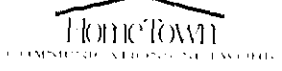


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Kroger store rezoning to face council

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

A controversial rezoning proposal that would permit a Kroger-anchored shopping center on Eight Mile Road is heading ASAP to the Novi City Council, despite the developer's appeal for time out.

The day after the application was narrowly spurned by the Novi Planning Commission, developer Stuart Frankel faxed a letter to the city asking for a breather in order to assemble additional information before making a bid to the council.

Council Member Laura Lorenzo initially asked that the city give Frankel a break only until the council's second meeting in October.

"Beyond that point, it would be compromising the process and the public's interest in it," Lorenzo said.

"I'm recommending that we put a time frame on it and not allow this to continue to fester."

Monday night, after Planning

"I think that is only fair in a controversial issue where citizens — maybe 200, 300, 500 of them are concerned about this — to set a time limit so they don't have to dwell on it forever."

Robert Schmid
Council member

Consultant Rod Arroyo informed the council of the rules in the city's planning manual, that delay will not likely be long.

After a planning commission recommendation is made, the manual mandates that the application then be placed on the next

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Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Firing up for Fanfare

Novi Band Boosters will host the ninth annual Fanfare Saturday, Sept. 19, from 2 to 10 p.m. at the high school stadium. This

year's Fanfare will be the biggest ever with 24 high school marching bands from across the state competing. Details appear on page 4.

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Billboard suit filed over sign ordinance

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

Novi's sign ordinance is being challenged by a Minnesota-based billboard advertising corporation, which says it is losing money because of the city's refusal to OK two 30-foot signs.

Adams Outdoor Advertising's Lansing office seeks to place one sign on Novi Road and one on West Road.

Filed Sept. 2 at the Oakland County Circuit Court, the lawsuit seeks a court order to bar the city from prohibiting the billboards, a jury trial and compensatory damages in excess of \$25,000.

On Aug. 4, the Zoning Board of Appeals — on the grounds of health, safety and welfare — denied two variances, including a waiver of the city's height limit of 15 feet for signs.

"It was because they failed to show any potential hardship. There was also discussion regarding visibility issues," ZBA Member James Antosiak said.

Adams' attorney Michael Perry contends that the city's sign regulations are unconstitutional and in effect prohibit the construction of off-premises advertising signs.

Adam aimed to place one sign in CSX railroad easements on the east side of Novi Road, between Grand River Avenue and Ten Mile Road. A second site targeted by Adams is on the south side of West Road between Beck Road and Thirteen Mile Road.

Adams asked for both the 15-foot variance from the city's 15-foot height limit and a waiver of the city's 100-foot setback requirement so that the signs could be placed within 30 feet of the railroad right-of-way, as required by CSX. Adams plans to lease the space, which are zoned for heavy industrial, from the railroad company.

"Each of Adams' proposed signs would be commercially useless if they were to be constructed at a height of 15 feet and a setback of 100 feet from the roadway. If so constructed, the signs, which are designed to be seen by motorists traveling along the adjacent roadway, would not be visible to such

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Happy trails

Residents want to hike and bike, survey finds

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

When it comes to leisure time, what do Novi residents want?

According to a survey commissioned by the Novi Parks and Recreation Commission, the locals yearn for places to ride their bikes and walk.

They also would like to pay for Park and Rec programs with their Platinum Cards.

And although a bond issue for an aquatic facility at Power Park failed resoundingly last November, many of those surveyed would like a community pool.

