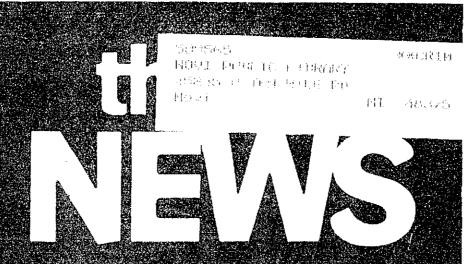
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Council gives firm the OK to test for oil

By JAN JEFFRES

A Grand Rapids-based oil corporation was given the go ahead Monday by the Novi City Council to search for petroleum deposits under the city's new north-end

Wolverine Gas and Oil Co. has

retained Eagle Exploration to conduct a three-week seismic survey using a series of dynamite charges on both public and private land north of Twelve Mile Road, including the Novi Tree Farm site.

The council majority agreed to the late February/early March testing on city-held land at the recommendation of the city administra-

tion and over the protests of Council Members Carol Mason and Tim Pope. Wolverine will pay a \$25 permit fee and an as yet undetermined donation to the city's tree fund for the privilege.

"This is a loss leader. We're going to make it up in gallonage . . . Oil wells can be a profitable asset," City Manager Edward Kriewall said.

Kriewall said he would have to check to see if the city owned the oil rights to the new park land it has recently purchased.

The property is zoned for residential-agricultural use. Novi ordinances only permit oil wells on land zoned for industrial, but if oil were to be found and if the council were to agree to a well, Kriewall said

the well could be located at the site of the city's waste water treatment plant on Decker Road and then be drilled at an angle to the city park on Twelve-And-A-Half Mile Road.

This fall, the city turned down a request from another oil company which sought oil and gas leases for Rotary Park on Nine Mile Road. Council members in support of

the project reiterated that they were agreeing to a seismic survey only, not an oil well.

"This council has an obligation to explore the possible revenue sources, if there is oil and gas possibilities on the city-owned properties, and to bring that revenue to our citi-

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Residents Looking for Oil organize to fight oil survey

By JAN JEFFRES

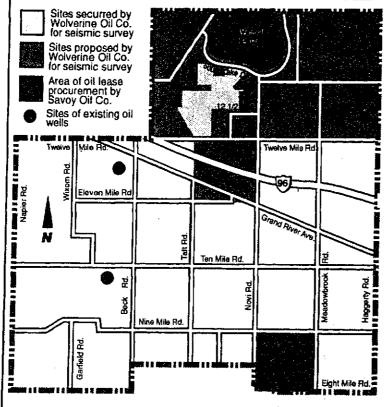
Residents in the Nine Mile Road/ Meadowbrook Road area are organizing to fight a possible oil well in their neighborhood.

In September, the Novi City Council nixed a request from the Traverse City-based Savoy Oil and Gas Co. to lease the mineral rights to Rotary Park, just off Nine Mile

Since then, Meadowbrook Lake subdivision residents Lora Toth and Lisa Barton have been talking to area businesses and homeowners, asking them not to sign any

immediate area, either by the phone or by mail. Everyone we've talked to seemed to be real negative," Toth said.

"They all realize nobody would get rich but the oil companies." Savoy was turned down by the Meadowbrook Lake homeowners association when it sought a lease



on that subdivision's park. Home-"We've contacted everyone in the owners in Deerbrook subdivision were also opposed to the idea.

> After the holidays, Barton said they plan to launch a petition drive to seek signatures of residents opposed to oil and gas drilling, and will also ask to meet with other Novi homeowners groups.

> The homeowners fear possible environmental contamination and

health hazards if a well is placed near a highly-populated residential

Toth said she opposed the city council action to allow exploration for oil on Novi parkland.

"I can't believe they're allowing seismic testing when they know how the community feels," she

School board may levy full property tax in July

By SHARON CONDRON

The Novi Board of Education is hoping state legislators will have the school finance riddle figured out before a decision has to be made next week whether to collect half or all of the school district's property taxes in July.

As lawmakers debated the school finance plan last Thursday. Novi board members voted to hold a public hearing at 7:30 p.m. on Dec. 29 to debate the pros and cons of whether they will collect 50 or 100 percent of their property tax revenues on the summer tax bill.

Trustee Robert Schram forced discussion of the issue Thursday night before he left for a previous

engagement.
"We haven't seen any figures from the state yet, so I'm not sure how it will affect us," he said about the school finance plan that is expected to be handed down by legislators before the Christmas break.

Schram left the meeting before the board voted to post the special meeting, but not before he voiced

"I hope we wouldn't levy 100 percent in the summer and zero percent in the winter," he said. "I'd like to maintain the 50-50.

Board President Ray Byers reminded board members they couldn't vote on changing percentages collected on bi-annual tax bills without first noticing and holding a public hearing.

He said the board could have voted last week to maintain the two tax billings as the district has done in the past, but to levy the full 100 percent on the summer tax bill would require input from taxpayers.

Based on the uncertainty of the 1994 millage, James Koster, assistant superintendent for business and operations, recommended the board opt for the full summer tax levy to avoid a cash flow deficiency.

"We have no idea of what tax will be levied or how tax dollars will be distributed," he told the board Thursday.

But if the current House version of the school finance plan passes,

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Mayoral, council candidates file their campaign reports

By JAN JEFFRES Staff Writer

Three Novi candidates didn't quite make the early December deadline for filing their postelection campaign reports but did get the paperwork in recently.

They are mayoral hopeful and Council Member Joseph Toth, winning candidate Council Member Hugh Crawford and candidate Walt

The deadline for filling the reports was Dec. 2, one month afer the Nov. 2 election. Jenkins turned in his documents to the county clerk's election office on Dec. 6; Toth and Crawford submitted their reports The penalty for late filing is \$25

per day.

Financial statements for the candidates which were turned in by deadline — mayoral candidates Kathleen McLallen and Nancy Cassis and city council candidates Oliver Hayman, Rob Mitzel, Tim Pope, David Ruyle and Robert Taub - appeared earlier in The Novi News. Write-in candidate for mayor, Lee BeGole, was given a waiver because he planned to

spend less than \$1,000 on the race. Jenkins dissolved his election committee on Dec. 6, certifying no assets or outstanding debts. Taub was the only other candidate who

has dissolved his committee.

The biggest spender in the election was McLallen, who had expenses of \$14,338. Mitzel spent the least, \$1,760, followed by Jenkins, who shelled out \$1,829 during the

Here are highlights of the reports turned into the Oakland County Clerk's election office by Toth, Crawford and Jenkins.

JOSEPH TOTH FOR MAYOR: Report filed by his treasurer, wife Marsha Toth. His total contributions amounted to \$5,636; he spent \$5,466. After the pre-election report, Toth took in \$2,586.

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Samaritan finds way to save holiday

By STEVE KELLMAN

They say this is the season for giving, but for one Novi resident the holidays have become the season

for giving back. Lee Mamola, Novi architect, Rotary member and all-around good guy, was out jogging through downtown Northville last Saturday with his running club when he ran by Northville City Hall and stumbled across a lost wallet. "I literally kicked the wallet out of the gutter,"

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Man of the hour

What's it like being the most recognized and best loved person in the world? To find out we went to the miracle man himself. Find out

what he told us on page 1-B of today's Novi

Novi neighbors light up the holidays

By JAN JEFFRES

Merry Christmas to Novi, especially from 42 families, six homeowners groups and six businesses.

They're the folks with such an abundance of holiday spirit that they lit up their homes or businesses - and our evenings - with downright spectacular outdoor

Such good cheer did not go unnoticed — these 54 winners of the city's annual contest for bestdressed homes and businesses

were presented Monday with Novi Christmas ornaments and, for the most outstanding, plaques.

"This was just an incredible, outstanding year for lights in the City of Novi," Mayor Kathleen McLallen

said in announcing the winners. "If you've only got time to drive through one subdivision, Deerbrook is Edison's best customers. If one did it well, the other did it bet-

ter. They just went crazy." How "crazy?" Willowbrook resident Mike Natzel said he used 1,400 red, white and blue lights to build a huge American flag on the side of

his home — to say nothing of the other lights and the Christmas train in his front yard.

Still, what McLallen termed the team of elves evaluating the winners gave the "best of all, most spectacular award to Roy and Carolyn Wilson on Sullivan Lane in Cedar Springs. Every window of their home was decked out with holiday scenes, including reindeer, a sleigh and Santa.

They're having a power outage up on Sullivan," McLallen quipped.

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To get your organization's activities, regular meetings or special events listed in the Community Calendar, send information to Community Calendar, The Novi News, 104 W. Main Street, Northville, MI 48167.

Friday, December 24

Christmas Eve: City offices and the public library are closed. Recycling Center: The City of Novi Recycling Center will be closed

Saturday, December 25

Recycling Center: The City of Novi Recycling Center will be closed

Sunday, December 26

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Monday, December 27

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TOPS: Take Off Pounds Sensibly for all ages meets at 7 p.m. at Novi High School, Room 109, For more information, call 348-9691.

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Dec. 25 Christmas Day: 10:00 AM Dec. 31 New Year's Eve 6:00 PM

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Conference Center, 47601 Grand River Ave., hosts a monthly breast disease support group from 7:30-9 p.m. Anyone who has experienced breast disease is welcome to attend. Call 1-800-968-5595 for more

Bereavement Support Group: Dr. Michael Meyer, bereavement counselor, facilitates a monthly support group for anyone in the community who has experienced the death of someone they loved and is in need of help. The group meets 7:30-9 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 Ten Mile. For more information, call 348-1800.

Tuesday, December 28

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

F.E.M.A.L.E.: The Novi area chapter of F.E.M.A.L.E. (Formerly Employed Mothers at the Leading Edge/Loose Ends) meets at 7:30 p.m. For more information, please call 684-6096.

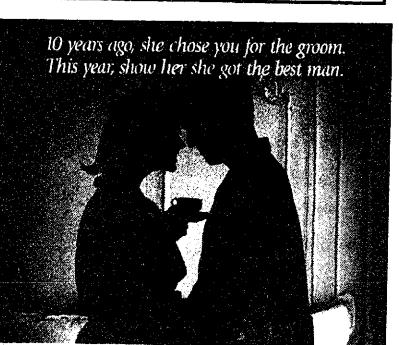
Band rehearsal: The Novi Concert Band rehearses at 7:30 p.m. in the band room at Novi High School. For more information on the group, call manager Warren Ledger at 348-2955.

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.

CITY OF NOVI NOTICE SPECIAL MEETING OF NOVI CITY COUNCIL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Novi City Council will hold a specia meeting jointly with the Novi Community School District Board on Thursday, January 6, 1994, at 7:30 p.m. EST, in the Educational Services Building (Administrative Offices) of the School District, 25345 Taft Road, in the City of Novi. The meeting is open

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NOVI COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT NOTICE OF A **PUBLIC MEETING** TO INSTITUTE A **SUMMER PROPERTY** TAX LEVY

Please take notice that on Wednesday, December 29, 1993 at 7:30 p.m. at the Educational Services Building, 25345 Taft Road, Novi, Michigan, the Board of Education of Novi Community School District, pursuant to Public Act 333 of 1982. will hold a public hearing on levying 100% of the school taxes with the summer property tax levy and levying no school taxes with the winter property tax levy. The purpose of the hearing is to receive testimony and discuss the feasibility of such a levy.

Currently, the school district levies 50% of the school taxes with the summer property tax levy and the remaining 50% with the winter property tax levy. (12-23-93 NN)

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allocated mills. Another 2.4 mills could be levied without a vote of the people, Koster said.

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having to borrow money. venues are slashed in half and have that there has been no process yet tax in July.

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would make payments to local districts, the cash flow issue is totally unpredictable." Koster was following the Michigan

That may not be the case in school Koster explained in a memo he wrote Association of School Administrayear 1994-95 if the district's tax re- to the board. "Coupled with the fact tors' recommendation to levy the full

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According to state law, the district rather than collect the 100 percent if must have a signed agreement with we don't need to.

the city of Novi in order to collect the What remains to be seen is if the poard adopts a resolution to change the taxing plan from 50-50 to 100 percent, can the resolution be over-

provides enough revenue to run the That was board vice president Ste-

ruled if the state's school finance act

Thursday was that a resolution to "I'm concerned that we can't re- late payments and the impact that change the levy amounts would have verse it," he said. "But if we don't do it to pass by the board before Dec. 31. then we will have to borrow money

> may create some bad feelings," he said about taxpayers' response to paying all their property taxes at one

in Livonia and Grosse Pointe have al- the fence. ready gone to the 100 percent summer tax collection.

"The state has always paid late," said Board Treasurer Dr. Craig Forebeck. "Expect the first payment in October. But without adequate income we may have to borrow more

"I'd prefer the 100 percent," But other board members were on

"We are voting tonight to give ourselves another two weeks," said





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OUIL: A 43 year-old Novi man was ar- suspects at this time. rested Saturday, Dec. 4, for operating under the influence of liquor after DUMPING: A Ladene Drive resident Dodge Spirit off East Lake Drive near sons had left a full-size couch on his drinking at a Christmas party before clashed with the lawn. they stopped him.

storm windows on a trailer home in She said that on Dec. 19 she found turday, Dec. 4.

called police to tell them her windows had been smashed by the suspect's fists earlier that evening. The woman said she and her son and two other suspects punched in the windows and then fled the scene with two others in an orange jeep. The woman's son said he made eye contact with the suspect who yelled, "Hey, remember me?" through the glass before he shattered it with his fists. the suspect have had previous prob-

Police found the suspect with male, about 50, 5 feet, 10 inches tall dried blood on face and hands talking on a pay phone later that evening near the Lakeview market.

THE GRINCH?: A Pavilion Courts broken down on the highway and apartments resident told police a 21/4 asked if the resident would accomfoot plastic Christmas candle was pany him to go help out. The resident stolen from the exterior of her home refused, and the man left. When she on Dec. 19. The candle is valued at spoke to her daughter later in the \$10-\$12; police have no leads at this day, the resident found that the vehi-

home's exterior Christmas treelights alcohol on Dec. 17. Novi police obon Dec. 17. The lights are valued at served the man's 1979 Toyota failing less than \$25. Police have no sus- to stop for a red light and crossing the

GRINCH PART III: A Novi Ridge resinoted a strong odor of intoxicants

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police saw him driving his 1992 reported to police that unknown per- that the man was convicted of OUIL New Court and onto the gravel shoul- lawn on Dec. 18. The police report did level in 1985 and a case of driving der. The man told police he had been not specify if the color of the couch while impaired.

WHOOPSIE: A Stonehenge Condomi-SMASHED WINDOWS: Police nabbed niums resident reported a case of apthe suspect who had smashed eight—parent mistaken identity to police. the Country Cousins Trailer Park Sa. her sidewalk lined with Christmas candle bags and a large package on The 38-year-old trailer owner her front porch. It contained an unopened box of thank-you cards and a Christmas tree ornament.

The woman said that she believes the unknown persons who left the witnesses were in the home when the gifts did so by accident, believing her home to be someone else's, as all the condos look alike. She said she will hold onto the property in case someone asks for it.

SUSPICIOUS PERSON: A Chateau Novi trailer park resident reported a The woman told police her son and disturbing incident to police on Dec.

> with grey hair, came to the door of her home and asked if her daughter had a car. The resident replied that she did; the man then said that it had cle had not experienced any problem.

GRINCH PART II: A Midway Drive re- OUIL: A Royal Oak man was arsident reported to police that un- rested for the third time for operating known persons cut the wires on his a vehicle while under the influence of vehicle lane lines. The responding officer stopped the 30-year-old and

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after the neighbor reported finding it. display on Dec. 17. The lights are valued at less than \$25; there are no sobriety tests at the scene and was arrested. Testing showed his blood alcohol level to be above the legal limit. Computer checks indiciated in 1988, of an unlawful blood alcohol

> OUIL: A 24-year-old Novi resident was arrested by police for operating a vehicle while under the influence of alcohol on Dec. 19.

Police observed the man crossing the center line of Novi Road in his 1993 Mercury Grand Marquis. The responding officer said that the passenger repeatedly opened his car door while the man was driving in excess of 40 mph and vomiting onto the

that he was returning home from a wedding. The officer said he noted a strong odor of intoxicants coming from the vehicle. The driver failed field sobriety tests and was arrested. Tests showed his blood alcohol level to be above the legal limit.

LARCENY: Some Twelve Oaks Crescent Apartments residents told police their two bicycles, valued at \$550, were stolen from the complex's underground parking area on Dec. 14. Police have no witnesses or sus-

told police his bicycle, a man's 21-speed valued at \$2,029, was stohis home. There are no suspects or

HELPING HAND: A Novi police officer stopped a vehicle for failure to signal on Dec. 19. The driver and passenger of the vehicle had been drinking, reports said, but were not legally intoxicated. The officer gave the two a ride to a Novi address at their request. No citations were issued.

Citizens with information about the dent told police that unknown per-sons damaged his Christmas light — coming from his vehicle. — above incidents are urged to call the Sons damaged his Christmas light — The man told police he had drunk — Novi Police Tip Line at 349-6887. above incidents are urged to call the

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safe and functional wells." Mason questioned the impact of the survey on the area's wildlife and environment. North Novi has a num-She called for a public hearing on the issue before the council made its

"We can't just let this slip by us. There's dynamite charges in the tion. You're talking about land owned by the taxpayers. We have a lot of wildlife here, deer and small animals " Mason said

"I feel this is too serious a situation for us to be just drawing out a con- people." tract. We should have input from the

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firm plans to do seismic testing in determine if petroleum deposits are

To use the explosives, a permit from tronically detonated. Eagle expects to fire 50 to 60 pat-Leonard Harrand, president of Ea- terms in the city over the course of a Vrona said state department of nagle Exploration, explained that the day. Each hole will be accounted for survey requires trimming trees by and refilled, Harrand said. machete to create an eight-to-10 foot Fire Marshall Bill Conn has al-

beneficial to wildlife, providing trails sives on South Lake Court, South Lake Drive from Buffington to Thir-"We cross thousands of miles of teen Mile, Twelve Mile Road on Saturstate land. The DNR (department of days and Sundays during the holiday natural resources) checks us. I've season, Wellington Drive, within the never been called by the DNR for any city's wastewater treatment plant mishap." Harrand told the council. grounds and in apartment and con-"We have people out there. I have dominium complexes, mobile home the utmost concern for the wildlife. I parks, high-density subdivisions also have the utmost concern for our and commercial or industrial

Wolverine's exploration manager of the road or people's backyards." John Vrona said the company, which The seismic survey uses a series of has been in business for 20 years, "What we're looking at is a posst-five, four ounce charges of dynamite, has commissioned 11,000 miles of bility of drilling for oil on land that be- planted five feet deep and set at seismic testing without "incident" or

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"We do have private citizens who are very interested in having their property evaluated, he added. North Novi is full of wetlands. to allow oil drilling," he said. tural resources guidelines have strict in vacant land behind homes on Di- ject and Wolverine. requirements for oil drilling in wet- xon Road and near Shawood Lake

"We have people working on seismic lines. The charges are small. They are relatively innocuous."

rian. People shoot at deer with a shot-them," Vrona said. their health than a seismic survey." number of counties, including Traverse, Alpena, Bay, Ostego and Barry, Oakland County is becoming increasing attractive to firms search-

ing for oil and gas. "We just feel the companies in-

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100-foot intervals, to measure the landowner complaint. No potential volved in oil and gas exploration are Wolverine give its test results to the Kriewall said that Wolverine ap- soundwaves bouncing off the rock well site in north Novi has yet been finding it a prospective area," Vrona city was termed unusual by Vrona, explained.

