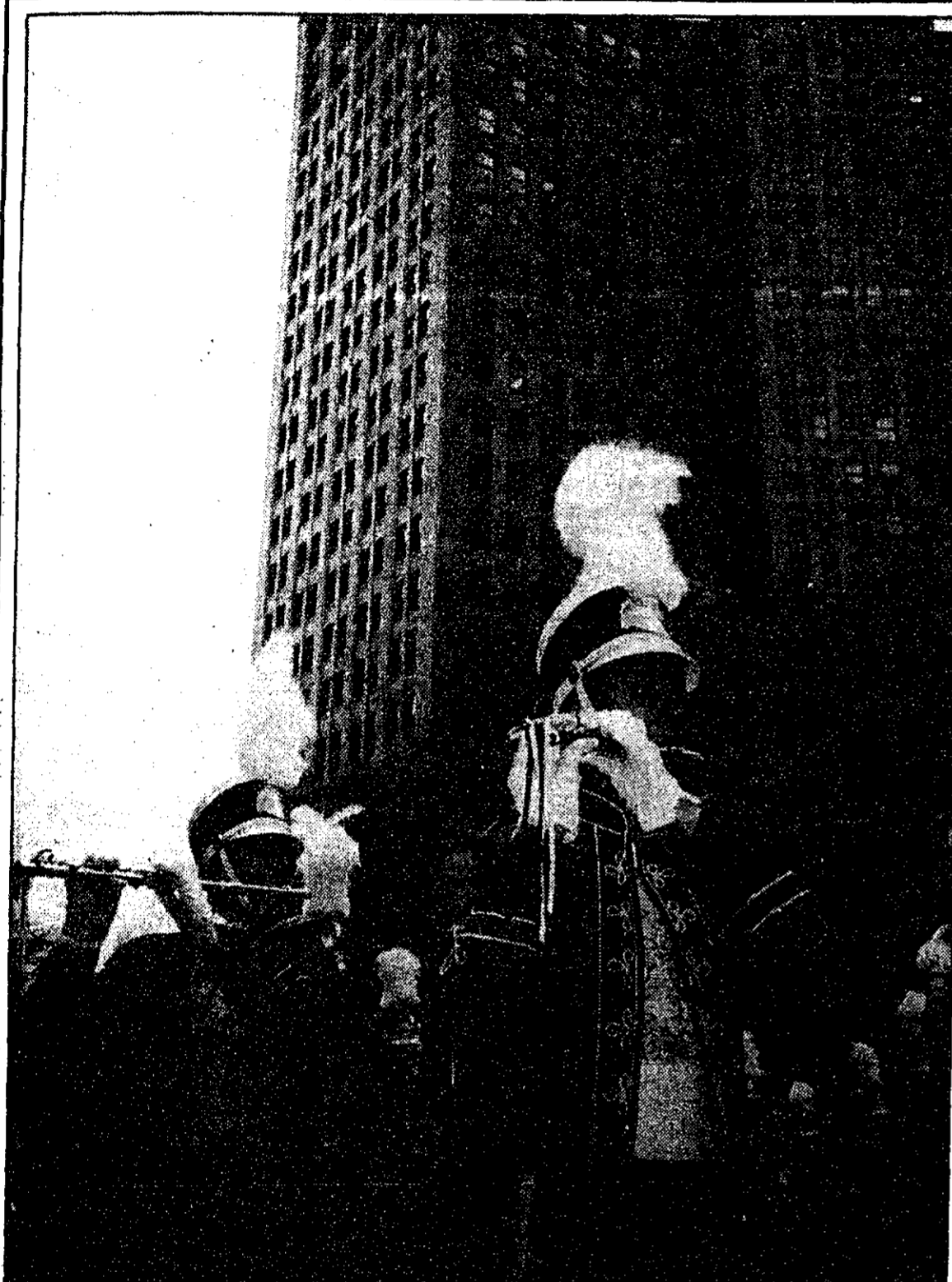
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Jenni Keillogg, foreground, and Janine Bonner, in the background, perform with the Novi High School Marching Band during the Detroit Thanksgiving Day Parade

Novi schools objecting to latest school reform plan

By SUZANNE HOLLYER
Staff Writer

Officials in Michigan school districts are scrambling to see how a new shared-growth school financing plan being touted in Lansing will affect them.

But Novi Superintendent Robert Pivko is already certain Novi would be negatively affected by the plan.

The plan, if adopted, would in two years phase out the recapture method used this year to give in-formula districts an infusion of money costing property-rich, out-of-formula districts a total of \$72 million.

The Novi Community School District lost \$890,000 this year to recapture and, because of a looming \$1 billion deficit in the state budget, could expect to lose at least that amount next year.

To get rid of the recapture provision, however, out-of-formula districts would have to agree to give up one-half of the growth in their community's future commercial/industrial taxbase under the prop-

"Sen. DeGrow's plan is another way to hurt out-of-formula districts like Novi."

Dr. Robert Pivko
Novi superintendent

The recapture system is illegal," he said. "There should not be a recapture, or the kind of plan Sen. DeGrow is proposing."

Metropolitan Detroit school officials will listen to specific details of the plan, pushed by Republican Sen. Dan DeGrow, at a hearing in Royal Oak today.

Pivko will attend the hearing, but he is not planning to testify.

A bill containing the plan is expected to be discussed by the Senate Appropriations subcommittee on Tuesday.

Under the plan, all Michigan school districts, both in-formula and out-of-formula, would pool half the growth in their commercial/industrial tax base into one pot.

New properties on the tax rolls and increases in assessments would be considered new growth.

The pooled money would then be distributed to in-formula districts only.

Staff Writer Marie Chestney contributed to this story.

