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Kroger workers walk off the job

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

The aisles of the Kroger store in West Oaks I were bare of customers Monday, while striking workers pounded the pavement outside.

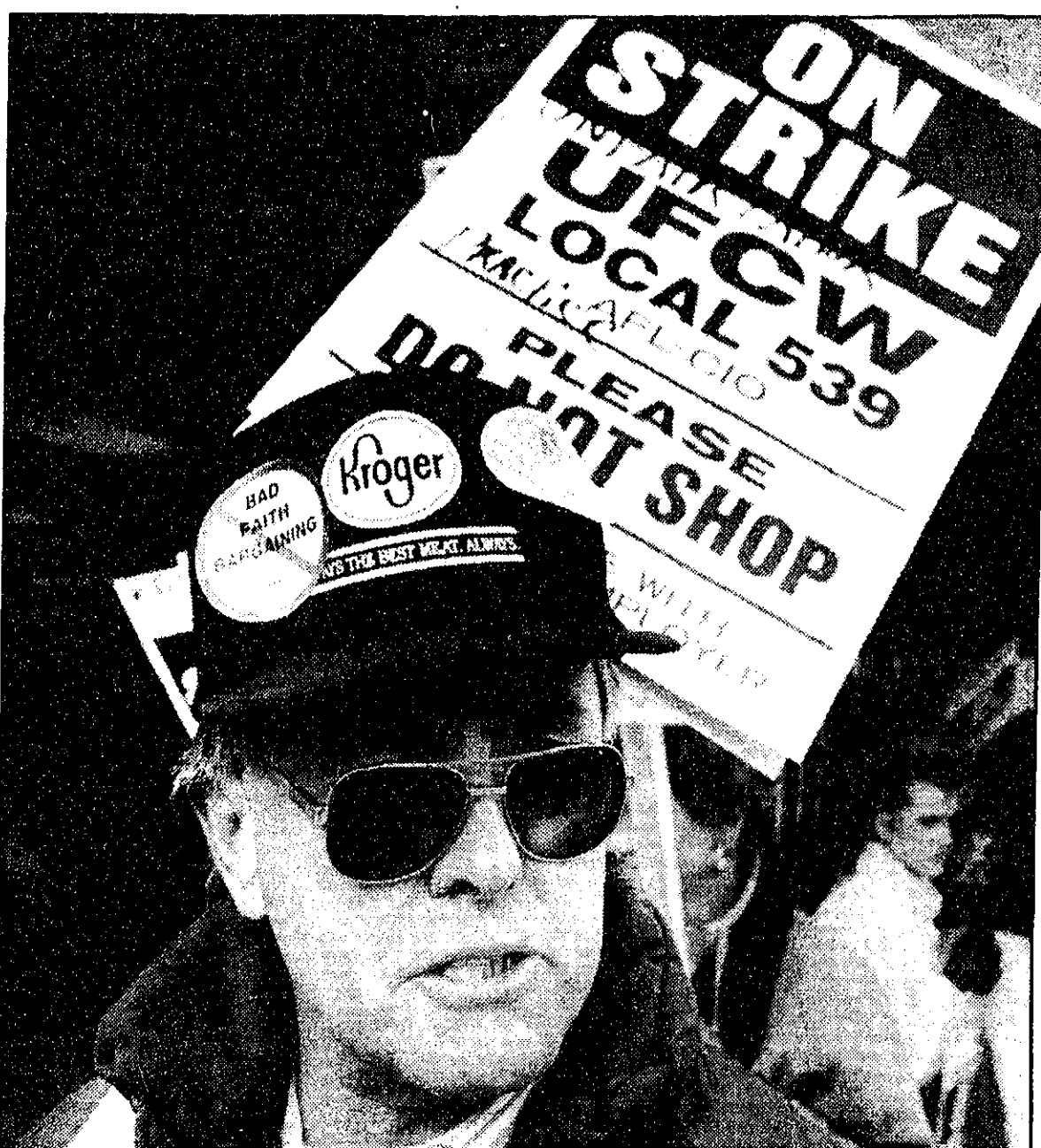
The store manager was running the cash register at the information desk.

But Mike Layne, a Kroger Company spokesperson, said Tuesday that the firm had already hired 1,000 temporary workers to fill in for the clerks, cashiers and meat-cutters on the picket line at 64 stores.

An advertising blitz promised experienced or inexperienced temporary employees up to \$8.37 an hour. Thirty-two year employee Dave Harden, head meat-cutter at the Novi store, agreed that going on strike during a recession is risky business.

"But four-and-a-half years ago it was the same thing. We took concessions then and they accepted that contract. Now they want to take away again, take away again until we'll be reduced to all part-timers at \$4.50 an hour," he said.

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Meat-cutter Dave Harden takes to the picketline.

Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

Council balks at expo site's reversion rule

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

Novi City Council members say they support the new Novi Expo Center, but aren't sure they favor an approach which would allow the site to revert, chameleon-like, to its original zoning, if the local convention business goes dry.

A proposed ordinance — tailor-made to the Expo Center — was brought to the council for input Monday and will now go back to the Planning Commission for a public hearing.

Council members also raised their eyebrows over the lack of facade requirements and the need for off-site parking.

The former Mohawk Liquor plant is zoned for light-industrial (I-1), although it borders the city's town center district at the crossroads of Novi Road and Grand River Avenue.

The property is owned by the Adell Brothers' Children's Trust. The administrators of the trust would like the assurance that the site could return to that light industrial, Expo Center president Blair Bowman said.

The district ordinance proposed includes the I-1 and also allows

"There is a rule of thumb in the industry that for every dollar spent at a convention or trade show, multiply that by three or four times (at local shops, gas stations, restaurants and hotels.)"

Phil Morosco
General Manager
Twelve Oaks Mall

hotels, offices, museums, theaters, sit-down restaurants and museums, warehouses and recreational facilities as well as an exposition center with a minimum of 150,000 square feet.

"The trustees do have a fiduciary obligation. They're responsible for looking at the downside. If we aren't

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Backers say Novi fields still a dream

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

The president of Novi Youth Baseball played hardball with the City Council Monday, charging that Novi's not moving fast enough to acquire a new park.

The baseball teams will lose the use of the privately-owned Bosco Field to development at the end of this season. The city has been negotiating the purchase of an as-yet-undisclosed site.

"Time is running out. The fields should be staked out now and the grading process needs to begin shortly thereafter," John Goodman, president of Novi Youth Baseball said.

"It appears that the big developers seem to get their way in Novi in an expeditious manner. However, the 'core' of Novi, the youth, get put on the back burner."

Goodman asked the council to "re-prioritize" land acquisition in their budget talks this month, telling them to take the "blinders off their eyes."

He added that the city's "Plan B," to eliminate adult baseball to make

room for the youth programs would only compound the problem.

Goodman represented the Committee to Save Youth Baseball in Novi, as well as the program's board of directors.

The council caught the tone of his comments and didn't like what they heard.

"I don't think we're blindered about anything. This is on the agenda in executive session almost every week, how to buy land," Council Member Robert Schmid said.

Goodman said he was told two months ago that Novi was close to closing on the property.

"The money isn't there. We may have to have a tax increase just to balance the budget, to match the services we have now in 1993," Council Member Carol Mason said.

