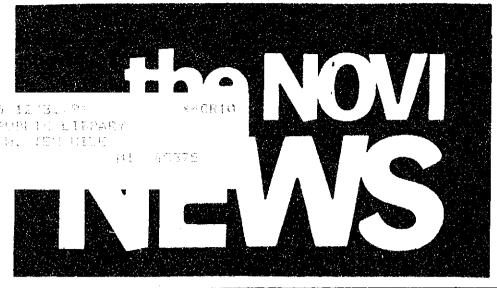
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#### Spirit of Christmas lights up Novi house

By JAN JEFFRES

Lynne Kovac laughs when you ask how high her family's electric bills are these days.

With as many as 5,000 of those little twinkling Christmas lights draped over the house and trees and shrubs, with spotlights picking out a motorized Santa Claus, elves and jack-in-the box, the family is the kind of customer that must warm the heart of Detroit Edison.

The passion for holiday decorating began 10 years ago with Kovac's late father, who first hung a few strings of lights over the house one

One good thing led to another. And another. The family is now locally celebrated for their Halloween. as well as Christmas, scenes.

"It just gets better and better, more advanced as far as electronics," Kovac said. "It's quite expensive. Each year,

we add more and more."



Janice Kovac and son, Rod, tinker with an electronic Santa in the front yard of their Turtle Creek home.

## Owners mourn loss of home

By JAN JEFFRES

To Jean Lauwers, it seems as if she's presiding over her own wake. For 12-and-a-half years, she's built up a business at the needlepoint store she runs out of what was once her 1830s-era home, "The Yellow House" at 40500 Twelve Mile

Road. But the popular little specialty shop closed forever on Tuesday at 1 p.m., leaving as many as 1,200 customers disappointed.

Lauwers and her husband Joseph have until April, or if they're lucky May, to vacate the premises. The house, the garage, the barn and the land now belong to the State of Michigan.

The site will be part of the notyet-approved - and therefore largely unfunded — Haggerty Connector.

The whole deal leaves Lauwers with a bitter taste in her mouth. What truly saddens her is that one more thread is being pulled from the already torn and frayed fabric of local history.

So in a sense, this story is most

likely an obituary. Because the 160-year-old Yellow House — possibly one of the oldest residences in Novi -- will probably

Unless an outsider comes to the

The state will give the Lauwers the house back if they place \$5,000 in escrow to ensure that the yard is left in proper condition when the building is moved. But the couple are heading 165 miles up north and can't afford to take their residence with them, Lauwer said.

"It makes you sick." she said. If someone else wants the historic home and can put up the funds, they're welcome to it.

Lauwer freely admits that the

Federalist-style house was modernized to make it liveable. But the work was done in such a way that a purist could strip the building down to its original state. The white clapboards are still intact under the yellow aluminum siding, as are the Greek Revival decorative features.

The fieldstone basement is actually a Michigan cellar. Rough-hewn logs hold up the ceiling. The outer stairwell maintains a perfect 37 degrees year around, just the temperature to preserve meat.

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Federal Highway Administration officials say their final approval for the Haggerty Connector may be imminent. Proiect engineer Jim Kirschensteiner said Friday his office has forwarded the unsigned record on a decision to the regional office and recommended it be signed. The story is on page



Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

1830s-era Michigan cellar.

Jean Lauwers shows the stone and timber construction of her

## Developer targets local riding school

By JAN JEFFRES

Haverhill Farms is a place where thousands of kids and adults have learned to keep their heels down, their elbows in and their heads up as they mastered English-style equestrianship.
It's also the place where deve-

loper Mike Horowitz, president of The Selective Group, would like to build Haverhill Estates, a 147-home subdivision. The houses abut the riding academy, which wouldn't be moved until the final

A unanimous Novi Planning Commission Dec. 18 rode roughshod over a request from Horowitz to change the property zoning from residential-agricultural to R-4, the highest density single family housing category. But the request highlights the future of the Haggerty Connector corridor, where the property is located.

The City Council has long said it plans to keep land in the region zoned R-A - which requires one home per acre.

Horowitz will probably not be the last developer to challenge the R-A designation.

"I think it's been fairly well demonstrated that the current R-A zoning in the area had been put in place in the master plan pending

"Regardless of the merits of this case, it's premature. I see no compelling reason to rezone it."

> Brandon Rogers Planning consultant

the resolution of the M-5 freeway, he told the commission.

"A court would require you to show the economic feasiblity, not the physical feasibility. You cannot support this property on one-acre lots," Horowitz said.

"The current zoning that exists is not prudent, not consistent with what's going on in the area."

The question will probably come before the city council, but no date has been set yet, Horowitz said

The land in question is 90.16 acres on the south side of Fourteen Mile, west of Haggerty Road. Horowitz argued that the higher density would be compatible with nearby developments, including The Maples, Chateau Estates mobile home community and a commercial strip in Commerce Township.

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### MEAP scores in, analysis scheduled

By SUZANNE HOLLYER Staff Writer

The scores are in on the Novi Community School District's Michigan Education Assessment Program test results, but district administrators' interpretation of the results is still a few weeks away.

School administrators will present a report of the scores Jan. 9 at a school board meeting.

"Suffice it to say that, as in the past, our scores are excellent," according to an administrative report

to the Board of Education. · "However, as in the past, compared to last year we are higher in some areas and lower in others." the report continued.

The data shows that scores were up in all sections of the MEAP reading test given to fourth graders.

Not only did the overall number of students passing both sections of the test increase (from 54.1 pere-

cent to 56.8 percent), but also the number of students passing the individual sections of the test increased.

Fourth grade scores rose from 81.6 percent to 90.4 percent passing in Novi on the story portion of the test.

On the information section, 59.4 percent of students passed compared with 57.2 percent last year. In the seventh grade, the number of students passing both sections decreased by 11 percent to 36.8

percent passing. Scores dropped on both sections of the seventh grade reading test with 58.4 percent of students passing the story section of the test and 44.9 percent passing the information section.

Those scores compare with 82.9 percent passing the story portion last year and 50.7 percent passing the information section last year.

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#### **CHRISTMAS & NEW YEARS EARLY DEADLINES**

Monday Buyers Directory; Pinckney, Hartland, Fowlerville Shopping Guides; Pinckney, Hartland, Fowlerville Buyers Directory; and Wednesday Buyers Directory deadlines will be Thursday, Dec. 19 & 26 at 3:30 p.m.

Monday Green Sheet and Wednesday Green Sheet deadline will be Dec. 20 & 27 at 3:30 p.m.

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### School janitor fired in forgery incident

By SUZANNE HOLLYER Staff Writer

A Novi High School custodian has been fired for forging an absence excuse slip to extend his time off for dental surgery, according to records which apparently were accidentally released by the school district Dec. 19.

Records show a custodian had dental surgery and was given a form to excuse his absences at work.

The dentist verified at a Nov. 26 hearing that an excuse slip issued by his staff was changed to include additional days.

School officials fired the custodian, and his termination was approved Nov. 7 by the Novi school The decision was appealed to

school district administrators.

Upon a rejection of the first appeal.

the decision was appealed to the

Board of Education.

A hearing was held before the school board in a closed meeting on Nov. 26. The custodian and a representative from the International Union of Operating Engineers attended the session.

The custodian reportedly admitted to falsifying the excuse slip, but asked the board to take less-severe action than firing him.

During the appeal process, the custodian's employment status was changed from discharged to suspended. But school board members voted

unanimously to reject the appeal. Details of the case were released Thursday in a board packet given to members of the press.

Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources John Swallow said the release of the information appeared to be a mistake.

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Payback time

The Novi Wildcats celebrate their victory over their rivals from across Baseline Road. Although the scoreboard still shows Novi down by a point, a last second basket had yet to be tallied for a final score of 47-46. Details of the game are in Sports on page B6.

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Tuesday, December 31

New Year's Eve: City offices and the Novi public library will be

Wednesday, January 1

New Year's Day: City offices, school and the Novi public library will be closed. Have a happy holiday.

Athletic Boosters: The regularly scheduled Novi High School athletic boosters meeting will be cancelled due to the holiday break. The meeting will be rescheduled for January 8.

Monday, January 6

Choir Boosters: The Novi High School Choir Boosters will meet in the library in the school building at 7 p.m.

Senior parents: Senior parents of Novi High School students will meet in the high school in lecture room A at 7 p.m.

City Council: The Novi City Council will be meeting at 8 p.m. in the council chambers of the Novi Civic Center with its various appointed boards and commissions.

Party planning: The parent planning committee of the Novi High School senior all-night party will hold its organizational meeting at 7 p.m. in the Fuerst Auditorium of Novi High School. Volunteers are needed to make this all-night party a success. Contributions and donations are also needed. Tickets for the party will be sold at the meeting for \$25. For further information, contact Kathy McCarthy, 348-6525 or Lisa Willard at 478-7087.

Tuesday, January 7

Quest speaker: Pat Hinzy of the Family Works Counseling Center in Novi will be the monthly Quest speaker before the Middle School PTO. Hinzy will speak on the topic of parenting skills at 7 p.m. in the school's

Financial aid: A college financial aid workshop will be held in Novi High school in lecture room A in the high at 7 p.m.

Athletic Boosters: The Novi High School Athletic Boosters Club

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will meet at 7 p.m. in Room 107 of the high school.

Planning Commission: The Novi city planning commission meets in the council chambers of the Novi Civic Center at 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, January 9

School Board: The Novi Board of Education will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Educational Services Building on Taft Road.

Historical commission: The Novi Historical Commission will be meeting in the Old Town Hall, next to the Novi Library, in the city complex on Ten Mile Road.

Parks and rec: The Novi Parks and Recreation Commission will meet in the council chambers of the Novi Civic Center.

Saturday, January 11

Goal setting: The Novi City Council will meet for a "goal session" in the activities room of the Novi Civic Center.

Monday, January 13

Out early: Novi High school students will be dismissed from classes

**Debate Boosters:** The Novi High School Debate Boosters will meet in the Novi High library at 7:30 p.m.

City Council: The Novi City Council will meet in regular session at 8 p.m. in the council chambers of the Novi Civic Center.

Library board: The Novi library board will meet in the library

Tuesday, January 14 Out early: Novi High School students will be dismissed from classes

Wednesday, January 15 Out early: Novi High School students will be dismissed from classes at 10:55 a.m.

Thursday, January 16 A day off: Novi High School students get the day off as teachers will

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be taking in-service training. Friday, January 17 A day off: Novi High School students get the day off as teachers will

Saturday, January 18 Winter Dance: Novi High School will host its Winter Dance in the high school Commons from 8-11 p.m.

be taking in-service training.

Chilly Willy Festival: The Novi Parks and Recreation Department will be hosting its annual Chilly Willy Festival at the Novi Civic Center and in Power Park behind the civic center. The event will include a snoball softball tournament. Teams must register for the event at least four days ahead of the tournament. Contact the parks and recreation department for more information at 347-0400.

Monday, January 20

Semester begins: The second semester begins in Novi schools. Band Boosters: The Novi High School Band Boosters will meet in room 511 of the high school at 7 p.m.

Debate Banquet: The Novi debate team will host a banquet dinner in the Novi High School Commons at 6:30 p.m.

Martin Luther King Day: City offices will be closed.

Wednesday, January 22

Planning commission: The Novi city planning commission will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the council chambers of the Novi Civic Center.

Thursday, January 23 School board: The Novi Board of Education will meet at Novi

Middle School at 7:30 p.m. Monday, January 27

City Council: The Novi City Council will meet at 8 p.m. in the council chambers of the Novi Civic Center.

To get your event listed in the Community Calendar, send information regarding the event, activities to be included, who is sponsoring it, location. time and date, ticket information and the purpose to which any proceeds will be put to the Novi News at 104 Main Street, Northville, 48167.

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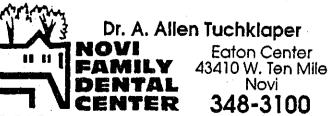
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**Novi MEAP** scores Compared to last year's scores and state figures (based on preliminary data) Elementary school Middle school High school 60 BASIC SKILLS READING TEST SCIENCE TEST

### Changes result in lower MEAP scores

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Those scores compare with 82.9 year and 50.7 percent passing the in- of 10th graders passing the test. formation section last year. In the 10th grade, scores in-

As predicted, MEAP math scores were lower than last year with an av- scoring in the top quadrant dipped erage of 50.9 percent of students passing district.

to problem solve and understand mathematical concepts. Michigan Department of Education officials predicted a dramatic shows the state expects few students the averages.

Novi students did better than the predicted state average with 63 percent of fourth graders, 52.4 percent percent passing the story portion last of seventh graders and 37.3 percent MEAP science scores went up for

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Novi fifth and eighth graders. creased nearly 3 percent on the story A total of 80.1 percent of fifth gradportion of the reading test and de- ers and 71.9 percent of eighth gradcreased more than 4 percent on the ers scored in the top quadrant on the information test. Overall, 56.3 per- test. That number compares with cent of students passed both 74.9 percent of fifth graders and 67.6 percent of eighth graders last year. The number of Novi 11th graders

slightly this year from 61 percent last year to 60.6 percent this year. Scores are intended to help the an attempt to test students' abilities Novi Community School District Im prove its instructional programs. . But sometime early next year, the state is expected to release statewide average scores and the district can

drop in scores. Preliminary data compare it's students' scores with Novi school administrators will-State predictions say 30-35 per- present their interpretation of the

cent of fourth graders, 25 percent of scores at Jan. 9 at 7:30 p.m. in the seventh graders and 20 percent of Educational Services Building,

## Engler backs off on opposition to gas tax

"It would be unfair, and we'd be lying, if we looked at anything less than 6

"There hasn't been an increase since 1984. That's the longest period of time

People are paying the equivalent of 1982 dollars (given the fuel efficiency of

Any state increase, said Joy, should consider the needs of local roads, too.

"It's not just a matter of matching federal money but getting it to local roads,

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cents. Customers are looking for visible things to happen," Joy said, contend-

No longer is Gov. John Engler shutting the door on a state fuel tax hike for

The questions are: How much? And when? "We haven't set a date" for deciding, Engler said in an interview last week. "The Transportation Commission is under orders to save as much as they can. They have cut \$100 million (in spending). That's the equivalent of 2 cents

Even that slight shift by Engler was good news to Oakland County road offlcials, who see even greater needs at the local level. Cutting spending before raising taxes was the marching order transportation director Patrick Nowak got when he took the job early in Engler's admi-

nistration. Nowak of Bloomfield Township was deputy executive of Oakland County, an area that admits to crying road needs. Nowak said his orders were to squeeze all he could out of Michigan's existing 15-cent gasoline tax before the Engler administration would consider an

"We're going through the new federal law section by section," Engler said. That law, signed last week by President George Bush, could pump \$3.2 billion into Michigan, according to MDOT estimates. Michigan would have to provide something like \$725 million in local matching money. The amount is uncertain because some projects will require a 10

percent match, others 20 percent. Under the new federal law, Michigan will receive 95 percent of the taxes it sends to Washington versus 80-85 percent under the old law. The price: a four-year extension, to 1999, of a 5-cent-a-gallon federal tax.

Road interests in Michigan are seeking a 5-cent increase. The concept of a state fuel tax increase was endorsed unanimously a week ago by the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments executive committee. "In this economy," said John Joy, spokesman for the Oakland County Road

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us (counties and municipalities).

ing 2 or 3 cents would be insufficient.

too. Very few people live on a freeway."

we've gone without an increase in this state.

This request will be considered at 3:00 p.m., on Thursday, January 2, 1992, at ne Novi Civic Center, 45175 Ten Mile Road. All written comments should be directed to the City of Novi Building Official and must be received prior to January 2, 1992. (12-26-91 NN)

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"In the end, Michigan became the only state in America to balance its Engler was interviewed Wednesday after a speech to department heads in budget, hold the line on taxes, and increase funding for our schools."

Lansing in which he praised everyone's work, particularly Nowak's and Kathy

Wilbur, 37, a Birmingham native, was appointed director of Licensing and

Regulation early in 1991 after working for a state senator. "Kathy Wilbur did"

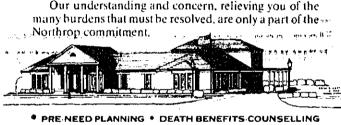
L&R is now part of the Commerce Department, where Wilbur is an assis-

"Through it all, we kept our eyes on the highest priority of state government"

the education of children," said Engler, summing up his first stormy year in h

the best job of all — she eliminated her department," Engler said.

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SUSPICIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES: A resident on Timberlane reported Dec. 19 that someone might have stolen a parcel delivered to his apartment. The man told police that his mother told him she sent him a \$20 out. package of sausages via United Parcel Service, but he never received it. livery of the package to a neighboring white sports car. apartment, and that the delivery slip was signed by someone named

Police were unable to make contact with the resident of the neighbor- one in the house.

Eleven on Meadowbrook reported noises and thought lights were being Villagewood.

The fate of Richard Blackwell, who

was arrested in Novi Sept. 7 on a

1969 South Carolina murder war-

rant, is expected to be determined to-

day in Oakland County Circuit

Circuit Court Judge Francis X.

O'Brien adjorned Blackwell's Dec. 19

hearing without making a decision.

He continued the \$5,000 bond that

allows Blackwell to remain free until

Although Blackwell expressed

pessimism last week about his hopes

for remaining free in Michigan, he

said he wanted to spend Christmas

"I wanted to at least spend Christ-

mas with my family," he said. "We

had plans for a Christmas party.

in South Carolina in 1961 and

with his family.

the hearing reconvenes Dec. 26.

By CRISTINA FERRIER

#### **Police News**

Dec. I that a disgruntled customer turned on. ripped the door off the store. The employee said the suspect came into the store and attempted to buy beer. When she asked him for ID, ported nothing suspicious. Nothing he reportedly became angry and left, was found to be missing from the breaking the door hinges on his way home, and there were no signs of

resident on Cherry Hill reported Dec.

12 that she thought she heard some-

She said she arrived home and

went upstairs to make a phone call.

Blackwell claims he did not.

has been living since.

lems with the law.

1969. He fled to Michigan, where he

The suspect is described as a lightskinned black male who left heading JUVENILE COMPLAINT: A resident Police said UPS confirmed the de-north on Meadowbrook in a beat-up on Heatherbrae reported Dec. 10 that three children age 5-7 were seen knocking over her Santa and rein-SUSPICIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES: A deer display on her front lawn.

the light bulbs in the display was broken in the incident. A 7-year-old neighbor said she witnessed the incident, and last saw MDOP: An employee at the Seven While upstairs, she said, she heard the suspects walking east on

The woman reported that one of

The woman said she became

Police searched the house but re-

frightened and left the house.

STOLEN COAT: A customer at the Novi Hilton reported Dec. 16 that someone stole her coat while she was eating in the hotel restaurant. The woman said she left the wool brown and black ladies' tall-size coat on a coat rack before she sat down. When she returned, it was gone.

MDOP: Apay phone at the Speedway gas station on Pontiac Trail was reportedly vandalized Dec. 13. Police said the cord of the phone was stretched and ripped out, and the receiver was left hanging. There are currently no suspects or

FOOTSTEPS: An employee at General Cinema in the Novi Town Center reported Dec. 14 that someone was walking on the roof of the building. Police responding to the complaint sald it was unfounded.

Citizens with information about the above incidents are urged to call the Novi Police Tip Line at 349-6887.

Holidays

**Novi Briefs** 

Homearama favorites: The home most popular with those who attended the Homearama show in Novi, which concluded this past weekend, wasn't the one with the latest innovations or newest design. The honor went to the "Victorian Rose" - a home which contained many features common in homes a century ago. The "People's Choice Award," the result of a vote by those who attended Homearama on the opening weekend, went to the ranch home built by D & J Property Development Co. of Canton. Among its highlights were a claw foot bathtub, a pull chain tollet, and a octagon shaped parlor.

Just nine votes back was the "Baybrook" by Pulte Homes of Royal Oak, a brick colonial with dinning room with two walls of windows, a fireplace in the bedroom and a step down family room.

Special visitors: The Novi School district will be hosting some special visitors from Japan in January. A delegation from Novi's sister city in Japan, Owani, will arrive Jan. 6 and leave Jan. 10. Included in the delegation are the superintendent of Owani schools, a member of the Owani school board, and Japanese students. Activites will include a tour of the school district, a ride on the People Mover, and a visit to the Henry Ford Museum. A reception will be held in the Novi Civic Center in which the delegation will meet school board members and members of the Novi City Council.

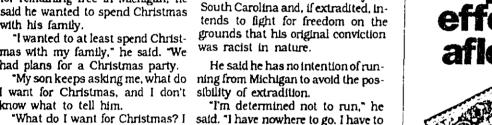
Winter camp: Novi Community Education is offering a winter mini camp in baseball immediately after the holidays. The American Baseball Hitting Camp will be held on Jan. 2 and 3 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Novi Meadows school. The baseball camp is for boys and girls in grades three through eight. The cost of the camp is \$36. Registration will be in person at Novi Meadows on the first day of the camp. Contact the Community Education Department for more Information.