Novi tree lighting tonight

By SCOTT DANIEL
Staff Writer

If stuffing yourself with turkey on Thanksgiving Day wasn't enough to get you into the holiday mood, relax, the City of Novi has a cure.

At 7 p.m. tonight (Monday, Nov. 26) the city will officially kick off the holiday season by lighting a 20-foot Christmas tree. The eighth annual ceremony, titled "Light Up the Holidays," will take place in the atrium of city hall.

Cynthia Stewart, director of public information for the city, said a variety of activities are planned for tonight. She said Mayor Matt Quinn will give a short holiday address to open the ceremonies and then a com-

munity sing-along of Christmas carols will be held. Children will also get a chance to talk with the guest of honor for the ceremonies — Santa Claus.

Refreshments will be served at the event.

Residents planning on attending are asked to bring a boxed or canned food item. Donations will go to the city's Needy Family Christmas program, Stewart said.

Sponsoring this year's ceremonies is the Novi Cooperative Nursery, the Novi Jaycees and the city.

The 20-foot-tall Christmas tree was purchased for the city by the Delwal Corporation. The tree will be decorated with traditional bows and ribbons, Stewart said. She added that ceremonies will last for about one hour.

Marching band takes first

By SUZANNE HOLLYER
Staff Writer

A group of Novi musicians played their way to the top Wednesday, and were recognized for their hard work the next day by thousands of Thanksgiving day enthusiasts.

The Novi High School marching band defeated seven schools in a "battle of the bands" at the University of Detroit Wednesday night with a score of 91.6 out of 100.

The next day, the band paraded through the streets of Detroit braving wind and rain in the 64th Annual Michigan Thanksgiving Day Parade. They were immediately preceded by a sign announcing the band was the "best overall" in the Thanksgiving Invitational

Marching Band Competition.

The colorguards, receiving a score of 9.5 out of 10, won the best colorguard competition, and on Thanksgiving they danced their way down Woodward Avenue sporting green skirts and red earmuffs in the spirit of Christmas.

With 10 being the highest score, the Novi band received a performance score of 9.3, a music and general effect score of 9.5, a showmanship score of 9.3 and a percussion score of 7.

Winning the competition was quite a thrill for both the colorguards and the band, but just participating in the parade and competition was an honor.

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Open housing plan wins approval from Novi council

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

Novi gave its official seal of approval to the Oakland County Center for Open Housing.

The center—founded by the City of Southfield—opened in March to encourage integration in Oakland County's predominantly white communities.

The Novi City Council on Nov. 19

passed a resolution unanimously without discussion stating that ethnic, religious and racial pluralism is a positive model for communities; that cities must continue to take affirmative steps to encourage people from all backgrounds to live in their neighborhoods; and that Novi backs the center's mission to achieve stable and integrated housing countywide.

"We're very pleased to have that

resolution of support. They have been the 18th community to support us in Oakland County," said center co-director Barbara Talley, a former Southfield city council member.

"They are part of this growing awareness, of affirmation of the Oakland County Center for Open Housing and pro-integrative moves."

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Novi Briefs

Coping with the Holidays: Coping will be the theme of tonight's bereavement seminar sponsored by O'Brien Chapel of Novi. The program gets underway at 7:30 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center.

The Rev. Neal Hunt will conduct the prayerful reflection portion of the program. The bereavement support group meets every fourth Monday of each month.

A seasonal sparkle: Deck the city hall(s). Residents are invited to the eighth annual "Light Up the Holiday Ceremony" at Novi Civic Center on Monday, Nov. 26 at 7 p.m.

The tree-lighting ceremony, held in cooperation with the Novi Jaycees, includes a community sing-along, light refreshments, a holiday address from Mayor Matthew Quinn and other state and local officials, as well as a visit from an even more prominent dignitary — Santa Claus.

Children especially are encouraged to attend. To share in the holiday spirit of giving, everyone is asked to bring a canned or boxed food item for the Jaycees Needy Family Christmas Program.

Bargains for jocks: Novi's 10th Annual Used Sports and Recreation Equipment sale is scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 1 at the Novi Civic Center from 10 a.m. to noon.

Residents with equipment to sell are invited to bring in their used skis, skates, balls, bikes, sporting apparel, etc. In return for the space to hawk your wares, the Novi Parks and Recreation Department keeps 15 percent of the sales price.

Register on Wednesday, Nov. 28, Thursday, Nov. 29 or Friday, Nov. 30 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center.

Dial 9-1-1, p-l-e-a-s-e: Novi Fire Chief Arthur Lenaghan says that several emergency phone calls have come in recently to the fire department's business line. In case of emergency, residents are asked to dial 9-1-1.

"Fortunately, it's been during business hours and we've been able to handle it. But after five, the answering machine is on," he said.

For regular business with the fire department, including scheduling tours and fire prevention programs, call 349-2162 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Meeting rescheduled: The next Novi Board of Education meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. Nov. 29 at Parkview Elementary School.

The board voted Thursday to eliminate the scheduled Nov. 15 and Dec. 6 meetings due to limited agendas. The agendas will be combined for the session on Nov. 29. The Dec. 6 meeting had been listed incorrectly as Dec. 16 on most district calendars.

Giving thanks: The Salvation Army is looking for food donations to make up Thanksgiving baskets for needy families and individuals in Novi, Farmington, Farmington Hills, Southfield and Livonia.

If you are interested in donating food, please call Cheryl Carter at 477-1153. Businesses which would like to run a canned food drive may also call Carter to arrange for a collection pick-up.

The Salvation Army is located at 27500 Shiloh, Farmington Hills.

World of opportunity: The Novi International Festival committee will hold an election for officers, board members and advisory committee members on Nov. 15. To apply for a post, write to nominating committee member Wayne Bullen, 23980 LeBost, Novi 48375.

The International Festival is an annual event which brings the cultural variety of the world to Novi.

