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Sounds of new music heard at Novi High

By RANDY COBLE
Staff Writer

'Twas quite a night. Novi High School's Fuerst Auditorium played host to a world premiere Friday. Composer Anthony Iannaconne guest conducted the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra in the first public performance of his newest piece *Night Rivers*. The symphony is Iannaconne's third.

The performance, held from 8-10 p.m. on Nov. 13, featured Iannaconne's creation. Following in the program were a selection of still jazz pieces.

Rounding out the evening of music was a performance by the Jack Brokensha Quartet. Brokensha, a native of Down Under, was part of the popular Australian Jazz Quintet in the 1950s. His current band includes Matt Michaels, jazz pianist, composer, arranger and director; longtime performer Dan Jordan; and Jerry McKenzie, percussionist.

Iannaconne is a well-established composer whose works have been played by such symphonies as the Baltimore, Detroit, San Francisco and Minnesota orchestras. He has



Photo by HAL GOULD

Anthony Iannaconne performs the premier of his *Night Rivers, Symphony No. 3* at Novi High School.

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Historians are off the track, past chair says

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

What was supposed to be a job interview Monday for a spot on the historical commission turned into a bit of shooting from the hip.

Dan Beaubien, past chairperson and member of the commission, gave the Novi City Council a choice of "hearing what you want to hear or the real reason." Then, he opted for the latter. Beaubien is a past president and member of the commission who retired for business reasons.

Now he wants the post back. "I left two years ago after being president. I thought I left some guidelines to help enact a viable commission... that hasn't happened," he said.

"There are some things that are going on that I don't like as a citizen, as a past member. I don't feel it's being run the way it should be run."

Four vacancies exist on the historical commission. The council will select from a field of five hopefuls. Along with Beaubien, incumbents Mark Adams and Carol Bauer have applied. Newcomers LeRoy Wixom and LuAnne Kozma are also in the running.

Time may not be running out on the 117-year-old Novi Methodist Church quite as fast as was thought. Owner George Keros apparently is willing to donate the church to anyone willing to cart it away. The story is on page 7A.

Judge Brian MacKenzie was as surprised as anyone when the review of his home by Novi's historical consultant blew up into a controversy. The story is on page 6A.

Beaubien contends that the commission is engaging in "backbiting" and spends its time promoting the Novi Historical Society instead of helping save the old Novi Methodist Church from demolition.

"What's happening is we are getting buildings which should have a

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Nairobi to Novi, education is key

By RANDY COBLE
Staff Writer

"I taught my first class 27 years ago," said Novi High School principal Arthur Miller, "and right away, I realized this was it. This was what I wanted to do."

And you get the idea that the new administrator's enthusiasm for education is just as strong now as it was that day in 1965.

Miller, 48, joined the Novi school district in July. He's been in public education a long time, and worn a lot of different hats — a teacher, coach, assistant principal. "Almost anything you can think of, I did it," he said.

An individual with diverse interests, the geographer/historian can talk intelligently about everything from African politics to European history to what distinguishes a leader.

Miller, an avid reader of biographies, "they teach lessons of life" can draw from the works of such authors as Winston Churchill and T.E. Lawrence when making a point. A story from Sparky Anderson, manager of Detroit Tigers, may follow. The breadth of his knowledge, combined with the way Miller

ties it all together, is engaging.

Folks at the high school apparently agree. Walking the halls between periods, many students greet Miller with a casual wave as they head to their next class. He responds with a smile, calling each by his or her first name.

The Wisconsin-born principal said that southeastern Michigan is his home.

"I grew up in (what is today) Eastpointe," he said. "I live there now. I've lived many places, seen a lot of the world, but I'm always drawn back. I can't imagine living anywhere else but metro Detroit."

What does he, as a principal, do? Provide leadership, Miller said.

"It's not a set of rules that are laid out in concrete," he said. "A leader has a vision of where they want to go. At the high school, I have a vision of excellence."

"I lay it out on the table — some people may not agree with it, but I spell out what direction I think we should go. And then we talk it about it."

The job is a hectic one, he admitted. "I'm a reactor most of the time." But the pressure makes it even bet-

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To Cassis, recall has hidden agenda

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

Council Member Nancy Cassis charged Monday that a move to recall her is an attempt by powerful people working behind the scenes to silence an investigation she spearheaded into a rerouted Novi Road water main.

"I think that the language is so vague, without any kind of substance. There are people who are desperate out there to derail the water main," she said.

"It's the timing of this thing. We are getting very close to looking at the policy and changing how things are done in the city. We're looking at reasserting council's authority over policy."

"Here's Mr. Cervi Bozo—the clowning with this vague recall language."

Representing a group of as-yet-unnamed citizens, Cervi — the star of the nationally-syndicated *Bozo The Clown Show* in the 1960s and 1970s — took proposed recall petitions for Cassis and Council Members Joseph Toth and Carol Mason to Oakland County on Nov. 13.

On Dec. 2, the county's board of election commissioners will decide if the petition language seems comprehensible to voters.

If so, the recall petitions may then be circulated; 2,429 signatures would then be needed to proceed to a special election.

Cervi said Tuesday that the recall has nothing to do with what has been called "Watermaing-

ate," but took shape after some residents were angry at delays in gaining council approval for the Haggerty Connector.

"What? That is so ridiculous I can't even respond to that," Cervi said when asked if the water main was a factor in the campaign.

"That's the farthest thing from my mind. That's funny. If that's the best thing she can come up with, God help her."

Cassis charges that the recall campaign is being sponsored by "people with money and in high places who do not want to be identified."

"There's more than meets the eye here," she added.

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Loss estimates high in Red Timbers fire

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

The Red Timbers, a landmark Novi bar and restaurant, was gutted by fire early Tuesday morning.

The Grand River Avenue eatery appears to have fallen prey either to faulty electrical wiring or cigarettes, Novi Fire Chief Arthur Lenaghan said.

Much of the peaked roof and interior of the building were destroyed. Estimates on the devastation range from \$550,000 to \$1 million.

Co-owner Basil Stavroulous said that when he was notified at 2:15 a.m. that the fire alarm had gone off, he thought it was another one of the false warnings his new detection system had been kicking off recently. The system had had two false alarms recently and he had just left the restaurant at about midnight.

Stavroulous said he asked the alarm company to listen to the audio system in the restaurant, but nothing could be heard. He said he did not want to incur a fine under the city's new false alarms ordinance. Stavroulous drove to the restaurant to check on his business.

However, the Novi Fire Department was notified at 2:18 a.m. by a passer-by who noticed the smoke and arrived at 2:22 a.m.

Stavroulous showed up at the Red Timbers as the fire department was arriving and unlocked the door.

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Arson investigators from the Oakland County Sheriff's Department were called to the scene.

"They can't really decide between cigarettes or an electrical problem. At this point, it was apparently an accidental fire," Lenaghan said.

Robert Miller, son of co-owner Chuck Miller and a chef at the eatery, was due in to work at 8 a.m. Tuesday but was awakened at 7:15 a.m. with a telephone call telling him not to bother coming in.

"I freaked. I ran there in my pajamas," he said early Tuesday afternoon.

"It's quite devastating. I'm still in shock."

Miller started out at the restaurant as a 17-year-old dishwasher and graduated to a Red Timbers chef. He said the restaurant was renowned for its seafood, especially perch, and steak.

His family entered into the business in 1979 when the building was about a month old, taking over from the previous owners.

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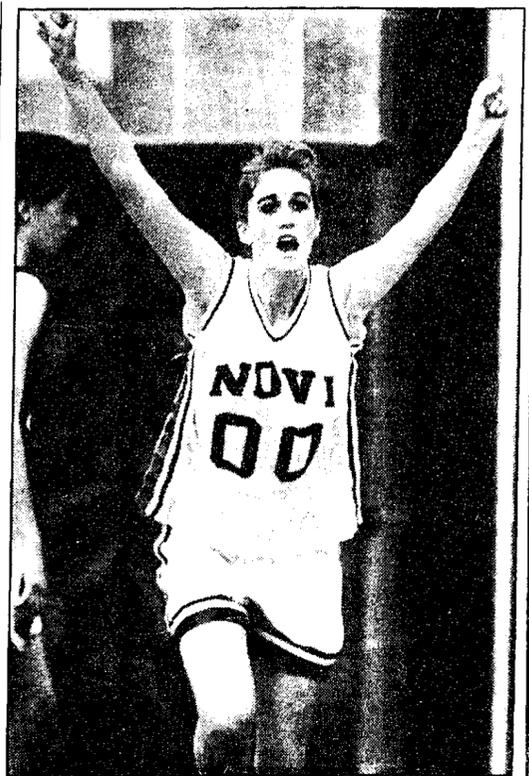


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Championship bound?

Above, Novi's Kelley Barton celebrates a victory Monday over Farmington Hills Harrison, 36-32, in round one of the Class A, No. 23 district championships. Scheduled to play again last night (after deadline) against Walled Lake Western, a win would advance the cagers to the district finals Friday. Of course, winning there would put the Novi girls basketball squad into regional competition.

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Cash stolen in car wash break-in

The Soft Shine Auto Wash on Novi Road was reported broken into Nov. 12, and approximately \$400 in cash was stolen.

Police were unable to obtain any prints at the scene. The incident is believed to have occurred between 8 p.m. Nov. 11 and 7:30 a.m. Nov. 12. An employee reported that, when he arrived for work, a front door was open. Police noted large amounts of mud inside the office where the cash had been kept.

At least \$50 of the stolen money was in rolled quarters.

LARCENY: A resident on McMahon reported Nov. 12 that nearly \$2,000 worth of tools were stolen from his garage.

The owner of the tools was unsure when they disappeared, and said it could have been any time during the past six months. The tools, which included three spray guns, two grinders and three sanders, were stored in a metal foot-locker and stashed in an out-of-the-way place, police said. The owner happened to notice it was missing Nov. 12.

STOLEN TRUCK: The owner of a 1992 GMC Sonoma reported Nov. 12 that her vehicle was stolen from the parking lot of Twelve Oaks Mall.

The woman told police that she parked in the Blue Lot around 8:30 p.m. and did some shopping, then went to a movie. When she returned at 11:40 p.m. the truck was gone. Police reported that the truck was later discovered by Waterford Township Police. It had been set on fire.

BREAK-IN: A resident on Ridge Road reported Nov. 9 that someone could have broken into a neighbor's home. Police checked the home and found the garage door open as well as an interior door.

On checking the interior of the home, officers noticed it was in extreme disarray and two televisions and VCRs appeared to be missing.

LARCENY: A resident on Shadybrook reported Nov. 8 that someone broke into his home through an open garage door, and stole his golf clubs. The owner listed the value of the clubs at \$800 and the bag that contained them at \$49.

BREAK-IN: A resident on Shadybrook reported Nov. 8 that someone broke into her home and stole her VCR. Police reported no further information or leads.

LARCENY: A student at Novi High School reported Nov. 11 that someone stole her \$65 Nike Air gym shoes from her locker.

Her mother told police that the girl locked the shoes in a locker at gym class Nov. 10 at 9:30 a.m. When she

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returned the following day at 8:45 a.m. she discovered the lock and shoes missing.

LARCENY: A resident on Fenmore Way reported Nov. 11 that someone stole the \$200 tallgate from his 1990 Ford pickup truck.

The truck was parked at his residence at the time of the theft. Police estimate the incident occurred between 8:30 a.m. Nov. 10 and 7 a.m. Nov. 11.

LARCENY: A Romulus man reported Nov. 11 that someone stole \$645 in cash and checks as well as his Miami Hurricanes jacket from his van while it was parked at the McDonald's on Haggerty Road.

The incident is believed to have occurred around 12:30 p.m.

LARCENY: A Novi man reported Nov. 11 that someone stole computer equipment from his van while it was parked at Denny's on Novi Road.

He told police he parked in the lot south of the restaurant around noon, went inside to eat, and returned to discover the passenger window smashed.

DRUNK DRIVING: Novi police arrested a 23-year-old Novi woman for operating under the influence of liquor (OUIL) Nov. 11.

She was stopped shortly after 2 a.m. while driving a 1986 Dodge Omni on Novi Road south of Ten Mile.

DRUNK DRIVING: A 28-year-old Novi man was arrested for OUIL Nov. 10 shortly before 10:30 p.m. He was driving a 1991 Chevrolet Corsica on

northbound Novi Road.

DRUNK DRIVING: A 36-year-old South Lyon man was arrested Nov. 10 for OUIL. Police stopped him shortly after 10 p.m. as he drove his 1988 GMC pickup truck on southbound Novi Road.

DRUNK DRIVING: Novi police arrested a 20-year-old Novi man for OUIL shortly before 11 p.m. Nov. 9. He was stopped while driving his 1989 Ford Taurus on Meadowbrook south of Ten Mile.

DRUNK DRIVING: Novi police arrested a 22-year-old Detroit man for OUIL Nov. 14 on East Lake Drive. Police stopped his 1986 Plymouth shortly before 1 a.m. During the man's arrest, officers confiscated a cut-off pool cue they believed could be used as a weapon.

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

Novi Briefs

Decker Road: There will be an informational meeting held Monday, Nov. 30 at 7 p.m. in the activities room of the Novi Civic Center regarding proposed improvements to Decker Road from Thirteen Mile Road to Fourteen Mile Road. Residents who live in the vicinity of Decker Road are being invited to attend. Staff members from JCK & Associates and the city administration will be present to answer questions and receive feedback from residents relevant to the design, right-of-way needs and the project schedule.

Library award: Jane Brown, head of Youth Services at the Novi Public Library, has been given the Francis H. Pletz award by the Michigan Library Association.

The award is named after Francis H. Pletz, former executive secretary to the M.L.A. It is presented annually to "the person in the State of Michigan who has made significant contributions in the area of services to young adults" and to the Michigan Library Association's Young Adult Division in the previous year.

Brown received the award at the Michigan Library Association's annual Fall Conference in October. She was nominated for the honor by Novi Library Director Brenda Evans and Library Board member Jim Evenhuis, assistant director for branch services of the Detroit Public Library.

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On the flip side
Rock and roll will never die — at least while disc jockeys are still around. Novi High School keeps the music alive on its own radio station, WOVI (89.5 on your FM dial). Here, Senior David

McDonald rocks the halls, spinning CDs during his mid-school day shift.

Choralaires sing next month

The Novi Choralaires will present their annual Christmas Concert at the Meadowbrook Congregational Church, 21355 Meadowbrook Road, on Saturday, Dec. 5, beginning at 7:30 p.m. During this festive holiday concert, Novi's Community Chorus will perform well-known songs such as "We Need a Little Christmas" and newer Christmas songs such as "Angels' Carol." All of the songs in the concert have been composed or arranged by John Rutter. Tickets are \$4 each and can be purchased in advance at the Novi Parks and Recreation Department or from any member of the Novi Choralaires or Novi Jaycees. Tickets will be available at the door on the evening of the concert. The Christmas concert is sponsored by the Novi Jaycees. Proceeds will benefit the Needy Family Christmas Project of the Novi Jaycees. For over 20 years, the Novi Jaycees have provided holiday baskets for more than 75 Novi area families during the holiday season. The 50-plus member community chorus is under the direction of Janet Wasslak and is accompanied by Stacy Becker. For more information on the work done by the Novi Jaycees or to order tickets for the concert, call 348-NOVI (6684).

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Police arrest two in stolen vehicle

By CRISTINA FERRIER
Staff Writer

A Novi police officer who stopped to help what looked like a stranded motorist wound up catching a suspected car thief Sunday night.

Officer Patrick Fanning was on routine patrol on Haggerty Road south of Grand River shortly after 3 a.m. when he noticed a white 1991 Chrysler LeBaron partially off the road.

Fanning reported that the hood of the LeBaron was up, the emergency blinkers were flashing, and two men were sitting in the front seat.

As Fanning pulled up to assist the men, he contacted dispatch and reported the vehicle's license plate number and description. At that point, he said, one of the suspects in the vehicle immediately got out of the car and approached him, stating that the car had a transmission problem and they were waiting for a friend to pick them up.

As Fanning was talking with the man, he reported he received a call from dispatch asking if he was "clear to copy information." He replied "negative," then asked the suspect for his identification so he could write a disabled vehicle report.

The suspect provided a Florida driver's license, and Fanning went back to his patrol car. When he was

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In addition, he reported, a search of the vehicle turned up a collection of tools commonly used for breaking and entering vehicles.

According to police reports, the suspects gave conflicting information about where they got the car, and changed their story at least once.

The suspects refused to answer police questions, and requested an attorney. The names of the suspects have not yet been released by the Novi Police Department.

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Judge is surprised at debate over home

By JAN JEFFRES Staff Writer

District Court Judge Brian Mackenzie says the recent controversy over a city consultant's study of his home was news to him.

"I didn't ask for a survey of my home. I know my wife mentioned we had a house we were excited about and we thought we could contribute to the historic district, but I don't get anything out of this. My wife was just trying to be a good citizen of Novi," he said.

To suggest this was done as a favor to us is something that comes as a complete surprise to both of us."

Mackenzie and his wife, Karen, a caseworker with Novi Youth Assistance, are renovating the Eight Mile Road house. According to city memos, she discussed their residence with Assistant City Manager Craig Klaver.

The structure was built circa 1919 in Frank Lloyd Wright's prairie style, Mackenzie said.

Klaver asked the Novi Historic Commission to finance research into the home, but this request was nixed as an "inappropriate use" of funds.

Klaver then discussed the house with Robert Donohue, a consultant hired by the Historic District Study Committee to survey all pre-1950 buildings within the city. Donohue had overlooked the site in his draft survey.