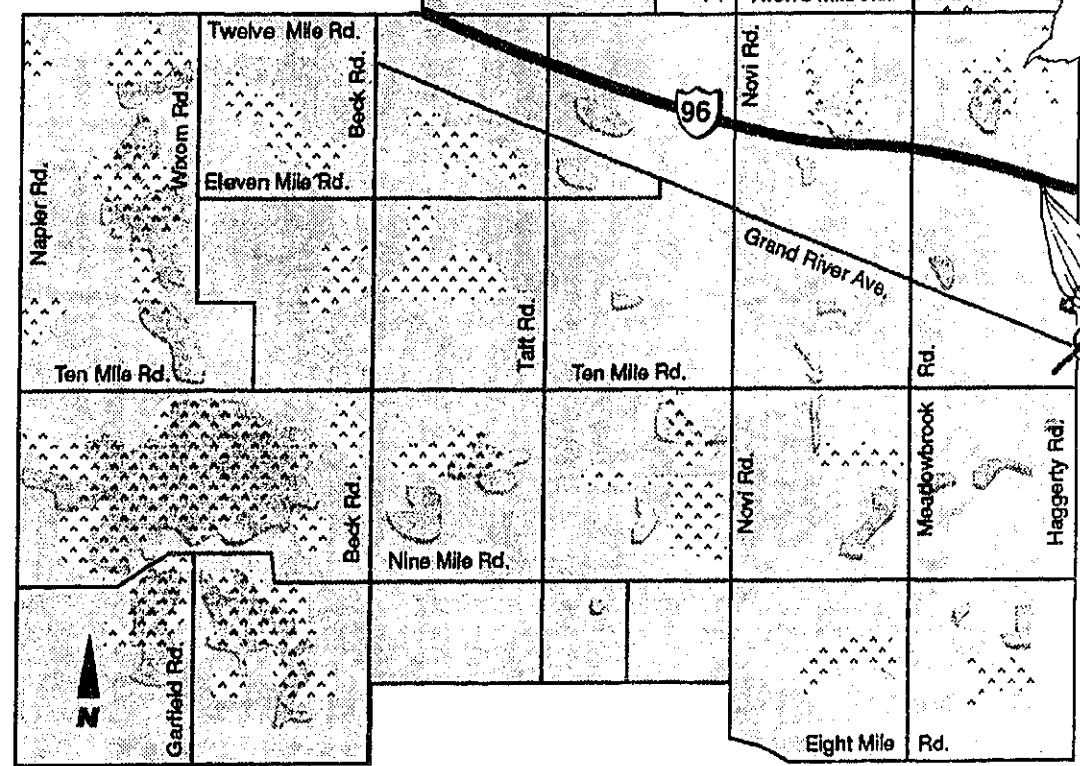
The city may ask the voters one more time to approve a tax hike to pay for buying park land, City Manager Edward Kriewall said.

"We really need to go back the voters in some form. Either a bond issue or a millage. If the community really feels we need to do more with parks and recreation, they need to do more to support it," Kriewall said.

Habitats

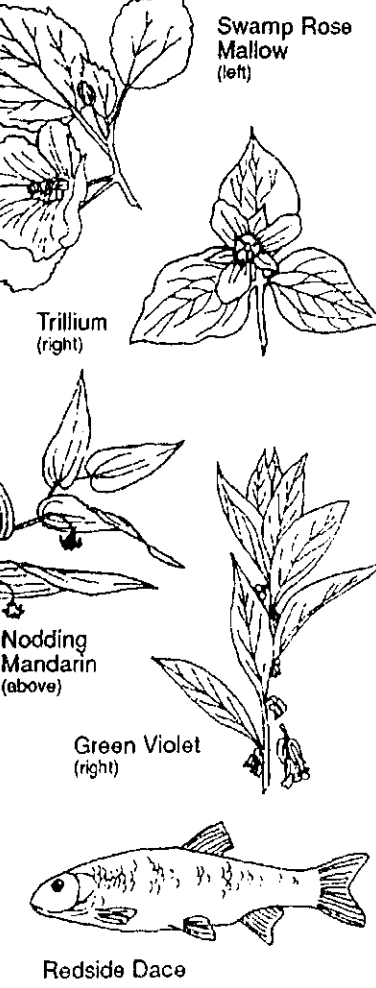
KEY

- Wellands (at least 30 acres in size)
- Wooded areas (at least 30 acres in size)



SOURCE: City consultants Susan Keast and Linda Lemke

Endangered species



Graphic by ANGELA PREDHOMME

City can compromise to help critters

By SUZANNE HOLLYER
Staff Writer

The Novi Planning Commission's habitat committee has come a long way from "tracking bunny trails," said committee member Kathleen McLallen.

The committee completed its second year of work in time for National Wildlife Week's theme "Endangered Species — We're All In This Together" from April 19-25.

Commission members, consultants and a staff planner have worked on the committee for the past year, targeting existing woodlands and wetlands in Novi that can or do provide livable habitats for Novi wildlife.

Last year, the committee was criticized by City Council member Joe Toth who compared a habitat committee plan to an Ann Arbor ordinance which he said "checks bunny trails."

The problem facing the committee now, committee member Eric Schaefer said, is how to work what they have learned into existing city

ordinances. "What we've proposed is to take existing ordinances and refine them," Schaefer said. The city has in place woodlands and wetlands ordinances which require developers to work ar-

ound or replace regulated woodlands and wetlands lost to a development.

Consultants Linda Lemke and Susan Keast created maps showing existing woodlands and wetlands in the city.

"We're going to have to come up with a plan to deal with wildlife within the city limits," McLallen said. "We are going to have to deal with this. It's going to be a compromise from here on out."

The committee studied existing laws regulating habitats in other areas and came up with three reasons why wildlife and habitats should be preserved or recognized.

Topping the list is quality of life for humans. "People prefer to live in communities which have wildlife," the study said. "They enjoy the recreational opportunities to watch, feed and live with wildlife."

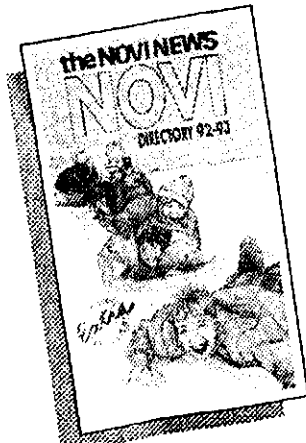
But the habitat committee's scope went beyond advocating the creation of duck ponds and fishing sites to amuse Novi residents.

