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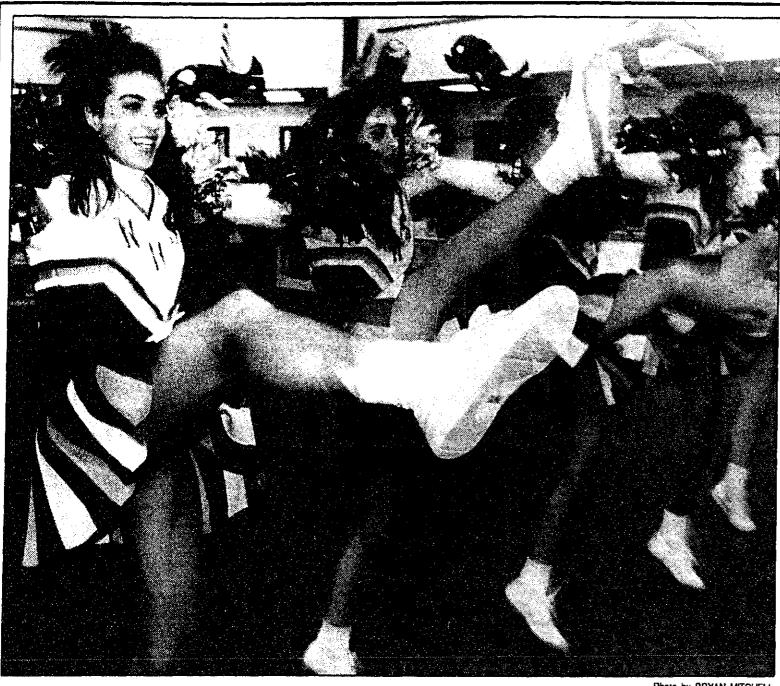


Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

Pompon squad goes to state

Novi High School's pompon squad came in 13th in a state pom- 5-year-old squad has been involved in competition. The pon competition last weekend. The girls competed against 18 squad's next performance will be Feb. 21 during the halftime of teams from around the state. Novi team members said they are a home basketball game against Redford Union High School. very happy with their score because it is the first time the

Council may put recycling on Aug. ballot

By JAN JEFFRES

As the threat of a lawsuit from Taxpayers United hovers over their heads, members of the Novi City Council will decide tonight if mandatory recycling fees will be left to the voters' choice.

The Farmington Hills-based Tax-payers United, led by Richard Headlee, contends that the annual \$34 assessment for single family homes would violate the 1978 Headlee Amendment to the Michigan Constitution. The law forbids levying a tax not authorized by the law or city charter without an

"It walks like a tax. It talks like a tax. It is a tax. It is a bill the govenment sends you because it is a piece of property, "Patrick Anderson, a director of Taxpayers United, said Thursday.

While Novi's City Attorney David Fried advised the city council that the fee as a rate - not a property tax - doesn't violate the Headlee Amendment, Mayor Matthew Quinn said Friday that the city council will likely go for the Aug. 4

Quinn said Fried warned the council that Novi could face a substantial legal liability if the city went ahead and contracted with Duncan Disposal and then lought - or even lost — a protracted lawsuit brought by Taxpayers United. The city has already given a tentative approval

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Patrick Anderson, Director of Taxpayers United

to Duncan for citywide garbage collection.

The attorney said we (the city) would be responsible for paying the contractor directly and we would then have to turn around and collect the money from the citizens without a legal right to do so." Quinn said.

"To delay was the better part of discretion.

To start up service in Novi, Duncan will have a hefty investment in heavy equipment and employees.

By tagging the recycling question onto the already scheduled state primary, the city costs will be much less than the legal fees any lawsuit entails. The work surrounding an election generally leads to between \$10,000 and \$15,000 in labor and

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Ma Bell will split area code in Novi

By JAN JEFFRES

Novi residents may have to let their fingers do a little extra walking to reach their neighbors on the other side of the city, if Michigan Bell's proposed realigment of telephone area codes goes into place in early 1994.

Novi would be one of four metro area communities divided by the new system. Residents who live within the "Northville" telephone exchanges - 344, 347, 348 and 349 - would retain the 313 area

But phone customers who are now in the Walled Lake exchange district - 624, 669 and 960 would have a new, as yet undetermined, area code.

The split will not result in a rate increase for local calls, Marcia Buhl, Bell public relations director said Friday. Population growth and new te-

chology such as fax machines, cellular phones and paging devices have been gobbling up available

phone numbers within the 313 area, Buhl explained. One exchange prefix such as 349 can only handle up to 10,000 customer tele-

phone numbers. Oakland, Wayne, Macomb, St. Clair, Sanilac, Genesee, Lapeer, St Clair, Oakland, Macomb, Washtenaw, Wayne and Monroe would be divided primarily north and south along Eight Mile Road by the

change. But because the boundary line follows exchange districts, much of Novi north of Eight Mile would remain in the 313 area. In Livonia, a fragment of the community south of Eight Mile Road which is within the Farmington exchange would be regrouped with the new area code.

Along with Novi and Livonia, the other communities to be cut in two are Wixom and St. Clair Shores.

Changing the codes along exchange district boundaries is designed to reduce customer confusion, as most people know which exchange district they live in, Buhl

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Anita Hill inspired student's charge

By SUZANNE HOLLYER

The accusor in a criminal sexual conduct case against Novi High School's former band director told a district court judge the charges brought by Anita Hill against Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas prompted her to speak out.

Sixteenth District Court Judge Robert Brzezinski last week released a transcript of Craig Strain's preliminary examination Feb. 11 which was closed to the public at the request of Wayne County Prosecutor Andrew Telek.

Strain stands accused of second degree criminal sexual conduct, a felony punishable by 15 years in prison.

Only Strain, the alleged victim and her parents were present at the exam.

The girl, who was one of Strain's students at the time of the incident, said she told a high school teacher about the incident in October of 1991. The teacher reported the case to the Department of Social Services. She said she first told her parents about the incident after the Hill conference during Thomas' appointment hearings to the Supreme Court.

Even as the Novi News was preparing to file motion in district court to get a transcript of the closed preliminary examination of former Novi High School band director Craig Strain, Judge Robert Brzezinski reversed his decision and agreed to open the file of the hearing he had earlier ordered closed. The transcript was completed and released Wednesday. The story is on page 3A.

Hill charged the now Supreme Court justice with sexually harassing her when she worked for him in the 1970s.

The girl said her confession to her parents was brought about by watching Hill on television.

"I felt that something had to be done before it happened to someone else," she said in court. The girl told the court she went to Strain's Livonia home after a football game at Walled Lake Western in September of 1989. A 15-year-old at the time, she had performed in the pep band. which was under Strain's direction. Strain drove the girl home from the game.

"I was being driven home, and . . . I asked if I could see his baby grand piano," she said, according to the transcript. "I was offered to see it."

The girl said Strain played the piano, which was in his basement, as she sat on a couch and "And then he stopped playing and came over

and sat next to me, and the television was on," she said. "And then he started kissing me, and then he

leaned over and was on top of me, and . . . then we were on the floor.

"He was kissing me and imitating a sexual act on my leg.

The girl said she and Strain had their clothes on during the encounter. She also said Strain

touched her breasts. Assistant Prosecutor Andrew Telek asked if she gave Strain permission to touch her.

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Legislators to move to keep their districts

By SUZANNE HOLLYER

A redistricting plan unveiled Thursday leaves Novi's House of Representatives seat vacant, but puts the area's current representative in competition for his seat.

A Michigan Supreme Courtappointed panel of judges drew new district lines. The plan has not been approved by the high court and will not go into effect until 1993, but already some local state legislators are shuffling to keep their jobs.

States must draw new district lines every 10 years when census figures are calculated to show shifting population counts. Michigan's total of 110 House districts and 38

Senate districts does not change. The Michigan Supreme Court, which rejected separate plans designed by Democrats and Republicans, must approve the proposed

Novi loses its legislator in the Mi-

chigan House of Representatives by the new plan, but Rep. Willis Bullard, R-Highland, said it is "very. very likely" he will relocate so he can fill the vacant seat in the newlyformed district.

Novi shares House District 38 with Lyon Township, Milford Township, part of the City of Northville. South Lyon, Walled Lake and

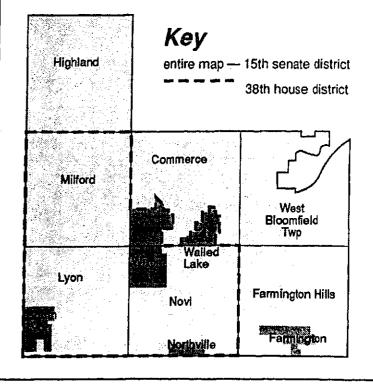
Bullard said over 80 percent of Novi's new house district has been represented by Bullard in the past. If Bullard decides to move, his new constituents would include Wixom and Walled Lake residents.

The district Bullard represents under the new plan is shared with Rep. Thomas Middleton, R. Ortonville.

Bullard said Friday his final decision could be expected within a week. He said his "final, final, final decision" will not be made until af-

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New state house and senate districts



Today, February 24

TOPS: Take Off Pounds Sensibly, a weight loss group for all ages, will meet in room 107 of Novi High School at 7 p.m. For more information on this group, call 624-5293

Classes resume: Students in the Novi school district return to the classroom from mid-winter recess.

City Council: The Novi City Council will meet in the Novi Civic Cen-

Tuesday, February 25

Chamber board: The board of directors of the Novi Chamber of Commerce will meet in the Wyndham Garden Hotel in the Novi Town

Youth Assistance: The board of Novi Youth Assistance will meet in the Novi Civic Center at 7 p.m.

