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Novi unveils option to buy westside park

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

After a year of closed door negotiations, the City Council has mailed down an option to purchase future park land in west Novi.

The 105 acres at the corner of Nine Mile and Napier roads were described as a "fallback" site which will be bought even if voters turn down the \$9.9 million park bond millage on Jan. 12.

The city agreed to pay owner Peter Stanaj \$1 for the option, which must be executed before July 1, and \$745,000 for the land.

Five council members approved the purchase Monday. Council Member Carol Mason protested the move and Council Member Tim Pope was out-of-town.

Mason said she thought the purchase price was too high.

"I'm not in agreement to pay \$745,000. That has been assessed for past years for a full market value of \$166,000. I do want park land in the city; I don't want to overpay for it," she said.

Council Member Nancy Cassis said that an appraiser working for the city valued the site at \$616,000, but that the owner would not accept that sum.

"This piece is a fallback. We've steadfastly saved money to get it,"

she added.

The flat farm land is described as a good place for baseball and soccer fields. The city began negotiating for the site last winter, as Novi Youth Baseball faced an eviction from its playing grounds at the privately-owned Bosco Park.

That action has been stayed only until the end of the baseball season in 1993.

Mayor Matthew Quinn said that the extensive negotiations for the land resulted in "a good deal for the city."

"This is park land we drastically need. It's taken us so long because we had so many painstaking negotiations on it," Quinn said.

The purchase agreement includes a restriction that an adjacent 20 acre parcel will be limited to single-family residential development.

The Stanaj land will included in the 500-acre package presented to voters on Jan. 12. Voters will be asked to agree to sell \$8.8 million in city bonds to buy land and another \$1.1 million to develop it.

Novi now owns 150 acres of park land to be used by 33,000 residents. As the population expands to a predicted 65,000 residents, Davis says an estimated 650 to 700 acres of passive and active recreational land is needed.



Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

Christmas tradition

Raymond and Shelle Duenas cut their own Christmas tree this year at the Novi Tree Farm in northern Novi near Walled Lake. At the same time, they got a chance to take a

good look at the Tree Farm. It is one of several properties the City of Novi will purchase if all goes well in a bonding election Jan. 12.

Novi man counsels President at summit

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

An electronically-transmitted message summoned Ralph Gerson, executive vice president of the Novi-based Guardian Industries to Little Rock last week.

When the President Elect and Vice President Elect fax, few stay home.

Gerson was one of 329 to attend the Dec. 14-15 economic conference on the deficit and tax cuts called by Arkansas Gov. Bill Clinton. Hands-on business and labor leaders had a chance to swap ideas with the theorists of academe.

"We really had an opportunity to give the President Elect some input on how we would approach his problems and we were given a better understanding of the complexity of what he is dealing with. I don't think any meeting like that was held before," he said Friday.

"It was very well organized. There was a real opportunity for an exchange of views with a lot of different people around the country."

Gerson said he isn't sure how he was chosen. But he had worked with Clinton before at National Governors' Association conventions. The Bloomfield Hills resident served as Michigan Director of Commerce in 1983 to 1985 under Gov. James Blanchard.

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Comerica bank robber remains at large

By CRISTINA FERRIER
Staff Writer

An unidentified bank robber hit the Comerica Bank near Twelve Oaks Mall during heavy shopping traffic Monday.

The robber, who police believe was unarmed, escaped on foot with \$3,400 in unmarked bills.

Novi Police Detective Jack Grubb said the suspect, who is described as a white male in his 30s, approached the teller around 4 p.m. He showed a note that indicated he had a gun and instructed her to give him the money in specific

denominations.

"He was quiet, real quiet," Grubb said. "He didn't draw any attention to himself. He was so quiet that the only person who saw him, other than the teller, was another customer who noticed him because he was shoving an abnormally large amount of bills into his pockets."

Grubb said there were six customers in addition to the bank employees in the building at the time of the robbery. He was hoping Tuesday morning that bank security cameras also got a good look at the suspect, and was waiting to view the film.

"We're waiting to see if the cameras picked him up," he said. "We'd rather have the film than a composite, but if we don't have a good picture of him we'll call the witnesses in and make a drawing."

Grubb said the bills are unmarked. "He was very adamant about no dye packs."

Police said the suspect left no fingerprints behind. He only showed the note to the teller, but did not allow her to take it.

Comerica Bank branch manager Dan Grady did not wish to comment. Bank policy prohibits disclosing any information that might

hamper investigation.

The robber managed to "lose himself" in the crowd, and nobody saw him leave in a vehicle. The robbery itself took place in only a few minutes. Police arrived within two minutes of the time the teller pressed a button to alert the alarm company, but the suspect was already gone.

"We (police officers) got there at two minutes after 4," Grubb said. "There were two on the scene almost immediately, because they were patrolling the shopping area

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School board moves ahead on bond sale

By RANDY COBLE
Staff Writer

Novi Community School District officials aren't wasting any time. It's full speed ahead on the bond sale.

School district voters approved in a special election held Dec. 15 a request to issue \$31.9 million in bonds. The money from the sale will pay for a program of renovations, expansions and technology purchases.

At the Dec. 17 meeting of the Board of Education, members unanimously approved a resolution which set the general parameters for the sale. The sale itself will likely take place next month.

Legally, the board must approve the issue with a second resolution at the actual point of sale. Thursday's action served to outline the terms under which a deal would go through.

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Got it!

Consumers Power workers put the finishing touches on a repair to a gas main on Ten Mile Road, just west of Taft Friday afternoon. The leak, apparently caused by construction work in the area, was contained by the workers without incident. No fire occurred and there were no injuries, but the Novi Fire Department was standing by just in case. It took about an hour to make the repairs.



Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

Holiday season brings joy and change in our deadlines

Don't forget to wrap the presents and leave a snack for Santa Claus tomorrow (Thursday) night. And don't forget that *The Novi News* has different publication dates and advertising deadlines during the holiday season.

The Monday and Thursday editions of *The News* will be combined next week and delivered on Wednesday, Dec. 30. *The News* will return to its regular Monday-Thursday publication schedule with the Thursday, Jan. 7 edition.

Advertising deadlines for next week's publications are Thursday, Dec. 24, for the Buyers Directory and HomeTown Connection personal ads. Deadlines for the Monday and Thursday Green Sheets are Wednesday, Dec. 23.

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Community Calendar

Today, December 23
Lions Club: The Novi Lions Club will meet at Kim's Gardens at 6:30 p.m. for dinner followed by a meeting.
Thursday, December 24
Christmas Eve: City offices and the public library will be closed.
Friday, December 25
Christmas Day: City offices and the public library will be closed.
Thursday, December 31
New Year's Eve: City offices and the public library will be closed.
Friday, January 1
New Year's Day: City offices and the public library will be closed.
Monday, January 4
Village Oaks PTO (VOICE): The will meet 7:30 p.m. in the Village Oaks School Library on Willowbrook Road.
Tuesday, January 5
Seniors meeting: The Novi Center Seniors will hold their general meeting at 11 a.m. in the Community Center of the Novi Civic Center.
Board of Appeals: The Novi Board of Appeals will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center.
Band rehearsal: The Novi Concert Band rehearses at 7:30 p.m. in the band room at Novi High School. For more information on the group, call manager Warren Ledger at 348-2955.
Wednesday, January 6
Good Morning, Novi: The Novi Chamber of Commerce breakfast series presents Gary C. Ankers, The Fishman Group Attorneys Representing Management, who will speak on Protecting Your Business From Lawsuits at 7:30 a.m. at the Country Epicure Restaurant. Admission is \$10 for members, \$15 for non-members.

Thursday, January 7
Novi schools: The Novi schools Board of Education will meet in regular session in the Educational Services Building.
Youth baseball: The board of directors of Novi Youth Baseball meets at 7 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center. The meeting is open to the public.
Athletic Boosters: The Novi High School Athletic Boosters Club will hold its monthly meeting at 7 p.m. in room 107 of the high school.
Planning Commission: The Novi Planning Commission will meet in regular session at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Novi Civic Center.
Monday, January 11
City Council: The Novi City Council will meet at 8 p.m. in the council chambers of the Novi Civic Center.
Library Board: The Novi Library Board will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Novi library building.
Health tests: Community EMS will sponsor blood pressure testing and cholesterol testing in the Novi Civic Center from 7:30-9 p.m. in conjunction with the Novi City Council meeting.
Tuesday, January 12
Living Trusts Seminar: John C. Rexford, attorney, will conduct a seminar regarding the use of living trusts as estate planning tools. The seminar will be held from 6:30-8 p.m. in Room 135 of the Crystal Glen Office Center located behind the Novi Hilton Hotel. Admission is free but seating is limited. Call 348-5797 to register.
Band rehearsal: The Novi Concert Band rehearses at 7:30 p.m. in the band room at Novi High School. For more information on the group, call manager Warren Ledger at 348-2955.
Camera Club: The Novi Camera Club meets at 7:30 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center. For more information, call Hugh Crawford at 349-5079.
Wednesday, January 13
Lions Club: The Novi Lions Club will meet at Kim's Gardens at 6:30

p.m. for dinner followed by a meeting.
Seniors potluck: The Novi Senior Citizens will gather at noon in the Novi Civic Center for their monthly potluck luncheon.
SPARK: The Society for the Preservation of American Racing Knowledge, the all-volunteer support organization for the Motorsports Hall of Fame of America, meets at 7 p.m. at the Novi Expo Center. The meeting is open to anyone interested in supporting the Hall of Fame and Museum.
Thursday, January 14
Parks meeting: The Novi Parks and Recreation Commission will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center.
Monday, January 21
Arts Council: The Novi Arts Council Executive Board will meet at 6:30 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center.
City Council: The Novi City Council is scheduled to meet in regular session at 8 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Novi Civic Center.
Health tests: Community EMS will sponsor blood pressure testing and cholesterol testing in the Novi Civic Center from 7:30-9 p.m. in conjunction with the Novi City Council meeting.
Tuesday, January 22
Garden Club: The Novi Garden Club will meet at 1 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center.
Band rehearsal: The Novi Concert Band rehearses at 7:30 p.m. in the band room at Novi High School. For more information on the group, call manager Warren Ledger at 348-2955.
Wednesday, January 23
Planning Commission: The Novi Planning Commission will meet in regular session in the Council Chambers of the Novi Civic Center.
Play rehearsal: The Novi Players, a community theater group, rehearses from 8 to 10 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center.

Planners review adjusted lot size option rules

By RANDY COBLE
 Staff Writer

Does a provision in Novi's zoning laws—one which allows subdivision developers to reduce the size of home lots—do what its authors intended?

That was the question the Novi Planning Commission discussed at its Dec. 2 meeting. Commissioners debated whether Novi's adjusted lot size option, which the City Council has granted to four subdivisions, works like it was expected to.

Some observers have expressed dissatisfaction with the option when it moved off of the drawing board and into subdivision layout plans.

Commissioners couldn't reach a consensus on whether they should recommend any ordinance changes to the City Council, however. In the end they sent the matter back to their implementation subcommittee for further consideration.

The option allows subdivision developers to reduce the size of individual property lots because legally protected woodlands and wetlands limit the construction space available to them.

Four Novi subdivisions have been granted adjusted lot size permits: Meadow Park, Nottingham Woods, Broadmoor Park and Barclay Estates. Their lot sizes were reduced by a range of 18 to 33.5 percent.

"If they (developers) had to plat standard-size lots (in certain environmentally sensitive areas)," said city Staff Planner Michael Caspo, "they would have to build fewer lots. With the adjusted lot permit, they get the same number of lots built, but they're smaller."

And that causes a lot of disagreement among observers.

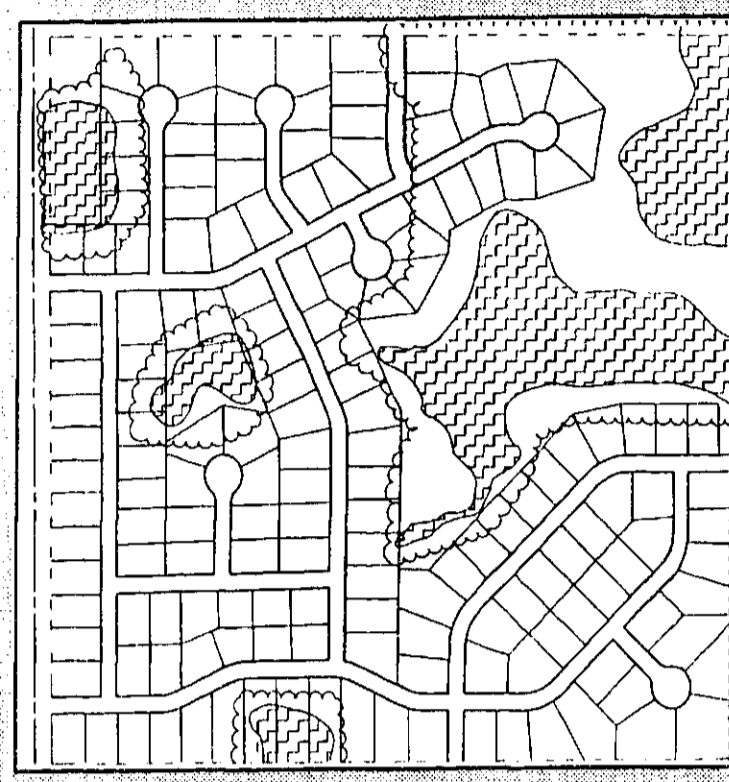
Large-lot homes are the reason many people have bought their homes in Novi, some commissioners argued, and residents are concerned that the "atmosphere" of a big-lot home will evaporate with a flood of small-lot subdivisions.