BRIAN MACKENZIE

He wrote a glowing report on the residence, calling it one of the most significant homes in southeast Michigan. Both Donohue and Klaver say the work was done for free because winning a judge's support of the historic district is a major publicity coup.

"The guy just (Donohue) drove up in my driveway and I happened to be home and I showed him around. I'm very excited about it. This was not done for me in particular. If I had the slightest idea that would have such an impact, I wouldn't have wanted it," Mackenzie added.

However, Historic District Study Committee Chair LuAnne Kozma protested, noting that the work was done without the committee knowledge at a time when Donohue was weeks behind behind deadline on the first phase of a survey of Novi's historic sites. The commission is seeking for other reasons to break their contract with Donohue.

The only other individual report Donohue prepared for the city is on the 19th century Novi Methodist Church, which could be demolished in the future.

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The Historic District Study Committee is a temporary group appointed by the city council to oversee a survey of historic sites and draft a historic district ordinance. When the committee's job is done, the council will have the option of creating a historic district study commission to monitor the historic district. The entire procedure is ruled by state guidelines, Kozma said.

If the commission is established, it could attempt to bar the demolition of the Novi Methodist Church. No one group now has a city mandate to save an endangered historic site.

Council Member Tim Pope suggested that the historical commission's charter be amended to allow that group to take on this role.

"What has happened with the Methodist Church is that it has fallen through the cracks," Mutch said.

Beaubien also protested the Novi Historical Society's free use of the Novi Township Hall.

"We have a historical society which has received a building for their meetings. No one's being paid.

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Historical commission criticized

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preservation value being torn down," he said.

"They're sitting on their butts and not giving truthful reports because somebody's not doing their job."

Current historic commission chair JoMarie Soszynski questioned the basis for Beaubien's charges.

"You come to me with specifics and I'll answer your questions. I hate to deal in innuendos," she said Wednesday.

Local history, perceived by some to be a dry and dusty pursuit and by others to be a fascinating exploration of past lifestyles, has lately been subject to present day controversy.

Early this month, Soszynski and Novi Historical Society President Kathy Mutch gave the city a gentle drubbing for not including the commission and society in plans for a historic park on land which the city hopes to buy with a bond issue.

Members of the Historic District Study Committee have recently expressed disappointment over the first phase of a survey of Novi's historic sites. The committee is trying to break its contract with consultant Robert Donohue.

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The Historic District Study Committee is a temporary group appointed by the city council to oversee a survey of historic sites and draft a historic district ordinance. When the committee's job is done, the council will have the option of creating a historic district study commission to monitor the historic district. The entire procedure is ruled by state guidelines, Kozma said.

If the commission is established, it could attempt to bar the demolition of the Novi Methodist Church. No one group now has a city mandate to save an endangered historic site.

Council Member Tim Pope suggested that the historical commission's charter be amended to allow that group to take on this role.

"What has happened with the Methodist Church is that it has fallen through the cracks," Mutch said.

Beaubien also protested the Novi Historical Society's free use of the Novi Township Hall.

"We have a historical society which has received a building for their meetings. No one's being paid.

Kozma, the committee's chairperson, questioned why Assistant City Manager Craig Klaver suggested Donohue review the home of district court Judge Brian Mackenzie. Klaver and Donohue have contended they have a personality conflict with Kozma.

Kozma, the first but not the last committee member to criticize Donohue's work, suggests that an attempt is being made to blame the messenger.

Kozma told the council her main reason for wanting a post with the historical commission is to assist with the rescue of the old church on Grand River Avenue.

"I hope it shows I don't have any personal animosity towards Craig Klaver. I'm willing to go to another meeting (with him) every month," she told the council Monday.

"What's happening is we are getting buildings which should have a preservation value being torn down. They're sitting on their butts and not giving truthful reports because somebody's not doing their job."

Dan Beaubien
Past Chairperson of the Historical Commission

Anybody else who uses it, they pay rent," he said.

"It's being used as a meeting hall, period."

Mutch told the council that all local non-profit organizations may book the township hall for free. The hall can also be rented for private functions such as weddings, but the commission also has the power to waive fees if the applicant requests it.

The township hall was originally owned by the historical society, which raised the funds to move it to its present location, Mutch said.

When the building needed to be insured, it was signed over to the city and the council created the historical commission.

Other interviews held Monday were for two seats on the parks and recreation commission. Past commission chair and long-time member Gerald Shulman is not seeking reappointment. Incumbent Robert Pfeiffer is. Other applicants are Connie Lake-Noble, Wayne Wrobel, Robert Shaw and Gayle Medeliski.

Skiles Boyd is the only one interested in a vacancy on the Hazardous Chemicals Appeals Board. He has been on the board since its inception. This is not a particularly taxing volunteer position.

Beaubien, who described himself "as a fairly avid environmentalist" who works for industry, told the city council that in four years the board has heard only two appeals.

agreed to provide adult supervision for all children visiting their homes. They also agree to provide a secure place for toxic and hazardous chemicals and to prohibit minors from using tobacco, drugs and alcohol in their homes or on their property.

Middle school and high school parents in a Safe Home agree to set a good example for students by not abusing drugs or alcohol in the home, nor will they allow teens to use or consume alcohol in their homes.

Parents agree to not allow their teenagers to host parties in their homes when they are not home. By signing the pledge form, parents also agree to abide by school and local laws regarding the use of drugs and alcohol.

Charlie Stiles, coordinator of the Student Substance Abuse program at Northville High School, is a staunch supporter of Safe Homes.

"It's something that we've been wanting to do for about two years now. It goes so much further than the Red Ribbon program, and helps get to the root of the problem."

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Methodist church gets reprieve

By JAN JEFFRES Staff Writer

The sand in the hourglass for the 117-year-old Novi Methodist Church may not be running out quite as quickly as once was thought.

A six-month moratorium slapped on the proposed demolition of the Grand River Avenue building terminates in March.

However, LuAnne Kozma, chair of the Historic District Study Committee, said Monday that she understands owner George Keros has no immediate plans for the site and will donate the church to anyone willing to cart it away.

This could buy time for preservationists who would then need to find a place to resettle this substantial

piece of local history.

Keros could not be reached for comment by deadline.

However, in the last weeks of September the city building department was preparing to reach a decision on a demolition permit for the church submitted by Keros. Trash bins and a bulldozer were at the site when the Novi City Council stopped the action.

On her own time, Kozma has organized a committee of those interested in preserving the church. She told the city council Monday that she and Novi Historical Society President Kathy Mutch recently discussed the possibility of hitching up with the Metropolitan Detroit Preservation Link. Perhaps a Novi chapter of the activist group could be formed, she suggested.

The preservationists will likely find a friend in Mayor Pro Tem Hugh Crawford.

"I was married and baptized there," he said, adding that he'd like to help save the church.

The building's location near the southwest corner of Grand River Avenue and Novi Road puts it smack in the center of the Four Corners, Novi's historic downtown. It's also in the midst of plans to redevelop Novi's town center.

Kozma convinced the city council in September to put a halt to the demolition procedure by citing the provisions of a new state law, the Local Historic District Act of 1992. This legislation permits renewable six-month moratoriums on sites under consideration for a community's his-

toric district.

The vacant old church has long been viewed as a shoe-in for the designation, when the committee surveying the city's noteworthy pre-1950 sites completes its research.

The Novi Historical Commission, which does not have a city charter mandate to save historic buildings, has agreed to provide information about the church and to channel any potential plans proposed by others to the city council, Mutch, a commission member, said Monday.

"I took exception to that. It's a cowardly way out. Some said, 'Somebody else out there will come up with a plan and what'll (the commission) decide we'll do to.'"

She said the council would have to decide what to do.

Northville kicks off Safe Homes plan

Northville school district teens had a drug and alcohol problem then, they do now. If the results of a nationally recognized drug and alcohol survey of Northville public school students didn't convince them, the introduction of the Safe Homes program might.

In response to a drug and alcohol problem that the Northville Action Council has always believed existed in the community, the civic group has launched its Safe Homes program.

Safe Homes is a community-wide program that encourages a drug- and alcohol-free environment and responsible parenting. As Safe Homes participants, parents agree to sign a pledge form vowing to provide a drug- and alcohol-free environment for teens.

As an elementary school parent, a signed pledge form means parents

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Cake Decorating: Parents and children can have fun together learning to decorate cakes with flowers, borders, writing and holiday decorations. Bring one baked cake, a spatula, a plate to put cake on, and \$3.50 for materials. Decorating tubes and tips will be provided for your use and to take home when class is finished.

This class is Dec. 9 from 7-9 p.m. at Novi Middle School. The fee is \$10.

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N'ville schools oppose city parking deck

By SHARON CONDRON
Staff Writer

This week, Northville schools Superintendent Leonard Reznierski was expected to fire off a letter to the Northville City Council that expresses the school district's opposition to Main Street '92.

On behalf of the district, Reznierski said the letter will declare that the schools don't want to chip in this year to help fund the proposed parking deck in downtown Northville.

The Board of Education backed Reznierski's idea to write the letter, but agreed to wait until the Downtown Development Authority meets again this week to discuss the fate of Main Street '92 plan.

School officials and residents alike expressed concern over the funding mechanism attached to the plan. City officials have proposed that the deck and subsequent downtown improvements be funded by "captured" tax revenues from the downtown development district. In effect, it would be an extension of the current bond issue (Main Street '78) that would continue to capture increases in tax

revenues in the downtown development district for the next 20 years. All of that money would be used by the city for improvements to the downtown area.

Some taxpayers have also objected to the city's plans to extend the current Downtown Development Authority's boundaries to take in additional commercial properties to fund its DDA budget.

That idea isn't flying well in a school year where the district has already lost \$2.6 million in property tax revenues. The schools were on sound financial footing when the original version of Main Street '78 was passed and backed by the schools.

"The concerns for our district are far greater now than they were in 1978," Reznierski said. "But the board is in a position to be heard and it is represented. And the board has the opportunity to state its position, but the issue is when and at what time."

Board President Jean Hansen said, "The school district at this time cannot endorse a project that takes any dollars away from the schools." A statement in opposition to that plan, Hansen, who serves as the board's

liaison to the DDA, backed Reznierski's idea to write the letter, but was quick to dispel rumors she's heard about the plan and about the city and schools' relationship. She also tried to squelch the notion that school officials haven't voiced their concerns over the project.

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In her speech to the board and gathered residents, Hansen suggested that the city work towards an equitable solution for all the governmental bodies involved. She also hinted that while there may indeed be a need for a parking structure, the timing of the project combined with the loss of school revenues makes it virtually impossible for the schools to consider the Main Street '92 proposal.

Parent Virginia Patak said, "It will never be a good time to take school tax dollars and put them into an essentially private venture."

City resident and Mornine parent Debbie Faber concurred. "You are the caretakers of my tax dollars," she said. "And I encourage you to make a very clear and strong statement in opposition to that plan." Hansen, who serves as the board's

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Road plan raises city eyebrows

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

Revelations in a Detroit newspaper about the role private development plays in a 12-community, \$226 million road improvement package have Novi officials wondering how deeply the city is actually committed to the project.

Monday, Council Member Tim Pope asked City Manager Edward Kriewall if a Novi resolution of support for the proposal, which was inspired by a challenge this spring from U.S. Rep. Bob Carr, D-East Lansing, is "binding on the exact location of the roads."

Pope on Sept. 22 blasted the proposal as "poor" when the council unanimously gave their seal of approval to the committee report.

"I'd like to move slowly," he said Monday.

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The Western Oakland Road and Elkpath Development Committee calls for federally funded upgrades to four north/south corridors: Hagerty Road; Wixom Road; Duck Lake Road; Beck/Bensten and Oxbow roads; and Millford Road. The construction, if the money is there, could begin as early as 1994.

Monday, an article in the Detroit Free Press focused on the role played by the committee's chair, developer and Millford village council member, Jay Eldridge. The article detailed that one segment of the proposed Beck/Bensten/Oxbow Lake roads connector would improve access to two sites which Eldridge serves as a trustee — the Huron Valley Hospital and the Huron Valley YMCA, as well as condominiums built by the developer and a retirement center he plans to build. These projects are in Commerce Township.

In addition, the Free Press pointed out that the road would cut across land owned by Commerce Township Supervisor Robert Long's family.

"There are some pretty legitimate questions. I don't think we should get involved with these questions," Pope said.

Kriewall said he is "under the impression" that Novi only approved the concept, not the exact location of the roads, but will report back on the

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Landing Novi and Eldridge had a falling out over plans for a joint public sector/private sector hotel and retail development on the land.

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Health Notes

Aerobic Weight Training: Aerobic Weight Training for Women is offered on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5 to 6 p.m., at the Total Rehabilitation and Athletic Conditioning Center (TRACC) at Boisford Center for Health Improvement-Health Development Network, 39750 Grand River Ave., Novi. Call 473-5600 for more information. There is a \$42 fee.

Circuit Training: Circuit Training is available from 7-8 p.m. at the Total Rehabilitation and Athletic Conditioning Center (TRACC) at Boisford Center for Health Improvement-Health Development Network, 39750 Grand River Ave., Novi. A 21-station circuit for both cardiovascular and resistance equipment is used to enhance your overall fitness. It is a great class for busy people with busy schedules. Call 473-5600 for more information.

Immunization clinics: The Oakland County Health Division will be offering two immunization clinics. For those living in Walled Lake and the surrounding areas, the clinic will be held at the Walled Lake United Methodist Church, 313 Northport, Walled Lake Dec. 1 from 9 a.m. to noon. For those living in Farmington and surrounding areas, the clinic will be held at Clarenceville United Methodist Church, 20300 Middlebelt Road, Clarenceville, on Wednesday, Dec. 9 from 9 a.m. to noon.

These immunizations will include measles, German measles, mumps, polio, diphtheria, tetanus, whooping cough and Haemophilus influenzae Type B (HIB) will be available.

A parent or legal guardian must accompany a child under 18 years of age. Please bring any previous records of immunizations, including notices which might have been sent home from the child's school pertaining to immunizations.

Coping with the holidays: St. Mary Hospital of Livonia will hold a special Diabetes Support Group Christmas Party on Wednesday, Dec. 9 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the hospital auditorium. Discussion groups will also be held on managing food and coping with the holidays. There is no charge and preregistration is not required. For more information, please call St. Mary Hospital at 591-2922.

N'ville plan backers react

By STEVE KELLMAN
Staff Writer

Downtown Development Authority members reacted with surprise Tuesday to criticism of their proposed Main Street '92 plan.

Several blared the torrent of critical remarks at a Nov. 2 Northville City Council public hearing on the speakers' ignorance of tax-capturing and the benefits that resulted from Main Street '78.

DDA Member Mike Allen said the city needs a thriving downtown because of its lack of commercial and industrial tax base to offset residential development, which places a high demand on services like schools.

He added that Main Street '92 critics ignore the revitalized downtown's role in attracting additional residential tax base like St. Lawrence Estates.

"I don't think we've ever done anything where we didn't get blamed for it," Allen said, no matter how successful the program turned out in the long run.

DDA Member Greg Presley suggested that the authority hold a study session "where we can sit down and discuss again why it is we want to do what we want to do." The session could result in a position paper better explaining the rationale behind Main Street '92, he said.

"I think we could do a better job of presenting our case," Presley said. Business owner Chuck Lapham noted that many who spoke against the DDA plan at the Nov. 2 hearing had moved to the area after many of Main Street '78's improvements were made.

"The '78 project brought the town to its feet, brought businesses in, and consequently brought developers

and residents in," he said. The end result was a thriving downtown that must be maintained by projects like Main Street '92, he argued. "If we don't keep it, we're history, and I just hate to see the people who move in every seven years dictate to us what the town will look like in 10 years."

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As We See It

In fairness, recallers must ID themselves

You could have predicted the reaction to the news that recall petitions had been filed against three Novi City Council members last Friday. It was, well... downright Mason-esque.

"I'm not going to play around with these people," council member and recall target Carol Mason said. "If they have a right to recall, we have a right to know who's involved. Maybe there might be something involved with MDOT. (The Michigan Department of Transportation). We don't know what their part in this is. What is (Martha Hoyer's) overall interest? What is Art Cervi's real interest? (Developer) Neil Sosin wanted to buy his (Haggerty Road) property but it was too small. Maybe they're trying to come in within the next five years and have all that rezoned for business. I think they wouldn't want people on the council who will say, 'We won't rezone.'"

Of course, there does not appear to be any substance to her charges. Not only is there no reason to believe the MDOT is involved in a recall against Novi City Council members, that doesn't even make sense. Nor is there any evidence Sosin is involved. In fact, recall sponsor Art Cervi has denied that any developers are involved in the group that put the recall petitions together, let alone Sosin.

At the same time, it is exactly that kind of response — that quick-with-an-accusation, shoot-from-the-hip, spray-and-pray, don't-bother-about-evidence style — that has put Mason in political hot water in the first place.

She did it in response to the filing of the recall petitions and she does it on a regular basis from the council table.

As is typical, council member and recall target Nancy Cassis took more subtle but similar tack. She did not make guesses about the identities of those involved, but she did make guesses about their motivations.

"I think that the language is so vague, without any kind of substance. There are people who are desperate out there to derail the water main," she said.

"It's the timing of this thing. We are getting very close to looking at the policy and changing how things are done in the city. We're looking at reasserting council's authority over policy. Here's Mr. Cervi Bozo-the-clowning with this vague recall language. It's most certainly is politically motivated. Maybe she (Martha Hoyer) wants to get back on council... They're political attacks."