Council Member Robert Schmid proprietary moved that the survey be approved. "We're not suggesting we're going Member Joseph Toth, contended

was not supported by the council. you didn't ultimately want to find oil? "Our goal is to stay in the undeve- This is a preliminary to finding oil to loped areas for the most part, if that's drill on land that belongs to the city," possible. We have utmost concern for Mason said.

"Idon't want to sound like a barba- do anything that would bother

ity in the administration and in the council. We don't think things that we can't do anything. You're put-through. If we say no to a well, they Wolverine operates primarily in ting yourselves at a disadvantage to (Wolverine) take us to court and get a Northern Michigan and has wells in a say what's appropriate and what default judgment." isn't, since I would hazard most of The Southern Michigan Oil Comyou have not been on a seismic line. I pany sued the city after the council

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It took commissioners four motions to reach the 4-3 approval nal plan which was designed by a golf looked the nine-hole golf course tend to follow their shots reagardless needed to divert from the original course architect. In some cases tucked inside the development. They of the paved path. path plan that was approved by city and people's decks."

city's engineers, recommended ap-

there," Rogers told the commission.

changes to re-route the path around

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sented by the developer.

A motion to approve the plan as It isn't the first time the developer presented and another to grant it had sought to alter the path plan. with conditions died for lack of support from commissioners. A third to deny the request altogether failed

Commissioner Robert Taub was absent from the meeting. At the recommendation of the mission's approval. city's planning and traffic consul-Planning consultant Brandon Rogers and JCK & Associates, Inc., the

proval of the revised plan as preway to relocate the path to avoid wetlands and we've walked the trails and we didn't see any more impact on the wetlands than what's already the development.

And that's what residents were at the meeting to complain about. Ap- houses. proval of the plan triggered a sigh from the handful of residents who the developer's decision to change

developers wanted it to swing south the path. Maples of Novi Developer Larry shouldn't be allowed to alter the golf more privacy and a natural setting. DePriest of Classic Construction said cart path after homeowners had al- For the developer to cut a new path sure known Wednesday night when it wasn't until the golf course opened ready selected their units based on goes against what I was promised." the Novi Planning Commission re- this summer that he realized there the location of the previous path.

vised a golf cart path for their were glitches in the path plan. Some homeowners claimed they paid borhood is that golfers haven't al-"It's not practical today," DePriest a premium price to buy end units or ways followed the path. Both the detold the commission about the origi- units on certain fairways that over- veloper and the residents say golfers there is no room between the holes say they never intended their backyards and decks to become part of the

> Some residents were outraged because it allowed carts to travel on argued that construction on the rethe paved roads inside the vised path had started before the developer had won the planning com-"My wife and I bought this home

tants that plan was denied for safety and hoped it would be our last," said Lou Bartlett. "We paid \$10,000 extra DePriest said he had to find some to be on the ninth fairway. . We were assured the pathway

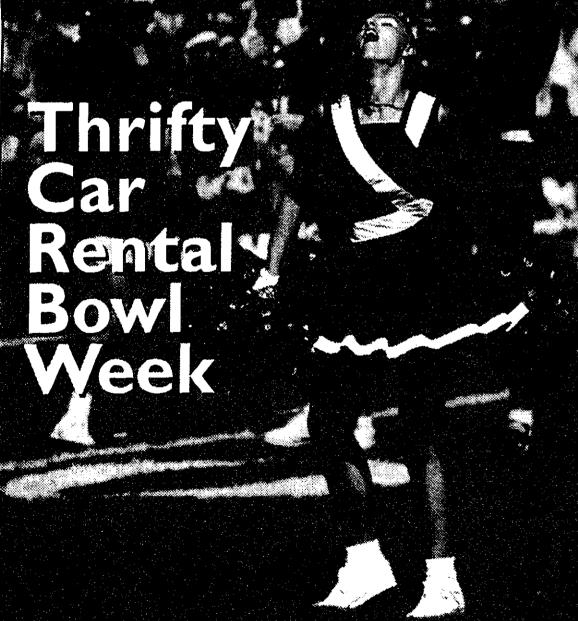
steep terrains and protected wet- wouldn't change. Suddenly all of lands without intruding into the these plans are changing even backyards of residents living inside though they had the best architect in the state. In my case, the cart path is going right behind the decks of our

Todd Rishell also agrued against



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for funds he loaned to the campaign.

COUNCIL: The report was submitted

by Crawford's campaign treasurer, Novi resident John Galido. Crawford

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cipal of Tri-Mount Construction,

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Bloomfield, developer of The Maples,

\$200; Jack Anglin of Novi, \$100; Ri-

chard Herbel of Northville, \$50; and

Ronald Tuck of Novi, \$50. Crawford

also loaned \$1,500 to his own

His expenses included \$1,060 to

print brochures; \$873 for newspaper

WALT JENKINS: Denise Mra-

He took in no additional funds and

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the Oakland County Clerk's office.

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Donations came from: William and his total expenditures were

kitsch Jenkins, campaign treasurer

and the candidate's wife, filed the

ads and \$100 for lawn signs.

"I paid a premium to purchase an Residents argued that DePriest end unit. It was a unit that offered

Another problem facing the neigh-Commissioner Glen Bonaventura

argued that the whole issue had very ittle to do with golf or golf etiquette. Instead he said the developer should Last summer he offered an interim that this was the first they had heard have disclosed all the details sur plan that was denied by city officials of the proposed changes. Others rounding the cart path location. "This has nothing to do with golf." he said. "It has to do with disclosure

> to the people who bought the homes." But DePriest contends there should be no surprises to the people who bought their homes on the golf "The purchase agreement says the

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while still an infant. Mrs. Kraft worked for Michigan Bell for 42 years as an assistant chief worked in the Downtown, Wyandotte ery in Detroit. and Six Mile and Grand River offices. Pioneers (Retirees), Novi Senior Citizens and the Novi Election Board. Mrs. Kraft graduated from Com-

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Novi. Rev. John Budde officiated. In-

She was a member of Michigan Bell sent to Michigan Cancer Foundation. 48076-2558.

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The funeral service was held Dec. 16 at Holy Family Catholic Church in operator before retiring in 1972. She terment was at Grand Lawn Cemet-

Frankel Center, 18831 West Twelve Mile Road, Lathrup Village, Mich.

He married Florence Maahs Sept.

Surviving is her son, Clyde (Janet) HOWARD W. MILLER

died Tuesday, Dec. 14, 1993. He was

Mr. Miller was born Nov. 10., 1901, in Novi to William J. and Amelia (Witt) Miller. He attended Novi schools and worked at Stinson Aircraft Service for 20 years, then was employed as a supervisor of the Novi epartment of Public Works.

20, 1926, in Novi. Following retirement in 1976, the couple moved to St. Helen. Florence preceded him in death in 1976. Mr. tions to the Mackinaw City Bible Miller moved to Cheboygan in 1989. Church.

ard Jr. of Redmond, Ore., and Richard H. Miller Sr. of Cheboygan; by Howard W. Miller of Cheboygan

six grandchildren and eight greatgrandchildren; and by half brother Willis Miller of Brighton. Also predeceasing Mr. Miller were brother Harry and half brother

> Services were held Friday, Dec. 17, in Mackinaw City. Interment took place at Oakland Hills Memorial Gar-

Mr. Miller is survived by sons How-

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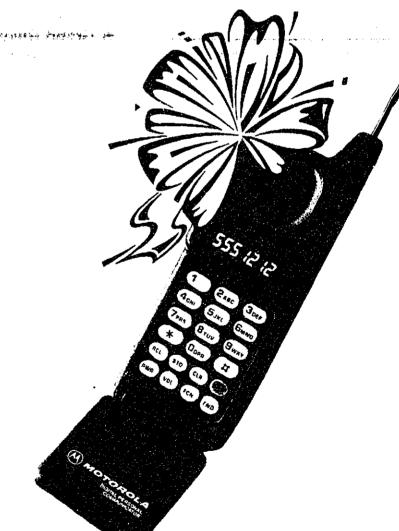
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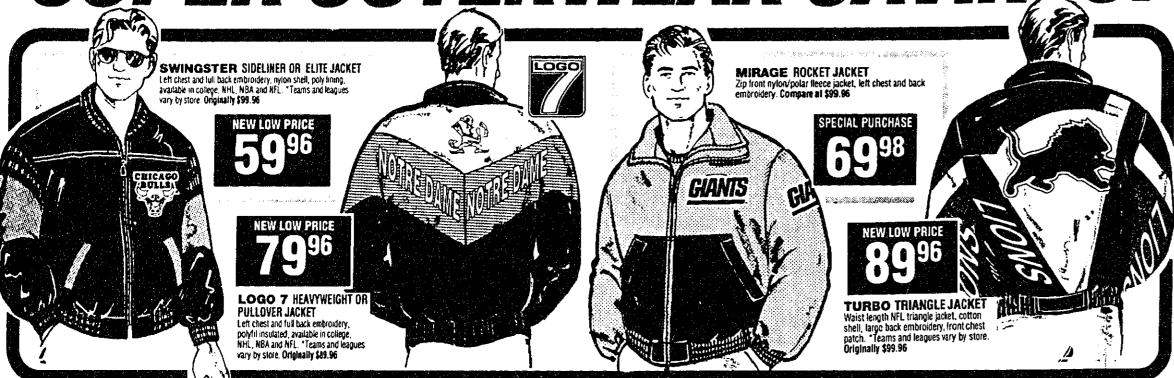
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Citizen meets honest test twice

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Though it appeared abandoned, Marnola stopped to glance through it out of curiosity and was surprised to find several credit cards and other forms of identification inside

He promptly returned the wallet to its rightful owner, Northville restdent Lauren McCarthy, who had not even noticed it missing. The wallet apparently had dropped out of her car when she dropped her son off at day care the day before. "He really saved my life," McCar-

By RANDY COBLE

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That was not the end of Mamola's

"People say things happen in threes, and I'm still waiting for that third wad of money."

Good Samaritan

of the National Bank of Detroit (NBD), the box mounting area.

est in a Novi bank this week — too night deposit box of the Novi branch and found the box gone. The re-taken off. Some 47-57 canvas deposit area before, including one at Dear-ress of the investigation.

Some folks had a high rate of inter- determined amount of cash from the employees arrived to work Monday found the box hidden there, its door ries of similiar circumstances in the wish to be kept informed of the prog-

mail, he looked down and made

Unknown persons Sunday night located on Grand River Avenue.

"There was a wad of \$20s and

ing, while walking out of the Novi Post office after dropping off some

\$10s on the sidewalk," Mamola recalled. "I didn't count it but judging by how thick it was, there must samaritanism. On Tuesday morn- have been at least \$200 there . . . It

was enough of an amount that thought it must be important, especially this time of year."

Mamola picked up the cash and returned to his car, wondering what to do with his find. "Honestly, I did think about what I could do with the money," he said. But realizing that it might be for

about how he would feel if someone walked off with his cash, he decided to wait for its rightful owner to Sure enough, a few minutes later

a distraught-looking woman stepped out of the post office and scanned the sidewalk before rummaging frantically through her car. Mamola approached and established that the cash was hers, and returned it to the grateful woman. He never learned her name.

Mamola said he still expects to make one more find. *People say things happen in

threes, and I'm still waiting for that third wad of money," he said.

or early Monday morning stole an un-Police reports indicate that bank different shoes to nearby bushes and bank chain had experienced burgla-fice of the crime, and they stated they

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Novi police notified the Federal

By JAN JEFFRES

While the contract with Novi's fire given an allowance to purchase their protection officers is almost six own uniforms. The pants cost \$30 nonths overdue, both the city and apiece, the dress shirts \$30 and the union representatives agree the ne- sweatshirts \$20. Now, the uniforms gotiations went smoothly.

will be provided and maintained by The pact with the Novi Fire Fight the city and the staff will get a \$100 ers Union Local 3232 was unarilmbelt and shoe allowance. The fire protection officers work a ously approved by the Novi City Council Monday and now awaits a fi- 12 hour day, from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. and a 48 hour work week. nal okay from the union.

We've had a very good relation- in 1993-94 pay rates for a fire proship with this union in general. This tection officer start at \$23,600 and is a significant contract." Novi's As- rise to \$38,600 after four years on the sistant City Manager Craig Klaver job. Those at the lieutenant's rank

get the same salary plus 9 percent The firefighters union represents and those at the captain's rank get the full-time fire protection officers, the same pay plus 18 percent. the fire marshall, the training officer in addition to these raises, an ofand ranking officers such as the ficer with over five years of service lieutenant and captain. It does not gets another 2 percent longevity in-

crease in pay. That rises to 4 percent include the paid-on-call force. 'It isn't official. We haven't signed after 10 years, 6 percent after 15 the contract, "Gordon Poyhonen, vice years and 8 percent after 20 years. All officers hired after 1990 are represident of Local 3232, said Tuesday, adding that the union has given quired to live within 40 miles of the preliminary approval to the Novi city limits. "It's gone very smoothly. There that when an employee retired, he or

were no problems encountered. They she was given his or her unused sick didn't agree to everything we had. It leave in pay. The contract now has a was give and take." combined time off program which The contract calls for a 4 percent pools all vacation, sick and personal salary increase in the first year, 3.75 days into a single benefit bank, with percent in the second year and 3.5 no more than five days carried over. A percent in the third year. union member gets 20 days per year An acclerated bargaining proceess after zero to four years seniority, 25 was selected. Klaver explained, in days after five to 10 years seniority

which both parties pick their three and 30 days after 10 years on the

major issues and negotiate them. "It avoids some of the more rancorous horsetrading negotiations and promotes a more harmonious relationship," Klaver added. The contract is retroactive to July more, the fire protection officer gets full medical insurance for him or her-

1, 1993, and, if approved, will run until June 30, 1996.

sponding officer inspected the area, bags and an undetermined amount born's Fairlane Town Center. The of-

noting that the outside light above of money were missing. Thirteen of ficials said that the thieves used tools the night box was broken and that the bags were found on the floor on to remove the box lock and then pull

tool or pry marks were visible around the inside of the bank's night depositiout of its mounting with a chain.

The office followed the prints of two NBD security officials said that the Bureau of Investigation's Detroit of-

He's not the

ory vault as well.

Novi Briefs

Correction: The Dec. 16 edition of The Novi News erroneously stated that Council Member Tim Pope voted in favor of rezoning of land at Grand River Avenue and Novi Road to make way for the Main Street

Pope said last week he voted against the rezoning, but that he learned later that his microphone was not turned on during that portion of the

Joint meeting: The Novi schools board of education and the Novi City Council will hold a special joint meeting on Jan. 6, 1994, beginning at 6 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Educational Services Building on Tait Road. The board's regualar meeting will commence at 7:30 p.m.

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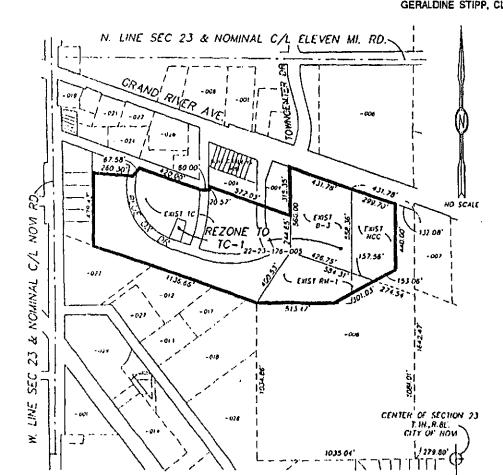
NBD has weekend robbery

PART I. That Ordinance No. 84-18, known as the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Novi, is hereby amended by the amending of the Zon-g Map as indicated on ZONING MAP NO. 516, attached hereto and made a part of this Ordinance, PART II. CONFLICTING PROVISIONS REPEALED. Any Ordinance or parts of any Ordinance in conflict with any of the provisions of

AMENDMENT TO ZONING ORDINANCE

this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

PART III. WHEN EFFECTIVE. The provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety and is hereby ordered to take effect filteen (15) days after final enactment. It shall be published within fifteen (15) days of adoption. The effective date of this Ordinance is December 23, 1993. MADE AND PASSED by the City Council of the City of Novi, Michigan, this 13th day of December, 1993. Copies of the Ordinance mendment may be purchased or inspected at the office of the City Clerk, Novi, Michigan, weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., local



Fo rezone a part of the NW 🖔 of Section 23, T. 1N., R.8E., City of Novi, Oakland County, Michigan, being more particularly de Beginning at a point distant N89'55'34'W 279.80 feet and N00'18'20"E 1642.47 feet and N70'51'04'W 431.78 feet from the center o oction 23; thence \$00'20'13"W 558.36"; thence N70'51'04"W 426.75' feet; thence N00'09'00"W 560.00 feet; thence \$70'51'04"E 431.78

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TO: TC-1 TOWN CENTER — ONE DISTRICT

ORDINANCE NO. 18.516
ZONING MAP AMENDMENT NO. 516
CITY OF NOVI, MICHIGAN

LENT IFICATE OF ADOPTION

I, Geraldine Stipp, Clerk of the City of Novi, do hereby certify that the above Ordinance was approved and adopted by the Council of the City of Novi, at a Regular Meeting thereof, duty called and held on the 13th day of December, 1993, and was ordered to be given publication in the manner prescribed by law.



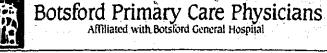
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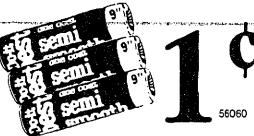


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The Novi Planning Commission osed budget, the administration will ing about what it will be asking city council and public hearings. The American Cancer Society is council to fund this year. James Wahl, the city's director of the office to help answer the tele- planning, said he was given a direcphones, perform clerical functions | tive by city officials to have an initial and data entry. Training will be line item proposed budget prepared penses are \$1,500 expenditures for ments for planning purposes. "Even gested that additional monies be allored every 10 years. Next year The city's planning and communizations. The line item covers publicamunity our presentation and compuplan and to discuss a five-year review ment was last reviewed.

ity development budget is separate from the nine-member more information, please call the Wahl called for the formation of a mulate any thoughts or ideas and

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Volunteer Novi planners dream of budget plums bring them back to the full commis- tions and the seminars many of the ter capabilities are back in the 1950s. of that document. By SHARON CONDRON sion the first week in January. After city's staff planners attend. the commission reviews the prop-

> partment was looking to upgrade its will be spending the holidays think- eyeball it and then send it on to city graphics software capabilities and buy a laptop computer. Wahl indicated the review process

"This has been an on-going probwould be finalized in May. lem." he said about the department's Included in the department's ex- inability to produce quality documemberships to professional organi- though Novi is a fast growing com- cated to fine tune the city's master will mark a decade since the docu-

*Certainly support for that at budget time would be really helpful."

The laptop computer would be used to send signals to the cable sys that the zoning ordinance be updated tems to provide graphic presenta-

"We are suggesting that we spend 1994 looking at a five-year plan and at futuring . . . This is something we really need to talk about." City planners are also suggesting

City planning consultant Brandon The planning director also sug-

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Wahl also indicated that the de-

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The provisions of this Ordinance become effective fifteen (15) days after adoption. The Ordinance was adopted on December 13, 1993 and the effective date is December 28, 1993. A complete copy of the Ordinance is available for public use and in specion at the office of the City Clerk.