Tips for travelers: Your trips will be more fun and less worry with these pre-planning tips. Learn how to plan and pack your clothing, how much and who to tip, and the customs and body language of foreign countries. The class will be held Monday, Nov. 19, from 7-10 p.m. in the Middle School. The fee is \$17 (\$12 for senior citizens). For more information call Novi Community Education at 348-1200.

Share your skills: Novi Community Education is always looking for instructors for its adult and child enrichment classes.

If you have a skill, craft or hobby you'd like to share with others, call Novi Community Education at 348-1200.

Senior transit available: The Novi Parks and Recreation Department's senior transit system provides a lift-equipped van to Novi residents who are age 55 or over, or are physically handicapped. Transportation is available from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays. Appointments should be made at least 48 hours in advance by calling 347-0400 between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. weekdays. Let the dispatcher know if you have a handicap or other special need. Donations are appreciated.

Support group: Don't suffer in silence. The HAVEN is offering an ongoing rape support group on Thursday evenings in Southfield. For more information and to sign up to attend, call 334-1274. The HAVEN is an organization based in Pontiac designed to provide women will shelter from domestic violence and other violent encounters.



Hey, pilgrim
Indian Jered Genso steals a taste of his hand-made pumpkin pie, but his pilgrim friend, Bryan Beeler saves the pie for dessert during an elementary school celebration of Thanksgiving.

MONDAY EDUCATION

High school debaters make speech into sport

By SUZANNE HOLLYER
Staff Writer

The Guinness Book of World Records says John F. Kennedy was the fastest speaker in the world, but they must not have heard Novi High School debaters at work.

Trying to squeeze several arguments about the merits of U.S. space exploration into eight minutes, the debaters must top even JFK's speed speaking record.

To provide the opportunity for every member to debate, the Novi High School debate club belongs to four leagues.

Tuesday, Novi High School hosted a debate. This year, the topic under debate is whether the United States should expand its space exploration program beyond the earth's mesosphere.

For lay people, the mesosphere is the space between 15 and 50 miles

above the earth's surface and the distinction was added after some student definitions of space during debates, said debate coach Ruth Vigna.

Side issues from the ozone layer to joint ownership of businesses are discussed in the sometimes heated debates using adult-sounding language with occasional teenisms like "totally" and "I'm sure" interspersed throughout the discussions.

The debate team is almost like a sport, in fact, one of the leagues the team belongs to, the Kensington Valley Conference, is also a traditional sports league.

"You can't say it's not a sport," said sophomore Brendan Best. "You exercise, it's just a different part of your body."

Speaking of sports, Brendan's father Peter can hardly stand the suspense after a debate before the scores are tallied.

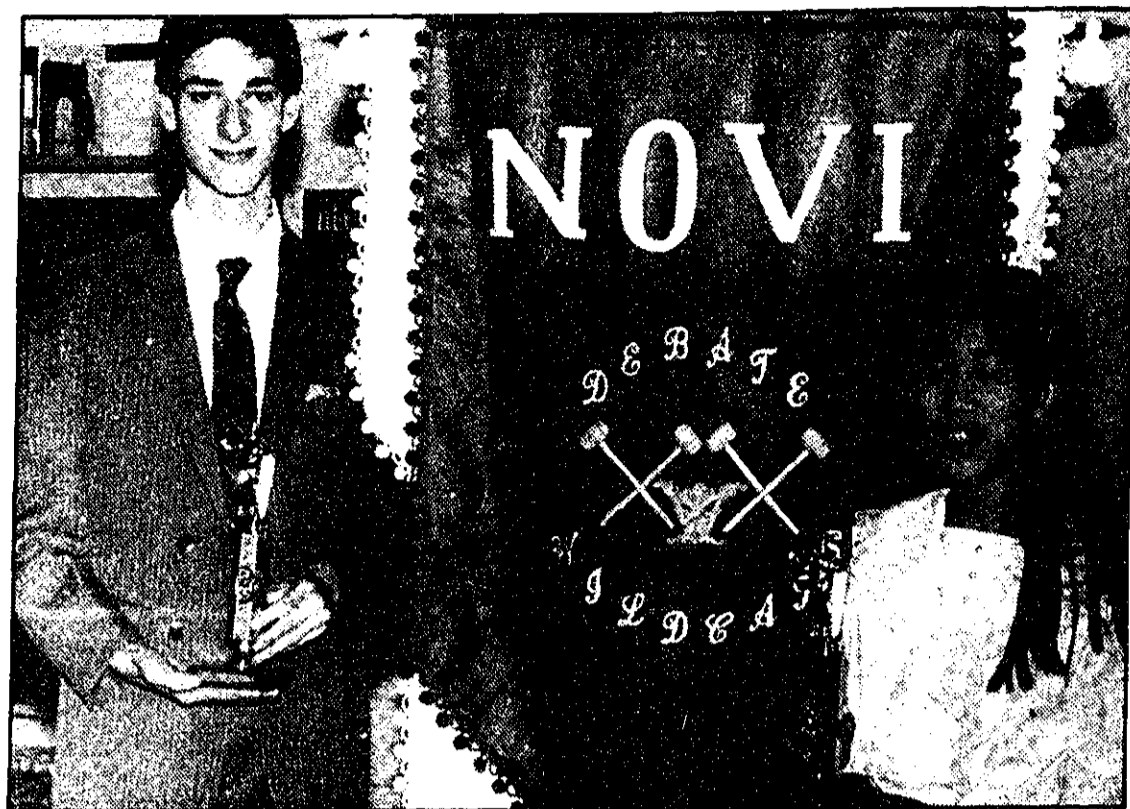
"I like basketball where the ball goes off and the game is over," Peter Best said.