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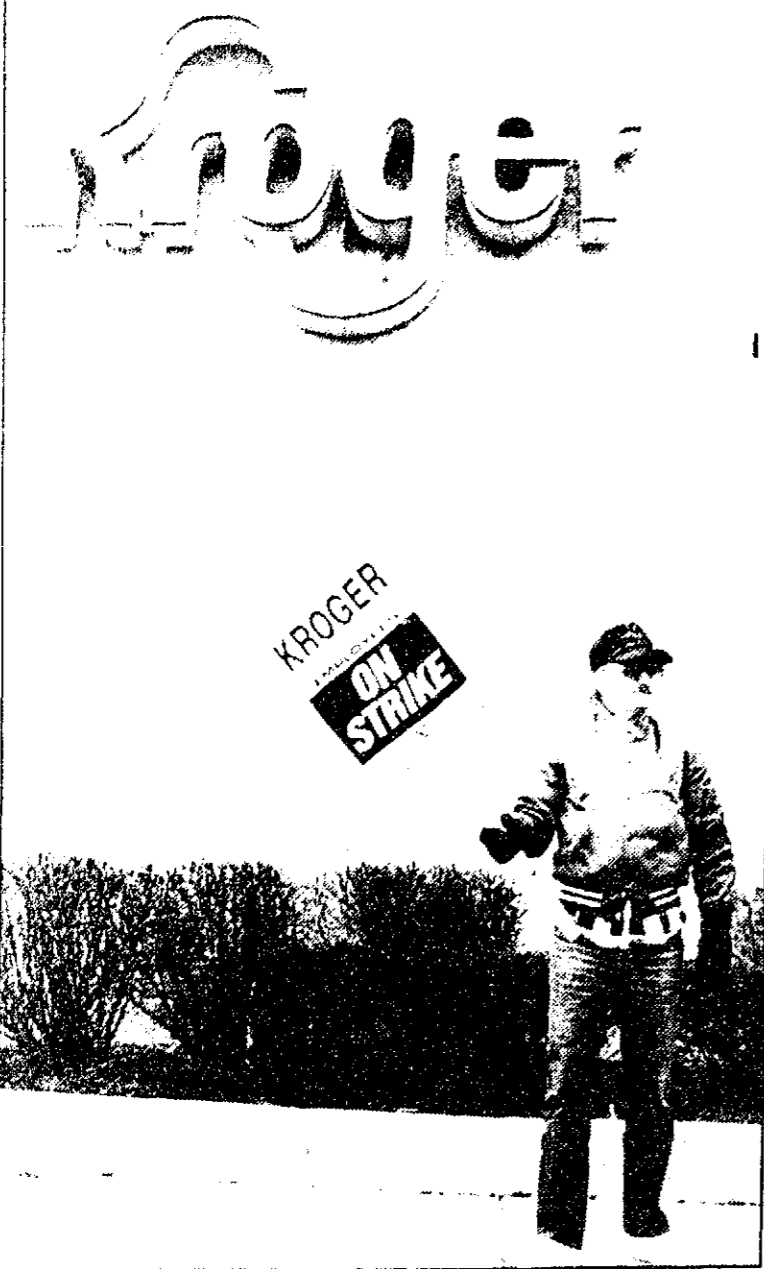
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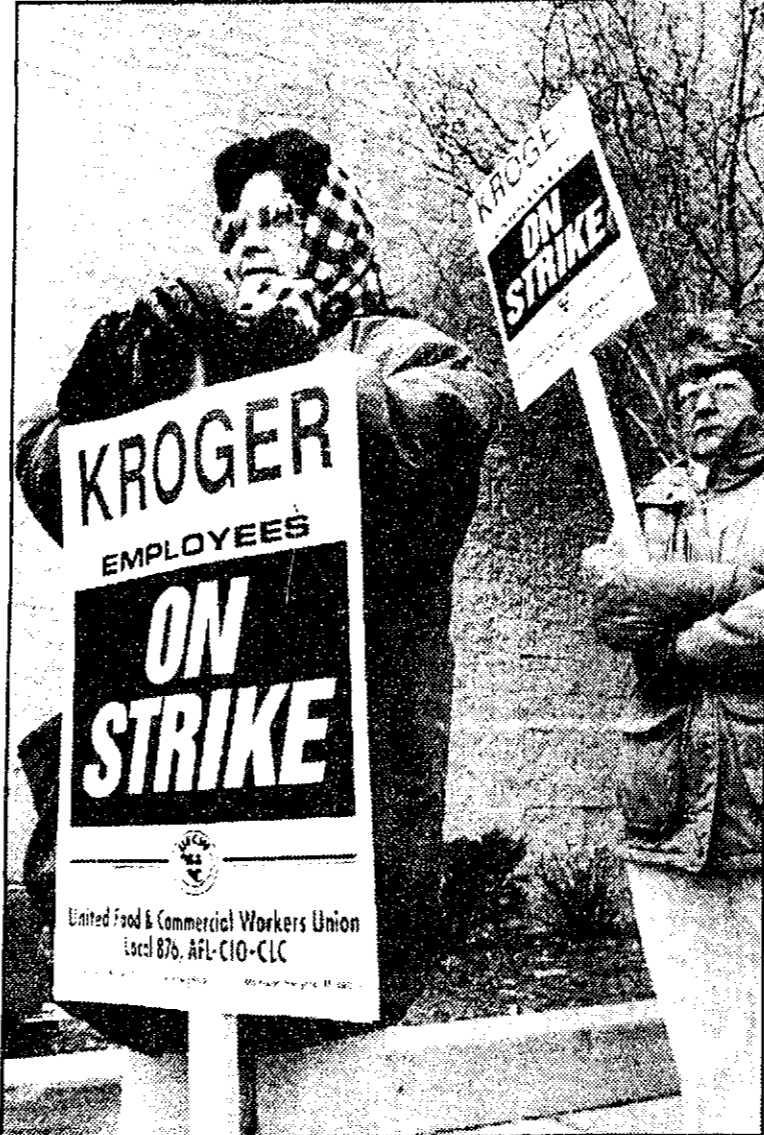
Head grocery clerk Aernard Jajki says he's fed up.

Kroger stays open, workers hit pavement

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Union steward Joan Smith, the head cashier, said the Novi store had 100 percent participation in the strike. After the United Food and Commercial Workers Local 876, AFL-CIO rejected Kroger's offer of a four-year contract Sunday night, cashiers getting off their shifts at midnight then picketed the Novi store until 6 a.m. Smith said she was "disgusted" that Kroger's offered the temporary workers the \$8.37 per hour wages when she hired in new cashiers for \$4.50 an hour and three-year veterans took home \$5 to \$6 an hour. Top cashiers make \$10.37 an hour. "I've been with the company 26 years and I have to work six days a week to maintain my household," Smith said. "One thing that really irks employees at the Novi grocery store is a system which would bar part-timers from full-time staff positions. Employees start out on a part-time basis," Smith said. Shelley Leach, a health and beauty aids clerk, said that an employee must work 12 consecutive 40-hour weeks to be classified as full-time. "They can work you up to 40 hours for 11 weeks and then they can whack you off and you get no benefits," Leach said. Part-timers don't get medical insurance, she added. The Kroger Company argues that the full-time, part-time staff mix is typical in southeast Michigan supermarkets and that the contract guaranteed 2,000 full-time jobs. Seven thousand employees walked off the

Job this week. The strikers say they are confident that local shoppers will honor their picket line. Three customers entered the store Monday morning, picketers said, which would normally would have had 100 to 150 customers by that time. Layne says that the company has no information on the percentage of business it has lost. "We have brought in management and we're well staffed. We are pleased with our customer turnout," he said. He said he didn't know how temporary the new workers will be. "I don't want to comment on that. They are temporary workers at this time," Layne added. The Novi strikers said they're prepared for the long haul. "We hope to go back to work tomorrow. For 12 years we've had this built up resentment towards this company and we could be out 12 years," Harden said. The company and the union had been locked in negotiations since December 5. In early 1982, Local 876 agreed to a mid-contract wage freeze and other concessions. Kroger offered this time around a 75 cent per hour raise in the first year, with a 25 cent increase for each of the next three years. "We need support. We haven't had a raise in 11 years. Kroger made \$40 billion at our expense, with our concessions over the last 11 years. This contract to us was a slap in the face," said head grocery clerk Aernard Jajki, a 28-year Kroger veteran



Photos by BRYAN MITCHELL

Co-workers Joan Smith and Sunday Ealey hope no one will 'go Krogering.'

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Mother questions door-to-door sales

By CRISTINA FERRIER Staff Writer

An overeager salesperson could have faced fraud charges after selling \$234 worth of magazine subscriptions to a 30-year-old retarded man last week. The woman told police that she questioned her son about the incident, and he told her he gave a salesperson a check for what he called "sports." He reportedly told his mother that he tried to sign the check, but did not write anywhere else on the check. The woman's son doesn't know how to write. Police contacted the salesperson, who said the son gave her the signed check and asked her to fill in the amount for the subscriptions. She told police she did not realize he was retarded and she did not mean to take advantage of him. Police advised the saleswoman to be more observant in the future. No charges are being filed.

Obituaries

John O. Bales

John O. Bales, 76, of Farmington Hills, died Friday April 3, at Providence Hospital of Southfield to heart failure. He was born July 13, 1915, in Detroit to the late Theodore Bales and Anna Mach. His wife since 1937, Rosemary Cullen Bales, survived her husband. Also surviving are their sons, John A., Thomas E., William C. and Richard C.; their daughter Mary Lou Ross; 10 grandchildren; and his sister, Marie Quick. He worked as a mechanical engineer for Ford Motor Co. for 37 years and retired in March, 1979. He was a parishioner of Our Lady of Sorrows for 25 years, enjoyed reading and watching Jeopardy and raising his family. He was a Tigers Bat Boy from 1929-1933. A rosary service was held Sunday at 7 p.m. at O'Brien Chapel/Ted C. Sullivan Funeral Home. Visitation at the funeral home was Saturday, April 4, and Sunday, April 5. In-state and funeral mass were on Monday, April 6. The funeral at Our Lady of Sorrows

Church in Farmington Hills was officiated by Fr. Christopher. He was buried at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. Memorial Contributions may be sent to Bales Family Scholarship Fund, Catholic Central High School, 14200 Breakfast Dr., Redford 48239. John Johnson John Johnson, 81, died Monday, April 13 at Boisford Hospital of Farmington Hills due to heart failure. He has lived in Novi for many years. He was born Oct. 18, 1910 to the late John O. Johnson and Julia Brifogle in Detroit. His wife, Hazel, preceded him in death. Survivors include his children, Barbara Doke, Carol Marttila and John Johnson; seven grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; his brother Edward, and his sisters Verna Scott and Mabelle Burton. Visitation was Tuesday from 2-4 and 6-9 p.m. The funeral was yesterday at 11 a.m. at O'Brien Chapel/Ted C. Sullivan Funeral Home of Novi. Pastor Thomas Scherger officiated the service. Memorials may be sent to Novi Youth Assistance, 45175 West Ten Mile Road, Novi 48375.