"I suppose the question is if we're being too generous with lot reduction (permits)," said Commissioner Laura Lorenzo.

The other side of the coin, other commissioners stated, is economic

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 Lots: 157
 Lots/acre: 0.98
 Maximum allowable density: 1.65 lots/acre

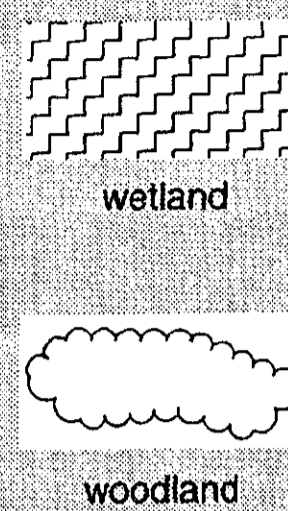


Adjusted Lot Size Option Plan

Total Area: 160 acres
 Lots: 188
 Lots/acre: 1.18 (35% ave. lot area reduction)
 Maximum allowable density: 1.65 lots/acre



Key:



reality. Developers may not be able to sell larger—and hence more expensive—parcels in these economic times. If they can't sell them—and the city won't allow them to build smaller-lot subdivisions—developers won't build anything, some argue.

Secretary Timothy Gilberg said that the option "is working. I'd like to hear why it should be made to work

differently." Commissioner Eric Schaefer agreed. "The exceptions have been successful. It's done what it was drawn to do."

The adjusted lot size option's effect on environmentally sensitive areas is another piece of the puzzle.

A provision of the adjusted lot size option is that if a developer gets it, the

wetlands have to be in one contiguous zone—that is, a developer can't plat, or map out, individual property lots into the preserved areas. The preserved areas stand apart as a distinct zone. Under conventional platting methods, developers would be able to draw property boundaries into such areas.

The option tends to affect wood-

lands more than wetlands, Caspo explained, because wetlands are under more stringent state and federal regulations.

The question is whether preserving the natural areas as a single block is worth the price of smaller lots. Is there a compromise possible between the two ideas—adjusted lot size of large-lot homes and large

zones of natural areas? "The adjusted lot size isn't perfect," Chairperson Kathleen McLaughlin said, "but it does allow for contiguous belts of land to remain intact."

While the future of the adjusted lot size permit remains unclear, it's likely that Novi officials adjusted lot size will hear a lot more about it in the near future.

Novi Jaycees take care of families for the holidays

By DIANE DEMPSEY
 Special Writer

'Tis the season to be giving, and once again the Novi Jaycees are helping the needy enjoy their Christmas.

The Jaycees, the Junior Chamber of Commerce group that does many community projects, will be delivering food and presents to low income families in the Novi area.

Mike Mattingsly, community development vice president, said the Jaycees will be helping more than 35 needy families this year.

"The Jaycees find families through the Department of Social Services, churches, schools and people who call the Jaycees to tell them of families that need help."

Mattingsly said the Novi Jaycees serve mostly Novi families, but they also help some families in Walled Lake and South Lyon.

"We don't turn anyone away," he said.

The Jaycees earned some of its money for the project by wrapping Christmas presents at Twelve Oaks

Mall and sponsoring a Christmas concert.

Both projects brought in \$1,200 but more is needed to buy food and gifts for the needy, Mattingsly said.

Along with other items that will be delivered to the needy, a \$10 gift certificate will be given to families so they can purchase their own Christmas dinner.

Mattingsly said the families live in anything from one room apartments to ranches. Some of the homes from the outside look as though the family does not need help. However, from the inside of the home anyone could see the family needs help at Christmas.

Mattingsly said after the hard work of collecting, sorting, and wrapping the best part of the project is delivering food to the families.

"Sometimes the kids don't," he said. "They are always, always appreciative."

One boy was so happy and excited one year that he jumped up and down and screamed with joy.

The Jaycees get Christmas requests for anything from rock and roll cassette tapes to basic items such as clothes, winter boots and winter coats.

Mattingsly said that all of the donations designed for the needy family project go directly to it. Any donations not used this Christmas will be used next Christmas.

"We could still use the money because this year has been tight on the

planned," Mattingsly said. "If anybody has any extra cash around, please send it. We sure could use it."

merchants and we are going to end up spending more money out of our budget than probably originally

planned," Mattingsly said. "If anybody has any extra cash around, please send it. We sure could use it."

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Council changes rules to permit open house signs

By JAN JEFFREY
Staff Writer

Novi has a new open house sign ordinance. And real estate broker Shirley Cash says she just can't wait to violate it somehow.

"Whatever they say, I will put a sign up to test their ordinance. I'll test any sign ordinance," Cash said.

What the Novi City Council did approve after much wrangling was to permit the temporary signs any day of the week between the hours of 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. in front of single-family residences and detached and attached condominiums.

The council debated about how many signs could be allowed and where they could be placed, finally agreeing to restrict it to no more than five at the entrance or within the subdivision where the open house is to be held.

"How much is the fine if I sign open until 4:30 p.m.?" Cash asked.

The standard for a misdemeanor conviction. Assistant City Attorney Dennis Watson said — up to a \$500 fine and/or 90 days in prison.

A move by Mayor Pro Tem Hugh Crawford to permit more than one open house sign in front of residences on city roads, such as the mile roads, failed.

Century 21 West Office Manager Barbara Pietron pointed out that one open house sign doesn't draw the customers in.

"Unfortunately, some of our subdivisions here are built like mazes. Meadowbrook Glens is one. Just to direct somebody in you need four or five signs. I know we've been in violation but we haven't hurt anyone. It hasn't been dangerous," Pietron said.

Since 1982, open house signs have been illegal in Novi. Before she was elected to city council, real estate broker Carol Mason began campaigning to change the ordinance.

Cash suggests there could be lawsuits against the city in the near future based on the sign ordinance and suggested that the council seek a legal opinion on the regulations from the city attorney. She took Oak Park to court when that city banned all signs in 1977 and says that the municipality within two years had spent \$50,000 in legal fees.

"Please listen to the Realtors who are speaking. Please listen to the businesspeople who are speaking. We are speaking because we are defending our First Amendment rights," Cash added.

Realtor Ginger Barrons said the professionals don't hold the open houses to satisfy customer demands. Nationwide, fewer than five percent of homes are sold to a client who wanders in during the event, she told the council.

"By restricting the hours, you're not hurting the Realtor. You're hurting the homeowner," Barrons said.

She questioned why builders of new subdivisions are allowed to have prominent sales signs, as well as a temporary sales office in the residential neighborhood.

"Not all the Realtors stumped for the signs. Salesman Phil Superfisky wondered if it gave his profession an 'unfair advantage' over other businesspeople by allowing them a greater use of temporary signs without applying for a city permit.

"The abuses of the ordinance you passed tonight will be by the brokers from outside the community and the homeowners who are selling and leaving the community and don't care. They'll put the sign out daily," he said.

"We're going to have a nightmare sign ordinance and we'll see some abuses. It's nice that you're allowing us to be legal... but now you're going overboard."

The open house sign regulation doesn't just apply to Realtors but also to what are known as FSBO in the trade — For Sale By Owner. Individual homeowners will also have to abide by the rules or face the penalty.

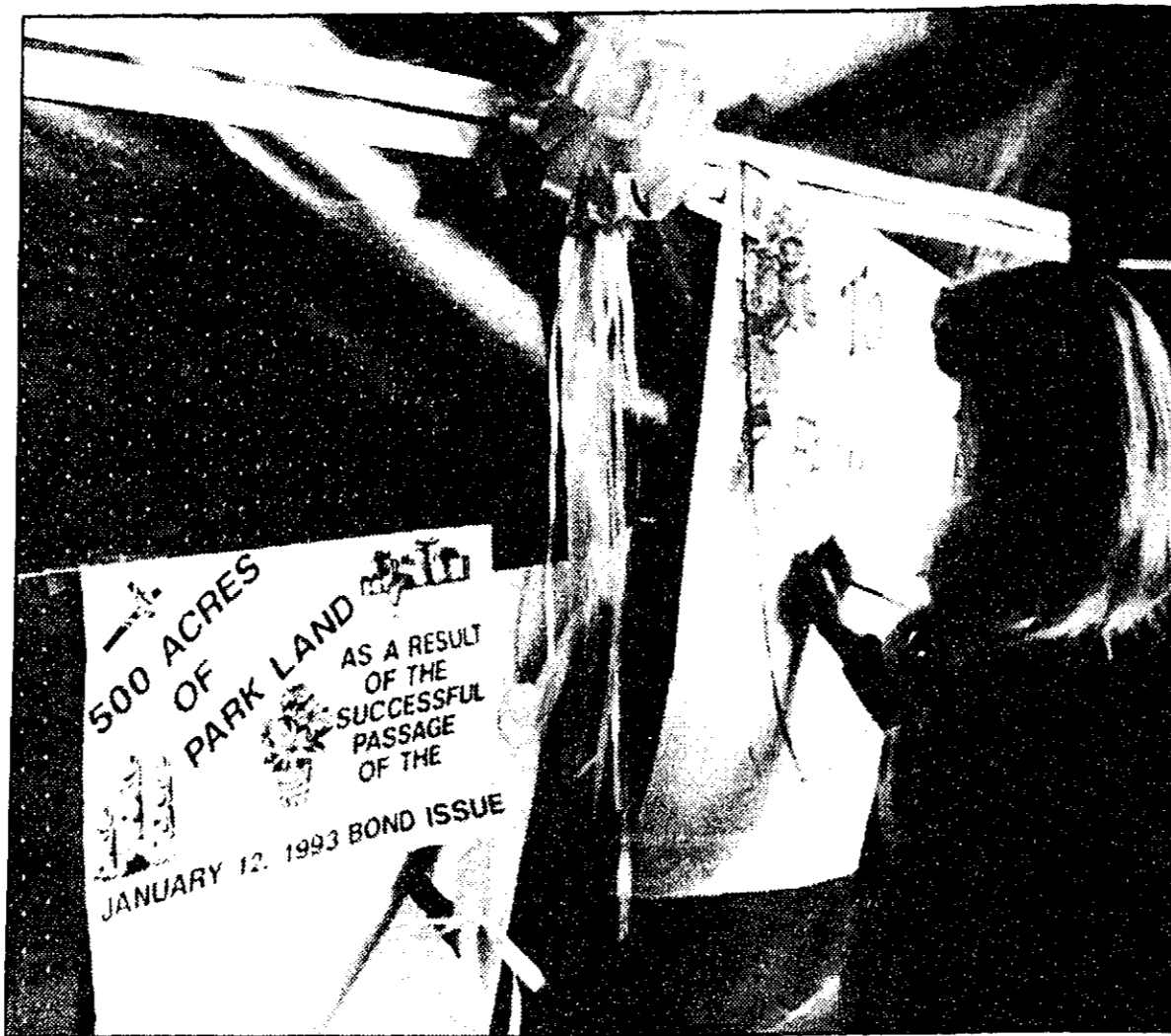


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Novi residents can sign a holiday poster in the Novi Civic Center expressing their support for the coming parkland bond issue.

Bond sale moving forward

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"We have our work cut out for us," said Superintendent of Schools Dr. Emmett Lippe. "It will be a challenge to get the bonds sold and the work done on time and in budget. We accept that challenge."

Unless a major shift takes place in interest rates in the next forty days, district officials say, the bonds will probably be sold within that time. Assistant Superintendent for Business and Operations James Koster predicted the bonds will sell with an interest rate of 4-6.3 percent, considered very low.

If the sale occurs when expected, Lippe estimated that work on the schools will begin in the spring, the majority of it taking place over the summer breaks this academic year and next.

Officials are shooting for opening day of the 1994-95 school year as an ultimate completion date. Some work at Novi High School, however, may extend into the late fall of that school year.

The work includes classroom and instructional additions to the high school, a new classroom addition for Parkview Elementary, a series of renovations and remodelings for Novi High School, Novi Meadows, Village Oaks and Orchard Hills Elementary.

Some \$7.86 million of the \$31.9 million is set aside for wiring all schools into the computers of the Instructional Technology Center. The bond money will buy computers, related software and other technology as well.

The board will likely receive another update, including the administrator's recommendation for a financial firm to handle the sale, at their Jan. 7, 1993, meeting.

Guardian head heads to Little Rock

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During the Carter administration, he served as the special representative to the U.S. Trade Representative and executive assistant to the President's Middle Eastern negotiator.

Discussion over the two 12-hour days focused on how to get the economy up and running again without resorting to short-term fixes and while still working to reduce the federal deficit, Gerson said.

Topics of local interest included increasing the access U.S. business has to Japanese markets.