"I was kind of surprised at that. At the time, there were a lot of people who were very support-

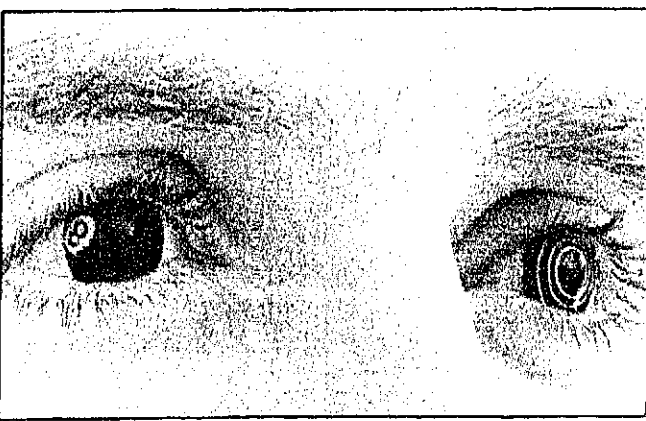
ive of the pool, a lot of the issues dealt with the location," said Park and Recreation Director Dan Davis.

A golf course ranked fifth in a choice of eight facilities with those surveyed.

Last week, a city-commissioned feasibility study on a proposed golf course at the North Novi Park was delivered by consultants Don Childs Associates. A Sept. 28 presentation of the results to the Novi City Council is scheduled.

"They felt a golf course would do very well in Novi, that the city has a need for it and that there are people who want to have a city golf course," said Parks and Recre-

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Photos by JOHN HEIDER

Designer eyes, created with contacts, offer a new look.

What's latest fashion craze? Designer eyes

By JEREMY McBAIN
Staff Writer

New styles of contact lenses are giving people not only clear vision, but trendy looks.

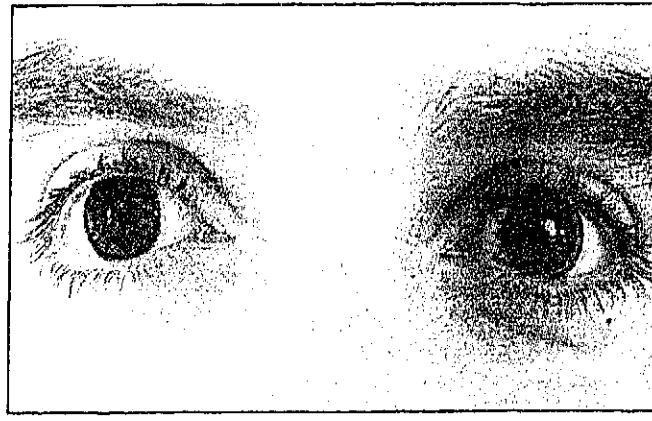
Recent contact lens technology is offering wearers the chance to change not just the color of their eyes, but change the entire look of their eyes.

Dr. Thomas Kirk, optometrist at

Town and Country Eyecare located on Novi Road at the intersection of Nine Mile Road, said customers who want a completely different look can buy contacts that have designs on them.

The designs blend into the customer's pupil and iris and create different artwork on the eye.

One type of contact lens black-



Optometrist Dr. Timothy Kirk models a pair of his color enhancing contacts, in hazel and willow green.

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Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Beth Belter, left, and Lisa Dilg are putting together after-school activities for youngsters through the Community That Cares Coalition.

Coalition launches programs for teens

By JEREMY McBAIN
Staff Writer

It all started with a group of concerned Novi parents in October 1996.

Concerned about alcohol and tobacco use among their children, they went looking for help and concluded that by banding together they might be able to solve the problem.

Then with the help of various government groups, the Community That Cares Coalition, composed of various government officials and parents, was born in December 1996.

Using a \$10,000 grant from Oakland County Health Division/Office of Substance Abuse and a \$1,000 grant from the Dayton Hudson Corporation, the Coalition began collecting data from various sources about Novi youth activity.

It was then that the concerned people in the Coalition became aware that their original fears were justified.

Using the many studies they collected, the Coalition found that substance abuse among youth in Novi was higher than the county and national averages.

So, they stepped into action and requested grants from the Family Independence Agency and Oakland County to be used to create an after-school program for Novi youths and enhance police sting operations for underage sales of alcohol and tobacco to minors.