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NOTICE CITY OF NOVI REQUEST FOR SPECIAL USE PERMIT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Carl Evangelista, representing Tony Angelo Cement Construction Company, is requesting a temporary use permit to allow a portable concrete batch plant to be located at 25400 to 25520 Trans X Drive, to be used for paving Elwell Mize Road, Adjoining Subdivision No. 1 and miscellaneous subdivisions, for the period May 1, 1992, through August 1, 1992. A public hearing can be requested by any property owner of a structure located within 300 feet of the boundary of the property being considered for Temporary Use Permit. This request will be considered at 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 22, 1992, at the 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 April 22, 1992. (4-16-92 NN)

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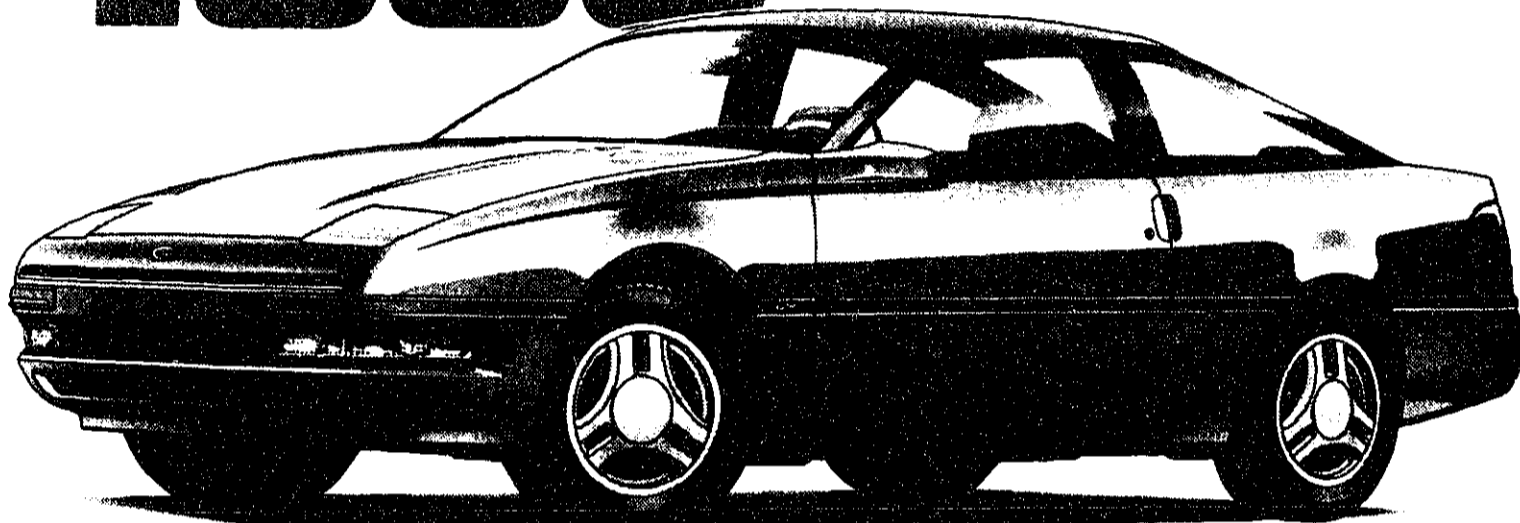
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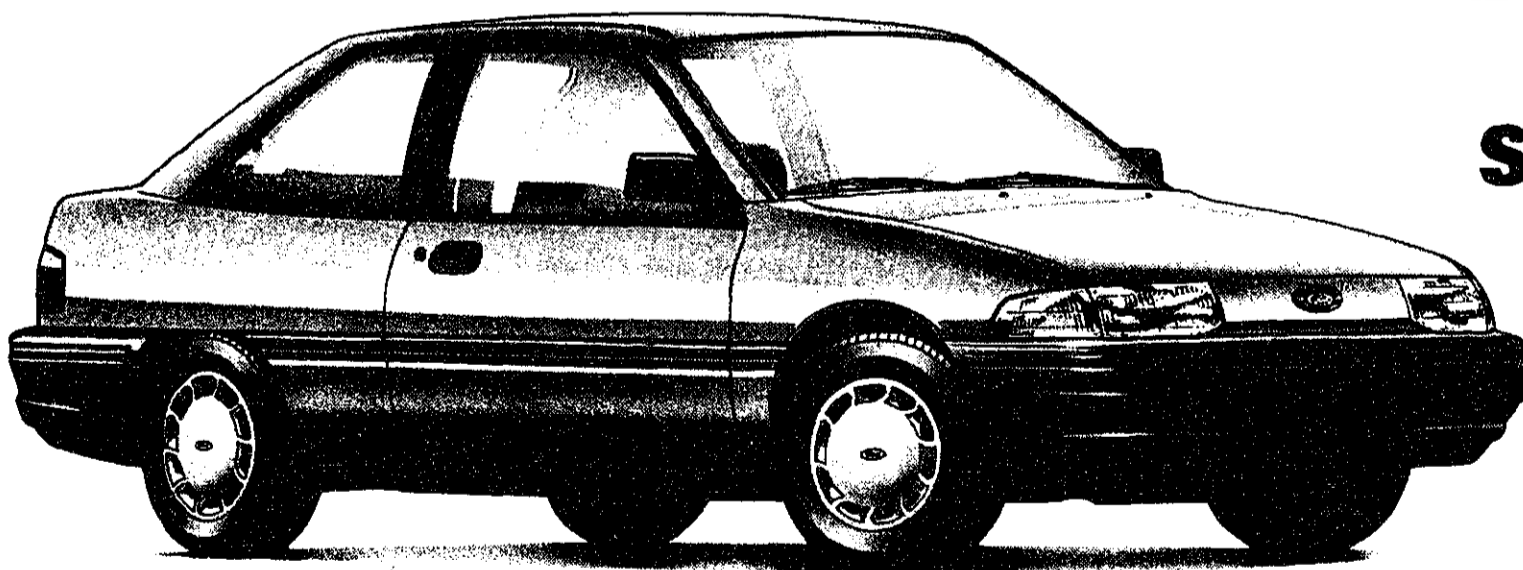
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Readership survey

Dear Reader: We want to know what you think ... about your community and about your local newspaper.

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THE NOVI COMMUNITY

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Table with 2 columns: Official/Institution and Grade options (A, B, C, D, E).

complete, according to city officials. Do you favor its completion? Yes No

PUBLIC SAFETY

Do you feel safe living in Novi? Yes No
Do you feel safe shopping in Novi? Yes No
Have you ever been the victim of a minor crime in Novi...? Yes No

(Negative environmental impacts Will spur development in the city Will only bring more traffic Other)

Does Novi have enough park land? Yes No
Do you ever had a fire in your home? Yes No
Have you ever had occasion to call for the fire department? Yes No

GROWTH

Would agree or disagree with the following statements:

Development is occurring too rapidly in Novi and the city should seek to slow down the rate of development here. Agree Disagree

A stated goal of City Council has been the creation of a downtown-like town center area for the city. Do you support the creation of a town center area as an appropriate goal for the city?

EDUCATION

Do you believe Novi schools provides students with a good education? Yes No
Does it prepare them adequately for the working world? Yes No
Does it prepare them adequately for college? Yes No?

What additions would you make to the school district's curriculum?
What additions would you make to its sports programming?
What additions would you make to its community education department?

ISSUES

Do you favor the construction of the Haggerty Connector/M-5? Yes No
If yes, why?
(Take traffic off of surface roads Provide a north-south route through the area Will bring business and development to the city Other)

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MONDAY "A" SECTION (NEWS)

Table of news sections with frequency options: always, sometimes, never.

MONDAY "CREATIVE DINING" SECTION (FOOD)

Table of dining sections with frequency options: always, sometimes, never.

THURSDAY "A" SECTION (NEWS)

Table of Thursday news sections with frequency options: always, sometimes, never.

Table of local news and community sections with frequency options: always, sometimes, never.

THURSDAY "LIVING" SECTION (FEATURES)

Table of living sections with frequency options: always, sometimes, never.