"I think it was quite useful and interesting and very productive," he added.

"One of the most impressive aspects of it was the grasp President-elect Clinton has of an enormous range of issues. It would be very worthwhile if Clinton when he becomes president continues to have meetings of this sort. So he's not just talking to people in Washington."

N'ville school district plugs holes in its math curriculum

By MICHELLE KAISER
Staff Writer

The Northville Board of Education plugged up the holes in its math curriculum by approving a new one Dec. 14, which aligns itself with the Public Act 25 core curriculum.

Betty Parker, a Northville math

science and health resource teacher, headed up the alignment project, beginning almost two years ago, with a committee of teachers including Pat Baird, Judy Higgins, Cheryl Holmberg, Jan Jamigan, Wendy Kelly, Bonnie Knight, Virginia Kricets, Bill Lenz, Judy Mach, Marsha Sator, Darrel Schumacher, Kathy Steinhilber and Cheryl Walro.

The committee developed a four-part process: the first step was establishing a core grid.

"This was used for the purpose of analyzing the (PA 25) curriculum by the committee," Parker told board members during a presentation.

The committee then took the grids and marked whether or not the district taught the curriculum.

"If we accomplished it we would mark it down. If not we would leave the (grid) blank," Parker said. "Then we went back and identified where the holes were."

"We found we were very strong in everything in the area of elementary (math) except in algebra. We weren't dealing with it well (because) we weren't using the more modern terminology. In the sixth grade through high school we found statistics and probability were the missing pieces."

The next step was to communicate those identified strengths and weaknesses with the teachers. Hence, another part of the phase, a Scope and Sequence chart was formed. This allowed the committee to add back any objective that was either missing or needed changing because of new terminology standards.

The PA 25 core curriculum also requires math, science, language arts and world studies be integrated with subjects such as career and employability outcomes, technology and life management. So, the committee also developed an integration grid used to represent alignment in the above areas.

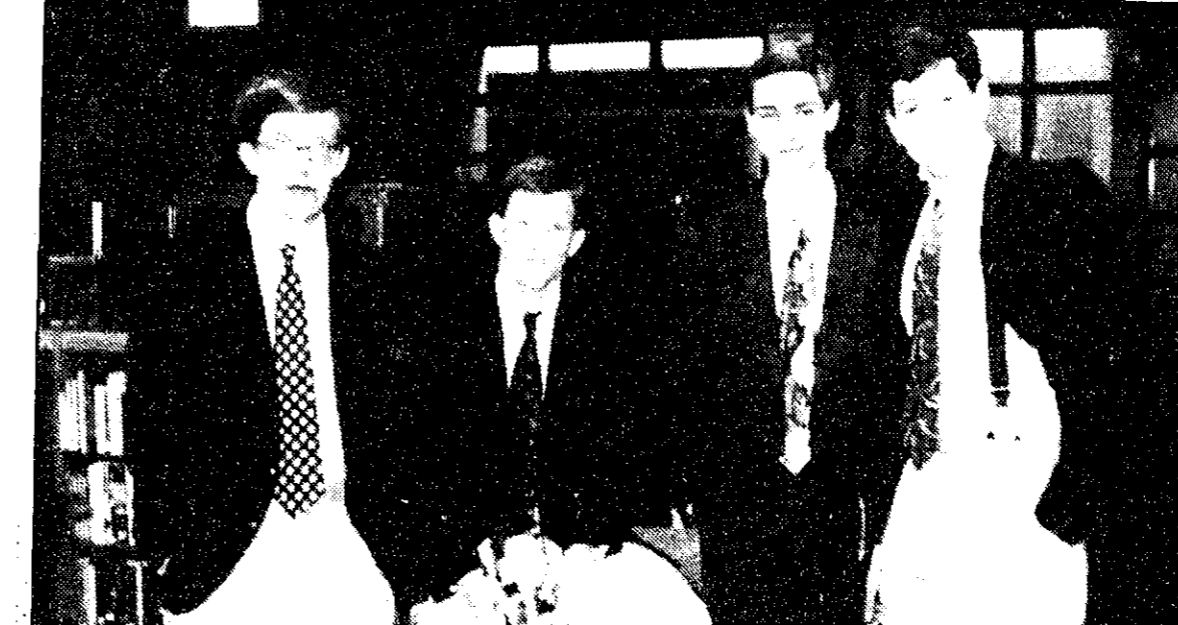
"I'm not into reinventing the wheel," Parker said of the integration grid. "I went into this with the thought in mind, that by having all the integrated outcomes for all the different contents, this grid will always be in place."

Police still looking for bank robber

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anyway. All they had to do was basically pull right in."

Novi Police investigation is in conjunction with investigation by the FBI Bank Robbery Squad. Grubb said that, once the department has either film or a composite drawing of the suspect they will compare it with other FBI bank robbery suspects to see if the man can be identified.



The varsity debate captains: Brendan Best, Alan Stevens, James Kovacs and Randall Juip.

Engler picks Novi man for mobile home commission

Governor Engler announced the appointments of Brian W. Fannon of Novi, Dennis A. Dukes, Donna R. Hunston and Kamal H. Shouhayib to the state Mobile Home Commission.

Fannon has been president of Quality Homes and Management Inc. since 1978. Fannon earned a Bachelor's degree in Management from the University of Detroit in 1971 and a Masters of Business Administration from the University of Detroit in 1977. He is a member of the Novi Optimist Club and Novi Zoning Board of Appeals. Fannon is reappointed to represent manufacturers, for a term expiring May 9, 1995.

The commission establishes standards for mobile home park construction and the licensure of mobile home parks, dealers and brokers, and installers and repairers. Members are appointed by the governor, with the advice and consent of the state Senate.

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By RANDY COBLE
Staff Writer

Honoring the members of the Novi High School varsity debate team was a premise of Board President Raymond Byers. "This says a lot about the kids and staff we have here in Novi. I think it's wonderful."

The Wildcats took their second straight Kensington Valley Conference (KVC) championship recently, and individual members also picked up high honors. The board took note of the special achievement at its Dec. 17 meeting.

"Team members set an incredible record," read the recognition of achievement of the board presented at the meeting by captains Brendan Best, Alan Stevens, James Kovacs and Randall Juip.

Randy Juip, James Kovacs and Alan Stevens. Juip and Kovacs won the top KVC speaker awards as well. "Look at the excellence we have here," said Board President Raymond Byers. "This says a lot about the kids and staff we have here in Novi. I think it's wonderful."

Debate captains accepted the awards and posed with board members for a photo or two — taken by proud parents.

In other debate competition, Wildcats Bethany Crowley, Darren Ho, Chris Urban and Amy Yang won first place team honors in the varsity North Oakland Open Debate League.

The varsity debate captain foursome recently placed second overall in the Detroit Forensics League competition.

Novi High School debate team coaches are Kathy Pasquonito and Cheryl Gaslay.

After accepting the recognition of achievement, the four captains treated board and audience members to a demonstration of their championship skills very much in line with the season.

Dividing into two teams, they debated whether Santa Claus has or does actually exist, with the board deciding whose argument was the better. Santa won, unanimously.

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Photo by STEVE KELLMAN

Heather (left) and Holly Qualman share some kim chi as Eddie Dunn helps himself to some other treats at the holiday spread at last month's ACORD (A Community Organization Recognizing diversity) meeting.

'TIS THE SEASON for different reasons

By SHARON CONDRON
and STEVE KELLMAN
Staff Writers

"Santa, Santa."

That was Holly Qualman's initial reaction to the family's Christmas tree which anchored an empty room in the Qualman's Northville home.

Holly, who was only 2½ then, shouted those words as soon as she caught her first glimpse of the family's tree decked out on Christmas morn.

It was music to Connie Qualman's ears because it meant her newly adopted Korean daughter knew about Santa and his magic.

"She was three steps to the bottom of the stairs when she started screaming 'Santa, Santa,'" Connie said. "It still brings tears to my eyes just telling the story."

Holly's biological sister, Heather, who was just a year younger than Holly, obviously knew the story behind Christmas as well.

"She was already ripping and tearing the packages open," Connie remembered. "That was their first Christmas here."

To Al and Connie Qualman all this was a good sign. It meant their two newly adopted daughters had had some exposure to Christmas and the way it is celebrated here in America. It meant they could identify with a custom. And it meant they could bridge their heritages and share Christmas together as the family they'd become.

Since that time, Connie and Al have spent a lot of time researching Korean culture. Their hunger for Korean history is satisfied only by the happiness of their daughters who have been extracted from their native home and transplanted to what some might say is a new world.

To help ease their transition, the Qualmans had enrolled the girls for three years in a school that taught them about Korean culture and lifestyle. There they

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Connie Qualman
Mother of two

learned the language and Korean traditions. They attended Saturday sessions until it got to be too much for them, Connie said. She said it was important for both the girls to learn their heritage.

"It was important to me because I knew I couldn't give them their culture and language," Connie said. "In many ways it was more important to me than it was for them to learn their language and things about their culture and history."

It's been almost 10 years since Holly and Heather landed here. Over the years, the Qualmans

have grown together as a family and shared in their collective ethnic customs.

The holiday season poses some unique situations for the Qualmans and others in the community who have different ways and reasons for celebrating the holiday season. Religious preferences and ethnic backgrounds contribute to many different holiday traditions and rituals.

Since the Catholic and Presbyterian missionaries migrated into Korea about 50 years ago, Connie said, most Koreans practice Catholicism and Presbyte-

rianism and are familiar with the tale of Christmas.

For the Qualmans, that means Christmases are now the same in any language. But what's different in the Qualman house nowadays is how New Year's Day is celebrated. Koreans put more stock in New Year's Day than they do Christmas.

"New Year's Day is a bigger celebration than Christmas is for them," Connie said. "They honor their elders and have a big feast and it's also a universal birthday when everybody turns a year older."

"So we have Korean food on that day and make sure they talk to their grandparents," she said.

The feast is marked with nearly 15-20 Korean dishes. Now, while Connie said she has not mastered all those yet, she's become proficient in preparing a few Korean dishes.

"We have kim chi which is a seasoned and marinated cabbage dish. That's in the house all the time," Connie said. "As is customary, on New Year's we have a huge Korean meal and honor the grandparents. While they (Koreans) would serve 15-20 dishes, we don't go quite that extravagant. I can make about three Korean dishes."

The Qualmans' situation is similar to others who have made adjustments for ethnic differences or celebrate an entire different holiday.

Linda Barnes remembers cele-

brating a similar holiday in her native England, but notes that there were differences.

"We have a Christmas tree; we have advent calendars; there's a lot of food and gift-giving as there is here," she said.

But the British Christmas tree has a few more treats on it than its American counterpart. "We wrap tiny gifts and put them on the tree, and also chocolate goodies wrapped in foil," Barnes said. "Another thing we used to do, and I shudder to think about it now, is to put lit candles on the tree. Obviously, they don't do that anymore."

In Victorian times, the British would burn a "huge" Yule log in the fireplace, she added. "People don't do it now because they don't have the huge hearths," she said.

Another British custom that may find less favor stateside is the traditional meal of a boar's head, decorated with a rose behind its ear. Christmas puddings would be a conglomeration of all the other unearthen desserts, and parents would hide six-pence pieces in it for prizes.

"You had to be very careful eating it, otherwise you'd have a very large dental bill by the end of the holidays," Barnes recalled.

Connie Orr noted that her family's celebration of Kwanzaa helps them recognize and take pride in their African-American heritage.

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TED MARZONIE

Marzonie gets active in helping the youth

If you have wondered about those white-fezzed men, carrying scimitars, as they march in the Fourth of July Parade, or about those white-fezzed men who shake canisters between traffic lanes on Father's Day weekend, Ted Marzonie can fill you in.

They are members — and Marzonie is one — of the International Order of the Alhambra, which is the Catholic version of the Shriners.

The Northville group or caravan belongs to the Michigan Council of Caravans, and is known as Manresa 217.

Its main preoccupation is getting mentally and physically disadvantaged young people involved in opportunities they wouldn't ordinarily be able to get into.

For example, there are the picnics held at Marybury State Park in May and October. Marzonie, as chairman of the social committee, oversees the details.

They're open, he said, to all mentally and physically impaired persons in the area, but the basic participants are girls from Our Lady of Providence and the boys from the St. Louis Home for Boys in Chelsea and also members of The Friendship Club.

Other opportunities, Marzonie said, which Manresa 217 offers these people are bowling, beach trips, horseback riding at Tollgate, trips to Boblo and the Shrine Circus.