Alan Stevens, Brendan's partner, had to choose between the debate club and playing an instrument in the band. He chose debate, which did not thrill his mother Marcia in the beginning.

But when she saw how much Alan liked debate, and how well he does in the activity, she got used to the idea. "It's something they really have to enjoy to do well at," she said.

At the end of a Kensington Valley Conference debate Tuesday at Novi High School, Milford tied Novi for first place in the experienced league. The tie was broken by looking at the individual speaker's points on each team putting Novi in second place.

James Kovacs was Novi's top speaker in the experienced league. Peggy Liao was the top speaker in the inexperienced league.



Sophomore James Kovacs is Novi's top experienced speaker, and Peggy Liao is the school's top competitor at the inexperienced level.

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MONDAY UPDATE

Oakland seeks high-tech traffic solution

Oakland County officials want to reduce traffic problems by making signal lights smart enough to divert motorists away from congestion.

County commissioners have tentatively agreed to provide \$2 million so Oakland can qualify for \$70 million in federal money for a high-tech traffic pilot program.

The project is designed to computerize and coordinate more than 100 traffic signals in the City of Troy within a two-year period and subsequently within a 68-square-mile area in five years.

The expanded area, which includes 27 communities, is bounded by Orchard Lake Road on the west, Dequindre on the east, South Boulevard on the north and Eight Mile Road on the south.

Troy was selected as the test area because it contains a significant portion of I-75 as well as other state and county highways, said John L. Grubba, managing director of the Road Commission for Oakland County.

Grubba outlined the high-tech program Thursday during a meeting of the Finance Committee of the Oakland County Board of Commissioners.

Grubba also asked for the \$2 million as "seed money." The committee authorized the \$2 million, but the full board must vote on it, probably next month.

"We have identified a very exciting, workable traffic flow control system that already has a high degree of demonstrated success in Europe" and other places, said Grubba.

The Northville Public Schools are now accepting parent nominations for the third grade ALPS class for the 1991-92 school year.

ALPS is the name of the gifted program and stands for Alternative Learning Programs for Students. If you believe your second-grader exhibits exceptional ability and has a need for a magnet class environment,

Grubba said the proposed system involves putting traffic sensors and automated television cameras at various intersections to monitor the flow of traffic.

By detecting which highways are clogged and diverting motorists to alternative routes, the so-called Advanced Traffic Management System (ATMS) reduces time spent idling in traffic by about 40 percent and speeds traffic flow by 20 percent, Grubba said.

Cars equipped with the so-called Advanced Driver Information Systems (ADIS) will derive additional benefit from the system, Grubba said, because their on-board computers can pick up signals more quickly and advise the driver accordingly.

Equipping cars with ADIS is up to individual motorists, Grubba said. Automakers expect to make the technology available in the mid-1990s.

This is the ideal time to install ATMS, Grubba said, because the technology is evolving and federal officials are willing to invest tax dollars on testing projects.

"We're probably going to have to install this system anyway," Grubba said, because ATMS is believed to be the most efficient way of managing traffic congestion.

"But if (Oakland County) moves now, federal dollars are available," said Grubba, who has been conducting private discussions with state and federal officials for more than a year.

But Oakland must expedite its

Anti-gridlock plan raises questions

Commissioners were happy to receive a proposal that Oakland County invest \$2 million to qualify for \$70 million in federal funds to manage traffic congestion. But questions outnumbered answers Thursday when the proposal was outlined for the first time.

Here's a sampling of comments from commissioners along with the answer provided by John L. Grubba, managing director of the Road Commission for Oakland County.

■ Commissioner John E. Olsen, R-Huntington Woods, asked, "If the county did not provide \$2 mil-

lion to qualify for federal dollars, would the road commission supply the money from its budget?"

The road commission would try to find the money, Grubba said. But given the loss of revenue because of reduced gasoline sales, "We'd probably miss this opportunity," he said.

■ Commissioner Marilyn E. Gosling, R-Bloomfield Hills, asked if the grant would have any impact on road maintenance. "I can see having this wonderful system while the roads crumble," she said.

Grubba said the \$70 million in federal money would be used to train people and install the sensors, beacons and computers needed to monitor traffic and divert traffic.

Maintaining roads is not related, Grubba said.

■ "Troy is a wonderful place to live and work in," said Commissioner John G. Pappageorge, R-Troy, "as long as you don't have to make a left turn during rush hour."

Officials realize traffic congestion hampers economic growth as well as diminishing the quality of

life, said Grubba.

Ken Strobel, spokesman for a group he identified as the Coalition on Road Enhancement, said the computerized traffic system appears to be the best way of maximizing highway efficiency without adding traffic lanes.

"Not providing the \$2 million would send the wrong message to Lansing," said Strobel, a developer. "We want the legislature (with its influence on state highway funds) to know Oakland County will do its part for good roads."

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School funding suit dismissed

By SUZANNE HOLLIER Staff Writer

A lawsuit against the state seeking to return \$72 million to 56 property wealthy school districts, including Novi and Northville, was dismissed Nov. 9 in a surprise move by the Michigan Court of Appeals.

The lawsuit sought to return "recaptured" state aid to pay for social security benefits and categorical aid like transportation and special education to out-of-formula school districts.

Attorney for the school districts, Dennis Pollard, said he feels the dismissal was based on a court error. "All I know is that just reading it we've confused two sections of the (Michigan) Constitution," Pollard said.

Open housing plan endorsed by city

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The center, located on Twelve Mile Road in Farmington Hills, was given \$80,000 in seed money by Southfield. The goal is to encourage re-segregation — the movement by minorities from Detroit to only a handful of suburban communities such as Southfield.

Bakery moving after blaze

By STEVE KELLMAN Staff Writer

Crawford's Bakery Connection is moving north, though not as far north as the bakery it will replace. Crawford's, now located at 144 Mary Alexander Court, will move sometime in January to the former site of Holloway's Old Fashion Bakery at 123 E. Main St.