Table of recreational and travel sections with frequency options: always, sometimes, never.

"SPORTS" SECTION

Table of sports sections with frequency options: always, sometimes, never.

"CREATIVE LIVING" SECTION

Table of creative living sections with frequency options: always, sometimes, never.

"GREEN SHEET" SECTION (BUSINESS/CLASSIFIED ADS)

Table of business/classified ad sections with frequency options: always, sometimes, never.

SHOULD WE HAVE...

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OUR MONDAY EDITION

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IN GENERAL

General survey questions: (Use extra paper if necessary) What are your favorite parts of the Novi News? Why? What are your biggest complaints with the Novi News? Why? How would you improve the Novi News?

ABOUT YOU

Personal information survey questions: Age? Number of years in Novi Number of people in household? How many people read your copy of the Novi News? Type of household: House, condo, apartment, other? Your occupation?

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Jennifer Lynn Moreau/Brian Patrick Barker

Jennifer Lynn Moreau and Brian Patrick Barker announce their engagement...



hones in the automotive and heavy equipment management program.

Kathleen M. Miller/Robert P. Billingshurst

Kathleen M. Miller of Milford, and Robert P. Billingshurst of White Lake announced their wedding engagement...



Single Place lists events

Single Place, a singles ministry sponsored by Northville First Presbyterian Church...

On Wednesday, April 22 at 7:30 p.m., speaker Mary Louise Cutler will present...

Hospice requires flexible hours

By DOROTHY NASH Special Writer

Because she has the time and flexible schedule, Diana O'Flynn responded to a notice in the paper...



DIANA O'FLYNN for this hospice duty, call the volunteer coordinator, David Turner at 559-9211.

Volunteer

A social worker and a nurse, they also said, would be assigned to a case with her, and she was expected to file a report after every visit she made to a patient.

Travel



The best Irish bookstore in America

By EVERETT POTTER New York Times Travel Syndicate



BlackStaff Press, 1991), a look at current Irish politics and journalism.

By WILLIAM T. TOMICKI New York Times Travel Syndicate

Q: Can you suggest a good spot for duck hunting in the south central United States?

A: Try Blytheville, Ark. A small town (population approximately 23,000) in Mississippi County...

Q: Is it still possible to travel by freighter and save money?

A: Freightier travel is great for those who want quiet days at sea and casual surroundings...

New York's SoHo neighborhood is known for its art galleries, flashy boutiques and trendy gift stores.

They come in here from Madison Avenue, these young kids looking for books about Ireland...

"The Quiet Man" (1952) is a classic film, with John Wayne and Maureen O'Hara, about a boxer who returns to his native Ireland...

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Novi Players act out impromptu party plans

By CRISTINA FERRIER Staff Writer

Hoping to drum up more participation and support, the Novi Players have scheduled a wine and cheese party for this Saturday...

"It's just going to be like a cocktail party, get-together kind of thing," she said.

The season begins in late November and lasts until early December. A second season starts in late December and lasts until early January.

ishing touches on their upcoming play "Alone Together," a light comedy about a middle-aged couple whose children move out of the house...

Auditions for the Novi Players summer production, "Crenshaw Family Reunion," a comedy, will be held April 21 and 22 at 7 p.m.

NEW LIFE CENTER Why is little Annie crying? Image of a baby with the text "I'm CRYING!"

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Finished horseback riding? Then try white-water rafting

By GENE AND ADELE MALOTT New York Times Travel Syndicate



DEAR TMT: May I ask just one question: Do people at age 68 still ride horses?

DEAR M.B.: What on earth is "sensible," anyhow? Sure, go for it!

Judy Cole, owner of Tanque Verde Ranch in Tucson (on foot) is shown with her friend Marlis Rogers getting ready for the day's trail ride.

DEAR TMT: May I ask just one question: Do people at age 68 still ride horses? It has long been a dream of mine...

DEAR M.B.: What on earth is "sensible," anyhow? Sure, go for it! You might want to start with a dude-ranch vacation...

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REAL ESTATE

Flexible commission rates are now possible

By James M. Woodard
Copley News Service

Real estate commissions charged by brokers are strictly negotiable — and tend to be decreasing in most markets throughout the country.

"In our Board, we probably have as many home-sale transactions where the broker's commission is 5 percent as 6 percent," said Joe Young, president of a California Board of Realtors. "Commissions now generally range from about 4 to 8 percent in residential transactions."

That's a contrast from "the old days" in the real estate brokerage industry when the 6 percent commission was virtually unshakable. In fact, the commission amount was often mandated by a regional board of Realtors.

Today, commissions are not only negotiable between broker and client, that fact is printed in most listing contract forms.

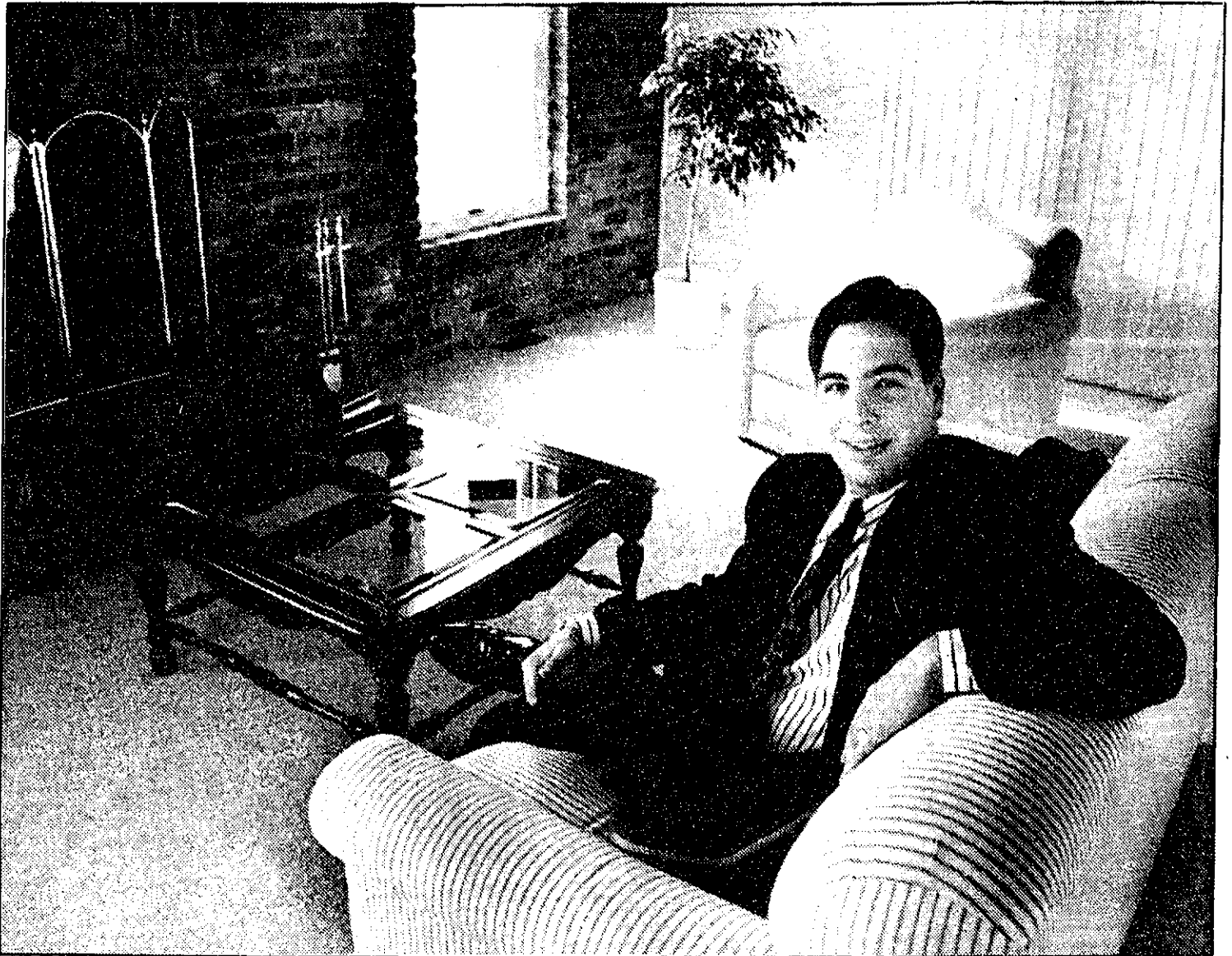
"The commission must be enough to cover the broker's costs and generate a reasonable income," Young said. "Otherwise, there's no incentive for the listing broker (and cooperating brokers) to actively promote and market the property."