#### Escapee's present is holiday at home VARSITY whether he ever received a trial. He served nine years of a life sentence for murder before escaping in 153 E. Main Northville

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#### Blackwell lives in Detroit with his wife and two sons. He is an employee at Charter House of Novi. Other than two other arrests in the 1970s on the **Christmas** same warrant, for which he was never extradited, he has had no prob-Seals Blackwell, who said he has already keep our spent over \$10,000 in attorney fees, said he has contacted attorneys in



want freedom for Christmas. But I look at it as a dead end. Hove my wife and my family. I got a little boy. [Run-Blackwell was originally arrested ninglis just not the answer no more." "My wife asked me last night, 'how charged with the murder of 17-year- are you so calm?" he added. "I told her I've given up." old Robert James Shield. It is unclear

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Orchard Hills Holiday

said they were careful not to dent any of the products, which are much money they raised. expected to be distributed in Novi by the Novi Jaycees. Also at

A canned food drive to celebrate the holidays at Orchard Hills Orchard Hills, a kindergarten class collected quarters to donate Elementary was given a different twist this year. Pictured above to the Animal Welfare Society. Marianne Boschma said the obare students using the cans in gym for games. But organizers jective was a lesson in giving. Boschma would not say how

## Records reveal school fired janitor

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Personnel hearings can be held in closed session at the request of the employee involved. The custodian's Nov. 26 hearing was closed, Swallow Swallow originally said the custodian was fired

for "gross misconduct." The assistant superintendent said Thursday

the term "gross misconduct" may have been too O'Rourke and Swallow said. strong of a description for the alleged forgery. Dan O'Rourke, a business representative for brought an appeal to the school board asking for a

"We haven't reached a decision," he said. The former custodian could not be reached for A separate issue involving Novi High School

ing the possibility of taking the firing to an

arbitrator.

ustodians who were searched following an alleged theft of \$20 is not related to the recent firing,

The high school custodians who were searched

the union, said he and the custodian were review- formal school district apology. Their request was rejected and the case went to

> O'Rourke expects a decision later this month or in early January. In related school district business, the board of

> education approved on Thursday the International Union of Operating Engineers as the representatives of the school district transportation department through the 1992-93 school year. The decision was a result of vote by the district

Livonia cops keep Strain file secret

A Livonia Police Department investigation report of high school band director Craig Strain will not be released if Lt. Phil Byer has his way. "We will never release the investigation to you - ever," Byer said, identifying himself as the freedom of

records" for the Livonia department. Strain is under investigation for an alleged incident of criminal sexual sensitive." conduct said to have occured at his former residence in Livonia. A Novi High School student accused Strain of fondling her, said

information officer and \*keeper of the

Novi Police Chief Doug Shaeffer said. But because the alleged incident occurred in Livonia, the case was turned over to the Livonia police, Shaeffer said.

The Livonia department has provided less information since taking on the case. Before Friday, the Livonia Depart-

ment had refused to confirm that it is investigating the case at all, saying only it is investigating a teacher. The Novi News filed a Freedom of Information Act request attempting to gain access to police records of

Strain's investigation. Byers called Friday to say the Livonia Police Department never releases reports investigating alleged criminal sexual conduct cases. The department will not release the report even after the case is closed, he said.

"I was quite surprised by the request." Byer said. The Livonia Department has maintained the position that the Crime Victims' Rights Act and a law

relating to juvenile offenders prevents it from releasing reports because they might be harmful to the

When asked if he would release the report with the victim's name blocked out, Byer refused. There might be information in the

body of the report that could hurt the victim," he said. "We're extraordinarsensitive. When asked if he would block out that information and provide the re-

"We will never release the investigation to you - ever . . . There might be information in the body of the report that could hurt the victim. We're extraordinarily

Lt. Phil Byer Recordkeeper for the Livonia Police Department

mainder of the report. Byer said he would be providing a fully blackened piece of paper.

"That's our position," he said. The case is still under investigation, the officer said. If Strain is to be arrested, it likely will be before Christmas, Byer said.

The Novi school district's investigation into the charges is still School district attorneys briefed board members in a closed meeting

on the case prior to a regular meeting Thursday night. Strain has been suspended with pay since the student came forward

mid-October. The school board voted on Thursday to approve a personnel report listing acting Band Director Tim Hoey as the band director through

June 1992. Strain received additional pay for working as band director through the month of October. Choir Director Paula Joyner-

Clinard received additional pay for acting as the high school band director from October through December 1991. Hoey was listed as the assistant band director during the past

Strain's attorneys have not re turned repeated phone calls. Union representatives also have been unavailable for comment. Strain has declined to comment

## high-density AFTER CHRISTMAS SAVINGS

MON.-SAT. 10-5

153 E. Main

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At R-A, the land would support 40 homes. Horowitz told the commission that due to high land costs, these 40 homes would have to sell in the \$300,000 range. The homes he'd like to place there would be about

Proposal for

sub nixed

by planners

The commission supported plan-ning consultant Brandon Rogers' advice that Horowitz's request did not show that the property cannot be developed as it is zoned and as it appears in the city's master plan. According to Rogers, the switch would be spot zoning.

"We on staff and the commission and the council are aware that an update of the master plan is being considered next year. One of the areas under consideration is the Haggerty Connector corridor. Regardless of the merits of this case, it's premature. I see no compelling reason to rezone it." Rogers said. Neither did resident Laura

Lorenzo, who urged the commission to deny what she called "a presumptuous and extreme" application. Lorenzo urged the commission to think like judges in a court of law. "He mentioned he would like to do subdivision equivalent to Timber

\$200,000. If those kind of prices are going to be marketed in a R-4 district, they could certainly be marketed in a R-1 district." "If the zoning and master plan are not consistent, they'll throw you out

Ridge. Sure, his homes are over

Planning Commissioner Ernest Aruffo mentioned that Sect. 300 of the city's zoning ordinances does state that R-A zoning can be used to

put land on hold against future

"We have discussed this for a number of years. When we did our rezoning of all the west side, we gave credibility to the R-A district. We intend to stay with R-A as a viable district," he said.

Haverhill Farm owner Harry Klentner said Friday the riding school has been in operation since 1967 and has 500 students a week. About 100 horses work with those

"it's (the farm) supposed to stay here for awhile. We're not quite sure how they're going to work that out," said Klentner, who still owns the They're talking about using 43

acres at the back of this part." Horowitz said the farm would probably be displaced when the final phase of the proposed subdivision



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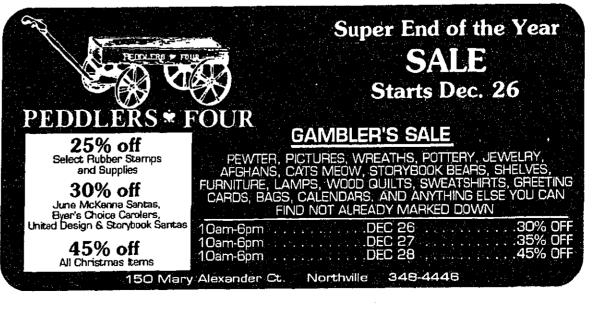
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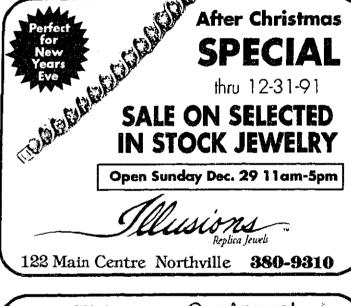
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By JAN JEFFRES Staff Writer

Neighbors at Echo Valley Estates wetlands. gave their blessings to a proposed link into theirs.

So did the planning commission consultants.

overruling a consultant's warning torney Dennis Watson said. that it might set a precedent. The 47-acre property is owned by the Ronald Licht Investment Company, which has already leased the land's oil and gas rights to the South-

ern Michigan Oil Company (SO-MQCO). The parcel is west of Beck Road and south of Ten Mile Road. The company would like to build on 27 acres west of Echo Valley and

leave the remaining 18 acres as resident-agricultural. Licht spokesman Leonard Siegal came to the council with an agreement signed by the Echo Valley Estates Homeowners Association officers and board members. Echo Valley has agreed to give up a park, in ex-

change for access to all the open

space to be left untouched in the proposed subdivsion. Siegal said. Homeowners association president Frank Brennan said this fall that he was impressed with how the developer worked with the neighbor-

hood while planning the subdivision. Planning consultant Brandon Rogers advised against the rezoning, arguing that it would conflict with Novi's master plan. There has been no showing that the property could not be developed as zoned, Rogers said, especially if the developer applies under provisions of the city's

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woodlands option, which would allow the half-acre lot in exchange for prevservation of woodlands and

An adjacent property owner, if de-26-home subdivision which would nied a "domino effect" rezoning, could sue the city according to the

"If a property owner went to court, A rezoning that would allow a half- he could argue you rezoned this to acre (R-1) rather than the required R-A - you're acting in an arbitrary one acre (R-A) lot size was narrowly and capricious manner by not rezonapproved in a four-to-three vote, ing his property," Assistant City At-

The city could argue it was attempting to pull the line of the zoning map straight, Watson added. The parcel was originally R-1 but was rezoned to R-A in a sweeping city master plan change in 1989.

On the zoning map, the R-A parcel juts out as a little block in a mass of R-1. Echo Valley and the adjacent Humming Bird Estates are R-1. About 60 percent of the land is udged to be sensitive.

"Just looking at it, it doesn't make a lot of sense to have one little piece of R-A sticking into a little piece of R-1 like that. Squaring it off makes more sense. It looks like it would clean up the map," planning commissioner

Commissioner Steve Gorgas agreed: "While I generally am not in favor of reznong. I think this one is ustifiable. A north/south line through this would be the right thing to do. I also think it would not set a precedent due to the natural land

Holding out against the rezoning were commissioners Lodia Richards, Kathy McLallen and Ernest Arusto. "The required zoning is R-A. He can develop it as R-A. I would not vote



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#### State school chief likes local control

Robert E. Schiller, the surprise parties. and unanimous choice as the new state superintendent of public instruction, is used to local control of

"I come from New Jersey which is very much identical to Michigan," said Schiller when asked about Michigan's strong local control tradition and distrust of state bureaucracy.

\*New Jersey has 700 school districts. Michigan has 560. I respect it (local control). You can't remove local control by the state, but the state should work as a partner," said

At 44. Schiller has been a deputy superintendent in two states - Delaware and Louisiana - and superin- in February and will be paid about tendent of three school districts in \$83,000. The State Board of Education

made its decision Tuesday night. session Wednesday morning "Michigan is poised to become a

"I believe in the governor's agenda," he added. He was with Gov. John Engler at 9

cille, received a call from Beardmore June. that he was the board's choice. tive role in the candidate screening most of 1992.

process. In an interview Wednesday afternoon, he praised Schiller's ability to work with governors of both

"He was on all our lists of finalists," said Annetta Miller, D-Huntington Woods, a senior member of the state

Schiller's selection came at the open meeting beginning at 9:20 a.m. Wednesday. The voice vote of five Republicans and three Democrats was The new state school chief holds a

degree in economics from Upsala College in New Jersey, a master's in English literature from the University of Mississippi, and a master's and doctorate in education from the University of Pennsylvania. His wife, Lucille, has been a

teacher for 18 years. He will take over The superintendent runs a de-

partment that helps the elected board set policy, administers the said president Dorothy Beardmore. school aid act, certifies teachers and R-Rochester, and ratified it in open administrators, inspects proprietary schools, manages schools for the blind and deaf and directs statewide national leader in education," said MEAP (educational achievement)

Schiller replaces Donald L. Bemis, who took a leave of absence in January after Gov. James Blanchard's rea.m. Wednesday when his wife, Lu- election bid failed, and resigned in

Assistant Superintendent Gary A non-voting member of the state Hawks, who was not a candidate for board. Republican Engler took an ac- the top post, ran the department for



#### 'Tis the season

Carolers brightened the season for holiday shoppers in the olers, in Dickens era garb, sing a holiday song. West Oaks plaza in Novi by performing for the crowds. The car-

## Mystic Forest would miss the forest, critics say

Critics of the proposed Mystic Forest Subdivision wonder if they'll be able to see the trees for the Forest. The whole project was tabled by the Novi Planning Commission Wednesday because the developer and a city consultant were of mixed minds over five lots in the 113-home

The site contains 39 acres of woodlands protected by city ordinances. Developer Mystic Forest Associates 52-acres on the west side of Novi propose to remove 52 percent - or a Road between Nine and Ten Mile lowed more filling of wetlands. In ordinances, I agree with the attor-

total of 989 — of the trees. regulated wetland, as well as three single-family housing development.

unregulated wetlands. Forest," Novi resident Laura Lorenzo lots to link the treed areas together.

ough Place and Mystic Forest — were velopers, said. earlier submitted to the city for the

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City woodlands consultant Linda The destruction of natural re- Lemke contends that the layout dissources as a result of this plan seems rupts any continuity between the excessive and unnecessary. The preserved woodlands, and would like name at present should be Miss the Mystic Forest Associates to delete five

Plans for three condominium de- was more than we wanted to live velopments - Pineview, Winnsbor- with, "Clif Seiber, engineer for the de-Seiber argued that the previous

"We thought the loss of five lots

McLallen agreed.

"I have a real problem in coming in and retaining the name with an entirely new project. It should stand on approved plan for Mystic Forest al. its own and be judged by all current

site in the regulated category. But subdivisions with existing approvals

But Assistant City Attorney Den-

Planning Commissioner Kathy

Wednesday were for an entirely diffe-

were grandfathered in.

July, the revamping of the city's wet- ney's opinion, the son of Mystic down from 194 to 113 housing units. They'd also like to fill one acre of The revamped designs call for one lands ordinance placed those on the Forest is a new subdivision and It would only have one curb cut onto should be judged by existing require- Novi Road, as opposed to an earlier

> Seiber said that the developers nis Watson said the plans submitted

three driveways.

"I think the new Mystic Forest would revert to the old plan, if the cleans the whole 52 acres up. I'm imwetlands are not grandfathered in pressed with this subdivision the way. The new Mystic Forest would bring I see it today," Planning Commisted the development on the acreage sioner John Balagna said. the development on the acreage sioner John Balagna sald.

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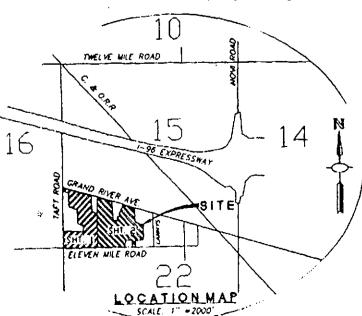
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"Assessor's Plat No. 1," a part of the Southwest ½ of Section 15, T.1N., R.8E., City of Novi, Oakland County, Michigan, beginning at the Southwest corner of Section 15; thence N 01\*40'54" W, 500.00 feet along the West line of Section 15 (nominal centerline Taft Road); thence N 87"37"28" E, 450.00 feet; thence N 01"37"31" W, 167.00 feet; thence N 01"44"08" W, 189.28 feet; thence N 01"40"54" W, 451.44 feet; thence S 89"30"51 W 73'12'08" W, 189.28 feet; thence N 01"40'54" W, 451.44 feet; thence S 88'32'06" W 132.00 feet to the West line of Section 15; thence N 01'40'54" W, 119.23 feet alon said West line of Section 15 to the centerline of Grand River Avenue; thence 73'48'03" E. 174.35 feet along said centerline of Grand River Avenue; thence \$ 00'43'03" E. 52.26 feet to the South line of Grand River Avenue (50 foot half-width) thence S 73'48'03" E. 563.48 feet along said South line of Grand River Avenue thence S 00'02'27" E. 399.41 feet; thence S 49'37'39" E, 157.65 feet; thence N 00'02'27" W, 518.73 feet to the centerline of Grand River Avenue; thence \$ 73'48'03' E. 414.37 feet along said centerline of Grand River Avenue; thence S 00'02'27" [ 527.19 feet; thence S 73'50'08" E, 130.70 feet; thence N 00'02'27" W, 219.85 feet thence S 73'50'08" E, 58.70 feet; thence N 00'02'27" W, 100,00 feet; thence N 18'29'47" E, 149.14 feet to the South line of Grand River Avenue (50 foot half-width); thence S 73'49'03" E, 332.40 feet along said South line of Grand River Avenue; thence S 02'34'29" E, 326.10 feet; thence S 73'50'08" E, 220.00 feet to the West line of "Mary's Orchard Subdivision," Liber 70, Page 26 Oakland County records; thence along the Westerly and Northerly lines of said subdivision for the following seven cours; S 02'34'29" E, 431.26 feet and S 87'37'28" W, 200.00 feet and S 02'34'29" E. 200.00 feet and S 87"37"28" W, 60.00 feet and N 02"34"29" W, 200.00 feet and S 87'37'28" W, 200.00 feet and \$ 02'34'29" E, 260.00 feet to the South line of Section 15 (nominal centerline of Eleven Mile Road); thence S 87'37'28" W, 1571.33 feet along said South line of Section 15 to the point of beginning. Containing 49 8645 Acres.



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did not receive some.

The wheels of justice may turn slowly, but not nearly as slowly as the bureaucratic runaround. A Novi woman, who finds herself trapped between both, appealed to the Northville City Council for relief recently, and threatened the council with legal action if she

Laura Lorenzo, a Galway Drive resident whose property backs up to Singh Development's Pheasant Hills subdivision along Coldspring Drive, is blaming Singh's development for an increase in flooding on her property. She told the council she has been seeking a solution to the flooding, from the developer, the city, and the Oakland County Drain Commissioner, for more than a year. It has been more than 12 months since the Oakland County Drain Commissioner was first notified of Lorenzo's concerns, 10 months since the City of Northville was informed, and six months since the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) notified the city of several potential violations in the city-approved Pheas-

ant Hills system of drains and culverts. "I am very displeased with the delays and, frankly, the foot dragging I have seen," she told the city council Nov.

Lorenzo warned the council that FEMA could assess a \$25 charge on all flood insurance sold or renewed within the city, due to the city's noncompliance with FEMA's lood control criteria. According to a FEMA booklet on the National Flood Insurance Program, "the surcharge is inended to focus the attention of policyholders on the community's noncompliance to help avoid suspension of the community which has serious adverse impacts on those

A community may be suspended from the National Flood Insurance Program if it fails to solve its compliance problems within a timely manner. If suspended, flood insurance policies within the community cannot be written

Lorenzo said a culvert south of her property needs to be widened, and fill removed from a drainage ditch south of the culvert. "Now it's a dam," she said. "Nothing has been done . . . The situation is exactly the same as it was Laura Lorenzo in her own backyard

been active enough, by insisting that the city's last infor- other ways of persuading Singh Development to be more mation on the matter was that it was being handled by cooperative, seeing as though Singh Development is do-

"When I hear that people are going to cooperate, I assume that they're going to do that until I hear differently."

Northville Council Member Carolann Ayers asked what the point of FEMA sanctions would be. "What will my land of this encroachment." that do for you?" she asked. "The ditch will still be there,

been two and a half to three years since I've had this situ- standing water.



Northville Mayor Chris Johnson tried to deflect ation, and I'm looking to resolve this whole thing as soon Lorenzo's attempted criticism that Northville had not as possible," she said. "I think you have authority and

> "If this doesn't start picking up and moving along, I am going to have to talk to FEMA and discuss probation options." she warned. "I will do everything I have to to clear

Lorenzo showed the council photos of flooding on her and residents in the City of Northville will be paying \$25 property after a particularly heavy rainstorm in August. The photos, taken several hours after the rain stopped. Lorenzo, her attitude varying between abrasiveness show that the yard was indeed flooded and looked like a and conciliation, pleaded with the council for relief. "It's large stream or small pond covered by more than a foot of

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ing a lot of building and wants to do a lot of building in the e results of further review by the drain commission. said.

> "I don't know whether we're going to be able to satisfy some technical background to tell us whether we've comhave. And if she's still not satisfied, she has to do what calls," she said.

liberately used her property for flood control in Pheasant and nothing gets done."

"My yard looked like a wetland area," she said. "How Hills. "Basically, the City of Northville and their engimany times am I going to have to go through this?" neers, McNeely & Lincoln, and Singh Development and Following Lorenzo's request, Northville City Manager their engineers, Seiber Keast, took the liberty of using my Gary Word met with Singh officials and the Oakland property as part of the stormwater detention system in County Drain Commission Dec. 10 and is now waiting on Pheasant Hills, without my knowledge or consent," she

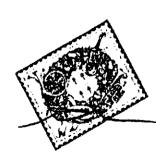
Now that the damage has been done, she said, nobody Laura or not," Word said. "I just need somebody with will take responsibility for it or for finding a solution. "I am very upset and angry that the City of Northville plied with the necessary guidelines . . . I just want to has done little and been very inactive in trying to solve make sure that the city's done its part, and if we have, we this. I have had to do all the footwork and make all the

"Everybody points the finger at everybody else and Lorenzo still contends that the city and developer de-meanwhile nobody takes any responsibility for this . . .



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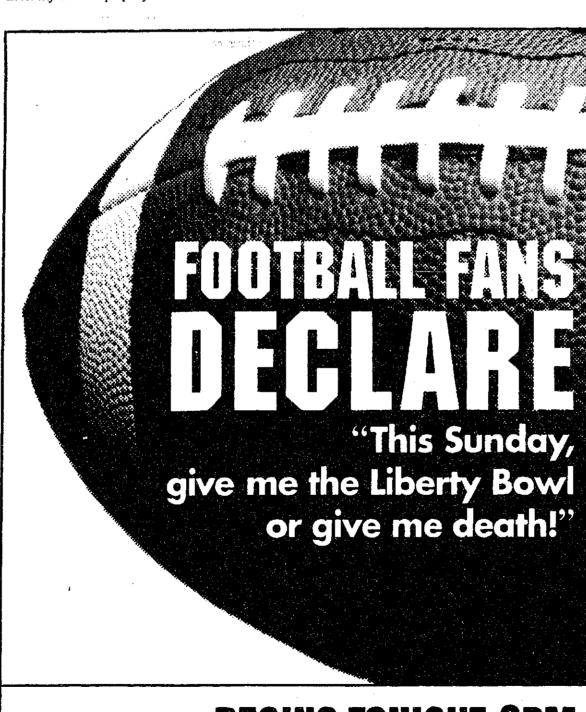
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## Paperwork tells story behind flooding issue

"Our review of the infor-

By STEVE KELLMAN

Laura Lorenzo's one-woman war against the City of Northville and Singh Development, builders of the cates there may be a local Pheasant Hills subdivision she drainage problem affectblames for flooding on her property, has generated reams of official ing the Lorenzo property paperwork.