Martha Hoyer, a former city council member, is of course the only member of the recall group other than sponsor Art Cervi to identify herself. It is not yet clear whether the remainder of the group will eventually identify themselves.

Cervi denies there is a connection between the recall and the ongoing controversy over the Novi Road water main, and there is no evidence to suggest there is.

But Cassis is quite right that the reasons stated on the recall petitions are indeed political. And that's perfectly OK. "The state Constitution says the reasons for recall are to be considered political in nature. The recallers have an absolute



Government

right to run a recall based on politics. And we completely defend that right. Joe Toth, the third council member targeted for recall, said the reasons stated on the petitions were "not too well constructed." Cassis called it vague. They may be right on that point too. The wording of the reasons for recall stated on the petitions goes before the Oakland County Board of Election Commissioners for a clarity hearing Dec. 2. Now, the members of that panel cannot judge the validity of the reasons, only the clarity of the wording. Under state law, the wording must be clear enough so that voters can identify the conduct which is the basis of the recall.

Sounds simple enough, but how for instance do you define what an "obstructionist" is. Both Mason and Cassis were accused of that. How do you decide whether Mason's "constant demeaning of city employees contributes to disharmony within the community." How do voters debate whether Mason "votes no with no clear reasoning for rejection, leaving the impression issues not clearly understood are rejected rather than clarified."

How do you assess whether Cassis "shows that she has own (sic) agenda which frequently interferes with the decision making processes of the City Council." How do you decide whether Toth is really "so obsessed with thoughts of his own that he makes no effort to work toward resolution through compromise."

It is not at all clear to us the wording will pass the test before the board of election commissioners.

But one thing is absolutely clear. The three targeted council members should have a right to face and confront their accusers. Even the perpetrators of heinous crimes are granted that right. Surely council members rate equal treatment.

The failure of the group members to identify themselves deprives these three of the ability to defend themselves by assessing the motivations of those running the recall against them.

It further deprives the public of the right to make a fully informed decision — about voting on the recall or even about passing and signing the petition forms. Voters too should have the right to assess the motivations of the recallers, just as they are being asked to assess the motives of these three council members.

It is also not doing the recall group any favors. By not revealing their identities, they are leaving themselves open to all manner of wild charges. All manner of speculation about what their true motives are.

Bringing city back from exile



Phil Power

Former Michigan Supreme Court Justice Dennis Archer is running for Mayor of Detroit. Archer is an able and energetic person, capable of mounting an extremely serious campaign, whether or not an ally and increasingly disconnected Mayor Coleman Young decides to run. It's significant for those of us who do not live in Detroit because the real prospect of a change in leadership puts squarely into focus the issue of how Michigan's largest city relates to the rest of the state.

Mayor Young's prickly personality, persistent preference for "racism" in response to criticism and anti-suburban orientation has served to put Detroit into self-imposed exile from the rest of Michigan. Just how significant that exile is became clear to me a few years ago when I had a look at some polling data compiled during the old Blanchard Administration. The idea was to survey heavy decision-makers in business, the people who could decide whether to place a new plant in Michigan or to put on another shift in an existing factory. To my amazement, Michigan looked just like Illinois or Minnesota, once you eliminated Detroit from the landscape. But with Detroit in, Michigan looked like the worst place in the upper Midwest for business to grow.

Why? The usual. Crime, poor schools, poverty, urban decay. But many respondents cited the fact that Detroit was not really a functioning part of what otherwise was a pretty attractive state.

This conclusion has been reinforced in my mind by re-

cent visits to Indianapolis and Cincinnati. Both are thriving. Indianapolis is growing faster than any big city in the Midwest, while Cincinnati remains the economic and cultural center of southern Ohio. Why? I believe it's because both cities are inextricably welded into their regions rather than suffering from isolation. Through a system called "unigov," Indianapolis is governed jointly with surrounding Marion County. Downtown Cincinnati is surrounded by a patchwork of neighborhoods, each of which looks for leadership to the core city.

That's not Detroit. Even attempts at something as beneficial as regional planning have been rejected here by both the city and the suburbs because neither wanted to share power or lose independence.

Regional transit, a necessary tool for economic growth for the entire region, is stalled because Detroit won't consider merging its system with suburban lines. The Detroit Institute of Arts is facing crisis because nobody can square the circle of city ownership with suburban patronage. Although much of Detroit's isolation may have originated with suburban racism pure and simple, Mayor Young certainly hasn't helped matters in recent years. At the end of the day, Michigan communities like Birmingham or Plymouth or Howell or Grand Ledge will be stronger if and when Detroit returns from exile and gets help.

Political leadership can help bring that about, which is why Dennis Archer's candidacy should be followed with interest by folks all over Michigan.

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MOMENTS by Bryan Mitchell



A Northville swimmer gets aid and comfort from a teammate after a tough race

Comforting

The evangelicals have an ally



Tim Richard

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Most papers call them "the religious right." They call themselves "evangelicals." Nationally, the formal group is known as Pat Robertson's "Conservative Coalition."

They are Christians of several denominations out to spread the faith. Their proselytizing has a political side, too. They have a tie-in to the Michigan Senate. Gil DiNello, the maverick Democrat from Macomb County has bought most of their political attack on the so-called Michigan Model.

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Recall a form of political civil war



Michael Malott

I am put in mind of the Civil War. I wasn't around back then so I have to rely on what the historians have written, and as I understand it 1861 was a pretty heavy time in this country. The South had seceded and the first shots had been fired at Fort Sumpter.

In the North, the men enlisting in the Union army thought it would be a short war, six months at the most. They would head down south, teach those rebel devils a lesson and soon return home. Likewise in the South, the belief was that the war would not take long. The South didn't have to win after all. It just had to repel the Union army. The South thought the Union army was in for a big surprise when the real fighting started. They expected the Yanks would quickly give up and go home.

On both sides, the belief was that the other side didn't really have a taste for a good fight. Both believed the other side didn't have the will to fight.

What neither side counted on was that the fighting itself strengthened their wills.

Recall petitions were filed Friday at the Oakland County courthouse to begin an ouster effort against three members of the Novi City Council. Named as targets are Joe Toth, Nancy

Cassis and Carol Mason. The reasons for recall are scheduled to be reviewed for clarity by the county Board of Elections on Dec. 2 and, assuming they pass muster there, the recallers will then be able to start collecting signatures.

I see recall as the political equivalent to civil war. And I have detected in these I have talked to about the recall the same kind of heavy outlook about what is to come. I get the feeling most are anticipating a quick and easy victory. Most seem to believe recall will be a fast and bloodless solution to Novi's current problems with council.

"It does nothing (more) than shake them up and realize that the citizens of Novi come first and not their own personal likes and dislikes. It will benefit the city," recall sponsor Art Cervi said last Friday.

I get the feeling Cervi believes a recall will teach the three a lesson. I think he envisions they'll say something like, "Oh, gee, I guess I've been a bad city council person. Sorry guys, I'll mend my ways."

"I'll never happen. I think Cervi is underestimating their will to fight."

You could hear it in the responses of the recall targets. "I think we're just going to take it over to the attorneys. I think it's an attempt (at) a smear campaign," Toth said Friday. Mason said, "I'm not going to play around with these people. If they have a right to recall, we have a right to know who's involved." She fired the first return volley, raising suspicions about the identity of those who are working with Cervi on the recall campaign.

Keep in mind that Toth, Cassis and Mason all have their own constituencies; they each have their own loyal supporters. Toth has been elected to the council over and over. Cassis was the highest vote getter in the 1989 election and Mason did very well in 1991, running a close second to the top vote earner.

The recallers obviously believe that support for this trio has diminished over the course of the year, that the problems which have cropped up since the new council took office has eroded those constituencies. Well, don't count on it.

Even if a recall were to be successful in ousting these three, the issue will not be over. Those who are thinking recall is the final solution to all of Novi's troubles should think again. All a successful recall may do is disenfranchise these three members' constituencies, which will then no longer have representation on the council. What's the solution to that problem? Why, to run new candidates in an attempt to regain some control of council.

The South did not, as predicted, rise again. But this country has lived with the aftermath of the Civil War for 150 years, and it affects us still. Attempt a recall against these three council members and you can expect a political bloodletting in Novi that will lead to divisiveness and attempts at retribution and retaliation for years to come.

Now is the time to think about whether that is the course you want to set for the City of Novi. Once the shooting starts, there will be no turning back.

Michael Malott is the Managing Editor of The Novi News.

Applauds Cassis, Toth, Mason, Pope

To the Editor:

I have resided in Novi for almost 22 years. I have witnessed the rapid growth that has occurred in this city. As a concerned citizen and taxpayer, I need to be reassured that elected City Council members are looking out for my best interests. I applaud and offer my support to the City Council members, Nancy Cassis, Carol Mason, Joseph Toth, Tim Pope, who voted for an independent assessment regarding the water main issue. I am dismayed by the efforts of some individuals who have a need to see this issue "disappear." By singling out and questioning ulterior motives of an individual City Council member, I too, question the motives of those opposed to the independent assessment. Personal attacks on certain individuals serve no useful purpose other than to detract from and "cloud" the issues.

Ed Krievall, City Manager, has been assigned to the task of locating an independent auditor. An independent auditor should be currently reviewing the amount of money in terms of personnel that the city of Novi is spending out on JCK's costs with other similar communities and their consultants to see if JCK is overcharging. The findings of the report are to be discussed at the Nov. 23, 1992, Novi City Council meeting.

Regardless of what the above study indicates, I see nothing wrong with a competitive bidding situation between the City of Novi hired consultants and other qualified consultants in the business. Frankly, I don't understand why the City of Novi never goes out for bids on its consulting services. If it weren't for the Watermaingate inquiry where cost overruns were discovered on a water main project, the consultant fee issue would have probably never surfaced. It is just good business practice to bid, especially when certain city con-

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sultants have had a lock on the business for over 10 years. The savings to taxpayers of the community could be considerable.

With a school millage facing us in December, a parkland millage facing us in January along with a possible skyrocketing of property assessments, I see nothing wrong in evaluating JCK's, Brandon Rogers' and David Pried's consulting costs with respect to other qualified consultants in the industry. Perhaps more in-house engineering services could be accommodated based on a detailed study of the entire matter.

The Novi City Council should be held accountable to see that its citizens' money is being spent wisely. In my opinion, any efforts to diffuse bidding process and covertly award future contracts should be construed as a blatant misuse of power and public trust.

Jim Utley

Packard takes over reins at OU

She began her career as a high school art teacher. Now she's out to paint a bright portrait of Oakland University — one that will attract Sandra Packard, 30, who will be inaugurated as the fourth president of the Rochester Hills-based university Friday, has been surprised to find that the school's national reputation seems to have bypassed the local area. "In the region, we're not as well known."

In recent talks to Oakland County officials and corporate executives, she told them about "what I regard as the university. I don't think we have done a very good job telling our story. I want to open us up and have them know they can access what we have."

Her journey from art teacher to president of a public university of about 12,500 students seems unlikely, if judged by traditional academic progression. But in her mind it's not startling because "things I had been doing were actually administration. And I liked doing those things."

Some of those include perpetuation of art therapy programs, chairing faculty research committees and beginning a national women in art organization.

"Even as a 10-year-old, I met a little boy with cancer who died. I organized a neighborhood carnival and we raised \$124 for cancer research."

Although she was picked as a prestigious ACE (American College of Education) Fellow — considered a training ground for college presidents — she said she had no long-range goal to be one.

That became her goal — "the day I learned I was getting this position."

Packard has put in six days a week, 16 hours a day in her first months on the job. That, she acknowledges, has been hard on her husband, Martin, who is in the midst of setting up his clinical psychology practice in downtown Rochester.

"He misses my company. If he's got a cold and needs TLC, I'm not there. The upside is that he has had time to take advantage of Oakland University's health institute. "He's lost at least 18 pounds," she said.

Packard's first priority has been to meet people. "I've been spending my energy getting to know people in the region and the university as a whole."

Her office doors open to the public on Friday afternoons and as she walks the campus, it's obvious that both faculty and students know who she is. And they aren't shy about telling their concerns, ranging from a light campus parking situation to dormitory food.

In this regard, she counts being a woman, indeed OU's first woman president, as an asset. "People might be a little less scared of a woman president. The title can be a barrier to getting the job done and having people be honest with you."

She turns the traditional roles of women as nurturers and homemakers into positives.

"I have a certain nurturing part of me. A university has to care about the people who teach and learn here. They have to make sure it is a humane and a safe place. I've been a mother."

Of her daughters, Dawn, 23, is a seasonal park ranger in Boulder, Colo., where she graduated from college, while Shana, 21, is a senior psychology major at the University of Kentucky.

A "purebred mutt," Leo, rounds out the family, and is "the son my husband never had." However, Leo must reside in the unheated dog room attached to Sunset Terrace, the president's official residence — because "I'm allergic."

She says she's also very sensitive to the way the campus looks. "We just painted our weight room. I told the maintenance crew, 'You have to remember I've been a homemaker, I'm going to be a nupticker.'"

In fact, the campus at the University of Tennessee-Chattanooga, where she was provost and vice chancellor for academic affairs, looks somewhat neat, she says. "Our students in Tennessee come to school a little dressier... there's a little more formality in going to school."

But, in OU's favor, "We don't have the same kind of problems with alcohol (as U-T)." She is pleased with OU's "wellness dorm" which offers students smoke, alcohol and drug-free rooming — and where there is more demand than space.

"College is a place where students need to learn their limits. Alcohol is one of those issues," she says. Another is diversity. "This area is more segregated than the south," Packard says. "A college campus is a place to learn to understand each other. You need diversity to do that."

"We're not a social agency," she acknowledges. "But we need to educate students to go out and solve social problems. I think universities must engage in solving the problems in this country."

On the strictly academic side, "College should be tough. Students need to be able to test themselves against a standard of excellence."

"We have a faculty really committed to our students."

Under Packard, look for OU to branch out — not only in taking its story to more people but perhaps even taking its classes on the road.

"We need to look at our focus," she says. "Are we good enough to take our programs off campus?"

So far, she hasn't had time to evaluate each department's strengths and weaknesses — and won't generalize until she has that information. Her decisions, she says, are "information-based. I don't do it off the cuff."

Packard is very conscious of the fact that OU is a public university, run with taxpayer money — and needs to be accountable.

"It's too soon because when you're new, people always tell you the good things about your university. "Where we have some weak programs, I'll learn."

Community Federal Credit Union begins collection of warm goods for their "Woody Tree," goods donated to Civic Concern for the needy Moraine Elementary School Holiday Musical, 7 p.m.

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County heads may roll in Patterson plan

Newly elected county executive L. Brooks Patterson said he plans to cooperate fully with Detroit and other municipalities, but not at the expense of Oakland County.

"I would never sacrifice the interests of Oakland County for some regional plan," Patterson said Nov. 5 in his first press conference since the election when he won the county's top political job with 58 percent of the vote.

The conference was called so Patterson could publicly announce key staff appointments. He also, sometimes in response to questions, talked about his priorities as Oakland's chief executive.

He named John L. Grubba, managing director of the Road Commission for Oakland County, and Douglas J. Williams, the county's chief deputy treasurer, as deputy county executives. He also named 10 members of a transition team, including Grubba and Williams.

"I'm cleaning house," said Patterson, who takes over the office vacated by outgoing county Executive Daniel T. Murphy on Jan. 1. "And I'll draft the best talent available."

The former Oakland County prosecutor said he is demanding letters of resignation from each department head. After some evaluation, he said he would reappoint some and let others go.

As his management team takes shape, Patterson said he intends to "flesh out" some of the ideas he touted in the campaign, namely the business roundtable and employee suggestion program.

As described during the campaign, the business roundtable is a group of business people, possibly as many as 125, appointed to advise on policies to enhance the county's business climate.

The employee suggestion program offers incentives — the top one being a trip for two to Hawaii — to those within the county's 4,500 work force who come up with meaningful ways to reduce waste or improve efficiency.

His priorities, Patterson said, is to manage the growth projected in Oakland, encourage economic growth while preserving the economy and streamlining government.

In response to questions about the future of SMART (the Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation), Patterson characterized it as a "falling economic system," but pledged to take a close look at it.

The Detroit bus system is also a failed economic system, he said. "If we combine them (as some propose) we'll simply have a bigger failed system."

Patterson said he is opposed to a suggestion, from Wayne County Executive Edward H. McNamara, that sales taxes be increased to provide funds for SMART. The amount paid by Oakland County residents would

be disproportionate to the benefit they would realize, Patterson explained.

Also in response to a question, Patterson said his new administration — unlike his transition team — would include minorities. "They will have an important role," he said.

His transition team included three women and seven men, none of whom are minorities.

During the campaign his Democratic opponent Elizabeth Howe criticized Patterson as quintessential of the old boy network she said dominates county government.

In addition to Grubba and Wil-

liams, Patterson's transition team includes Carmen V. Talbot, Patterson's secretary/executive assistant at the Auburn Hills law firm of Patterson, Potter, Carniak & Anderson; J. David VanderVeen, manager of aviation for the county airports in Pontiac and Troy; Jack C. Hays, corporation counsel; Nell Wallace, an attorney; Joseph Joachim, the county's former director of economic development who is currently a deputy executive to Daniel Murphy; Al Dietrich, owner of a Pontiac auto dealership; Debbie Joslin-Menke, Patterson's former campaign manager; and Deborah Haus-Turner, an account ex-

ecutive with Merchandising Incentives Corp. of Troy.