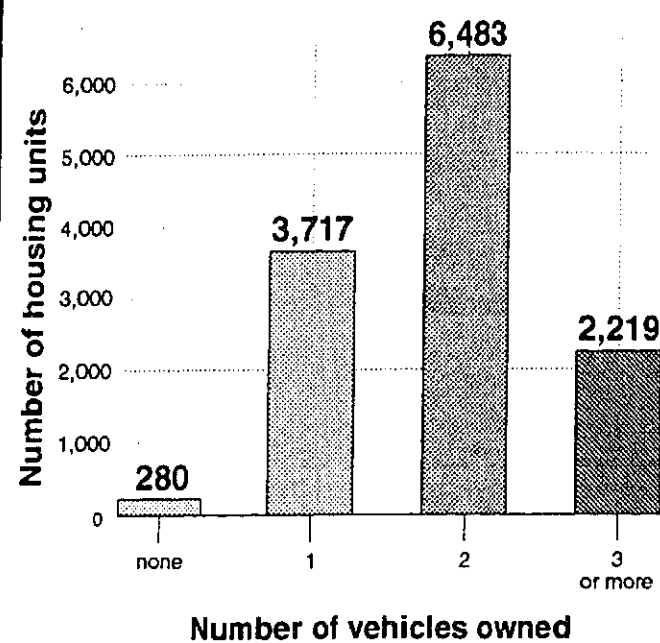
The Shrine Circus is sponsored by the Red Fez Men, but the White Fez men — not just from Northville but from four other caravans throughout the state — got together last year and sponsored 7,000 children to go the circus. They bought out one whole performance from the Red Fez Men.

If you qualify for membership and want to participate, call Ted Marzonie at 349-2903.

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Scouts awed by uniformed 'Toys for Tots' officer

By JEANNE CLARKE
Special Writer

Santa Claus wished Cub Scout Pack 239 a merry Christmas at its December meeting and a Marine Corps representative collected toys for the scouts had collected for the 'Toys for Tots' program sponsored by the Marines. The Marine also taught the boys to stand at attention, reviewed their uniforms and played Simon Says with them.

Novi Highlights

Badges for Communicator, Fitness and Readyman were awarded to Adam Lenhardt, Nathanael Self, and Brandon Wolf.

NOVI SOUTH KIWANIS
This very active group, led by Joann Leavitt, president, is a community-minded organization. It helps many people, from youths to babies to those in nursing homes.

Several members assisted at the Meadowbrook Church with the fruit project, including Jack Canfield, Bob Fair, Jeanne Schurr, Harvey Seymore, Dave Crockett, Bob Tompkins and John Eskra.

FAITH COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Christmas evening worship will be Thursday, Dec. 24 with services at 6 p.m., 8 p.m. and 11 p.m. On Dec. 27 the sermon topic will be "The Christmas Onion" with scripture from John 1:14.

December activities at the church have included the Leading Ladies for their annual Christmas luncheon at the "Buggy Works." The book group met at the home of Judy Cordon and

discussed *Plain and Simple* by Sue Bender and *Diligence and Love* by Daisy Newman.
On Jan. 9 they will be discussing the book, *The Living* by Annie Dillard. Associate Pastor Cy Smith has been leading a study on the poetry of *The Book of Isaiah*. He will also be adapting the study for the Friday morning Bible group that meets every Friday at 8:30 a.m.

The senior high had a treasure hunt that ended at Ruby Tuesday's for treats. Members will be doing a service project with the Cleaners organization Jan. 16. They will also be having a submarine sandwich sale on Jan. 31. In February, they have planned a ski trip to Harbor Springs in March they will plan to participate in the Novi Youth Bowls.

The entire church family met early in the month and had an Advent workshop. They made ornaments and decorations, sang carols, decorated cookies and had a live Nativity.

Many seniors were guests at the annual Rotary Luncheon. Many seniors also made a trip to the American House located on West Road. The Bookmobile visited this month and will continue to do so every third Monday of the month.

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Peter Sincworth shows off a card he created, as Bear Leader Lynn Law surveys the troops.

Local cub scouts take holiday cheer to senior citizens

By CRISTINA FERRIER
Staff Writer

A group of Orchard Hills Elementary School cub scouts brightened up the holidays at Novi Charter House Dec. 17.

Cub Scout Pack 240 met Nov. 19 to make 130 holiday cards, then met again Dec. 17 to deliver the cards along with oranges and bananas provided by Kroger and Erwin's Farms.

"The experience taught the kids about older people as well as religious other than their own."

"We have some Jewish families involved in the pack, and they made Hanukkah cards," said Fern Sincworth, one of the mothers involved in the pack.

They were glad they did, too, because at least one of the Charter House residents was Jewish and

overjoyed to receive a Hanukkah card.

"Instead of making Christmas cards and going Christmas caroling, we made holiday cards and sang holiday songs," Sincworth said. "The kids who were Christian made Christmas cards and the kids who were Jewish made Hanukkah cards."

Sincworth said this is the first year the pack has been successful in carrying out such a visit to a nursing home.

"We just felt this is a good time of year to do it, though we've heard there's a need to do this more than just at Christmas," she said.

"And I think they enjoyed visiting, and the gifts," she said. "They had a good time talking to the people and they all came away in good moods."



Andy Jewell (left) and Jason May stand behind a Charter House resident who received one of their cards.



Vita Acciaoli plugs a copy of her award-winning video into her VCR.

Video volunteer Cable projects gets senior involved with TV

By CRISTINA FERRIER
Staff Writer

When Vita Acciaoli got into making videos 10 years ago, she saw it as a way to get out of the house and do something different.

Today she is actively involved at Metrovision as a volunteer, and she can boast about winning a national video contest.

Acciaoli, of Novi, started her "career" when a friend asked her to take a class with her.

"I had seven children and it was a way to get out of the house," she laughed. The class was at Booth Communications, where she volunteered for a year, then she moved to Metrovision when it opened in Farmington Hills in 1984.

Her first production was one on hair braiding, which her nephew demonstrated.

"I was there for all these years and I was afraid to produce a show, but one of the staff people encouraged me," she said. She enjoyed it so much she went on to a second production, this

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"I was quite honored because this is not something you win that easily," Acciaoli said. "It took ten years for me to get there, but I really feel like it's an accomplishment."

Acciaoli, who is a senior citizen, said her video hobby keeps her active and allows her to meet an occasional celebrity.

"It's a chance to meet a celebrity at times. I've met all of the candidates who have run for [local] office, including L. Brooks Patterson," she said. "And I met Marilyn [Turner], of Kelly and Company."

She also wants to encourage others to become involved. "The classes are free, and it's great for seniors, like myself, who want to do something after retirement."

Families celebrate in many ways

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"Kwanzaa's not an African tradition. Kwanzaa's an African-American celebration that's only been celebrated for the past 26 years," she noted. The holiday was created by a teacher named Maulana Karenga in 1966, to teach his people about their history.

Kwanzaa lasts seven days, from Dec. 26 to Jan. 1. The holiday is marked by seven symbols, and honors the Nguza Saba, Swahili for "seven principles." The principles include unity, self-determination, collective work and responsibility, cooperative economics, purpose, creativity and faith.

A great feast, known as the Karama, is held on the sixth day of Kwanzaa.

Or noted that Kwanzaa means "first fruits" and is based on harvest celebrations in Africa. "There are many first fruit celebrations in Africa," she said, one for each fruit harvested.

The holiday's timing is no coincidence either, she said. "It's out of the way of some of the hustle and bustle of Christmas, but it's also a time when families traditionally come together."

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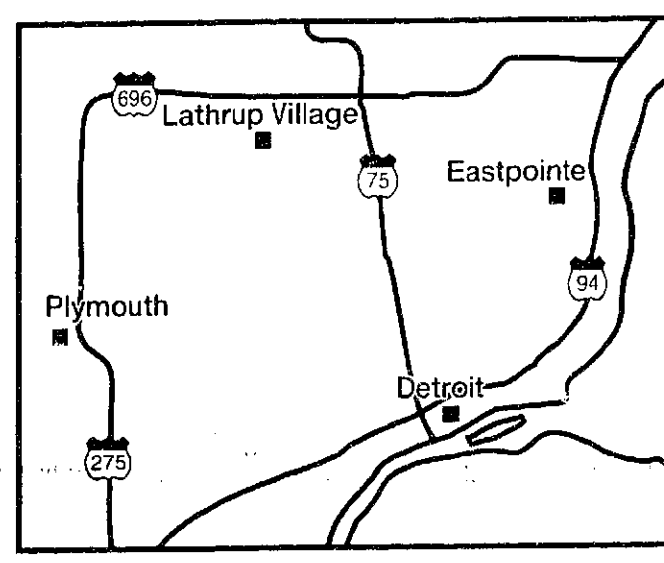
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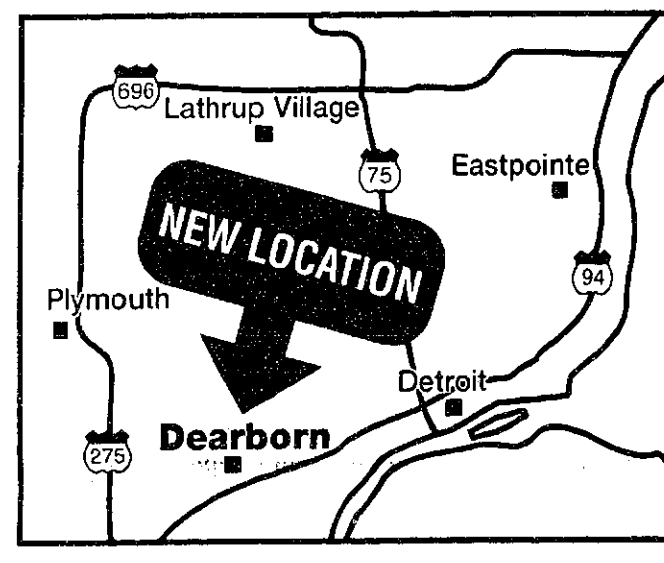
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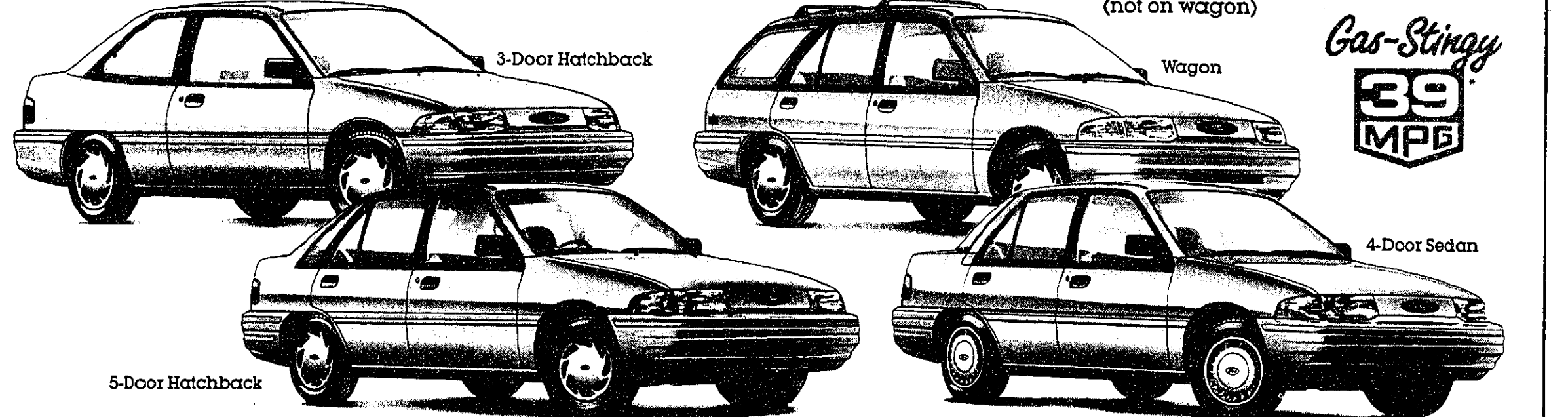
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Tobacco use on rise among young males

Each month in its news bulletin, the Michigan High School Athletic Association publishes health and safety tips for state athletes.

The following is a pair of such articles from the MHSAA. The first deals with effects of smokeless tobacco on athletes while the second advises on prevention of contracting bloodborne infections:

Smokeless tobacco use is on the rise, especially among teenage boys. Sixteen percent of all males between the ages of 12 and 17 chewed tobacco last year. Many of these youngsters believe smokeless tobacco is a "safe" alternative to cigarettes.

Well, it's not! An estimated 30,000 new cases of oral cancer will be diagnosed in the U.S. this year. Approximately 9,400 of these cancers will result in death. Oral cancers cause 4 percent of all cancer deaths in the U.S. The primary cause for most of these cancers will be the use of tobacco products.

According to the American Academy of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery (a surgical specialty that treats the ears, nose and throat, including tumors of the head and neck), studies have shown that smokeless tobacco is more addictive than cigarettes and may be harder to quit.

"When the tobacco is chewed or dipped," says Lee Eisenberg, MD, National "Through With Chews" Chairman, "nicotine and other chemicals are absorbed directly into the bloodstream. It is through this process that the user gets a 'nicotine high,' but also develops mouth cancer."

Early detection enhances suc-

cessful treatment of oral cancer. Symptoms include a sore that doesn't heal; a lump or thickening in the mouth; a persistent reddish or white patch; and difficulty chewing, swallowing or moving the tongue or jaw.

In addition to a high risk of developing oral cancers, smokeless tobacco users run an increased risk of increased heart rate, high blood pressure, contracted blood vessels, permanently stained teeth, bad breath, gum recession and tooth decay.