Seniors business: The Novi Senior Citizens Club will hold its monthly business meeting at 1 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center

Thursday, February 27

Board of Education: The Novi school board meets in regular session at Novi Meadows Elementary school at 7:30 p.m.

Newcomers: The Novi Newcomers Clubwill meet at 7:30 p.m. in the

Historic district study: The Novi Historic District Study Committee will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center

Friday, February 28

Novi Players: The Novi Players will present "Shay" in the Novi Circle Theater in the Expo Center on Mohawk Drive.

Property taxes: Today is the last day property taxes will be payable at the Novi city treasurer's office

Saturday, February 29

Novi Players: The Novi Players will present "Shay" in the Novi Circle Theater in the Expo Center on Mohawk Drive.

Wednesday, February 26

Exchange club: The Japanese Cultural Exchange club will meet at 7:30 p.m. at Novi High School. The group will have a discussion about secondary education. For further information, call 348-1200.

Sunday, March 1

Novi Players: The Novi Players will present "Shay" in the Novi Circle Theater in the Expo Center on Mohawk Drive.

Monday, March 2

City Council: Novi City Council meets in the civic center at 8 p.m. **Senior Parents:** Senior Parents will meet in room 107 of Novi High

Choir Boosters: The Choir Boosters will meet in the Novi High

Tuesday, March 3

Center Seniors: Novi Center Seniors will hold their general meeting at 11 a.m. in the Novi Civic Center.

Board of appeals: The Novi Zoning Board of Appeals will meet in the Civic Center at 7:30 p.m.

Jaycees: The Novi Jaycees will hold a membership meeting in the Novi Civic Center at 7:30 p.m.

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district vacant Novi Woods PTO: The PTO of Novi Wood Elementary School wil meetin the community room of the school building at 12:30 p.m

Parent conferences: Parent-leacher conferences will be held in Faxon, Honigman tossed Novi High School in the Commons from 6-9 p.m. Wednesday, March 4

Parent conferences: Parent-teacher conferences will be held in

Novi High School in the Commons from 6-9 p.m. Athletic Boosters: The Athletics Boosters will meet in room 107 of

Novi High School at 7 p.m.

Planning: The Novi City Planning Commission will meet in the Novi Board of review: This is the last day to submit petitions for ap-

year's property tax assessments. The deadline is 5 p.m. Novi Players: The Novi Players will present "Shay" in the Novi Circle Theater in the Expo Center on Mohawk Drive.

Thursday, March 5

Band concert: The Novi High School band will hold a concert in the Fuerst Auditorium in the high school building at 7:30 p.m.

Friday, March 6

School board: The Novi schools board of education will meet in regular session at 7:30 p.m. in the Educational Services Building on Taft

Half day of school: Students of Novi High School will be dismissed from school after third hour at 10:25 a.m.

Saturday, March 7

Novi Players: The Novi Players will present "Shay" In the Novi Circle Theater in the Expo Center on Mohawk Drive.

Sunday, March 8

Novi Players: The Novi Players will present "Shay" in the Novi Circle Theater in the Expo Center on Mohawk Drive.

Monday, March 9

Debate boosters: The Novi High School Debate Boosters will meet in the library of the high school building at 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, March 10

Camera Club: The Novi Camera Club, sponsored by the Novi Arts Council, meets on the second Tuesday of every month in the Novi Civic Center at 7:30 p.m.

Monday, March 16

Non-critical parenting: Judith Cox of Wise Mothers Inc. will conduct a parenting workshop entitled "Becoming a Non-critical Parent," from 7-9 p.m. in the cafeteria of Novi Wood Elementary School. The program is sponsored by the PTOs of Novi Woods, Orchard Hills, and Parkview elementary schools. The purpose of the program is to teach parents how to recognize critical statements and replace them with productive praise. The program is free.

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.

into one Senate district

Novi's house

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ter the Supreme Court approves the new district lines on April 15. But he said the Supreme Court is expected to "rubber stamp" its panel's decision.

Bullard said he has not studied the new district lines thoroughly, but pointments to appear before the Novi board of review to appeal this added than any kind of a fair plan would give Republicans control of the state House of Representatives. Bullard said he hopes to gain

power, including a possible seat as chair of a committee, if Republicans gain control of the House Although Novi is left with a vacant seat in the House of Representatives under the proposed district lines, two

ing Novi's one senate seat. Sen. David Honigman, R-West Bloomfield, gained Novi and Farmington Hills residents as constituents in his new plan. But Novi's current Senator, Jack Faxon, D-Farmington Hills, lives in the new Senate District 15.

state Senators find themselves shar-

Faxon and Honigman will be forced into a runoff if Faxon does not move. Faxon said the district would be difficult to win for a Democrat. But Honigman said he is considering tossing his hat into a race for U.S. Congress, depending upon how national redistricting wors out.

Novi's district is shared with Farmington Hills, Commerce Township. Lvon Township, Milford Township, part of the City of Northville. South Lvon, Walled Lake, Wixom, and most of West Bloomfield Township. Faxon said he may look to a vacant

field. Pontiac and Southfield. But he stressed that the current lines are not cast in stone until the Supreme Court makes its decision. Faxon said he is unhappy with the way his former district was divided.

district, which includes West Bloom-

district the way they chopped up Township. mine." Faxon said Honigman said he looks forward to input on the new district lines. Commeeting his possible new consti- ment must be filed with the court by tuents, including Novi residents. March 2.

Honigman said he already is familiar with the area, in part because City Council Member and Novi resident Tim Pope works for the senator.

Northville likely will not lose Rep. Georgina Goss, R-Northville, in the House of Representatives. But as of Friday, Goss and Rep. Lyn Bankes, R-Livonia, shared the newly-formed House District 20.

Goss said the proposed lines put her and Bankes in an unfortunate "I think it's a real shame that the

only two female. Republican legislators in Wayne County are pitted against each other Goss said she has "the greatest re spect" for Bankes, but added that she

will run for the seat if necessary.

But a runoff may not be necessary District 20 covers Plymouth. Northville Township, most of the City of Northville, and part of Livonia. Bankes said Friday she hopes to represent the new House District 19, which covers most of Livonia and north Redford Township. But her Livonia home is only eight blocks inside

of the district she shares with Goss. She hopes the Supreme Court or the Legislature will slightly alter district lines to move her home into the unrepresented House District 19. If the lines are not changed,

Bankes said she may move so she can represent the vacant district. Goss said Friday that Republicans are optimistic about the new plan. but both political parties are facing difficulties in some areas as a result of the proposed lines.

Republicans had control of the state Senate under the old plan, but Democrats maintained an 11-vote majority in the House. Northville Sen. R. Robert Geake.

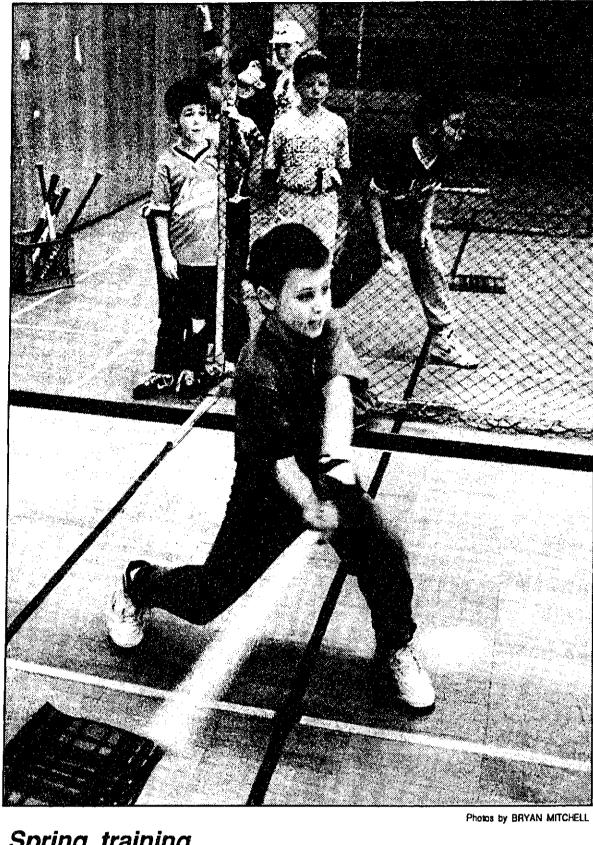
will continue to represent Northville residents. Senate District 9 includes Livonia, Northville, Plymouth, Red-"They didn't chop up anyone else's ford Township and part of Canton

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Spring training

8-year-old Jake Ray gets his turn at bat while at Novi Meadows.

Novi Community Education sponsored a base- others wait their turn. Pictured to the left, ball camp during a winter break from classes in 10-year-old Kirk Stadnika winds up for the the school district last week. Pictured above, pitch. The American Baseball Camp was held

User fee may cause battle on recycling

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supplies costs, Quinn said. Three council members - Tim Pope, Nancy Cassis and Hugh Crawford -- agreed with Taxpayers United that the recycling fee could be construed as a tax. Their bid for placing

the question on the March presiden tial primary ballot was shot down by the council in November. Pope said he's glad the matter is coming to a council vote again. "This happens to be a highly technical question but we shouldn't get lost in the fact that it happens to be a technical question. If local government decides they're going to turn

this into a mandatory user fee, what could be next?." he said. One of the benefits of holding an election, he said, would be public education on recycling which would surround the campaign. The city's voluntary recycling center has been plagued with "contaminated" or improperly cleaned loads of plastics

"As we saw with our voluntary recycling, even those who are the most motiviated to participate in recycling may not understand the process of recycling." Pope added.