Damage to the building was estimated at between \$300,000-\$100,000. The closure of the Main Street bakery convinced owner Rich Holloway to make a previously-planned move to northern Michigan.

City works to save trees in Mystic Forest

By JAN JEFFRES Staff Writer

Will you be able to see the trees for the Mystic Forest?

The city council is working on a compromise with developers, who want to build a 21-lot subdivision on the west side of Novi Road between Nine and Ten Mile roads.

The planning commission on Nov. 7 backed down Mystic Forest Associates' request for a wooded permit and preliminary site plan approval, saying that more trees should be spared.



Randy Juip performs on drums during the Detroit Battle of the Bands

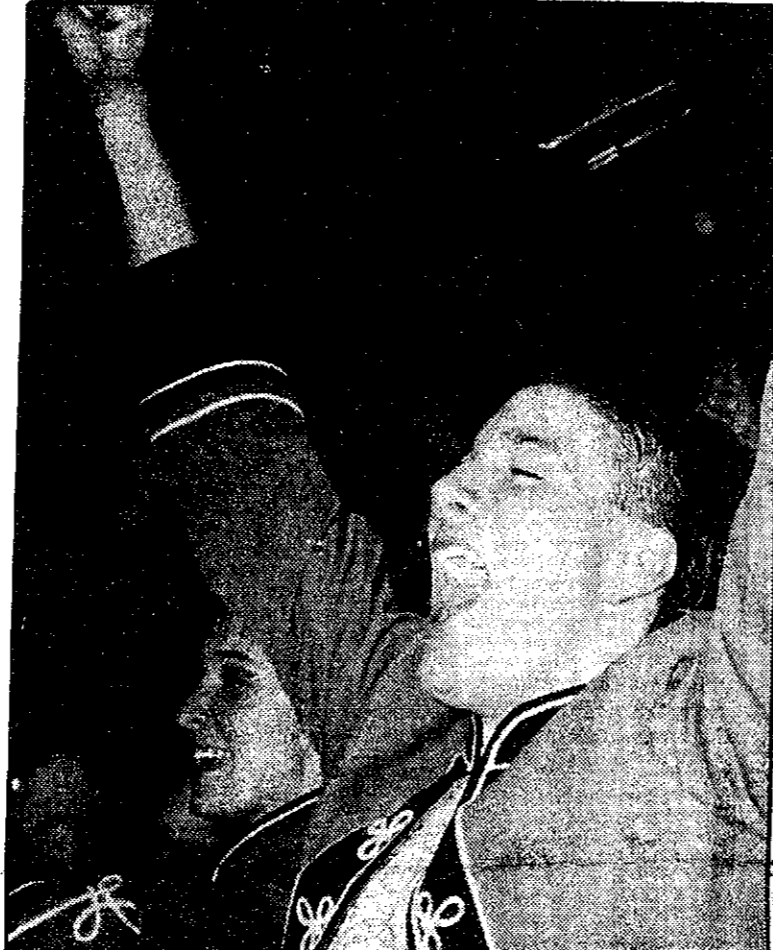
Novi band places first in contest

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The bands submitted songs from their repertoire on tape to parade officials along with letters of recommendation from college music professors and judges from previous competitions to parade officials.

The competition between the bands ended when the parade began. With the eight bands spaced far apart, their music was clearly audible to the thousands of onlookers (and listeners) lining Woodward Avenue.

The Novi marching band made its appearance about halfway through the parade, about the time when the



Band member Murray Kamish cheers at the moment Novi's win is announced

Police News

THEFT FROM VEHICLE — A Novi resident reported Nov. 20 that numerous tools and other items were stolen from his 1978 Chevrolet pickup truck parked in the rear lot behind Novi Bowl.

THEFT FROM VAN — A van parked in the northeast Sears lot at Twelve Oaks Mall was reported broken into Nov. 19. Reported stolen from the white 1980 Dodge van were all of the seats, which had been mounted inside the van; three tool boxes with assorted tools; a cordless hand drill; a saw; a radar detector; a car stereo receiver; car speakers; a concrete cutting power drill; the black window louvers from the exterior of the van; and a power sander.

BREAKING AND ENTERING — A Parklane resident told township police that someone entered the locked area of her porch early Nov. 16. The woman told police nothing was missing but said a freezer and refrigerator door were left open.

VEHICLE DAMAGED — A 21-year-old Northville woman told township police that her ex-boyfriend kicked in the windshield of her 1990 Ford Escort after an argument last week.

LARCENY — A 33-year-old Garden City man was arrested and charged with larceny after attempting to steal compact discs from Melter, 20401 Haggerty, Nov. 17 at 10:43 a.m.

VEHICLE VANDALISM — A 1978 Ford pickup truck was discovered vandalized by a Novi police officer Nov. 20 on Venice St. in the Roma Ridge subdivision.

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Novi slated for one of three '91 Homearamas

Could a Homearama in Novi be one of three such shows next year in metro Detroit?

The Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan, primary sponsor of the annual cascade of new idea houses, is thinking about sponsoring a third show next year, instead of the usual two.

"For sure we'll have one, at most three," said Dennis Dickstein, chairperson of the show committee and president of Ralph Manuel Realtors of Birmingham. "It's not 100 percent confirmed or approved."

Clarkston and Novi tentatively have been selected for shows next spring and fall, respectively. That leaves the East Side out — at least for now.

A Homearama on the East Side and some builders want to do it," said Nancy Rosen, a spokeswoman for the B.A.S.M. She declined to be more specific.

Builders in Novi and Clarkston next year will be challenged to construct new idea homes to sell at about \$200,000 including land costs, Dickstein said.