The American Academy of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery has released a new leaflet on smokeless tobacco. Written for teenagers, the leaflet explains why smokeless tobacco is addictive and discusses the adverse side effects. You can order a free copy of "Smokeless Tobacco... Just as Dangerous" by sending a self-addressed, stamped business-size envelope to Chew c/o American Academy of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery, One Prince Street, Alexandria, VA 22314.

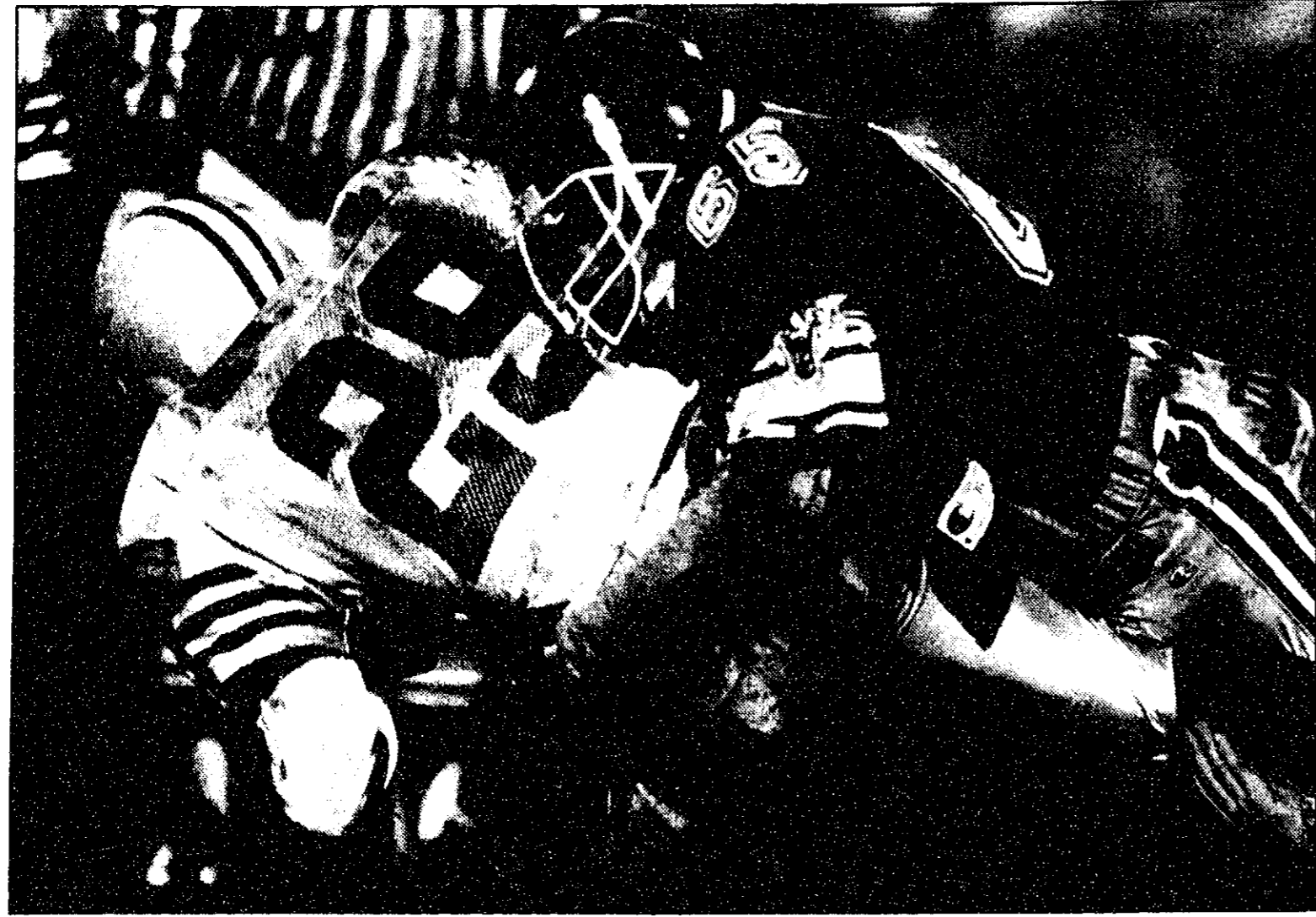
BLOODBORNE INFECTIONS

Here are nine tips in reducing the risk of contracting bloodborne infections (HIV and Hepatitis B virus):

- Before competing, cover any open wounds you might have, to reduce the transfer of blood from one open wound to another.

- Athletes should render first aid to themselves and cover their own wounds, whenever possible. This reduces the risk of transmitting a bloodborne virus from one person to another.

- When rendering first aid to others,



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High contact sports such as football can cause bloody injuries. Players should cover their wounds immediately.

wear protective gloves any time blood or other body fluids containing visible blood, open wounds, or mucous membranes are involved. Clean gloves should be worn for each athlete or the recurrence of an injury with the same athlete if any practice or competition has occurred following initial treatment.

- If you get someone else's blood or other body fluids containing visible blood on yourself, wear protective gloves and wipe it off with a disposable towel using a solution known to inactivate bloodborne pathogens.

This might be a solution of household bleach and water or a commercially prepared, EPA-approved solution. Disposable towel means any type of a wipe that is designed to be used once and discarded. Proper disposal would be the use of a plastic-lined container with a lid. The household bleach solution should be mixed fresh daily and should be a dilution of 100 parts water to one part bleach—the equivalent of ¼ cup bleach to each gallon of water or tablespoon of bleach to each quart of water.

- If blood or other body fluids con-

taining visible blood are present during practice or competition, play should be stopped, the injured athlete removed from the activity and given proper attention, and any contaminated surfaces should be cleaned. Any open wounds should be cleaned, the bleeding should be stopped, and the wounds should be covered before the athlete is allowed to continue participation.

- Wash your hands with soap and water immediately after exposure to blood or other body fluids containing visible blood, open wounds, or mucous membranes even if protective gloves were used.

- Do not use common towels to clean surfaces contaminated with blood or other body fluids containing visible blood. The use of common towels any time during athletics is a very poor health habit.
- Wash all soiled uniforms, towels, and other dirty linen in warm or hot soapy water. Any detergent containing bleach (chlorine or non-chlorine) would be appropriate.
- In general, use good hygienic practices.

Tankers whip RU; fall to Stevenson

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100-yard breaststroke. Nov closed the meet by taking first and second in the 400-yard freestyle relay.

The team of Kelly, Suchyta, Matt Mutch and Lafferty won in 3:37.74. Galford, Tim Gibbons, Leroy and Rob Mutch were second in 4:20.61.

LIVONIA STEVENSON 111, NOVI 75: The Wildcats took one of the area's best teams Dec. 14 and managed to win four events.

Mason said most of his swimmers performed well for their first dual meet of the season. He added, however, some of the underclassmen were nervous.

Nerves or not, the Wildcats took second in the 200-yard medley relay. Galford, Curt Speerschnelder, Rob Mutch and Black posted a time of 2:56.10.

Lafferty got Novi's first win in the 200-yard freestyle. He cruised in at 1:51.69 while teammate Suchyta

was third in 2:14.10. Kelly missed winning the 200 IM by a fraction of a second. The star freshman placed second in 2:07.60.

In the 50-yard freestyle, Matt Mutch was second in 24.40 while Rob Mutch came in fourth at 26.28.

Gubert took the diving competition with a total of 176.7 points. Senior Vost was second with 152 points.

The Wildcats placed third in the 100-yard butterfly as Matt Mutch finished in 1:00.1. Kelly came back to win the 100 freestyle in 52.8.

Lafferty continued the win streak with a 5:09.96 in the 500 freestyle. Suchyta was second in 5:32.13.

The team of Matt Mutch, Kelly, Suchyta and Lafferty were second in the 200-yard freestyle relay with a time of 1:36.19. Novi took second in the 400 freestyle relay behind Lafferty, Matt Mutch, Kelly and Suchyta's 3:36.69.

In the 100-yard backstroke, Rob Mutch took second in 1:09.42. Curt Speerschnelder won the 100 breaststroke in 1:10.43.



Football Star

Parkview Elementary third grader Stephen Wasil recently competed in the Michigan Punt, Pass and Kick state finals at the Pontiac Silverdome. In order to qualify for the event, Wasil placed first in the eight-year-old division in local competition. He also won the punt, pass and kick regional held in Plymouth.

Northville simmers third at annual relays

By SCOTT DANIEL
Sports Editor

The Mustang swim team got its season off to a fast start by taking third place in the annual Plymouth Relays Saturday.

Northville broke its 200-yard butterfly relay meet record in the process, finishing first in 1:44.25. According to swimming coach Mark Heiden, the meet is less about setting records and more about measuring team progress.

"It's a good meet to bring the team together," he added. "It's fun to win it, but there's more to the meet than winning."

Heiden said his swimmers have been aching for competition. "It was good to see the adrenalin going," he commented. They swam well.

Traditional Western Lakes Activities Association powerhouse Livonia

Stevenson won the relays with 245 points. Plymouth Salem was next at 225 while Northville took third with 204 points.

Jim Fee, Jason Fisher, Peter Anthony and Matt Handyside set the meet record in the 200 butterfly. Heiden said he wasn't quite sure how to explain his team's dominance in the event.

Northville started its day by placing sixth in the 400-yard medley relay. Todd Lennig, James Elssesser, Sarjay Nayakwadi and Matt Basse teamed for a time of 4:31.61.

In the 400 freestyle, Cregg Garner, Marc Wilson, Brian VanHorn and Jason Lennig took fifth in 3:51.41. Jason Lennig, Garner, Fee and Fisher won the 500-yard crescendo in 4:30.68.

The team of Jeff Slewing, Joel Elssesser, Dave Wesley and Anthony were second in the 400 IM. The team posted a time of 4:03.42.

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Gyms offer variety of exercise

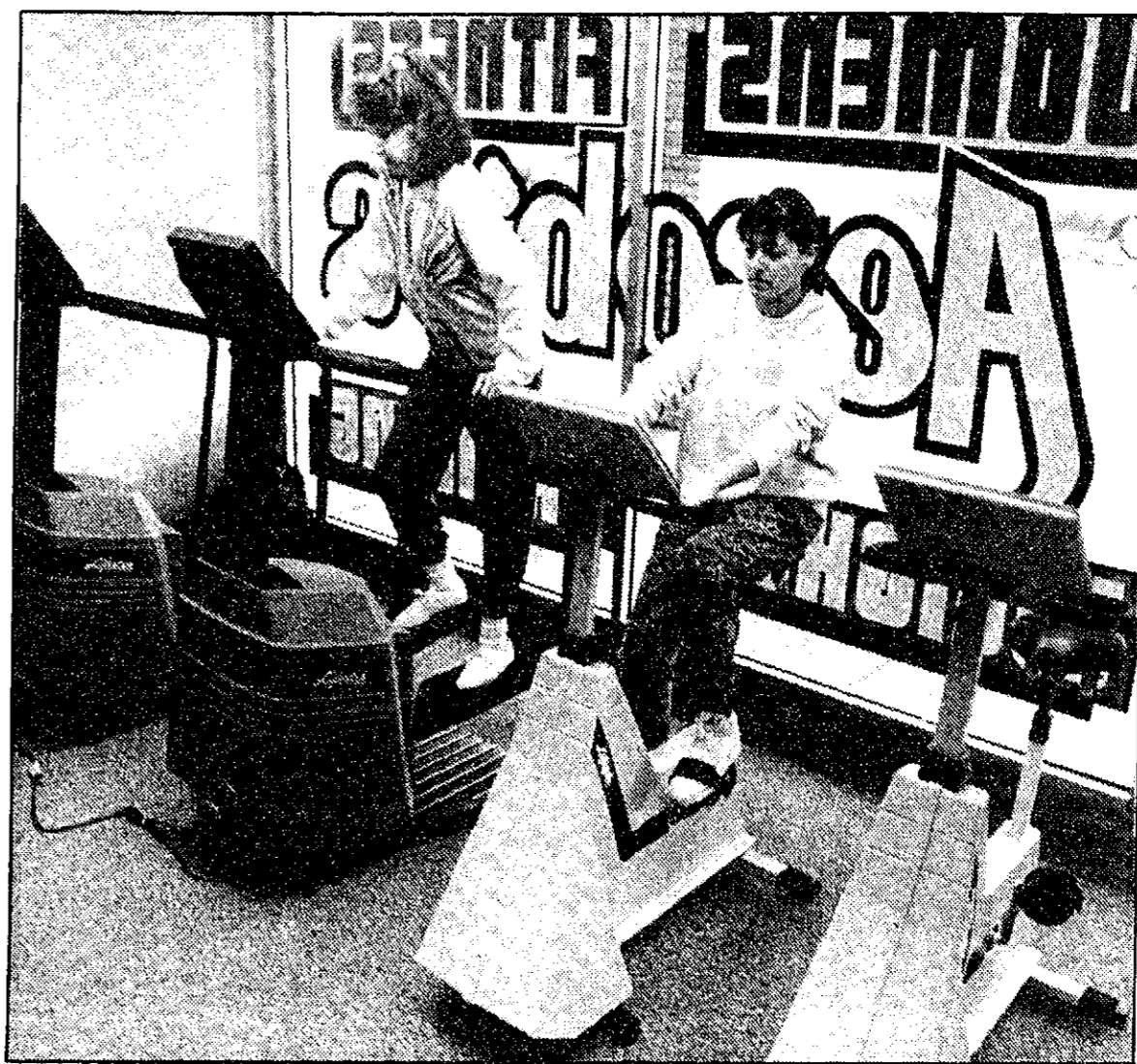
By SHARON ACHATZ
Special Writer

Gyms can be stinky, sweaty free-weight rooms where beefcakes go to pump iron. Or huge rooms packed with lycra-clad women bouncing to the beat in aerobics classes. Or a series of high-tech machines being pushed, pulled and pedaled by muscled masses.