When two or more brokers work together on a property transaction, they share the commission stipulated in the listing contract. Then within a brokerage firm, the commission is further split between the broker (company) and the sales associate who handled the transaction. After paying for advertising, printed materials and business overhead, the bottom-line profit for the firm is often whittled down to a bare-bones amount.

Also, to keep commission revenues in proper perspective, it should be noted that the broker normally doesn't receive any commission income until a sale is consummated and the transaction is closed. Considerable money and time is necessarily expended on activities that never generate a cent.

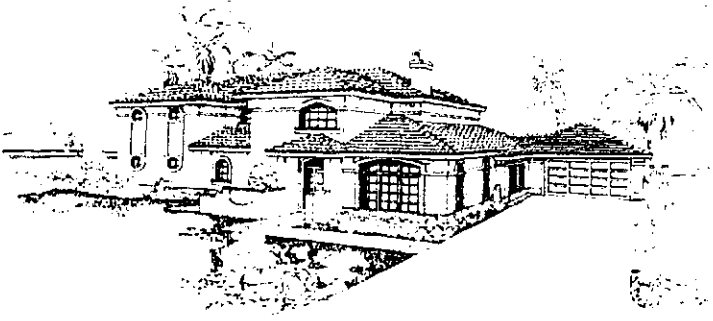
To gain an edge on competition, some brokers are offering full service—including exposure through a Multiple Listing Service—for a reduced commission, like 4 percent or 5 percent.

Some are creative in structuring a commission schedule. One broker, for example, offers service for a brokerage commission of 6 percent for the first \$100,000 of the home's price, then 4 percent of the remaining amount.



Bob Waun relaxes in the living room of his new home in the Lake Sherwood subdivision.

HOME DESIGNS



The Frenchglen offers a touch of the Mediterranean

By James McAlexander
Copley News Service

A stucco exterior, accent windows and a red-tile roof give a French Mediterranean flavor to the Frenchglen.

Columns flank the stately entrance, and inside, slender-column archways grace the passages between each of the family living areas. Another set of columns in the master suite add a surprise touch of elegance to the spa.

The family room is at the hub of the home. A French see-through fireplace connects the family room to the living room, offering enjoyment of fires from either room.

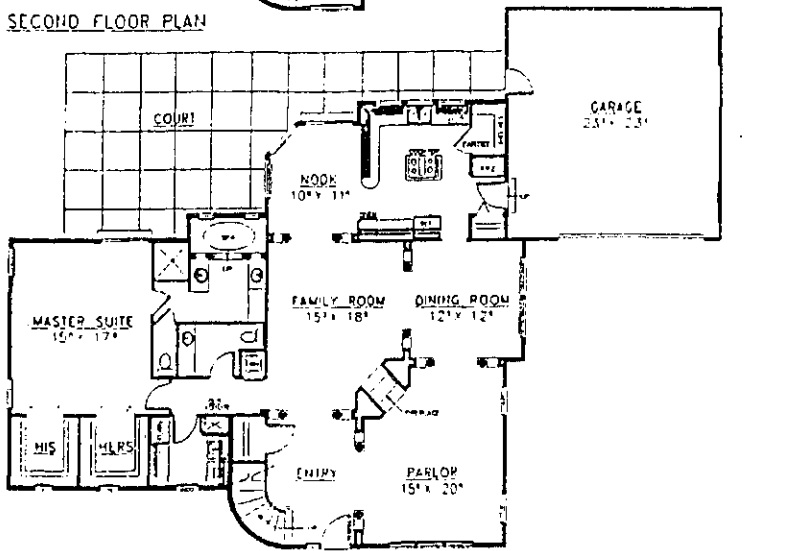
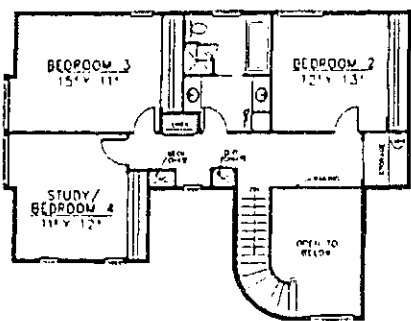
You can park the car in the garage and carry groceries right into the kitchen, which has a central cooking island and a large step-in pantry. There's room enough in this big kitchen for a freezer, as well as refrigerator, and the nearby nook is awash in light from two walls of windows. One of the walls is actually sliding-glass doors, allowing meals to move out-

side onto the terrazzo patio. The master suite also is on the main floor. This arrangement provides privacy for couples with children and allows empty nesters to confine their daily lives to the lower level, leaving the upstairs for visiting grandchildren and other guests. The master bath features his-and-her walk-in closets and has a compartmentalized toilet and two basins in a dressing area.

An open stairway curves up one side of an entryway that is vaulted to the second floor, providing a view of the foyer from the landing at the top. The three large rooms upstairs could be used as bedrooms or put to other uses. In the upstairs bathroom, a pocket door separates the water closet from the twin vanities.

Extra storage is available in a closet at the end of the hall. Soiled laundry takes the easy way down with a laundry chute that drops into the utility room below.

For a study plan of the Frenchglen (209-50), 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. Designers, Architects and readers with plans they would like to see featured are also invited to contact Landmark.



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Bob Waun of Milford has seen the broken dreams, the heartache and the disappointment.

No, Waun is not a clinical psychologist, therapist or marriage counselor.

Waun is a loan officer, and he has recently collaborated on a new book on the best ways to attain financing for first-time buyers and avoid the disappointment that often goes along with buying a home.

"Your First Step Toward Home Ownership" was recently published by Southfield-based Village Mortgage Co., where Waun is employed.

Waun and his wife recently purchased their second home in the Lake Sherwood subdivision in Commerce Township.

In order to avoid the previously-mentioned heartache, Waun has developed a step-by-step process to allow potential home buyers to stay in touch with reality and evaluate what they can afford in order to achieve the American dream of owning a home.

Waun, assistant vice president of the company, co-authored the book with the help of his associates. Waun's book allows potential homeowners to develop their own plan of evaluating income, determining affordability and making the right decisions to make home ownership a reality.

Saving 15 percent of your income before the bills are paid is an important step, he insists. While sitting in his brand-new,

WAUN-derful advice for home buyers

Story by Martin E. Deschaine
Photos by Charlie Cortez

scrimped and saved to purchase their first home in Royal Oak. While it was not always easy to live in a less-than-luxurious domicile, he said the saving paid off in the long run.

First-time buyers will often have to sacrifice to make their initial home purchase, but once that is done they can gain equity and move on to a larger home the second time around.

Waun admits typical first-time homeowners would be remiss to think they could save enough money to purchase a 2,400-square-foot home like the one he now owns.

"Pretty simply, you need a plan," said Waun of the key to his publication. "You've got to have the plan before you can do just about anything."

"It's a lot easier to shop when you have money," he said, referring to price ranges. "What we're saying in the book is to go to the lender first, find out what you qualify for before you go out there and get in an embarrassing situation."

In order to plot your strategy, Waun outlines various steps in the book to attain your goal. Saving money is a key, but so is outlining your assets, debts and identifying what you seek in a home.

It is also important to establish what you can afford in a house payment, budget your salary to save as much as possible, and establish a goal chart.

One chapter in the book addresses the optimum time to purchase a home. That

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spacious home, sipping lemonade, the 23-year-old Waun explained that sacrifices need to be made in order to reach the goal of owning a home.

Waun said he and his wife just moved to the area, buying their second home. Getting to this point, however, has not always been easy, he emphasizes. The couple ate a lot of macaroni and cheese and

Tasty tomatoes

By C Z. Guest
Copley News Service

GARDENING

There's nothing like a ripe, juicy tomato to liven up a tossed salad, especially if it's a tasty tomato you've grown in your very own garden.

Varieties abound. Tomatoes can be red, orange and even green, and all are immensely delicious. Tomatoes can be grown just about anywhere: on the ground, in containers or hanging baskets and on vines that climb fences or specially made cages.