Originally, mandatory recycling was expected to be on line here by July 1. Farmington and Farmington Hills, fellow members of the Resource Recovery and Recycling Authority of Southwest Oakland County, began their recycling in July 1991 with user fees of \$66 and \$54 respectively.

Anderson said Taxpayers United has considered but not yet filed lawsuits against the Farmingtons, but under the Headlee Amendment still has until July to do so. It is "highly likely" the organization will take these cities to court, he added.

The group has already protested mandatory recycling fees in Farmington, Farmington Hills, Wixom. Bloomfield Township, Oxford, Lansing, Harper Woods. To date, only Shelby Township has opted to put

Without waiting for the motion to

be officially filed. Brzezinski reversed

his decision in chambers and agreed

to the release of the transcript. The

Novi News paid \$42 to have tapes of

Bridges explained that although

the preliminary exam transcribed.

Michigan law does allow a judge to

close a courtroom in criminal sexual

conduct cases, legal challenges have

shown that hearings cannot be

ment between the attorneys. A num-

ber of conditions, balancing the

public interest against the privacy

concerns of the victim, have to be

In a 1988 case, known as Booth

Newspapers v. the 12th District

closed solely on the basis of agree-

Judge opens transcript in Strain sex case

Anita Hill's testimony inspired charge

Even as Novi News attorney Karen Bridges was preparing a motion to open court records, the judge who had ordered a hearing closed re-

versed his decision. The News sought transcripts of testimony in the preliminary examination of former Novi High School band director Craig Strain. Strain appeared on a charge of second degree criminal sexual conduct in 16th District Court in Livonia on Feb. 10. On Friday, Feb. 14, Judge Robert Brzezinski agreed to release the transcript of the proceeding, which he had earlier ordered closed to the

public at the request of the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office. The transcript was completed and released to the Novi News last

Wednesday. "This has been a very frustrating case because of the amount of information which has been withheld examination based on a motion from from the public," Novi News Manag- Wayne County Assistant Prosecutor ing Editor Michael Malott said last Andrew Telek. Defense attorney Ri- were ordered from the room. week, "We're glad the judge agreed it chard Beemer did not object. Only should be public and that informa- Strain, the victim, her parents and court to file an official objection, but tion about the case is starting to the attorneys were allowed to remain Court Administrator Joe Mysliwiec ready," according to Bridges.

By TIM RICHARD

John Engler warns.

"We've seen that happen in a num-

ber of states, and that's the worst

possible outcome for education," En-

gler said in a recent wide-ranging in-

In his second year in office. Engler

but insists school funding needs to

Eliminate tax base sharing, under

which suburban school districts

share half the growth in their

makes on behalf of school districts

pack categorical aid to richer school

required by the Headlee Amendment.

required by federal law. Others are state aid.

commercial-industrial tax base.

into the state aid formula.

terview with the Novi News.

focus on per-pupil equity.

"fair trade":

Novi News reporter Suzanne Hol-

Later that day, Malott called the

lyer and other members of the public

quirements of federal law, it's clearly

cial obligation. I accept that. The

aid and get rid of special items.

Engler: Absolutely. One of the cri-

ticisms — a fair criticism by local dis-

tricts — is that the state, by over-

them from solving the educational

School districts have been saying

they want more freedom to innovate.

They want to be able to do what they

know how — to teach kids without

the state telling them you have to fit

That's why we elect school boards.

mean, if it's only to negotiate con-

we're completely failing in what we're

We have a law that students, in ab-

out three years, in order to get a dip-

loma endorsed by the state, would

dards. We ought to give the districts

There's considerable concern over

requirements or the state's responsi- reached out at the local districts' operations, and the person across than that.

these rather tight definitions.

seeking in education.

maximum flexibility.

problems that are most urgent.

same with transportation.

"I said no," she responded, adding that she let Strain. him touch her because he was her band teacher. Under cross examination, the girl said Strain and I would just have problems with him. I'd get very upset," she told the court. had kissed her in school in 1989. But she said she had denied Strain kissed her in the school Strain's attorney said, and the girl agreed, choir room when one incident reportedly was witnessed by two male students.

in the courtroom during the declined to take the objection over

side by side — they could be raising emphasizing categoricals, has hand-

The girl said she denied the kissing had oc- out once a month. In October 1991, the girl cured when questioned by school administra- asked for and received a letter of recommendation, a school lawyer and her parents. She said Strain did, in fact, kiss her in school suspended with pay from Novi schools by Oct. 16

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during 1989 sometimes more than twice a day. after the alleged misconduct was reported to to comment.

Brzezinski closed the preliminary proceedings.

News: Some out-of-formula school

state will have no lever to require the

two sources of funds for schools to-

day — local and state — and they're

has greater wealth than another —

money, even if the taxpayers are pay-

We've raised the question, how

should the state use state funds?

Should we recognize you have these

The time has come that if taxpay-

News: Rep. Bill Keith, D-Garden

City, chair of the House Education

Some, such as special education, are cals and put the money into general have to meet minimum state stan-

Engler: We've stopped short of re-

programs it mandates from local categoricals that because of federal tax-base sharing because that

ers are making the same local effort,

ing the same number of mills.

Because of the way we tax property

Engler: They recognize there are

local district to do anything.

both raised by taxes.

Courts will take over the school districts are saying that if the state

funding problem unless Michigan cuts Social Security and retirement.

achieves per-student equity, Gov. they may as well be "private." The

said he's willing to abandon tax base locally, there are tremendous dispar-

sharing, a law tied up in the courts. ities between districts. If one district

So he's advocating what he calls a dramatically different amounts of

Let the state pump the Social Sec-inequities at the local evel and com-

unity and retirement payments it pensate for it? Or should we ignore it?

Engler also would phase out sev- we should have the same opportunity

The governor said he has rejected Committee, says in so many words

the idea of ending all categorical aid. that he wants to eliminate categori-

which says the state must pay for any commending that. There are certain

eral special purpose grants. And he for every child in school. We've

would eliminate "recapturing" — the changed the focus to the child rather

process by which the state takes than on complicated formulas.

ary 1991, because she was having problems with "He wouldn't let me finish what I was saying.

Two are special education and osed it, but it came forth from the Le-

News: Generally, it sounds like the local districts keep the money education.

how you wish.

money's going.

with your thinking?

tracts with teacher's unions, then more money into the formula and

though we exceed the minimum re-criticism and concern.

you want to beef up general school they raise locally.

that she had maintained contact with Strain after dropping out of band. She spoke with him abtion for college entrance from Strain. Strain was

She said she dropped out of the band in Janu-school officials and the Novi police. Strain is scheduled for arraignment in the Frank Murphy Hall of Justice in Detroit tomorrow, Feb. 25, at 9 a.m.

That wasn't in my budget, as I prop- unlaimess.

something where the state has a spe-clear that there was a different way to courts. We've seen that happen in a

I'm prepared to support the imme-

to redirect some of the retirement

cuffed the districts and prevented fair trade: The local districts are free I would prefer to act now and blunt

to do what they want with their dol-

lars, and the state is free to budget

When the average expenditure is

under \$4,000 per student and one

poverty, one has to wonder where the

News: Keith says 30 percent of dis-

tricts are out-of-formula; if we put

less into categoricals, we could have

90 percent in formula. Is that in line

Engler: Well, that would be helpful

to the schools, certainly. You would

have a school aid formula dispensing

As we looked at the issue, it was Michigan schools taken over by the

approach it, and we ought to focus on number of states, and that's the

how we spend state dollars and let worst possible outcome for

turn for putting up the state's ability the state supreme court, there are

funds. So it's a guid pro guo, but it's a pensive and very counterproductive.

dollars designed to give parity for lars of drug monies to pay for the Mi-

equal effort. That's what's difficult to chigan Model, which has aspects of

justify today: When somebody's tax-drug education, yet it is not focused

ing themselves at 36 mills for school on drugs; it's much, much broader

charges of second degree criminal sexual conduct when he was arraigned Jan. 3 at the 16th District Court. Strain received \$25,000 and retired on Jan. 9

The former band director stood mute to

as part of a settlement with Novi Community

On the advice of his attorney, Strain declined

the morning of Feb. 14 to schedule a Bridges said she contacted Telek time for the judge to hear her nearlylater to ascertain the reason for his completed motion. Mysliwiec asked

That's where some states have got-

tion. One of my goals is not to have

Engler: Kentucky: Texas has had

challenges in other states, they're ex-

News: You've got certain legisla

News: Do you support the Michi-

The concern I've had that emerged

quite by accident: The previous ad-

ministration used substantial dol-

tors who actually want a lawsuit.

the threat of that happening.

News: Kentucky?

Engler: (Nods.)

education)?

Court, the Michigan Court of Appeals overruled a decision to close a courtroom. In a California case known as Press-Enterprise II. the U.S. Supreme Court overturned another courtroom request for a closed courtroom. Telek for an explanation of the basis of her closure decision. And in 1978, in a said he believed the Strain case had request. Bridges outlined the case case known as Free Press vs. Gal-"received too much publicity al- law on which her motion would be lagher, the Michigan Supreme Court based and Mysliwiec relayed that in- overruled a decision by the Recor-

When Bridges phoned the court on formation to the judge in his der's Court in Detroit to close a courtroom during trial. That case involved a charge against a school-Engler addresses education funding issues teacher of sexually assaulting a 14-year-old student "Clearly, there is a public interest

chámbers.

in the Strain case," Malott said, "Not billies under the Headlee Amend- local revenue and said, "You'll have to the road pays 36 mills and gets twice only was Strain the Novi High School ment, the state finds itself committed share some of the local revenue." as much revenue. That's the inherent band director, making him a wellknown figure around town, he has worked with a large number of kids transportation. In special ed. al- gislature, and I signed it amid much ten themselves in trouble with litigaover the years. "What was said in court that day-

begins to answer a lot of questions about this case. Not only does it explain exactly what is alleged to have happened, it explains why the school district was not able to act at the time when it was first told there might be aproblem, and it explains why the diate repeal of tax-base sharing in re- two or three plans turned down by charge is coming up only now."