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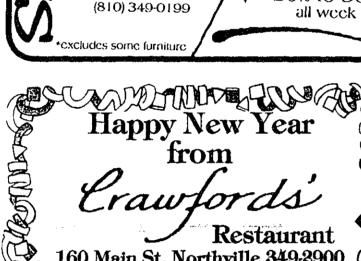
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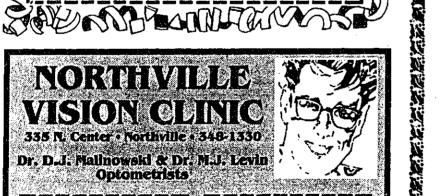
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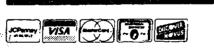
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Seeking to control land? Then pay for it

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80 percent, those with homes located

away from the commons area, wanted

Somehow this should be no sur-

The opponents claimed they were

let's at least have a standard of "buyer

Opponents say they are concerned

Council was wise to resist the pres-

We'll suggest again our proposal for

sure and vote to accept the easement.

a solution to the issue — when 51 per-

cent of the subdivision residents who

have, via deed restrictions, an interest in

the commons area sign a petition favor-

ing installation, the trail should be

and want to keep others out, they should

buy up all the shares of the land and pay

Otherwise, if residents bordering the commons area want it for themselves

The courts have been very clear of late - when a municipal government becomes so restrictive with its regulations that the owner of a piece of land can't use it, that constitutes a "taking."

When it happens, the courts have ordered the municipality to pay for the

Interestingly, some residents of Novi have recently come to the conclusion they have the right to dictate to residents and learned that 20 percent. other owners what they can and cannot mostly those who lived near the comdo with their land without compensating mons area, opposed the trail. The other those owners for the lose of their rights to use the land.

the trail built. We are referring of course to the debate over the Natural Resources Design Plan trails system. The topic came up prise. A trail would allow residents from again at the Novi City Council meeting the other side of the subdivision to use last week. Council members were taking the commons area. They too paid for it up the topic of whether to accept the title and they too own a share. Blocking the to an easement for the installation of a construction of the trail would keep trail in the Maples of Novi subdivision them out. from the developer. The easement lies in the commons area of the subdivision, not informed prior to buying their which means of course that deed restrichomes. One council member however tions give all homeowners living in the came up with a sales brochure that specsubdivision an equal interest, an equal ifically mentioned that a nature trail was sav in how the common land is to be used to be installed. Forget "buyer beware,"

and cared for. Still, a number of residents of the read the literature." subdivision showed up to oppose the land transfer. Like previous arguments about wildlife, but their homes themover Novi's proposed citywide trails sys-selves took habitat from the wildlife. A tem, the residents were concerned about nature trail is a good deal less disruptive crime on the paths, disruption to wild- than a house. ie, and the loss of their privacy. They felt that since the trail would be closest to abductions and muggings on the paths, their homes, and it-would therefore af mount of this day there is no evidence whatfect their homes the most. Thus, they soever that nature trails attract a crime should have the most say in what decision was made.

But that is not how property rights work. Owners have the say, and an equal share in the land is an equal share.

Mind vou, the issue before council was not whether the trail would actually be built. It was just a question of whether the city should accept the land from the developer so that a decision on building the trail could be made at some time in the future.

This time, the argument was more clearly defined than ever before.

Developer Sam Blumenstein in- all the other subdivision owners for their formed the council that he'd queried the shares of the commons area.

Friction intense in Capitol

Rep. Jan Dolan, R-

"It's interesting to see who voted for SB 1 and who voted to keep schools open," she said. Of those who voted against the replacement taxes, she said, "They must be-

Tim Skubick, dean of the Capitol correspondents, took

• Likely Jerry Vorva, R-Plymouth - for SB 1, against the income tax, SBT and real estate transfer, for the property it-or-leave it vote.

On the other hand, Willis Bullard, R-Milford, Dolan, and Tom Middleton, R-Ortonville, all voted for SB 1 and all 953-2047 ext. 1881.

Gustafson, whose district includes western Livingston County, issued a joint statement with Deborah Whyman,

for homes (16 mills) and business (20 mills). A farm adjaroll calls. Her chart shows how cent to a homestead would be taxed at 16 mills; a farm not adjacent to a homestead would be taxed at 20 mills. This bill has serious problems constitutionally and lacks fairness," they said.

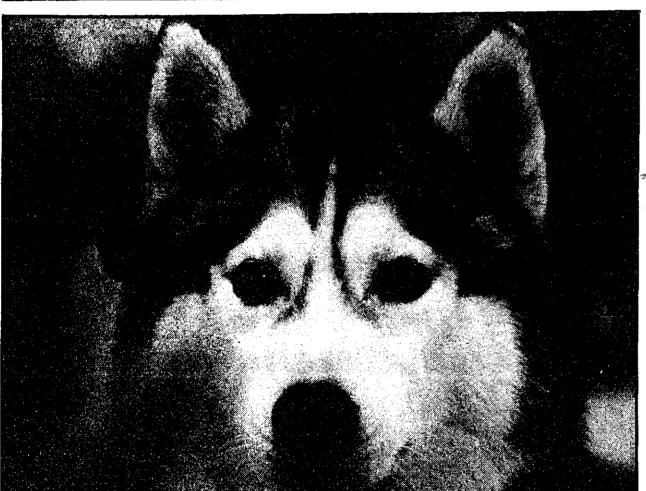
and against all the replacement taxes was Greg Kaza, R-Rochester Hills. Kaza issued statements on virtually every bill, citing a poll in his district said Troy-Rochester Hills folks asked for cuts in overall spending, not dollar-fordollar replacement.

noted in other columns. Vorva, whose district includes Northville, is sore at the way the leadership negotiates de-

This is one fray I won't get into. At this writing, everyone on edge and desperate in Lansing.

Tim Richard reports on the local implications of state and regional events. His touchtone voice mail number is (313)

Moments



Say yes to task force

Novi has stringent rules for developers, and some developers don't like it. To that we can only say, "Tough. The city should be stringent."

Novi is a prime location these days for development, both residential and commercial, and if the city wants a quality community when all that building is done it is going to have to insist that the development be top notch. If that means a few schlock developers won't be able to put up what they want, that's okay.

On the other hand, when other developers - who have reputations for quality - say they want a planning process that is streamlined, with consis- council. tency in the rules and in the rulings of city officials, and in which the regulations are spelled out up front, it is hard to be anything but sympathetic.

If the city is going to be demanding. it should at least be clear, consistent and

A number of developers recently proposed the creation of a "developers task force" during the latest of the Town Hall Meetings to smooth out the planning process in Novi. The City Council was cool to the idea when it came up in November, mainly because several members said they could not see the need for the creation of yet another committee. Planning Commissioners, who heard the proposal early this month, city insists on more information at these tabled it for discussion when all members could be present. Planning department Director Jim Wahl and staff Plan- how city officials are supposed to visualner Mike Csapo like the suggestion. They ize projects without the aid of those see validity in some of the developers' drawings. They have to be done at some complaints . . . not all, but some.

Us too. Csapo says the planning department already makes efforts to streamline the process and speed plans through the approvals. It may be true that only a small percentage get balled up along the way.

But one need only to look back a couple months to the debacle over the Cellular One outlet to see a good example of the problem. Good enough to pass muster with consultants, staff planners and planning commissioners and by all rights in compliance with the ordinances, the plan suddenly ran into a buzzsaw when it came before the city

There are also some areas of developers' complaints we definitely disagree with. One is that they would like to cut expenses in the planning process. As Wahl points out, the city has made a determination that developers should pay their own way through the planning process. We agree. These are after all money-making ventures. There is no need for taxpayers to subsidize their

Developers would also like to set aside the city's requirement for full sets of drawings during the conceptual and preliminary site plan approval processes. But it seems to us that that is a fundamental cost of the process. Yes, the stages of approval than do many other cities, but we do not quite understand

There's bad blood between or most of the replacement taxes. Susan Munsell, Rsome of our state representa- Howell, missed the SB 1 vote but supported the replace-

tives in Lansing. I'll just report ment taxes. it. I won't get into the fray.

Some troops who have been around awhile - two or more terms — are unhappy that many freshmen voted for SB 1, the \$6.9 billion school property tax cut, and against replacement taxes. Their theory is that it's irresponsible to vote two ways.

everyone voted on SB 1 and on five replacement taxes (income tax, single business tax, real estate transfer and two

lieve in the tooth fairy."

Dolan's side, accusing the other side of "profiles in hypocrisy." Let's see whom they're talking about: Certainly Dan Gustafson, R-Haslett — for SB 1, against

all the replacement taxes.

• Maybe Kirk Profit. D-Ypsilanti — for SB 1 and the income tax, against the SBT and real estate transfer, for the

Before using a remark like "profiles in hypocrisy," let's

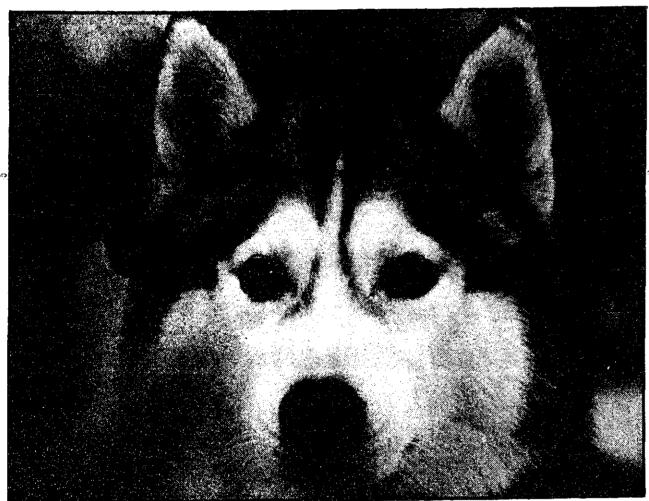
listen to the reasons of those who voted against the re-

R-Canton, in the House Journal saying they opposed the real estate transfer tax because of the partial reinstatement of the property tax. They voted against the use tax because it would be applied to interstate telephone calls. Whyman and Gustafson also objected to the split rate

An Oakland County conservative who voted for SB 1

Most of the dissenters were in their first terms. As I've als without consulting them and forces them into a take-

By Brian Mitchell



Arctic eyes

at the recent dog show

Media hype or harsh reality?



Michelle

Talk about taking a beating. I'm still licking my wounds following a recent school board meeting where a couple Northprincipal Thomas Johnson came down hard on the media. Johnson said the "media

hype" surrounding the issue of racial and cultural intolerances at the high school threatened to change the intent of a cultural diversity plan already in place at the school. The plan included

using Jim Tuman, a nattional speaker and director of the Royal Oak-based Positive School Support Program. Tuman agreed to speak with students in late October before his scheduled appearance Nov. 5. More than 50 students attended the afternoon session designed to ad-

dress racial and cultural intolerance. Things got a little tense at the hour-long meeting where students shouted and cried as they recalled past taunts.

racial slurs and shoving matches. Yet, Johnson and some students maintain that the media blew the incident out of proportion. Our coverage was unfair, it portrayed the high school in an unflattering light.

I disagree. I think the reports were very accurate, Students were obviously upset with the divisiveness that had taken place in their school and were admirably passionate

in their pleas to put an end to it. I can't recall anybody criticizing Northville High School during the whole ordeal. In fact, we praised the school editorially for addressing the conflicts before things got out of

I don't even believe that the shoving incident that occurred between a black male student and a white female student in a high school hallway was a racial confrontation like another newspaper suggested. I think it was just a

matter of two kids fighting. It was unfortunate, however, that the incident took place right before Tuman's address. My point is that even if only one student feels intimidated or threatened by going to school, that school has a ville High School students and problem. Everyone has a right to a quality public education in a safe environment.

If a student gets pushed into a locker because he's a "freak," or a group doesn't include a fellow student in its activities because his or her skin is dark, those students are going to be turned off of education because they'll dread going to school. A Harvard University study, released Dec. 13, revealed

that Amercian public schools are becoming more racially segregated now than at any time since the late 1960s. The report stated that racial segregation of schools was most likely to occur in small towns, rural areas, smaller metropolitan areas and suburbs of medium-sized cities. Northville High School is not the only school on Main

Street U.S.A. that has had a few incidents of racial and cultural tension. I'd be willing to bet that the occurrences of such incidents is minimal compared to most schools. However, Northville High School is not immune to the problem, either, and shouldn't pretend that it is.

Many of the winners had decked out more than their halls. Lots of them, especially the little kids, Being a teen-age is stressful enough. When you add inshowed up Monday dressed in red or sensitivity among your peers to it, growing up can just be green. Christmas sweatshirts were

Unfortunately, labels and racism follow teen-agers into the adult world. It's a problem that will not disappear overnight. The younger generation has to be educated that it isn't all right to make fun of somebody else because of their skin color, beliefs or the way they dress. If Northville schools can continue their quest to teach

students basic lessons in humanity - how to respect others - it's not only providing its students with a safe ducational environment, it's also contributing to making the world a little better place to live in.

Michelle Harrison is a staff writer for The Novi News and

Letters

Congrats on Madrigal performance

rush through life, checking tasks off added to this very special, very enjoymy list and planning how to complete able evening. Which brings me to ing past the days of this season with NIZED." Paula Joyner-Clinard. The intense drive but little enjoyment. exceptional quality of the perforscued me from this Grinchy exis- the obvious hard work behind this tence. How, you say, did this hap-evening start and end with you. pen? My husband and I were lucky enough to attend The Madrigal intend to make this an annual event,

the front doors we were whisked to on a job well done. another time and place. Every performer was in his role for the entire evening. The decorations were beautiful and the costumes were so well executed as to make each character special. The technical delivery allowed one to really get into the evening. We enjoyed the dinner with its talk finances very efficient service. However, the jewels of the evening were the perfor- To the Editor: mances by these talented and well prepared Novi students.

The number of students involved was mind boggling in itself. Each of you performed in several capacities: point, we do not know what the final vocal performer, role player, actor, musician or server. You managed to do all this and still appear to be hav- fund a good portion of our budget, ing fun. I assure you your audience and that there may be a property tax and guests sure were, and pampered with a fixed millage. We do not know guests are what we felt like. The how or when we will receive State in for the holidays, one of hope, de- We have calculated numerous "what sonnel, for drug law violations. light and anticipation. I was espe- its" and have discovered that be-Highness, Matt, that lively jester, be deficient. This will require us to as forfeiture items because the two

Once again, December found me crier, Keith. All of the performers unwanted interest cost. others. With blinders on, I was rush- "SHE WHO MUST BE RECOG- trict to levy all of its millage in the most of us subject to unreasonable

Thank you all. My husband and I a way to remember the joy this sea-The moment we walked through son should bring. Congratulations fair decision.

Public invited to

As you are aware, last week the Forfeitures are House passed a school finance bill and forwarded it to the Senate where it is currently being debated. At this

outcome will be. We do know that the State will

The Beeler family in Deerbrook took a prize for their outdoor decorations.

The city tradition of honoring the most festive families is only a few Some of them are just gorgeous.

years old, but seems to be taking off

Contestants were nominated by

their friends and neighbors. Promi-

nent among the "elves" selecting the

best was Novi Public Relations Direc-

tor Cindy Stewart, who said that at

one winning home when she dropped

off the notification letter, the young

daughter of the house jumped up

"It's unbelievable. The city is really

Along with Deerbrook, the Or-

chard Ridge subdivision was also

noted for its overall effort. McLallen

said she was cheered driving home

from work whenever she viewed the

'totally twinkly" River Oaks Apart-

"Everybody tonight is a star of the

Here's the guide to a fun Christ-

ven Mile Road, east of Tast Road): Roy Coventry.

mas tour, far closer than the North

and Carolyn Wilson, 25747 Sullivan

Lane (voted most spectacular): Wal-

looking good. Some of them are just

and down with glee.

ments on Novi Road.

city," the mayor noted.

gorgeous," Stewart said.

as fast as eight tiny reindeer.

Novi's aglow with holiday spirit

"It's unbelievable. The city is really looking good.

Ben Beeler family, 22167 Antier ilv, 24340 Willow Lane; and their

Drive (complete with palm trees); next door neighbors, Roland and

Eugene and Debbie Szatkowski, Sharon Makowski, 24250 Lebost

and Susan Fedronich, 41444 Fawn NUMBER TWO (south of Ten Mile

Trail; Donald Kline family, 41461 Road, east of Meadowbrook Road):

Reindeer; Eric Hanpeter and Laura Mike and Janet Natzel, (huge Ameri-

Lalond, 41486 Reindeer; Dennis and can flag in lights) 40921 Mooring-

Tomiko Demeere, 22239 Antler; and side; Richard and Betty Sherwood,

Richard & Ellen Reinhart, 41480 41076 Malott; Thaddeus Kopp fam-

41529 Fawn Trail: James Lewis fam- Drive North.

ilv. 41498 Reindeer Drive; Michael

ORCHARD RIDGE (south of Ten

Mile Road, west of Novi Road): Joseph

Heffernan family (Santa Claus

theme] 23468 Duchess Court; Frank

and Valerie Muraco, 23467 Duchess

Court: Lawrence and Sharon Bran-

don, 43977 Winthrop Drive; and

Dale Wasik, 23869 Greening Drive.

of Nine Mile, west of Haggerty Road):

Mike and Annette Senko, 40080

CARRIAGE HILL (north of Eight

Mile Road, east of Meadowbrook

ROMA RIDGE (north of Ten Mile

Road, east of Beck Road): Mario

ter and Josephine Paliwoda, 44511 Grech family, 24667 Venice; and Carol and Steve Singer, 39531 West-

CEDAR SPRINGS: (south of Ele-Road): Richard Bayer, 41153

Copland Lane; Craig Perry family, Gary and Faye Clark, 46536 Cider minster Circle.

25455 Buckminister; and James Mill.

WHISPERING MEADOWS (south

winter. Unfortunately, current law Then the Novi High School Choirs remances, the smooth execution and stipulates that a district must decide on its summer levy by Dec. 31. Therefore, we are having a public hearing on Dec. 29, seeking community and parent input. Hopefully, by this date, the State Legislature will have finalized its school finance package and my country but fear my governemnt," we will be able to make a correct and a declaration that seems to gain

> We invite all interested Novi Community School residents to join the Board of Education at 7:30 p.m. on Dec. 29 to discuss the issue.