Environmentally concerned tomato gardeners can take advantage of Mother Nature's many resources. Rich, moist soil combined with adequate sunshine and the regular nourishment of an all-natural fertilizer, such as Nature's Best All Natural Organic Garden Fertilizer, promotes chemical-free fruit growth and results in full-bodied, delicious tomatoes.

Tomatoes are warm-weather plants and thrive best when set out in the garden once evening temperatures hit 55 degrees. Garden supply retailers generally stock the most popular seedling varieties at the appropriate planting time. In this case (starting from seed), a two- to six-week process is required before the gar-

den is ready for planting.

The first step when starting from seed is to purchase individual peat pots filled with a sterile sphagnum planting medium or compressed peat pellets that expand when watered. Then push one or two seeds approximately 1/2 inch into the potting mixture. Expect small green seedlings seven to 10 days after the peat pot has been put in large, dry baking dish and protected with a layer of light plastic covering. Though the planting mixture should be kept moist, make certain not to overwater.

Once seedlings appear, move the trays to a sunny but relatively cool location and continue to keep the planting mixture moist.

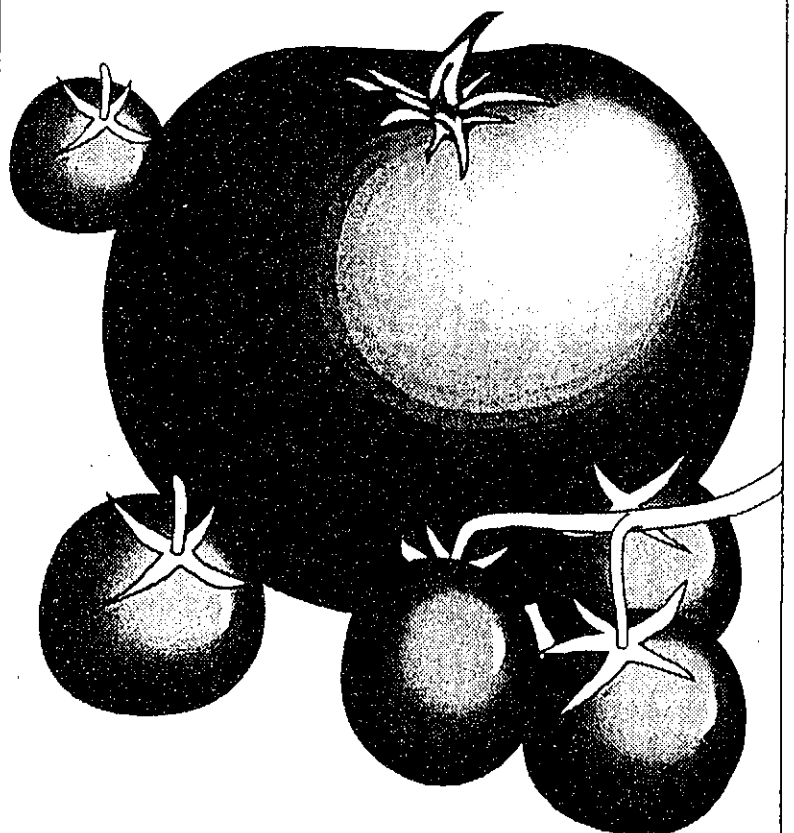
The smart gardener can do his or her work while Mother Nature does hers. In other words, gardeners should be prepping the garden bed while seedlings are sprouting indoors.

Choose a section of the garden that receives plenty of sun. Mix garden soil thoroughly with sphagnum peat moss and compost, which adds organic matter to sandy

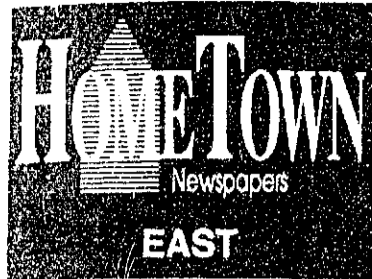
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Tomato tips

- When starting tomatoes from seed, allow two to six weeks before transplanting them to the garden.
- Plant seeds in individual peat pots filled with sterile sphagnum or compressed peat pellets.
- Plant one or two seeds in each pot, pushing them a half-inch into the potting mixture.
- Protect seedlings with a layer of light plastic. Keep planting mixture moist without overwatering.



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CLASSIFIED GREEN SHEET



New bulk food store catches lots of attention

By Marilyn Herald

It's a fairyland for kids, a step back into childhood for adults and a great place to browse while you choose between Tear Jerkers, Jelly Bellies and good old-fashioned chocolate.

Jacklyn Fox said she and her husband Malcolm wanted to have a business their kids and the children of the community could enjoy when they opened Nuts About Sweets just before Halloween last fall.

Now 6 months old, the bulk food sweet shop located at 636 N. Lafayette in Huntington Square, South Lyon certainly has caught the attention of young and old alike. A recent half-day vacation from school provided youngsters with the opportunity to feast their eyes and their stomachs on Fox's wide variety of goodies, while mom scanned the many specialties among the Easter line-up.

Hours at the shop are 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Mondays through Fridays; 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturdays; and noon to 5 p.m. Sundays.

"We have 500-600 bins of candies, nuts and other items in bulk," Fox said, smiling at an older child who was carefully checking the weight on her selection of gummies to see that it fell within her budget.

"We have lots of people come in here and say 'I haven't seen Black Jacks like this since I was a kid,'" Fox commented.

A resident of South Lyon for 4 1/2 years, Fox said part of the impetus for opening her own store came from the enjoyment she and her daughters,

Jennifer, 13, and Jessica, 5, got from a similar store in Novi. "We used to go in there a lot," she explained. "An older man owned it and when he died, it closed. We were so sad."

Currently, Fox is all set for the Easter rush with her store walls and counters lined with all kinds of candy bunnies, rabbits, eggs and just about anything a child could want to find in an Easter basket. In fact, the store itself looks a little like a great big Easter basket with its pastel colors of blue, yellow, green and pink.

Both imposing and inviting is the giant free-hand painting of "Fred the Smooch" on a big plate glass window of the storefront. Painted by Paul Lockwood, a South Lyon schools student, Fred wishes everyone a "Happy Easter" and announces that he will be at the store from 1-5 p.m. Saturday, April 18.

Parents are invited to bring their kids and their cameras and get pictures of the 12-foot-tall Fred with their youngsters.

During Fred's visit, there will also be a drawing for Troll dolls and Easter baskets as an Easter promotion to aid in diabetes research.

It may appear a little unusual for a candy store to be helping in the fight against diabetes, but it seems perfectly natural to Fox, who carries special no-sugar candy items for those who have the disease.

"I especially feel sorry for kids to have the heartbreak of having to go without candy," Fox explained. "I have melting chocolate without su-

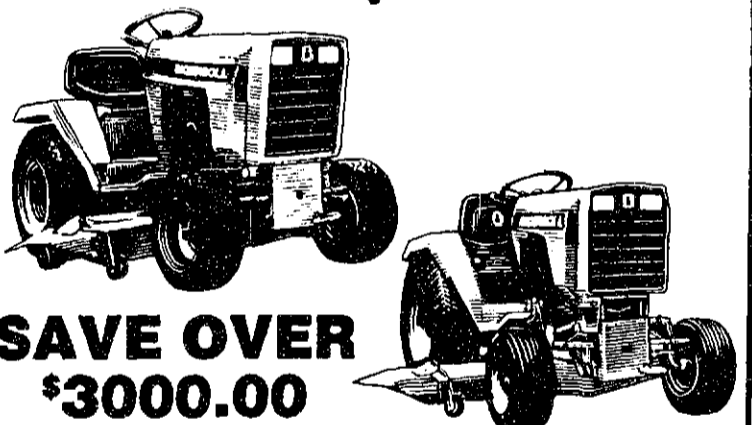


Megan Fox, owner Jackie Fox, and Jennifer Fox show off hot-selling trolls.