Meet The Faces **Behind Most** Medical Advances

that is spending \$7,000 is pleading gan Model (for comprehensive health Before any medical project can break new ground, it has to get off the Engler: I don't oppose it. I mean it's an option available for schools. I ground. And that takes money. We support its being an option. I don't urge you to contribute to the hospital support its being mandated. I've not of your choice. Your help could mean studied specific components in detail a solution to many of today's most because that's a decision that's made pressing medical concerns. The first locally. They don't have to use any of of which is, quite frankly, funding. it. They may use all of it if they wish.

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Police discovered two sets of footprints leading from the residence One set led from Heslop Drive directly toward the residence. The other led from the residence toward the Saddle MDOP: A Livonia woman reported Creek apartment complex -

MDOP: A Novi woman reported Feb. 11 that someone smashed the driver's side window of her 1989 Ford — tended along the left side of the vehi-Escort while she was in Red Timbers. - cle, occurred sometime during the Police said there are currently no night hours.

1977 VAN DRIVERS BUSTED: A Amcorp reported Feb. I that some-25 year old Walled Lake man was ar one stole a 1987 Dodge pickup truck rested for OUIL Feb. 9 on Summons from the parking lot on Grand River. Drive, police said. He was driving a 1977 Chevrolet van

A 36 year old Toledo man was ar said. rested Feb. 8 for OUIL. The man, who was driving a 1977 Dodge van. was OUIL: The driver of a 1988 Chevy numerous items missing.

owner said she left for work at 6:40 stopped along westbound Grand S-10 pickup was arrested for OUIL. Twelve Oaks Mall Feb. 10 after she

A 32-year-old Redford Township man was arrested Feb. 7 along west bound Novi Road. The man was reportedly driving a 1977 Dodge van.

Police News

Feb. 10 that, while spending the night at a friend's apartment on Sagebrush, her vehicle was "keyed." Police said the damage, which ex-

STOLEN VEHICLE: An employee at The vehicle was equipped with a hydraulie hookup for a plow, police

north on Haggerty Road. SHOPLIFTING: Novi police arrested store without attempting to pay for Hudson's.

Hudson's security reportedly saw the suspect take and conceal \$349 in ATTEMPTED BREAKING AND EN-

tigating a possible shoplifting inci- Feb. 10. dent at a department store in Novi

up and began walking around, pick-marks on the frame. ing up various items and putting. The damage was discovered ar

Employees of the store reported that they felt suspicious of the women, and after they left discovered above incidents are urged to call the

they denied taking anything from the

SHOPLIFTING: Novi police arrested a suspect at Limited Express in Feb. 8. police said. He was driving was seen concealing store merchan-

dise in a Hudson's bag. The woman reportedly left the a juvenile Feb. 7 for shoplifting at the merchandise. Police said the woman did not speak English well.

merchandise, then attempt to leave TERING: An ATM machine at the Michigan National Bank on Novi Road was reported damaged after someone SHOPLIFTING: Novi police are inves- apparently attempted to break into it

Police said two women reportedly chine, causing damage to the uper entered the store together, then split left side of the screen and putting pry

Police said someone pryed at and

struck the display screen of the ma-

 Citizens with information about the Novi Police Tip Line at 349-6887.

Man charged with car theft scam

thought he could hide his car, report from Twelve Oaks Mall on Jan. 6, the it was reported stolen in Novi, police portion of every auto insurance polit stolen, and collect on the car had been parked and left at the were suspicious of Lane from the

tempted false pretenses over \$100 - raigned in Farmington Hills 47th ported stolen, Lane's girlfriend was

She added that Bell anticipates

by late 1994, which is why the

switchover would be made early that

day we woke up and said we're out of

telephone numbers." Buhl said.

Monroe countles.

This is not a revelation that one

running out of 313 phone numbers. Huron and Lapeer.

Hills, after the car was recovered at a liminary examination. Warren Red Roof Inn Jan. 13.

Red Roof Inn at least a week earlier. beginning.

County, as well as cities such as Port

call Pontiac I have to call 1-313. Now

ing to be another inconvenience."

dents will share the 313 area code area code to call city hall. It's just go- can area codes.

Walled Lake exchange would have to which will be offered April 1. Buhl area code.

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Sarah Phelps, president of the

Roy added that, although Lane

Roy said that, although Lane re- was arrested because the vehicle was County Auto Theft Unit, and works Alan Howard Lane allegedly ported his 1988 Grand Am stolen allegedly left in Warren a week before out of the Novi Police Department. A But now he's facing charges of at Lane was arrested Feb. 19 and ar He said that when the car was reprogram

at Twelve Oaks Mall but will be in the customers \$20 a month for long disproposed split. Customers can offer

same code with most of Oakland tance calls within the same area code their input over the toll free number

Circle Calling, for \$3 a month, of-

Lakes Area Residents Association fers a 30-percent discount on long but doesn't think a formal protest is

30-mile range. After the split, if the

dius of their home.

(LARA) wasn't exactly thrilled about distance and zone calls within a

"I think its kind of screwy. They 20 or 30 mile radius crosses the new

and zone calling within a 20 mile ra- 1-800-831-8989

Roy is a member of the Oakland icy in Oakland County goes toward fighting auto theft through this

District Court because that was already there to give him a ride home. Unit offers cash rewards for informa-Novi Police Detective Ron Roy said where he filed the insurance claim. "What would you do if your car was tion leading to arrest and/or recovery Feb. 21 that he obtained a felony war- Roy said. He is currently free on a stolen?" Roy asked. "First you would of stolen vehicles. If you have such inrant for Lane. 38, of Farmington \$5,000 bond and faces a Feb. 28 pre-report it to the police. Then you would formation, contact Roy at 347-0523.

Phelps said LARA will discuss the

The split would leave 1.5 million

customers within 313 and place 1.4

change at their meeting this week.

Michigan Bell to split 313 area code in a future edition of the paper.

Send any questions you have about school finance to Suzanne Hollyer at the Novi News, 104 W. Main St., Northville, Mich. 48167. Questions will be answered by Novi school's financial guru William Barr in a

Casino memories: Do you remember the golden years of the Walled Lake Casino? If you worked, played or performed at Novi's mostrenowned entertainment center at any time during the 1920s through the 1960s, the Novi News would love to hear from you for a special nostalgia project. We are also looking for old photographs, brochures, post-

Please contact Jan Jeffres or Scott Daniel at 349-1700.

should include all the exchanges area code boundaries, the calls will million telephone users within the Requiring customers to dial 313 within a city and make it strictly fol-still be counted as local. when making long district calls low county lines and not jog and jog The new area code is expected to within an area code was the com- like they're proposing," Phelps said. be made public this spring, after the The phone company called upon a It's bad enough when I want to plan has been reviewed by Bell Com- citizens committee to help evaluate

munications Research in New the changes — a national first, Buhl Northville exchange Novi resi- I'm going to have to dial a different Jersey, which assigns North Ameri- said. The committee was appointed by the Oakland, Wayne, Macomb Michigan Bell is following the lead county governments, the City of De-The split will not impact Michigan of New York, Chicago and Los troit and included representatives Northern Novi residents within the Bell's new Circle Calling system. Angeles in splitting a metropolitan from the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments, Bell and the Midial an extra four digits to call a store said. Circle Calling 20 would charge Bell is seeking comments on the chigan Public Service Commission.

Register in person or by phone for these programs.

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Novi Briefs

Grand rezoning plan: The city council will mull the rezoning tonight of a portion of the Sect. 18 property once targeted for the Grand

City planning consultant Brandon Rogers notes that while the owner has not mentioned a use for the land, the site was at one time suggested for a Meiler store and the company is still interested in the parcel. The 28 acres are owned by British West Corporation of Cayman

The proposed rezoning would change the property from its existing heavy industrial classification to general business.

Nominations accepted: The Novi Jaycees are putting out the call for nominations for the 20th annual Distinguished Service Award (DSA), the most prestigious award in the City of Novi. The DSA is presented annually by the Jaycees to honor an individual whose dedication to serving humanity during the previous calendar year will serve as a lasting reminder and inspiration to others in the community.

Individuals who live or work in the city may be nominated by groups or individuals. Nominations must be for individuals, not groups. Nominating forms are available at the Novi Public Library, at the Novi Parks and Recreation and Recreation Deptarment in the Novi Civic Center and by calling 348-3121.

Screening required: Parents planning on enrolling their child in kindergarten next fall must have the child's vision tested before school

Deadline for nominations is Feb. 25.

Michigan's public health code requires vision and hearing screening for kindergarten entry.

The Oakland County Public Health Department will screen all kindergarteners for hearing problems during the school year. But vision

So, parents are required to provide evidence of vision screening for their child to be admitted to school. Oakland County offers free vision screening in June for new kin-

dergarteners. Screening is on a walk in basis, no appointment is Walk in hours are June 15-18 from 9-11 a.m. and 5-7 p.m. at the

Southfield office of the health department, 27725 Greenfield. A Pontiac office located at 1200 N. Telegraph Road will be open for free testing on June 22-25 during the same hours. Call 424-7070 for more information on vision requirements or free

Confused about school finance?: If the terms in-formula. out-of-formula, recapture, categoricals and tax base sharing have you confused, then we have just the thing you need. The Novi News in conjunction with the Novi Community School District will be answering questions about school finance in a clip-and-save article to be published.

ers and other memorabilia of the casino to be re-copied.