Raymond Byers President Novi Community School Board

unreasonable

While reading the Police News column of Dec. 161 was struck by something that was difficult to believe. The story was about two individuals who Scripture proverbs (if by "Scripture" were arrested by Novi Police, called, music set me in the mood I wish to be funds or the amount of the millage. Incidentally, by Wyndham Hotel per-The amazing part of the story was cially impressed by the performances cause of our new dependency upon that a night stand and television educator's thesis as manifested in of the entire royal court, His Royal the State, the district's cash flow may stand were both taken by the police your paper.

within them. In my opinion, either To eliminate or lessen this interest the police made a mistake, or we have cost, it may be necessay for the dis- a law on the books that could make summer and not levy anything in the confiscation of private property, Under this type of reasoning, if your car was stolen and the thieves were apprehended in the car, and had drugs in the glove compartment, you troit radio talk show host begins his program with the statement. "I love

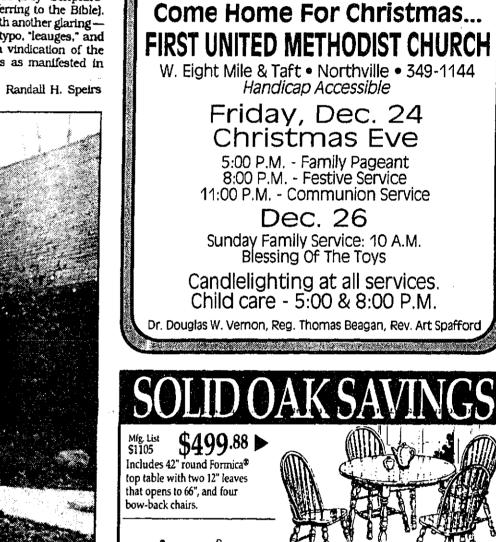
> Schools deserve flunking grade

I read with some interest the article "Schools flunked by educator." Then I read another article in which a school principal, no less,

meaning as time passes.

does not know the difference between "wrought" and "fraught." Still another in which I find a grammatical error ("he save") and a typo ("isloate"); and in the same article a rather abysmal ignorance of

the writer is referring to the Biblel. Top this off with another glaring in huge type - typo, "leauges," and we have quite a vindication of the





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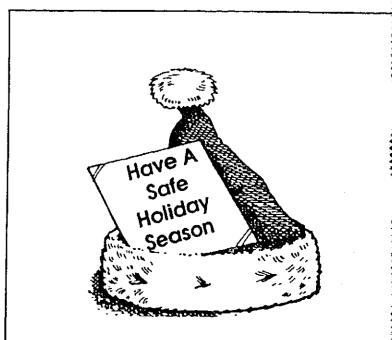
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THURSDAY December 23,

Heeeere's

By MICHELLE HARRISON Staff Writer

As Santa Claus, a.k.a. Joe Bommarito, pulled his black kneehigh, rubber boots over his red pants, he practiced a hearty "ho,

"The easiest part is putting on the makeup and the suit," Bommarito said from his "dressing room," a vacant store located next to Hudson's in Twelve Oaks Mall. "Mentally, I have to become a little kid. I start saying some ho, ho, hos and I start to feel the excitement."

But once he's on his throne at center court, waiting for the children to make their way up the red carpet stretched out before him, Bommarito is fully into his role as

"I'm a kid at heart myself," the 6-foot-2 Santa confessed. "When I see the kids and their excitement, that's the best part of it all."

This is Bommarito's second year as a Santa Claus for the Novi mall. A full-time student at

"I wanted to see their expresswhite beard.

But as he continued in his

own kids," he said.

Single and 26, Bommarito said he does make for an unusual Santa Claus.

of their own kids and Santa

and 20 minutes to prepare himself physically for his role. Blush

Schoolcraft College and a Hudson's employee, the Northville resident said he initially toyed with idea of playing Santa because of his niece and nephew.

ion," he said, adding that his niece and nephew visited him twice at the mall last year and didn't realize it was their uncle underneath the

Santa position, Bommarito realized he enjoyed not only the reaction of his relatives, but that of the other children, too.

"It makes me want to have my

"Usually, the guys are older and have their own kids," he admitted. "They like to grab onto memories

shade of snowy white to match his wig and beard. It takes Bommarito between 15 "Mentally, I start the second I wake up," he said.

makes his cheeks rosy and his Bommarito works four-hour nose like a cherry, and white shifts, as do most of the other Sanclown makeup transforms his tas employed by the mall. dark eyebrows and temples into a "That way I don't get tired and I

still have the energy to see them (the children) all," he said.

Ho, ho, ho! Santa, a.k.a. Joe Bommarito, waves to shoppers from his throne at Twelve Oaks Mall in Novi.

Not necessarily performing the role of Santa for the money, Bommarito says he believes in the spirit of Santa Claus in spite of his adulthood.

"There's nothing really that I don't like about this job," he said. "I get a lot of crying babies, but that's to be expected."

The image of crying bables

sparked a memory of one of Bommarito's funniest Santa experiences. A mother placed her baby on Santa's lap to get a picture. The baby was laughing and giggling, at least until the baby turned around

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Photos by BRYAN MITCHELL

Left, Santa gets the low-down on 14-month-old Garrett Brady's Christmas list. Above, Santa Claus (Bommarito) prepares for his four-hour shift at Twelve Oaks Mall in Novi last Thursday. He, as well as some of the other Santas, work only four hours in order to provide full attention to all their "customers." The shorter stints help keep him "excited" about his role, Bommarito says. It takes about 20 minutes to physically prepare for his position as Santa while mental preparation begins as soon as Bommarito wakes up.

Volunteer



Laura Lorenzo

Volunteer is making a difference for seniors

By DOROTHY NASH

"I am sensitized to the needs of senior citizens on a fixed budget, and I'm trying to make a difference," is the reason Laura Lorenzo gave for her being a member of the Novi Housing and Community Development Advisory Committee.

A description of the committee, according to a booklet put out by the city, reads like this:

The City of Novi annually receives funding from Oakland County called Community Development Block Grant Funds. The Housing and Community Development Advisory Committee was formulated for the purpose of reviewing community development needs of the City in regard to these funds."

Of the five on the committee, three of us are women, and there are two men plus Dan Davis," who is chairperson and has an office in

Parks and Recreation, said Lorenzo. For the last two years the Commitand \$98,000 dollars to spend.

A portion. Lorenzo said, "is given every year." The Public Services portion covers the van for senior citizen transportation and two-thirds of the salary of Jan McAlpin, the senior citizen center manager.

The rest is allocated to take care of the needs which senior citizens have reported they can't take care of such as "emergency rehabilitation . . . home repairs . . . things to make their homes livable."

"Basically all of these people," Lorenzo said, "live north of I-96."

"People contact Dan Davis," she said, and then the committee meets to discuss the needs, 'prioritizing them," Lorenzo said.

Usually the committee meets twice at the end of the year, and then a public hearing is held, followed by City Council approval. In December application is made for the funds, and in the following spring the funds are available.

"It makes you feel good," being on

It's A Fact

Our Ancestry

is the breakdown from 9	,018 reported ancestries
2,281	German
1,423	English
1,413	Irish
552	Polish
447	Italian
410	Scottish
374	French
178	
169	
144	Scotch-Irish
139	
117	
108	
101	
	French Canadian
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8	Yugoslavian

429Other 1990 statistics

Traveling singing evangelist to visit Novi church

By JEANNE CLARKE

OAKLAND BAPTIST CHURCH The church located on Beck be- 3 to 10. tween Nine and Ten Mile roads, has been busy since its Harvest Dinner. In November, getting ready for the Christmas Season.

The Sunday school Children's Program, entitled "Candy Popcorn." was presented the first part of December, with a dessert fellowship fol. ever with over \$10,000 taken in by lowing. This past Sunday, at the evening service, they had a message in song, with special numbers by the choir, led by Pastor Tim Wnyte. There were also solos and instrumental numbers by Kevin Bayson, with the choir being accompanied by Noah to sponsor, which include Leader

This coming Sunday morning they will have Rick Ballach, who is a singing evangelist visiting from Delaware. New Years will be the annual Progressive Dinner, being planned by Mrs. Sue Wnyte. The ladies group recently had a Christmas party at Home Sweet Home restaurant and at meeting. another recent meeting they had former Novi resident, Mrs. Louise Wnyte, as a speaker. Wnyte works with the Christian Fellowship of Women. Services at the church start at 10 a.m. with Sunday School and worship services at 11 a.m. Sunday

led by Paul and Karen Allen for those

can call the parsonage at 348-2748. adopted one youngster who is 10 people assisted the Rotary at its an-

make their candy cane sale the best Heights Lions Club. nett and assisted by co-chaipersons

Monica Rhea and Marc Giebel. As always, the money will be going Leader Dog facility. to the various charities the Lions help Dogs for the Blind, Penrickton Center for Blind Children, Welcome Home for the Blind, Beaumont Silent Children and many more.

They are also looking into becom ing a part of the Michigan Eye Bank THE INTERACT CLUB after having a presentation by Lyle

attendance at the Penrickton Christlor. The center is a private, non-profit agency servicing blind, multiple- to anyone. handicapped children ages 1-12.

The club is affiliated with the Novi NOVI VILLAGE BY THE LAKE

There is a nursery for children up to 3 years of age and a junior church

Novi Highlights

Also at the last meeting, the spe- heon held at the middle school. The Novi Lions Club would like to cial guest was John Walker, candithank all those who helped them date for governor, of the Sterling

The report was also heard from the ushering the Plymouth Symphony the salesmen (both Lions and Lio- group which visited the Leader Dog concerts held in Novi, and ushering ness' under the direction of Jim Bur- Luncheon with 10 in attendance. the PTA in October. Members will Along with other clubs in the area, have a candy sale with the money beover \$90,000 was presented to the ing used to support a child through

> held Dec. 15 at the Village Oaks club- a high school senior based on comhouse. Instead of exchanging gifts, munity service and leadership. Last everyone was asked to bring canned year's scholarship was given to goods or a monetary donation to help Meghan Perry.

Plans were also made for the Lions' have begun their 16th year at the Kemp, Noreen Hughes and Nikki Last Monday, the Lakes Baptist Century 21W 40-58 mas party last Monday, held in Tay- is Janie Baird of the school faculty. ident; and Oppat, vice-president. mas tea while a group of Cub Scouts five-day resident and day-care fore school and membership is open Phiesser is treasurer.

Anyone wishing more information pay any fees. The Lions Club has community and recently the young

was the first annual holiday crafts

nual Senior City Christmas lunc-Other service projects have included a food drive in November and December for local food banks.

the Christian Children's fund and The annual Christmas party was also to give a scholarship each year to

The Rotary will be honoring the fol- bow Singers from the Birmingham Never a Doubt 70-28 lowing students for their activities in Musicale, a trip in the van to see the Bowling Bags 60-38 community service and leadership Lights Festival at the Novi Civic Cen- Adventurers 52-46 The Interact Club, a group of throughout the year: Perry Liao, ter and the Stage Dance Company Eager Beavers 49% -48% young people now numbering 35 Becky Oppat, Christy Carmichael, from Northville held a show for Hilo's 45%-52% members who are service-minded. Brenda and Sweta Shah, Sherrie residents. high school. The sponsor of the group Fatt. Officers this year are Liao, pres- Church presented a Ladies Christ- By a Hair 34-64 Meetings are held twice a month be- Carmichael is secretary and Ryan visited the men.

Families of the residents do not Rotary and was formed to serve the Residents and their families were ping at Kmart, Meijers, etc. and also column, please call 624-0173.

treated to an extra special Christmas on trips out to Kensington or just ar party last week, complete with buffet ound the area to other small towns dinner and entertainment by a musi- where some of the residents once cal trio of two violins and a guitar. Ab- lived. They will also be including a out 400 people were in attendance. night ride to see the Christmas lights Kelly Rubin, activity director, had in Novi and will be going to the Novi a really busy December planned for Civic Center for the annual Christthe residents. One of the activities mas dinner Friday.

There were about 35 crafters plus High bowlers this week included one booth for the Novi Village Craft Linda Dettore of the B and L team Club and a children's room with acwith 185, Margie Greaves of the Eativities, a raffle and refreshments. ger Beavers with 184, Debbie Luka-The Teddy Bear Junction Day siak of the Never a Doubt team with Care Center hosted a Christmas 181 in a 504 series, Lori Seltzer of the celebration at the Village for children Never a Doubt team with a 179, Lynn ages 1 to 4. A concert was performed Zwar of the B and L's with 176, and mothers brought refreshments Rosemary Banish of Never a Doubt for residents who participated as an with a 173, Barbara Dettore of the B and L's team with a 172 and Dora Other special events this month Breaves of Eager Beavers with 170. included a presentation by the Rain- Standings of the teams are as follows:

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The residents love to go places and Novi Highlights is written by van driver Kathy Setser is more than Jeanne Clarke. Should you wish to happy to accompany them for shop- contact her with information for this

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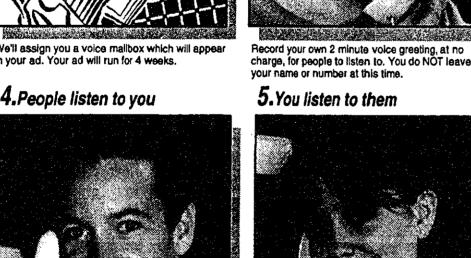
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On campus

Michigan State University lists 30 area students among its 2,348 degree candidates for fall 1993. Receiving degrees at the Commencement held Dec. 11 were: from Northville, SYED KAMRAN AHMAD, bachelor of science, social science-prelaw: ROBIN MICHELLE ALLEN, master's degree in labor and industrial relations; TODD ALAN BOOTH, bachelor of arts, accounting; CHAD W. BOSSCHER, bachelor of arts, finance; TODD MICHAEL DANIELS, bachelor of arts, MLM-purchasing and operation management: NANCY P. DOYLE, bachelor of science, apparel design: BLAKE WILLIAM FOX, bachelor of arts, MLM-purchasing and operation management; JAY C. GRIFFITH, bachelor of science, packaging; JULIE ANN HILFINGER, bachelor of science, mechanical engineering: WENDY ELIZABETH KOHL, bachelor of arts, elementary education; JAMES K. NORBECK, bachelor of arts, accounting; ROBIN A. PATRICK, bachelor of arts. Am public affairs-social relations; CARRIE LEE RUELLE, bachelor of arts, advertising; KRISTIN LYNN SPADE, bachelor of arts, MLMpurchasing and operation management; DEBORAH ANN STEVENS, bachelor of science, child development and teaching; MICHAEL STEWART TODD, bachelor of arts, Am public affairs-social relations; JAMES MATTHEW WILLERER, bachelor of science, packaging; and from Novi, AARON EMERSON BALL, bachelor of science, civil engineering; JEREMY J. CIONCA, bachelor of arts, accounting; BRIAN F. CORBETT, bachelor of arts, history, SYBIL SHELLEY CUMMINS, bachelor of science, mechandising management; CAROLYN BETH FOX, bachelor of arts, communications; TIMOTHY J. GILBERT, bachelor of arts, social science: JULIE ANN GREYWALL, bachelor of arts, MLM-purchasing and operation management; MICHAEL GARY HAY, bachelor of arts, history; JILL ELAINE LEMMING, bachelor of arts, marketing; CATHERINE D. NAGY, master's degree, audiology and speech sciences; DAVID L. RUS-SELL, doctorate, arts letters-interdisciplinary; LAURA MARIE STREE-TER, bachelor of arts, accounting; and TRACEY L. TYRELL, bachelor of science, clinical laboratory sciences.

Speaking and receiving honorary degrees were Mary Fisher, founder of the Family AIDS Network and Alfred Taubman, businessman and founder of the Michigan Partnership for New Education based on the MSU campus, Also receiving honorary degrees were Elton R. Smith, former president of the Michigan Farm Bureau and Frank Garrison, president of the Michigan AFL-CIO.

Albion College freshman JEFFREY SCHRODER has become a member of the Gerald R. Ford Institute for Public Service. Schroder is the son of Michael and Annie Schroder and is a 1993 graduate of Northville Nigh

The Ford Institute is designed to give exceptional students a chance to broaden their education through concentrated study in areas of govemment and public service, regardless of their major. Students participate in a city government simulation and complete course work concerning political science, history, and ethics. Their education is continued through speakers brought to campus and an internship in an area of interest. The program also encourages students to seek leadership roles on campus.

EDWARD ROHNhas been selected by audition to play percussion in the Albion College Jazz Ensemble. The Jazz Ensemble studies and performs jazz literature of all styles.

The group performs six to 10 concerts throughout the year, both on and Rohn, a 1993 graduate of Northville High School, is the son of Edward

and Christina Rohn of Northville. Albion College is a private, coeducational, liberal arts college located in the south central Michigan town of the same name.

Albion College junior AMANDA PARKE has been named co-chair of faculty and administrative affairs of Student Senate at Albion College. The official voice of the students and the disburser of the activity fee. the Senate is charged with serving and promoting student rights and services. Much of the Senate's work is done in three standing committees: Internal Affairs. Faculty and Administrative Affairs and Student

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and white with candy cane accents.

"It was just a look of total fear," he "Each one (child), to a point, is a said. "The baby started screaming." challenge," said Harry Champe, a love out to the children. When babies and children do cry, veteran Santa who has manned the Bommarito tries to soothe their sobs Santa throne for the last eight years with a gentle voice and rattling toys. at Twelve Oaks. "You can tell — if out age 50 who asked for money. When a developmentally disabled they cling to Mom you know you're "That was my hardest customer," Bommarito said. child visits him, Bommarito said he usually in trouble." likes to give special attention by going Monday through Thursday.

Bommarito said he hasn't had

"I think they're more interested in just seeing Santa," he said. The the money he makes playing Santa to nosaur, Thomas the Train and Teen- to you and hug you," Bommarifo older kids. I think they know, but pay his Walled Lake property taxes. age Mutant Ninja Turtles for the boys said.

Champe works for four hours

"Seventy-five percent of it is for the

The red Santa Claus suits, as well as the beards and wigs, worn by Bommarito and the other Santas are provided by Twelve Oaks

Mall. The suit can get warm at times, but overall, isn't that uncomfortable, according to Bommarito. A vacant store next to Hud-

Mall Santas take preparations

seriously for St. Nicholas roles

Bommarito laughed.

many problems with kids tugging at fun," he said. This year, the other Santa is that you learn about all the

Another advantage of playing one. popular toys. Topping the children's The biggest thrill is when they Champe explained that he uses toy lists this year are Barney the Di-start at the end of that plank and run

Believe it or not, portraying Santa and Barbie for the girls. is actually relaxing for Champe. He "It's unbelievable how popular said he feels satisfied by sending his Barbie is," Bommarito said.

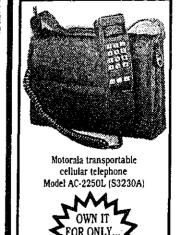
The oldest "kid" to sit on Santa children who don't ask for anything Bommarito's lap was a person of ab- for themselves but request presents

One lady even brought her dog to the job is seeing the children's eyes Both Santas agree the best part of pose with Santa for a photograph. light up when they see the bearded

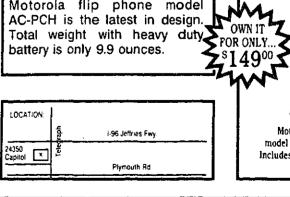
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more than a hobby

the Novi resident said Christmas "goodles" — a collection of ment stores, it was her daughter who Hudson Santa Bears, various other got her interested in the collectible Christmas decorations and the Dept. 56 series. Sharon got intercreme de la creme, a 242-piece mini- ested in Dept. 56 while employed ature Dickens' village. Complete with during the Christmas season at 47 lights and 80 accessory pieces Heslops (trees, lamp posts and villagers), the "It gets in your blood," Sonja Lane

come highly collectible," said Sonja thing new comes out." tain pieces every year, making them each year

The ceramic replicas of English would just move the furniture right mulate pieces of the Dickens' Village stream. She is considering con-

Lane has 24 of the buildings, display. which she collects with her daughter "This is my favorite holiday." she Sharon. Well, at least until next year. said. "I get a little carried away." Her daughter has recently become Alexander's display is mounted on engaged and will be taking her collec- a 3- by 5%-foot table, built by her

tion with her when she marries. husband Dick, in the upstairs living This year, the Lanes added a trans room of her condominium. She to their village scene. It took them abstarted collecting the pieces about

out 10 hours to complete the display. nine years ago.

that a collector has to get her name on a list to receive any of the limited editions, which can cost up to \$100 When the leaves outside are just each. Most of the other houses cost

collecting the village pieces for about "I get so excited I start in October." three years. Although Lane had previously collected lighted miniature It takes her awhile to bring out her houses when discounted at depart-

collectible village is from Dept. 56, a said. "It's addicting. You get started company located in Minnesota. and you can't quit. You think you've The last few years pieces have begot enough (buildings) and some-

Lane, a Northville resident who also Lane said her display, which she sets up the Christmas village scene built in front of her living room winduring the holidays. "They retire cer- dow, keeps getting bigger and bigger "After last year people thought I

buildings include several collections out of the living room," she laughed. such as Christmas in the City, Alpine, She constructed mountains out of A Christmas Carol, Oliver Twist, Little boxes covered with Spanish moss Town of Bethlehem and New Eng- and used aquarium gravel for the land. Both Alexander and Lane accu-rocks lining the railroad tracks and structing a real stream for next year's

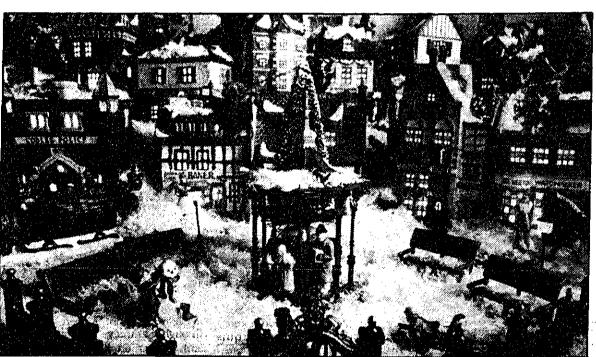


Betty Alexander has over 200 pieces in her Dept. 56 Dickens' village collection.

the first part of A Christmas Carol," pieces.