Gyms can be all those things... and much more, too. Aerobics classes have boomed beyond bebop dancing and incorporate innovations such as low-impact classes that minimize bouncin and joint wear-and-tear, power-step classes that utilize elevated platforms to add difficulty to the workout, and marathon two-hour classes for the superfit.

Many gyms also offer karate classes that increase flexibility, strengthen muscles, quicken reflexes and promote self-defense.

High-tech machines have gone beyond the stretch-and-strain of Nautilus-type machines to include stationary bicycles, stair-stepping and cross-country ski simulators, treadmills and body-fat analyzers. Many gyms set up large-screen TVs in such workout areas so exercisers have something to break up monotony as they mark down mileage. With the Nautilus-type machines



FILE PHOTO

Lifecycles are just some of the equipment found in gyms today.

—a series of weightlifting machines with each station designed to work out a particular muscle group — the newest concept is that of speed. Workouts are limited to one minute on each machine, the idea being to promote muscle tone by squeezing in

as many reps as possible in short time. These workouts are interspersed with cardiovascular jogging on mini trampolines to keep the heart rate up and muscles warm between machines. Most gyms include personal train-

ers on staff to set up workouts for members, track progress and provide motivation when the going gets tough. Some also offer massage to loosen up tight muscles, and tanning booths that will toast befed up bods to a showcase golden glow.

No time like present to get in shape



Randy Step

particularly sad because it involves children. A recent study found Michigan children to be more overweight than children in all other 49 states. When I read this I couldn't help wondering, "why Michigan?" Is it the climate or do we all hibernate for the winter in front of the television? Or maybe the slower lifestyle of the south-east states means people eat less fast food than in the north. Whatever the reason, I'm sure the

Health tips

fitness levels of the adult population equates with kids.

As any concerned parent would, I want my kids to grow to be healthy and fit adults. In a world of confusing mixed messages, it's tough for our kids to make choices. That includes healthy choices when it comes to eating or exercising. Setting an example at home is by far the most effective way to send the right message to our kids. Practicing the "do as I say not as I do" style of parenting only adds to the confusion.

Maybe knowing that a healthy lifestyle change will be a benefit we are giving to our children, not just ourselves, will motivate us to make the change. There's no time like the present to get started. Right? As we head into winter, there are plenty of ex-

cuses for not starting a fitness program. It's dark when you go to work. It's dark when you get home. Fitness activities such as walking, running, swimming, and biking all become less convenient. All are good excuses, right? Then how come in the summer I hear excuses such as "it's too hot" or "we're too busy" because we have more commitments and plans than we do during the winter?

Got the idea? No more excuses, lets get started! If you are looking for a place to start, consider a healthy holiday gift for your family. A good suggestion might be to start a home gym that you can add to each year. The gift of a home gym will not only be a healthy choice, but it might give your family some quality time together. Also wouldn't it be nice to see Michigan children ranked anywhere besides "dead last," when it comes to fitness.

Randy Step owns Running Fit in Novi. This series is coordinated by Peg Campbell of the University of Michigan Health Centers.

Swim club to hold holiday clinic

Swim Club: The Novi-Livonia Spartan Aquatic Club will be conducting a holiday swim clinic for ages 12 and under, from Dec. 28-30, 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., at Bentley Center located at 15100 Hubbard Drive in Livonia. For more information on the clinic or the swim program, please call 464-2217 or 591-6818.

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Novi Youth Baseball for the upcoming season, call 349-2543 or 349-5637.

Novi Trackers: Membership in the Novi Trackers Running Club is open to all interested individuals regardless of age, sex or skill level. More information about membership in the Trackers is available by calling the Novi Parks and Recreation at 347-0400 or new President Hugh 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 information, call 344-8330.

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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. For more information, call 462-4413.

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Fitness Notes

Fitness Factory: Registration for winter session will begin the week of Jan. 11-15. One hour high/low combination aerobic/muscle toning classes will be offered at Village Oaks Clubhouse in Novi. Classes will run Monday through Friday mornings at 9:30 a.m. and Monday/Wednesday evenings at 6:30 p.m. On-site babysitting will be available for the morning classes only. Prices of classes are \$30.00—one day a week, \$49 two days per week and \$64 three days per week or more. For more information, please call Kathi at 349-7928 or Voch at 349-0510.

Twelve Oaks walking program: The University of Michigan Health Centers and Twelve Oaks Mall present health education programs as part of the mall walking program. The programs are held in the center court on the second Tuesday of the month from 9-10 a.m.

The mall opens early daily for walkers. All entrance doors open at 8 a.m. Monday through Saturday and at 10 a.m. Sunday. New program participants need to register in the Twelve Oaks security office located on the upper level, JC Penney corridor.

Also available is the "Fitness over 50" program which is a low-impact aerobic session designed by the University of Michigan Physical Education department and presented by a certified instructor on Mondays and Wednesdays from 9-10 a.m.

For more information, please call 348-9438.

Children's fitness classes: The "Fit-n-Fun Club," for boys and girls (grades three to five), is now being offered by Northville Parks and Recreation and New Attitude Aerobics, at the Northville Community Center. Designed for the younger set, aerobics, games and activity stations help to strengthen the heart and major muscle groups, plus develop and increase flexibility, strength and stamina. For class or registration information, call 348-3120 or 349-0203.

Gymboree: Registrations are being accepted for Gymboree classes in Novi at the Novi Town Center. Gymboree is a play program for parents and children three months through 4 years old, designed to enhance the development of motor skills. Classes are offered Monday through Saturday mornings and Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings. For class descriptions, schedules and information call (313)737-2888.

Health screening: The Novi Parks and Recreation Department offers a variety of health screening events each week.

One is blood pressure screening for senior citizens. This free service is offered each Wednesday in the Novi Civic Center from 11 a.m.-noon.

Rent a pool: For those who like to keep fit by swimming, the Novi High School Pool is available for rent. Groups may rent the pool on Fridays from 7:30-9 p.m. If interested, call the Novi Community Education office at 348-1200 at least one month prior to date requested.

Weight loss: Ellie's Weigh weight loss classes are being held each Saturday morning at 10 a.m. and again at 12:30 p.m. at Grand Slam USA in Novi on Ten Mile Road.

For more information, call 682-1717.

Open swimming offered: Northville Recreation Department will offer open swimming at the Northville High School pool on Mondays and Wednesdays from 7:15-8:15 p.m., and on Saturdays from 2:45-3:45 p.m. A lap swim will also be offered on Mondays and Wednesday from 8:15-9:15 p.m.

Locker rooms and showers are available. The fee is \$1 per person. For more information, call 349-0203.

Schoolcraft health club: If you're thinking of joining a health club, Schoolcraft College has something for you.

The Livonia Junior college is offering a Health Club and a Gym and Swim program. The health club is designed for families to enjoy unstructured activity in a modern, fully equipped physical education facility. A nominal fee of \$3 is charged per visit and you will have the use of gyms, racquetball courts, weight machines and saunas. A membership fee of \$25 per individual or \$65 per family will cover the entire fall session. The club meets on Sundays from 1-5 p.m. for 26 Sundays.

The Gym and Swim program is offered on Thursdays and on Saturdays from 8 a.m.-noon. This program costs \$3 per visit on Thursday and \$2 on Saturday, and uses facilities including: the pool, weight training equipment, handball/paddleball courts, gyms and saunas.

Call 462-4413 for more information.

Weight Watchers: Weight Watchers, the internationally recognized weight loss program meets every Wednesday at the Northville Community Center at 9:45 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Registration fee is \$17, plus a weekly fee of \$9. For more information, call Diana Kutzke at 287-2900.

Ask-a-nurse referral: "Ask-a-Nurse," the new 24-hour health-information and physician-referral line sponsored by five Mercy hospitals in southeast Michigan, is offering a new speakers bureau to community groups.

SCOREBOARD

Basketball

Lamontagne (South Lyon)5.5
VanBuren (Lakeland)5.0

KVC STANDINGS

Brighton2-0
Milford2.0
South Lyon1.1
Lakeland1.1
Howell0.1
Harvard0.2
Novi0.2

KVC LEADERS

SCORING
Strecker (South Lyon)17.5
Baldwin (Lakeland)15.8
Ridley (Milford)13.8
Frazier (South Lyon)13.0
Kushner (Milford)12.8
Csordas (Novi)12.0
York (Novi)11.0
Kely (Novi)11.0
Dufresne (Lakeland)9.5
Blue (Milford)9.5
Horst (Milford)7.8
Steele (Lakeland)7.3
Tropea (Milford)5.8

REBOUNDING

Blue (Milford)9.8
Steele (Lakeland)8.8
Horst (Milford)8.8
Strecker (South Lyon)7.5
Csordas (Novi)7.0
Frazier (South Lyon)5.8

ASSISTS

Tropea (South Lyon)5.0
Kotahi (Milford)4.8
Fannon (Novi)3.8
Kushner (Milford)3.8
Izz-o (Lakeland)2.5
Larry (Lakeland)2.3
Frazier (South Lyon)2.0

STEELES

Fannon (Novi)3.0
Piermann (Novi)3.0
Strecker (South Lyon)2.3
Tropea (South Lyon)2.0
Lamontagne (South Lyon)2.0

THREE-POINTERS

Kushner (Milford)12
Montante (Milford)6
Baldwin (Lakeland)5
Kotahi (Milford)5
York (Novi)3
Wigton (Milford)3
Frazier (South Lyon)3
Tropea (South Lyon)2
Steele (Lakeland)2
Kely (Novi)2

FIELDGOAL PERCENTAGE

Watkins (Novi)667
Clayton (South Lyon)620
Strecker (South Lyon)620
Kely (Novi)571
Ridley (Milford)540
Baldwin (Lakeland)520

FREE THROW PERCENTAGE

Frazier (South Lyon)940
Dufresne (Lakeland)830
York (Novi)750
Piermann (Novi)750
Kushner (Milford)700
VanBuren (Lakeland)670
Kely (Novi)667
Tropea (South Lyon)610

TEAM OFFENSE

Milford63.8
South Lyon57.0
Novi51.6
Lakeland57.8

TEAM DEFENSE

Milford49.5
South Lyon55.0
Novi60.0
Lakeland78.0

Wrestling

DIVISION LEADERS
103
Streit (Novi)9-3

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Ja. Brown (South Lyon)8-3
Wahner (Harland)8-0

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O'Sullivan (Novi)6-2
Smades (Lakeland)8-3

125

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Borashko (Novi)4-3

135

Muzzio (South Lyon)7-3
Velzy (Lakeland)9-2

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Cini (Novi)4-3
145
McDaniels (South Lyon)10-1
Hay (Novi)4-2

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Duncan (South Lyon)9-2
Cappell (Lakeland)6-3
Wendt (Novi)4-3

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Ja. Brown (South Lyon)8-1
O'Callahan (Lakeland)6-3

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Tapley (Novi)6-2
McMley (South Lyon)6-3

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Steinacker (Howell)8-0

Ladd (Lakeland)7-2

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Hanton (Novi)7-2
Kolodziej (Lakeland)7-2
Kaulka (South Lyon)6-3

Recreation

BASKETBALL

Resident League

Duma Construction2-0
Golden Mortgage2-0
No Towners1-1
Silver Bullets1-1
Prime0-1
The Rockets0-1

Over 30 League

Moonrakers2-0
Novi Trenching2-0
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Franklin Mill0-1
Crashers0-1
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The A-Team0-2