Sports Briefs

Spikers lose: The Wildcat volleyball team's hopes of a Kensington Valley Conserence title were put on ice Feb. 17 as Novi sell in two games to

The loss moved Novi to four matches behind the Bulldogs with just two o go. The 'Cats now stand at 8-5 overall and 6-4 in the KVC. Novi dropped game one 15-9 and game two 15-8. The Wildcats had leads in both games, played at home, but couldn't hold. Laura Jones played well in defeat as she tallied 10 of Novi's 17 points.

Beth Vanderhoff also performed well, according to coach Amy Wagner. The 'Cats finish the season tonight against Milford at home and Th' day on the road in South Lyon. Game time for both is 6:30 p.m.

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rom next door, ostensibly to re-

mooch a cookie or two or eight.

afternoon and the Olympics

were on television with some

kind of ice skating competition

the other room, talking girl-talk.

while I was minding my own

business in the living room.

watching the ice skating and

Cheryl and Diane had been in

taking place.

thinking about what might have been if only I had trained

I think the fact that I was enjoying myself is what finally

got to them because they suddenly decided to trot into the

living room and position themselves directly in front of the

television set in a blatant attempt to disrupt my otherwise

to move. But not today. Not Mr. Phil. Nobody — and I mean

So what did I do when I found my sight lines blocked? I

Meanwhile, my plate of cookies was disappearing at an

alarming rate as Cheryl helped herself to yet another one

- a little heart-shaped morsel covered with frosting.

But absolutely nothing was going to ruin my apprecia-

Maybe that's what got to them because the more I ig-

nored their attempts to disrupt me, the more frustrated

they became. And the harder they worked at trying to dis-

nobody - was going to trash my peaceful afternoon.

got up and moved, of course. No hassles on this afternoon

Under normal circumstances I might have asked them

Jerome

harder as a youngster.

contented Saturday afternoon.

for the Big Guy. I just moved.

tion of the skating, so I said nothing.

At any rate, it was a Saturday

turn a pan, even though I knew through all this abuse. But every man has his limits, and

down the back stretch.

another of my cookies.

were watching this."

turned to the ice on his feet.

Reaching the breaking point

her true objective had been to they finally reached mine.

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Remember that I had remained cool, calm and collected

For no particular reason they suddenly stopped their

girl-talk and turned their attention to the ice skating.

Which was okay except that they didn't just watch the ice

"Here comes the double axel," said Cheryl as Bowman

"Nicely landed," chimed in Diane as The Showman re-

"It's only a minor deduction," replied Diane. "I think the

"Look at his line." It was Cheryl again, talking about

judges were impressed by the heighth and revolutions."

Bowman's line, whatever that is, while reaching for

"I like his theatricality," said Diane. "You have to get the

crowd on your side. No matter how hard they try to be im-

partial, the judges are definitely swayed by crowd

Like I said before, every man has his breaking point.

Even easy-going, long-suffering, mild-mannered persons

like myself arrive at the point where we just can't take it

anymore. And they had just reached mine with all their

"Where you going, Phil?" they grinned as I put on my

"Never mind me," I told them in my typically even-

coat to head off for the Starting Gate so I could watch the

Olympics in relative peace and quiet. "We thought you

talk about double axels, line and theatricality.

handed manner. "I'll be back in a little while.

"Just save me a cookie, if you would please."

skating . . . they began providing color commentary.

the Showman or whoever it was started building up speed

"I thought he two-footed it a little," said Cheryl.

MONDAY February 24,

As We See It

Decision should come from public, not courts

Whether or not you agree that a mandatory recycling fee is a property tax - and this seems to be an issue that could keep legal minds employed for the next few years — it makes good sense for the Novi City Council to put the matter before the voters.

The Farmington Hills-based Taxpayers United, led by Richard Headlee, argues that a mandatory fee on a homeowner for a service which may or may not be used, violates the Headlee Amendment's proscription against new taxes without voter approval. If the city opts for the \$34 fee, non-payment could result in a lien on your home.

City Attorney David Fried, as well as lawyers for the Resource Recovery and Recycling Authority, contend that the fee is a rate on service authorized Resource Recovery Finance Act of 1978.

While we are leaning in Taxpayer's United direction, it seems better all around for Novi if the issue is resolved by the people, rather than a court.

With landfill space overflowing, few dispute that curbside recycling is a pressing necessity. The original plan was to have Novi single-family homeowners placing their glass bottles, cans, plastics and newspapers in a special container

If the voters don't agree, the prog-judge in Pontiac or ultimately Lansing.

This is the "road from hell."

mental 90-day period — an attempt to

see if council could convert a road now

saw heavier traffic as drivers tried to find

signs along the route, as requested by re-

found the stop sign planted just outside

his window. And with the stop sign there,

rectly into his home.

house sits particularly close to the road, corridor.

alternative routes.

saw that rule dropped, too.

The road from hell

Council. An effort late last year to close overburdened roads in the area, is still at

the road to through traffic for an experi- least four to five years from completion.

only did residents of communities to the changes to that road until a final and

north, who use East Lake Road to get to complete solution to the problem is on

I-96 and Twelve Oaks Mall, complain so the table, until the regional study with

One of the most controversial parts changes for driving along East Lake

When the road was re-opened, road. Further changes could only ex-

of that road closure was a sign making it Road have left drivers very confused in-

illegal to turn left from westbound 13 deed. Unless you drive that road every-

Mile Road on to East Lake heading north. day, and have therefore already become

The end of the road closure experiment accustomed to the latest version, it is dif-

sidents in an attempt to get drivers and a recommendation can be made on

speeding along the lakefront roadway to what should be done, the rules of that

slow down. Most recently, council was road will likely change again in four or

asked by one East Lake resident to go five years as the Haggerty Connector is

back in and remove one of the three completed and East Lake is no longer signs. It seems this resident, whose needed to serve as the north-south

he had to keep his blinds drawn to stop deed be well advised to avoid taking up

each and every driver from peering di- the issue of that road until it is ready to

join in a regional study with Walled Lake and make sure it is really working.

Letters to the editor

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basis for opinions in your own words. We will help by editing for clarity. To assure authenticity,

we ask that you sign your letter and provide a contact phone number.

In the meantime, Novi has agreed to while so area residents can get used to it

council agreed to place three new stop acerbate the problem.

did other residents of Novi whose roads other communities is complete.

Environment ram will be curtailed here. If voters do

agree in August, it will take another 90 days for Duncan Disposal to get the program working. A delay, but not a terribly long one.

Leave the issue to the courts and it could be years before a decision is handed down.

We take Taxpayers United's threat under the state Waste Management and to sue Novi if there isn't an election seriously. The group has a track record for pursuing lawsuits. Legal battles cost big bucks. To hold the election, the price would be minimal.

> More than dollars, there's a principle at stake here. How many other charges may be passed on as rates?

> Admittedly, there's a risk that Novi voters won't pay for recycling - and we hope it's a small one. But far better to let Novivoters decide where their money will be used then leave the choice up to a

> > Needless to say. Novi council mem-

That seems a wise decision indeed.

The on-again-off-again nature of the rule

ficult just to remember what you are al-

lowed to do and not allowed to do on that

Even when the study is complete

In any case, the council would in-

adopt a final solution . . . one it is sure

enough of to be willing to let stand for a

By Hal Gould

In passing



'Belle of the ball'

this young lady at the Daddy-Daughter dance in Northville

The bird-feeder metaphor



terior decorating. Byrne One of the neighbors has installed a bird feeder, mounted atop a pole. There is some anti-squirrel netting on it, but apparently, it wasn't doing much good. I saw the resident doing something to the pole, but thought nothing of it until

a day or two later when I spied one of the neighborhood squirrels trying to shinny his way up the pole. The poor critter would take a running leap at the pole. jump a couple of feet off the ground, and hug the pole for dear life. Just as quickly, he'd slide back down to the bot-

you have a ground-floor apart-

gardens and whatnot. As long as

you don't bringin a backhoe and

a contractor, they encourage ex-

tom. He'd stare at the pole, deep in thought, and try it

I'll say one thing for squirrels. They sure are persistent. This must have gone on for a half hour before he figured and equally deserving.

In the woods behind my out that the reward of some stolen birdseed wasn't worth apartment in Woodland Glen, the frustration.

I, the dumb human, figured out after his second try that the animals are starting to act this squirrel had been outwitted by a higher order species. My neighbor had greased the pole of the bird feeder in or-The management folks here are pretty easy-going as far as der to spare the birds a meal. the landscaping is concerned. If However, the longer I watched this scene, the more I re-

alized it was quite a metaphor for the City of Northville and ment, they'll let you plant flower its efforts to get the roughly \$800,000 in funds that the state has recaptured from the Northville Downs. I think of the city as the hapless squirrel leaping up the pole time after time, only to find it greased by The Big Guy.

and not really understanding why. He looks up. knows the reward is there and thinks he deserves it. The birds want a meal, and so does the squirrel. Both have endured a pretty rough winter. In fact, the squirrel probably has been in hibernation all winter, and is prob-

ably looking for his first meal in a long time. It made me wonder, how great a cost would it be for my neighbor to put out enough food for both the squirrels and the birds? It was then that I realized that maybe it isn't a

matter of the cost of the feed. Looking at the big picture, my neighbor probably views stocking his bird feeder as a charitable act. Problem is, he's got it set in his mind that he wants to feed birds, not

squirrels. It doesn't matter that both are equally hungry

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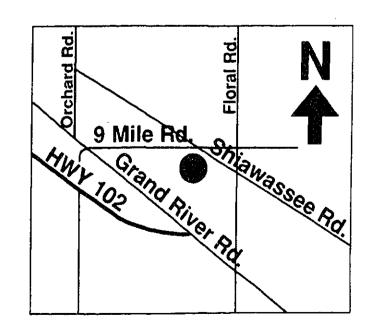
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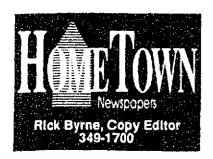
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Nordic folk call vodka the 'water of life'

Nearly all regional beverages developed due to an abundance of a given raw material or because the beverage paired so well with the region's food.