And the paper stream indicates that the city may potentially have violated its own ordinance and state drainage requirements by approving Federal Emergency Management inadequate flood controls at Pheas

Lorenzo first notified the city of her concerns in a Feb. 11 letter to then City Manager Steven Walters, in the surrounding development, Bonwhich she complained that land- deson wrote. scaping at two Pheasant Hills properties had encroached into a drainage easement downstream from her Gal-

tural stream / floodplain where the April 8. But McNeely & Lincoln's conroad (Mill Pond Court) now exists. has been replaced by a culvert crossing which may be undersized for its which has been determined to be a purpose and can easily be obstructed by even a small amount of debris or

Lorenzo had already enlisted the help of the Oakland County Drain Commissioner and state Department eral problems with the drainage of Natural Resources. The drain commissioner notified four residents on that at least one problem would have Mill Pond Court and Coldspring little effect on her land. The unau-Drive Jan. 7 that an inspection had thorized filling and landscaping of revealed unauthorized landscaping Lots 103 and 104, Pheasant Hills No. and filling of the Randolph Street 2. in the vicinity of the tributary to the Drain, and ordered the residents to Randolph Street Drain, was brought "restore the Drain to its original to the attention of the Drain Commis-

son of the DNR's land and water material which does not conform to gineering firm, Seiber Keast & Asso- obstruct flow in this tributary to the ciates, noted a deficiency in the Mill Randolph Street Drain," the report Pond Court culvert. "The discharge noted. "However, in our opinion, the capacity of the culvert and roadway landscaping and grading modificaare less than the natural drainage tions made to the approved grading swale that they cross, however, we plan would have little effect on the cannot determine how the contribut- drainage problems at Mrs. Lorenzo's ing drainage area has been altered by rear yard."

tional Flood Insurance Program, a Northville City authorized its own federal program that enables propengineering firm, McNeely & Lincoln, to investigate Lorenzo's complaints, and the firm completed its first study wanted to hear: "Because Mrs

Zone 'A' Flood Hazard Area, it would not be uncommon to experience flooding here." The engineering firm did note sev-

Lorenzo's rear yard lies in an area

sioner by Mrs. Lorenzo. The drain commissioner subsequently notified A Feb. 4 letter from Gary Bonde- the property owners to remove any

McNeely & Lincoln's report concluded that the developer had met the city's floodplain standards when mation you provided indidesigning and building Pheasant Hills: "Although Mrs. Lorenzo's prop erty is not located in the City of North ville, great care was taken to assure that her home, as well as all other structures in, or surrounding, Pheasant Hills would not b threatened by a base (100-year) flood Norbert Schwartz as a result of development in Pheas ant Hills. The intent of this (city loodplain) ordinance has been met

in the design and construction of But Lorenzo found another ally in her battle when she turned to the Federal Emergency Management Agency. The agency oversees the Na-

> erty owners to buy insurance protection against losses from flooding. A June 7 letter from FEMA's Nor bert Schwartz, based on information forwarded to FEMA by the city's building department, backed up Lorenzo's contention that the drain age downstream from her property

was inadequate. "Our review of the information you rovided indicates there may be a local drainage problem affecting the Lorenzo property in the City of Novi," Schwartz wrote. "Additionally, the information suggests that Mrs. Lorenzo's allegations that there are undersized culverts on the Randolph Street Drain appear true ... if culverts on Randolph Drain associated with this subdivision develop ment cause a rise in the base flood elevation, even if they are designed to

provide on-stream detention, they

are violations of the (National Flood

Insurance Program's) requirements management division to Singh's en- the approved grading plan, and may and the City's flood plain Schwartz also asked that his

agency be notified of the city's solution to Lorenzo's drainage problems: \*Kindly keep us and the Michigan Department of Natural Resources informed of your progress in bringing this development into compliance

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## Singh not to blame, spokesman says

Singh Development is being standpoint." blamed in part for the flooding on
Laura Lorenzo's property, but Singh

One point of contention between
Lorenzo and the developers is the Vice President Mike Kahm insists

Kahm said Singh has gone to great lengths to investigate Lorenzo's claims that the construction of Pheasant Hills exacerbated flooding

Claims that the construction of part of her property has been in a 100-year floodplain and always has

"What we had originally commit-ted to do as an accommodation to her was look into what design issues she nating an excavation program to rewas raising, or whether there were any design issues where we had done from several Pheasant Hills propersomething wrong," he said. "We have spent a lot of money doing investiga-tions of the entire Pheasant Hills property and adjoining properties satisfy
...What we have concluded after all this is that we really haven't done anything wrong.

"We don't want to infringe on any-body's property . . . but all the evi-dence that I've seen so far does not in-

gatively, either from a design standpoint or a construction

amount of flooding that could have that the development company that been expected on the Novi woman's built Pheasant Hills is not at fault. property before the development's

problems at her Novi home, and has found no evidence to support her been." Kahm said. "You do get some increase in the water level if your property falls within a floodplain. Singh Development is now coordi-

ties where landscaping had filled the drainage area, Kahm said. But he was uncertain whether that would satisfy the Novi homeowner's "I think everyone has tried as hard

as possible to be responsive to her

#### **Orchard Ridge shines** for holiday season

Last year, the family won top hon- at work in St. Nick's factory. One's ors in the city's holiday decorating painting, another is hammering and

Contributing to that glitter is Frank Somers, who married into the family - and the tradition. Somers buys electronics parts at surplus frequently begin in September. The stores and builds the figures and Halloween display figures are often their inner workings. This year's dis-re-worked and re-dressed for play includes an elf falling out of a Christmas.

other women in the seven-member and aglow, Novi's answer to Domino family sew the clothes for the ani- Farms. mated figures. Somers and the Kovac The city's best holiday-decorated

They vary the theme each year. A Wizard of Oz holiday in 1989 was the But a strong contender are homebest ever, Kovac said. year's display is a surprise. Don't year, Novi's Director of Public Relaeven try prying the secret out of them. tions Cindy Stewart said. early. What are we doing? We make out for a week after Christmas.

another is sewing, laboring together Working even harder than Santa's elves has been the Kovac family. They

them sweat it out and wait," she said.

This year features three elves hard

While the Kovacs have swept their Dec. 15, Santa was put in the place of honor on the front yard on Heatherbrae, in Turtle Creek Subdivision.

while the Royals have swept then subdivision's holiday decorating awards for the last few years, they aren't the only showplace on the Kovac, her mother Janice, and the block. Heatherbrae is all decked out

brothers. Kevin and Rod set it all up yards were to be honored by Novi City Council Monday (after the Novi News' holiday press-time).

owners in Orchard Ridge subdivi-The family takes care that each sion, which looks spectacular this "Everyone tries to get it out of us The Kovac yard scene will remain



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the edge of your seats right

now, wondering what this

wonderful holiday tradition is

all about . . . wondering just

what it is that brings joy and

happiness to the heart of

someone who snarls and

grouses as much as I do.

And I'll bet you're going to be surprised to learn that this

That's right, what I'm talking about is a holiday tradi-

Specifically, what I'm talking about is The Gate's holi-

day tradition of putting up stockings for all the waitresses

What happens is that there's a stocking over the bar for

every waitress in the place. The idea is that patrons can

place tokens of their appreciation in various denomina-

Each waitress receives the contents of her stocking on

Kmas eve. Like I said, it's a nice little tradition. Real

But what I like best about it is that the quality of the ser-

Take last week ago, for example, when I decided to stop

off at The Gate for a relaxing game of Ms. Pac Man. do It all year round.

vice I receive increases dramatically whenever the stock-

tions in the stocking of their favorite waitress.

Moments

**By Bryan Mitchell** 

tion at The Starting Gate, that popular watering hole on

Center Street in Northville where I go to meet friends and

very special holiday tradition involves a tavern . . . a sa-

loon . . . a good ol' fashioned, All-American bar.

engage in stimulating conversation.

Jerome

Carryin' on a grand tradition

wonderful holiday tradition cided to complicate my life by placing her purse and a large

covered with silverware."

a real turn on.

I had no sooner walked in the back door when Kelly de-

"Guess you can't play, Phil," she grinned. "The screen is

And no sooner had Kelly blocked the top of the video

"Phil," she said. "You look awful today. What's the mat-

ter? Your razor broken? You know, you really ought to

comb your hair in the morning. And look at that shirt.

In other words, a typical Saturday morning. Except

"Hey, it's great to see you guys, too," I said. "It's nice to

that, the stockings had been hung over the bar the previ-

ous evening. A fact that Kelly and Terri had apparently

know that whenever I get tired of being abused at home I

The only thing is that I'm having trouble making up m

mind. Should I put a \$10 bill in Terri's stocking and a \$5 in

Kelly's. Or should I give the \$10 to Kelly and stick Terri

"I was only kidding about how you look," said Terrible

"Let me clean the top of the video screen for you," added

"Nice try, guys, but you're too late," I told them. "I heard

Kelly quickly. I want to make sure everything's perfect for

what you had to say about me before you remembered

those stockings. But don't worry. There's still a few days

till Christmas. And if you're good little girls . . . well, you

never know. Ol' Santa's got a short memory. Maybe he'll

find something green to stick in those stockings yet."

Like I said, it's a wonderful tradition. I just wish they'd

my favorite customer. Wouldja like a Coke?"

Terri. "Actually, you have kind of a rugged, macho look. It's

load of silverware on top of the video screen.

screen when Terri the Terrible showed up.

You've got to have a better shirt than tht."

can come in here for more of the same.

### As We See It

## Novi ahead of state on shanty regulation

It's par for the course.

The problem of fishing shanties beingleft on lakes too long, falling through the ice when a thaw comes along, and resulting in a safety hazard for both snowmobilers (if the lake refreezes) and summer boaters (if it does not) has existed for Recreation years. So far, the state has done nothing

Now that the City of Novi has a fishing shanty ordinance of its own, requiring ice fishers to pull their shanties off the lake each and every night, the state has decided this is an issue worth its

The state's Department of Natural Resources' first action was to turn the Novi ordinance over to the state Attorney General for review. The DNR wants to know if the ordinance infringes on the public's right to use a public waterway. It also wants to know if the city can preempt the DNR's authority in this

The second action taken by the DNR was to begin work on a new set of ice shanty regulations of its own, which bear a striking similarity to the Novi ordinance. Although the new rules proposed by the DNR's law enforcement division do allow shanties to be left on lakes during the deep winter months, when the chances of their falling through are minimal, they would require the shanties be

The moral of this story: If you want some attention to a problem from the state government, threaten a bureau- state — which could not be bothered be-

and end of the ice fishing season.

requires the shantles to be off the lake an themselves. hour after sundown, but it does have an exception to allow shanties which are need of the protection of a shelter. tions in this area.

It seems that would also be the least likely time for a shelter to fall through the ice. And if it is in use, the owner is not likely to let it fall through. In any case, the point of the ordinance is to make sure shanties are not neglected after they are placed on the ice. So this amendment would not run counter to the basic purpose of the law.

The change would be simple enough, adding an amendment which states the shantles must be off theice an hour after dark, "unless occupied."

Perhaps the city should also give thought to the idea the state has that shanties only need to come off the ice each evening during certain times of the season, when the chances of a thaw are

Don't get us wrong. There are fair questions here for the state to answer. There is a legitimate question about whether the Novi city rules do impede the public's right to use a waterway. So an attorney general opinion is called for. pulled off each night at the beginning And the state does need to tighten down on its own shanty regulations.

But it rankles to no end that the fore to resolve the problem for lake users. lakefront homeowners and the city -Now mind you, we are not al- now wants to get involved . . . after the together happy with the city's shanty or- city and area residents have pretty much dinance as it stands. One flaw is that it resolved the problems on the lake for

It is enough to make you wonder still in use to stay out on the lake later. whether the state and the DNR are more Many ice fishers do their fishing at night. concerned with protecting their own bu-Needless to say, that is also the coldest reaucratic turf that with dealing and retime of day, when they are in the most solving the real natural resource ques-

## None for the road

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U.S. SENATE

vision 1 District Court has organized a clude O'Shea's Tavern, Mr. B's Farm, the new program designed to keep party- Novi Hilton, the Novi Bowl, and the Red goers and bar patrons safe this holiday Timbers. season. It is known as the Designate a Driver (DAD) program.

will be offering free, non-alcoholic drinks care about their customers' safety as to the person designated by their groups well as their patronage. And it is worth a at the bar to be the non-drinking driver round of applause. for the trip home. Twenty area taverns and restaurants have signed up to participate in the program, including five in hoping that more businesses will sign up

The effort is apparently being led by Judge Michael Batchik and the local es- will be safe as well as fun.

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Credit where it's due: The 52nd Di-tablishments which have signed up in-

It's good to see that the court cares about prevention as well as punishment. Those businesses which sign up It is good to see that these businesses

> Here's to the program. Here's to to participate next year.

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## Sad holiday season in state

'Happy birthday Jason'



to say this one will be sad. looks to me like an ominous

bombshell from General Motors. It's the impression that, for the first time since the Great Depression of the 1930s. government policy stands powerless in the face of massive economic trouble.

This feeling is borne out by the recent University of Michigan projections. Consumer confidence is very low. And most folks surveyed said they the plant. lacked confidence that government either cared much

These findings are matched at only two other times in recent economic history — at the height of the inflation under President Jimmy Carter and during the Great Depression.

There is an Old Testament quality to our present trouble. We broke our covenant with our lord of economic common sense when we indulged in the orgy of personal and business debt creation during the 1980s. Now that debt is at unprecedented levels, our vengeful

and judgmental lord is bringing misery to the face of the I wouldn't be surprised t see the recession endure, re-

Some Christmas seasons gardless of what President George Bush or Congress say or

are happy, some sad. I'm sorry do, until we have paid down that debt. This recession is unlike anything since the Depression. The recession is taking what It is not a cyclical downturn, caused by temporary oscillations in the business cycle. It is a secular recession, caused by fundamental economic and political sickness in our nation.

The General Motors restructuring - bold, imaginative and hopeful for the long-run success of our largest employer - will hurt. Lots.

Plants will close. Jobs will be lost. Previously secure white-collar managers will be out on the street. And the trouble will flow down the automobile industry food chain — from GM to parts suppliers, from white collar workers to part-time laborers, from computer designers to the UAW and the guy who brings coffee to the back door of

Our state, already reeling from the combination of a what was happening or was competent to do anything poor economy and a governor determined to cut back and reshape the nature of governmental services, will take it on the chin. Again.

Conventional wisdom in Lansing was that, even after all the cuts, there was another \$100 million or so to go in getting to a balanced budget. Most folks in the know are now talking about at least another \$150 million. Happy New Year to our schools and universities, our

mentally ill and homeless, our arts institutions and the quality of life in our dear Michigan.

Phil Power is chairman of the company that owns this newspaper. His award-winning column appears periodically.

## Judging the best of the decorations



Michael Malott

Ridge Estates holiday home decorating contest. Appa rently, Mayor Matt Quinn has been judging it for vears. gotten to known the houses and their decorating schemes by heart. So, home-

the annual Orchard

owners association president Larry Brandon said he wanted to give someone else, not familiar with subdivision's yearly display, a chance And he picked me.

But I'm sure glad he did. My family and I decided to make an outing of it. We got to see some beautiful homes, beautifully decorated for

And my daughter, Samantha, took to Larry right away. I'm not sure if it was the fact he brought along his dog, Snuffy, or because he showed her his endlessly fascinating "disappearing refrigerator magnet" magic trick at Guernsey's afterward, but by the end of the evening she was cuddled up in his lap.

Of course, she's couldn't seem to get his name right. She called him Terry or Jerry all evening. No amount of correction seemed to convince her his name is Larry. But he didn't seem to mind too much.

Every television

production has a

America — Now and

Then" is an example

at its best. On

March 5, 1991, I re-

ceived a telephone

call from Farming-

ton City Manager,

Bob Deadman. He

requested that our

staff prepare an

the Multicultural Committee of Farmington/ SWOCC grant covered set design, costumes,

be able to pick a first, second or third place win- dles in the windows and wreaths all combine to how I got picked for ner from the bunch. But when we were done, make for a beautiful home. This is proof positive and had driven around the subdivision three or that an outrageous utility bill does not a wellfour times, some preferences began to emerge. So with this, and a good deal of input from my wife, Dana, we selected the winners.

> First place went to Joseph and Christine Heffernan, 23468 Duchess Court. Larry said they have won the contest in previous years with their decorating scheme, and I can understand why. The house is well lit with an enormous number of lights, all in a red-and-white color scheme. The Heffernan's have decorations of tin soldiers on either side of their garage door. They have a variety of decorations, such as a Santa and a wrapped present, at various locations on their lawn. It is an intriguing display.

Second place went to - get this - Larry (Terry, Jerry) and Sharon Brandon, 43977 Winthrop Drive. The Brandon home was also adorned with a vast array of lights. But the intriguing thing here was that everywhere you looked, there something special to discover in the decorations — a candy cane here, santa and his sleigh there, a star of lights over there, the garage doors were wrapped in bows like presents. The fact that the homeowners went out that day and added to the display with a snow reindeer also impressed the judges. (And Dana and I are willing to sign affidavits if need be that we were unaware ahead of time that this was

Third place went to Richard and Patricia Brown, 23632 Greening Drive. Elegant is the On to the judging. We saw so many pretty word I'd use to describe this home. Strings of

History of a television production

Farmington Hills, was for originally-created

local programming, as well asd public-created

programming. On Nov. 27, 1991, 'The Spirit of

America — Now and Then" was completed. It

will soon be seen on television channels in

many cable systems; but first, of course, on our

were Mary Linda Calderone, Lisa A. Smith and

Tracy Thompson. All three have very diverse

professional backgrounds, which harmoni-

ously blended into a very creative television

Some of the interesting statistics about the

final product, which is one hour in length, are

that it took six months at 20 hours a week to

produce — from preproduction to postproduc-

tion — for a total of 520 hours. A community

The team of producers from the SWOCC staff

own Channel 12.

decorated home make.

There are a few days left of the holiday season before the lights are turned off and taken down for another year. If you, dear reader, haven't been through Orchard Ridge yet, check it out. There are many homes with decorations worthy of note. This may have been one of the tougher contests I've had to judge.

Before I go, perhaps I should explain Larry's little magic trick. It started out as a game of guess-which-hand-the-magnet-is-in. When Sam asked Larry to guess which hand she had it in, she dropped the magnet on the floor behind her so that his guess would be incorrect. (Yes. apparently I'm raising a cheater.)

But once on the floor, Larry said he could make the magnet disappear. And when he said the magic words, my wife quickly bent over and picked it up from behind my little girl. With just few words, Larry made that magnet appear and disappear at will for about five minutes (with a help from Dana.)

This went on until Sam finally turned around too quickly, catching Mom red handed, bent over with her fingers right on the thing. Naturally, we thought the jig was up. I quickly pronounced them "busted." Dana got

that Ive-been-caught, guilty look on her face. We forgot we were dealing with the mind of a 3% -year-old.

Said Sam: "No, no, you have to leave it on the homes Saturday night, I was sure I would not white Christmas lights, white spot lights, can-floor there so that Terry can make it disappear."

The going rate for such a production on the

commercial market would have ranged from

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## State school chief choice too slick



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evening of programming for the 200th Annives-

ary of the Bill of Rights this December, and Mar-

Mr. Deadman's original request, on behalf of

tin Luther King's Birthday in January.

Michigan's new superintendent of public instruction Even slick.

was smooth. A little too slick. Schiller, 44, deputy superintendent in Delaware, was interviewed by the State Board of Education begin-

ning at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 19. He was the last of five finalists. At 9 a.m. Wednesday the board was scheduled to convene and make its choice, agenda item "NN." But there was a lot of milling around

and sipping of coffee. Everyone was in the fourth floor meeting room of the Hannah Building except Dorothy Beardmore, R-Rochester Hills, board

At 9:20 the meeting started. Beardmore immediately moved that Schiller be chosen. Barbara Roberts Mason, D-Lansing, seconded the motion. They didn't bother with a roll call. The voice vote was unanimous. It was over in seconds.

How do you like that? The most important

The choice of our eight members of the State Board of Educa-obert Schiller as tion don't even need to discuss the candidates. So well did they know the outcome that the often partisan board didn't need a roll call. Annetta Miller, D-Huntington Woods, said

there were other good candidates but Schiller "was on all of our lists of finalists." Oh? What lists? There weren't any lists visible Wednesday morning.

A little too slick. Came the explanation. Beardmore said they had discussed the candidates "in small groups" the night before.

The Open Meetings Act requires that "all deliberations" be in a public meeting.

Schiller told me he and his wife were scheduled to fly home at 6 a.m. Wednesday. Instead they got word to wait around.

That morning, Schiller said he met with Gov. John Engler. Obviously Engler knew At 9 a.m. Lucille Schiller got a call in their

hotel from Beardmore and passed word to her

husband. He promptly called Beardmore back. He was getting the Big Job. That was 15 or 20 minutes before the board publicly voted. The Open Meetings Act requires that all votes be taken in a public meeting. Clearly, the board had decided prior to the time it reached item "NN."

The Open Meetings Act makes candidates' job in Michigan's educational hierarchy, and names public property unless the candidate

asks confidentiality. My experience is that only half the candidates request confidentiality. The reporter for the outstate Booth Newspapers had covered the proceedings and said no candidates' names ever were released. "They didn't even tell us the number of candidates,"

No list of candidates. No number of candidates. No public discussion. A decision prior to the public meeting.

Board member Mason let the cat out of the bag when she said publicly, "It was difficult to adhere to the Open Meetings Act." She said the state board should seek amendments to OMA to facilitate the search process.