Alexander said she is lucky be- year and it was mine," she said. Making her village complete are a Alexander keeps busy during the hocause Gretchen, Paul and Evelyn of Margie's Hallmark at 14 Mile and blue bulb in a light fixture above the liday season by baking. She made

"I saw them in a store and I bought Haggerty alert her to all the new scene, casting a moon-like hue, and a five batches of toffee and "lots of cassette tape of village sounds. She cookies." The toffee was in tins and "They got one mountain in this purchased the tape while in Florida, ready to give away. Besides working on her village,





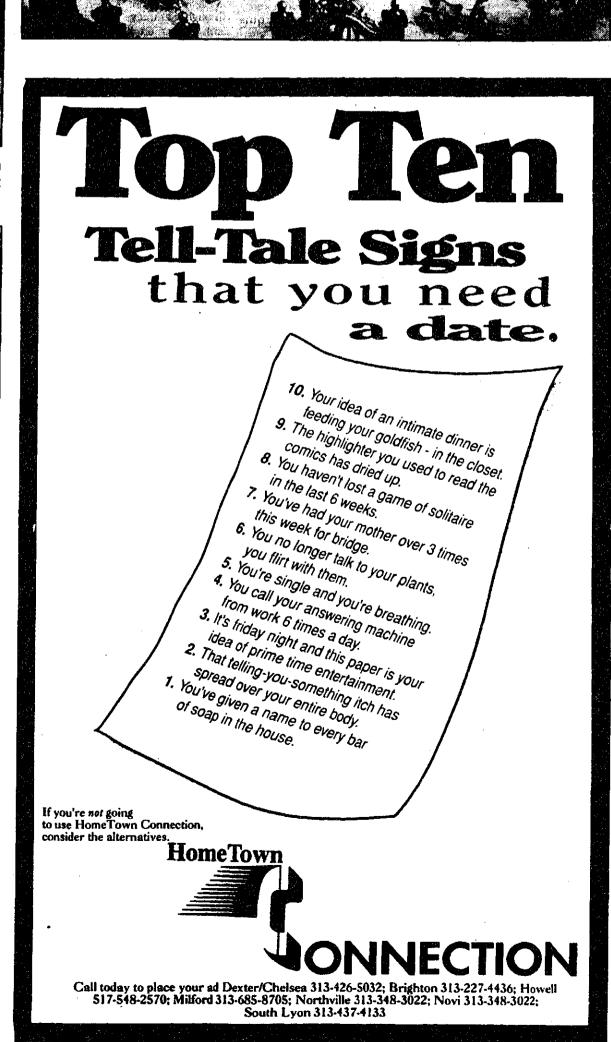
Sonia Lane of Northville, left, started collecting her Dept. 56 village about three years ago with her daughter Sharon. Next year she would like to construct a real stream to make the village that more realistic. The carousel, above right, is part of Alexander's collection.

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Diversions

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THURSDAY December 23,

Married duo to star in play

A Northville couple is starring in a comedy murder mystery production of the Ridgedale Players. Catch Me If You Can, written by

Jack Weinstock and Willie Gilbert, is directed by Jim West. Linda and Larry Pelliccioni of Northville have roles in the

production. The mystery centers on the identity of a woman (played by Linda Pelliccioni) who shows up at a northern lodge in the Catskills, claiming to be the wife of Daniel Corbin (played by Linda's real-life husband Larry). Is she his wife? If not, why does she claim to be? And who is Father Kelliher? Whose side is he on? Are the

Topping off the play's many twists is a great surprise ending. Also starring in the performance are Ellen Afthinos, Suzanne Barcewicz, Dennis Fitzpatrick and David

actions of Inspector Levine (played by

Jack Abella of Southfield) legitimate?

Dates for Catch Me If You Can are Jan. 7-9 and 14-16, 1994. Friday and Saturday performances are at 8 p.m. and Sunday shows begin at 3 p.m. The Ridgedale Players are located at 205 W. Long Lake Road in Troy (between Crooks and Livernois). Tickets are \$8 with a \$1 discount for seniors on Sundays. Call 433-1572 for tickets.



Larry Pelliccioni tries to get revenge on Linda Pelliccioni in "Catch Me If You Can." a comedy murder mystery being presented at the Ridgedale Playhouse Jan. 7-9 and 14-16, 1994. The Pelliccionis are a husband and wife acting team from Northville.

live music all week with no cover artists.

For information, call 348-5000.

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Special Events

NEW YEAR'S STAY-OVER: Ring in the New Year at The Hotel Baronette's New Year's Eve Extravaganza. The evening will begin at 8 p.m. with cocktails, hors d'oeuvres ner of chilled seafood platter, Michidough breads will be held in the Saturing adult and child performers. voy Ballroom. A sweet table will be are \$6.50. open after dinner for all to enjoy.

Party favors and champagne will be brought out shortly before midnight. Sterling will entertain. As the evening draws to an end, party goers will retire to one of the performances are Monday through

deluxe overnight accommodations ant. The murder mystery and a ten-Celebration Package includes deluxe \$25.95 per person. accommodations for two, prime rib buffet dinner, dancing in the Grand sometimes speaking roles in the acp.m. to 1:30 a.m.

and party favors. For cost information and reservations, call 344-8800.

toast at midnight, breakfast buffet

LOCAL FOLKS IN SHOW: Mary Bremer's Lunch Bunch Players and call 347-0095. Genitti's Hole in the Wall restaurant team up for a holiday season of family entertainment with an energetic pro- Wall Restaurant has two production charms her audiences at Victor's

troupe of polished young actors, sin-tions are required. Special perforarea. Christina Genitti, a 5-year-old ner Theater are available. student at Amerman Elementary.

Will play the part of a munchkin while cal Christmas murder mystery extraveteran performer Bob Ketterer of vaganza will put you in the holiday Northville will take to the stage as mood

The Lunch Bunch will perform at performance, the guests try to dis-Genitti's Little Theatre, 112 E. Main cover who committed the murder. St. The 1 p.m. shows are preceded by Audience members are asked to per-30 and Jan. 8. Tickets for children awarded to those who correctly guess are \$11.50 (\$7.50 show only) and the identity of the culprit. For information and reservations, call 349-0522.

cards featuring scenes of downtown ter with the seven-course dinner is Northville are available at Painter's \$35 per person. Place, the studio and gallery of Caro-Phone 349-0522 or fax 349-4641 line Dunphy, 140 N. Center Street. for reservations. Group rates This year's card features a view look- available. ing west on Main Street. Cards from several previous years are also on

For more information, call 348-9544.

Theater

dent Tracey Gies, daughter of Tim The Children's Ballet Theatre. The music to the blues. performance will take place at 7 p.m. The coffee house is in the Main-

Under the direction of Karen Milligan, the performance will include "The Tales of Beatrix Potter," "Les Pa-

Concerto." Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$2.50 for children and can be purchased at impromptu jams. the door. Children's Ballet Theatre offers gifted youngsters, ages 9-16, a showcase for their talents.

boy and his genie, Aladdin, con- in the Novi Hillon, is open Tuesday tinues at Northville's Marquis through Saturday, 8 p.m. to 1:30 gan Theme salad, prime rib and sour- Theatre. Tickets for the musical, fea- a.m. Live entertainment is from 9 Main St.

tineurs" and "Corelli's Christmas

Performance dates and times are Saturday, Jan. 1 at 2:30 p.m., and Sundays, Dec. 26 and Jan. 2 at 2:30 In addition, special holiday break

guest rooms. An Italian brunch will Friday, Dec. 27-31, at 2:30 p.m. For information, call 348-3490. be served on New Year's morning. The Marquis Theater is located at For cost information and reserva- 135 E. Main Street, Northville. For intions, call the Novi Road Hotel at formation, call 349-8110.

HOME SWEET HOME: A dinner The music is Top 40. NEW YEAR'S PACKAGES: The theater program will continue on the The hotel is at 27000 Sheraton Wyndham Garden Hotel in Novi is of- last Saturday of each month at the Drive in Novi, across from Twelve fering two New Year's Eve packages. 1920s-era Novi mansion which now Oaks Mall. The Rendezvous Package offers houses Home Sweet Home restaurfor two and buffet breakfast. The derioin and salmon dinner are Gate Saloon offers live music every Diners are given clues - and Friday and Saturday night from 9

Ballroom, cocktails, champagne tion — to help them figure out who The Starting Gate is located at 135 dunnit. Prizes are given out to the N. Center St. in downtown Northville. best guessers. Home Sweet Home is located at VICTOR'S: Where can you find an 43180 Nine Mile Road just east of active Hammond organ, great music and good food? Answer: Victor's of

For information and reservations. Novi. Call 349-1438 ahead to find out if nostalgic Connie Mallett will be on GENITTI'S: Genitti's Hole-In-The-

duction of the classical musical, Wi- companies performing different Mur- with such favorites as "Misty" and der Mystery Dinner Theaters every "Moonlight Serenade." The Lunch Bunch is a professional Friday evening at 7:30 p.m. Reservagers and dancers from the tri-county mances of the Murder Mystery Din-

tured artists are Claudia St. Peter, furniture and decorative tiles; and paintings by Catherine Anderson As the crime unfolds during the

and Henrietta Helman. Lake Road, Farmington Hills. Gallery a noon spaghetti luncheon Dec. 23, form roles in the play. Gifts are \$13.50 for adults (\$8.50 show only). Genitti's "Hole-in-the-Wall" restaurant is located in downtown p.m. Sunday. For information, call lies. The museum is at 155 S. Main Northville at 108 E. Main St. just east

of Center Street. PAINTER'S PLACE: Christmas The Murder Mystery Dinner Theaoil paintings using the finely-layered color technique of the preimpressionists.

Music

CAFFE BRAVO: On Fridays and and beads by the Madison Heights

Saturdays from 8 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. couple David and Kami Turner. classical guitarist Carol Smallwood The Atrium Gallery is at 109 N. is continuing her engagement at Center St. in Northville. Hours are 10 Caffe Bravo. Smallwood also appears a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Sa-CHILDREN'S BALLET: Novi resion Sundays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. turday; and Sunday from noon to 4 Also each Sunday, from 1:30 p.m. p.m. and Karlyn Gies, will be peforming in to 3:30 p.m., varying guitar concerts the Dec. 30 holiday performance by are planned, ranging from classical

cluding raku pottery, glass, painting and jewelery are for sale.

855-8832.

GATE VI GALLERY: The Gate VI For information, call 344-0220. Gallery in the atrium of the Novi Civic MR. B'S FARM: Mr. B's Farm, on Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile, features Novi Road north of Ten Mile, presents—a changing show of the work of local

Sunday is a "Strings 'N' Things LITTLE ART GALLERY: The Little Jam" from 9 p.m. to midnight every Art Gallery at Genitti's Samuel Little week. Local artists get together for Theater in downtown Northville features two shows a month. Michigan fine artists who would Music starts at 9 p.m. For more information call 349-7038. like to display their works are en-

couraged to contact gallery manager ALADDIN: The classic story of a NOVI HILTON: Whispers Lounge, and artist Julie Giordano at The Little Art Gallery is at 112 E. p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Intrique will per-TOWN CENTER GALLERY: The Town Center Gallery is located at

orm through Dec. 25. Novi Town Center at 43267 Crescent For information call 349-4000. Blvd. Hours are Monday through Fri-RIFFLES: Fridays and Saturdays day 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Sunday noon to 5 at 10 p.m., Riffles of Northville becomes a live rhythm and blues cafe. p.m. Call 380-0470. Riffles is at 18730 Northville Road.

BACKDOOR GALLERY: Farmington's Backdoor Gallery on 37220 SHERATON OAKS: It's live enter-Eight Mile Road specializes in unusual art dolls. The gallery is in the tainment on Friday and Saturday at Eli & Denny's from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. home of co-owner Kath Landers. She and the other owner. Kathleen

Bricker, are both artists.

Hours are 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursdays and Fridays; 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturdays and by appointment. Call 474-8306.

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BALLROOM DANCING: Make your reservations now for elegant ballroom dancing at the Mayflower Hotel in Plymouth New Year's Eve. The Mayflower Hotel Crow's Nest Pub will feature Matt Watroba's folk music from 9 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. this

Friday and Saturday. D.L. Turner will be entertaining on Dec. 31 and will continue on Fridays and Saturdays through Jan. 30. For more information, call 453-1620.

HUNDREDS OF HO HOs: Over 1,000 Santa Claus statues from the extensive private collection of Dr. Weldon and Shirley Petz will be on dislay at the Plymouth Historical Museum now though Jan. 30.

The collection sprouted from a core of family antique Santa ornaments into an extraordinary accumulation of old and new figurines of the jolly saint in chalk, clay, wood, cardboard, tin, glass, celluloid and

Admission is \$1.50 for adults, 50 a.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday and 1 to 5 cents for students and \$4 for fami-Street in Plymouth. Hours are Wednesday, Thursday

ATRIUM GALLERY: Now featured and Saturday from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. is the work of South Lyon artist and Sunday from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Dvana Hesson, who creates dramatic For information, call 455-8940.

INSTRUCTOR FEATURED: An Also featured are the watercolors exhibit by Oakland Community Colof Marily Blinder of Southfield; new raku work by Suzanne Young of will be on display throughout the Berkley: glass by Birmingham artist. month at the Galerie Internationale, Stan Megdall and jewelery in silver 4066 Telegraph Road, Bloomsleld

> An art instructor at OCC's Orchard Ridge campus since 1967, Tazian has also chaired the department for four years. He works in a variety of media, including watercolor, clay and bronze sculpture.

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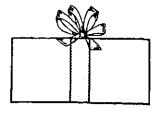
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December 23,



Jack Lemmon, Ann-Margret and Walter Matthau star in 'Grumpy

'Grumpy Old Men' reunites cinema's famed odd couple

*Grumpy Old Men," a Warner but their greeting usually consists of Bros.' release, is a rollicking, roman- profanity mixed with insulting onetic comedy that reunites one of the great screen duos of all time.

Walter Matthau once again team up in the story of a lifetime rivalry that only two flercely individualistic curmudgeons could sustain — and the iolt their relationship undergoes when a lovely, romantic and available widow, played by Ann-Margret. moves in across the street.

Filmed on location in Minnesota, "Grumpy Old Men" examines the decades-old love-hate relationship between the two neighbors, and the ways their lives are thrown into total upheaval when a lovely, free-spirited widow moves in across the street

are three seasons - June, July and Winter And for John Gustafson (Lemmon) and Max Goldman (Matthau), next-door neighbors in the picture-perfect town of Wabasha. Minnesota, it has been one long winter of their discontent with each other - 56 years to be exact.

John's and Max's greatest pleasure consists of thinking up new ways to embarass, ridicule or ambush each other in the course of their everyday campaign of revenge and

About what? Who knows? Max and John might recall the shadowy beginning of this lifetime love-hate relationship, but they're not telling. They greet each other every morning. Buck Henry.

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upsmanship They're ice-fishing buddies, to be sure — but they mock each other's catch and hurl invective and rotting fish when they share a "friendly" chat about their hobby.

Not even John's daughter Melanie (Daryl Hannah) or Max's son Jacob (Kevin Pollak) knows what started their fathers' feud. But with John and Max wifeless and retired, and the indignities of the "golden years" encroaching, hating each other's guts has become their greatest pleasure in

That changes, as you might expect, when a radiant, free-spirited and enchantingly eccentric college teacher Ariel Truax (Ann-Margret) moves in right across the street from

The lovely Ariel gives both grumpy old men new leases on life, as she innocently escalates their mutual loathing to new heights of depths with each furiously jockeying for first The latest phase of the Wabasha War has begun, with John and Max's

odd enduring relationship hanging precariously in the balance. "Grumpy Old Men" is directed by Donald Petrie, whose "Mystic Pizza" impressed audiences and critics with its humor and humanity.

In addition to Lemmon, Matthau and Ann-Margret, the cast includes Ossie Davis, Burgess Meredith and

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John Gustafson (Jack Lemmon) and Max Goldman (Walter Matthau) vent their rage at each other on the ice

two immortal actors he'd had in mind agree to play John and Max, roles dewhen he wrote it.

"It's unbelievable that this is actu-personalities. ally happening," said Johnson, who Lemmon and Matthau decided retary at Orion Pictures.

home state of Minnesota, and the Oliver Stone's "JFK." character of John Gustafson is based on my own grandfather. Personal manager/producer Ri. great stars in their own right," said

lay despite the fact that he admits to being wary of such requests. "But on vie." he said.

ducers. "It had heart, it had humor ity and beauty that's irresistible,"

full screen life. Davis said he had al- with." ways wanted to work with Donald Kevin Pollak was everyone's favo-

The screenplay for "Grumpy Old 'Grumpy Old Men' was the one he Men" was written by Mark Steven wanted to do," he noted. Johnson. Not only would his very What everyone hoped - but no first script be made into a major fea- one dared expect - was for Jack ture film, it would be made starring Lemmon and Walter Matthau to

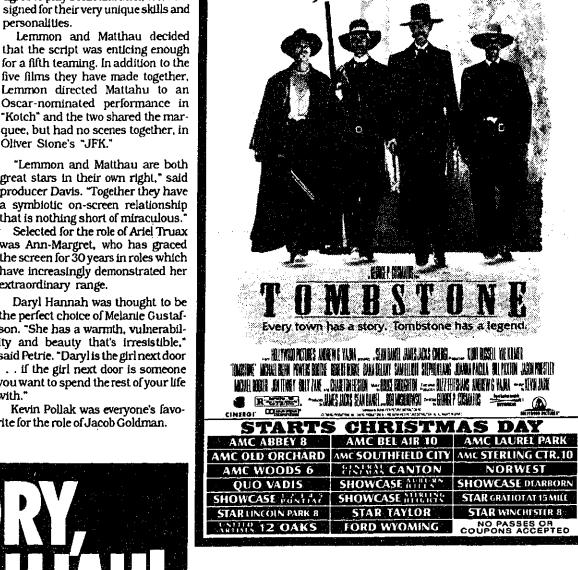
completed his first draft of *Grumpy that the script was enticing enough Old Men" three years ago at the age of for a fifth tearning. In addition to the 25 while working a day shift as a sec- five films they have made together. Lemmon directed Mattahu to an " 'Grumpy Old Men' is a very per- Oscar-nominated performance in sonal project for me," said the young "Kotch" and the two shared the marscreenwriter. "It's a valentine to my quee, but had no scenes together, in

chard C. Berman was persuaded by a producer Davis. "Together they have relative to look at Johnson's screenp- a symbiotic on-screen relationship that is nothing short of miraculous Selected for the role of Ariel Truax the first reading I knew that Mark was Ann-Margret, who has graced was a very talented writer and that the screen for 30 years in roles which this script would make a terrific mo- have increasingly demonstrated her

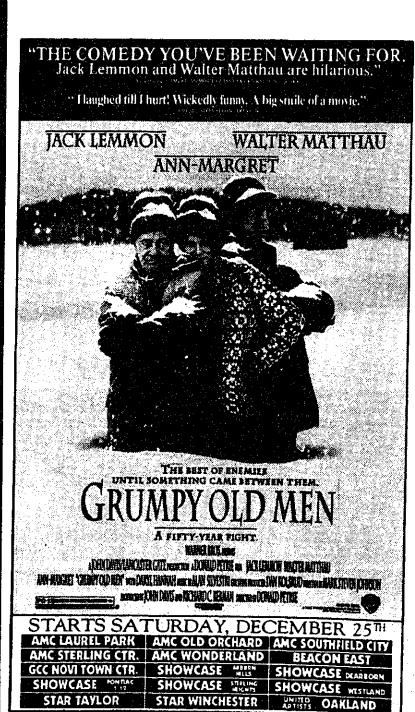
The script also captured the imagi- Daryl Hannah was thought to be nation of John Davis, one of film and the perfect choice of Melanie Gustaftelevision's most dynamic young pro- son. "She has a warmth, vulnerabiland it had a real edge," he observed. said Petrie. "Daryl is the girl next door The next step was to find a suitable . . . if the girl next door is someone director to shepherd the material into you want to spend the rest of your life

Petrie. "Of all the scripts I sent him, rite for the role of Jacob Goldman.