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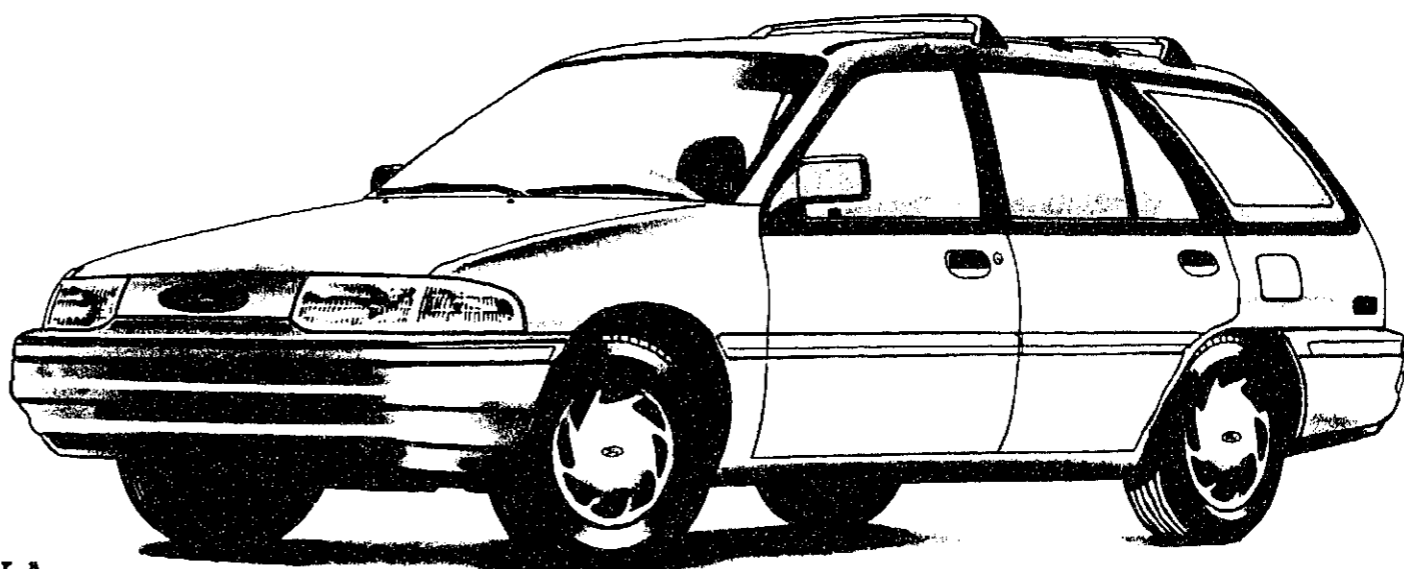
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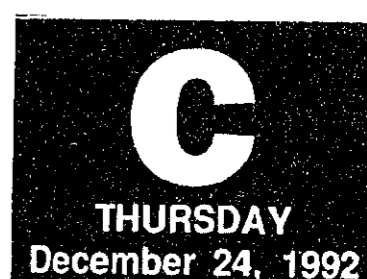
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Low interest rates spur home-buying

By James M. Woodard
Copley News Service

First-time home buyers are aggressively pushing for fulfillment of a dream—to own and live in their own home. Home sales are up in 35 states and much of the activity involves first-time buyers, according to a report from the National Association of Realtors.

The primary reason for the surge in sales to this highly motivated group is the desire to take advantage of current home-buying conditions, a recent survey revealed. With interest rates at a historic low, consumer confidence in the economy was evident during this year's third quarter as home resale activity increased, the report stated.

"Even with a stagnant economy, the big picture for the market is defined by growth," said Dorcas T. Helfant, NAR president. "Now if only legislation were passed allowing consumers to overcome down payment barriers, housing could lift the economy and bring positive change to many related industries."

The national survey of homes sales, including existing single-family detached homes, townhomes, condominiums and cooperatives, showed a seasonally adjusted annual resale rate of 3.35 million units during the third quarter. That reflects an increase over the

preceding quarter, but a decrease in sales activity from the third quarter of 1991.

"The spurt of home resales has certainly been helped by the lowest interest rates in almost two decades, but home buyers and owners won't make a significant move into the market until further incentives are provided by the government," said John Tuccillo, NAR's chief economist.

In another NAR report, it was noted that the nation's lower-priced housing markets experienced exceptional growth in home sales and values in recent months. Steady increases occurred throughout the Midwest and South, while home value appreciation was far more mixed in the West and Northeast.

A home price survey report showed that median prices for existing single-family homes ranged from \$350,000 in Honolulu to \$49,900 in Waterloo and Cedar Falls, Iowa.

The national median price for the third quarter of this year was \$103,500. That's 1.6 percent above that of one year ago. Seventy-nine cities reported median home price increases either equaling or exceeding that amount.

The largest price increases were reported in smaller markets that are thriving in the West, Midwest and South. For example, Cedar

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Park Place of Northville, a 105-acre development, is among the largest rental communities in southeast Michigan.

LIVING LAVISHLY

By RICK BYRNE
Copy Editor

As Park Place of Northville continues to grow, one has to wonder, how much is enough when it comes to luxury apartments? Mark Jacobson Associates, the family-owned firm which built Park Place, is close to completing the fourth phase of construction on the site. The 105-acre development is among the largest and most lavish rental communities in southeast Michigan.

And yet, even with the addition of 120 new units, the complex continues to fill up. For some of the attractive lakeside units, there are waiting lists according to the owners. One-bedroom apartments in Park Place start at \$610 a month. It may seem ironic that the demand for luxury apartments remains steady even in a slow economy. But according to spokespeople for the company, there are other important factors at work.

"So many people have relocated from apartments to homes and condominiums, because of the low interest rates," said Douglas Wagner of Communication Associates. "Lower interest rates have created a tremendous opportunity for people who have the ability to place a downpayment on a

home. "More typically, that kind of activity impacts a higher level community, than lower priced one where people can't necessarily afford to move up directly into a home."

Ted Jacobson, part of the family that owns Park Place, agrees. "We find we attract a number of young couples, who don't want to make the transition to a home yet," he said. "Our development whets their appetite a bit. Instead of moving into a shelter, they're moving into an ambience that's appealing to them."

"A lot of our people are not ready to buy a house. Some have had a house, and want something that's less of a financial commitment."

Strolling around the spacious grounds at Park Place, one can understand Jacobson's reasoning. A majority of the 120 residences in the newest phase offer sweeping vistas of Lake Success, and there are well-kept lawns and gardens. That's all well and good, but what sets this place apart is the low-density planning. According to Jacobson, there are only seven residences per acre.

"You don't feel like you're living in a cloistered, closed-in, city apartment complex," said Jacob-

son. "There was nothing classic in our thinking."

"We get a very nice reaction to a little higher class community. Some people want a Lamborghini and a nice house, but I guess the need we're fulfilling is the young executive people who are reasonably sophisticated, and want something that suits their physical needs."

"Everything is far more spacious. We consciously didn't overbuild the property," Jacobson said. He added that his family could have made more money by building something more densely populated, but, "we wanted to build something nice would have a long term appeal. It's fun to build things, but it's more fun to build something you like."

Upscale amenities abound at Park Place, too. They include tennis, swimming, jacuzzi, sauna and picturesque walking and jogging trails. Apartments feature microwave oven, vertical blinds, washer and dryer, walk-in closets, patio or balcony and lighted carport. Many plans also offer cathedral ceilings and private entries.

The builders went with high-quality hardware and attractive solid wood doors, too. The buildings are solid looking, as though they were built to last.

"We've had a far more extensive aesthetic character than many other developments," Jacobson said. "It's a true Tudor design. This is no hybrid. I think ours looks different. I think it shows. As part of the construction phase that saw the addition of units along Lake Success, Mark Jacobson Associates also updated the community center."

"That's just finishing this weekend," said Wagner. "There's new custom-made furniture, and the lounge has computer carrels, for residents who like to take their work home. There's also a large screen TV for sports."

Yet there are other luxury apartment complexes in nearby communities that offer similar amenities at competitive prices. What else does Park Place have going for it?

"I think Northville's the answer," said Jacobson. "Northville is nice, quiet, and has that old time feel with a downtown area. It's Birmingham, it's Plymouth. It doesn't have a big town environment, and people look for that."

The economy notwithstanding, apartment hunters will look for that spacious environment for the foreseeable future according to the owners of Park Place. Said Wagner, "Apartments in that market continue to be in high demand."

HOME DESIGNS



Extensive use of glass makes the Dearhart a striking home

By James McAlexander
Copley News Service

Rich in brickwork and glass, the Dearhart's exterior is at once striking and stately. And this large home could have six or seven bedrooms, if that many are needed.

Multipaned windows overarch a dramatic entrance, framed by a lofty high-gabled entry portico and flanked by multipaned sidelights. A brick planter wall encloses a half-octagonal patio that echoes the shape of the eating nook, creating a secluded outdoor eating area.

Kitchen, family room, utilities and a bathroom are clustered at the left end of the home, next to the three-car garage. Formal spaces are at center, and sleeping areas are to the far right. The master suite, an open loft, and an office (or sixth and seventh bedrooms) are upstairs.

A bridge at the top of the stairs overlooks the living room and the foyer. These spaces are vaulted to the second floor ceiling, as are the dining room and family room. And both the living room and family room have a fireplace, woodbox and wide hearth.

Cupboard and counter space in the sunny, spacious kitchen is augmented by a long eating bar and a work island with cooktop. A

pantry and a freezer are in the utility room, which can be entered from the family room, nook or garage. The garage has space for storage and a work bench.

French doors in the family room open onto a deck that spans the back of the home. Bedrooms two and three also have sliding-glass-door access.

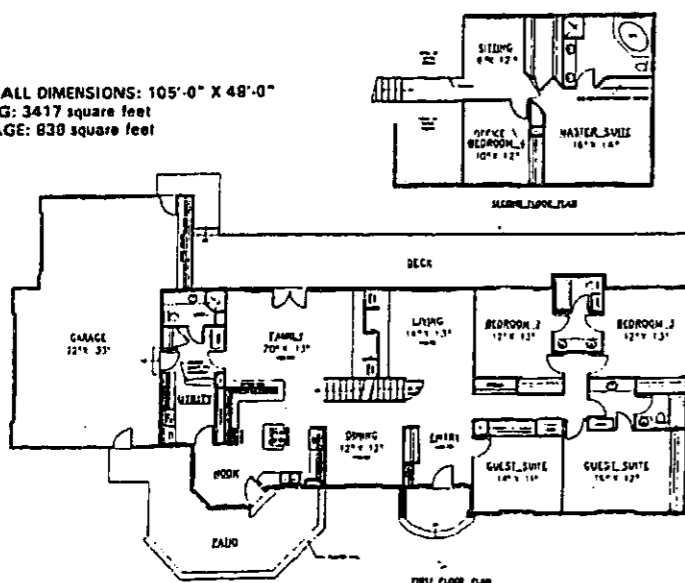
Two compartmentalized bathrooms serve the four bedrooms downstairs. And with four basins to choose from, there should be no waiting in line for grooming. Linen and storage space are ample.

Adults have their own private retreat upstairs. The master suite has a locked closet for valuables and built-in shelves for an entertainment center. The bathroom is fit for royalty, with a glass-walled spa tub, oversize shower and twin vanities.

And having an office upstairs cuts down on distractions. This room could be a nursery, sewing room, computer room or you-name-it. The loft could also be enclosed if another bedroom is needed.

For a study plan of the Dearhart (332-203), send \$5 to Landmark Designs, P.O. Box 2307 CN, Eugene, OR 97402. (Be sure to specify plan name and number when ordering.)

OVERALL DIMENSIONS: 105'-0" X 48'-0"
LIVING: 3417 square feet
GARAGE: 830 square feet



Winter pests can be a problem

By C.Z. Guest
Copley News Service

Here are some startling facts for you to get acquainted with: In less than three weeks, two fleas can multiply to become 500.

Don't let it happen to you! Fall is, unfortunately, not necessarily the end to the pest season. Insects begin their preparations to overwinter so they can emerge next spring and start a new family, and they usually do this in your house.

Here are more frightening pest facts:

- Two mice can become 25,000 in a year's time.
- Two fleas in nine months can be 2 trillion.
- An African termite queen can lay as many as 30,000 eggs a day.

Insects are destructive to property, causing billions of dollars of damage to construction. Therefore, it is imperative to know and recognize infestation signs so these problems can be dealt with before they're out of control, causing costly and serious damage to your house.

GARDENING

Homeowners can take precautions to help protect against infestation.

I recommend the following suggestions to help keep pests at bay.

INDOOR TIPS

Inspect plants for pests before bringing indoors for the winter.

Transfer dry food to airtight containers; all cupboards should be spic and span!

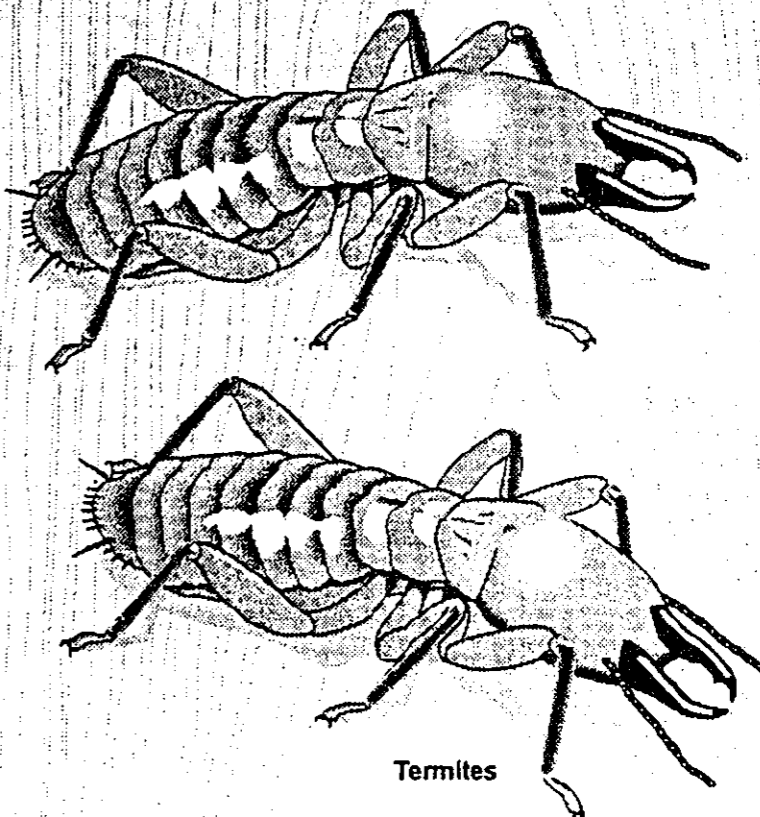
OUTDOOR TIPS

Store firewood outdoors — away from the side of the house and off the ground. Shake off logs before bringing indoors — only bring in what you need to burn immediately. Trim tree limbs so they don't bend over or touch the house.