In truth, it's not difficult to do a hiring under OMA. Lots of boards do it. You just make up your mind that you're doing the public's business, and the public has a right to know. To the state board's credit, it interviewed finalists in the open, as the law mandates. That's the crucial step in letting the public and various governmental constituencies know what's in

Credit Gov. John Engler, too, for taking an active part in the process without cramming his choice down everyone's throat. The vote was

Otherwise, it was a little too slick.

Tim Richard reports regularly on the local implications of state and regional events.



## Contractors fueled waste race

house Electric Corp. spent almost Nov. 5 ballot proposal on financing the Oakland County Solid Waste Program, according to treasurer Steve Mitchell.

were filed earlier this month with the Elections Division of the Oakland County Clerk's Office. In a press statement, Mitchell said the Committee for Responsible Solid

Campaign finance statements

Waste Management spent a total of Of that total, \$205,100 was dosaid in the statement. Westinghouse bonds.

to build the \$190 million waste-to- \$5,000. The firm will also help underenergy incinerator, the cornerstone write the sale of bonds. of the \$500 million solid waste The fact that Westinghouse was is the local legal counsel for the solid Brooks Patterson (possibly Oakthe largest contributor was a source waste program.

of controversy to those opposed to the Camp, Dresser & McKee, \$2,000. and Dick Headlee," said Mitchell's incinerator. Some insisted it was improper for a company with a financial the project. interest in the program to put money Alexander Hamilton Life Insurinto a program that advocated an affirmative vote. But what Westinghouse did was chairperson and chief executive, was

legal," said Diane L. Pederson, a vocal one of several well-known Republientic from Rochester Hills. "We didn't cans who made commercials touting like their campaign, but it was legal." the solid waste program. tion - People United Against Inciner- field, Paddock & Stone in Detroit election.

plaint about the county's role in that 
The committee spent about campaign with the Michigan Secret- \$100,000 on printing and postage for from Oct. 5 and 6 showed that 43 perpaign to persuade voters to back the ary of State. "But we're not targeting direct mail; \$53,000 on a telephone cent of voters favored the proposal. Westinghouse."

> their support, are: ■ Waste Management of North ment said. An undisclosed amount America, \$20,000. The company has was spent on polling and consulting. a contract with Oakland County for The money was well-spent, acciosest in county history. two other components of the solid cording to Mitchell, who lives in West

a landfill in Orion Township. ■ Shearson Lehman Brothers of To our knowledge, this is the first New York, \$7,500. The firm will help time in 25 attempts nationwide that a nated by Westinghouse, Mitchell underwrite the sale of the solid waste waste-to-energy incinerator has been approved by voters in an elec-

has a contract with Oakland County 

Kidder-Peabody of New York. tion," Mitchell said in his statement. ecutive), Roy Rewold (chairman of the Dusen, \$2,500. The Detroit law firm county board of commissioners).

"These leaders had the courage to take a strong, public stand on a very chard Headlee, the firm's president,

controversial issue," the statement continued, "Without their leadership and public endorsement, the proposal would not have won."

paper advertising. Mitchell's state-

"This was a tremendous victory for

Dan Murphy (Oakland County Ex-

land's most well-known Republican)

Mitchell said tracking polls show that blitz made the difference. Polling campaign; about \$40,000 on radio That figure was 47 percent in the Other contributors listed in the advertising; \$20,000 on television week of Oct. 25 and slightly over 50 press release, and the amount of advertising and \$8,000 on news- percent on election day. More than 20 percent of Oakland's

With 148,066 people voting, the waste program, the material recovery Bloomfield and operates a research solid waste proposal was approved facility (or MRF) in Auburn Hills and and communication firm in East by 257 votes, 71,020 to 70,763.

728,220 registered voters turned out

for the Nov. 5 ballot proposal — the

The vote was close enough that a coalition of organizations opposed to the incinerator have paid \$4,250 for a recount of 42 of the county's 557 precincts. That recount is under way and is expected to continue through the end of the month.

In a related development, th county board's planning and building committee has given tentative approval to the selling of about \$100 million worth of solid waste bonds as early as this spring.

Those bonds will be used to begin implementing recycling portions of the solid waste program, according to Smith. "The bonds will be sold in a series." he said. "No bonds will be sole for the incinerator until after the Mi-Murphy, Rewold, Patterson and chigan Department of Natural Re Headlee each made commercials for sources (NDR) has held a public Pederson said she is part of a coali- Fifteen lawyers from Miller, Can- a media blitz prior to the Nov. 5 hearing on the facility's operating

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### Connector nears federal approval

By JAN JEFFRES

Federal Highway Administration officials say their final approval for the Haggerty Connector may be

"We just forwarded the unsigned record of decision to the regional office and recommended that they sign it," Jim Kirschensteiner, a project en-gineer for the highway administration in Lansing said Friday.

There's very little that's automatic. They'll review it. We pretty much satisfied everbody's concerns the best we can. Our regional office was retty well satisfied with the recordf-decison draft."

Once the highway administration signs off, the Connector will get the green light as far as this branch of the federal government is concerned. The highway administration would fund 70 percent of the \$80 million project, while the state has already nnounced it plans to pay its 30 per-

ion's Chicago-area regional office could not be reached for comment by

A spokesperson in the administra-

from the Michigan Department of Na-

tion permits. The Environmental Protection Agency will have a strong influence in the DNR decision and this federal agency has already said it doesn't like plans to mitigate most of the wetlands in St. Clair County, instead of on-site.

The DNR expects to have an answer on the wetlands issue in February. Road work could begin this

### History gives way to Connector plan

Continued from Page 1

The Lauwers tried it themselves with the pigs they used to raise. The cellar floor is made of black slate slabs. And the nearest place these stones could have been quarried is in Kalamazoo. All the huge pegs that held the

house together have been kept. Most of the glass is the wavy, blue original. The rear of the house was also built from huge tree trunks. And perched on a shelf in the kitchen is one of a tiny pair of 19th

century children's leather button boots found inside the wall during a reconstruction project. Lauwer's heard a lot of stories about the home. A Novi old-timer told

her it was a blind pig — and copper tubing from a still is intact in the celhouse for a golf course. She doesn't know the name of the original builder, but he was the brother of the original owner of an-

1814 mansion. This residence, once across Twelve Mile from the Yellow House, was purchased and moved from the city many years ago. The pre-1830 date for the Yellow House was provided by Jean Fox, a

Farmington historian and author. The Lauwers bought the property in 1963, charmed by it's old-time quality. Their two children were

But it wasn't long after the couple moved in that they learned the house fell in the path of an extension of Interstate 275. The plug was pulled on that project in the early 1970s. Lauwers said they anticipated their land would be zoned from residential-agricultural to commercial and they could retire on the pro-

fits when they sold out — in their own good time. But the Haggerty Connector

changed all that. Through condemnation proceedings in the Oakland County Circuit Court, the state acquired their property in August. A neighbor has already moved away from Twelve Mile store. Needlepoint fans could purch- world that's being steamrolled. Road and others are on their way. ase canvases customed-designed by Twenty-one houses will be taken by the road.

Lauwer and local freelance artists. things in our life we didn't want to do," she said.

The Lauwers are fighting in court the state's assessment that their home is worth \$140,000.

What really stings Lauwer is that Michigan Department of Transportation contends the highest and best use of the property is residential. Lauwer counters that she's not being compensated for the loss of her

"It's a matter of pride with me. I'm really incensed that they willy-nilly ignored it. They did an evaluation. They never asked to see my books,"

They came in through the shop and did an appraisal and totally ignored it. This is 12-and-a-half years of my life. I worked my butt off and it's just beginning to pay."

Ken Whitenton, director of MDOTs district real estate division said he was not personally familiar with the Lauwer case, but that the state generally would compensate for the loss of a home-run business "We pay for everything that contributes to the value of the property, Whitenton said. "Our policy is we fairly compensate for - or attempt to iness contributes to the value of the

property, then it was counted." The final decision will be up to a For something that's allegedly not sale. recognized as a business by the state,

gives a good showing. She's got a 1991 Novi business registration taped in a glass showcase. set," she said.

Display racks and merchandise fill two rooms. She pays her Michigan small business tax. "It's in the Constitution. They can't

proper restitution. They're taking away my livelihood. They're not even acknowledging it," she said. "It's never been finalized. The fed-

proval yet. They feel the sooner they situation. buy it, the cheaper it will be because land is going up."

 everything we condemn. If the bus- and other supplies were available And Lauwer taught classes on the

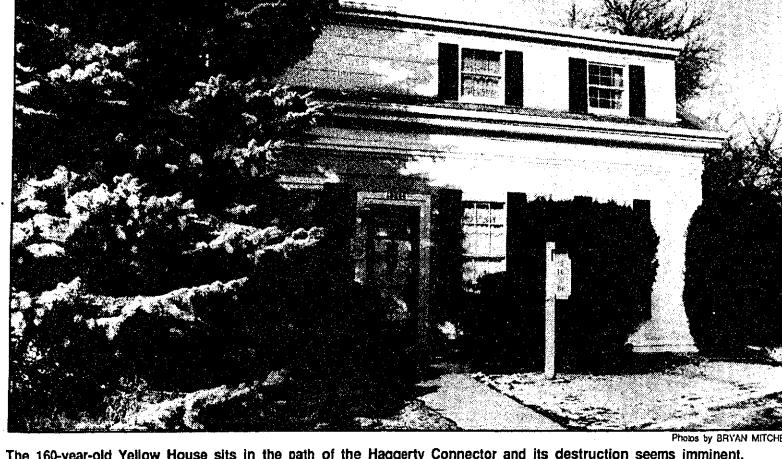
For the past few weeks, customers flocked in for her half-price closing "You couldn't go to Lee Ward's and

Jean Lauwer's Needlepoint Shop buy this stuff. I'm more specialized than that . . . It's causing a lot of grief to my customers. They're really up-Lauwer says she cannot afford the

store rent to re-open her shop elsewhere. And she can't take her customer base up north with her — the take your property away without area can't afford her prices.

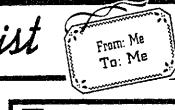
Because of their home buyout, her husband is taking an early retirement. Both are under doctor's care eral government hasn't given its apfor the stress brought on by the Lauwer says she's irked because

the state has never given her straight It was a unique and charming little answers to her questions. And it's her "We're being forced to do a lot of



The 160-year-old Yellow House sits in the path of the Haggerty Connector and its destruction seems imminent.

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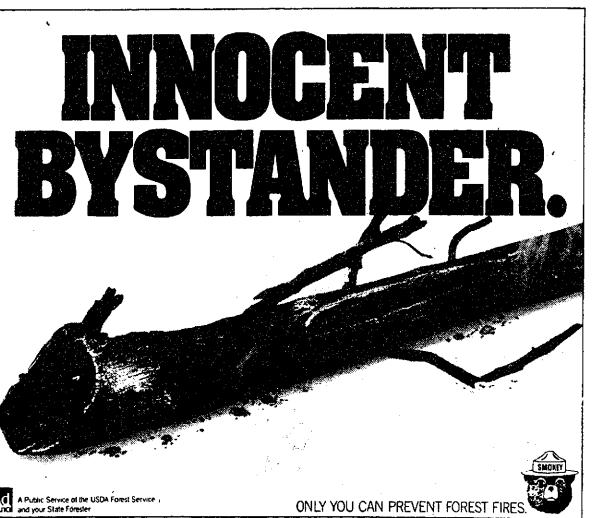
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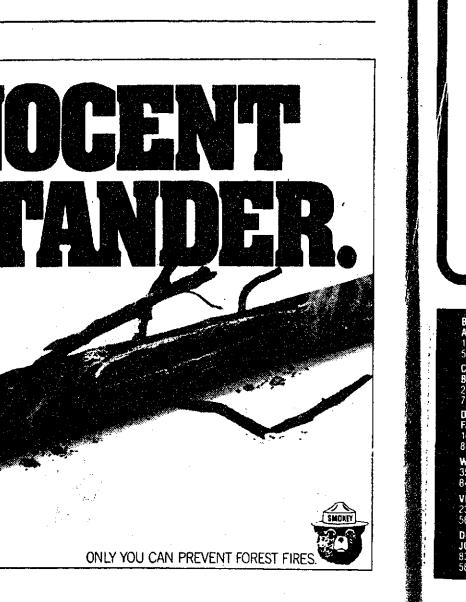
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THURSDAY December 26,



By CRISTINA FERRIER

Their faces intense, their pace determined, they are partaking in the childhood ritual that few adults do not recall.

They are spending every cent they have on candy. It starts with heated debate: Does \$1.50 and \$1.50 add up to \$2 or \$3? They argue. Mike says it's \$2. Joe says it's \$3.

"One dollar and one dollar is two dollars, then 50 cents and 50 cents is another deller," argues log.

another dollar," argues Joe.
"No! One dollar and one dollar . . . two dollars is . . . Hey!" Mike turns to an adult standing nearby. "How much is \$1.50 and \$1.50?"

"Three dollars." "Seel ITOLD you," says Joe. The two begin punching each other on the arm, laughing. They run outside, presumably to get some cold, hard

Were you ever that young? Yes, you were. And a glance through the front candy counter at Grandma Betty's in downtown Northville brings it all back again.

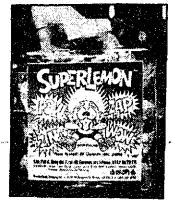
Here's candy you thought they didn't make any more. Candy you forgot all about: Laffy Taffy, Squirrels, Circus Peanuts, candy lipstick, Wacky Wafers, Mary Janes, Pixie Stix, Lik-M-Aid, Jolly Joes, Hot Tamales, Alexander the Grape, Jujy Fruits, Lemonheads, Atomic Fireballs, Ferrara Pan jawbreakers in a green box, wax pop bottles filled with colored liquid.

candy "dots" on strips of white paper, and Zotz.

Remember Zotz? They started out tasting like run-of-the-mill hard candy. But, suddenly — when you sucked them down to the middle — they exploded and fizzed inside your mouth. Zotz were very popular in the

But "Grandma" Betty Burch says Zotz are hard to find now. Adults are

Continued on 3



Photos by Bryan Mitchell





Kids love to spend money on candy. Corinne Atty, 11, (above left) stocks up on candy to give her friends for Christmas. A favorite is (far left) sour lemon candy, which starts out



tasting like straight lemon juice. At left, 3-year-old Jenna Obsnuik munches on a sour straw. Above, "Grandma Betty" minds the store.

#### Volunteer



MICHELLE CONQUEST

#### Library gains from Conquest's notes

By DOROTHY NASH Special Writer

"All I do is take notes," said Michelle Conquest about her role as secretary for the Northville Library Advisory Commission. Then she described the structure, purpose, and activities of the commission.

It is composed of three representatives from Northville Township and three from the City of Northville plus a member-at-large and a City Council liaison.

Its main consideration is funding -how to stretch the available money to provide the services the library wants to give the public.

In the October meeting, Conquest said, the commission discussed the budget for 1992 - monies going for books, salaries, computers, video cassettes. The library director presented a budget, and "we went over it with her," she said.

Sometimes the director makes decisions and then reports to the commission. In those cases, Conquest commented, "She keeps us up to date."

Reports from other than the director also occasionally come to the Library Commission, Conquest said. The assistant director and the librarians from specific departments, such as young adults and children. come to submit problems and suggestions. And sometimes Friends of the Library sends a representative to

How did Michelle Conquest get on the Northville Library Advisory Commission? "I was asked to serve," she answered.

And why did she accept? "I think the library is very important. It provides us with books and information

that not all of us have." The every-other-month meetings of the commission are open to the public. Watch the weekly calendar in the paper for the next one if you would like to attend and consider applying to fill the next vacancy. It's a four-year term.

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## Lions report a successful Candy Cane sale

By JEANNE CLARKE

The Novi Lions Club reports a very successful Candy Cane Sale this year under the direction of chairman Tim Napier. Members say would like to days of the month at 6:30 p.m. thank all those involved in making it a success, not only the sales people CIVIL AIR PATROL

September at the annual Pig Roast. be Jan. 7 at 7:30 p.m. All money will go to charitable The group recently had an open Ann O'Brien.

dogs for the blind.

than \$1,000 to the Penrickton Center U.S. Navy, former squadron Comin Taylor that services blind children mander of the Novi unit. who have at least one other. The group recently participated in. Jan. 18 is the date set for the Fifth

Six new members were added recen- Members also recently ushered for Sno-Ball Softball Tournament is Jan. tly through the leadership of the several concerts at Novi High School. 9 at 5 p.m. membership chairman Dick Faulk In addition, they visited the Veterans' There will also be a snowman

The club meets at Kim's Gardens Frank and Michelle Fero.

CHURCH

#### **Novi Highlights**

\$3,000 during the fund-raiser and Tuesday evening at Novi Middle F'Geppert, Noel Gregory, Dale and also offers cross country skiling. will add this to the money raised in School South. The next meeting will Linda Lemerouix, Philip Lemerouix

Club members also gave more Commander Lynn Baugham of the the next meeting.

sented at the Pearl Harbor Memorial Service held at the American Legion

guest speaker at the open house was information should feel free to visit dusk.

and performed community service at Annual Chilly Willy Winter Festival. The Novi club continues to grow, the Pumpkin Fest in South Lyon. The deadline for registration in the

ner. The Lions are very busy at pre- Facility in Ann Arbor and assisted the building contest; coloring contests; a manager's meeting will be held for \$1 per person. Open gym is open to sent assisting Bill Barr in his cam- Blue Star Mothers with their bingo Chili cook-off, for licensed restaur- the Adult Volleyball League Jan. 2. those from grade nine to adults. paign to be district govenor of the games. Members also assisted the ants only; a bridge tournament di-11A2 District that is comprised of Blue Star Mothers with putting on a rected by Al and Helen Weiss; a NOVI COMMUNITY EDUCATION

tion booklets are available at Parks nuary during registration for winter registration. and Recreation.

Lakeshore Park on South Lake Drive is available for winter activities. The park features 30 acres of recreation land and the popular Lakeshore cluding Self-Defense for Women, for Post in Wyandotte Dec. 7. Members Park Picnic Shelter. Registration for but the residents of Novi who supported them.

The Civil Air Patrol, a group of participated in the placing of a spring and summer activities in the ported them.

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Salar Police Segment of tures, along with hands-on training interested.

Salar Police Segment of tures, along with hands-on training interested. young people interested in a career in wreath in the Detroit River. Those facility begins Jan. 2. Ella Mae Power The group raised more than aviation or aerospace, meets every who attended included Sue Ann Park on Ten Mile, which has 70 acres,

information, call 347-0400. Deadlines for registration in various recreation department programs Scuba instruction will also be include: Karate, Jan. 7; Gymnastics, available in January. Novi Meadows Jan. 3: Fitness Factory, Jan. 10; will have open gym on Mondays and Adult Volleyball League, Dec. 27. A Wednesdays from 8:30-10 p.m. for

The pool will be available at Novi High School, with open swim on clubs in the Oakland County area. party for the holidays. Those who at- Euchre tournament; a lip sync-talent The Community Education De- Tuesdays and Thursdays. Groups The election will be held in Perrys- tended from the squadron were Louis show (advance registration is neces- partment is issuing a reminder not to can rent the pool on Fridays and ar-Gombasy, Linda Statenzi, Natalie sary); a Little Ms./Mr. Winter Con-throw away the Fall, 1991 or Winter rangements can be made for birthday

shop will begin Jan. 9.

the Novi Youth Assistance. Informa- special money saving suprise in Ja- 344-8330 for more information or

Those interested in sharing their skills, crafts or hobbies with others Several programs are beginning are asked to consider becoming an their third season in January, in-instructor for Community Education in its enrichment classes. Call both teens and adults. Short lec- 344-8330, ext. 13 if you are

Other courses include: Dancing in High bowlers this week were Mar-The cross county ski trail is apthe '90s, for those ages 7 and up, begge Greaves of the Eager Beavers with and color guards Julie Domanen and proximately two miles long, ginning Jan. 7 for five weeks; Couples 200 in a 528 series, Debbie Lukasiak Lakeshore Park does not have a Dancing for adults begins Jan. 7; of the Never a Doubt team with 197. house and conducted recruitment Young people in the seventh grade marked course, but is available for Adult Tap begins Jan. 8; Accounting Audrey Blackburn of the Eager Beay. Recently, 10 members of the club drives in both the South Lyon and or 13 years old are eligible to join the skiing. A sledding hill is also available and Financial Management for Buil- ers with a 192 in a 502 series. Minnie attended the Leader Dog Kickoff Din- Novi school districts. Eighty four Civil Air Patrol. This can be a family at Lakeshore Park seven days a week, ders will start Jan. 8; Financing Land Legal of the Eager Beavers with a ner and presented the school with a young people said they were inter- program since senior members are depending on weather conditions. Acquistion and Development will be- 189, Linda Dettore of the B and Ls check for its work training leader ested in the joining program. Special welcome. Anyone interested in more The parks are open from 8 a.m. until gin Feb. 5. Session three of Trainers with 187 in a 501 series, Shirley Academy for Obedience and Beha- Struzik of the High Lows with 183. There is a community room at viorial Sciences will be starting Jan. Jean Pilon of Look-N-Good with 177. Lakeshore Park which will hold ap- 14 at the Novi Woods Gym. Italian Dorthy MacDermid of the M and Ms proximately 40 people. For further One will start Jan. 6. A Pottery Work- with 177, Marilyn Vallincourt of the Never a Doubt with 175 and Barb Dettore of the B and Ls with 175.

Standings are as follows:	
Bowling Bags	62-43
Never a Doubt	61-44
Adventurers	55-50
B and L	
Eager Beavers	54-50
Lookin' Good	54-51
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High Lows	47-58
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M and M	11-64

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Amy Kociszewski, Sarah Chinn, Erin Willsle, Kim Justus, Amy wrap gifts for their "adopted" family.