Scandinavian aquavit and vodkas are no exception. Vodka and aquavit are primarily associated with northern European countries. They are well-suited to the region's hearty fare.

Aquavit, translated "water of life," is the national beverage of the Scandinavian countries and has been considered a cure for various ailments since the 16th century.

Production methods for aquavit are similar in Denmark (where it is called Akvavit), Norway and Sweden, although there are some variations in the proportion of the principal flavoring, caraway seed.

Danes have been producing a nearly neutral, colorless spirit from both grain and potatoes for about 400 years. Today's Akvavit from Aalborg is typical of the Scandinavian favorite drink.

Each potato used in its production has sufficient starch for a single shot. Aalborg makes more than 10 types of potato spirits, using the flavored caraway as well as dill, coriander, bog myrtle, fennel, angelica and cinnamon.

At their inception. Scandinavian vodkas were distilled in primitive alembics from any available carbohydrates, grains as well as potatoes. They probably had little appeal by today's refined standards.

All spirits are perfectly colorless when they run off the still. In whisky, color comes later, by extraction from wooden casks during aging or by addition of caramel.

It may be assumed that northern Europeans did not practice aging and thereby mellowing their spirits in wooden barrels because the rigors of the climate made it impractical.

Eventually, improved production methods and strict quality controls allowed even northern Europeans to produce colorless spirits like vodka that have a singular character.

Production methods for vodka differ from one country to another and from one producer to another. Basically, as in the case with whiskey, the grain is made into a mash, fermented and put through a continuous still.

The distillate is collected at about 190 degrees F. and is almost entirely free of the congeners that impart distinctive flavor characteristics to whiskey.

Ingestion of these congeners, or flavor elements, also happen to be the root cause of the headache experienced by many people, even those consuming at moderate levels. Dyed-in-the-wool vodka drinkers claim they never experience headaches. This is not a myth. The headache claim has its basis in scientific fact.

Absolut vodka from Sweden is our personal

favorite. It has distinctive, yet delicate aromas with substantial body and elegant, sophisticated finish. Finlandia from Finland has slightly more body and flavor than American vodkas.

It's clean and dry, but in our opinion lacks

It's clean and dry, but in our opinion, lacks a taste distinction. Denaka from Denmark is similar.

Wine afficionados are always looking for taste and distinguishing flavors. It's in our genes! The Eskimo word for glacier gives Germeq, a vodka from Denmark, its name. It symbolizes

the fact that its water content comes from the

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WINE SELECTIONS OF THE WEEK

1990 Beringer Vineyards Proprietor Grown Chardonnay carries a special price of \$13 where we shop. This is one of the most complex chardonnays from Napa Valley to come along at this price in a long time. Its big style, with buttery oak, clirus elements and a rich, focused fruit finish is simply delicious drinking. It really makes us wonder how so many producers can ask \$18 and more for a lot less wine.



Here's one of the more than 300 chefs who competed in last year's Grand Marnier Chefs Ski Race at Boyne Highlands

Downhill saucier Local chef heats up the slopes for charity

By RICK BYRNE Copy Editor

Chess around the Midwest will be trading in their oven mitts for ski gloves next weekend at the Grand Marnier Chess Ski Race at Boyne Highlands.

This tongue-in-cheek charity event began 18 years ago when a few New York chefs got together to raise money for an injured colleague. Since then, it snowballed into a national event, which this year is expected to draw 1,500 culinarians to five regionals (of which the Boyne event is just one). Top finishers advance to a national final at New Mexico's Taos Ski Valley in April.

The competition isn't limited to chefs either. Any professional in the hotel, restaurant and bar business is welcome, from culinary student up to restaurant owner.

While NASTAR amateur skiing rules govern the competition, organizers throw in a few curves to spice things up. Skiers must race down the slalom course in a complete chef's coat, toque blanche (the traditional tall chef's hat) and an apron bearing his or her racing number.

Competition is divided into five age groups for men, and three for women.

Tom MacKinnon, owner of MacKinnon's restaurant in Northville, calls the Chefs Ski Race "a blast."

"Iwon two years in a row, then last year! went about 20 feet and did a bunch of barrel rolls," said MacKinnon. "But even if you don't ski, there's things like the chef's coat competition."

Yes, there are points for style on the slopes. A separate award is given for the best decorated chef's coat. The coats may be festooned with feathers, lights and fur or whatever the creator has in mind. MacKinnon has won before with a hand-



Too many chefs spoil the broth, but they're a riot in the hot tub

oainted coa

"This year I've got a hot one." he said.
"My partner is an artist, so he's painted one with likenesses of Bacchus and

The artwork is somewhat revealing, so MacKinnon has also designed wings onto the coat to sheild the revelling Romans. When the wings open, blinking strings of LED lights frame the portrait.

Near the bar in his restaurant, MacKinnon has what he jokingly refers to as the Cheis Ski Race Museum. Past chei's coats are displayed in wooden cases, and newspaper clippings commemorate previous races. A page from the Guinness Book of World Records also appears.

"We made the world's largest crepe one year in Aspen (at the national finals)," said

MacKinnon. "I was one of five guys who worked on it, so I was in the Guinness Book of World Records for a year."

Other awards include the Grand Marnier Golden Egg Beater Award for the chef who takes the best tumble on the slopes, the Battered Sauce Pot Award for "courage in the face of alpine adversity," and the Spice if not Speed Award for the skier/chef who best exemplifies the race's spirit, camaraderie and enthusiasm.

But while the competitors are soaking up the skling and apres-skling, there's one guy at the event who's having a lousy time, MacKinnon said.

"The worst job is to be head chef at

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Recipes take chill off skiers

In the spirit of the Grand Marnier Chess Ski Race, here are some apresski or pre-ski recipes for you to try on your next trip to the lodge.

SPICY GRILLED CHICKEN THIGHS

- % cup reduced-sodium soy sauce
- % cup Grand Marnier
 2 scallions, finely chopped
- 2 garlic cloves, minced 1 tablespoon honey
- 2 teaspoons oriental sesame or vegetable oil
- 2 teaspoons grated fresh ginger or 1 teaspoon ground ginger
- easpoon ground ginger

 '4 teaspoon dried red pepper flakes
- 8 chicken thighs 2 teaspoons cornstarch
- 2 tablespoons orange juice or water Cooked rice, as accompaniment

In a non-reactive container, combine the soy sauce, Grand Marnier, scallions, garlic, honey, oil, ginger and red pepper flakes. Add chicken thighs and marinate, covered, for at least one hour, or up to 24 hours, turning often.

Position broiler rack about six inches from heat source. Broil thighs (reserving marinade), turning often, until bone shows no sign of pink when prodded with a knife (about 20-25 minutes).

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Chef Mary Brady

Restaurants win you over with teamwork



Thursday marks the five-month anniversary of Diamond Jim Brady's in Novi. Response has been very rewarding, in more ways than one.

Last evening was a perfect example. While working "the floor" a woman told me how much she envied me my job. I'm not one to dis-

agree, but asked out of curiosity, "Why?"
"Because, I hear the replies that you
get. Everyone is so happy that you check
on their food. There are such positive reac-

Thursday marks e five-month anversary of Dia-ond Jim Brady's in tions. I wish that my job was as fun. She is right. Each day is full of accolades. This is not to say that there is never a mistake made.

For the most part the food that leaves the kitchen is exactly what we start out to do. However, something bothers me about the scenario. There are a lot of employees behind the scenes that never get to hear first hand the praise that is an inspiration to keep plugging away.

Over 40 people keep this restaurant going. Every one of them has an important role to play. Each part must be rehearsed and then the whole must fit together like a stage play. If one actor is missing, or weaker than the others, we all pitch in to fill the hole.

Ultimate respect for each other's perfor-

mance is mandatory, as is support from all. There cannot be one more important than the next. This philosophy must prevail for this many different personalities and backgrounds to coexist.

My crew has done an excellent job of keeping their cool during some pretty scary times. Imagine cooking in front of very warm grills, broilers, stoves and ovens for hours, never getting a break until it is time to clean up.

Some nights there are five people on the front line that walk a thousand steps within their one-foot area. And they do it extremely well. Their pride in the food that is served shows. Very seldom does any ever come back. This is their goal. No food to be returned.

o be returned.

On busy nights they prepare more me-

als than most people will make in a lifetime. Nine times out of 10 nothing is replaced. They care.

Then there are the "back of the house" kitchen people that support the front line. For hour upon hour they prepare food to restock what is being used at what seems to be an unearthly pace. They are continually bringing refills to the line cooks. The beautiful part is that it is done ungrudgingly, just part of the performance.

And hats off to those that wash countless dishes, pots and pans — and don't let me forget the silverware. It's a monstrous job on any shift. There is a rule of thumb, no matter how much silverware you have it is never enough. On a weekend 10,000 pieces get washed, sorted, then washed again without complaint.