C.Z. Guest is a gardening authority whose work appears in *House and Garden* and author of numerous books and videos, including "5 Seasons of Gardening" (Little, Brown and Co.)

Winter pests

- Store garbage pails in dry places and empty them often.
- Inspect plants for pests before bringing them indoors for the winter.
- Store firewood outdoors, away from the house and off the ground to reduce termite traffic. Shake logs before bringing them indoors.
- Don't allow leaves to accumulate in gutters or outside drains.



Termites

Copley News Service/Dan Clifford

Getting glass shower doors clean is a common problem

By Gene Gary
Copley News Service

Q. We rented our home for a period of time, and upon returning found a heavy buildup of soap scum on the glass shower doors and aluminum frames. I have tried several commercial cleaners, but none have worked. I recall your column had some recommendations on cleaning shower doors and frames. I would appreciate your sending me any suggestions you might have on how to clean these fixtures.

A. This is a common problem,

and I am happy to repeat some cleaning suggestions. First go over both glass and the metal frames with dampened baking soda, then scrub with a terry-cloth rag rung out in white vinegar. Let this solution stand on the surface for a couple of hours.

For particularly stubborn stains go over the surface with a fine stainless steel wool pad soaked with white vinegar. Rinse with clear water and polish with a soft cloth.

Another solution you can try, which is a good metal cleaner, is to mix 1 cup of trisodium phosphate (available at your local paint dealer)

and two tablespoons of alum. Add enough water to make a paste and apply to the surface. Scrub with a soft cloth, rinse well and polish. If necessary, use a fine steel wool pad to scrub the surface in a second application.

An easy way to clean the grime from shower door tracks is to fill them with household bleach. Let set for a few minutes, until the bleach stops foaming and flush out with water. Use a sponge to clean out remaining residue.

An excellent commercial product on the market that will remove normal soap residue and leave both your glass and aluminum

frames sparkling is "DeSolve-It," available in housewares stores and supermarkets (manufactured by Orange-Sol Inc., P.O. Box 306, Chandler AZ 85224, or phone (602) 497-8822).

Q. This summer we installed ceramic tile on the floor of a recreation room just off the pool. It looks great and is easy to clean, but much too slippery. We have young kids who run in and out with wet feet, and this is a real hazard. Do you know of any way we can successfully roughen this surface so it won't be so slippery? I need to solve

this problem before next summer, even if I have to consider installing indoor-outdoor carpet over the current tile flooring.

A. Your tile can be treated with a chemical solution that will etch the surface that is slip resistant. The etching is so minute that it will not mar the beauty of your tile.

Usually the procedure requires professional application as the solutions are acid-based products. Two firms offering professional applications are Slip-Guard Systems (P.O. Box 836, Lake City, Florida 32056) and Safe-Stride Non-Slip Treatments (7232 Carved

Stone, Columbia, MD 21045).

Another chemical-based solution called Wagoners, is available to the DIYer. The manufacturer states the product penetrates the surface of the tile without changing its texture or color. They claim the product is easy and safe to apply. For information contact Wagoners Floor Safety systems (P.O. Box 2784, Reno, NV 89005).

Send inquiries to Here's How, Copley News Service, P.O. Box 190, San Diego, CA 92112-0190. Only questions of general interest can be answered in the column.

Lamp stand is a valuable heirloom

By James G. McCollam
Copley News Service

Q. Enclosed is a picture of a walnut stand that I recently inherited from my grandmother, who lived in southern Georgia and collected most of her antiques in that area. I know nothing about antiques and would be most grateful for any information on this stand's style and value.

A. This would be classified as a Victorian lamp stand, made in the late 1800s. It would probably sell for about \$365 to \$385 in good condition.

Q. The enclosed mark is on the bottom of a porcelain figurine of a ballet dancer. She is 8 inches tall and is wearing a typical ballet costume with a net skirt also made of porcelain.

Please tell me when this was made and its value.

A. This figurine was made in Germany by the Sandtzel porcelain factory in the mid-20th century. It would probably sell for about \$75 to \$85 in good condition.

Q. I have a 68-piece service for eight Homer Laughlin china marked "Eggshell Georgian." Could you please tell me when

this was made and if it has any value?

A. Your Homer Laughlin china was made in East Liverpool, Ohio, in the mid-20th century. Eggshell Georgian is the pattern. The set might sell for \$265 to \$285.

Q. Is my Hummel a fake? My Madonna is 11 1/2 inches tall. The mark on the bottom is the 1960 Ver-Bee mark with "West Germany." Also impressed on the bottom is "H.M.—58/I." There are two small angels kneeling at her feet. The Madonna has no halo and her head is turned to the left.

A. Not exactly a fake, this was made by the Goebel Co. that makes Hummels. However, H.M. are the initials of another artist that worked for Goebel—it is not a Hummel. Its value would be about \$75 to \$85.

Q. I have a straight razor marked "Manufactured by Wade & Butcher, Sheffield." It is in its original case. Does it have any value as an antique?

A. Your razor was made in Sheffield, England, in the late 1800s. Since every man in America had at least one straight razor in the 19th century, they are not very scarce today. One such as you describe would probably sell between \$15 and \$25.

Letters with picture(s) are welcome and may be answered in the column. We cannot reply personally or return pictures. Address your letters to James G. McCollam, P.O. Box 1087, Notre Dame, IN 46556.



This lamp stand was made in the 1800s

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Market attracts home buyers

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Rapids, with a median price of \$75,600, recorded an annual price increase of 16.8 percent, the highest of the survey.

Over the past quarter, the lower-priced segment of the market has continued to draw the most buyers. NAR president Helfant noted, "People looking in the upper end have been more apt to hold back until they receive some positive news about the economy."

In lower-priced markets, heavy demand has driven up prices, but prices have not jumped so high

that potential buyers are being shut out.

Q. Has any survey been conducted that reveals the worldwide average cost of homes?

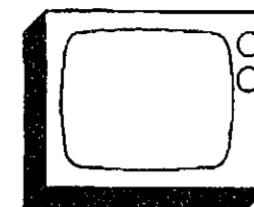
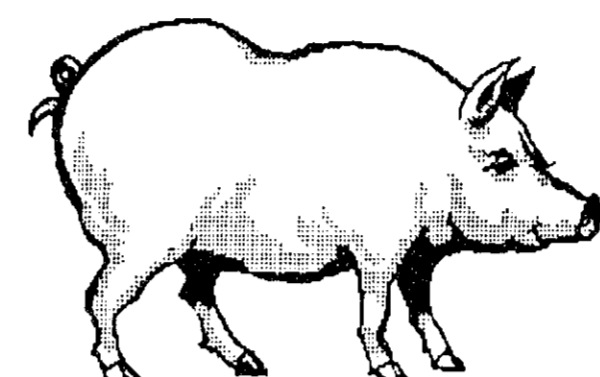
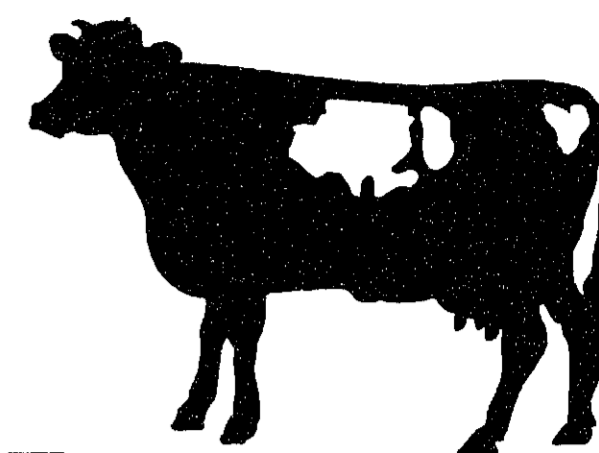
A. The only such survey I've seen is one conducted by Century 21 Real Estate Corp. It shows the worldwide home cost average to be about \$235,000.

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 190, San Diego, CA 92112-0190.

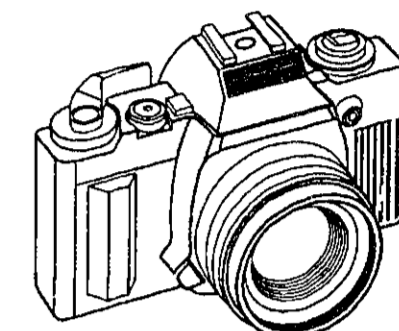
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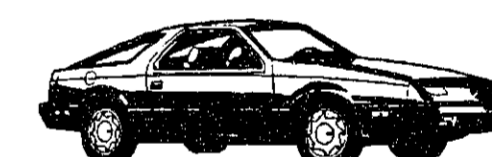
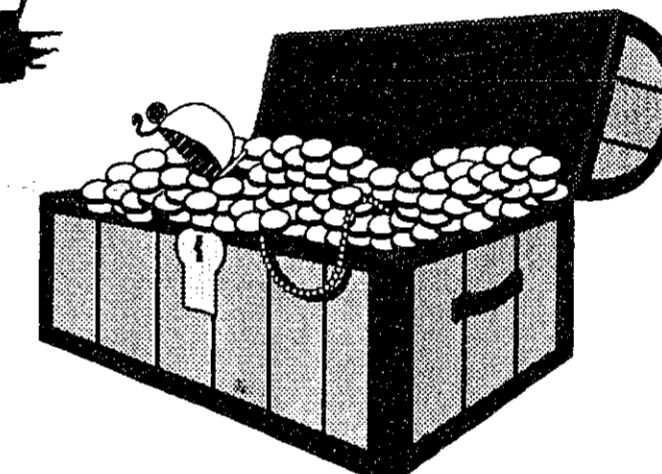
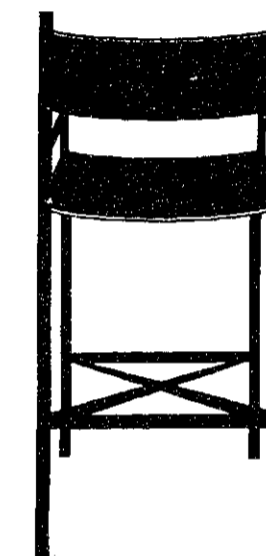
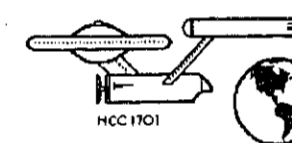
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Money Management

Teach kids money management

There's one vital subject that usually isn't part of a grade school curriculum: money management. This responsibility falls on parents.

Children should clearly understand the purpose of the allowance and the consequences of their spending habits. The child should be aware that if he decides to spend the money on comic books during the week, he may not be able to go to the movies on Sunday.

Designate an allowance day. Selecting a day in the middle of the week as allowance day teaches children to make their funds last through the weekend, a time when they are apt to spend the most money.

Keep in mind that associating an allowance with household chores may not be advisable. A child should feel a sense of responsibility to the house as a family member, and should not view his or her domestic contributions as employment.

TEACHING CHILDREN SAVING HABITS

Another way to actively involve children in managing money is by opening a savings account in their name. Parents should discuss the reasons and benefits of depositing money into an account and explain how money can grow by earning interest.

What you say about money and how you and your spouse communicate about it also affects your child's perception of money. If possible, involve your child in the financial management of the household by discussing how your family budget works.

Finally, CPAs caution parents against giving money to children who continually deplete their own resources. Later in life, it will be difficult for these children to find someone to bail them out when they have not managed their money effectively.

New office is clean and friendly

Continued from Page 1 all instruments and handpieces are heat sterilized between each patient. At Spillane Family Dentistry heat sterilization of everything is standard operating procedure.

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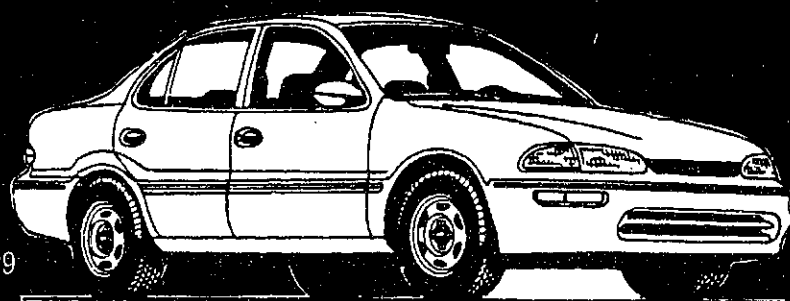
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