## Cheerleaders 'adopt' a family

BY CRISTINA FERRIER

Christmas was happier for a needy for each child to open," Kociszewski Other than sizes, first names and also collected coats for the Baldwin family in Oakland County thanks to said. "All the kids got slippers, bubble ages. Kociszewski said they don't Center, a homeless shelter in the Novi High School freshman bath, games, paint sets, Christmas know anything about the family. The group of girls "adopted" the got pajamas for the parents. family of five, on a first-name-only

basis, and gave them a Christmas to Cheerleading Coach Amy Kociszewski said the girls used money denominational. from fundraising projects to buy nine ts each for the three children, ages

they know it made them happy. selves. That's what really crunched Cohn, Kim Justus, Amy Srednicki, "We made it even, with nine gifts me. I picked that family." candy, hats and mittens . . . and we "We just know they live in Oakland

Kociszewski said she found the family through a program at Holy Family Catholic Church in Novi, although the program is non-

-We got their sizes and other infor- them." 8.5 and 4, as well as a few gifts for mation. All the parents wanted was In addition to giving a family a the parents. They will probably never for their kids to have a Christmas, the girls — Sarah Chinn,

Kociszewski said she was proud of the way the girls latched onto the "And the parents were really sup-

County and they are in need."

Lisa Newkirk and Kelly Worges -

The girls got together last Thurs-

day night and wrapped the gifts instead of having a Christmas party. parents a letter explaining it to others," Kociszewski said. "We're just going to get logether and wrap gills for the family, eat pizza and cookies.

## Candy shopping is remembered

more likely to buy Zotz in her store because they bring back memories. Exploding candy is no longer the rage among kids. What sells big during the after-school shift now is candy that is very,

Rachel Koster and Julie Glock love the sour stuff. They are in the store to buy "Crybabies," a jawbreaker-like candy that becomes unbearably sour as it dissolves.

They want blue ones, but there aren't any blue ones left on the counter. So Ken Burch, Grandma Betty's husband (who, ironically, is also a dentist) opens a new box.

Crybabies are great, the girls say, even though one time Julie was eating one in school and couldn't keep it in her mouth because it got so sour. She had to spit it out - in class! (Couldn't you just DIE?) But Rachel, full of intestinal fortitude, can keep hers in her mouth until it is gone. Another popular sour candy, according to Rachel, Julie, and Grandma Betty, is a type called Sour Straws. Apple is the best, they say. Rachel's mother, Carol Koster, says she remembers a different candy store from her youth.

"There was a mean woman who walked around like this (she forms her face into an angry glare) saying, "You break, you buy," she said. "Grandma Betty is always so kind and patient with the kids." The busiest time in the candy section is, not surprisingly, right after

"And, of course, we always have a good summer," Grandma Betty said. "I always know when school gets out early for the day — I have a school schedule - so I can put on an extra girl here (behind the counter)." Kids buy anywhere from one piece of candy to a whole bag full. At Grandma Betty's, they sometimes get a bag and fill it up themselves.

"A typical order is 'one of these, and two of these, and two of these wait - no, I don't want those, after all," said Grandma Betty. "And they always spend the whole dollar," Ken said. Most of the penny candy no longer sells for only a penny, but Grandma Betty's has a few pieces that do, just so kids can spend their last penny. There's no profit in for the store. It's just because that's what kids like to do.

The Burches never worry about kids stealing candy because, they said, "Oh, we've had kids leave with their change, then come back and say, 'Here, you gave me a dime too much,' or they'll come back with a piece of penny candy and say 'My little brother took this and I didn't know it,' and they'll give me a penny," Grandma Betty explained.

To find candy, Grandma Betty travels to candy shows in Valley Forge, Penn. There, she finds the newest sour candies and the older, harder-tofind novelty candies like Zotz. She hasn't been able to find the favorite candy from her childhood, though. It was a coconut candy colored and shaped like a watermelon.

"I saw them once in an Amish store (while on vacation), but the man who did the buying wasn't there," she said. "I haven't been able to find out where I can get them." Mike and Joe are back in the store. They want Pro Set football cards.

but they're still a little short. They only need five more cents, but they've exhausted all possibilities for scrounging it up. Suddenly, Mike's eyes light up. "Oh!" he says. "I can use my lucky

Is he sure? Does he really want to? "I'll do it," he says with the conviction of someone who has decided to change gifts among ourselves this make a major life decision — join the Army, go to college, get married, buy portive, too," she added. "I wrote the year, but we would give gifts to a house. In this case, it is his decision to use his lucky quarter for football -

Those other decisions — well, they can come later.

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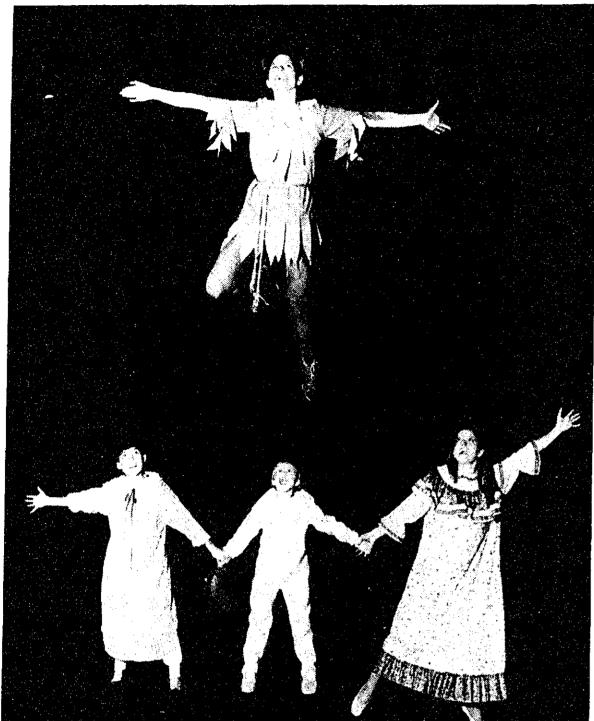
The downtown Northville landmark is in the middle of a holiday run of the classic musical "Peter Pan," featuring "flying" effects by the same company that worked on the Broad-

The play recounts the adventures of the three Darling children when Peter Pan literally files them away from their nursery to the magical and wonderful island called Never-Never Land. A place populated with characters like Tinker Bell, the little fairy who speaks only with blinking lights and tinkling sounds; the wicked Captain Hook, leader of a pirate band; and Hook's nemests, the ticking

The score features such songs as "I've Got to Crow," "Wendy." "I'm Flying," and the rebellious theme song of the motherless boys, "I Won't Grow

The show runs at the Marquis through Feb. 5. Performances are on Fridays, Dec. 27 and Jan. 3, at 2:30 p.m.; Saturdays, Dec. 28 and Jan. 4, at 11:30 a.m. and 3 p.m.; Sundays, Dec. 29 and Jan. 5, at 2:30 p.m.; and Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday, Dec. 30 and 31 and Jan. 2, at 2:30

All tickets are \$6.50. Tickets are available at the door or from the Marquis Store, 135 E. Main. Tickets are also available by phone at 349-8110 with Visa or Mastercard. Reserved seating and group rates for 20 or



Starring as Peter Pan is Christine Jones; with, from left, Karen Shoecraft and Wendy, Kalli For-Please, no children under age 4. tune as Michael, and John Srednicki as John.

## Intown

#### Music

KIDDY KRISTMAS KAPERS: The Lunch Bunch Players present a program of song, dance, food and merriment for kids at Genitti's restaurant, 108 E. Main in Northville, at noon and 2:30 p.m. Theater Friday, Dec. 27. Lunch and show cost \$8.50. Call 349-0522 for

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Northville Players' production of Neil Simon's

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formation call 349-0911. of the murderer. NORTHVILLE PLAYERS: Auditions for the

The "Verdi Opera Dinner Theatre" is now scheduled the third Thursday of every month at 7:30 p.m. All arias are performed by the Verdi Opera Theatre of Michigan. Special performances are available for large groups. Reservations are required for all shows.

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The standard seven-course dinner is served family style, like an old Italian wedding: lots of food, served hot, homemade soup, antipasto salad, vegetables, Italian sausage, baked chicken, Italian steak (pork), garlic toast, beverage and a luscious dessert.

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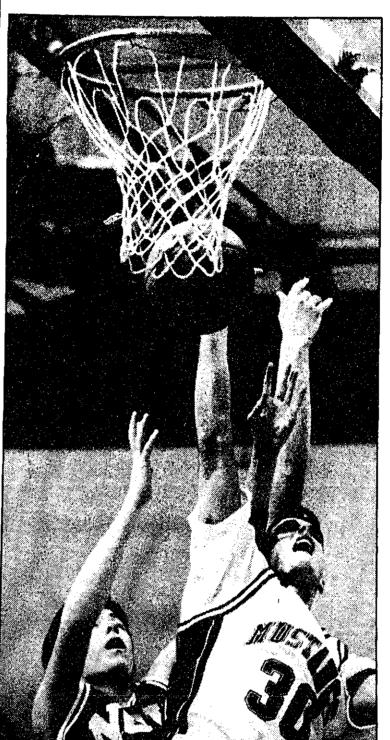
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**THURSDAY** December 26,

## Wildcats defeat Northville rivals



Mike Kramer battles with a Northville player last week.

If revenge is sweet, then the Wildas they knocked off Baseline rival Northville 47-46. The win for Novi, its third in as one. many games, avenges a 24-14 loss capture the Baseline Jug. 'Cats' to make it 19-11. Coach Bob Shoemaker was happy with the win just the same.

"It was a great high school game o watch," he said. "I'm extremely proud of the way the kids played and kept their composure. It was a good win for us,"

The schools packed as much excitement in two hours of basketball as could possibly be expected. Novi and host Northville each boasted large, and often noisy, cheering

But when the shouting was over, the 'Cats Jason Walker had settled the affair. Walker took a pass some 20 feet from the basket, drove to the baseline through two Northville defenders and laid the ball off the backboard for the winning score. The senior's hoop stole the thunder of a determined Mustang

comeback. Trailing by six at the beginning of the fourth quarter, Northville took the lead with less than five minutes to play. The Mustangs, however, couldn't keep Novi down despite their strong effort.

"Either way, I couldn't have faulted the kids," Shoemaker said. "They did everything I asked. We Both teams did. Evidence of that hard work was nown in the first quarter. Behind

the hot shooting of guard Mike 4:50 remaining, the Mustangs stormed back. In less than two minutes. Northville took its first lead of the game, 9-8, on a basket by

Kramer quickly erased that lead with a five-point outburst. The senior, who had 11 in the quarter, hit cats grabbed a little nectar Dec. 17 a long three-pointer and then followed with a layup. The Kramer-led 'Cats held a 16-11 lead at the end of

Novi increased that lead to eight on the gridiron to the Mustangs this at the start of the second. Forward fall. And, even though they didn't Dave York nailed a three-point shot

Northville then mounted its second uprising with 6:35 left in the quarter. Chris Lehr converted two free throws and a three-pointer of his own to cut the Novi lead to

The Mustangs went ahead minutes later on free throws by With Kramer and Matt Rolfes

both in foul trouble, Shoemaker then opted for a bit of strategy. Taking advantage of a newly adopted Michigan High School Athletic Association rule, the Wildcats held the ball, literally, for the last three mi-The rule gives the team in the

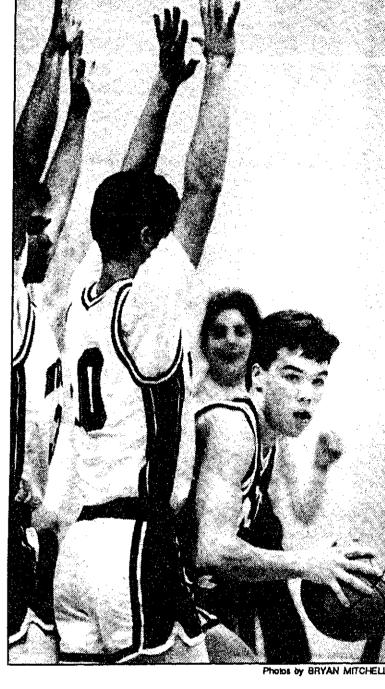
lead the option of forcing the action. With a one-point advantage, Northville chose to sit back and let Novi hold the ball The players yawned. They stretched. They looked at their

benches for instruction. But, nothing happened. Until, finally, with 14 seconds Tony Wise ound York open for a three-pointer.

The strategy paid off as York hit the bomb to put the 'Cats up 25-23 at halftime. Shoemaker was surrised Northville coach Omar Harison didn't direct his squad to force

"I was surprised," he said. "I we had a lot of momentum goin into the lockerroom." York's three-pointer was also a surprise, Shoemaker added.

Continued on 6 Jason Walker got the winning score for Novi



#### Final tally doesn't the tale of defeated tankers

By SCOTT DANIEL

The bottom line can be deceiving. For the Novi swim team, the bottom line was a 113-79 dual meet defeat at the hands of Livonia Stevenson Dec. 16. But, according to coach Mark Mason, the final score

doesn't tell the full story. The coach said the Spartans. who compete in the Western Lakes Activities Association, carried a much larger squad into the meet than the 'Cats. Mason said his team, which features just 12 fulltime swimmers and 19 tankers group. overall, was up against a crew of 30.

Having more swimmers allowed Livonia to place more swimmers in each event, making team points easier to come by. Mason said it would be a disadvantage Novi faces all

"It's going to create some problems," he said. "We will have to do exceptionally well to win." The Wildcats didn't do exceptionally well, but did have a number of good finishes. The dual meet was their first of the season.

In the 200-yard medley relay, Novi placed second. The team of Derek and Kirk Speerschneider, Matt Mutch and Dennis Suchyta swam a 1:49.47, but that mark was nearly four seconds behind Stevenson's top crew.

Mike Speerschneider also finshed second in the second event of the meet, the 200-yard freestyle. Mike had a time of 1:51.94. less than a second behind the winner. In the 200 individual medley, De-

rek Speerschneider got the Wildcats' first victory as he cruised in at 2:01.16, good enough to qualify him for state competition in March. That bested Stevenson by four seconds. Divers Adam Cox and Jim Lûther

had another strong outing. After

placing second at the 14-school Eastern Michigan University relay earlier in the month, the duo came back to take first and second against Stevenson. Cox's score of 243.4 broke a Novi school record. Kirk Speerschneider finished fourth in the 50-yard freestyle. In the 100-yard butterfly, Matt Mutch was second with a time of 59.6.

said. "We will have to do exceptionally well to win. (The meet) gave me a good idea of where they're at. We did quite well considering the size of our Mark Mason Novi Coach

"It's going to create

some problems," he

A time of 57.5 was garnered by Sophomore Jim Rowlands in the 100 freestyle, good enough for fourth place. In the 500 freestyle Mike Speerschneider was second and teammate Mike Lafferty was

close behind in third. The team of Dan Clark, Luther, Lafferty and Mike Speerschneider took second in the 200-yard freestyle relay. The team came in at 1:48.63, about 10 seconds behind Livonia.

Derek Speerschneider won the 100 backstroke. His time of 55.55 was good enough to qualify for the state meet. "It was the highlight of the meet,"

Masons said. In the 100-yard breaststroke, Suchyta was third with a time of I:11.75. The Spartans won with a time of 1:05.69.

Novi picked up a win to close the meet. The 400-yard freestyle relay team of Rob Mutch, Mike and Derek Speerschneider and Lafferty edged Stevenson by a second with a time of 3:30.55. Mason said Livonia has one of the better programs in the area. He

said the performance gave him a good assessment of the 'Cats. "It gave me a good idea of where they're at," Mason said. "We did quite well considering the size of our group." The Wildcats are off until after

the new year.

Kristen Kenny helped Novi get off to a winning start.

Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

### Wildcat spike team continues win streak by edging Mustangs

Novi continued its domination of Northville Dec. 18 as the Wildcat spikers won a hard fought match in

It was the second time in as many nights that the Mustangs had fallen to their border enemies to the north. Novi edged Northville by a single point in basketball.

It wasn't quite that close for

coach Amy Wagner's crew. The 'Cats lost the first game, 8-15, but then took the next two. The victory, which moved the team to 2-1, was the first over Northville in Wagner's four years at Novi.

"We've always been rivals." she said. "I think for the first time we felt we could beat them." A large crowd may have spurred the Mustangs to victory in the open-

ing game. The teams battled early to a 4-4 tie. Northville then took control by taking six straight points on its service. Wagner said her squad eased

up a bit after falling behind. "I think they just wanted to get that game over and save their energy," she commented, adding the spikers may have been uptight in the first game. "I think the kids

were real nervous." The squad's battled hard again in the early stages of game two. Neither team could hold service until the middle part of the contest.

Wagner said senior co-captain Laura Jones then took over by serving for four straight Novi points. "At that point," she said, "they knew they could win." And, they did. The 'Cats coasted to a 15-9 win in the game.

Northville refused to give up, though. In the final game, the Mustangs took Novi to the limit before

"Our confidence level was up so high after the second game," Wagner said, adding that the large crowd got everything they bargined

for. "It was a great match." The coach said serving was the difference in the game. Wagner said the Wildcats were able to place the ball where they wanted it and found the holes in Northville's defenses.

nected on 89 percent of its serves, 9 percent of those being aces. "I think the girls played exceptionally well," Wagner said, "They worked as a team to cover up mistakes." The spikers began their season

Statistics back her up. Novi con-

Dec. 16 against Farmington Harrison and then played the following night against Willow Run. Novi split those two matches. Playing on the road against Harrison, the Wildcats gained an easy

win in game one. 15-2. But, the Hawks swept the next two games, 15-12 and 15-13, to take the

"From a coach's point of view," Wagner said, "the games shouldn't have been that close "It was a lack of concentration,"

she continued. "Once you lose that concentration it's pretty much Novi's fortunes were somewhat better against Willow Run. The match was never in doubt as

Barb Lowes, Alexis Johnson and

the 'Cats took the first two games to end it quickly. In the first game, Novi smoked the Flyers 15-4. Wagner brought in many players from the bench, including sophomore Kristen Kenny, Becky Oppat,

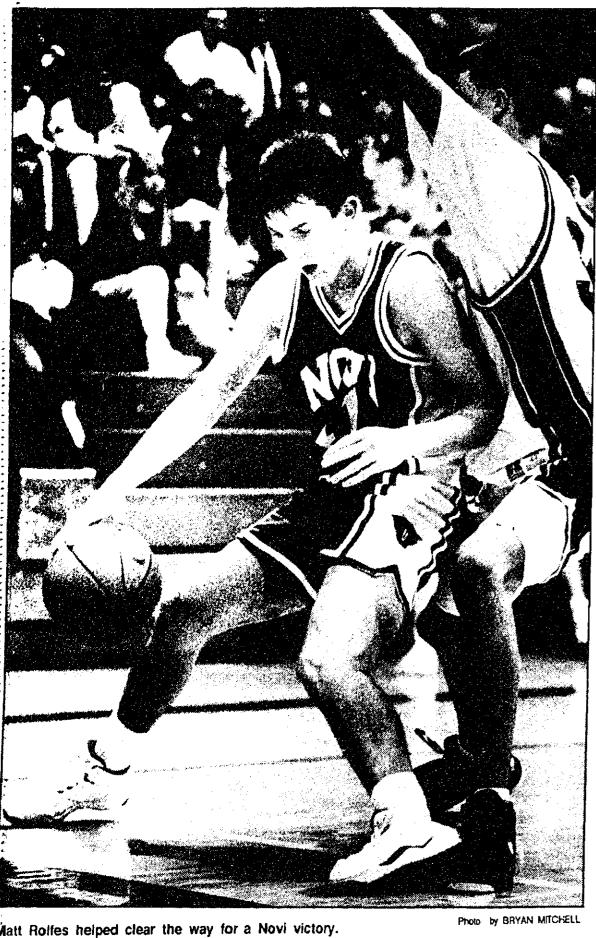
senior Becky Lanyon. That group "The set the ball nicely, they stayed low," she said. "Everything

was working."

Novi was without the services of senior Mary Yankowski. The strong side hitter sprained her ankle in warm ups against Farmington Harrison. Wagner said she was expected to return when the season

resumes after the holidays. The Wildcats will host Garden

City Jan. 7 and Lakeland Jan. 9



## 'Cats win pitched battle over their Baseline rivals

"I said to my assistant, 'Wouldn'tit ballgame e great if we hit a three," he said. Defense dominated the third. side in the quarter. The Mustangs limited the 'Cats to eight points. Un- took their last lead, 46-45, as fortunately for Northville, Novi played even a notch tougher, holding the Mustangs to just four in the quarter and increased its lead to 33-27

heading into the final frame. Northville charged ahead. Lehr pulled the Mustangs to Pierman took the ball up the court within two by hitting a pair of free and found Walker for his last second throws. Then with 4:38 remaining. heroics.

Matt Schramm connected on a tur- "We didn't shoot the ball well, naround lump shot to tie the

The teams traded baskets before Maschek hit two free throws to move Northville, which had dropped Northville ahead by three. York hit into a zone defense late in the first anoter bomb to tie the game yet again

Schramm again connected. Maschek had apparently iced the game for Northville as he made a foul shot with 11 seconds left. But, Ryan Huzjak was called for being in the After cutting the lead to four, lane too soon, giving the ball over to

scrappy and pulled it out." The coach praised Northville. "They are a fine team," he said. They made us work hard."

The hard luck Mustangs fell to 1-2. Lehr led Northville with 12 points. With 43 seconds the Mustangs Maschek had 11 and Schram 10. For Novi, which went to the free scored in double figures. Kramer led the way with 17 while Rolfes, who scored all of the 'Cats' third quarter points, had 10.