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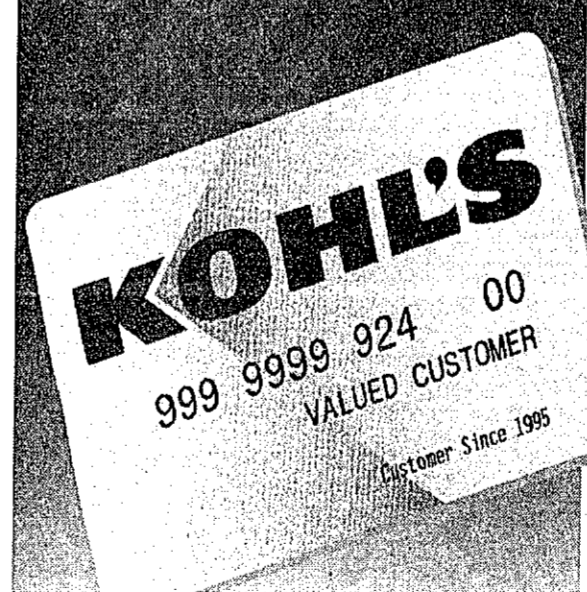
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SALOMON Quadra 600 Bindings.....\$195.00
SCOTT Signature poles.....\$44.00
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MARKER M-29 Bindings.....\$195.00
SCOTT Signature poles.....\$44.00
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SCOTT Signature poles.....\$44.00
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INTERIOR MOTIVES

Event provides designers opportunity
to showcase their talents

By CAROL DIPPLE
Feature Editor

Several area designers have been busy for months driving to and from Grosse Pointe Park transforming empty rooms into masterpieces that thousands of visitors will view over the next month.

Northville interior designers Carmine Bossio and Charlotte Kennedy, and designers with Scott Shuptrine's Novi and Troy locations, were invited to design rooms in the Junior League of Detroit 1998 Designers' Show House, which opens on Saturday.

"Everything is blending beautifully and none of us coordinated it," said Brian Ashburn of Scott Shuptrine. "It is just falling into place."

The Junior League invites designers to tour the show house and submit a bid on five rooms. The bid includes five paragraphs detailing how that designer would decorate the rooms.

Only about one-third of the more than 100 who were invited to bid were selected to participate this year.

"It says a lot for you if you get chosen," Kennedy said. Kennedy, who has been doing residential design as Charlotte Kennedy Living since 1990, chose a "French Hot Air Balloon" theme for the children's bathroom on the third floor.

"I tried to make it look like when you step into the bathroom you are looking out over Paris," she said.

Kennedy had a custom light made for the center of the room from a wire basket. When the light is on, it gives the illusion that gas is running into the hot air balloon, which was painted by Westland artist Jennifer Gushen.

Basket weave grass cloth wallpaper up to the existing chair rail creates the "basket" of the hot air balloon.

"I thought it would be kind of neat to feel like you were in the balloon playing," Kennedy said.

Kennedy chose to accessorize the room with very colorful towels, soaps, and a large parrot, which is perched on the pedestal sink.

The window treatment is a red pattern on gold background fabric valance to which Kennedy added brass bells along the bottom, which coordinate with the bells on the balloon.