Although he is not yet an official member of the administration, Bob Dustman was Patterson's press secretary during the campaign, and he had the same role at Thursday's press conference. Speculation is that Dustman, a news anchor with radio station WXYT-AM, will be the county's next director of public information.

Mindful of public annoyance with old campaign signs, Patterson offered a bounty for old yard signs from the recently concluded executive campaign. He offered to pay 50 cents

for each of his signs, and 10 cents for those of his opponent. The offer has since expired.

Throughout the press conference, Patterson lived up to his reputation for humor and off-the-cuff wise cracks.

When introducing his deputies, for example, Patterson quipped, "These are the guys who will take over when I run for the U.S. Senate."

Although he has repeatedly said he will not run, Patterson is frequently mentioned as a possible candidate in 1994, when incumbent Democrat Donald W. Riegler Jr. is up for re-election.



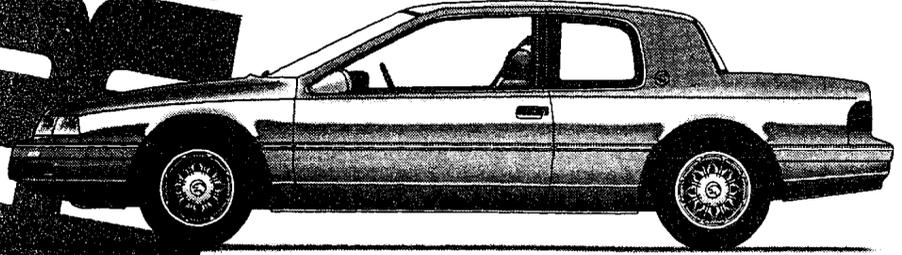
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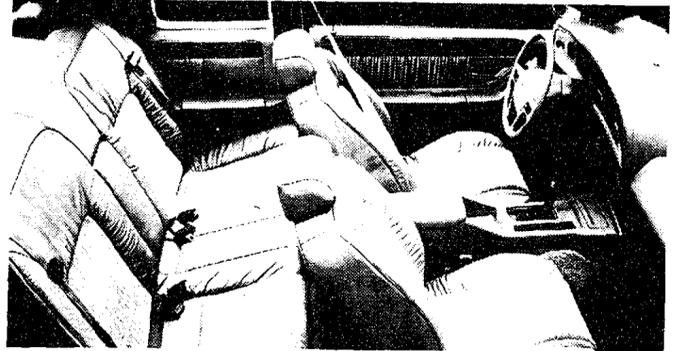
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Mailbox to whisk letters to Santa

To make sure that children's extremely urgent letters to Santa Claus get to their destination, Twelve Oaks is launching the "North Polestal Service" for the holiday season.

The service consists of magic mailbox in Grand Court that accepts a child's letter and speeds it on its way before the child's eyes.

With a flurry of delightful noises and lights, the letter appears to ascend with a whoosh up a 40-foot high tube into clouds on the ceiling, where flashes and a pop signal that it's blasting off into the sky above.

The magic mailbox, attended by a North Polestal Worker, will start accepting letters on Sunday, Nov. 22.

"We think children are going to love our North Polestal Service," said Elaine Kah, marketing director at Twelve Oaks. "Those who are sometimes shy or scared to give their letters to Santa in person now can use the magic mailbox."

The children, Kah said, get to do everything themselves, pressing a button to start the delivery system. "Every child who sends a letter to Santa at Twelve Oaks North Polestal Service," Kah said, "is guaranteed to get a reply from Santa himself."

The animated, computer driven device was developed in cooperation with m'Arch McCarty and his wife, Janet, who runs the Children's Theater of Michigan. The group presents shows to children throughout the state.

"It make really keen, magical sound," McCarty said. "There's a little explosion and you hear what sounds like the letter shooting up the tube chased by lights. Then light flashes in the clouds as the letter seems to shoot right through."

McCarty build the elaborate system, drawing on his past experience constructing props for the Michigan Opera Theater. he and his wife have entertained children at Twelve Oaks during past holiday seasons.

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Whitehall daycare program includes field trips to orchard/2B

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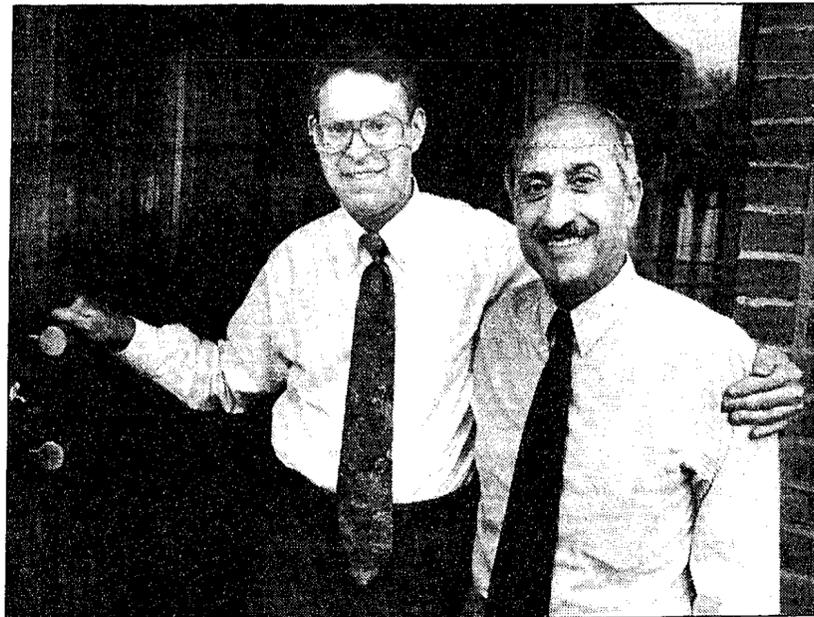
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Radio club addition means signals carry greater distance/3B

ARTS AND CRAFTS:
Jaycees present second holiday arts and crafts fair/4B



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Once, when he was on vacation, he called and asked how the laundry was doing.



Marvin Greenbaum (top photo) takes great pride in his work as a dishwasher at Victor's Novi Inn. He has worked for owner Victor Cassis for 18 years through Community Living Centers, an organization that helps the mentally handicapped to live on their own. Above, Marvin poses with Victor. The two have become good friends over the years, and Victor is proud of the steps Marvin has taken toward greater responsibility.

By CRISTINA FERRIER
Staff Writer

Marvin Greenbaum is very picky about how he washes the dishes.

Each one has to be rinsed just right, and each dish has to be sorted and placed into its proper size rack for the dishwasher.

Whenever he carries a new tray

of dishes to the sink, he washes those dishes right away. He doesn't want anyone else coming along and washing his dishes. He doesn't want anyone touching anything in his work area.

Marvin, 38, is different from the others who work at Victor's Novi Inn. He is mentally handicapped. And he is probably more dedicated to his work than anyone else can imagine being.

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Restaurant owner Victor Cassis has been training and employing mentally handicapped workers since 1970, when he owned a Big Boy restaurant in Farmington Hills. The workers are placed in his restaurant through Community Living Centers, a group home organization based in Farmington.

Marvin has worked with Victor for 18 years now. Not only has Marvin benefited from the work, but Victor and the other members of his staff have, as well.

Marvin has grown as a responsible citizen. When he first started working at the Big Boy, he lived in a group home with about 12 other people. Today he has his own apartment, which he shares with a friend.

"He has worked his way up to being a responsible citizen," Victor said with the pride a father might show in his own son.

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Volunteer



SUE POSTER

Committee volunteers improve recreation

By DOROTHY NASH
Special Writer

"All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy," could be a reason why Sue Poster, co-owner of Crawford's Bakery Connection, responded to a call for volunteers to form a Friends of Northville Parks and Recreation group to improve the community's recreation program.

There is a major space available at Fish Hatchery Park and also along Beck Road for public recreational use, but work needs to be done before either site can be fully used.

"Six of us," said Poster, started meeting in February. On July 14 they had an open house and organizational meeting. And now they have 62 members who do more than just talk.

Next spring they plan to clear land at Fish Hatchery, clean the pond, and build a bridge. "We can have either equipment (or) a track on the other side."

The big project, of course, is get-

ting the Beck Road property ready for three baseball diamonds and three soccer fields. That will take money, \$300,000, primarily to have the land cleared of clay and also cement pipes which have been dumped there.

"After it has been leveled and seeded," Poster said, "we can build backdrops and bleachers, and a refreshment center."

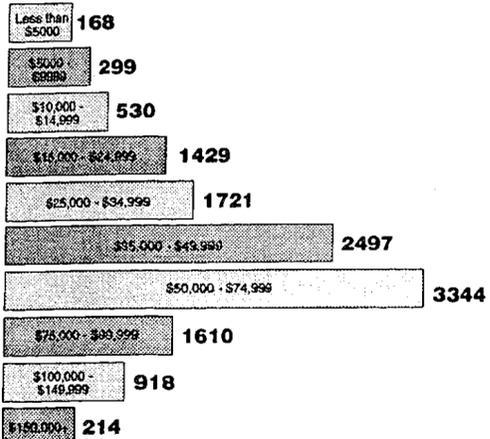
But where to get the money? One big way, Poster said, that they're planning, is to have a sit-down dinner for 200 next spring, and "we'll have a silent auction with local businesses contributing items. There are 450 businessmen in Northville, and we hope one-half will donate or purchase items."

If you think Northville's recreation program is important, why not volunteer your financial or hands-on support? Call Sue Poster at 349-3126 or come to a meeting the second Thursday at 8 p.m. at the Rec Center.

Its A Fact

Household Income

There are 12,730 households in Novi. The median household income is \$47,518.



On Campus



Albion College sophomore JENIFER CRAWFORD is color guard as part of the Albion College marching band, The British Eighth. The British Eighth is so named because of the tradition followed by the band. The band's size, instrumentation and uniform are modeled after the military bands of early 20th century England. The band maintains several British traditions including the use of British music and a salute to the British flag during the pregame performance. The band is directed by John Blakemore, assistant professor of music.

Crawford, an economics and accounting major, is a 1991 graduate of Novi High School. She is the daughter of John and Linda Crawford of Novi.

In Uniform

Army National Guard Pvt. RYAN P. DEVEREAUX has completed basic military police training at Fort McClellan in Annapolis, Md.

Students were trained to provide support to the battlefield by conducting battlefield circulation control, area security, prisoner of war operations, and law and order operations. Also included in the course were peacetime support to the military community through security of resources, crime prevention programs, and preservation of law and order.

Deveraux is the son of Patrick F. and Christine M. Deveraux of Novi. He graduated from Novi High School in 1990.

Marine Cpl. TERENCE T. STEWART was recently honorably discharged from his present rank while serving with Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron 262, First Marine Expeditionary Brigade, Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii.

Stewart received the accelerated promotion in recognition of outstanding performance of duty, proficiency and professional abilities.

He joined the Marine Corps in March, 1989.

Jaycees plan holiday craft fair

By CRISTINA FERRIER
Staff Writer

The Novi Jaycees, in conjunction with the Novi Arts Council, will present a holiday arts and crafts fair Nov. 28 and 29 to benefit a scholarship fund for local students.

According to organizer Charlene Atkins, the fair will offer hundreds of items in the \$5 to \$50-plus price range, all of which have been

adjudicated.

"We will be having some hand paintings, jewelry, and crocheted items, including a full line of dolls and doll clothing that is all crocheted," she said. Among the many other items for sale will be glass and crystal Christmas ornaments and wreaths.

"We're kind of shy away from clothing articles," she added, explaining that organizers want the show to provide more "arts" than

"crafts."

"We don't want junk," she said. All money from the event will go into a scholarship fund that provides college funds for Novi High School seniors who have studied in the performing arts.

The show is scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 28 and Sunday, Nov. 29. It will open at 10 a.m. on Saturday and noon on Sunday. Each day will close at 4 p.m.

Over 50 crafters from throughout

Michigan will participate in the show. This is the second year for the event to take place during Thanksgiving weekend.

Admission at the door is \$1 per person. Food will be available throughout the weekend. The Novi High School choir will have their Christmas tape available for sale and the boosters will hold a bake sale. Items donated by the crafters will be raffled off each hour of the show.

Borders Book Shop lists free holiday events

Families may win tickets to a beloved ballet or a vacation in Alaska thanks to two exciting contest drawings to be held at Borders Book Shop during the holiday season. The drawings will highlight the store's schedule of free events for families and children.

Saturday, Nov. 28, 11 a.m. — Nutcracker Drawing — Meet sugarplum-bearing characters and enter to win four tickets (two adult, two children) to The Nutcracker Ballet performed by the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra and the Plymouth-Canton Company, plus Phyllida Gil's Nutcracker pop-up book from HarperCollins.

Saturday, Dec. 5, 11 a.m. — Kid-stuff: Santa Claus and Sign Language. Smile for a snapshot with Santa Claus (Neil Noland) and talk with him too. Sign language assistance will be available until noon.

Saturday, Dec. 12, 11 a.m. — Po-

lar Express Drawing. The lucky winner of Houghton Mifflin's Polar Express Alaska Vacation drawing will receive a Polar Express Audio Gift Set and will automatically be entered in the publisher's grand prize drawing for a family trip to Alaska.

Sunday, Nov. 8, 11 a.m. — Brunch Recital. Enjoy traditional Irish folk music by Mary Lou and Hough Batley of Brunch's Harp and Hammers, and seasonal brunch fare from Edward's Caterers of Northville.

Friday, Dec. 4, 8 p.m. — Shop 'Til you Drop. Cool jazz and classical woodwind music makes for atmospheric evening, with sophisticated jazz tunes by Patii and Mike Letovsky.

Friday, Dec. 11, 7 p.m. — They Come a-Caroling. The Northville Singers, four students from Northville High School, provide a festive touch with their striding performance of holiday songs.

Sunday, Dec. 13, noon — Pre-Kwanzaa Festival. Sample the foods and enjoy the music of Kwanzaa, with musical Naim Abdul Rauf playing traditional African instruments including the kora and balafon. The Afrocentric holiday is celebrated from Dec. 26 to Jan. 1.

Detroit Free Press columnist Mitch Albom will sign copies of *Love Alborn III*, his latest collection of columns Saturday, Nov. 21 at 1 p.m. at Borders Book Shop in the Novi Town Center. Albom, who was voted No. 1 columnist in the nation four years in a row by the Associated Press, writes a general interest column in the Sunday "Comment" section of the Free Press in addition to his regular sports column.

Midland co-authors Harvey and Audrey Hirsch will sign copies of *The Creche of Krakou*, their popular Christmas story, Sunday, Dec. 6, at 2 p.m. at Borders Book Shop in the Novi Town Center. *The Creche of Krakou*, the heartwarming tale of a cherished memento that is lost when its owner dies Poland in 1939, was written as a four-part newspaper serial commissioned by *The Midland Daily News*; it was published in book form last year by Momentum Books of Ann Arbor.

Lambda Award-winning author Lev Raphael will sign copies of *Winter Eyes*, his first novel, Friday, Dec. 18 at 6:30, at Borders Book Shop in Novi. *Winter Eyes* is the coming-of-age story of a young man whose parents shield him from their painful Holocaust memories. It is published by St. Martin's Press, which also published Raphael's award-winning collection of short stories, *Dancing On Tisha B'ar*. Raphael, who lives in Okemos, grew up in New York, the son of Holocaust survivors.

Borders Book Shop is located in the Novi Town Center, off Novi Road, just south of I-96.

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By WILLIAM T. TOMICKI
New York Times Travel Syndicate

Q: We are visiting Yale University in New Haven, Conn., and want to stay in a small, fine hotel or inn near the campus. Any ideas?

A: One possibility is the Inn at Chapel West in New Haven. It is a restored Victorian mansion, built around 1860. Each room is furnished with antiques and period pieces; many have fireplaces. The inn is near cultural offerings in the city including local theater, art galleries, museums, gardens, nature centers, antique stores — and the university.

Strolling the Yale campus is a beautiful way to experience the warmth of New England's autumn color. For further information contact the Inn at Chapel West, 1201 Chapel St., New Haven, Conn., or call (203) 777-1201.

Q: Can you recommend a Los Angeles restaurant that would both amuse and nourish our teen-agers?

A: Mention Chattanooga and every one thinks of one thing, but there's much more to this surprising city in the hills of southern Tennessee than the Chattanooga Choo-choo.

In fact, the last passenger train stopped rolling in 1970, and the old railroad station has been turned into a rather remarkable hotel and repository of railroad lore.

But from its enormously successful new \$45 million aquarium to its Civil War landmarks to some venerable natural attractions in and around the city, Chattanooga is becoming an increasingly popular destination.

The biggest new draw is the Tennessee Aquarium, billed as the world's largest aquarium to focus on freshwater habitats. On the banks of the Tennessee River, the aquarium with its environmentally sensitive setting has helped draw attention to the city's efforts to clean up its air and water. The main problem has been accommodating the crowds, and peak periods bring lengthy waits.

But fall, when the heat cools down and the lush hills are covered in dazzling colors, is always a good time to visit either the city or the mountains, scenic and scenic roads a short drive away.

SIGHTSEEING The Tennessee Aquarium, 1 Broad St., 615-265-0695, has really put Chattanooga on the map as a tourist destination, and with good reason. Beginning with a soaring recreation of the Tennessee River's source in the Appalachian high country forest and tracing its path through the Mississippi Delta, the 130,000-square-foot aquarium in-

cludes 4,000 fish and 300 species in seven major freshwater tanks and two terrestrial environments. Open every day except Thanksgiving and Christmas from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Admission is \$8.75; \$4.75 for children 3 to 12, and free for children under 3.