Said one suporter on the way out of the gymnasium, They've got the

## It was more than a game



little to smile about. Robert Stempel, chairman of GM, told 74,000 of

plishments of the ath-

letes, we devour the daily

statistics and we smile when the home team

But, these aren't the

best of times. And, for

many, there is precious,

his workers last week that their services would no will be lost from the trickle-down. Drive around the metropolitan area for a while and

you become even more depressed. Booming communities, such as Novi, have felt the effects of the recession in recent months. Other older communities have been more dramatically affected, like the cities of Northville and Plymouth where businesses seem to go under every week.

Many scoff at sports, even in good times, saying how trivial and overblown they are. To a large degree, guess that is true. With things the way they are, however, I think the

role of athletics changes. Hard times always bring the need for folks to escape their troubles. Recent reports have shown that drug use among

In the best of times, adults, particularly the use of cocaine, has gone up. Obviously, not a very healthy diversion. sports provides us with entertainment. We Patronizing your local sports teams will accommarvel at the accom-

Number one, you can forget your problems just as easily by cheering for Novi for a couple of hours than getting numb. You'll feel a lot better in the morning.

Number two, the community becomes a little stronger. A sense of unity is developed among those who attend these games, especially high school contests, if only for a short time. Need proof? Take last week's Novi-Northville ba-

sketball game. I would bet not one person in that crowd was thinking about their job. And if you could have heard longer be needed. Who knows how many more jobs them rooting for the Wildcats and Mustangs, you

would have felt plenty of unity. "Number 52 is stepping on the (out-of-bounds) line every time ref," one Novi suporter yelled. The Northville side of the gym held up an orange

and brown banner that read, "we've got the jug." Neither group of fans ever gave up during the game. Northville trailed. Novi blew leads. But they kept screaming anyway. The final score of the game, 47-46, didn't seem to

matter much to most. Well, except for one Novi guy who said, "they've got the jug, but we've got the win." The important thing is, all of these people got away for awhile. No headaches, no concerns. Just a ballgame. It didn't cost much. And, they didn't harm

## **Eight compete in Junior Olympics**

A contingent of Novi Middle School students competed recently in the National Junior Olympics held in Portland, Ore. \*A total of eight students, com-

prised of 11- to 14-year-olds, particpated in cross country events Dec. 14. The squad is known as the Sunset Striders. According to Coach Eric Center, a

longtime teacher at Novi Middle, the Striders had a strong showing in the

14-year-old team placed first.

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Novi resident Adam Hagiors placed 37th in that division while teammate Ryan Henderson also ran well. The youths ran a challenging

Just getting started in the event was difficult, Hagfors said. The 13-year-old added that about 180

national event. The boys 13 and plained. "Then you had to sprint 100 races, but finished near the middle of 14-year-old team placed first."

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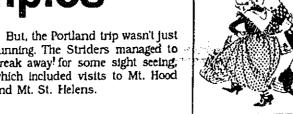
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ory, Novi's Brian Kleinfelt ran a good time of 13:03.35 over three kilome- break away! for some sight seeing, ters. Many of the runners said their which included visits to Mt. Hood times would have been even better if and Mt. St. Helens. Five city girls competed in the

same age category. Jenny Hampton, Michelle Harrison, Sarah McGlinnen, Lauren Rice "There was a lot of shoving to get and Katie Zimmerman were in that through (the crowd). Hagfors ex- group. Many of the youths ran good



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For more information, call 349-RACE.

State Permits: State Park Permits for 1992 are now on sale. The prices are the same as last year, an permit is \$15 and a senior annuual is \$3.75. This year permits also have gift certificates in denominations of \$25 good toward camping or purchases made within state parks.

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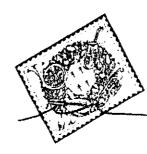
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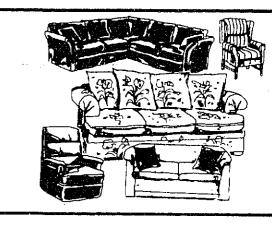


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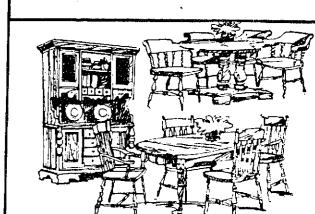


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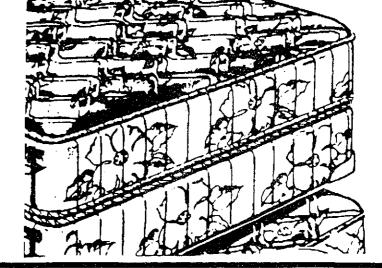


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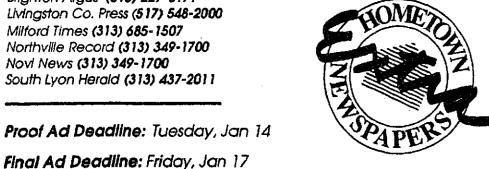
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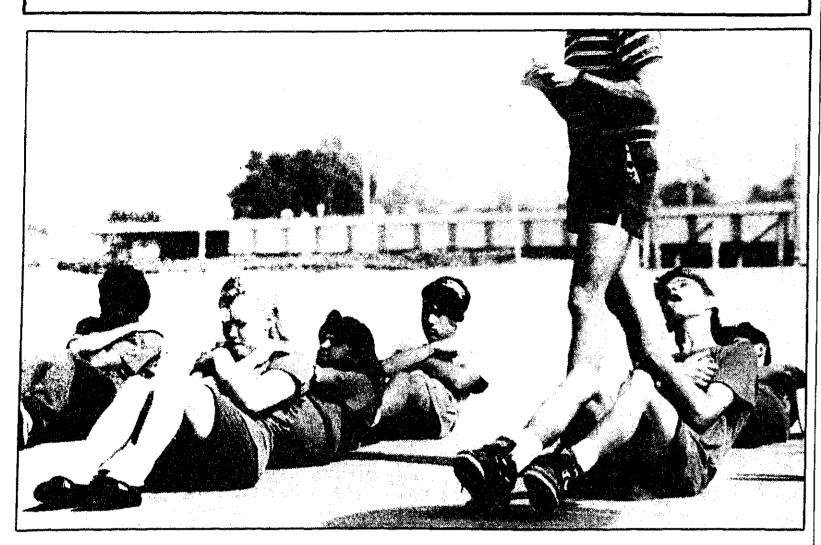
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show a lack of exercise by children puts them at risk for coronary disease

## The children need exercise, too

By JASON ZAPPE

The fitness craze that grabbed Americans by their tights in the '80s. seems to have lost its grip on a few

members of society. In particular, the number of kids, teens and seniors who enjoy a daily dose of exercise is heavily low, while those in their late 20s, 30s and 40s are exercising with gusto.

And as more attention is given to diet, kids, teens and seniors are also

Osteopathic Association says the lack of exercise by kids automatically puts them at risk for coronary

Not only are kids at risk; teens, who should be out playing sports board on a roller that kids stand on also are hitting the sidelines. Teens attempting to keep their balance. who would rather be lounging in front of the tube scoping out MTV are

ercising safely, while they still can. . Seniors are another group skipping the exercise routine, some for the same reason as kids and teens, some because they are afraid of breaking something. But exercise ex- couraging your kids to go and play perts say seniors don't have to sit it

out; there are plenty of low-impact routines they can follow to enjoy the benefits of exercise. And most medical doctors and fitness experts agree that it's never too trying to get kids to clean their plates. early or late to start excercising. In fact, the earlier you begin, the better with their kids, to their individual vour chances are that you'll continue food regulators. And parents should to ensure the obesity monster stays needed, such as zinc, Byltamins, Vit-

to exercise and will avoid many of the never put children on a diet. This will health problems related to being create food angst. physically unfit. In order for good habits to take hold, it's up to parents to take the inj- Dietitians recommend involving tiative. And that means even babies children in the preparation of meals.

and medications has

risen and people won-

der if they should

choose the more ex-

pensive brand name

or the cheaper generic.

Which is the right

choice? The answer

depends on the condi-

tion being treated, the

age, sex, race, physical

condition of the pa-

tient and the risk for

allergic reactions or

The common drug tetracycline can give a useful

example of how and why a certain drug is chosen.

It is a useful and inexpensive drug which is active

against many, but not all, bacteria. It is useless

against fungus, viruses or parasites. If it is cho-

sen, its unique characteristics must be known.

For instance, tetracylince can cause staining of

developing teeth and would normally not be given

to a child, it may not be the correct choice in some-

one with poor kidney function. It will combine with

calcium and must not be taken at the same time

with milk or antacids since it may be neutralized.

Some women may develop a vaginal yeast infec-

tion after taking it. Some types may cause dizzi-

ness. One type has an unusual side effect which

may be useful in treating a certain blood sodium

as young as six months can fight fat. vegetables and salads. But the fat-fighting situation is not as gloomy as it sounds. There are exciting ways that include lots of

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Hobbs, M.D.

easily ways to ward off obesity and color.

strong bones and hearts in no time. But real exercise trouble and bad your youngster can walk and feed foods.

himself. The real demon, not just to kids either, is the energy-sapping exercise bike or row your way kids to get outside, get some fresh air

and play the way kids are meant to. of the house doesn't work, try getting Little League sports and become them to use a new version of the "Bongo Board" known as the "kinesthetic primer board." It's simply a flat board on a roller that kids stand on

Kinesiotherapists at the National Academy of Sports Medicine in Chirisking their health future by not ex- cago say the boards teach proper body alignment and highten balance. They also help to strengthen muscles throughout the legs and even have been used by John McEnroe.

However, the old standby of enoutside is still the best remedy for

helping your kids fight fat. Dietitians recommend that parents should promote good eating ha-

bits in their children by knocking off Instead, parents should listen, along

Parents should help kids understand and recognize good nutrition. eat while watching television. Serve nutritious meals in visually

**Health Tips** 

problem. All of these things may make one think

tetracycline is a bad drug. This is not the case. It is

actually a very good drug — but only in the right

After choosing the drug the physician considers

the dosage and the way it will be given. It is possi-

ble to make the two pills with exactly the same

amount of medicine but have one tightly bond in a

pill that takes a long time to dissolve and one in a

form that dissolves much more quickly. For these

reasons not all drugs containing the same medi-

cine are equal. Generic drugs are essentially the

same as the brand name drug but may be different

in terms of how the medicine is put in the pill or

name because the original patient has expired and

other manufacturers can make it and sell it at a

lower price. When drugs are essentially the same it

makes good sense to buy the chaper drug. How-

ever, when the drug delivery is different it may be

Generics are frequently cheaper than the brand

Also, substitute for snacks high in good idea. This usually backfires tious eating and ample exercise. sugar such yummles as juice bars, with teen-agers. It's best to serve The best way for babies to fight fat is for Mom and Dad to take them swimming. Those chubby little legs

will be kicking the fat off and building rent food until kids know what they ten as possible. Go for family walks or like and dislike. Giving children a bike rides. sense of control over their food will • Never use food as a bribe. Using eating habits take hold as soon as encourage them to try more and more candy or cookies to get kids to do

your kids to do, the old adage "Like television. True, you can plop on an father, like son' holds particular truth when it comes to exercise and cating habits.

The teen years also are crucial fitmore interested in their increased freedom and attraction toward the opposite sex.

And since this is the time of blossoming love, parents can use this to reincrease interest in sports. Emphasize activities in public places where there are other teens around. Or encourage participation in school

sports that are co-ed. Or buy a home weight set and have family weight-lifting sessions. You also can go shopping for chic athletic wear that's guaranteed to inspire

During this time also television plays the demonic role of energy

Parents need to be supportive and encourage exercise options. Nutritionists and health professionals recommend a few guidelines

away from your teen: Never outlaw sweets. There's no getting from your diet. quicker way to get kids to want some-

thing than to forbid it. The best but only a few times a week. • Counting calories also is not a nis courts.

And above all, keep offering diffe- • Encourage natural exercise as of-

what you want only encourages a de-

And almost any medical doctor will doctors and get the OK to begin a fit-

Yet, if shoving your youngsters out reach their teen years, burn out on mend seniors, who haven't slipped into a pair of track shoes in a while, to start with some low-impact aerobics. included in low-impact routines is one of the best ways to exercise for all

> Aside from swimming, walking can be a great way to increase strength, energy and get you on the fitness train.

Other great ways to tone up, burn fat and get the heart pumping are hopping on a stationary bike, rowing machine, treadmill or stair climber. Once muscles are built up, strong seniors will want to explore the other fascinating machines in the workout

And as seniors stick to exercise routines, a proper diet should be followed as well.

A senior diet should be low in sugar, sodium, fats and casseine. Vitamin supplements also might be amin E and Vitamin C. Some seniors ● Limit the amount of television your might be happy with a complex vitachildren watch. Don't allow them to min, but consult a doctor before increasing what you might already be

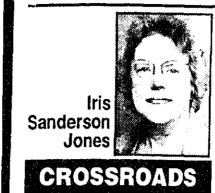
And if you began following a proper diet and exercise routine as a child. course of action is to allow sweets, when you hit the golden years you won't have to skip a beat on the ten-

## Travel

**NEWS** 

THURSDA'

December 26,



When Susan Walz graduated from West Bloomfield High School, her resume didn't say

She was destined for a career in retail management. When Susan married Jerry Jerzykowski of Shelby Township, he wasn't thinking bedand-breakfast either. Jerry was in industrial graphics and

Susan still does a little retail management, and Jerry works part time at a golf course, but the heart of their personal and working life is a 1912 house nestled in the historic district of a warm

southern city. Their business cards now read: Coquina Inn. Bed & Breakfast, 544 S. Palmetto, Daytona Beach, Florida,

"We stayed in bed-andbreakfast places whenever we travelled," Jerry says.

"Cooking and entertaining were our hobbies, and our jobs were both people-related, so we decided to go into the hospitality business.7 Jerry has been going to Florida for most of his life, so

it was easy to decide where they wanted to live. His parents moved to Ormond Beach a few years ago, so Susan and Jerry went to visit them scuffing through the dunes that are the signature of all the barrier islands on the At lantic coast of Florida, and the next thing they knew they were innkeepers. Ralph Walz of West Bloomfield, don't stay anywhere else when they go to Florida, of

The Coquina House has four bedrooms, each with its own bath, and it was the only bed-and-breakfast in Daytona Beach when they began to renovate the 3,600 square foot

"Susan and Jerry opened the Coquina Inn for Thanksgiving 1990, and by spring of 1991 they were listed in 'A Guide to Small and Historic Lodgings in Florida," " Helen Walz says.

The listing says the Coquina Inn is "one of the finest bed-and-breakfasts in the state . . . on a street of splendid town houses in a historic district that is at the heart of the city's redevelopment plans ... a house of lyrical qualities, its curved arches set behind high mossy oaks . . .

"Jerry and Susan Jerzykowski have taken this onetim parsonage, richly textured in Coquina rock, dormered, with an upstairs picket porch, and restored it to period elegance with an imaginative eye for color and a passion for acquiring the best of everything. "We're in our second year as innkeepers now," Jerry

"Our business is growing,

even in a bad economic year, but it takes three or four years to really establish a business like this. "We'll know it's succeeded when Susan and I can both stop working our other part-

time jobs."

cost \$69 to \$99, a little more during the Daytona 500 or during Bike Week. For information, contact the inn at the address above or telephone (904) 254-4969.

Rooms at the Coquina Inn

#### Reader offers tip for Irish castle

Maybe you can use this address to give to anyone wanting to stay in a castle in The owners were so nice.

and the breakfast delicious. It is a bed and breakfast. Write to the Butler Family. Carrigeen Castle, Cork Road, Cahir, County Tipperary.

Korea's Farmers' Train tends to be particularly crowded on weekends



## Mosey and poke in Boca Grande

### Life is easy on Gasparilla Island off Florida's Gulf Coast

By IRIS SANDERSON JONES

small palm trees, right towards the feathery Australian pines or straight ahead to face the gulf.

The pelicans sleeping on the poles just offshore are obviously trying to make the same decision. Without raising my head I see my "front yard," a 100-foot swath of wild sea oats, with narrow wooden walk-

ways running through them to the focused on the sand.

The shell-seekers are doing the Gasparilla Stoop: head down, eyes The Wisconsin man is shore fish-

ing again, although he never catches much and doesn't seem to care.

There are things to do. You can en-

her stocking feet.

ing beach in Florida.

That's the way it is here in the town beach houses. The shopping is of Boca Grande, on Gasparilla Island, within a block either way of Park and beachfronter summer homes along still exists, but the only trains you'll Boca Grande Realty toll-free (800) one of the barrier islands on the gulf Fourth. You can cross the \$3.20 toll the gulf, but you are always invited by see today are model trains on the 325-6287.

BOCA GRANDE, FLORIDA: The joy the tarpon fishing that brought the Calusa Indians left behind. Louise Amory of Boston and filled staurants and shops, and Boca wealthy northerners down here early parilla Island is where to turn my in the century. You can bike the path men here in the 1600s and they still deck chair - left towards the two lalong the old railway right-of-way follow boats out of marinas on the that runs the seven-mile length of the island. Katherine Hepburn does it in Whidden sell fresh and salt water before you go down a few steps to the From my townhouse balcony, "I

to Sanibel, which has the best shell-Gasparilla has the second best

The Gasparilla skyline includes Australian pines and two-story watch the seabirds.

Seagulls followed Spanish fisher- with their treasures at 10th and Gas- Grande Realty, which rents available bayou side of the island, where Isabel doors of the library and look around night basis. fishing licenses, arranges guides and garden. You will see a page from a watch the world go by. The Wisconsin You can even sail down the chain tells stories about her father, Captain 15th century Gutenburg Bible, a fisherman is sunburned on one sittle of islands past Useppa and Captiva Sam, who wore a rolled-up paper bag sheet from the 5th century Book of from standing still so long. Shell lovon his head as a hat when he took the

There is nothing left of the train shelling beach, but then Sanibel has that the Bradleys of Boston built to many things you won't find here. A carry phosphate to the ships and skyline of sorts. Bumper to bumper northern socialities to the Gasparilla traffic. Shopping centers. A long Inn. They don't ask for bank and sobridge that connects to the cial references at the inn anymore. but it's still the heart of the Christmas-through-April social

duPonts fishing.

You may not be asked to the big

coast of Florida between Fort Meyers bridge in 10 seconds, even slowing to Librarian Pansy Cost to explore a tiny shelf of the Loose Caboose. That is jewel called the Johann Fust Com- "downtown" Boca Grande: sidewalk Seabirds fly over the shell mounds munity Library built by Roger and tables at the Loose Caboose, a few re-

> Push through the carved cypress \$1,000 a week, up to \$200 on a perthe Dead, 16th century Japanese ers are still going by, doing the Gas-

Check out the shell collection left y Henry Francis duPont. Pansy Cost remembers when the highlight of a Gasparilla day was to in and going out.

cide whether to go to the Pink Elemeet the train, see who was coming phant or the Lighthouse for dinner. The tracks were replaced by a path County Visitor and Convention Buthat runs the length of the Island reau, P.O. Box 2445, Fort Myers, FL

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Eventually I will tour the light-

house, go to the state park, shell the

beach, but right now I'm trying to de-

## A slow ride to Seoul on Korea's Farmers' Train

BY MICKY JONES

The growing number of business on a lazy Sunday afternoon, do what

McArthur made his famous landing railway station. during the Korean War.

are learning the truth of an old adage train built in pre-industrial days to mation booth took my 10,000 Won with a Korean accent: When in Korea take farm produce to market.

Seoul's excellent subway system the ticket seller's cage, returned with the Koreans do. Take the Farmers' whisked me southward to the an- my 55 cent ticket and led me cheer- lots of children. They carried coolers cents, a taxi \$1.50. Frain on its 31-mile run between Succient walled city of Suwan in an hour fully past platforms and trains to the and beach bags for the Inchon won and Inchon, a few miles south for 85 cents. I took a one-hour taxi special narrow-guage platform. and west of the Capital city of Seoul. tour of the city and its four famous Three clean but ancient wooden If you've heard the name Inchon gates for \$6, then joined the long carriages had seats for about 50 pas

and vacation travelers to the Far East chance, so I couldn't resist this little English-speaking clerk in the infor-seats and hung on straps. There were note (\$13), ran through a side door to

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hour journey, which made three brief stops. An old couple poured tea from a thermos. Three babies slept in slings on their mothers' backs. Teenagers passed around the favorite Korean snack food — dried squid, breaking off the thin flat pieces like

length of each car.

Standees did a two-step with the sway of the carriages as the little

before, that's where General Douglas lines at 15 ticket windows in the huge sengers on face-to-face benches the along the coast and past inland rice

When we tooted out of the station, I ride the rails whenever I get the understand the language but an several hundred passengers filled the They knew better than to ride the Farmers' Train on Sunday. no farmers, no produce, no animals. We stopped at a small station on Most passengers were young, the southern outskirts of Inchon. A dressed in their Sunday best, with bus to downtown Inchon costs 30 From there, the fast subway wh-

> I was a strap-hanger for the twoin an hour for 75 cents. The Korean Farmers' Train is a fascinating and inexpensive day trip out of Scoul. If I do it again, I won't go on Sunday. I'll take my chances with. the potatoes and the goats on a weekday with the farmers.