KURT RUSSELL VAL KILMER



By SCOTT DANIEL

Better than expected.

That's what might be said about

Novi High's 16th place finish in

Saturday's Oakland County meet.

With an inexperienced lineup

weakened by injuries and illness,

Wildcat coach Brad Huss was very

happy with his squad's finish in

"I think we fared better than

could have been expected," he

said. "Especially with only 11

The coach said the Wildcats are

"I like what I see," said Huss.

county champion. Kensington

Valley Conference rival South

The double-elimination tourna-

ment was held over two days.

Wrestlers had to qualify for

championship competition on

Clarkston ended up as the

the 44-team tournament.

making steady progress.

Lyon was third overail.

NEWS SOCIES

Grapplers finish 16th

at county tournament

Freshman Lenny Christoff finished sixth overall. The

103-pounder won all three of his

matches Friday then went 1-3 Sa-

turday. His lone win of the finals

came on a pin of Rochester's Rich

Huss. There aren't too many kids

"Lenny's a real solid 103," said

Taka Watanabe placed eighth

in the county at 130 pounds. He

went 2-1 Friday then reeled of two

straight pins to start Saturday. He

"That was one tough weight

At 140 pounds, Craig Borashko

won his first match of the champ-

ionship rounds. He beat Clarks-

ton's Jeremy Lafferty by a 9-2 de-

cision. Borashko was eliminated

in the next round by Jason Aiello

James Cini met a similar fate at

140 pounds. He pinned Andre

of Waterford Kettering.

fell in the third round to Jamie

Bartley of Goodrich High.

class," said Huss

Phillips in 22 seconds.

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Baseline rival Northville features

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James Cini (left) in action earlier this season.

Tankers sink South Lyon 138-47; break for holiday

By SCOTT DANIEL

the Kensington Valley Conference swimming scene don were third in 2:07.60. Thursday at home.

Wildcat coach Dave Maker. winter. Maker said he expected an easy win, but used Christopherson third. the meet to work his swimmers in some unfamiliar

resumes action Jan. 4 against Chelsea. The Wildcats showed South Lyon fust what kind of a time of 1:00.20. night it was in store for in the 200-yard medley relay. Mutch was the winner of the 500 yard freestyle. He the Western Lakes Activities Association.

The team of Rob Mutch, Curt Speerschneider, Jason in 6:12.70. Black and Adam Tymenski won with a time of 1:54.70. Novi High gave South Lyon a rude 138-47 welcome to Ryan Bush, Henry Newton, Brian LeRoy and Eric Bran-

off. Cini was then dropped from the tournament by Blake Williams

"He made a couple of mistakes

Mark McBride was Novi's high-

that really cost him," said Huss.

est finisher. The 160-pounder was

The junior was perfect Friday

with a 3-0 record. McBride then

lost his first match Saturday but

came back to win three straight.

on a penalty point in the battle for

He lost to Josh Salmon of Berkley

"He wrestled very tough." Huss

Ben Wendt made it Saturday

with three straight wins in qualify-

ing rounds. He fell to Jason Brown

of South Lyon 12-3 and then 4-3 to

Rochester's Rick Snyder to be

lot out of him," said Huss. "He re-

think he'll have more than one op-

ally wanted to win that one. But I

"Losing to Jason Brown took a

fourth overall.

third place.

eliminated.

said of McBride.

Mutch won the 200-yard freestyle in 2:08.90 while 200 IM, Jim Galford placed first with a time of 2:25.60 The Lions are fielding their first varsity squad this while Mike Dicludio was second in 2:34.40 and Matt

> Tymenski was third. Brandon was second in diving with The shoe was on the other foot Dec. 13. Although the 147.7 points and Bush was third with 138.5. In the 100-yard butterfly, Erich Kelly finished first in well. the 100 freestyle easily in 56.3. Galford was second with

The team of Kelly, Black, Speerschneider and Tymenski won the 200 freestyle relay in 1:40.70. Dicludio. Bush, Galford and Kushman was second. Novi swept the 100 backstroke. Kelly was first in "We one, two, three'd them in nearly every event," said LeRoy was second and Tim Kushman was third. In the 1:05.40, LeRoy second in 1:08.7 and Dicludio third.

Speerschneider won the 100-vard breaststroke in 1:09.70. Galford, Mutch, Black and Kelly won the 400 freestyle relay to close the meet. Speerschneider took first in the 50 freestyle while LIVONIA STEVENSON 116, NOVI 70

score doesn't indicate it. Maker said his team performed The win evened Novi's dual meet record at 1-1. Novi 1:02.40 while Christopherson was second. Black won "I think we swam pretty good," he commented.

It was a non-league meet for Novi. The Spartans com- Speerschneider was third in the breaststroke. pete in the same league with Baseline rival Northville

The 'Cats did have several top finishes. The team of Kelly, Mutch, Black and Speerschneider

placed second in the 200-yard medley relay with a time of 1:49.80. Galford was second as well in the 200 lM In the 50-yard freestyle, Black took second in 25.2. Bush won the diving competition with 152.8 points. Brandon was second. Novi went first and third in the 100 butterfly as

Mutch's 1:01.4 set the pace. Newton was third. Speerschneider finished second in the 100-yard freestyle in 55.2. Galford was the runner-up in the 500 freestyle in 5:47.20.

Speerschneider, Black, Tymenski and Galford were second in the 200-yard freestyle relay in 1:43.90. Newton, Mutch, Galford and LeRoy closed the meet with a second in Novi in the 400-yard freestyle relay.

Cagers edge Eagles 52-49

By SCOTT DANIEL

A thing of beauty it wasn't. But the Wildcat basketball team was able to overcome its own poor shooting and pesky Lakeland Friday night 52-49 at home. John Wroe sank three clutch free throws in the final seconds to preserve Novi's third straight win. "I think it was the best thing that could have happened to the kids," said Wildcat coach Pat

Schluter. "We needed a game like Novi took easy wins over Walled Lake Western and South Lyon to open the season. The coach said playing a tight game with the Eagles will pay off down the line. "The rest of the season," said Schluter, "all of our games will be

It was plenty close in the late stages of Friday night's game. Trailing 42-36 with just under six minutes to go, Wroe began Novi's come back. The junior guard hit one of two free throws to cut the margin to five. The Wildcats then went on an 11-0 run to take charge of the

Chad Dicken scored on a jump shot and then followed with an easy fast break score to make it 42-41. At the 4:26 mark, Rocky Dunlap gave Novi the lead for good after he rebounded a Shawn Kelly miss and put it up and in. He then added three from the charity stripe to put his team up 48-42. Lakeland's Dave Wilkins finally

scored with 1:05 left to break the Eagles' drought. The vistors then cut Novi's lead to 48-46 on a pair of free throws from Tom Hartley. Forced to foul, the Eagles picked on the wrong Wildcat. Wroe sank three of four to make it

Jason VanBuren drilled a three-pointer with seven seconds left to make it 51-49, but Lakeland could come no closer. Schluter praised the vistors' effort. "They're a hard team to play,"



game slipping away at 11-3. Novi Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL Jason McAleer soars to the basket in a recent game.

he commented. "They're very strong and scrappy." The coach added that his team didn't take the Eagles seriously

and Kelly added 10. VanBuren led

"I think the kids took them too (lightly)," Schluter said. "I thought it was a great game for a learning Dunlap lead Novi with 13 points

Lakeland with 11.

to win with cold shooting. Novi was just 22-39 from the free throw line. From the field, the Wildcats hit just 22.5 percent of their shots.

"We had the shots in the first half but couldn't make them," said Schluter. "We didn't play too well."

If nothing else, the Wildcats

might have learned that it's tough

Baseline rival Northville slams spikers in dual match

By SCOTT DANIEL

The Wildcat volleyball team dug a hole for itself Thursday night against Baseline rival Northville and couldn't climb out. Novi High started slowly then came on strong but still fell in two games to the Mustangs on the road. Northville won the best two out of three match 15-4, 15-13.

"We're getting better each and every game," said Wildcat coach Julie Fisette. "But it seems to take them awhile to get into it. We're always playing from behind." The coach came away impressed with Northville.

"They didn't let anything hit the floor," said Fisette. "They were real

Mustang coach Laura Murray agreed with that assessment. "I don't think we had one point against us because of a mental error," she commented. "That's a lot better than we ever played last

Novi is now off for Christmas

break. The season resumes Jan. 6 at home against South Lyon. In the Wildcats match with Northville, quickness played a key role. The Mustangs, in fact, were noticeably faster at getting to the ball than Novi. That fact was illustrated in the

opening game. After falling behind 3-1, Northville tied the game behind the serving of senior Kate Woodrich. The Mustangs then reeled off 10 straight points on a combination of aces, blocks and Novi miscues. Junior Angle Groves served on all 10 of the points and collected an ace during the run. With the

coach Julie Fisette called timeout. The break seemed to calm the Wildcats, but to no avail. After Novi's Nicole Borashko scored a point on her serve, the Mustangs closed out. Krista Howe got the winner as she drilled a shot in the far back left corner.

Christine Edwards came on to

Game two wasn't nearly so easy for the Mustangs. Northville jumped to a 4-1 lead as Groves ran off three straight points on her serve. But then the Wildcats fought back.

Fisette said of her team's overall

Christine Edwards has been one of the most consistent Novi players this season.

serve for Novi and smashed an ace by Northville to cut the lead to two. A Kristin Kenny block got another point and Edwards served up

another ace to tie the score. The Wildcats fell behind again by an 8-4 count and again railied. Ursula Place served for four straight points to knot the match. The game went right down to the wire.

Tied at 13, Angie Snyder served an ace for Northville. After several side outs, Arin Hornberger closed the game and match for the

Edwards was one of the Wildcats biggest bright spots in game two. The junior served for seven points, including two aces.

play. "You can't score points when you're missing serves." FARMINGTON HILLS HARRISON def. NOVI, 15-2, 6-15, 15-6

According to Fisette, inconsistency cost her team on Dec. 15. She said her team passed well. played solid in both front rows and served well - just not in the same

"We're having problems finding consistency," the coach said. After falling in game one, Novi dominated game two. The Wildcats fell behind 4-2.

but then came on strong. Edwards served for nine straight points to put her team up 11-4. Junko Matsunaga closed the game out with points 12 through 15.

Highlanders could be cream of KVC crop

state, the Kensington Valley Conference boasts solid—was five minutes, 18 seconds, only one second more than—state meet. teams from top to bottom.

While Novi High can be counted as one of those solid

This week, the Novi News previews Howell and Hart- won via three pins and a 19-11 decision. land. This two-part preview series will conclude next

HOWELL

They may not have beaten Temperance Bedford, but Coach Dan Minock and his Howell High wrestlers hope they're on the same road to success as the alwayspowerful Kicking Mules.

The Highlanders opened the 1993-94 season last Sahandful of the best varsity teams in the state. Bedford, which has won a record nine state wrestling crowns, prevailed in the five-team event with a 4-0 record. Howell, meanwhile, tied Eaton Rapids and Portage Central for second place as each had 2-2 records. Goodrich finished

Howell started the tourney very well with back-to-back wins over Goodrich (38-27) — a top Class C team — and Portage Central (30-28) — a strong Class A squad. In the third round, then, the Highlanders suffered their first dual defeat when they fell to 1993 Class B champ Eaton

The Highlanders' match of the day then came two Mules. Though Howell wound up losing, 34-24, the home team was right in the match until the very end.

We didn't win, but we were right there with them all went either way. I tell you what, this was a huge boost of team's more dominant athletes. confidence for our team. To be able to put up a strong fight with an excellent team like Bedford really says good our team is and I think we're pretty doggone good." The Highlanders, ranked No. 3 in the pre-season

coaching poll, emerged from the tournament with four undefeated wrestlers.

Eaton Rapids' 189-pounder.

Howell's other 4-0 finishers were Rob Wendel (119 squads, the Wildcats face an uphill battle in the league pounds). Bob McKenney (171) and heavyweight Joe race. South Lyon and Howell are picked by some as state. Adam. One of Wendel's bigger wins was over Bedford's also beat an Eaton Rapids state-qualifier, while Adam year.

The Highlanders who posted 2-2 records were Craig week with a look at South Lyon. Milford, Brighton and Trierweiler (103), Pat Esper (125) and Don LeCheveller (2-2). Howell's 189-pounder, Kevin Matie, did not

Minock said that hosting the meet with such a loaded field is something that he plans to keep on doing. "Bedford wrestles in big meets like this all the time," Minock said. That's what helps to make them so good. We want to keep doing the same. We've got a lot of other big meets on our schedule this year, so hopefully they'll turday with a home round-robin tournament featuring a help us prepare for our ultimate goal: to get back to Battle Creek (the site of the state meet)."

The Highlanders have visited the Class A state team championships each of the last two years. Two seasons ago, they advanced all the way to the semifinals. Howell is coming off a season in which it won the very

competitive Kensington Valley Conference title. The team tied Brighton and South Lyon with 5-1 dual records be- athletes as well as a crew of talented underclassmen.

"South Lyon's probably the favorite to win the league." Minock said, "but I wouldn't count out us or (Brighton)." rounds later when they squared off with the Kicking champion Jason Steinacker — who has graduated — one league champion and four runners-up, and three City tournament, where they racked up 182 points to finalong with a few other state qualifiers, they return plenty Class A state qualifiers.

Schroeder (135) lost to some high-powered foes last weekend, but he returns after posting a 27-13 record as a gles aren't surrendering the upcoming campaign, espesomething. This is a good measuring stick about how 125-pounder and after qualifying for the state finals. He cially with such returning talents as co-captains Branwas also last year's KVC champion and never wrestled don Wehner, Cory Kuzinski and Jason Hultberg and Japast the first round at the league finals.

McKenney - 40-8 a year ago - attended the indivi-

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runners-up. Barron (29-9 last year) moves up one divi- this year. sion to 152 pounds, while Wendel (30-18) jumps from After Kuzinski and Hultberg, returning heavyweight

In addition to the above grapplers, heavyweight Adam underclassmen. is another top-notch athlete. At 255 pounds, he's a true Hartland's sophomore first-line wrestlers are Eron compete for Howell last season.

Solar (125), Kurt Grover (130) and Adam Arnold (145), slot and Brett Kuzinski takes over at 140.

The roster numbers are down, but the 1993-94 Hartland High wrestling team isn't without some top veteran fore coming out on top at the league meet. In this year's Proof of that was demonstrated last Saturday, when the

ended last year strongly with a fourth-place showing at Though the 1993-94 Highlanders are without state the Kensington Valley Conference finals. They also had The Eagles even surprised themselves at the Marine

Seniors Matt Schroeder, Bob McKenney and Barron has since graduated after winning the KVC title and plac-qualifier — finished third. the way," Minock said. "That match probably could have and juniors Matte, Wendel and Adam are among the ing fifth at the state finals. Another state qualifier, 160-pound Rob Dunn, has also graduated. While those two valued athletes have departed, the Ea-

son Pogrmich back in the lineup. Wehner, Hartland's lone senior who has jumped from

dual state finals two years ago and last year earned the 119 to 125 pounds, had an outstanding junior year via pins. Brad Barron, at 152 pounds, was one of the unbeatens KVC 160-pound title. McKenney came up short of qual- which saw him finish second in the league and district Hartland's runners-up were heavyweight Chamberand nearly came away with the tournament Pin Award. Ifying for the 1993 state meet as he was in an extremely and then qualify for the state finals. In the last two years, lain and Hultberg. Bennett, meanwhile, finished third Barron racked up three first-period pins and one more loaded regional. In fact, three of the four 160-pound state Wehner has been an All-Livingston County selection and and Hagopian placed fourth

Regarded by many as the finest wrestling league in the midway through the second period. His total mat time qualiflers from his region went on to finish 1-2-3 at the a KVC runner-up. He capped last season with a 32-8

In addition to Schroeder, Matie is Howeli's other re- Kuzinski, now 152 pounds, and Pogrmich (103), were turning state qualifier. As a heavyweight and only a so- also league runners-up last winter. Pogrmlch also bephomore last season. Matie finished as league runner-up came the first Eagle freshman to ever win a district and compiled a 41-11 record. He is moving to 189 pounds championship. Hultberg, meanwhile, may not have championship contenders and will likely head the KVC Jason Buchanan, a state-placer last season. McKenney this season and should be in store for another terrific gained any league or post-season accolades but he still inished last season with an impressive 18-10 record, As for Barron and Wendel, both are returning KVC considering his tough 112-pound division. He'libe at 119

112 to 119. Wendel won the KVC 103-pound title as a Jason Chamberlain is the only other junior on the team. The rest of the starting lineup is composed of

heavyweight, but what makes Adam so strong is he Worley (112), Ryan Bennett (145), Drew Gyorkos (160), moves and wrestles like a 189-pounder. Adam didn't Brian Hagopian (171) and Branden Harrison (189). Of those, Bennett fought at 135 last season while Gyorkos Others who Minock figures will help boost the team saw off-and-on varsity action at 152. As for this year's this season include LeChevelier, Esper, Trierweiler, Steve freshmen grapplers, John Graybeal fills the 130-pound

Hartland coach and former Eagle Todd Cheney, now in his second year of coaching the team, has only 22 athletes to work with this winter, which means any injuries could prove to be costly.

Despite injury, though, Cheney said he's pleased with

"All the freshmen we have this year never lost a match pre-season rankings, the Lions were ranked No. 2 in Eagles successfully defended their Marine City Invita- in middle school," Cheney said. "That's encouraging. I guess you could say we're young, but we've also got some The Eagles enter the new winter campaign after having pretty good experience. I think we'll be able to surprise some people.

ish atop the 12-team field. Roseville (133 points) took sec-The leader of that team, 145-pound Brian Morrison, ond and Royal Oak Kimball (106.5) - a 1993 state team

"We had the meet clinched after the semifinals," Cheney said. "It was unbelievable. I never thought we would do as well as last year, but we did even better."