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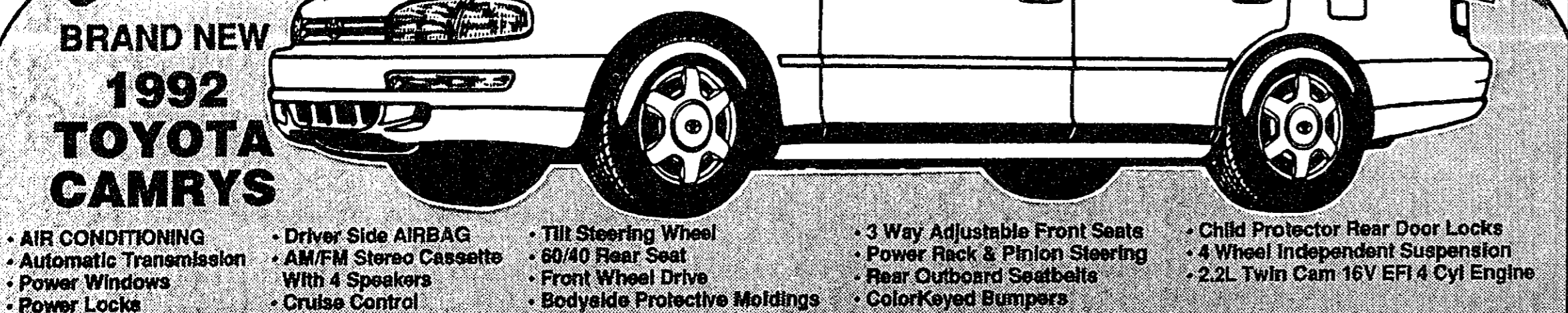


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1992 Ford Explorer Sport 4x4 Sik#2-0765, 4 wheel drive, 2 door, raven black, preferred equipment, air, 4.0L EFI V6 engine, automatic O/D, all terrain tires. AM/FM stereo/cassette, luggage rack, captain's chairs, and more. \$18,604*	1992 Thunderbird 2 Door Sik#2-1022, bright red, preferred equipment pkg., power driver's seat, luxury group, cruise, tilt, rear defogger, AM/FM stereo/cassette, 3.8L EFI V-6, automatic O/D, key-less entry, power locks, and more. \$14,133*
1992 Ford Escort 3 Door Sik#2-0646, fuel saver, cabinet red, 1.5L SERI 4 cylinder engine, 5 speed, rear defogger, and more. \$7,551*	1992 Aerostar XL Plus Wagon Sik#2-0999, crystal blue, preferred equipment, 7 passenger, air, privacy glass, anti-stripe, cruise, tilt, 3.0L engine, automatic O/D, rear defogger, AM/FM stereo/cassette, and more. \$13,818*
1992 F150 4x2 Special Pickup Sik#2-1030, bright red, custom ton, preferred equipment pkg., AM/FM stereo, 4.5L EFI V-6 engine, 4 speed automatic, transmission, all season tires, and more. \$10,494*	1992 Probe GL Sik#2-0776, 2 door hatchback, ox-red with white, preferred equipment, rear defogger, tilt, tinted glass, 2.2L EFI engine, 5 speed manual, cruise, air, power door locks, and more. \$11,405*

Easter Bunny will cover for Here!!

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WHATEVER IT TAKES!



Let's face it, **ALL** Chevrolet/Geo dealerships pay the same price for the new cars and trucks they sell. Consequently we know that we have to be **price competitive** to stay in business, but, we also know **we have to do more**, and we do!!

Our Sales and Service Departments are **NOW OPEN SATURDAYS** for your convenience. We have over **500** new and used cars and trucks available. In addition, each department offers you the following service:

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- Mr. Goodwrench Quick Lube, oil and filter (29 minutes or less or your next L.O.F. is on us!)
- Trained & Certified Technicians
- Free maintenance and Price Schedules
- 11.5% Senior Citizen Discounts**
- Shuttle Service
- Competitive Pricing on all Service Work

NEW VEHICLE SALES

- **Option 1 Pricing*** out of stock on most models to GM employees & qualified relatives
- **6.9% Financing** on most models
- **Large Inventories/Plus** (If we don't have it - we'll get it!)
- Experienced and professional sales staff
- Special Smart Lease Programs
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- Reconditioned and reliable late model vehicles
- Monthly payments to fit your budget
- Credit problems? We can help!

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- Free Estimates
- Free Rental Cars w/any Collision Repair
- Genuine GM Parts

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<p>NEW 1992 CAVALIER 2 DOOR Stock No. 2098J</p> <p>Factory Price \$644 Discount Savings -365 Consumer Cash Back -200 GM Employee/Family Discount -453 1st Time Buyer's Discount -400 Your Net Trade In or Cash Reduction -1000</p> <p>MONTHLY PAYMENT \$145 FINANCING AMOUNT \$6846 OR LESS</p>	<p>NEW 1992 METRO XFI Stock No. 2088J</p> <p>Factory Price 7830 Discount Savings -328 Consumer Cash Back -500 GM Employee/Family Discount -377 1st Time Buyer's Discount -400 Your Net Trade In or Cash Reduction -1000</p> <p>MONTHLY PAYMENT \$121 FINANCING AMOUNT \$5225 OR LESS</p>	<p>NEW 1992 1/2 TON PICKUP Stock No. KT28J</p> <p>Factory Price \$11,486 Discount Savings -982 Consumer Cash Back -500 GM Employee/Family Discount -544 Your Net Trade In or Cash Reduction -1000</p> <p>MONTHLY PAYMENT \$169 FINANCING AMOUNT \$8579 OR LESS</p>
<p>NEW 1992 LUMINA 4 DOOR Stock No. 167F</p> <p>Factory Price \$18,776 Preferred Equipment Group Savings -708 Discount Savings -1681 Consumer Cash Back -750 GM Employee/Family Discount -779 Your Net Trade In or Cash Reduction -1000</p> <p>MONTHLY PAYMENT \$246 FINANCING AMOUNT \$11,987 OR LESS</p>	<p>NEW 1992 LUMINA APV Stock No. T6169F</p> <p>Factory Price \$17,585 Preferred Equipment Group Savings -600 Discount Savings -1174 Consumer Cash Back -750 GM Employee/Family Discount -822 Your Net Trade In or Cash Reduction -1000</p> <p>MONTHLY PAYMENT \$239 FINANCING AMOUNT \$13,329 OR LESS</p>	<p>NEW 1992 S-10 BLAZER Stock No. T266J</p> <p>Factory Price \$22,656 Preferred Equipment Group Savings -1200 Discount Savings -1738 Consumer Cash Back -1000 GM Employee/Family Discount -1049 Your Net Trade In or Cash Reduction -1000</p> <p>MONTHLY PAYMENT \$308 FINANCING AMOUNT \$16,679 OR LESS</p>
<p>NEW 1992 CAPRICE Stock No. 2015J</p> <p>Factory Price \$19,185 Discount Savings -256 Consumer Cash Back -800 GM Employee/Family Discount -931 Your Net Trade In or Cash Reduction -1000</p> <p>MONTHLY PAYMENT \$272 FINANCING AMOUNT \$13,898 OR LESS</p>	<p>NEW 1992 STORM 2+2 Automatic, air, cassette Stock No. 2093J</p> <p>Factory Price \$13,105 Discount Savings -900 Consumer Cash Back -750 GM Employee/Family Discount -538 1st Time Buyer's Discount -400 Your Net Trade In or Cash Reduction -1000</p> <p>MONTHLY PAYMENT \$198 FINANCING AMOUNT \$9517 OR LESS</p>	<p>NEW 1992 BLAZER CONVERSION</p> <p>Factory Price \$15,699 Discount Savings -1000 Consumer Cash Back -750 GM Employee/Family Discount -822 Your Net Trade In or Cash Reduction -1000</p> <p>MONTHLY PAYMENT \$309 FINANCING AMOUNT \$15,699 OR LESS</p>

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<p>1991 CORSICA Stock No. B1272J</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Air conditioning • Auto transmission • Tilt wheel • AM/FM stereo • Power locks • And much more <p>Compare At \$12,370 S A L E \$8495</p>	<p>1991 CORSICA</p> <p>Compare At \$12,370 S A L E \$8495</p>	<p>1991 LUMINA 4-DOOR Stock #B129U</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Air conditioning • AM/FM stereo • Tilt/cruise control • Power lock windows • V-6 • And much more <p>Compare At \$17,299 S A L E \$13,995</p>
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