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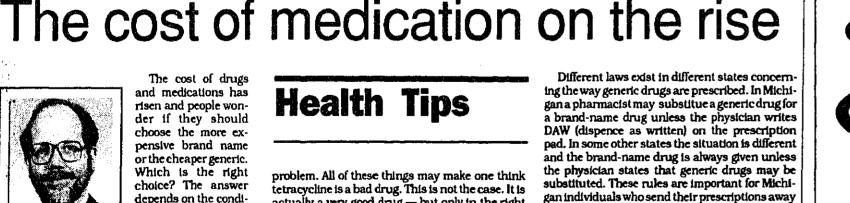






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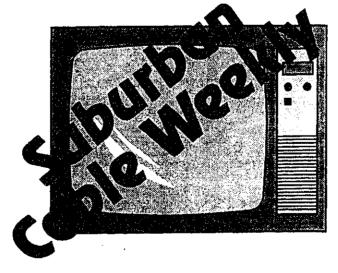


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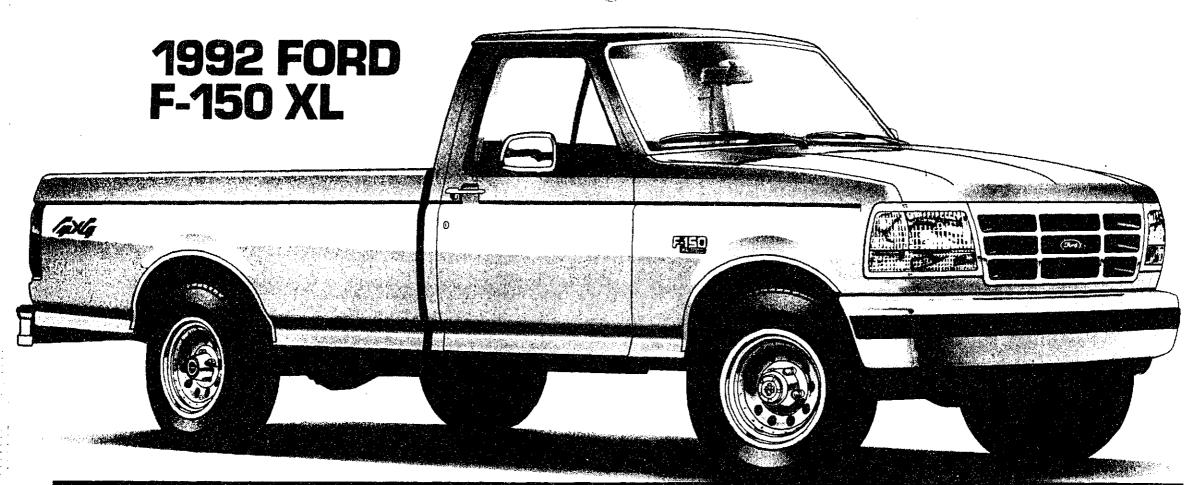
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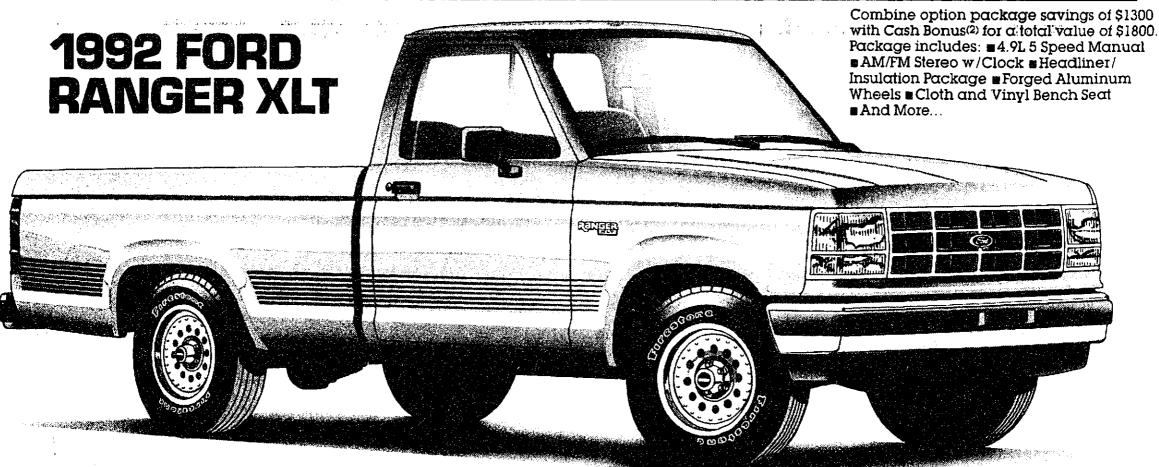
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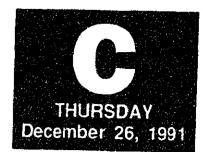
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### Realtors optimistic about housing future

By James M. Woodard Copley News Service

Most real estate brokerage firm owners believe today's market is reasonably strong. At least, they are not suffering from deep recession blues.

This was revealed in a recent survey of 489 broker firm owners by Great Western Bank. The survey included brokers in 18 states. strategically located across the country.

Realtors rated today's residential real estate market on a scale from one to 10-the best being 10. The most confident and optimistic Realtors were in the Midwest region, where they reported an average rating of 6.4 for today's real estate market.

"Clearly. Realtors nationwide are optimistic about the prospects for improvement in residential real estate sales next year," said Sam Lyons, senior vice president of Great Western Bank. "Realtors in markets that already rank as being strong-like Arizona-are confident their markets will improve, and Realtors in markets that are a little more sluggishlike California - also expect great improvement next year."

Overall, the survey showed a growing confidence in the health of residential real estate markets

nationwide. It showed that the Realtors surveyed gave their current residential real estate markets a confidence rating average of

Realtors were far more bullish about the future when asked to rate their expectations for local markets one year from now, giving their residential real estate markets an average rating of 7.4. This represents a dramatic increase in confidence indicated for the current market.

Residential real estate markets picked up during the third quarter of this year, according to the Realtors surveyed, with 44 percent reporting improved residential real estate sales activity. Thirty-three percent said sales activity in their markets had decreased.

"In general, most Realtors surveyed attributed an improving residential real estate market to lower interest rates, more realistic pricing of homes, and slightly improved consumer confidence." Lyons said.

Q. Is it true that the maximum amount for conforming mortgage loans for financing residential properties will soon

A. Yes. The maximum loan

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Saving trees and maintaining a natural setting was a priority for the Coxes when building their new home in Novi.



#### The compact Clarey 2 offers ample storage

By James McAlexander Copley News Service

Not only is the Clarey 2 compact and economical to build, but it also is designed with ample storage space to meet the needs of a small, and possibly growing, fami-

Storage areas line the hallway, and ample closet space is available in each bedroom. The kitchen has a pantry, and nooks for bookshelves are found in both the living room and one of the bedrooms.

These could be outfitted with floor-to-ceiling shelves; shelving only the upper area would leave a convenient cubby for a desk-a natural for a personal computer or an entertainment center.

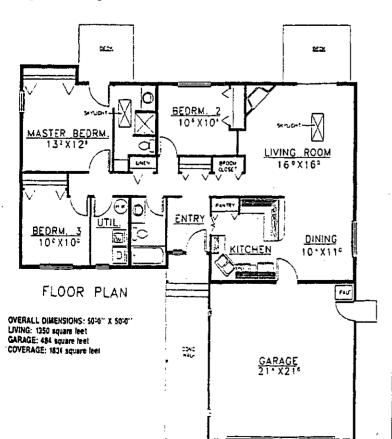
The utility room is conveniently close to the bedrooms and bathrooms, where most laundry is generated. And having the bathroom so close to the front door allows kids to dash in from play when nature calls without leaving a trail of footprints through other rooms of the house.

Cafe doors open into the roomy kitchen from the entryway, and the corner sink looks out across the front porch and yard. In addition to the pantry, this room includes plenty of cupboards. Having the range in the eating bar allows family members to ladle out seconds directly from the stove top without leaving their stools.

French doors in the master suite open onto a private deck, and a skylight brightens the master bath.

Another skylight in the vaulted living room adds to the light from the sliding-glass doors while a large corner fireplace offers an open invitation for toasting pyjamaed backsides and reading bedtime stories.

For a study plan of the Clarey 2 (209-16), send \$7.50 to Landmark Designs, c/o HomeTown Newspapers, 323 E. Grand River Ave., Howell, MI 48843. (Be sure to specify plan name and number when ordering.)



Here comes the

n suburbia, the traditional building format in a subdivision has been to wipe out all the trees and plunk down meandering one-story ranch houses. But these are the '90s. Designers and builders are coming around to the idea that you can build homes without destroying the existing landscape. and there are more efficlent designs than the classic ranch.

RICK BYRNE

Photos by **BRYAN MITCHELL** 

Case in point is the Cox Story by home in the Carriage Hills subdivision in Novi. The home sits on a parcel at the rear of the sub, adjacent to a thick

"When we worked on designing the home, we wanted to save as many trees as we could," said Diane Cox. "We consider ourselves energy-conscious and conservation-minded people.

No effort was spared to conserve the timber. Prior to construction, the Coxes staked off the boundaries of the house, measured the distance required between trees and house, and marked off the area with snow fencing. From that point on, no building materials, no bulldozers and

no debris were allowed outside that boundary to minimize the impact on the surroundings.

'We did pretty well." said Cox. They say if you're going to lose any more trees it will happen in the first first five years. The house is about four years old, so I think this is it."

But the most important feature of the home is that it is warmed by a passive solar heating system. Passive solar differs from contemporary solar in that it has no collectors, pumps or moving parts.

The primary element of the passive solar system is the solarium at the front of the home. Two storys of windows face directly south, and in the winter, sun streams in through the windows to heat a floor of ceramic tile over thick cement. The floor retains the heat which warms the surrounding air in the home.

The wealth of sun also provides a nice medium for her daughter, whom Diane admits is a "plant freak."

The adjoining living room is open to a family room in the loft above. With that whole portion of the house open from floor to ceiling on both sides of the loft, warm air circulates freely throughout. Hot

> air rising to the peak of the roof is gathered in a vent equipped with a secondary thermostat. If the air gathering at the ceiling becomes too hot, a fan will kick in, and recirculate the air through heating ducts.

The recirculation system was designed by HVAC of Detroit, but interestingly enough, it's rarely used.

The first year, it didn't kick in, so we called HVAC come check it out," said Cox. "They said there was nothing wrong with it. Then we had the archi-

Windows on the

tects come check A floor plan of it out, and they figured we were 3,340 square actually getting a normal air flow feet is about from the design of the space in the twice the size house. They were pleased with of the home themselves, because they didn't design that the Coxes An added benehad in Village fit is that the loft has become the Oaks subdivi-

sion, but

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evenings. All the bedrooms connect to it as well. "We didn't want a family room, but we ended up with a loft," said Cox. When the

popular gathering

family's most

spot in the

kids were

younger, it was nice because when it was 'time for bed' we weren't sending them to some far corner of the house. It was right on the other side of the

"And now that they're teenagers, they can spread out. I've seen this room with 15 kids in sleeping bags on the floor."

Generally, the home's furnace will shut off at 9:30 in the morning, and not come back on until about an hour after dark. A floor plan of 3,340 square feet is about twice the size of the home the Coxes had in Village Oaks subdivision, but costs no more to heat in the winter. In the coldest of months, the heating bill will peak at about \$150.

The west wing of the house which contains the children's bedrooms and a home office can be closed off from the rest of the house. It features insulation equivalent to that in the exterior walls. With one child already away at college, and another making plans, the home can be converted effi-

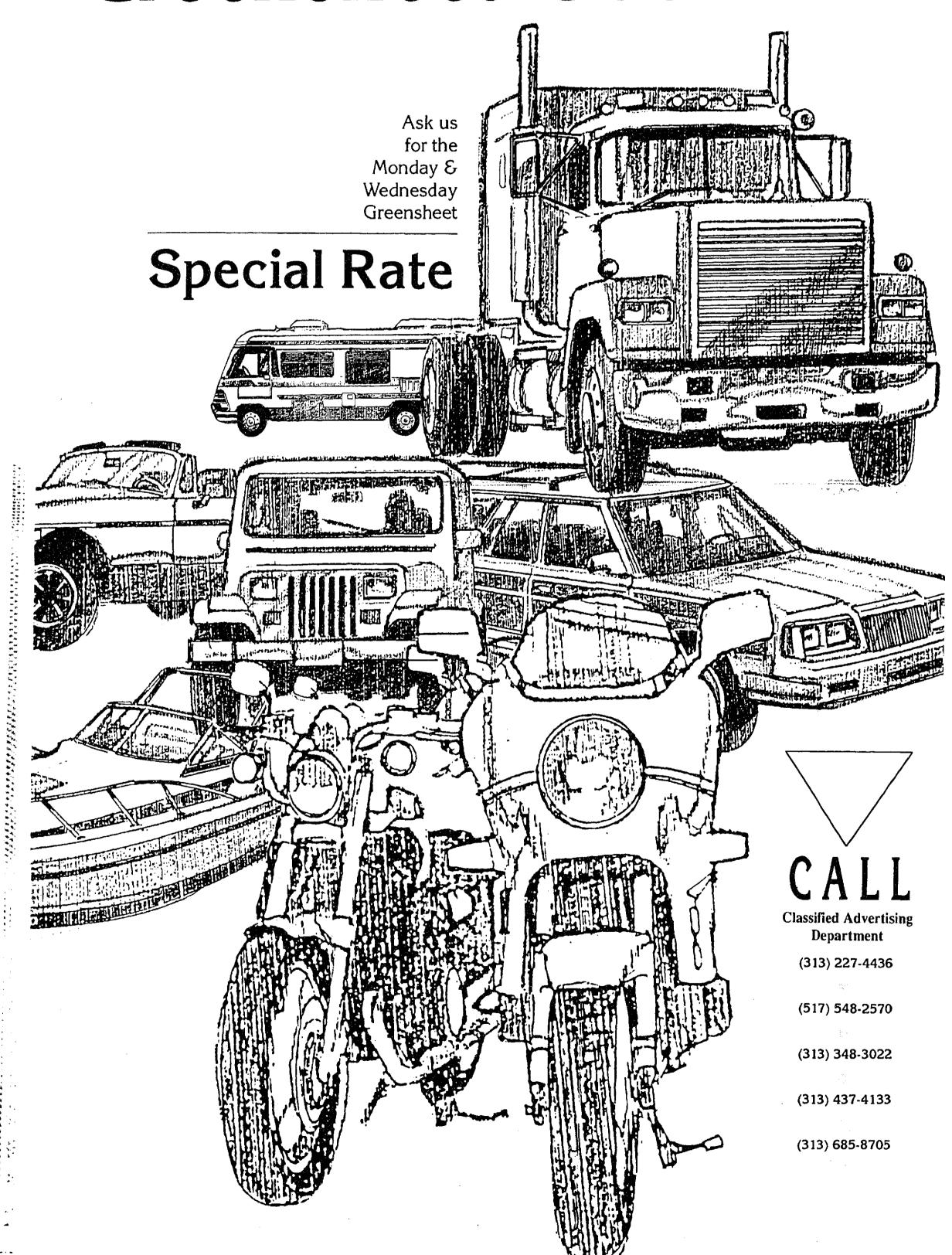
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## Recycling cut Christmas trees

Q. Is there anything creative can do with my cut Christmas tree after the holidays?

A. After your Christmas tree has delighted you, don't throw it away. Share it with your feathered friends. Put it back to work again, let it feed the birds. If you don't have a patio or open porch, just place the tree in the yard (in a protected spot) where you can see it from a window.

It's perfectly OK to leave it in the stand that you used indoors. Just make sure it's braced to keep it from blowing over in a high wind. However, even if it does topple, the birds will still use it for shelter.

tree. For the birds' taste buds I suggest bread crumbs, peanut Create some delicious goodies to

hand on the tree. For the birds' taste buds I suggest

peanut butter pate,

The next step is to create some delicious goodies to hang on the

butter pate, suet, sunflower and the necessary tools, use your placed in a protected spot. They seeds or simply let your imagina- ingenuity. Make containers from like a rich, moist soil with well-If you have a garage or work- food containers or milk cartons. you can paint in bright colors. An variety of birds you'll attract. If else is bare and bleak. The short excellent container is a pine cone you have any holly berries left days and cool weather of fall -the bigger, the better! Hang it over from your Christmas stimulate the growth and the on the tree upside down so that wreaths, put them out, too. Once buds into bloom. the small pockets formed by the tree is loaded with food, it Christmas roses do best in par- House and Garden and author of upside-down scales can be filled won't take long before song spar- tial shade, where they are not numerous books and videos,

GARDENING

stop by for a snack.

name of the Christmas rose? Christmas and Easter? I am How should I start a bed of confused about which is which. Christmas roses?

the buttercup family. trian Alps. It has been a trea-

The Christmas rose is a hardy Hellesborus, like other winter-

g. Can you explain to me the difference between these cac-Q. What is the botanical tus species: Thanksgiving,

A. The Christmas rose is not a the same family. The Easter cacrose at all, nor does it always tus (Rhipsalidopsis Gaertnerfl bloom at Christmastime. It is the blooms in spring as the days Helleborus Niger, a member of grow longer, while the flowering of both Thanksgiving (Schlum-The Christmas rose originally bergera Truncata) and Christmas comes from the Italian and Aus- caclus (Schlumbergera Bridgesifl seem regulated by day length and sured garden plant in England temperature conditions.

If grown in cold frames, the

for centuries, and early in the 18th century, its magical beauty Thanksgiving and Christmas could be found in American garspecies will flower with the shorter fall days and cold nights. The Thanksgiving cactus will have but very slow-growing plant. visible flowers by the end of Octoflowering plants, should be To ensure a December crop for

Christmas cactus, plants should be given short (nine-hour) days household items, such as plastic rotted manure, leaf mold or com- by covering them with black cloth shop, it's lots of fun and easy to Of course, the greater variety of This is truly a wonderful plant late September. All three species make bird-feed containers that food you put out, the greater that blooms in the snow when all can be propagated from leaf cut-

C.Z. Guest is a gardening authority whose work appears in rows, nuthatches, finches, chick- subject to being dried out in including "Five Seasons of Gar-If you don't have a workshop adees and a host of other birds summer. They resent being dis. dening "(Little, Brown and Co.)

## Christmas tree bird feeder After the holidays, place your cut Christmas tree in a protected ■ Attract birds with tidbits such as bread crumbs, peanut butter, suet ■ Create a bird feeder by hanging a pine cone on the tree and filling its scales with seeds. ■ Leftover holly berries from a Christmas wreath are ar

## Passive heat gives warm feeling

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ciently to an empty nest. There are fireplaces on all floors, and the central chimney uses masonry that conducts heat to the rest of the house as well. "We like our fires in the winter, and

that's just a nice little bonus," said Cox. Just because the home was designed to make the most of Michigan winters doesn't mean it becomes a hotbox in the summer. Quite the contrary. A combination of awning-style windows on the first floor, and clerestory windows on the second floor provides for more of that natural airflow. Here another benefit of the close-in woods comes

"The air is cooler out there on the forest floor," said Cox. "That air is pulled in

"My husband and I are both self-employed, so it's a real working study. But sometimes it's pleasant to

work here and watch the

through the lower level windows." In fact, though the home has a central air conditioner, the architect, Mark Luther,

said it isn't needed. The home should never

"We have allergies, so we have an air conditioner for the filtering process," said Cox. "But for someone else with a home like this, you could get by just with a dehu-

The wide-open spaces of the home are evident in the kitchen and dining room as well. In fact, for entertaining, the living room and dining room are interchangeable. Judicious use of windows contributes to the airy feel, not to mention a nice view of the nearby woods. In the home office, Diane said she finds it therapeutic.

"My husband and I are both selfemployed, so it's a real working study, said Diane. "But sometimes it's pleasant to work here and watch the squirrels." It's the kind of home that gives a warm feeling any time of the year.

### Realtors optimistic

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acceptable by Fannie Mae (Federal National Mortgage Association) will increase Jan. 1. This means larger loans will be available to buyers of one- to four-unit residential properties because these

ondary market (Fannie Mae). The maximum loan will increase to \$202,300 for single-family con- are up by about 48 percent over ventional mortgages.

Limits for multi-unit loans will increase to the following: two-familv homes to \$258,800; three-family homes to \$312,800; and fourfamily homes to \$388,800. The maximum loan amount for one- to four-family mortgages in Alaska Copley News Service, P.O. Box 190. and Hawaii is 50 percent higher San Diego, CA 92112-0190. than the new limits for the rest of

ond mortgages will be \$101.150. In Alaska and Hawaii these loans will be limited to \$151,725.