Houses in the recently concluded Brighton Homearama are priced in excess of \$500,000.

Dickstein said he doesn't believe that a third Homearama would dilute attendance at the other two shows.

The American, a 7,500-square-foot country or Cape Cod house built by James D. Compo of Farmington Hills, was selected the favorite of visitors during an informal survey the weekend of Oct. 12-13.

The house, with four to six bedrooms, three fireplaces, a lower-level recreation room with spa and sauna, and a multi-level deck, was the largest in the show, its price, which includes the lot and landscaping — in excess of \$800,000.

Visitors cited the layout, view of the lake, decks and warmth in spite of size for making it their overwhelming favorite.

Runners-up were the Balmoral, a 5,200-square-foot model built by Robert R. Jones Associates of West Bloomfield, and The Glenmary, a 4,150-square-foot house

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Northville spec. ed. director honored for taking a stand

By SUZANNE HOLLYER Staff Writer

Northville schools has prohibited the use of a device that administers electric shocks to a special education student prone to self-injurious behavior in a controversial decision that led the district to court and eventually to a state hearing.

Recently, an international group came out in support of the district and specifically Northville's executive director of special education Leonard Rezmierski.

The district refused to allow a Westland teacher attending Northville's Bryant Center to use a headband that dispenses an 85-volt shock for two-tenths of a second when the head is struck.

The student, Terry Pheasant, has a disability that causes him to hit his head as often as 100 times a minute.

Permitting the use of the headgear, called SIBIS (self-injurious behavior inhibiting device) was never considered in Northville, Rezmierski said, because it goes against the policy of the district and possibly the law under the Michigan Code of Annals.

Northville has until the end of this school year to show that an alternative method of treatment could be successful. Two New York specialists have been working with the district to develop an educational plan for Terry.

Rezmierski will accept an award for the district's intervention in Chicago on Dec. 7 from the Association for Persons with Severe Handicaps or TASH.

He will accept the award by speaking before over 2,000 people, and he has mixed feelings about the honor.

"I'm quite surprised at the whole thing," he said. "I don't mean to make it any bigger than we need to."



Photo by SUZANNE HOLLYER
Winner of the special education award, Leonard Rezmierski

The district just stumbled into a controversy, and Rezmierski said, although grateful, he feels a little strange about accepting an award for their decision.

"It's something we've come across on the way to helping kids," he said. The honor, he said, belongs mainly to Terry Pheasant.

"If you want my opinion, the one person who should get the award is Terry," Rezmierski said. "Here's this kid, this human being who is trapped with this problem."

But others also deserve some recognition for their work with Terry, Rezmierski said.

"The mother (Susan Pheasant) is working her head off to get help for this kid," he said.

"The fact that people are working together, there's the award. I can't say enough about how fortunate we are to have that staff."

But the bottom line remains the same. Rezmierski is receiving the award, and he is the person who will be speaking to people from around the world about SIBIS and non-aversive behavioral intervention in Northville.

"I'm really wrestling with what I should say on behalf of all of this," he said.

But if nothing else, Rezmierski and the district have gained a wealth of information on the subject during the past year, and that information will be useful for other students and other districts.

"We serve as a repository of information," he said. "That's fine, it's an ability we have."

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Sid Mittra/Finance

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The article published on Oct. 22 in this column by guest writer Jay L. Smith has had an enthusiastic response. Smith, who is a member of the board of the Institute of Certified Financial Planners, demonstrated how bi-weekly payments on your mortgage (rather than monthly ones) could save you extraordinary amounts of money.

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To date, almost 200 requests have been received, and these requests are continuing. Everyone who has asked has been mailed the information he requested. In addition, those who indicated that they needed additional help have been referred to a toll-free telephone number published by the Institute.

Today I will answer several questions that have been raised by my readers.

Why do I need the ABC Bank. Can't I pay bi-weekly mortgages myself?

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Most banks and mortgage companies won't allow you to modify the existing terms of your contract, so you may have to refinance it, generating additional costs.

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Why did you ask for the mortgage data?

My original intention was to analyze the data and advise you if the program will work for you. Unfortunately, the volume of responses made it impossible for me to keep up with the analysis.

Does the ABC Bank actually exist?

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Why did you collect additional financial data on a separate data sheet?

Those who need help in additional planning areas have been urged to call the ICFA at 1-800-589-5200, so they can be referred to qualified financial planners in their area. I offered this as a special service to my readers.

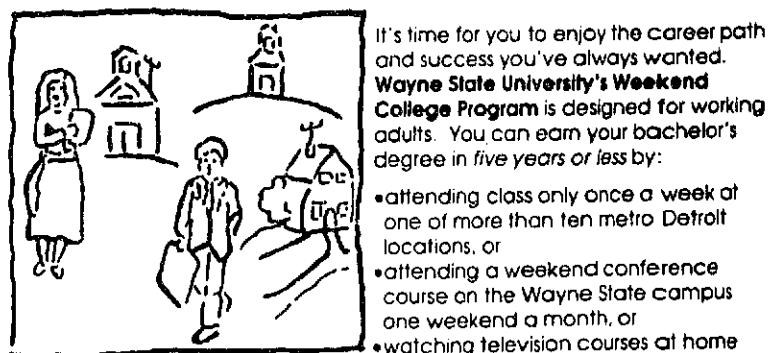
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Thu, Nov 29	David Ewalt Center - Pontiac	1460 N. Perry Street	12:45 pm
Fri, Nov 30	Hartford Church - Detroit	1700 James Couzens	4:30 pm
Mon, Dec 3	Shelby Heights Center	37400 Dodge Park	12:45 pm
Tue, Dec 4	Bentley Center - Livonia	15100 Hubbard	12:45 pm
Wed, Dec 5	CPC Pontiac	Personnel Building	1:45 pm
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Tue, Dec 11	Northwest Center - East Detroit	22860 Schroeder	12:45 pm
Wed, Dec 12	Hartford Church - Detroit	18700 James Couzens	4:30 pm
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THIS NOTICE is given pursuant to the requirements of Section 5(g) of Act 279, Public Acts of Michigan, 1909, as amended.