Another popular destination is the Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military Park, 10 miles south of Chattanooga in Port Oglethorpe, Ga. on U.S. Highway 27, 706-866-9241.

There are 1,400 monuments along the 7-mile park drive, and in the summer park rangers give exhibitions and talks. In the visitors center a truly first-rate film chronicles the 1863 Civil War battle and the men who fought it. The film costs \$2.25 for adults, \$1 for senior citizens and children under 16. Open daily 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; June 1 to Labor Day, 8:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Admission is \$4.52 for children 6 to 12.

Perhaps the most famous of Chattanooga's scenic attractions is Rock City, 1400 Patten Road on Lookout Mountain just outside town, 706-820-2531. The 60-year-old 10-acre attraction features unique rock formations exhibits for children and a lover's leap with a dazzling view that on a clear day is said to look out over seven states. Open every day except Christmas from 8:30 until sundown. Admission is \$7.50; \$3.75 for children 3 to 12 and free for children under 3.

Not far away on Lookout Mountain is Ruby Falls on State Highway 148, 615-821-2544, a remarkable cavern and 145-foot, multi-colored underground waterfall with lots of activities for children. Open daily from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. through October; 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. from November through March. Admission is \$7.25; \$3.25 for children 6 to 12.

Also nearby is the Lookout Mountain Incline Railway, 3917 St. Elmo Ave., with a ride up Lookout Mountain that's billed as the world's steepest passenger railway — a grade of 72.7 percent near the top. The mile-long ride up and down the mountain takes about 10 minutes. Round trip, \$6.83 for children 3 to 12.

Attractions indoors include the Houston Museum of Decorative Arts, 201 High St., 615-267-7176, which houses the collection of the local antique dealer Anna Safley Houser and includes furniture, porcelain, glass and textile pieces from the 18th to the 20th centuries. Admission is free. Open Tuesday to Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and Sunday from 2-4:30 p.m.

The city's main art museum is the Hunter Museum of Art, 10 Bluff View, 615-267-0968, part of which is housed in a lovely mansion once the home of the Coca-Cola magnate and philanthropist George Thomas Hunter.

In addition to the collection, which is particularly strong on art of the Southeast, there's a lovely sculpture garden with a view overlooking the Tennessee River and Macland Island Wildlife Sanctuary. Open Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Sunday 1 to 4:30 p.m. An admission donation of \$2 is suggested for adults; \$1 for children. A popular shopping spot downtown is Warehouse Row, 1110 Market St., 615-267-1111, converted turn-of-the-century railroad warehouses that have been transformed into more than 30 designer outlet stores featuring merchandise for labels such as Albert Nipon, Perry Ellis, Adrienne Vittadini and Ralph Lauren. Open Monday to Saturday, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Sunday, noon to 6 p.m.

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The old ticket windows and passenger waiting area under an 85-foot dome have been turned into the hotel lobby and front desk. The most requested accommodations are 48 rooms, each occupying one half of a restored railroad passenger car. A double costs \$105. A standard double elsewhere in the complex costs \$85.

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The 130,000-square-foot Tennessee Aquarium holds 4,000 fish in seven major freshwater tanks.

Photo courtesy of the Tennessee Aquarium

The famous 'choo-choo' is gone But Chattanooga is loaded with plenty of activities for tourists

By PETER APPLEBOME
New York Times Travel Syndicate

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Another restaurant downtown is the Green Room at the Radisson Read House, 827 South Broad St., 615-268-4121. The highlight is a \$13.95 Sunday champagne brunch, which includes dishes ranging from souffles to poached salmon.

Across from the Aquarium is 212 Market, 212 Market St., 615-265-1212, where specialties include a grilled catch-of-the-day for \$16 to \$18, seafood lettuce for \$13.85 and such desserts as Death by David, a flourless chocolate cake for \$4.25.

The Vine Street Market, 414 Vine St., 615-267-8165, is a combination restaurant and gourmet grocery shop. Specialties include tenderloin filet topped with green peppercorn sauce for \$14.95.

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So you think you're interested in landing a travel industry job

By GENE and ADELE MALOTT
New York Times Travel Syndicate

Many of our readers request information about jobs in the travel industry.

After all, what better way of earning money can there be for folks who love to get up and go?

Here is a typical inquiry: "DEAR TM: I am a widower, retired but active, and am looking for something to fill my time. I used to have a friend who gave lectures to tourists in his city and was wondering about doing that myself."

I am a lifelong resident of Atlanta and know its every corner. Plus, I used to be a high school English teacher, so I have a gift of gab. I wonder if any jobs are available — part time, I hope, for retired people as tour guides? Albert Van Meter, Atlanta, Georgia

Mountain Park, 16 miles east of Atlanta, if you know it well.

You also might be interested in the booklet "Step Up to Step-On Guiding" (Novak, 1991, 1469 E. Stratford Ave., Salt Lake City, Utah 84106; 76 pages, \$5.45) by Vera Novak.

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DEAR AVMT: Travel jobs of any kind for people of any age are hard to come by, but you're best bet is to use that hometown knowledge and "gift of gab" to try to land a job as a step-on guide.

That's probably what your friend was: a local resident who joins a tour party — usually a motor-coach group — and leads them around town or to more localized areas of interest. An example for you might be the popular Zion

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Christmas Walk opens season

The evergreen roping and other decorations have been up for a few days, but this weekend is when downtown Northville officially welcomes the holiday season.

Merchants and volunteers have combined to prepare the annual Christmas Walk downtown from noon to 5 p.m. this Sunday. It joins the annual Christmas Walk at Mill Race Historical Village, all afternoon both Saturday and Sunday.

In addition to a particularly extensive decorating campaign in Northville's historic downtown, the attractions of the Christmas Walk are many. Merchants throughout the community will offer specials and refreshments including hot chocolate, punch and doughnuts.

Free carriage rides will be available between 12:30 and 3:30 p.m. Sunday, sponsored by Northville Jewelers and M.T. Hunter. Rides leave from the corner of Main and Hutton. Also, well-known pianist David Syme will perform at Morrison's antiques on Main Street between 1 and 4 p.m. Sunday. The eclectic performer is equally at home with popular and classical music.

Meanwhile, the buildings and grounds of Northville's living history museum, Mill Race Historical Village, will be open from noon to 5 p.m. both Saturday and Sunday. Trained guides will lead visitors around the village with a wealth of information.

In addition, the village will become something of a craft center with many chances to buy a special gift. The Christmas Walk will provide



Pianist David Syme will play during the Christmas Walk.

only the start of Christmas activities in Northville. Future weekends will see the official opening of the town's "Dickens Christmas" theme after Thanksgiving, the arrival of Santa Claus and lighting of the community

Christmas tree, and much more. The Christmas Walk, in one form or another, has opened the holiday season in Northville for more than 25 years. For more information on downtown activities, call the Northville Community Chamber of Commerce at 349-7640. For more information on Mill Race Historical Village, call the Northville Historical Society at 348-1845.

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Three 'Cats make all-area first team

Speed, strength and finesse — three words that go a long way in describing this year's HomeTown Newspapers' East All-Area football first team offense. Led by Player of the Year Bill Ray Porter of South Lyon, our squad would give any defensive coordinator nightmares.

The first team backfield features two 1,000-rushers, an record-setting quarterback and sure-handed receivers. In front of that talented group stands an imposing offensive line headed by South Lyon's Chad White and Novi's Greg Fortner.

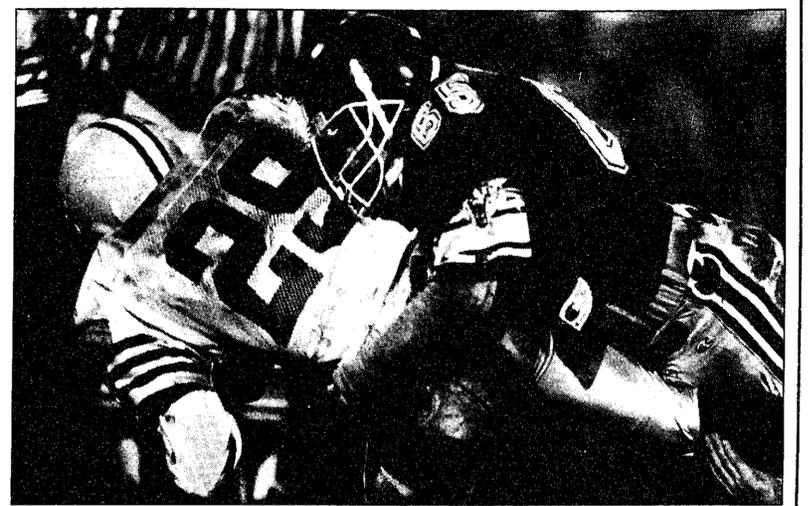
Northville's Mike Hirvala adds a potent finishing touch. The junior kicker nailed three field goals longer than 30 yards and one of more than 40 yards.

All players can only be named to one of the four All-Area teams. Here's a closer look at the 1992 first team offense:

JOHN LAHTI
Novi quarterback
"The senior rewrote the Wildcats' passing records this fall. Lahti completed 110 of 236 passes for 1,695 yards, which ranked among the state's top five quarterbacks. He also threw for 15 touchdowns. Not bad for a guy who had seen little varsity action before this season. Coach John Osborne Lahti brought confident leadership to his team and an excellent knowledge of the game. He said the QB showed lots of maturity under fire as well. "I was impressed with his ability to throw under pressure," Osborne said. "The team had a lot of confidence in him. You don't win without the team having confidence in (the quarterback)."

BILL PORTER
South Lyon halfback
There is little doubt who deserves the All-Area Player of the Year award this season. Porter rushed for 2,098 yards this season, bringing his two-year total to 3,752. One of the most exciting high school players in the state, Porter thrilled crowds with his elusive maneuvering.

"He's had a tremendous season," Scheloske said. "He's one of the best in the state, no question. "Very elusive and an entertain-



Novi's Greg Fortner made our first team offense this fall.

ing back to watch for two years." "He has natural elusiveness and then you try to blend it in with blocking — you combine the two

together and then he can run long distances." **JEFF MOLLARD**
Lakeland halfback

Mollard was third in conference rushing with 1,108 yards in eight games, just edged out by Brighton's Clint Copenhaver who recorded 1,108 (Mollard didn't play in the

nal game due to a knee injury). "He made tremendous progress since last year," said Lakeland's Mike Scheloske. **Continued on 9**

Intown

Music

GITFIDDLER CONCERT/WORKSHOP SERIES: The Gitfiddler Music Store, 302 E. Main, offers a concert/workshop one Friday each month. For information or reservations call 349-9420.

Nov. 20 at 7:30 p.m. will feature Betsy Beckerman and her three-woman group Skylark. They sing three-part harmonies and perform on all acoustic instruments including hammered dulcimer, fiddle, mandolin, and guitar.

The Gitfiddler will present an Acoustic Christmas Concert on Dec. 11 with Mary Lou Batley, Hugh Batley and Chris Wheeland leading the way on a variety of instruments.

SCHOOLCRAFT CONCERT: Folk and blues singer Josh White Jr. will perform with Ron Coden at 1 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 5, in the Waterman Campus Center at Schoolcraft College.

The concert, presented by the college's athletic department, will raise funds for athletic scholarships. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children under 12. They can be obtained by calling 462-4477. Personal checks, Visa, MasterCard, and Discover will be accepted.

STARTING GATE: The Starting Gate Salon offers live music every Friday and Saturday night from 9 p.m. to 1:30 a.m.

The Starting Gate is located at 135 N. Center St. in downtown Northville.

PIANO BAR: Pianists Anthony Lang and James Jewhurst play every Tuesday through Saturday from 7:11 p.m. in the Tara Lounge, in the Hotel Barometrie at Twelve Oaks Mall.

The entertainment is provided for patrons of Tara restaurant and lounge.

MR. B'S FARM: Mr. B's Farm, on Novi Road north of Ten Mile, presents live music all week with no cover charge.

Sunday is a "Strings N' Things Jam" from 9 p.m. to midnight every Sunday night. Local artists get together for impromptu jams.

with such favorites as "Misty," "New York, New York" and "Moonlight Serenade."

PIANO MAN: Pianist Tom Altenburg is now performing nightly at the Country Epicure Restaurant, Tuesday through Saturday. Crowds are welcome to sing along beginning at 7 p.m. each night.

Country Epicure is located at 42050 Grand River between Meadowbrook and Novi roads. For more information call 349-7770.

WEEKNIGHT JAZZ: Home Sweet Home restaurant, on Nine Mile just east of Novi Road, offers live jazz every Wednesday from 8-11 p.m.

Performances are by the Buddy Budson Band with featured vocalist Eric Brandon. Often local jazz stars like Ursula Walker and Marcus Belgrave sit in as well.

There is no additional charge for the performances. For more information, call the restaurant at 347-0095.

THEATRE

THE CRUCIBLE: Novi Parks and Recreation Youth Theatre's Performance Plus presents Arthur Miller's *The Crucible*.

Performances are at the Novi Civic Center stage at 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Nov. 20 and 21, and at 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 22. Advance tickets are \$6 for adults and \$4 for seniors and children under 12. Tickets at the door are \$7 and \$5.

Novi Civic Center is located at 45175 W. Ten Mile, east of Taft. Call 347-0400 for more information.

MURDER MYSTERIES, OPERA AT GENITTI'S: Genitti's Hole-in-the-Wall Restaurant continues to present its Murder Mystery and Verdi Opera Dinner Theatre performances.

Genitti's now has three different production companies performing three different Murder Mystery Dinner Theatres. Every Friday evening at 7:30 p.m. separate performances are planned in separate dining rooms. Reservations are required. Free shows. Special performances of the Murder Mystery Dinner Theatre are available any day of the week.

Dinner is served. As the crime unfolds during the performance, the guests try to discover who "committed the murder" through clues given out during heated exchanges between cast members. Small gifts are awarded to those who correctly guess the identity of the murderer.

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

Genitti's "Hole-in-the-Wall" restaurant is located in downtown Northville at 108 E. Main St. just east of Center Street (Sheldon Road). The Murder Mystery Dinner Theatre and the Verdi Opera Dinner Theatre in-

cluding the seven-course dinner costs \$29.95 per person (including tax and tip).

Please phone 349-0522 or fax 349-4641 for reservations. Group rates are available. Large parties can be accommodated for any performance.

Art

ONE-PERSON SHOW: Local watercolor artist Caroline Dunphy will present a one-person show of impressions of Holland, Belgium, Luxembourg, and France Dec. 7-19.

The show will feature watercolors of Dunphy's three trips to Europe this year as well as three visits to Monet's home and gardens at Giverny, France. Paintings include country scenes, views of people in everyday activities, and many of Monet's gardens.

The show will take place at her studio and gallery, Painter's Place, 140 N. Center in downtown Northville. Hours are noon to 5 Monday through Saturday and noon to 4 p.m. Sunday.

ATRIUM GALLERY: Visit the Atrium Gallery in new, larger quarters. The gallery is now located at 113 N. Center St. in Northville. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Saturday. Thursday evenings until 7 p.m. For more information call 349-4191.

GATE VI GALLERY: The Gate VI Gallery is located in the atrium of the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile.

Literature

BOOKSTALL SIGNINGS: The Bookstall-on-the-Main, 101 N. Center in downtown Northville, has two appearances scheduled for authors to sign copies of their books.

From 1 to 3 p.m. Nov. 27, author Nancy Shaw will autograph her book *Out to Eat*.

From 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 12, former Northville resident Mildred Peterson will meet old friends and sign copies of her new book, *The Loves of Loretta*.

BORDERS: The following events are scheduled at Borders Book Shop in the Novi Town Center.

Eleventy-Fun: Eleventy-Fun is the mnemonic name for the free children's programs scheduled at 11 a.m. on Saturdays at Borders in Novi. As seating is limited, children should be pre-registered in person or by telephone at 347-0780. Scheduled programs include:

Saturday, Nov. 28 — Nutcracker Drawing. Meet sugarplum-bearing characters and enter to win four tickets (two adult, two children 9 and under) to The Nutcracker ballet performed by the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra and the Plymouth-Canton Ballet Company, plus Phillida Gill's Nutcracker pop-up book from

HarperCollins.

Saturday, Dec. 5 — Kidstuff: Santa Claus and Sign Language. Smile for a snapshot with Santa Claus and talk with him too. Sign language assistance will be available until noon.

Booked at Borders Novi: Booked at Borders Novi is the name of the free adult programs and events scheduled weeknights and after hours at Borders Book Shop in the Novi Town Center. As seating is limited, all attendees should pre-register in person or by telephone at 347-0780. Scheduled events include:

Friday, Dec. 4, 8 p.m. — Shop 'Til You Bop. Cool jazz and classical woodwind music makes for atmosphere aplenty, with sophisticated yuletide tunes by Patii and Mike Letovsky.

Friday, Dec. 11, 7 p.m. — They Come a-Caroling. The Northville Singers, four students from Northville High School, provide a festive touch with their strolling performance of holiday songs.

Sunday, Dec. 13, noon — Pre-Kwanzaa Festival. Sample the foods and enjoy the music of Kwanzaa, with musician Naim Abdul Rauf playing traditional African instruments including the kora bilafone. The Afrocentric holiday is celebrated from Dec. 26 to Jan. 1.

Detroit Free Press columnist Mitch Albom will sign copies of *Like Albert*, his latest collection of columns, Saturday, Nov. 21 at 1 p.m. at Borders Book Shop.