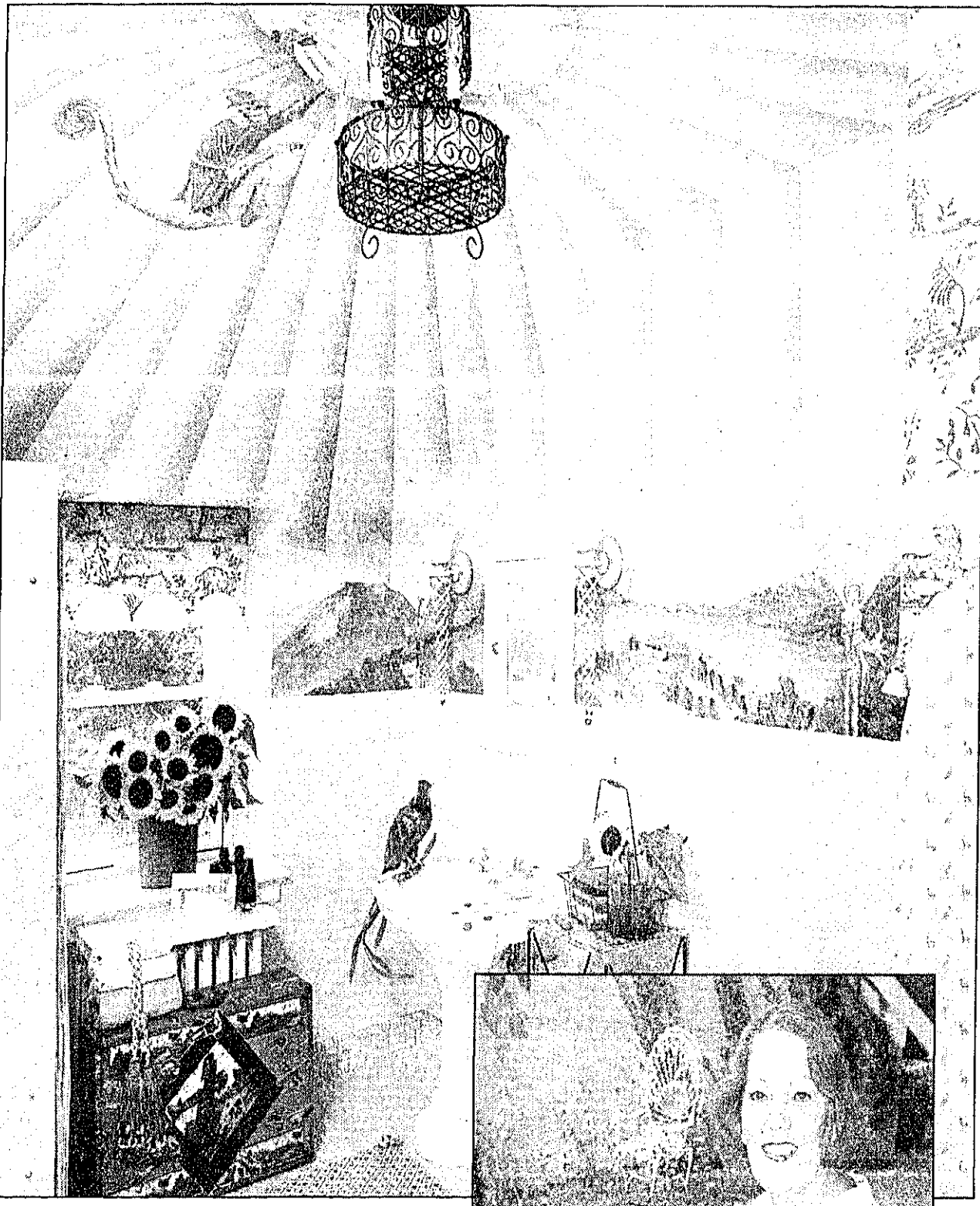


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Above: The children's bathroom features a hot air balloon theme. Inset: Charlotte Kennedy, shown at her Northville home, decorated the children's bathroom for the Junior League of Detroit 1998 Designers' Show House fund raiser.

"Jennifer, as a surprise, painted a monkey up on the canopy (of the balloon) trying to grab one of the bells," she said.

"This is the fourth show house Kennedy has designed either with the Detroit Symphony or the Junior League.

"The exciting part of the room is the way it is painted," said Kennedy, who moved to Northville five years ago with her husband.

Kennedy carried the Parisian theme throughout the room by adding a map of Paris, binoculars, an old suitcase, and a large Madeline doll with the accompanying book of her trip to Paris.

The 1998 Designers' Show House is the second that Bossio has been selected to decorate, the first since he went on his own as Carmine Bossio Interiors.

Bossio's 15 years of expertise as an interior designer went into transforming the au pair apartment into a living area with interest and comfort.