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MONDAY FOOD

Chef Larry Janes Lesson for the holidays: Don't knock tradition

If there is one thing I have learned, never tamper with tradition. I once met a fellow food writer who always cut her turkey in half before roasting it. Finally, one holiday her husband said, "Why do you do this?" and she replied, "Because that's the way my mother did it." The husband then went to the grandmother and said, "Why do you do this?" and she said, "Because my oven was too small."

Hardly a column goes by without some mention of Wyandotte where I grew up, or my momma, and believe me she comes to tradition, you never argue with a woman wearing a babushka and wielding a rolling pin. Take last Thanksgiving, for instance. Families have been known to revolt at the sight of a strange dish. Meritages have become unpopular because our partner preferred oysters in the stuffing.

Last year, I tried to bring some homemade cranberry relish to dinner. Now we have to realize that this batch of cranberry relish was made with two pounds of fresh-picked cranberries culled from a recent trip to Maryland and hand carried on the airplane to avoid smashing. The bowl was leaded Austrian crystal, hand wiped with a special \$6 towel purchased just for crystal from some trendy mail-order shop on the West Coast. The recipe was made without the use of my Cuisinart and the berries were hand mashed. Even the orange peel was fresh dried from a dehydrator pulled from the bowels of the fruit cellar.

When momma busts Thanksgiving, as she has done for the last 39 years of my life, you learn never to ask, "What can I bring?" You just make something and bring it. Last year I said to myself, "She always serves Ocean Spray Cranberry Jelly, so I'll surprise her with a homemade cranberry jelly that will blow the Ocean Spray away."

When I entered, carrying the sparkling bowl and its ruby red contents, Momma smiled and said, "Oh, that's nice." After the obligatory round of pre-dinner aperitifs, it was time to bring forth the bounty. As usual, all the women scurried into the kitchen. Not wishing to feel un-macho, I kind of slithered off the couch, mumbled something about the fact that I had to use the facilities. I went in and instead of right and headed into the kitchen. It was there I found my older sister, Rosie, preparing to open the Ocean Spray can on the old hand-cranked wall-mounted swing-away can opener. "Dear sister," I interrupted. "This year I made homemade cranberry relish so there will be no need to open a can."

I should have known better. Momma shrieked and almost dropped the Corning casserole of canned yams baked with marshmallows. "Mind your own business, Lee," Momma has always called me Lee when she is angry about something was her retort. "Every Thanksgiving we served Ocean Spray and we will continue to do so as long as God grants me the ability to be here." At that moment she set down the bubbly casserole and whisked the can from Rosie's hand, only to open it herself. This was one dish that had come straight from the can. While watching her position it on the Carrara and Ives side dish, it almost looked like she was checking for the faint indentations on the cranberry jelly made from the side of the can.

I was going to attempt suggesting that this year's Thanksgiving dinner be at my house. This column just changed my mind.



Schoolcraft's gold-medal contingent included (l-r) Chef Mary Brady, student Kim Larson, student Don Bargo, Chef Kevin Gwronski, student Pamela Ford and Chef Jeff Gabriel

Proving their medal Students chefs are surprise winners

By RICK BYRNE
Cory Editor

When burning the competition means not burning dinner, four students of Schoolcraft College's culinary arts school have something to be proud of.

Competing at the World Cup international cook-off in Luxembourg on Nov. 9-11, the four students raised some eyebrows by bringing home four individual gold medals, as well as a gold medal for their team efforts.

"Honestly didn't expect them to do that well," said Chef Mary Brady, executive chef at Schoolcraft who, along with Chef Jeff Gabriel, acted as team captain. There were nearly 1,000 people competing in Luxembourg. To come home with four gold medals and a team gold, were just ecstatic. We couldn't have asked for anything else."

The students - Shawn Ludwig of Detroit, Don Bargo of Ann Arbor, Pamela Ford of Plymouth and Kim Larson - spent months preparing menus which included hot hors d'oeuvre platters, cold food platters, and five-course meals.

"You start out with a menu," said Ford, "but by the time the competition comes around, it can be something totally different because you're constantly refining. Don had a dessert that started out as a simple tart, and ended up being this beautiful dessert."

Bargo added, "Right now, I'm starting to think of ideas for shows in April."

The competition itself lasts just three days, over which time the students prepare their food, or as Larson called it, "three days and one all-nighter."

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May Brady Schoolcraft Exec. Chef

"Judging is based on many things including appearance, presentation, use of ingredients, compatibility of the menu, flavors, textures, technique and cooking skill. But the area where the Schoolcraft students felt they scored most decisively was creativity."

"The European competitors all had very large pieces, very heavy food," said Larson. "What we concentrated on was food that could have actually been made in an everyday restaurant. It was simple but spectacular."

"The colors really stood out when you looked at our dishes next to the others," said Bargo. "The Germans and Europeans had a lot of browns and tans, and then ours just jumped out at you."

Things got hectic as the end of the competition neared, and there was all the pressure of a one-run baseball game.

"There was a bunch of yelling, screaming, swearing and crying," said Brady. But she said dedication and a strong team ethic helped the group pull together.

One of the leaders in the effort to produce proprietary Bordeaux-style wine is Lyeth Vineyards.

Lyeth blends grape varieties and vineyard characteristics to build a wine that has both concentration and richness. For his palate, 100 percent varietal cabernet sauvignon is frequently too aggressive, according to winemaker Bill Arbos.