Midland co-authors Harvey and Audrey Hirsch will sign copies of *The Creche of Krakow*, their popular Christmas story, Sunday, Dec. 6, at 2 p.m. at Borders. *The Creche of Krakow* is the heartwarming tale of a cherished memento that is lost when its owner flees Poland in 1939, was written as a four-part newspaper serial commissioned by the *Midland Daily News*. It was published in book form last year by Momentum Books of Ann Arbor.

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Osborne: watch out for gridders in '93

By SCOTT DANIEL
Sports Editor

John Osborne has a message for the rest of the Kensington Valley Conference: 1993 will be the year of the 'Cat.

"There is a feeling that we are ready to roll again," the Novi High football coach said. "We're back and we'll be interested in playing football in November next year."

Osborne has reason for optimism. After going 4-5 in 1991, Novi turned that mark around to 5-4 this fall — the seventh time in eight years the Wildcats have finished with a winning record.

Kevin Serra, Andy Sill and Brian Cordas will be three focal points for Novi when summer practice begins in August. And if that trio's senior year turns out like its junior campaign, Novi may just wrestle the crown away from South Lyon.

"We will be knocking on the door," Osborne said. "As for the just-ended season, the Lions put a lock on the league crown. South Lyon finished 5-1 while Novi was a distant third at 3-3 in the league."

Osborne said his team's intelligence also helped the team's success. "I was concerned going in where we were headed," he said. "We didn't have size. We were hoping that quickness would allow us to compete."

Fischer makes top defensive squad

The 1992 HomeTown Newspapers East All-Area defense is a ferocious compilation of size, speed and punishing power. Led by the area's top hitter, South Lyon linebacker Ken Nelson, the defense showcases some of the best talent from two conferences.

Lakeland's James Kolodziej and Northville's John Gatti dominate the defensive line, while speedy backs like Northville's Danny Walsh and South Lyon's Mike McDaniels look to pick off passes or come up and lay a hit on unsuspecting backs.

With Brian Cordas and Brogan Johnson coming from the outside, no quarterback is safe for long.

JAMES KOLODZIEJ
Lakeland tackle
Kolodziej showed great versatility through the year as a two-way starter at tackle and even put in a stint at linebacker. The 6-foot-2, 217-pound senior was an All-KVC pick.

"He's strong and quick," said Lakeland coach Bill Mohr. "He uses his quickness to his advantage. He did a fine job at tackle and played the last two games at linebacker. He did an outstanding job for us."

JOHN GATTI
Northville tackle
At 6-foot-11 and 220 pounds, Gatti dominated from his defensive end slot. Teams often ran away from the junior, but his 4.8 speed allowed him to make 66 tackles anyway.

Even more impressive, Gatti totaled 17 tackles for losses. He also blocked a punt and caused one fumble.

"I think he gained a lot of respect as the season went along," coach Darrel Schumacher said. "Gatti may have big school potential, the coach added."

"He's one good athlete," Schumacher said.

JASON LAMONTAGNE
South Lyon tackle
The senior lineman, who will be a factor for the Lions' hoops this winter, worked hard in the off-season to prepare for football.

"He improved his quickness," said South Lyon coach Bob Scheloske. "He worked on the jump rope, and the basketball this summer helped him too."

LaMontagne, a senior, learned early on that he would be a defensive specialist.

"We told him at the start of the year that he would be defense only

and to concentrate on defense," Scheloske said. "He has an ability to diagnose the play and make tackles."

BRIAN SCORDAS
Novi outside linebacker
Scordas was a great two-way player for Novi. As a linebacker the junior had 77 tackles and one interception.

"He's a very good tackler," Novi coach John Osborne said.

The coach said Scordas also shows good anticipation and is often successful in deceiving offenses as to what he will do on a particular play.

KEN NELSON
South Lyon linebacker
Also one of the top backs in the area, Nelson earned 697 yards in the regular season. The All-KVC senior's defensive prowess earns him the nod at linebacker.

"He's a tremendous hitter," Scheloske said. "He leads the team in tackles, he forces fumbles, he gets interceptions. He also punts for us, he's a great all-around athlete."

"He's got excellent strength, and there aren't too many people who hit harder. He's an excellent hitter."

"He has a great sense of timing," Osborne said.

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Schumacher named area Coach of the Year

If you listen to Darrel Schumacher, he'd have you believe that his Northville High football team relied solely on luck and determination to make the state playoffs this fall.

And whatever success the Mustangs did enjoy in 1992 is because of his players and assistant coaches. While he, indeed, may be partially correct, we think Schumacher should take a little credit for himself.

In the preseason, prognosticators had Northville as a middle-of-the-pack team in the Western Lakes Activities Association. All Schumacher did was lead the Mustangs to its best overall finish in the conference (third), a 6-3 record and trip to the playoffs.

"That's why Darrel Schumacher is HomeTown Newspapers' East All-Area Coach of the Year."

"Enjoy working with young people and (coaching) is another way to do it," said Schumacher, a math teacher at NHS. "I've always had fun doing it. Coaching and teaching go together hand in hand."

"To be a good coach you have to be a good teacher. To be a good teacher you have to be a good coach."

Schumacher began his career at Northville in 1973 as a junior varsity coach. He then spent nine years as an assistant coach before becoming the Mustangs' head man over the last six campaigns.

A South Lyon resident, Schumacher holds a teaching certificate from Ferris State University.

Working with young people and having the chance to guide them in a different arena than the classroom got him into coaching.

"You have their attention more because it's something they want to do," Schumacher commented. "I get a lot more out of it than I give."

Northville has been consistent under Schumacher. The Mustangs have gone 6-3 the last three seasons. In 1990, the squad made it to the semifinals in Class A.

"We are definitely on an upward move," he said. "We get good kids that give a lot back. I think we are headed in the right direction."

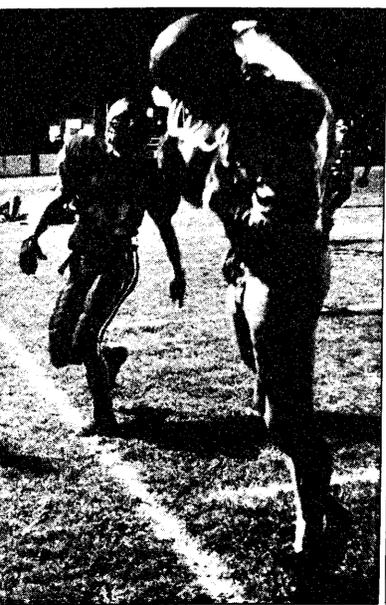
Schumacher said he isn't sure when he will have his fill of walking the sidelines. Off-field stresses, such as assistant coaches leaving the program, are the only downside to the job, he added.

Besides, the coach has a few more goals to satisfy before he hangs up his whistle.

"I think in my mind I have personal challenges that I want to accomplish," Schumacher explained. "That's what brings you back."

Among those are winning WLA and Western Division titles. As for this past season, Schumacher said his team put forth the maximum effort.

(Editor's note: Schumacher wished to give assistant coaches Tim McLaughlin, John Briningstool, Dave Crain, Dave Iafolla and Dennis Colligan special credit in winning the award.)



Kevin Serra made lots of big catches for the Wildcats including this one against Northville.

Sill wins nomination

The HomeTown Newspapers' East All Area second team offense roars out with a three-back set with the mangled aim of touchdown terror Guy Dufresne at quarterback.

Dufresne's favorite receiver is in the lineup in Lakeland's Bob Furmanek, while South Lyon's Brogan Johnson is a receiving threat and a top notch blocker at tight end.

The Lions' Chris Arden and Scott Douglas combine with Northville's Derek White and Fred Swarthout to open holes for the backs and give Dufresne all day to pass.

Through the air or on the ground, the All Area second team offense is a force to be reckoned with.

All players can only be named to one of the four All-Area teams.

GUY DUFRESNE Lakeland quarterback

A master at working Lakeland's wing T offense, Dufresne put up the numbers both in the air and on the ground. The KV's most efficient passer at 65 percent (11 of 17), the senior threw for 441 yards and 10 touchdowns as well as rushing for 332.

"He knows the offense very well," Mohr said. "He was able to execute the offense the way we wanted it run. He has good leadership and stays calm."

Dufresne and the Eagles often lured defensive backs to sleep with a

persistent running game and first-class faking. Especially in scoring situations, the faked run would draw defensive backs in and give Dufresne a wide-open receiver.

"One out of four of his completions were for touchdowns," Mohr said. "That's a pretty good rating."

Dufresne was also an All-KVC punter, averaging 38.6.

ANDY SILL Novi halfback

Despite his size (155 pounds), Sill proved to be a durable back in the Wildcat offense. The junior ran 165 times for 866, 5.2 yards per carry, and six touchdowns.

Novi coach John Osborne said Sill has almost all the tools to be a great runner. "The only thing he doesn't have is breakaway speed," he said. Osborne noted that Sill was a good inside runner.

"There were very few times that he was stopped by the first tackler," he added. "He's a very tough back."

KEVIN SHAW Northville halfback

An All-Western Lakes Activities Association performer, Shaw put up good numbers despite not being Northville's featured back.

The senior ran for 562 yards and five touchdowns. He also caught passes for two more touchdowns.

"He's an excellent 1-back," North-

ville coach Darrel Schumacher said. "He doesn't let you get a good clean hit on him. That makes him a good back."

DOUG WELCHNER Lakeland fullback

Part of Lakeland's nearly unstoppable offense that averaged 33.4 points per game, Welchner diversified the Eagle running game. The senior All-KVC selection played most of the year at fullback, but switched to halfback when Lakeland's 1,000-yard rusher Jeff Mollard was injured.

Racking up 839 yards on 91 carries, Welchner was a potent weapon in the Eagles' multi-pronged attack.

"He goes full speed all the time," said Mohr. "He's got good quickness through the hole and he bounces off people well."

DARRYL STALARCZYK Milford tackle

Milford wasn't hurting for size this year, and the 220-pound Stalarczyk was no exception. Only a junior and still growing, Stalarczyk has the potential to be one of the conference's premier linemen next season.

"He's 200 and has good quickness," Shearer said. "He's still learning the position and should do a real good job next year."



Andy Sill fought his way for nearly 900 yards this season.

DEREK WHITE Northville center

White teamed with Swarthout on Northville's left side. Schumacher said White had a good season and has the potential to be even better.

"He's doing it now off of desire," he added. "He has to get stronger."

Schumacher said White is an "excellent" trap-blocker and had good timing. He is a two-year starter.

FRED SWARTHOUT Northville guard

Swarthout was perhaps the Mustangs' greatest team player this fall. The junior badly injured a hamstring in the middle of the season, but refused to come out of the lineup.

"If you want to talk about intensity," Schumacher said, "you talk about Fred. He wants to do his best on every play. He's a guy that gives everything."

The coach said when his team needed a yard or two for a first down, they ran Swarthout's direction. He will be a fixture on the Mustangs' left side again next fall.

SCOTT DOUGLAS South Lyon guard

Douglas, a senior, turned a position change into a starting role for the Lions.

"We moved him from tight end to guard," Scheloske said.

Gdowski, Piggot named to second team defense

HomeTown Newspapers East All Area second team defense is rock-solid. Players like Northville's Adam Davis and Novi's Jeff Piggot provide lethal weapons on the line while Lakeland's Paul Minor and Pat Tyl add strong support at linebacker.

The smarts and experience of South Lyon defensive back Kris Adler and the youth of Milford linebacker Randy Horst combine to stop offenses in the air and on the ground.

The second team defense was selected by the sports editors of *The Novi News*, *Northville Record*, *Milford Times* and *South Lyon Herald*.

All players can only be named to one of the four All-Area teams.



ROBERT GDOWSKI Novi tackle

Davis became a force late in the campaign for the Mustangs. The junior combined with All-Area teammate John Gatti to give Northville stability at defensive end.

Davis totaled 39 tackles, including eight quarterback sacks. He also caused a fumble.

"He's one of our quickest linemen," coach Darrel Schumacher said. "With a little added strength Davis could be even better as a senior. He aided."

MARK PUZ Milford noseguard

Puz, a senior All-KVC honorable mention, finished up his high school year starting at noseguard for the Redskins. At 5-foot-11, 200 pounds, Puz was fueled by a competitive attitude to play at his best even when the Redskins were losing.

"He centered our defensive line," Shearer said. "He's the kind of player you weren't going to move out of position. Mark would handle his gap and he liked to mix it up."

ROBERT GDOWSKI Novi tackle

He was another of the Wildcats' true competitors. The senior made 54 tackles this year and caused a fumble.

Coach John Osborne described Gdowski as a "tough individual." Although small as linemen go at 5-foot-9 and 185 pounds, he got the job done, Osborne said.

"He gave his best every game," he said.

PAT TYL Lakeland outside linebacker

One of Lakeland's many two-way starters, Tyl earned his keep at both offensive and defensive end. The 6-foot, 177-pound senior recorded two sacks and three tackles for a loss this year along with a blocked kick.

"He executed his responsibilities well instead of just chasing the ball," Mohr said. "He played off of his blockers well and stayed with the play."

Tyl was an honorable mention All-KVC selection.

PAUL MINOR Lakeland linebacker

Only a junior, the Eagles' top linebacker will return next year to anchor the LHS defense. An honorable mention All-KVC pick, Tyl recorded 12 solo stops and 43 tackles on the season as well as knocking down three passes.

"He had five hits for minus-22 yards," Mohr said. "He was our most active defensive player."

SCOTT ZISCHERK South Lyon linebacker

Zischerk, a senior, was a vital link in the Lions' defense this season. While his talents were overshadowed at times by the attention Nelson drew, Zischerk was an integral part of a defense that allowed only 15.7 points per game in the regular season.

RANDY HORST Milford linebacker

Horst, All-KVC honorable mention as a junior this season, could be one of the conference's top linebackers in 1993.

CHAD WHITE South Lyon center

A man who makes his living in the trenches, White also started at nose-guard. The two-year starter was one of South Lyon's co-captains this season.

"He has good leadership and blocking abilities," Scheloske said. "White's progress had come more from dedication than natural born talent. Scheloske added.

"He's developed the skills," Scheloske said. "It's been hard work that's

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Lahti, Serra earn top offense spots

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coach Bill Mohr. Mollard (6-foot-3, 195) had 389 yards on 50 carries last season. "His biggest assets were his size and strength. He did a nice job of getting to the hole and once he was through it he could turn it on and go."

BOB SMITH
Milford fullback
Milford's top rusher this year, Smith was a bright spot for a tough Redskins season. The 210-pound senior worked the trap and option for 950 yards, pounding his way forward even when the blocking wasn't there.

"He was our top ballcarrier and the guy we went to," said Milford coach Mike Shearer. "He was a good blocker and one of the team captains."

Smith was an All-KVC pick this season.



RON KANE

Lahti started the season as tackle, but ended up playing guard to team injuries. At 6-foot-4, 260, Stinson was an intimidating force on the line.

"He has strength and agility," Shearer said. "He has good feet." Stinson, a senior, was a two-year starter for Milford and an All-KVC pick.

GREG FORTNER Novi guard

At 5-foot-9 and 175 pounds, Fortner wouldn't figure to be among the best in the KVC. But that's far from the case. The senior combined a great work ethic and intense attitude to win All-KVC honors and a birth on our first team.

"Our line did a nice job this year," Osborne said, "and he's the one that did a good job."

The coach said Fortner showed great dedication in the weight room to improve his game. Osborne added that his strength and running ability were his greatest assets.

CHAD WHITE South Lyon center

Osborne described Kane as a "go to" guy in Novi's offense this year. The coach said he would often put Kane on one side of the field and all-area teammate Kevin Serra on the other to earn KVC opponents. Osborne said Kane's desire made him a good football player for the Wildcats.

"It was important to him to be successful," he said.

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FRED SWARTHOUT	JR	OL	NORTHVILLE	
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RANDY HORST	JR	LB	MILFORD	
SCOTT ZISCHERK	JR	LB	SOUTH LYON	
PAUL MINOR	JR	LB	LAKELAND	
PAT TYL	JR	LB	LAKELAND	
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Osborne predicts Novi uprising

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Novi will lose many key players to graduation.

On offense, skill players Lahti, Randy Naumann, Kane and Pat Whitehead are all moving on. Greg Fortner, Robert Odowski, Jeff Piggot, Stu Myers and Tom Hanton will be among those gone from the offensive and defensive lines.

Ryan Goldsmith, Matt Topper and Mark VanPoperin will be lost in the defensive secondary.

The first order of business will be to settle on a new quarterback. Osborne said, right now, Novi would go

with either Sill or Serra at quarterback. Both have experience.

If he isn't at QB, Sill will be the main runner. Sophomore John Wroe saw action at the position late this season and could soak up some of the load if Sill goes to quarterback.

Likewise, Serra will be a main receiving target if he's not behind center. Derek Gavigan and Csordas out of the backfield will be other weapons.

Novi could potentially add massive size to its lines for next year.

Csordas earns top defense spot

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MIKE MOLL

South Lyon outside linebacker
Moll, a senior two-way starter, used his two-sport skills to become a talented defender.

"He's a wrestler and has excellent technique," Scheloske said. "He gets underneath the blocker. He is very strong against the run and plays the passer very well."



JOHN OSBORNE

DANNY WALSH

Northville defensive back
The senior Mustang was a superior performer on both defense and offense.

As a defensive back, Walsh intercepted seven passes and made 42 tackles. As quarterback and kick returner for Northville, he had 1,565 all-purpose yards. Walsh had a hand in 14 touchdowns as well.