The front of the house staff has a tremendous part too. Only they are "on stage," right out in the audience. They must leave their troubles at the door. Nothing can jeopardize the guest's experience. From the front door, to the bar, to the table, each phase must be flawless. Their "station" becomes their business for the shift. The rest of us are here to support them.

And lets not forget our fabulous busboys, without whom life would be less pleasurable. None of this comes without continuous drive, on my part and theirs.

Every person that works with us deserves a standing ovation. Please, take a bow. You're great.

The Refrigerator Door

ONE-DAY CLASS: Chef Mary Brady, co-owner of Diamond Jim Brady's in Novi, will host a one-day cooking class on Sunday, March 1 at her restaurant. Participants will prepare a five-course meal including appetizers, soup, salad, entree and dessert. The session will begin at 9 a.m. and conclude at 4 p.m. when students will serve and share their meal with a guest. Selected wines are included. Lunch, aprons, recipes and all equipment will be furnished. Cost is \$100, or \$150 for a couple. Additional guests may be invited for \$25 each. Emphasis will be on solid, basic principles that can be applied at home. Simple, elegant fare is Chef Brady's trademark. Class size is limited to allow personalized instruction. Call Mary Brady at 380-8460, and be prepared to offer suggestions on what you'd like to accomplish in the class.

NEW FEATURE: A new feature is appearing in the Creative Dining section of this paper. Known as HomeTown Cooking, it will feature recipes contributed by readers. With that in mind, we'd like to take this time ask that anyone with a recipe that they'd like to share with all their neighbors in the Northville/Novi area please send it. along with your name, address, and phone number, to HomeTown Cooking, 104 W. Main St., Northville, MI 48167.

 Any recipe will do. Perhaps you have a dinnertime lavorite, or a recipe for bread that's been passed down through your family for generations, or maybe just a good, fast work-night cost-cutter. Send It in, and we'll feature it on these pages.

T-FRUITIS IN SEASON: Florida T-Iruit, including tangerines. langelos and temple oranges, are now available at local supermarkets for a limited time, according to the Florida Department of Citrus. *Florida T-fruit, also known as specialty fruit, are hybrids of other citrus varieties, and as a result, combine the best qualities of all citrus fruit, "said Dr. Dan Gunter, executive director of the Florida Department of Citrus. Temple oranges will be available now through

CLASSES AT SCHOOLCRAFT: Schoolcraft College's awardwinning Culinary Arts Department is offering several classes this

Pastries for Everyone will offer practical demonstrations of elegant, yet simple desserts. Use of pastry creams, fresh fruit, chocolate, pastry doughs and unique serving suggestions will be included, as well as ideas for individual plated desserts. The five week course will begin Wednesday, March 18 and meet from 6-8:30 p.m. The fee

There are also classes designed for the professional chef: Culinary Arts Salon Competion, taught by Certified Master Chef Jeff Gabriel, will prepare professional chefs, apprentices and culinary arts students to display platters at the American Culinary Federation approved competion. Participants will learn to plan, organize and execute award winning platters. Ten hours of independent study is required. The four-week course will meet Saturdays, from 9 a.m. to 2

p.m. beginning Feb. 29. The see is \$150. The Nutrition Cuisine for Health and Fitness seminar will explore innovative cuisine for the '90s. Instructed by Certified Chefs Gabriel and N. Mercer, meal preparation will be supported by lectures on nutrition and its relation to heart disease, cholesterol levels and body metabolism. Ten hours of independent study are required. The five-week course will begin Saturday, April 11, meeting from 8 a.m. to noon. The fee is \$200.

To register or obtain further information, contact Continuing Education Services at 462-4448. Schoolcrast College is located at 18600 Haggerty Road, between Six and Seven Mile Roads in Livonia.

MICHIGAN CULINARY TEAM PRACTICE: Before the Michi-Culinary Team enters the World Culinary Art Salon in Frank furt, Germany, next October, it will have to hold some practice sessions. As such, chefs on the team will host practices, and display and discuss them with guests. The practices are open to the public at a cost of \$30 per person, or \$25 per person when purchasing four or more tickets. Cocktails and hors d'oeuvres will be served. The proceeds will be used to raise funds to send the team to Frankfurt.

Sessions will be from 6:30-8:30 p.m. on the following schedule: Monday, March 16, Sterling Inn, Sterling Heights. Chef Ramon Hollingsworth.

• Monday, May 4, Diamond Jim Brady's, Novi. Chef Mary Brady. • Monday, July 20, Miesel/Sysco, Canton. Chef Kelli L. Lewton. Tuesday, Nov. 10, Victory Celebration, St. Joseph Mercy Hospital. Pontiac. Chef Mario Etemad.

To purchase tickets, contact the manager or hostess at the

School Lunch Menus

The following are school lunch menus for the week of Feb. 24-2 This week is Heart Smart Week.

NOVI ELEMENTARY, NOVI MEADOWS

FEB. 24: Barbecued chicken with whole wheat roll; roasted turkey dog on a bun; chefs salad with roll; fresh green brocolli; diced/ sliced peaches; 2-percent milk.

FEB. 25: Olympic Day. Italian spagnetti with meat sauce and whole wheat roll; baked hamburger on a bun; chef's salad with roll; tossed salad with low calorie dressing; diced pears; 2-percent milk. FEB. 26: Chili with meat and beans served with a whole wheat

roll; baked pepperoni and cheese pizza; chefs salad with roll; tossed salad with low calorie dressing; fresh banana; 2-percent milk. FEB. 27: Turkey deli sandwich on a bun with skim mozzarella

theese, lettuce and tomato; rosted turkey dog on a bun; chef's salad with a roll; whole kernel corn; apple; 2-percent milk. (Free Tray Prize.)

NOVI MIDDLE SCHOOL

FEB. 24: Barbecued chicken with a whole wheat roll; garden green broccoli; diced/sliced peaches; 2-percent milk. FEB. 25: Italian spaghetti with meat sauce and roll; tossed salad

with low calorie dressing; diced pears; 2-percent milk. FEB. 26: Chili with meat and beans; whole weat roll; tossed salad with low calorie dressing; fresh banana; 2-percent milk.

FEB. 27: Lightly breaded chicken patty with whole wheat bun: carrot sticks and broccoli buds with dip; diced pineapple; 2-percent

FEB. 28: Turkey deli sandwich with skimmed mozzarella cheese, lettuce and tomatoes on a bun; whole kernel corn; apple;

NOVI HIGH SCHOOL

FEB. 24: Barbecued chicken with whole wheat roll; cooks choice: fresh garden broccoli; diced/sliced peaches; 2-percent milk. FEB. 25: Italian spaghetti with meat sauce and whole wheat roll; cook's choice; tossed salad with low calorie dressing; diced pears:

FEB. 26: Deli Bar: \$2.20. Whole wheat kaiser roll with stacked urkey, skim mozzarella cheese, lettuce and tomatoes; whole kernel com; fresh banana; 2-percent milk.

FEB. 27: Lightly breaded chicken patty on a whole wheat bun: cook's choice: carrot sticks and broccoli buds with dip; diced pineaple;

FEB. 28: Pizza Bar: \$1.50. Fiestada pizza; cheese pizza boat pepperoni pizza; whole kernel corn; apple; 2-percent milk.

Making race course a main course

Boyne Highlands," he said. "Would you want to put on a banquet for 250 chess every year? If one person gets has meat too rare, they hear about it." The hosts perform well under pressure, though (see sidebar for recipes from the event).

With such a grand gathering of chefs, it's not surprising that culinary supply companies show up to display their wares. They send the chefs home with samples and door prizes, and event organizer Grand Marnier liqueur donates a complimentary gift package.

"If there's something new in the food business that you want to try, this is a good way to find it," said MacKinnon. I'd encourage anybody who's in the food industry to join up."

The best reason to participate, though, is for the charities. Marnier-Lapostolle, French producer of Grand Marnier liqueur has sponsored the event since 1984. Through its philanthropic arm, the Grand Marnier Foundation, it has raised \$350,000 in the last four events.

The midwest regional at Boyne Highlands will benefit COTS (the Coalition on Temporary Shelterl in De troit, the state's largest shelter for homeless men, women and children. Other regionals will donate to antihunger groups as well.

It's a satisfying event, even for those who have fallen on unsavory

Cooking for the apres-ski set In a medium bowl, combine pa

necessary

pork cubes, turning occasionally

until browned, about five minutes

minute, stirring constantly. Add

chicken broth, wine, tomato

paste, rosemary and bay leaves.

Bring to a boil, stirring to release

browned bits from bottom of

dutch oven. Add potatoes and re-

served pork; return to a boil. Re-

duce heat to low, cover and sim-

mer, stirring occasionally, until

pork and potatoes are tender, ab-

out I hour. During the last 5 mi-

nutes of cooking time, stir in gar-

banzos, peas and olives. Season

stew with additional salt and cay-

GRAND MARNIER CHOCOLATE

I cup non-alkalized cocoa pow-

teaspoon baking soda

1 cup (2 sticks) unsalted butter

1/2 cup plus three tablespoons

enne, and serve immediately.

AND ORANGE BROWNIES

der, such as Hershey's

½ teaspoon salt

Grand Marnier, divided

Meanwhile, bring reserved marinade to a boil in a small saucepan over medium heat. Dis-

solve comstarch in juice or water; stir into boiling marinade. Cook until thickened. Serve thighs and ooked rice with sauce.