Like last year's tournament, Hartland was again led by five individual champions. Wehner earned two pins and a 13-3 decision, Cory Kuzinski pinned everyone at 160 pounds. Worley had three pins, Pogrmich held on for a 7-6 win in the finals and Brett Kuzinski tallied three wins

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Exercise questions can be personal

Recreation

cially after finishing a Earlier I used the word obsession. Amore apmarathon run. Too propriate word might be passion. When life is sore to walk down the approached with passion, we encounter feelstairs, I think, "Can ings not found in moderation. For example, this be healthy? when I finish a marathon, the sense of accom-What does this pos- plishment is overwhelming. Taking oneself to sibly have to do with the limit, living on the edge and completing a health and fitness? Is task that seems insurmountable gives an intense feeling of personal fulfillment. I can not

imagine finding these feelings in moderation. Am I concluding that all things in life should experience to the limit? Maybe.

I believe the answer has to do with risk and the amount of risk you are personally comfort-After having heart surgery last year and atable with. Training for a marathon and focusing empting to enyoy life's activities in moderation, toward that one big day, hoping to experience I find that moderation is stressful. Moderation the high that comes with such a great feeling of gives me a middle-of-the-road existence, and accomplishment does not come without risk.

glory and personal triumph. Is this stress greater than the stress caused by deciding not to attempt such things? I believe the answer is personal. We must each decide the level of risk we are comfortable with and live our lives

Without risk comes boredom and with boredom comes a stress that may be the worse stess of all. Both mental and physical health are essential to maintain quality of life. Stress manif-

ests itself both mentally and physically. The slogan I saw on the back of a T-shirt of an Ironman competitor read, "Get obsessed, stay obsessed." Might these be words to live by? As I have said, I believe the answer is a personal

If you're considering running a marathon as part of your New Year's resolution, I have packets of training information along with a schedule. For a free copy, call Running Fit at 347-4949 and leave your name and address.

Randy Step is president of American Exercise and Running Fit, a retail chain of fitness stores. the feeling that the real excitement of life is You risk the stress you will experience if you This column is coordinated by Peg Campbel and passing me by. The thought of missing out on do not reach the finish line. For months you the staff of the University of Michigan Health have focused your life on that one moment of Centers.

Lakeshore Park sign-up coming soon

Lakeshore Park: Sign-ups for the 1994 season Lakeshore Park Picnic Shelters and Tent Rentals begin Tuesday, Jan. 4 at 8 p.m. for Novi residents. All reservations must be made in person at the Novi Parks and

much? I've asked my-

self this question

many times, espe-

Recreation office.

Basketball: Men's and women's basketball leagues are forming. Call Novi Parks and Recreation at 347-0400 for more information. Photo Contest: The Novi Arts Council Photo Contest deadline is

Dec. 30. Entry forms and information sheets are available at Novi Parks Open Swim: Novi High will hold open swim Dec. 27-29. The time is 1

p.m. to 3 p.m. each day. The cost is \$1. Hoop Camp: Novi Community Education and GVP Sports Network

is sponsoring a basketball camp for students grades two through six. The co-ed camp emphasize skills for both boys and girls. The basketball camp will be held Dec. 27-29. The Camp, which will be held at Novi Meadows Gym, is 9 a.m. to noon. The cost is \$44.

Chilly Willy Winter Festival: The sixth annual Chilly Willy Festival is coming to Novi Jan. 15. Activities include a sno-ball softball tournament, snowman building contest, chili cook-off and more. Information booklets will be available Dec. 3 at the Parks and Recreation office.

Adult volleyball: Join the fun of adult volleyball in Novi. The league's winter session runs from January to April. All teams are allowed a maximum of three non-resident players. Each league is limited Novi Bike Club: For information on bike club group rides call to 12 teams. Co-ed divisions one and two play on Mondays and Thurs- Gordy Gray at 349-4235 or Novi Parks and Recreation at 347-0400.

days; men's league plays on Wednesday. For more information call

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NOVI Trackers: The Novi Trackers is a running club whose members range from the casual jogger to serious competitor. The Trackers meet twice weekly and all runners are invited to join any of the club runs. Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. at Novi High School and Saturdays at 8 a.m. at the Sundowner Restaurant parking lot, across the street from the Northville Post office. For more information, please call Hub Copp, Club President at 348-7779.

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 though Thursday from 7-8 p.m. For more infor-

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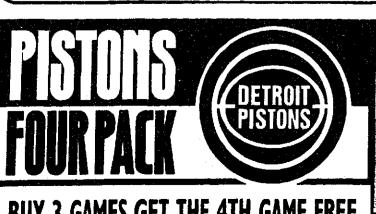
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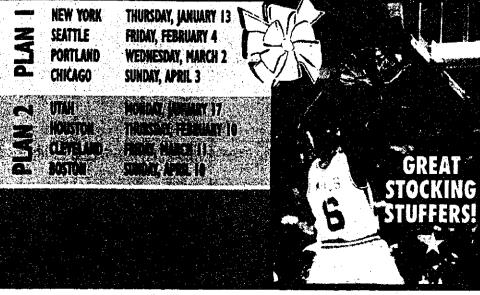
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Mustang hoopsters tallest in school history

By SCOTT DANIEL Sports Editor

When you're talking Mustang basketball, just how tall is tall?

The emergence of 6-foot-11 Josh Williams on this year's squad got the-Northville Record wondering if the senior might be the biggest player in school history. And if he isn't, who is?

According to Stan Johnston, coach of the Mustangs from 1953-60, the Black and Orange has seen its fair share of vertically enhanced players. One of the best remembered big men is Jeff Goodrich.

A 6-foot-10 long drink of water, he played for Northville High from 1956-59. In an era where anyone much over 6-foot was considered tall.

Goodrich was indeed a rare bird. "When you had somebody that was 6-5 or 6-6 you had a big guy," Johnston added.

Perhaps in all of the school's history, 6-foot-6 Cap Pethers is the most talented big man. Pethers, in fact, was a teammate of Goodrich's, Johnston recalled.

"He was an outstanding player," he said. "He could jump, he could shoot the jump shot and rebound. He could do about anything on the court."

"He was a pure shooter," said Dave Longridge, who coached Northville from 1961-68. "He was just good."

Pethers, Goodrich and 6-foot-4 Bill Yahney led Northville to the quarterfinals of the state tournament one year. Johnston's boys met up with one of Lofton Green's great River Rouge squads and lost.

We were pretty good size," said Johnston, "and won a lot of baligames.

Longridge said he coached a few tall players himself. He mentioned Danny Brown, a 6-6 player from the

early 1960s, as his best big man. Northville High had "decent-sized" teams throughout the '60s, Longridge commented. He said 6-foot players or a little taller were common to his lineup.

Novi finishes 16th at county

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-portunity to see him again this year. I think he has the potential to beat him."

A number of other Wildcats wrestled well at Oakland County but failed to place.

At 135 pounds, Chris Young went 2-2 on the tournament. Huss said the junior wrestler regained his focus and should continue to improve the rest of the season.

Freshman J.J. Balagna got his first varsity win at 112 pounds. Heavyweight Eric Norman and 152-pound Tony Place went 1-2 on the tournament.

Novi voided at 125 and 171 pounds. Garrett Barrons was ill and Matt Buck was out with a sternum

The Wildcats were scheduled to wrestle at the Trenton Tournament yesterday. Novi is now off until Jan.

Cagers edge **Eagles** at home

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Both teams were sluggish offen-

sively in the first quarter. Greg Pierman swished a threepointer from the right wing less than minute into the game. Jason Fannon hit another trey with 4:12 to put Novi up 6-2. The Wildcats led 10-6 by the end of the peroid, but missed numerous opportunites to open a larger

Lakeland tied the game at 12 midway through the second. A pair of Kelly free throws with 49 seconds left gave Novi a 22-20 lead at halftime.

The teams traded baskets in the third period until the final two minutes. Three different Eagles scored in the last seconds of the quarter to take a 36-31 lead into the fourth.

After playing in the annual Novi-Northville Christmas Basketball Tournament earlier this week the 'Cats are off until after the first of the year. The season resumes Jan. 4 on the road with Walled Lake Central.



"Most of the schools we played were about the same way," Longridge added. "A big man was 6-4 in those

The caliber of big men wasn't quite as good 30 years ago, he said. "In the old days kids were not as sharp with their feet," Longridge explained. You see more big kids (now) that are agile.

Williams is a prime example. Although he has grown steadily in his years as a Mustang, from 6-foot-9 last year to 6-11 this season, the senior has maintained his skills.

"He's a talented kid," said current Mustang skipper Larry Taylor. "He can run the floor, he's a good shot blocker and rebounds very well."

Williams can dominate at times. In a recent game against Dearborn Edsel Ford, he scored 13 points grabbed nine rebounds and blocked seven

"There are things you can't teach," Taylor said, "height and quickness." This year's squad may be the biggest in Northville history.

Besides Williams, the Mustangs front line features 6-foot-7 John Buser and 6-6 Kieran Williams. Also seeing plenty of playing time are forwards 6-5 George Lemmon and

6-foot-4 Marc Chiasson. "I'd say our starters average about 6-5," Taylor commented.

Most college programs would like to have as many big men as Northville has this year. But as tall as the Mustangs are, extraordinary height is becoming more common-place.

WLAAWestern Division rivals Far-

boast one or more players over 6-foot-5. In the Lakes Division, Westland John Glenn features 6-11 Guy while Salem's 6-6 James Head is a they stick with it." Universty of Iowa signee.

bigger than they used to be," said Johnston.

didn't concentrate as much on ba- W. Main Street, Northville, 48167.

mington Hills Harrison, Livonia sketball, Goodrich and Pethers both Churchill and Livonia Franklin each played football for Northville High as well as basketball.

"I think they're specializing more now," said Johnston. "Kids today, if Rucker and 6-foot-5 Tony Goins they are outstanding in one sport

"I don't know what makes them Editor's note: Did we miss a few? The Northville Record would like to hear about any of the big men not As far as big men being more ta- mentioned in the preceding article. lented, the coach said his players Call 349-1700 or drop us a line at 104



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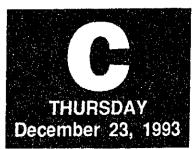
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Home-building is on the rise

By James M. Woodard Copley News Service

Home-building is enjoying a semi-boom in today's market. It's the most active time for builders since 1986. That good news was revealed in a study and report by Lomas Mortgage USA, a financial services and research firm based in Dallas.

"Low interest rates and relatively stable prices are helping builders sell their new homes despite slow job growth and considerable consumer caution," said David Stewart, Lomas senior vice president.

Total U.S. home-building permits through September of this year were 6.6 percent more than the same period last year, Stewart said. The surge in building activity was reflected in every region of the country.

Only the state of California continued sluggish — the slowest home-building year since 1982. Home-building permits in that state are off nearly 12 percent from a year ago.

Florida, Texas and the Rocky Mountain states are leading the building surge. Among the most active cities are Chicago, Washington D.C., Las Vegas, Denver and Phoenix.

Home-building in Las Vegas experienced the most dramatic increase during the third quarter

of this year. The city's 5,000-plus single-family home building permits during the quarter represented a 61 percent jump from the same quarter last year. So far this year, Las Vegas home building is 26 percent ahead of last year. However, construction of multifamily buildings in this market is

"Las Vegas is our No. 1 market for home building activity," Steward said. "The city authorized 17.6 new dwellings per 1,000 residents during the past four quarters."

Florida is the most actively growing state in new home permits, reflecting a 20 percent increase during the third quarter compared with a year ago.

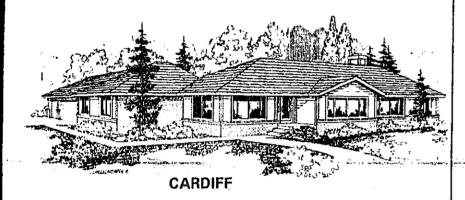
"Last year the southern portions of Florida were still sorting through the rubble of Hurricane Andrew," Stewart said. "Considering the current year through the third quarter, Florida's permits are up by nearly 20 percent."

The construction of multifamily buildings — condos and apartments—throughout the country is picking up, according to the Lomas report. This segment of building activity is up by 4 percent over last

The home construction industry would be much more active this year if it were not for a prevailing

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HOME DESIGNS



Don't let the modest look of the Cardiff fool you

By Anne McCollam Copley News Service

Behind the Cardiff's modest facade lies a spacious contemporary home, rich in contemporary amenities. The house and garage are designed to wrap around two sides of an outdoor swimming pool with a sun-dappled lattice "roofed" natio.

Vaulted ceilings add volume and increase the sense of spaciousness in the entryway, living room, family room, nook and master suite. And all of these rooms are richly windowed as well.

The kitchen is huge. A wide window in front of the sink allows an adult working in the kitchen to keep an eye on the pool at the same time. Windows in the bayed eating nook and large family room also overlook the pool.

Other kitchen features include just about anything you can think of: a long eating bar, a work island with vegetable sink, a pantry, a built-in desk, an appliance center and a microwave over double ovens.

A long tile hearth in front of the fireplace and bookshelves spans the far end of the family room. Games, card tables and the like, can be stored in the closet outside

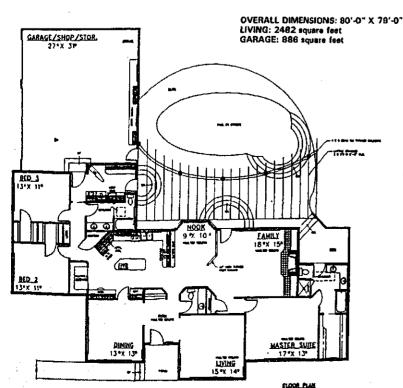
the master suite.

Utilities are in a large room that is adjacent to the garage, the children's bedrooms and just a few steps from the kitchen. Amenities include a fold-down ironing board, deep sink and a counter for folding clothes. It also has direct access to the pool area, allowing swimmers to reach a bathroom without tracking across carpeted floors.

Both of the children's bedrooms have walk-in closets. The compartmentalized bathroom has a skylight in the tub and toilet section, and twin basins in the vanity. Another small bathroom is just inside the front door.

The master bathroom, too, has direct access to the pool, through a private deck. Luxury features include an oversize shower, a skylight, twin basins and a walk-in closet illuminated by a small window. The sleeping area is large enough to include a desk or a sitting area.

For a study plan of the Cardiff (332-190), send \$9 to Landmark Designs, c/o HomeTown Newspapers, 323 E. Grand River Ave., Howell, MI 48843. (Be sure to specify plan name and number when ordering.)



The containment systems
allow dogs more freedom than
being tied to a tree and protect
the animals from injury.

THE INVISIBLE

By Marsha Blasco Staff Writer

You can't see it, you can't hear it, but your pet will know it's there.

It's an electronic pet-containment system that uses a warning sound—followed by a mild shock—to keep pets within the boundaries of

their yards.
Sound cruel?
Not according to
veterinarian Dr.
Christine Lee of
Brighton Animal
Hospital, who said
she is "pretty posi-

tainment systems.
Like any fence,
the containment
systems allow dogs
more freedom than
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"It's much better to be trained and stay in the yard than to get hit by a car," Lee said, "and, unfortunately, we see a lot of that "

The only system-related injuries she has ever treated have been neck-rub spots from the collars.

The systems also have the endorsement of the Humane Society of Livingston County.

President Christine McKusick believes owners too often let their dogs wander. She sees the results at the Humane Society: animals that have been caught in traps; animals shot when they wandered into a neighbor's yard; and animals hit by cars.

"The (pet-containment) systems are far more humane to the animal," McKusick said, adding that the shock is not strong, "just enough to get the animal's attention."

Here's how the systems work:
A radio signal is sent by transmittor
through a cable installed in the ground
around the perimeter of the yard. The pet

the dog or cat approaches the boundary, a pulsing beep or humming tone warns the animal. If the pet continues across the line, a shock follows.

Laura Brooks, owner of the Invisible

Laura Brooks, owner of the Invisible Fencing dealership in Brighton, said she has had three of her own dogs on the system for nine years.

wears a collar with a receiver. As

"It's just like a fence is there," Brooks said, adding that her home is on a busy street and that she keeps the dogs out all day during the summer.

Brooks said two main advantages of

electronic fencing vs. regular fencing is that if you move, you can take it with you and that the initial cost is roughly one third the cost of a regular fence. Installation isn't difficult, either—if

owners want to do it themselves. And it only takes 7-10 days before a dog is conditioned and able to run free. Brooks also sells an indoor system for

Brooks also sells an indoor system for people who want to keep pets from entering rooms or designated areas of the

fertilize regularly.

What about the shock?

It's harmless, Brooks said, much like a static-electric shock people receive this time of year when they walk across the carpet

and touch a metal doorknob.

"It's the conditioning that makes the system work," Brooks said.

Owners, again, have the choice of doit-yourself training or having Brooks and her staff train the pet. "We've never had a

dog we couldn't condition," Brooks said.
"We have had owners we couldn't condition."

Brooks said that whether or not she installs the system, she always likes to meet the dog before making a sale, because there are some vicious dogs or dogs with a history of biting that she

won't put on a system.
But, for all other animals—from Yorkies to Great Danes to cats to Pot-Bellied
Pigs—the system works, Brooks said.

Invisible Fencing is a brand name. The corporation offers dealerships, like Brooks's, around the world.

But much like the trademark Kleenex—which people use generically to refer to tissue—people use the name Invisible Fencing to refer to pet-containment systems, Brook said.

Probably because Invisible Fencing was first in the marketplace, protected by patent. When the patent expired several years ago, other products began appearing on the shelves, like Dog Watch, or Radio Fence, manutactured by Radio Systems Corp. in Knoxville, Tenn.

Prices vary based on the amount of extras included in a kit. Area discount stores carry a variety of brand-name kits. At Invisible Fencing, owners can select

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Holiday plants that embody spirit of season

By C.Z. Guest Copley News Service

I start my Christmas decorating by placing a big wreath (balsam fir because it does not shed) on the front door.

The wreath dates back to ancient Greece, where it was worn by brides as a symbol of good luck and happiness. The circular shape, having neither beginning nor end, symbolizes eternity.

The pine cones on a wreath were used by the guardian spirits of Babylon for the daily ritual of sprinkling the tree of life, to keep demons from attacking. The scent of the pine wreath was thought to drive away evil spirits from the house at Christmastime.

Holly is another good luck piece of Christmas greenery. The ancient Romans thought it to have the ability to ward off lightning, evil spells and poison

Every Christmas, I get everyone in our house into the spirit by hanging mistletoe in a couple of doorways. Kissing beneath the mistletoe is an old custom that dates back to the Druds.

The plant was believed to symbolize purity and strength

GARDENING

and to bring happiness, peace and promote romance. Enemies meeting beneath a sprig of mistletoe were said to become disarmed and kept their truce throughout the

Last is our beautiful Christmas tree. The tree, always an evergreen, is regarded as a symbol of everlasting life. The lights that are put on a Christmas tree were originally meant to help rekindle the sun's light to bring the family warmth through the holiday season.

Knowing these customs gives Christmas a special meaning to me and my family. As we decorate, we have a feeling of peace and happiness and love.

My Christmas dinner table is always red, white and green—red candles, garlands of greenery and bowls of paper-white narcissus, which have a fragrance out of this world.

For the week after Christmas I like to keep the same festive colors throughout the house. The paper-white nar-

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Preserving poinsettias

■ Keep soil moist but not soggy.
■ When blooms fade, withhold water and keep plant in dark place.