"He's our little big man," Schumacher said of the 5-foot-9, 160-pound player.

Had Northville been able to use Walsh as a receiver, Schumacher said he would have likely set many Mustang records. The coach said his senior may have a future in college football at that position.

MARC GOLDEN

Northville defensive back
The junior started the year as quarterback and moved to the defensive side to give the Mustangs one of the area's best secondaries. Golden was tenacious at defensive back.

"I think he's one of those kids that

has no regard for his body on the football field," Schumacher said. "Our defensive secondary improved with Marc."

Golden had four interceptions, 54 tackles, a blocked kick and fumble recovery. While staying at DE next fall, he will likely come into Walsh's spot as Northville's game-breaking receiver.

MIKE McDANIELS
South Lyon safety
"He really developed into an excellent safety," Scheloske said. "He also developed offensively as a running back. He's done a real fine job at safety all year. He has the ability to come up on the run and then put a hit on you. He's a really strong hitter."

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SNOW PLAY

No doubt about it — downhill skiing is a fun, exhilarating sport.

"But between lift lines and lunch breaks, you may actually ski for only an hour or two in a full day at the slopes," advises *American Health* magazine.

To round out your snow play program, consider:

■ **Cross Country skiing.** Explore the scenery with this excellent aerobic, all-over conditioning exercise. Most areas offer groomed trails, labeled for different ability levels.

■ **Ski touring.** A cousin of cross-country, this is done on ungroomed trails in wilderness areas.

■ **Snowboarding.** A combination of skiing, surfing and skateboarding, this may be the fastest-growing sport in the country. It's done on a single ski with a sideways stance; no poles, just strength and balance. Two main types of snowboarding include freestyle (tricky maneuvers and jumps done on scooped-out snow tunnels called half-pipes) and alpine (similar to skiing, with an emphasis on carving S-curves on smooth, steep slopes).

■ **Helicopter skiing.** Similar to water skiing, but the skier is towed by a helicopter. Just kidding.

Condé Nast Traveler says the activity, "There is no greater luxury in the universe of skiing."

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Downhill skiing is only one winter sport that you can enjoy.

accompanied by a seasoned guide, ski down to the valley floor.

■ **Skating.** Find a frozen pond or rink; this graceful sport strengthens the legs, improves posture and endurance, and tones the entire body.

■ **Snowshoeing.** Striding over the snow at a fast pace is a fun, strenu-

ous sport — and one that's growing in popularity, particularly in the Northeast and California. New shoes are vastly different from those giant tennis rackets of the past; they're made of lightweight plastic or aluminum.

■ **Sledding.** Here's a new version: Look in sporting goods stores for

giant plastic saucers that resemble a cross between a Frisbee and a trash can lid — you hold onto the grip handles and spin down the slopes.

WHAT TO WEAR

Whether you're gliding or striding, you want total freedom of movement. That means clothes that are warm, yet not bulky or confining.

Ski suits made of new, high-tech fabrics provide warmth and dryness without weight. A good way to lock in body heat is to wear a turtle neck under a loose-fitting sweater, plus stretch pants worn over long underwear. A hat or headband helps, too.

As for fashion, the look is brighter-is-better. Go for color, in shocking combinations. Styles include one-piece jumpsuits, stretch tights and waterproof overpants.

When you shop for goggles, choose a pair that won't steam up — otherwise, you might be better off with the cycling-type sunglasses. Treat yourself to down-filled gloves, and make sure your boots are comfortable and fit well.

GET IN SHAPE

To prepare your entire body for the feel of the mountains, train with exercise machines that stimulate the motion of skiing. Ask the staff at your health club, fitness center or YMCA to steer you toward the best equipment.

Any pre-season activity — walking, running, biking, hiking or swimming — done three days a week for 20 minutes will strengthen your heart and lungs.

Think of activities that mimic your movements on the slopes; you can improve your quickness and agility with tennis, soccer, squash, rollerblading or ice skating.

Make appointments in advance

By KAREN MOORE
Special Writer

Medical practices are pleased when you select their center for your primary care. Medical offices believe in health promotion, disease prevention, early diagnosis and treatment.

Most offices offer evening and Saturday hours for those patients unable to get away from work. Since most offices book these appointments in advance, it helps the office if you make your appointment as far ahead as possible.

Appointment times are kept open each day for emergencies and urgent care. These appointments are for people who suddenly become ill, and for urgent problems.

Medical practices realize their patients have very busy schedules and try to be on time for patient appointments. However, medical emergencies do arise and may require the provider to do more tests or spend more time with a patient than previously planned. Please understand that if the same emergency happened to you, extra time would be spent with you, if you are waiting for an extended time, please ask why. There is usually a good reason for it.

Appointments are scheduled for a specific time. Please try to be on time. Arriving 10 minutes late for a 15-20 minute appointment is unfair to you, the doctor and other patients waiting to be seen that day. If you cannot keep your appointment, please cancel it so that someone else who is sick can be scheduled at that time.

The office staff loves small children. However, it's not possible for the staff to handle the phones, help patients and baby-sit at the same time. It's much better for you and your child if you can get a babysitter.

Please be aware that urgent care is just that — urgent care. Most offices cannot see you immediately for things such as athlete's foot or an on-going problem you have had for months. Urgent care means that you just got sick, are running a fever and cannot wait to see a provider.

The focus of the office is teamwork. Everyone from the clerical staff to the doctors are important to your health care. All staff members try to make your visit as comfortable and efficient as possible. You should leave the office with positive feelings. If you have had any problems or concerns about your health care or if anything made you feel uncomfortable or dissatisfied, please speak to someone in charge of the office.

Be a careful observer of your body and general health. Note symptoms and when they occur and write down questions to ask. Bring a list of your current medications with you so a complete and accurate chart may be made.

Don't assume your provider knows everything about you. Be open with your provider. View your visit as a positive experience and you will inevitably gain from it.

Karen Moore is the lead clerk at the University of Michigan Health Center at Northville. This column is coordinated by Peg Campbell of the University of Michigan Health Centers staff.

Holiday arts and crafts fair planned

Arts and Crafts: The two-day "Holiday Arts and Crafts Fair" sponsored by the Novi Jaycees and the Novi Arts Council will be held at the Novi Civic Center on Saturday, Nov. 28, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday, Nov. 29, from noon to 4 p.m. More than 50 crafters will feature crafts such as hide-a-quilts, silk flowers, baskets filled with non-perishable gourmet food items, stained glass, jewelry and gingerbread houses. Admission at the door is \$1 per person. Food will be available throughout the weekend. For more information call 348-6684.

Basketball Camp: Novi High basketball coach Bob Shoemaker will instruct boys ages 6-17 at the Orchard Lake St. Mary's basketball camp Dec. 26-30. The cost of the camp is \$225 per day and \$275 with boarding. For further information call Sylvia at 682-1885 Monday through Friday.

Grand Slam USA: An all-night sports camp will be held for children at Grand Slam on Nov. 27. The camp features unlimited use of batting cages, baseball training areas, basketball courts, along with special guest instruction. Cost of the camp is \$35 and registration deadline is Nov. 20. For more information call 348-8338.

Baseball hitting leagues start Nov. 21. Four-person teams compete in the leagues where teams are divided by age. Cost is \$20 per player. Registration deadline is Nov. 20.

Light Up the Holiday: The 10th annual tree-lighting ceremony will be held on Monday, Dec. 7 at 7 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center. Dress warm for an old fashioned, outside evening of fun. Hayrides through Power Park and hot chocolate will follow the official ceremony. Christmas carols, holiday address from Mayor Matt Quinn and a visit by Santa are all on the agenda.

Volunteers Needed: Novi Youth Baseball needs volunteers for the 1993 baseball season (the last year at Bosco Field). The league needs a Sponsor Director to recruit and schedule team sponsors and an Activities Director. The Activities Director is in charge of awards, team pictures, team picnic, etc. If you would like to be a part of Novi Youth Baseball for the upcoming season, call 349-2543 or 348-5637.

Novi Trackers: Membership in the Novi Trackers Running Club is open to all interested individuals regardless of age, sex or skill level.

Rec Briefs

More information about membership in the Trackers is available by calling the Novi Parks and Recreation at 347-0400 or new President Hub Copp at 348-7779.

Pool Schedule: Open swimming at Novi High will be held 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays. The pool may also be rented on Friday nights from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Swimming lessons, swimnastics and scuba diving programs will also be held. Call 344-8330 ext. 71 for more information.

Novi Bike Club: For information on bike club group rides call Gordy Gray at 349-4235 or Novi Parks and Recreation at 347-0400.

Senior Spotlight: Novi seniors host a feature-oriented half-hour show on cable Channel 12 Mondays at 6:30 p.m. Topics featured on the show have included health issues, Novi sports leagues and many others.

Aerobic Exercise: Designed for men and women, this aerobic exercise program stresses an individual workout at your own pace. The class, sponsored by Novi Community Education, meets at Novi Meadows Gym Monday through Thursday from 7-8 p.m. For more info call 344-8330.

Early Morning Jog & Swim: Class meets at the Novi High School gym each day of the week. For more information, call Novi Community Education at 344-8330.

Handball, Racquetball: If you enjoy handball, racquetball or paddleball, open court time is being offered by Schoolcraft College. Courts can be scheduled for doubles play. Gloves, paddles, racquets, balls and lockers are furnished.

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REAL ESTATE

Disclosure laws aid prospective home buyers

By James M. Woodard
Copley News Service

Full disclosure, or lack of it, is a particularly important and sensitive factor in today's real estate transactions.

Prospective buyers now receive more information about the property they are considering for purchase than ever before. Yet lawsuits claiming "lack of required information disclosure" are still keeping the courts busy.

For example, litigation is pending in one case involving zoning. The buyer of a commercial property was not advised of a conflict in city and county zoning designations. This, claims the buyer, adversely affects the property's value.

Other zoning-related cases often relate to down-zoning actions by city and county governments.

"There have been many cases where zoning has changed and become more restrictive," said Harriett Clune, manager of a major multioffice brokerage firm.

"This can affect a property's value and should be disclosed to prospective buyers," she said. "It's important to research each property carefully. Things can change rapidly."

Most problems that surface after

a sale relate to the property itself. One Realtor firm, The Jon Douglas Co. in California, tries to avoid disclosure problems by educating their sales associates and owners of listed properties.

The firm has produced a videotape for sellers that stresses the importance of disclosure and serves as a guide for filling out the "Real Estate Transfer Disclosure Statement," required by state law.

The first portion of the twopage disclosure document must be completed by the seller. A section on page two is filled out by the listing broker.

For their agents, the brokerage firm provides detailed instructions in their operations manual regarding the inspection of listed properties and disclosing pertinent information to buyers. A portion of those instructions read as follows:

"Enter the newly listed home by the front door. Visually inspect the home by looking up, down and all around each area or room. Proceed around each area to your right, then leave that room and do the same for each room or area thereafter. Take notes on any cracks, broken glass or screens, uneven walls, floors, staining on ceiling which may indicate leaks.

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Worth Bragging About

Story by Laurie O'Dell
Photos by Charlie Cortez

Blending the old with the new, Betsy and Charles Cardinale have created a home atmosphere worth bragging about.

The Milford Historical Society tends to agree. The organization awarded the couple with this year's Restoration and Preservation Award.

"Receiving the Preservation and Restoration Award was a great honor that made both Betsy and I very proud of the work we have done on our house," said Charles. "All our family members who have contributed to the restoration also feel as we do. We are both very proud of Milford and feel quite privileged to be able to live and contribute to such a beautiful community."

The Cardinales' home at 425 E. Liberty St. was contracted to be built by William Wilson and his family in 1883. The Wilsons' granddaughter still lives in the village and has been a great source for the history of the home.

According to framed documents which line a hallway in the home, the Wilson house cost \$1,260 to build. That price included such amenities as the "foundation, frame, siding, cornices, roof, windows, doors, flooring, cupboards, plastering, painting and chimneys."

When the former Walled Lake couple purchased the home two years ago, they had their work cut out for them.

"We bought it two years ago when it was



Betsy and Charles Cardinale relax in their family room.

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HOME DESIGNS



The Morris offers rooms with a view

By James McAlexander
Copley News Service

Richly windowed along the back, the Morris is designed for full appreciation of a vista to the rear.

Relatively small, this home is affordable but by no means Spartan. Despite its compact size, the designers have managed to include many of the features and amenities that modern home buyers frequently request.

The master suite, for instance, has a private bathroom with twin vanities. Extra storage space is available in a utility room, accessible from inside as well as from the garage.

The kitchen/family room features a sunny eating bay and large fireplace, and the front entry has French doors.

All three bedrooms are grouped together at one end of the home, a design feature preferred by families with young children. This arrangement allows parents to respond

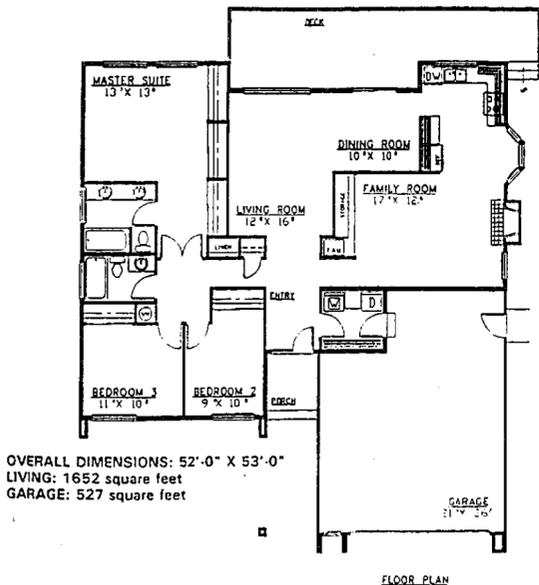
quickly to a child who wakes up crying or coughing.

Three closets line the longest wall of the master suite, providing more than ample clothing storage.

The spacious family room also has a large closet, handy for storing games, card tables and other recreational equipment. This room is spacious enough to accommodate a couch or two and even a family computer.

Sliding-glass doors in the dining room open onto a small deck that overlooks the back yard. Having these doors so close to the kitchen makes outdoor dining a snap and offers yet another opportunity to appreciate the view.

For a study plan of the design mentioned in this article, send \$5 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.)



The family room blends modern pieces with prize antiques found at garage and estate sales.

Undercover crops

By C.Z. Guest
Copley News Service

GARDENING

Extend your growing season and harvest your crops after the first frost by taking them "undercover."

For those who live in cold areas, extending your season is possible, even easy, with a little help from cloches, row covers and cold frames.

These devices make it possible to raise the temperature of your undercover crops 5 to 15 degrees or more. Using them, you can extend the production of tomatoes, peppers and other frost-sensitive plants at least two to four weeks.

The technology isn't complicated—there are lots of handy devices available for you to buy—or you can use materials you have lying around to construct simple protectors. Just keep in mind that the main feature of anything you decide to use is portability. When the forecast calls for frost, you want to be able to get your equipment in place immediately.

• **Cloches:** A cloche is anything placed over plants for protection that lets the sunlight in. The purpose of a cloche is to trap the heat. There are many types of cloches. Some cover just one plant, others entire rows of

plants.

Use a cone-shaped hot-cap cloche for individual plants. Cut a semicircle out of rigid, transparent material; cut a smaller semicircle at the center of the straight edge (for ventilation and air movement); fasten the straight edges together to form a cone.

Other inexpensive, easy single-plant cloches can be made by inverting a wide-mouth jar or cutting the bottoms off plastic gallon jugs.

• **Tunnel cloche:** I think the easiest protection to use is a tunnel cloche that covers an entire row or bed. Collect heavy-gauge wire and bend it into "U" shapes. Invert them and stick them into the ground at 1- to 3-foot intervals, straddling the row or bed. Then stretch plastic film over the frame and secure it with soil or boards at the base.

Variations on the tunnel cloche can be made by arching clear acrylic or fiberglass over a row and keeping it in place with stakes. A simple tunnel cloche can be made by propping two old window sashes against each other in tent fashion.

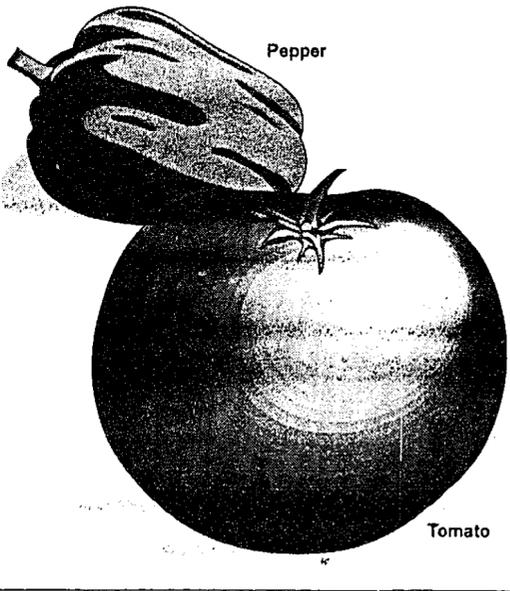
Undercover crops

• **Crop covers** raise the temperature of crops by 5 to 15 degrees and extend production of frost-sensitive plants such as tomatoes and peppers by two to four weeks.

• **Make sure** crop covers are portable so they can be set up quickly when the forecast calls for frost.

• **Cloche covers** trap heat and allow sunlight to reach plants.

• **Old blankets** can be tucked over crops in the evening and removed in the morning. Cold frames can be made with an old window held up by 2-by-8-inch boards.



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Obtaining permit to remodel home is sometimes a hassle

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of any other things that might indicate problems.