CAZUELA, SPANISH PORK AND CHICK PEA STEW

I tablespoon paprika ¼ teaspoon cayenne pepper. plus more to taste I teaspoon salt, plus more to

3 pounds of boneless pork houlder (picnic), cut Into 2-inch "4" cup olive oil, plus more as

1 large onton chopped I large red bell pepper, seeded nd chopped

3 garlic cloves, minced 2 tablespoons flower 1½ cups chicken broth. canned or homemade 11/2 cups dry white wine 2 tablespoons tomato paste

2 teaspoons dried rosemary 2 bay leaves 14 pounds new potatoes, cut into 1½ inch cubes

2 (16-ounce) cans garbanzos,

1 (10-ounce) package frozen baby peas, defrosted り cup pitted green Spanish

drained and rinsed

2 cups granulated sugar 3 large eggs, at room prika, salt and cayenne. Add pork cubes and toss well to coat meat temperature l teaspoon vanilla with spice musture. In a large Grated zest of one orange Dutch oven, heat 2 tablespoons of 11/4 cups all-purpose flour oil over medium-high heat. In 1 cup (4 ounces) coarsely batches without crowding, cook

Line the bottom and sides of a per batch. Transfer browned 9-by-13 baking pan with a long cubes to a plate. Add more oil, if plece of aluminum foll, letting the Heat remaining 2 tablespoons excess hang over the sides. Fold up the side flaps of foil to form of oil in Dutch oven. Add onion. sweet pepper and garlic. Cover "handles." Lightly butter and flour the inside of the pan, tapping out and cook, stirring occasionally. excess flour. until softened, about 5 minutes. Sift cocoa, baking soda and salt Uncover, add flour and cook for I

chopped pecans

into a large bowl. In a medium saucepan, over low heat, melt butter. Add 1/2 cup Grand Marnier and heat until simmering. Gradually whisk butter mixture into cocoa to form a paste. Whisk in sugar. One at a time, whisk in eggs, then vanilla and zest. Whisk in flour, just until blended, then stir Position rack in center of oven

and preheat to 350 degrees. Spread butter evenly in prepared pan and bake 25 to 30 minutes. just until toothpick inserted one inch from edge of pan comes out with a moist crumb. Do not overbake, to preserve fudge texture. Brush or drizzle remaining Grand Marnier over top of warm brownies. Cool completely on wire rack before slicing. Run a knife around inside of pan, lift up on handles to remove brownies from pan, then

Getting to know beans about cocoa

cash crop, after coffee and sugar. The United States doesn't grow any of these beans, but does lead in the manufacturing of chocolate. Chocolate has indeed become a sweet obsession, and we are quite willing to pay outrageous prices for chocolate for special occasions. Easter, Christmas, Valentine's Day, Mother's Day and birthdays seem to call for a box of special chocolates. For a choco-

holic, anytime is appropriate for eating chocolate! Several hundred years ago the Aztec and Mayan Indians of Central and South America discovered they could make an exotic beverage by crushing the cocoa bean and mixing the resulting liquid chocolatt." meaning warm liquid: Emperor Mon tezuma served cold chocolate spiked with vanilla, honey and spices at the end of the meal because he believed it had mystical power. In 1847 an English confectioner introduced eating chocolate in a solid form, and then in 1902 a wholesale candy busi-

ness started in the United States. After the cocoa seeds have been removed from their pods, they're fermented, dried, roasted and cracked, separating the meat or "nibs." The nibs are ground and in the heat of this process, cocoa butter melts to produce chocolate liquor. The liquor then receives an initial refining. Depending on the product they want to make, if additional cocoa butter is extracted from the chocolate liquor, the solid result is ground to produce unsweetened co-

If other ingredients are added such as milk powder or sugar, the chocolate is refined again.

cithin are added to give chocolate its smooth

that a unsweetened chocolate contain between 50 chocolate to ensure even melting. Don't hurry the to 58 percent cocoa butter. The addition of sugar. process. Take care not to let the water boil or allow with wine. They called this drink "oxocoatl" or lecithin and vanilla (or vanillin) creates, depend-steam to rise and settle in a pan of chocolate. If ing on the amount of sugar added, bittersweet. semisweet or sweet chocolate. Bittersweet chocolate must contain at least 35 percent chocolate liquor; semisweet and sweet can contain from 15 to

> Adding dry milk to sweetened chocolate creates also affect the chocolate. percent milk solids and 10 percent chocolate liquor. Though bittersweet, semisweet and sweet chocolate may be used interchangeable in recipes with little textural change, milk chocolate - because of the milk protein - cannot.

Liquid chocolate, developed especially for baking, is found on the supermarket shelf along side other chocolate. It's unsweetened, comes in individual one-ounce packages, and is convenient because it requires no melting.

Cocoa beans are the third largest international The final step for most chocolate is conching, a little chocolate flavor. Instead, it's usually a mixprocess by which huge machines with rotating ture of sugar, cocoa butter, milk solids, lecithin blades slowly blend the heated chocolate liquor. and vanilla. Read the label: If cocoa butter isn't ridding it of residual moisture and volatile acids. mentioned, the product is confectionery (or sum-The conching continues for 12 to 72 hours (de-mer) coating, not white chocolate. Products pending on the type and quality of chocolate) while labeled artificial chocolate or chocolate-flavored. small amounts of cocoa butter and sometimes leconfirm that fact. If you plan to make your own chocolate treats

Unadulterated chocolate is sold as un- for a gift, follow these suggestions. Chocolate is sweetened chocolate, and also called baking or very temperamental; it burns easily and should albitter chocolate. United States standards require ways be melted slowly. Constantly scrape and stir colate will tighten (seize) into an unmeltable mess. To salvage, stir in one teaspoon of vegetable shortening per ounce of chocolate. Do not use butter or margarine. The fats contain moisture that could

milk chocolate, which must contain at least 12 Candy molds are available for any holiday you can mention. Candy making at home is an ideal hobby that the entire family can do.

Keep solid chocolate, wrapped tightly in a cool dry place, up to four months. Chocolate kept refrigerated will sweat when brought to room temperature and may not melt properly. Higher temperatures or humidity may cause a grey appearance called "bloom," but it is harmless and the Whether you call chocolate "food of the Gods" or

White chocolate is not true chocolate because it "lood of love," chocolate has a place in history and contains no chocolate liquor and, likewise, very in our hearts and is a sweet obsession.

Vodka, for the spirit of the Nordic winter

Greenland ice cap. Infusions of arctic plants are the supposed origins of its special character which is slightly

While it remains the marketing claim of vodkas that the product is not supposed to overwhelm the flavor of other drink ingredients with any distinctive flavor of its own, flavored vodkas are escalating in popularity. Several brands have created products flavored with pepper or citrus. Our favorite flavored vodka is the

Swedish Absolut Citron. It has the bright aroma of fresh lime with tastes mirroring the aroma. Absolut Peppar is flavored with natural Jalapeno pepper and paprika and tastes like Louisiana Hot Sauce. It makes a wonderfully spicy Bloody Mary -- no Ta-

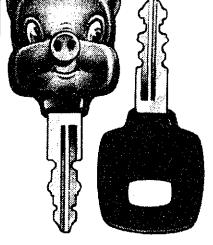
Finlandia Punch is made with 4 parts sweet vermouth, 1 part Finlandia vodka and 3 parts water. Combine vermouth, vodka and water and chill. About a half hour before the party, pour punch over ice into a large glass punch bowl. Garnish with

Vodka, America's favorite spirit, is best served "neat" in glasses that are well chilled. Connoisseurs prefer their vodka "with a tear," referring to the condensation which quickly forms on the outside of a chilled glass when the vodka is poured.



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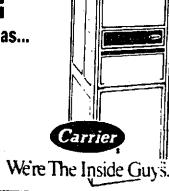
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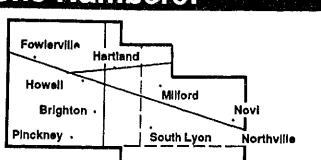
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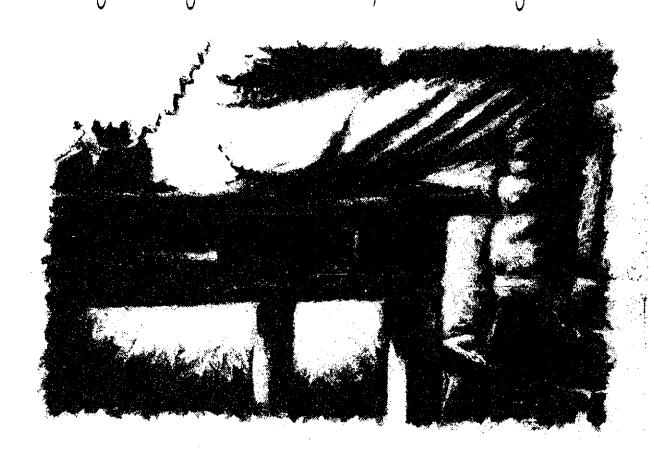
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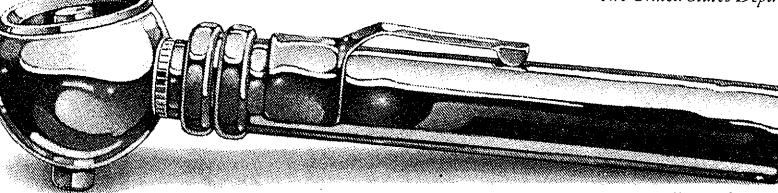
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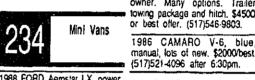
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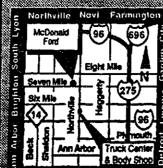
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