Q. Are hotels and motels

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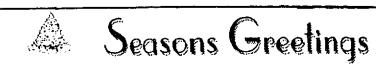
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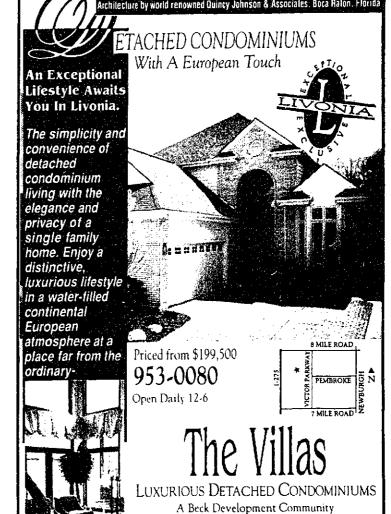
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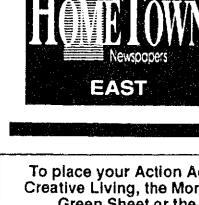
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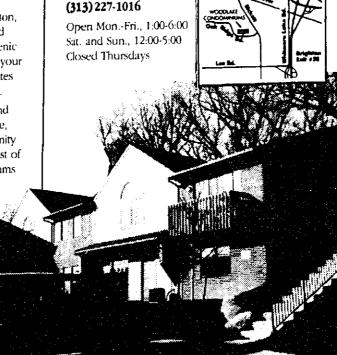
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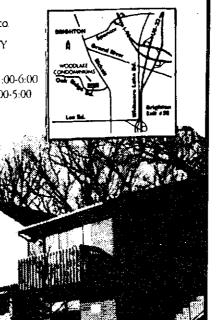
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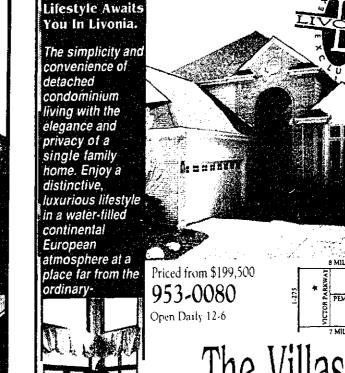
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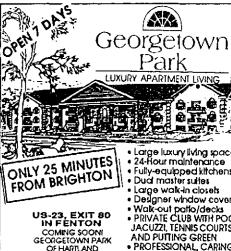
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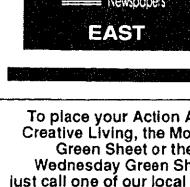
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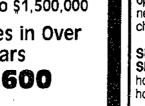
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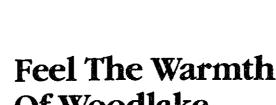
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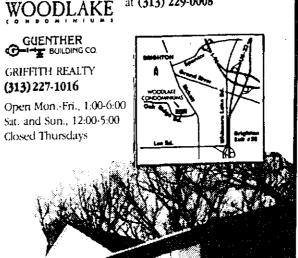
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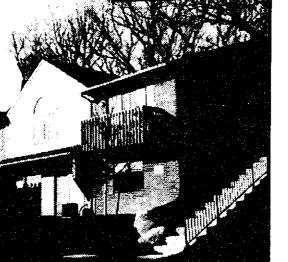
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#### **Beth Kerby**

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#### Tuesday, January 23, 1990

All of us in the class called the old people in our neighborhood to see if they were okay and if they needed anything.

### What did you do today?

#### **Amy Hoffman**

Polk, NE

#### Thursday, December 7, 1989

With the help of the police, we cleaned up a park today. Not only litter, but the drug dealers and their drugs, too.

#### Thelma LaStrapp

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#### Wednesday, December 13, 1989

I offered to pay college tuition for the eighth grade class if they stayed in school and didn't do drugs.

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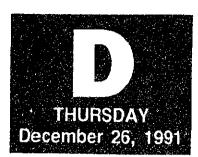
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## CLASSIFIED GREEN SHEET





Pat Guy is owner of Cabbage Rose Antiques

## Shop puts things in perspective

By ANNE SEEBALDT Special Writer

Cabbage Rose Ltd. Antiques has a brand-new look outside. Inside, however, customers will find the cozy atmosphere its owner-operator has worked hard to create.

Pat Guy said she deliberately made her store as home-like as possible. Her theory is that antiques should be displayed in the places they would be in an actual home. For example, dishes are found on the table or in the kitchen, beds and bedroom furnishings are in the bedroom, and the sofa is next to a warm fire in a parlor.

Guy said that many visitors to her business say they are impressed by her shop in a home. She said it took many hours of work to restore the house to its original condition before she opened for business in March 1990. The house had housed several businesses and inside, many partitions had to be removed to make it

one whole open room again.

The fact that Guy also owns an interior design business was helpful in the restoration process. She said it was almost necessary to "tear the house apart and put it back together" to complete it to her satisfaction. She added, however, that all the work has paid off.

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The inside of the home needed attention, and the same was true of the outside.

"This spring and summer, we concentrated on the outside," she added. Guy had the house painted pink, put in a rose garden and erected a fence in the front yard to complete the restoration. She said that the house fits in well with the antiques since it is

approximately 130 years old.

Most of the pieces Guy buys are
either from the Victorian or Art Deco
eras. Her buying patterns are dictated partly by her personal taste and
partly because so many homes in the
South Lyon area were built during
those time periods, she said.

Guy acquires most of the pieces

from individuals inquiring if she would like to buy specific items and also from estate auctions.

She said she thinks her use of both written and cable advertisements has helped to attract customers. Other business comes from repeat customers and word-of-mouth.

"I have steady people (who come) from all over the Detroit Metro area," she said. She also has out-of-state

he customers who drive in on a regular nd basis.

The Cabbage Rose staff also con-

ducts search services for its clients, Guy said. She said she finds out exactly what the client wants, their price range, desired color, and any other information, which she stores on a notecard. Each time she goes antique shopping, she takes all the cards along to find items for which

her clients are searching.

"I think our uniqueness is that we're (located) in a home, Guy added. "We have lovely things (on display) and we try very hard to buy nice pieces."

Cabbage Rose Ltd. Antiques is located at 317 N. Lafayette in South Lyon. Hours are from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and from noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday.



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#### **Business Briefs**

MARSHALLR. SOLOMON of Novi has been appointed vice president of brokerage of the Beale Group, a Southfield-based commercial real estate firm specializing in the leasing and sale of commercial/ retail properties. He had previously been an associate with the firm.

KAREN BROWN, a realtor with Re/Max 100 in Novi and a member of the Western Wayne Oakland County Association of Realtors, has successfully completed an intensive two-and-a-half-day training program on the policies and procedures related to enforcement of the Code of Ethics of the National Association of Realtors.

Brown's training included sessions on the role of board grievance committees, mediation, arbitration and the conduct of ethics hearings. It was conducted by prominent Realtors from across the country including Peter Cornell of Ann Arbor, who also serves as the National Association of Realtors Professional Standards Committee

The seminar, which is limited to two representatives from each state, featured sessions on the relationship of antitrust law to Code enforcement and the use of declaratory judgement and judicial enforcement of arbitration awards.

Brown has been with Re/Max since 1989 and is currently serving a three-year term on the Board of Directors of the Western Wayne Oakland County Association of Realtors, the state's largest real estate association, along with serving as Chairperson of its Professional Standards Committee. Brown is married and has been a resident of Lyon Township since 1978.

MICHAEL M. CERVENAK, senior vice president of operations was recently placed in charge of the hospital's newest health care facility, Providence Medical Center at Providence Park in Novi. The announcement was made by Brian Connolly, president and chief executive officer of Providence Hospial and Medical Centers.

Cervenak will be responsible for the development and operation of the entire center.

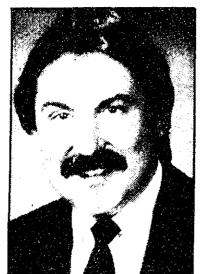
The comprehensive health care campus is currently under construction on a 153-acre parcel of land, formerly Westbrooke Golf Course, near Grand River and Beck Roads in northwest Novi. The first phase of Providence Park, a 90,000-square-foot medical office building and ambulatory care center, is scheduled to open in April 1992. A second 50,000-square-foot medical office building will open on the site in the winter of 1993.

O'BRIEN & GERE ENGINEERS President John Loveland has announced the appointment of Nicholas J. Schapman to the position of regional marketing representative for the firm's regional office in Novi. In this role, Schapman will market the O'Brien & Gere company's services to industrial and municipal clients throughout Michigan, Ohlo, Kentucky and West Virginia.

Schapman brings the firm over 13 years of experience in the commercial and industrial fields, having held such positions as district sales manager, engineering manager, and training manager for a ma-Jor manufacturing corporation. His most recent position was that of marketing manager for Building Technologies Corporation in Cincinnati, Ohio, where he developed, implemented and evaluated marketing

A native of Caroll, Iowa, Schapman holds a bachelor's degree in

Mary DiPaolo/Focus: Small Business



NICHOLAS J. SCHAPMAN

construction engineering frdm Iowa State University. Founded in 1945, O'Brien & Gere Engineers is a nationally ranked firm specializing in water resouces, water pollution control, air quality, hazardous and solid waste management, asbestos management, industrial hygiene, facilities engineering and site development. The company is headquartered in Syracuse, New York, and currently employs over 600 professionals in offices throughtout the Eastern and Central Time zones.

SECOM GENERAL CORP., a Novi plastics maker, completed acquisition of the remaining 30 percent and preferred stock of Tri-Tec Plastics and its subsidiary, Triple Tool, at a special stockholders' meet-

Secom acquired 70 percent of Tri-Tec last April in a transaction valued at \$1.96 million. The remaining 30 percent and preferred stock of Tri-Tec are valued at \$1.1 million. "We expect the Tri-Tec operations to fit very well within Secom,"

said Secom CEO Roy McKnight. He estimated consolidated sales for its fiscal year ended Sept. 30, 1992, will exceed \$35 million, and earnings also will be higher than 1991. Secom operates six subsidiaries in three lines of basic manufac-

turing: metal formed parts, plastic-molded products and toolmaking. The company plans to continue to seek acquisitions in these areas. Two men from Northville and Brighton are among the first six members of the Michigan Boating Industries Association (MBIA) Hall

RAY L. UNDERWOOD, of MBIA offices in Northville, and Ken Wilson, of Wilson Marine in Brighton, were inducted during the annual Recreational Boating Conference held Dec. recently in Bellaire.

The awards recognize an individual, group, or organization who, over the years, has been outstanding in furthering the MBIA's objectives of advancing the recreational boating industry through the promotion of education and commitment to quality service and growth.



THOMAS PRENDERGAST of Northville has been appointed area manager of new Comdisco sales office at 39555 Orchard Hill Place Previously, he was director of marketing for Hertz Corp. in Chi-

cago, Ill., for eight years. He joined Hertz in 1981 as a sales representative and then held the position of regional sales manger. Prendergast received a liberal arts degree from Ohio State University in Columbus, Ohio in 1973. He is a native of Euclid, Ohio

Comdisco Inc. is the world's largest independent lessor and remarketer of IBM and other high-technology equipment, with record revenues of \$1.9 billion in 1991.

CHIROPRACTIC HEALTH FIRST of Northville is a new chiropractic office which has opened in downtown Northville. It is located at 119 E. Dunlap St. near the intersection of Center and Main Street. Chiropractic Health First of Northville is staffed by Dr. Floyd J. Raeon, who has been practicing chiropractic in Michigan since 1986 The office is open Monday through Saturday with convenient evening hours on Tuesday's and Thursday's as well as Saturday afternoons.

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Mary DiPaolo is the owner of MarkeTrends, a Rose Marsh, mother of three and owner of Four Northville business consulting firm. She is also pro-Corners, a Northville wooden craft manufacturer, ducer and host of the cable television series, The key is to start small and allow each small realizes there are some tasks that she must put off "Chamber Perspectives."

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helped her to be more productive while working.

line," Marsh said, "which means we don't waste

There are several sources of help available in

the form of magazines, newsletters and books for

home businesses, send a self-addressed, stamped

any time when we get the time to work."

She also believes that time restrictions have

"Everything we do is set up like an assembly

out for a day or evening."

tential customers to your business at a minimum the current and prospective home-based business

## Job switch over 50 is possible orive Sober

and managing a home business. Contrary to po- that the time available to work on a home business

pular assumption, it is possible to begin almost may be limited to an hour or two during the day.

being interviewed for a new job, avoid talking about the grandchildren or telling old war stories. Instead, make

possible about the type of business being consid-

any business without overextending yourself

y stressing active hobbies. This advice and other tips are contained in a new book, Job Hunting After 50: Strategies for Success, by Samuel Ray, president of a Troy consulting firm that specializes in finding new jobs for older displaced

The experienced employee is actually in demand, but decreases his or her chances for employment because of an old-age attitude, according to Ray, who drew on personal experience in writing the book. Now, 65, Ray changed jobs twice in the past 15 years before joining The Transition Team in Troy five years ago.

"One reason I wrote the book is because the population is aging. Employers need people. The experience the over-50 worker has to offer is very valuable," he said.

Ray offers guidelines on how to display skills, knowledge and experience in ways that makes an employer see beyond the age factor to the real issue -- your potential value to the

"Job Hunting After 50" customdesigns a career map that redirects and repositions the seasoned professional toward a job search, including

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Home business should start small

The same principle holds true when attempting

and other methods of introducing current and po-

Time management is another issue that re-

ered, Fuller points out that it's important to be rea-quires planning in advance. For the at-home pa-envelope with their request to MarkeTrends at

listic about the financial ramifications of starting rent of infants and pre-schoolers, Fuller reminds 46255 Frederick. Northville 48167.

worlds for those who are in- tion, that doesn't mean you should buy a new dou- watching the children for us or they're being taken

home-based business can overtime. For example, if your long-term goal is to

represent the best of both offer specialty baked goods for sale and distribu-

terested in earning extra in- ble oven and immediately begin producing every-

author of Ways for Moms to to let people know about a new venture. Rather

Make Money at Home," vet. than spending large sums on paid advertising, re-

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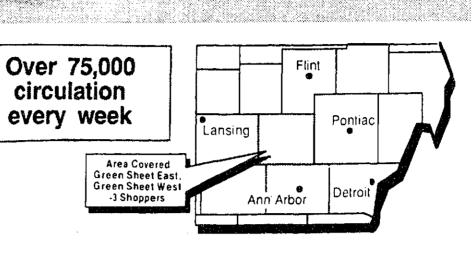
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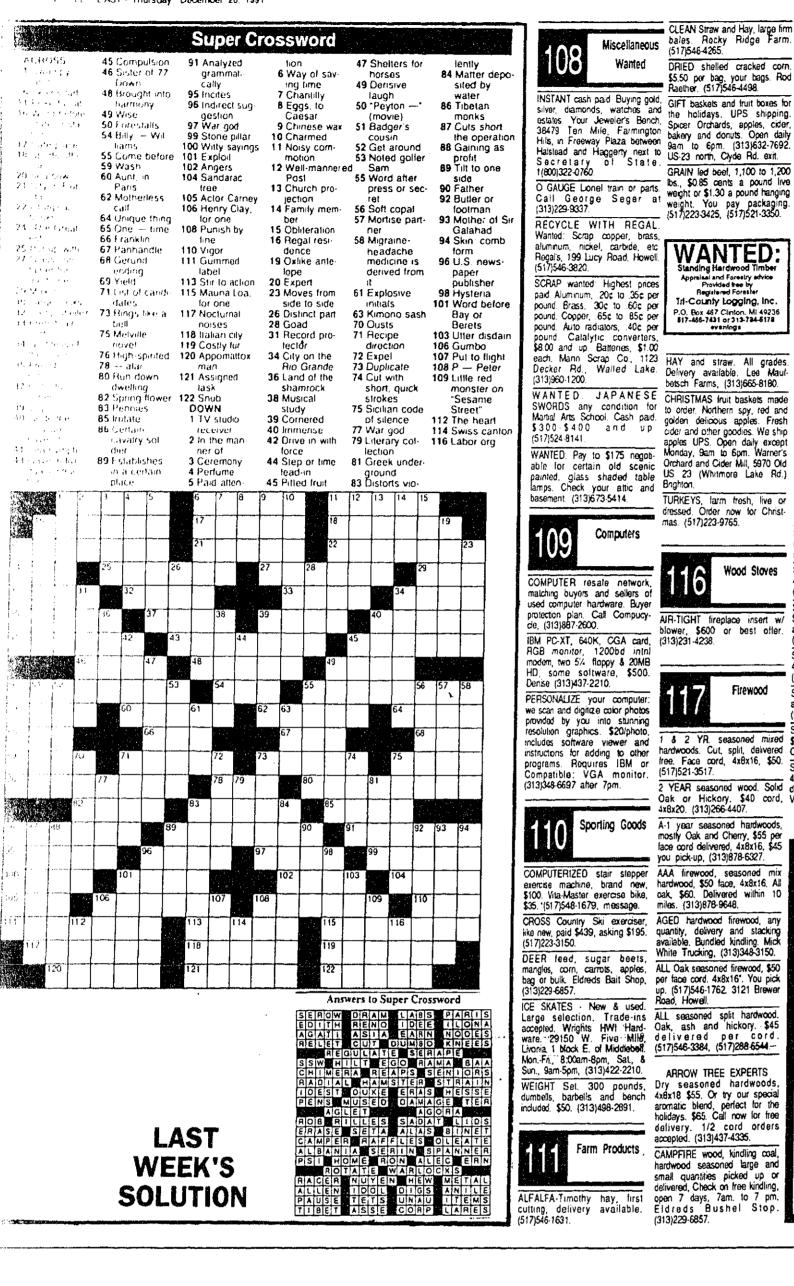
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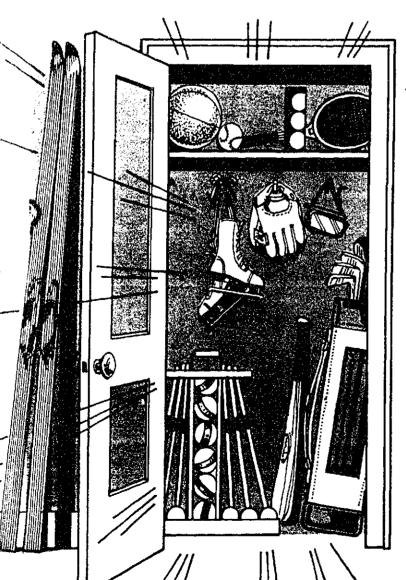
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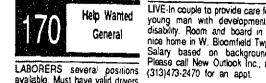
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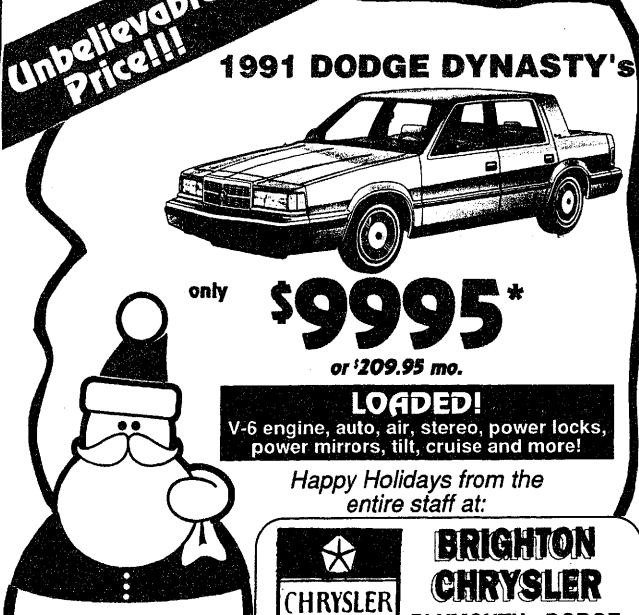
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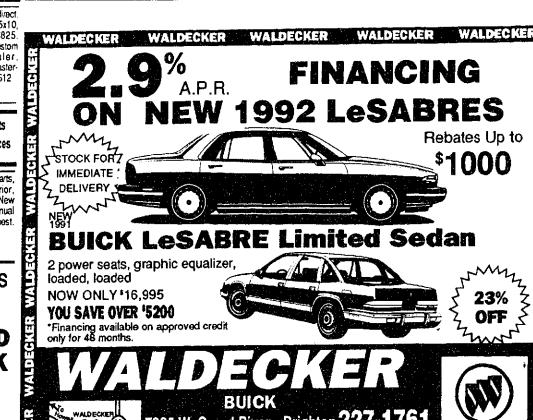
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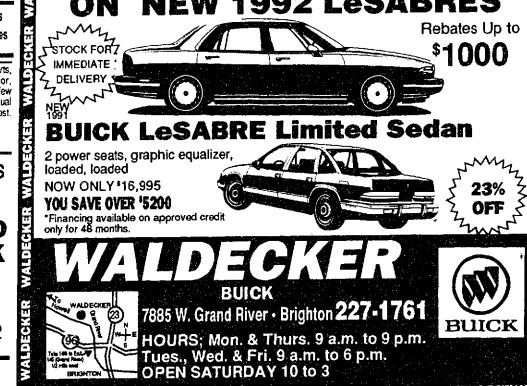
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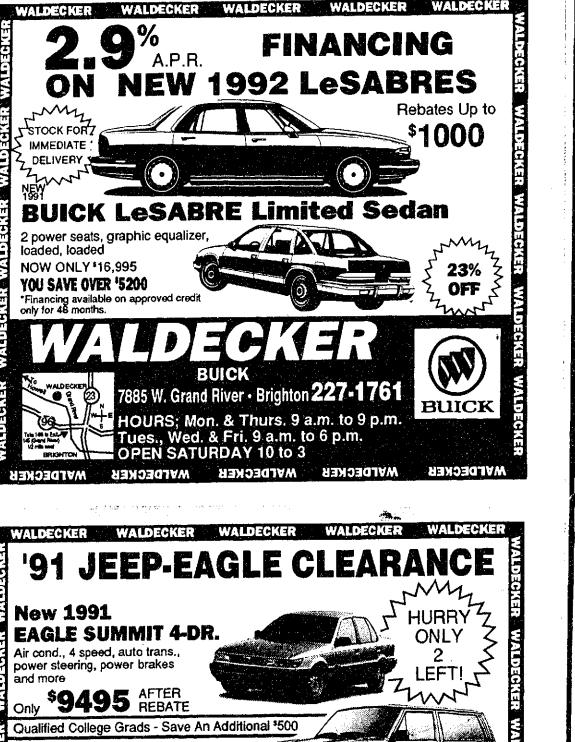
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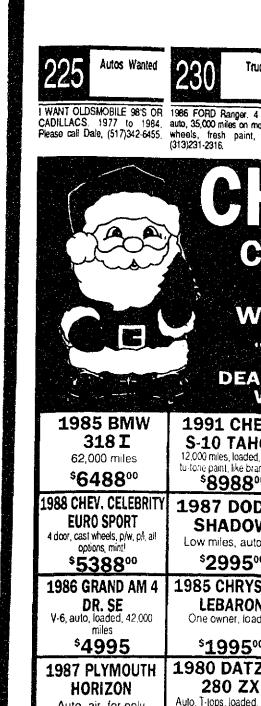
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