Leave the home by the front door and proceed to your right around the exterior of the house, looking up, down and all around the exterior walls, eaves, foundation, walks, etc. Note any possible problem areas. Follow the same procedure with any other structures or areas of the property.

Remember, you are not a licensed contractor, architect or geologist. You cannot make assumptions as to what problem, if any, exist or to what problem. Your job is to make a competent

and diligent visual inspection and reveal any material facts that might affect the value or desirability of the property.

After making their inspection, the sales associates are told to note significant observations on the required disclosure statement form. The same basic inspection procedure might also be followed by a cautious buyer.

In recent years, the responsibility for disclosing information to prospective buyers has shifted, to a degree, from the broker to the property seller. The trend has been pushed by the National Assn. of

Realtors and regional Realtor groups.

An increasing number of states have enacted laws that require sellers to disclose to buyers, prior to purchase, any defects known to the seller and are not readily observable to the buyer.

A few states now require this disclosed information to be in writing. In other states, it is left to the buyer and seller to determine whether the seller's disclosure of defects is to be communicated in written or oral form.

Many progressive Realtor firms go far beyond the legislated

requirements in disclosing information about listed properties to prospective buyers. For example, the national Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage firm, as of April, developed its own disclosure form that addresses 18 different aspects of the property such as the roof, structural items and plumbing-related items. It covers considerably more areas than required by most state-mandated disclosure forms.

"We feel that when buyers have complete information about a property they can be assured they are making the most informed decision on this major invest-

ment," said Carol Beckman, of Coldwell Banker. "And it's important to put the information in writing."

Q. Why is it such a hassle to obtain the permits needed to build or remodel a home?

A. Typically, it takes five or six separate stops and approvals before an applicant receives all the permits needed to proceed with a building project. That takes considerable time and money, and a number of city and county governments are now making changes to streamline and simplify the process.

In one county, a one-stop permit process is now being planned. The proposed new plan would make it possible to obtain all needed approvals at one time at a reorganized series of stops at the county's administration building. The change could save the county up to \$200,000 per year in costs. And the action could potentially cut 10 percent off permit fees, it was reported.

Questions may be used in future columns: personal responses should not be expected. Send inquiries to James M. Woodard, Copley News Service, P.O. Box 150, San Diego, CA 92112-0150.

Cardinales find restoration of Milford home very rewarding

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French doors leading to the backyard and skylights bathe the room in natural light.

"We decided to keep the original banister," explained Betsy as she ascended the stairway leading to the second story. At the foot of the stairs lies the master bedroom and bath. Decorated in white marble the bathroom contains a shower stall big enough for a party.

The guest bedroom and separate bath also contain a shower stall big enough for a party.

The one room Betsy is especially proud of is a dressing room the size of a small bedroom. On either end is a series of shelving, drawers and closet space.

"The family room is a blend of modern furniture and lovingly restored antiques. Decorated in pink and green pastels and floral patterns, the Cardinales have created a comfortable, but elegant room.

"The house definitely has a modern flair," said Betsy. "But some rooms are very Victorian with the heavy crown moldings."

Their kitchen is a striking blend of white cabinets and appliances, a light grey countertop and floral window treatments. With its scores of cupboards and a large center island running nearly the length of the kitchen, this room is an attention-grabber. Perfect for large-scale entertaining, the modern kitchen offers two ovens, dual sinks, dual garbage disposals and dual refrigerators.

The Cardinales said the home was in total disarray when they purchased it. Surprisingly, they are only the fourth owners. On one of the doors in the home, the chil-

dren of a previous owner — Mrs. Hill — wrote their names. The door reads, "Ed, Pam, Jenny, Becky and the dog Brandy."

Despite the hard work, Betsy said she's glad she found a house that needed her.

"The home has new electrical and plumbing," said Charles. "All the plaster walls were in great need of repair. Most of the doors and woodwork were missing and the original ceiling light fixtures had disappeared. The exterior walls were covered with fading aluminum siding. The bushes and landscaping around the home were all overgrown and had been neglected for some time."

The garage on the premises was an original woodshed that had been enlarged at some point to hold one very small car and was structurally unsafe.

The couple said their dream of owning a historic home developed after buying a treasured piece of furniture.

"Our story really begins about 10 years ago when we bought an antique dining room set that was too large for our home," said Charles. "We continued to purchase antiques until our little home was bursting at the seams. We knew Milford was the greatest community in Oakland County from a business we had owned and operated on Main Street. The couple sold the business, Milford Bakery, and their residence in Wolverine Lake to purchase and

restore the Liberty Street house.

"The main requirement was a dining room large enough to fit our dining set," explained Charles. "We both fell in love with Liberty Street because of the ambience that was created by the boulevard, and all the vintage Victorian homes sit on either side of it."

"When we bought this home in 1990 we felt we could whip this place into shape in no time at all," continued Charles. "Boy what a surprise. The home's condition was far worse than our expectations. I think we were blinded by our dreams."

The couple's restoration project began immediately upon moving in. While their children got busy chaperoning the renovation, Betsy and Charles evaluated the condition of the wood underneath. The Cardinales decided to restore the exterior walls to their original cedar siding.

Finding just the right color of paint was a job in itself.

"We ended up with a grey that actually looks blue," said Betsy. "We tried so many colors to get the right one. We'd look at them at 5 in the morning and at 7 at night. You think you're right on, and then it looks totally different once it's on the house."

Their first winter in the home, the Cardinales devoted their time to restoring the interior.

"We started by having the walls in the main rooms of the house repaired," said Charles. "We spent many days traveling to different areas, looking for interior doors and vintage light fixtures to purchase. Shopping around for the needed antiques is a great pleasure that Betsy and I both enjoy. After we had installed custom moldings that were made by Armstrong Lumber in Highland, our parents came to help paint the

interior."

The Cardinales spent the following summer planning and building a garage and beginning the landscaping. The couple hired Specialty Wood Works of Howell to help design and build Victorian-style porch posts and railings. This past summer the Cardinales devoted considerable time to building the skirting and installing the railing around all four porches on the house.

"The restoration process is very rewarding," said Charles. "It is very taxing on the body and budget. Everything you do takes a lot longer to finish. It opens up a can of worms and costs a lot more than you estimate it should." The best part is that they enjoy doing the restoration," he continued. "And we know what we are doing is preserving a piece of the past for the future."

Simple solutions for care of outdoor plants in winter

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Blanket coverage: Gather up your old blankets and throw them over your plants in the evening (just like tucking them in) and take them off in the morning, when things warm up.

The trick here is to keep the plants as close to the ground as possible since that decreases the chance of

cold air penetrating the space under the blankets.

Cold frames A cold frame essentially is a bottomless box that is higher in the back and faces south. It is usually made of wood and is covered with glass or plastic.

A simple cold frame can be put together with some 2-by-8 boards and an old window. Or you can stack straw bales around the crop you wish to protect and

lay an old window sash above the bale.

For a fabulous Thanksgiving table centerpiece, surround your chrysanthemum arrangement with tiny pumpkins, gourds and corn.

C.Z. Guest is a gardening authority whose work appears in House and Garden and author of numerous books and videos, including "Five Seasons of Gardening" (Little, Brown and Co.).

FALL FLOWER

Fall colors — warm bronzes, gold, yellows, oranges and deep reds! Best flower is the chrysanthemum which can be found in just about any color of the rainbow. You can have chrysanthemums as cut flowers in vases or as potted plants.

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NOVI - Lovely 3 BR Colonial, oversized family room w/hall brick fireplace, spacious 1st fl. laundry w/loads of storage, 2 level deck, C/A, 2.5 baths. Must see! \$155,900. Call 478-9130.

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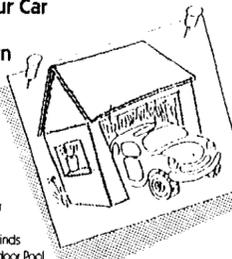
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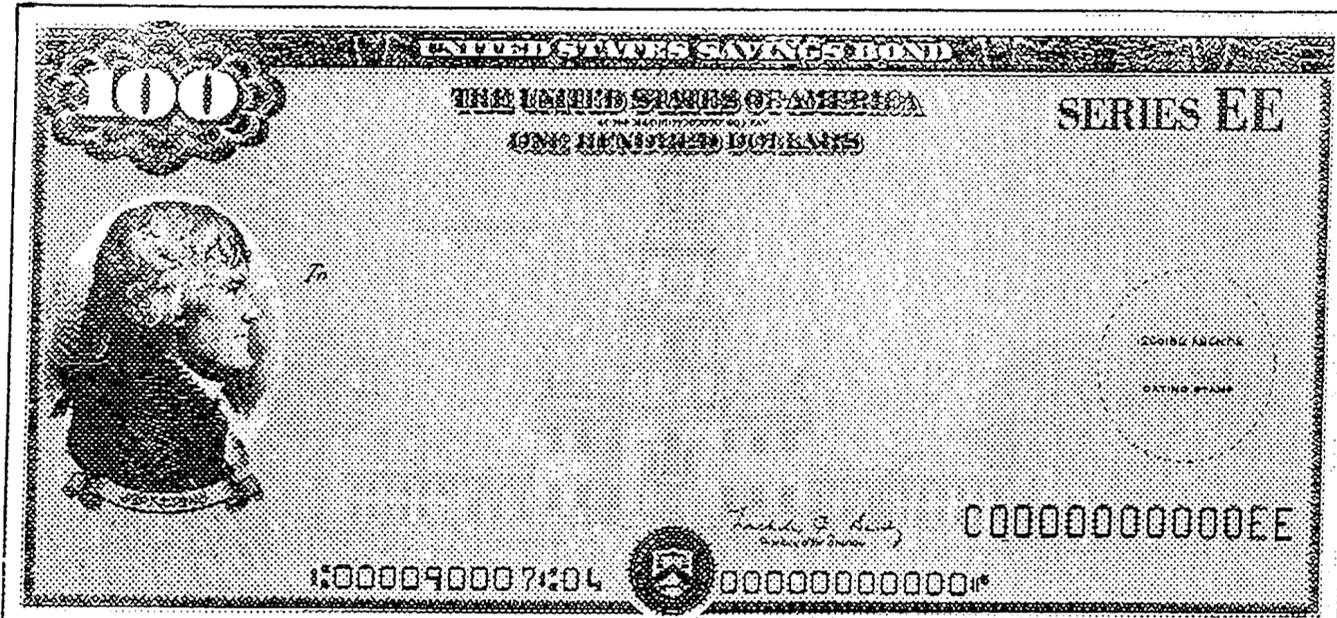
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Booth puts rentals in high gear

By RICK BYRNE
Copy Editor

Some car rental companies think they can rent you a car so fast that even an NFL running back wouldn't be slowed.

But now Budget Rent a Car has one-upped them all. With just a credit card and a driver's license, you can be on the road in minutes thanks to the Budget ExpressSystem. Budget has installed an unstaffed rental location at the Sheraton Oaks Hotel in Novi.

Located just inside the west entrance to the hotel, the simple gray booth will handle the entire transaction for you.

Budget is the only major car rental company to offer this innovative service, according to David McDonald, senior operations manager with Budget Rent a Car.

"Our automated car rental booth is to the car rental industry what automated teller machines are to

"The Budget ExpressSystem lets customers rent cars where it used to be impossible or impractical. We now can cater to more customers in new locations and attract new renters in a cost-effective way."

David McDonald
Senior operations manager, Budget Rent a Car

personal banking," McDonald says.

The new ExpressSystem allows customers with a driver's license and major credit card to rent at places like Novi and other cities around the country. ExpressSystem booths appear in office buildings, hotels, shopping malls and auto repair shops in San Francisco, Dallas, Houston and Vancouver, British Columbia.

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be impossible or impractical," McDonald says. "We now can cater to more customers in new locations and attract new renters in a cost-effective way."

"Travelers today want ease, convenience and superior quality at competitive prices," he says. "The Budget ExpressSystem provides a high-tech solution to those needs."

In a typical Budget ExpressSystem transaction, the renter enters the

3-by-5-foot booth, talks by phone to a customer service representative about terms and rates, inserts a credit card and driver's license, signs the rental agreement, and waits for the rental car keys to appear from a slot. A video camera records the transaction.

Renters at the Novi location are then directed to the nearby parking lot where the cars await. The renter can return to the booth, to a major airport or any Budget location.

Budget Rent a Car is the world's third largest car and truck rental company with nearly 3,000 locations, including more than 770 airports in more than 110 countries and territories. Budget has more than 1,380 locations in the United States, including nearly 300 U.S. airport locations.

In addition to its new Budget ExpressSystem booths, the company has 10 locations in the Detroit metropolitan area.



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Karen Krueger gives the Budget ExpressSystem a test drive

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South Lyon's A Country Christmas

Christmas Walk Schedule of Events

Friday, Nov. 20th 7:00pm
Saturday, Nov. 21st 9am-9pm
Sunday, Nov. 22nd 12pm-5pm

Christmas Tree Lighting and Carolers start at 7:00pm Friday, November 20th.

Santa arrives on Saturday at 12:30 at City Hall, then proceeds to Goodies Ice Cream Shoppe to greet children from 1-3 Sat. He will be at Goodies on Sunday 1-3 also. Goodies is located at 134 E. Lake St.

Lunch with Frosty the Snowman 10am-12pm at Griz & Gibby's Sat., Nov. 21st.

Storytelling at Lyon's Book Den, Sat. 10:00 & 3:00.

Holiday Treasure Hunt - Pick up a ballot at any participating merchant, get it stamped at all stores listed, drop off ballot at Diane's Doll House (corner of 10 Mile & Pontiac Trail) to be eligible to win a prize donated by participating merchants. Must be 18 or older to enter. Only one entry per family. Drawing will be held Sunday, November 22nd at 4:00.

Annual Turkey Drawing - Clip entry blanks out of the South Lyon Shopper November 16th edition and deposit at store named on entry blank. Each participating business will be giving away a turkey. Drawings will be held on Sunday, November 22nd at 4:00.

Businesses - Register to win the chamber's window decorating contest. Call chamber office (437-3257) by Friday Nov. 20th to enter. Judging will be on Sat., Nov. 21st.

All events are sponsored by the South Lyon Central Business District.

Visit these participating merchants for many special events and sales planned throughout Christmas Walk.

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- Maxum Foods
- South Lyon Pet Shop
- Geri's Hallmark Shoppe
- South Lyon Electronics/K-40 Shop
- Nuts About Sweets
- Cabbage Rose Ltd Antiques
- Pat Guy & Company Home Interiors
- The Art Craft Shop
- Domino's Pizza
- Goodies Ice Cream and Sweet Shop
- Art Extravaganza
- Nancy's Beauty Shop
- The Purple Cow
- Party Land
- Diane's Doll House
- Florals by Steven
- South Lyon Lumber & Farm Center
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Business Briefs

KRISTIN HARRIS has recently joined the real estate office of RE/MAX 100 Inc. announced broker/owner Crystal Cunningham-Halley.

Harris is a member of the Western Wayne Oakland County Association of Realtors, the Birmingham-Bloomfield Board of Realtors, the Michigan Association of Realtors and the National Association of Realtors.

A Northville resident for the last eight years, Harris worked as a systems analyst and quality control liaison prior to entering a career in real estate sales and counseling.

RE/MAX is an international real estate firm with more than 31,000 real estate associates working out of over 1,914 independently owned and operated offices. It is the largest real estate franchise in Canada and the second largest in the United States.

ENTECH SERVICES INC. has relocated its Milford office to 2850 S. Milford Road and will celebrate with a grand opening today, Nov. 19, from 9 a.m.-6 p.m.

Entech Services is a temporary help service, specializing in filling clerical, technical, light industrial and medical support positions. The Milford office is managed by Amy DeSantis.

Hours of operation are Tuesdays and Thursdays from noon-5 p.m. For more information on Entech Services Inc., call 313-685-7120.

EILEEN O'NEILL of South Lyon was promoted to Senior Director of Credit Union Services for the Michigan Credit Union League (MCUL), the primary trade association representing credit unions in Michigan.



KRISTIN HARRIS



EILEEN O'NEILL

The MCUL recently changed its organizational and service delivery structure to meet Michigan credit unions' foremost service expectations most effectively.

O'Neill has been assigned increased organizational and strategic responsibilities as senior director of credit union services. In her post, she is responsible for coordinating the service delivery of the technical field consultants to credit unions throughout the state.

She also serves as the coordinator of key MCUL staff in their roles as chapter liaisons to the 22 geographical chapters of credit unions within the MCUL and holds a key role in MCUL membership growth and retention. In addition, she is a liaison to the state and federal credit union regulatory agencies.

O'Neill began her career within the credit union movement in 1985 as a claims adjuster for CUNA Mutual/League Insurance. She then joined CUorp, the MCUL's service organization which markets products and services to Michigan credit unions, as a customer service representative. Then she joined MCUL as a field consultant and was later promoted to director of consulting services in 1989.

Based in Southfield, MCUL was founded in 1934. Michigan's 570 credit unions serve over 3.6 million members and holds over \$11 billion in assets.

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016 Found. 11N592, SHORT haired male, red, possible Golden Retriever mix. (313)745-2446.

013 Card of Thanks. HOLIDAY ART & CRAFT SHOW. MEADOW BROOK HALL. FRI., NOV. 27. SAT., NOV. 28.

015 Lost. BLACK female cat, long hair. Sub-bred, 1 year old. (313)227-5231.

016 Auctions. ESTATE WAREHOUSES. SAT. NOV. 21TH. 7:00P.M. EGNASH AUCTION GALLERY.

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