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 in early May, trim plant to two or three nodes.
 After frost is gone, place plant in sunny spot in garden and

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Holiday plants that embody spirit of season; winter bird sanctuary

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cissus will last two weeks if they are kept in a cool place.

The poinsettia is the most popular plant ered, made popular and named after our your poinsettia indoors. It must get 14 first ambassador to Mexico, Joel Poinsett. hours of total darkness every night, either If given proper care, your poinsettia can bloom again the following year and for there's no light from sundown to sunup years to come. The requirements are not until Thanksgiving (not even a ray). Any difficult; proper watering is most important, just keep it moist and not soggy. If you are lucky, it could be blooming until

When the blooms fade, withhold water and place the plant out of the light. It goes into a dormant stage and what it really needs is rest! In early May, trim the plant back to two or three nodes (small unwind with a feeling of fatigue and a little resting. It is the quiet time. The seed cataswellings on the stem), start watering and sadness. Time to put all the Christmas logs arrive in the mail and I start to get put in direct sunlight.

settia should be full of buds.

its cycle and it won't bloom.

during the hot summer months.

However, during the daytime, it can have full light; when darkness falls, back to bed again. Come Christmas, your poin-When January arrives and the New

by covering or closeting the plant. Be sure

light during that period will interfere with

plant anywhere in your garden that has I always get a live Christmas tree (the sowing flats. good sun; plunge pot and all into the roots balled and covered) and immediately ground. Fertilize occasionally and water after the first of the year I plant it in a predug hole. Plan ahead: You can have a Now comes the important part: In great Christmas tree for the holidays and for the Christmas holidays. It was discov- September, when the nights get cool, bring then have a wonderful new tree for your

> The hole should be dug before the ground freezes and should be one-third filled with mulch from your fall cleanup. This will keep the bottom of the hole from freezing so that it will be ready to receive

> It gives me great pleasure to be able to plant the tree after the holidays. As with everything in the garden, it means the continuous renewal of life.

Now that the year is over, I putter Year's celebration is over, it is time to around the greenhouse—everything is tree ornaments back in their boxes for excited thinking and planning for my great new garden next spring. Soon we will start

If you find it impossible to attract birds to your feeders because you have no cover (trees or bushes nearby to protect them). create your own shelter by driving three 5foot steel fence posts into the ground and tying discarded Christmas trees to them. If you can find long-needled trees, they are best, since they retain the needles throughout the winter. Within a few days, your new "sanctuary" will become a thriving feeding station.

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For example, if the recipient is a beginner at caring for indoor plants, easy-tomaintain plants such as philodendron, ponytail or jade plants would be the proper choice. On the other hand, if the present is going to a "green thumb," something new and exotic would be a challenge.

A very busy household with little time for chores will prefer a plant that requires almost no care and infrequent watering, while a person alone at home much of the day will enjoy the need to pamper the

C.Z. Guest, author of "5 Seasons of Gardening" (Little, Brown & Co.), is an authori-Association of Nurserymen has advice ty on gardens flowers and plants. Send questions to C~. Guest, c/o Copley News of the occasion fresh for years to come. Of Service, P.O. Box 190, San Diego, CA

Home-building is on the rise; sales of existing homes and 1994 home prices

feeling of uncertainty about the

people's minds today," said David on the upswing? Selder, chief economist for the National Association of Home

heavily on consumers' minds." "The job situation is foremost on ... Q. Are sales of existing homes

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es are highly publicized and weigh ciation of Realtors.

The median price of homes is their current homes." dous amount of churning. There September, compared with the price nationally was \$107,700,

have been a great deal of job losses 284,000 homes sold one year earlicompared with \$103,500 during about home prices next year? and job gains as well. But the loss- er, according to the National Asso- the same month last year.

During the third quarter of this country," said William Chee, NAR gle-family and multifamily properyear, sales of existing homes president. "But most impressive is ties will increase during the next next five years as household forincreased in 45 states, the NAR the turnout in the first-time buyer 12 months. By comparison, only A. Yes, sales of previously owned report noted. In 35 of those states, sector, and that spells good news 10 percent of the analysts see rises homes were up by 14.1 percent—the rate of increase reached dou- for those who want to trade up to—in downtown office property prices.

bigger, more expensive homes and 20 percent expect prices of because they now have takers for suburban office properties to increase.

The survey of 1,700 industry Q. What do the experts say experts was conducted by Ernst & San Diego, CA 92112-0190.

A. According to a recent survey Estate Investor publication. The "We're seeing increased home of real estate industry analysts. report also noted that most experts buying activity in most areas of the most of them believe prices of sin-expect the apartment market to

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Judy Reid, a resident of the City of Brighton, has Invisible Fencing in her yard. She said she trained her dog Bandit

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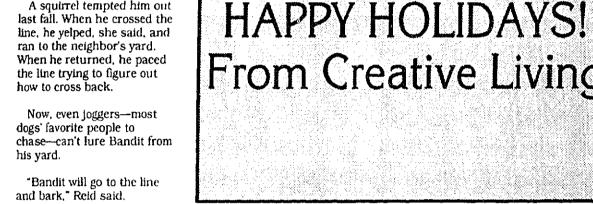


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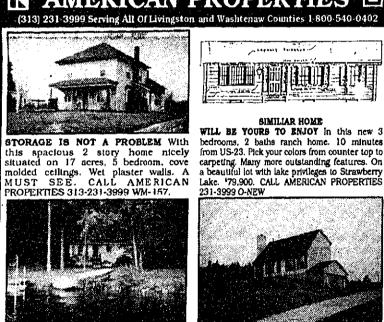
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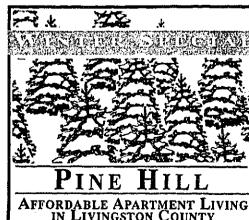
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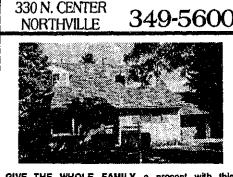
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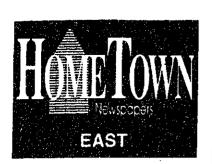
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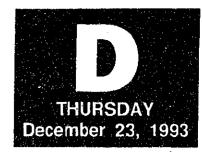
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Sports Academy offers training for community

By SCOTT DANIEL

It use to be, in the not to distant past, that baseball players had no place to keep their skills sharp once the snow began to fly each winter. But, my, how times have changed.

The Sports Academy, located at 42930 W. Ten Mile Road in Novi, offers baseball enthusiats the perfect training facility - all year around. According to owner Stu Rose, business at the Academy has steadily improved since its opening last August. "It started slowly." he said. "But

November sales were on the up-The facility first opened in 1990 as

Grand Slam USA. Rose, who worked as an instructor at the business, said Grand Slam was showing a profit. Previous owners, nonetheless, closed Grand Slam in June of this

year. Instead of letting the business die, Rose took over as sole owner. Since opening the Academy, Rose

said he has been mending fences with the baseball community and other former Grand Slam customers. "We're very encouraged," he commented.

It shouldn't come as a surprise that Sports Academy is beginning to prosper. In an area where athletic participation is common-place for youngsters and adults alike, the business provides an excellent outlet for practice and fun.

A total of five batting catches are on hand for perfecting hitting skills. Each cage comes with a different speed pitching machine, from slow to You can even practicing hitting

curveballs at the Academy. Baseball batting leagues are routinely formed Frequent baseball camps are held.

Detroit Tiger Travis Fryman worked

example. Besides baseball, the Novi-

business caters to other sports Two full-length basketball courts

at Sports Academy's fall camp, for

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are available. The courts can be rented for \$10 per half-hour. Instruction for baseball and basketball is also available. Rose, who coaches baseball at Henry Ford Com-

expert teaching and advice. Want to throw a birthday party? The Sports Academy is the perfect place for the kids to have fun.

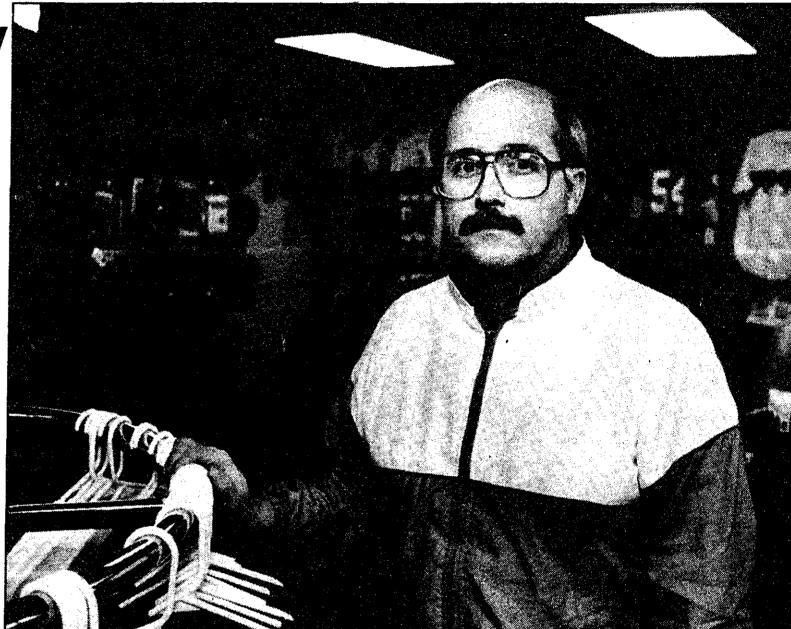
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For a price of \$10 per person (eight person minimum), party goers get the use of the basketball courts, batting cages and video game arcade. Pizza is also provided.

West Ten Mile Road is also the place to go for athletic equipment. McNish Sporting Goods boasts a

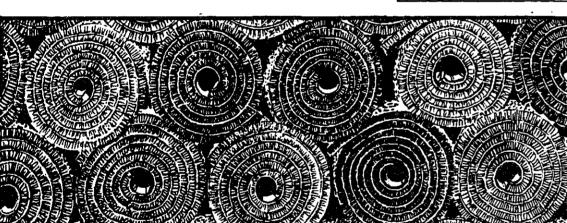
500 square-foot shop loaded with sports merchandise from A to Z. Equipment and apparel are offered for the sports enthusiat or team manager looking to outfit the troops.

The Sports Academy is open from 2 p.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. both weekend days. For more information,



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individual tax returns filed each year your chances of being audited may and the IRS audits about a million of increase significantly. That's be-flated reports of charitable contributhese annually. The higher your in- cause the IRS traditionally finds a tions have prompted the IRS to look come, the greater the likelihood of number of improperly reported de- more closely at returns with high your tax return being among the mil- ductions among the self-employed. charitable-contribution deductions.

ile. Although two-thirds of all tax re- may audit your return and ask for ad- return as a result of an IRS audit, turns filed are in the Form 1040 fam-ditional substantiation of income chances are that you may be hearing ily, the IRS allocates more of its re- and expenses. returns, such as those for S corpora- travel and entertainment business ing that your tax return is free from tions, gift taxes, estates and regular expenses - Since the IRS has deeven minor errors, and including excorporations. That's because the IRS tected a substantial number of re-planations of questionable items has found that these groups of tax fil-turns with improper business write-may help to minimize your risk of ers are less likely to be in compliance offs, the level of these deductions on another audit. with the tax law than other filers, and your return may wave a red flag to the are more likely to owe a hefty sum of IRS. Be sure you can explain and do- THE COMPUTER SELECTION report all income, attach to your re-

be higher if you're in any of the follow- to take an extra look at your tax reing groups: Self-employed — If you don't col- payments as income may result in an There are more than 100 million lect your salary from an employer. IRS audit.

Individuals with cash income - If Individuals who were previously Your audit risk also varies de- your type of business traditionally re- audited - if you had to make large pending on the type of tax return you ceives cash payments. Uncle Sam adjustments to a previous year's tax

sources to looking at non-Form 1040 Employees who deduct excessive ing the correct amount of tax, ensurcurrent these deductions.

Individuals who receive alimony

turn. Failure to include your alimony

Charitable contributors - In-

from the IRS again in the future. Pay-

Most of the returns selected for au- usual items, and review your return payments — Your former spouse is dit are chosen as a result of a compu- and all the schedules to be certain Although you can't know with any required to report your Social Sector analysis that compares the dethat they are completed properly. certainty which groups will be urity number when claiming a de-ductions, exemptions and credits targeted by the IRS this year, your duction for making alimony pay- you claim with those claimed by (Prepard by the Michigan Associa-chances of being audited are likely to ments to you. This may cause the IRS other taxpayers in your income tion of Certified Public Accountants)

turns — those with the highest scores - are then reviewed by IRS examiners who are responsible for deciding which returns should actually | that time.

Factors that may affect the examiner's review of your return include the following: Size of an item relative to other

items on the return. An item on the return that is out An item reported in an inappropriate place on the return.

An incomplete return that fails to

Inconsistencies in your tax return, such as reporting business income, but not paying self-employment tax.

CPAs point out that there are no sure-fire ways to avoid an IRS audit of your tax return. However, you can reduce your chances of an audit if you turn an explanation about any un-

Resolutions for your pocket book

Along with your pledge to lose Rid Yourself of Unnecessary may not be reimbursed in full for weight in the new year, you should Debt make some financial resolutions. Here's an item the Michigan Associa-such as your mortgage, home-equity tion of CPAs recommends you in- and car loans. Determine if you Needs clude on your New Year's resolution should refinance any of these loans Review your life insurance to de-ram, such as a 401(k) plan. If your list: Put your financial house in or- to obtain a lower interest rate. If lower termine if it will adequately meet your company doesn't offer such a plan, der. The beginning of the year is a loan payments will enable you to re- family's needs. Factors that influ- open an Individual Retirement Acgood time to assess your financial si- cover the costs of refinancing in a ence the amount of life insurance you count. Your contribution will earn intuation and needs so you can ensure year or two, chances are you'll be bet need are the number of your depenterest, tax deferred, until the time of your financial security now and in ter off refinancing. the years to come. Here's how to get Calculate your current credit card them, their day-to-day living ex- deductible.

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locate your assets to obtain greater cent of the cost of rebuilding it. If your returns.

cent of the cost of rebuilding it. If your coverage falls below 80 percent, you higher.

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Review all your outstanding loans.

Make a list of all your assets, in- card balances with a lower interest dents' needs. cluding securities, retirement ac- home-equity loan, Also, look at the counts, life insurance, real estate interest rate on your credit cards and and collectibles. Be sure to include shop around for those that offer lower

help you achieve your short- and Victims of such casualties as the insurance company will pay for spelong-term goals, such as saving for a Midwest floods learned the hard way cific medical situations. If your policy Also, take a close look at how your place your home and its possessions costs in your region of the country, if and documents that can help you investments fared over the past year in the event of a catastrophe. Your you discover that there is a big differ- claim tax deductions. A look at last and decide whether you should real- home should be insured to 100 per- ence, you may want to select another year's tax return will get you started.

Review Your Life Insurance into a retirement plan. Take advan-

dents, how long you must provide for withdrawal and may also be taxdebt. If it's more than 15 percent of penses, anticipated big expenditures your after-tax income, adopt a (such as college tuition), and amount strategy for reducing your debt. One of other assets and income that are way is to pay off high-interest credit available to help meet your depen-

Plan for Your Health-Care Needs have adequate health-care coverage. Check Your Homeowner's Read your policy to review your deductibles and to determine what the

tage of an employer-sponsored prog-

Save For Your Retirement

Make Sure Your Will is Up to

Review your will at least every three years. That way, it will stay current with changes in family circum-Escalating health-care costs can stances, your net worth and tax laws. eat into your savings unless your Also, be sure to review the beneficiary designations in your will.

> Get Started on Your Tax Return Whether you hire someone to pre-

Gavlin joins Business Network International

ton Hills chapter of The Business Northville.

group is one of 13 metro Detroit area The "Network's" members, each Nationally, members of the organi-

Network International. ganization, the Farmington Hills ton Hills.

William E. Gavlin of Northville is chapters. It has members from 10 representing a different profession, zation passed on 177,000 leads, the newest member of the Farming-neighboring communities, including meet weekly to increase their busi-which generated an estimated \$59

Galvin is a 1989 University of Day- tem. During the past month alone, ton graduate and is an associate with the 25 local chapter members ex-A nationwide business referral or- Gaivin Planning Services in Farming- changed over 112 potential business work's Farmington Hills chapter, or

ness through a mutual referral sys- million worth of business last year.







Business bries

Telethon records: National and local records fell during the 28th ven a score. Ten percent of all tax re-Annual Labor Day Jerry Lewis MDA Telethon this year. ERA Real Estate has been the sole sponsor of MDA from the real estate industry since 1977, raising over \$15 million for Jerry's Kids during

> Locally, ERA Rymal Symes Realtors, with offices in Novi, Northville and West Bloomfield, has long been a leader in MDA fundraising. This year ERA Rymai Symes salespersons, Catherine Chaudoin and Lorraine Gerich, appeared on the Telethon and delivered a check for \$6,000 raised at a murder mystery dinner theater benefit they sponsored.

> In announcing this contribution, Ben Skelton, ERA Rymal Symes vice president, said We are proud of the generosity and community spirit of our ERA Rymal Symes salespersons. This is yet another example of the ERA theme, just the kind of help you'd expect from a friend".

include proper schedules or other Heslop named VP: John M. Heslop has been named Vice President-Corporate Counsel for Novi-based Heslop's. The announcement was made by Ronald Heslop, president of the company.

As Vice President-Corporate Counsel, Heslop oversees all financial and legal activities of Heslop's and supervises the accounting and purchasing departments. He also serves as the legal liaison between the company and its outside counsel, banking and accounting firms. Prior to his current position, Heslop worked with Bloomfield Hillsbased Cohen & Ellias, P.C. A resident of Royal Oak, he received his law degree from Detroit College of Law and is a graduate of Michigan State University's College of Business.

Heslop's has 13 stores throughout Michigan, including eight metro-Detroit area and five outstate locations. Heslop's is considered the category killer in the tapletop segment of the retailing industry.

Gillespie joins MVP: Dick Hanson, President and Founder of MVP Communications, Inc., announces the addition of Kristine L. Gillespie to the Marketing Department.

Gillespie, 25, of Northville, assumes the position of Account Representative for the New Business Development Team. Kristine's responsibilities include developing relationships with new clients as well as continuing current client relations for MVP.

For the past eight years Kristine has represented both postproduction/animation houses and radio stations as an account manager. She also holds multiple national and state speaking awards. MVP Communications, Inc. is a full-service visual communications No matter how young you are, it's wise to sock away money every year | company with headquarters in Troy, Mich. MVP maintains a full-time staff of writers, producers, technicians, artists, editors and production

> Credit union's helping hand: Similar to mitten trees, Wolly Trees are Community Federal Credit Union's way of helping the needy keep warm this winter. Each year at this time, we become more aware of the needs of others. So we are enlisting the support of our surrounding communities to gather warm, woolly items for those in need,

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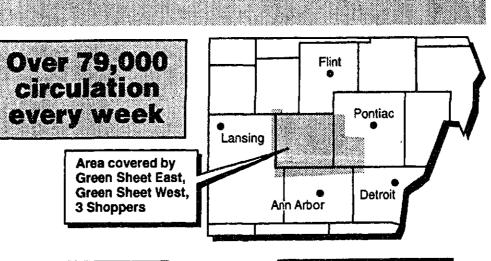
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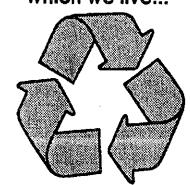
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