"The room is very international," Bossio said. "It looks like (the au pair) is well traveled."

Bossio warmed up the plain white walls of the au pair apartment and also united the areas using a bronze tone in the sitting area, green in the kitchen and kelp green with a brown satin faux finish in the library.

The furnishings and accessories include things from the Orient, India, as well as the United States, but the highlight is a

Parisian deco sofa.

"That is probably our star," said Bossio who has been a resident of Northville for eight years. "The rest is eclectic."

Ashburn, an interior designer with Scott Shuptrine in both their Novi and Troy locations, decorated the ladies' master bedroom which is about 27 feet long by 18 feet wide and includes a fireplace and a balcony with a view of Lake St. Clair.

"The color scheme came from the Pewabic tile in the master bath as well as the water in Lake St. Clair," said Ashburn.

Ashburn chose soft tones of blue-green for the walls accented with gold and greens.

"They will remain through the next coming years," Ashburn said. "It is a very peaceful setting, but also very elegant."

Designers at Scott Shuptrine chose silks, damasks and some very nicely colored chintz fabric for this very elegant master suite in grayish teals, golds, and bronze tones, according to Kasey Pierson, director of the design studio at Scott Shuptrine.

"We did some mixing of styles so that the bed is one manufacturer, the nightstand is from another," said Pierson. "The blend makes a very elegant presentation in there."

The Designers' Show House, located at 15520 Windmill Pointe Drive in Grosse Pointe Park, will be open Saturday, Sunday, Monday and Tuesday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. and on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. beginning Sept. 19 through Oct. 18.

Tickets, which are \$15 at the door or \$12 before Sept. 18, can be purchased through Carmine Bossio at (248) 347-7723 or Scott Shuptrine's Novi location at 43606 West Oaks in Novi.

To reach Charlotte Kennedy Living, call (248) 305-9773.

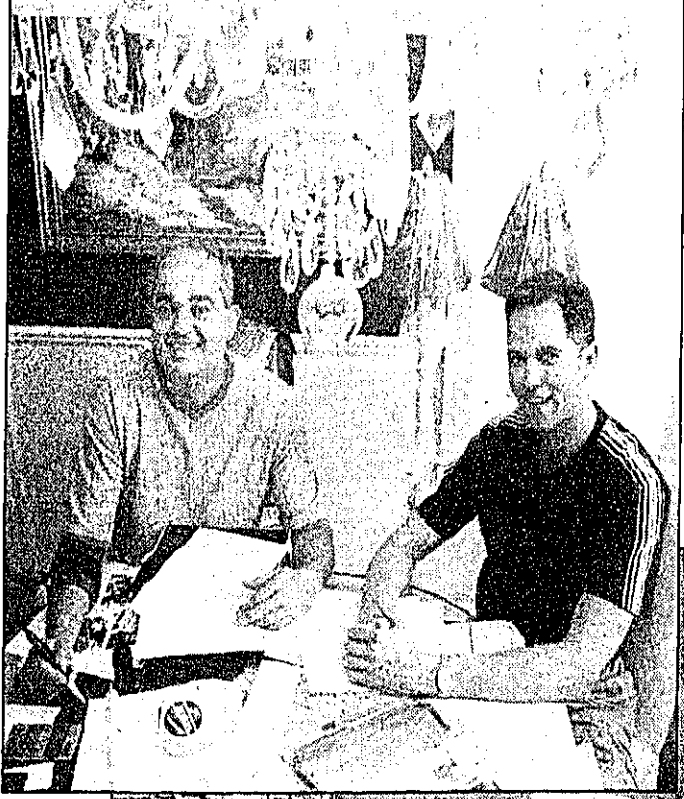


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Inset: Northville Interior Designers Carmine Bossio, left, and Cliff Lemon worked out of their Northville office to design the au pair sitting room and kitchen for the Junior League of Detroit 1998 Designers' Show House fund raiser. Above: The au pair sitting room has an international theme with the Parisian deco sofa as the focal point.