On average, Lyeth Red is 75 percent cabernet sauvignon, 20 percent merlot, and 5 percent cabernet franc and malbec.

Merlot from Alexander Valley contributes herbaceous, raspberry, plummy fruit aromas and flavors, along with richness and body. Cabernet franc is delicate and light with berry character that is often spicy and black peppery. Malbec provides depth of color, berry-like aromas and black raspberry and peppery flavors.

"We're looking for a complex, harmonious, balanced, rich, soft and approachable wine with no single component sticking out," Arbos says. "Cabernet sauvignon gives the wine structure. It has muted bell pepper qualities with plums, currants and varietal spiciness in the eucalyptus, mint end of the spectrum."

"The other three varieties flesh out the wine and give it complexities. Merlot shows green olives and cassia. Cabernet franc highlights strawberries and general fruitiness while malbec is chewy and spicy."

Arbos' goal with Lyeth White is to pair term it after the great white Bordeaux, La Vieille Haut Brion. Principally a blend of sauvignon blanc and semillon, the proportions vary from vintage to vintage depending on the ripeness of sauvignon blanc.

Semillon adds a rich fig-like character to the wine that is particularly important in years when the sauvignon blanc is lean and crisp.

Fillings are limited only by the imagination of the cook. I have included several ideas to get you started. Pies freeze well, are easy to prepare and can be nutritional. They are a nice alternative for dinners and individual sizes are fun to pack for lunch.

Eleanor & Ray Heald/Wine Calif. Meritage blends grapes from Bordeaux

Meritage (rhymes with heritage) is the name adopted for California proprietary wines styled in the Bordeaux image. These wines are always in the super-premium category but may not be labeled with a varietal name since they contain less than 75 percent of a single grape variety.

Meritage wines must be blended entirely from Bordeaux grape varieties. For red wines, this includes cabernet sauvignon, cabernet franc, merlot, malbec, and petit verdot. For white wines, the blend is limited to sauvignon blanc, semillon and muscadelle.

Until 1978, the best California cabernet sauvignons were made entirely from cabernet sauvignon grapes and most California wineries followed this model. Winemakers generally agree that, of the Bordeaux varieties grown in California, cabernet sauvignon is most complex in aroma and flavor. It is the slowest to develop and provides the structure which holds the other elements together.

Merlot broadens the palate impression of cabernet sauvignon while contributing a fleshier, more expansive mouthfeel and a subtle perfume of strawberries and raspberries.

Cabernet franc has an aroma that emphasizes the cherry and bell pepper character of cabernet sauvignon. Malbec highlights the wine's fruit intensity with raspberry flavors reminiscent of zinfandel.

One of the leaders in the effort to produce proprietary Bordeaux-style wine is Lyeth Vineyards.

Lyeth blends grape varieties and vineyard characteristics to build a wine that has both concentration and richness. For his palate, 100 percent varietal cabernet sauvignon is frequently too aggressive, according to winemaker Bill Arbos.

On average, Lyeth Red is 75 percent cabernet sauvignon, 20 percent merlot, and 5 percent cabernet franc and malbec.

Merlot from Alexander Valley contributes herbaceous, raspberry, plummy fruit aromas and flavors, along with richness and body. Cabernet franc is delicate and light with berry character that is often spicy and black peppery. Malbec provides depth of color, berry-like aromas and black raspberry and peppery flavors.

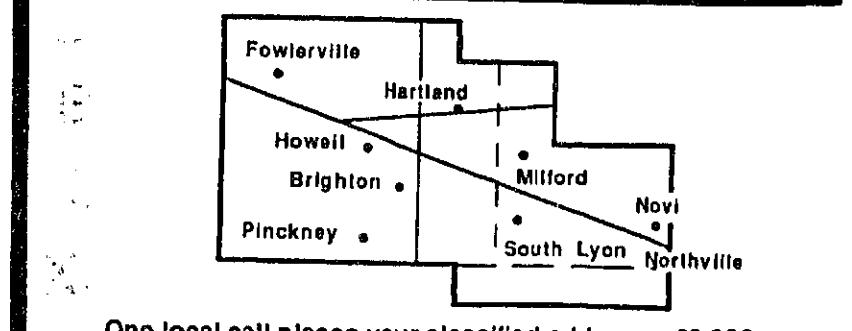
"We're looking for a complex, harmonious, balanced, rich, soft and approachable wine with no single component sticking out," Arbos says. "Cabernet sauvignon gives the wine structure. It has muted bell pepper qualities with plums, currants and varietal spiciness in the eucalyptus, mint end of the spectrum."

"The other three varieties flesh out the wine and give it complexities. Merlot shows green olives and cassia. Cabernet franc highlights strawberries and general fruitiness while malbec is chewy and spicy."

Arbos' goal with Lyeth White is to pair term it after the great white Bordeaux, La Vieille Haut Brion. Principally a blend of sauvignon blanc and semillon, the proportions vary from vintage to vintage depending on the ripeness of sauvignon blanc.

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009 Entertainment

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40TH ANNIVERSARY of Byers County Store. Celebrating a half century of service. Saturday, November 28, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Enter a large inventory 50% off (excludes a showcase of new arrivals: Commemorative Cookbooks). Come early for best selection. Includes home furnishings, pottery, glass, power, lawn, copper, brass, linens, Charles Wysocki prints and housewares, garden dolls, dollhouse miniatures, all popular Teddy bears, stuffed animals, much much more. Call for a free brochure. No by appointment. 213 Commerce Road, South Lyon, Michigan 48176. Friday, December 14, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 6236 Beth, Brighton.

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TWO Airline tickets to Ft. Myers Florida. Leave 12-29, return 1-2-91. \$275. (313) 242-2148. XMAS Card and Home Show. Sunday, December 11, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 6236 Beth, Brighton.

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