Fund raiser to feature Georgian Revival Mansion

The Junior League of Detroit selected the former Indian Village home of John Battice and Helen Sloane Ford for the 1998 Designers' Show House.

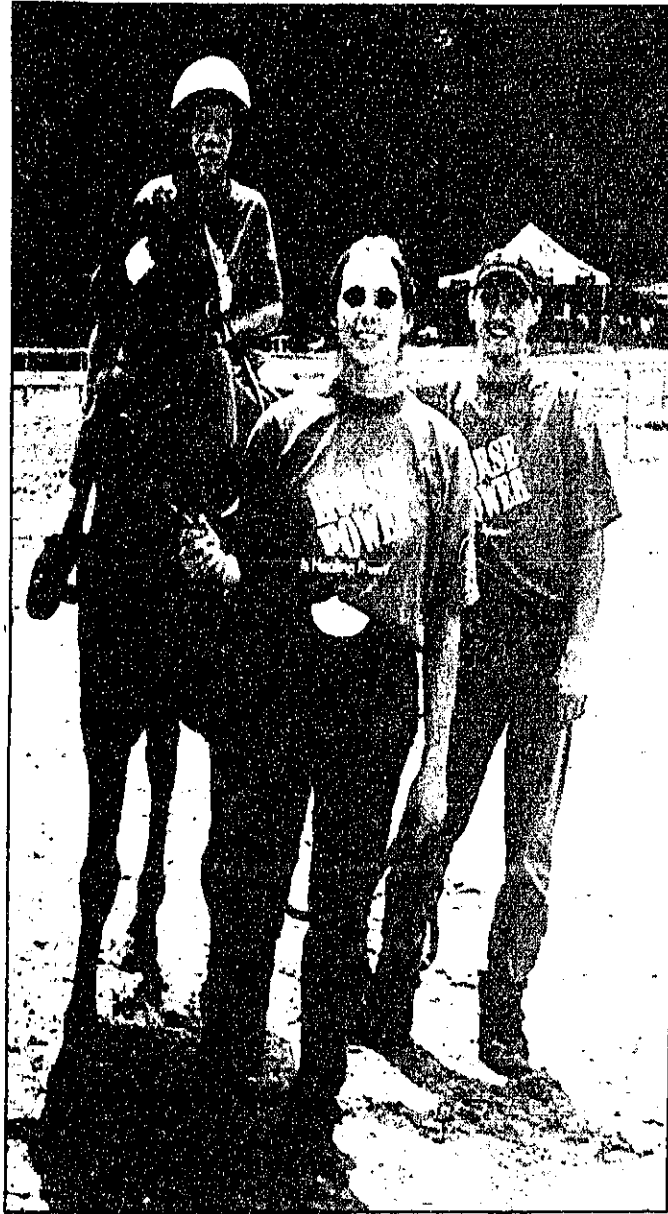
The 14,000 square foot Georgian Revival mansion was designed by Detroit architect A. W. Chittenden in 1904 and was originally built on the riverside of East Jefferson and Seminole.

J. B. Ford's son, Frederick S. Ford, and his family had the home dismantled brick by brick and moved by truck to its present location at 15520 Windmill Pointe Drive in Grosse Pointe Park.

The home has more than 40 rooms and areas decorated by metro Detroit area designers and artists.

The home has 13 fireplaces, Pewabic tile in most of the 11 bathrooms, carved plaster ornamentation, a loggia, and a terrace over an underground garage. There are eight main "bed chambers" and eight more rooms on the third floor used for various activities over the years, including maid's and nanny's quarters, a children's playroom, a sewing room and an organ loft.

This is the largest fund raiser for the Junior League of Detroit, which was formed in 1914.



Kyle Korona rides Diamond, led by Beth Clark and Ken Alex, during the Oakland County 4-H Horseback Riding for Handicappers Program.

Residents are active in riding program

By CAROL DIPPLE
Feature Editor

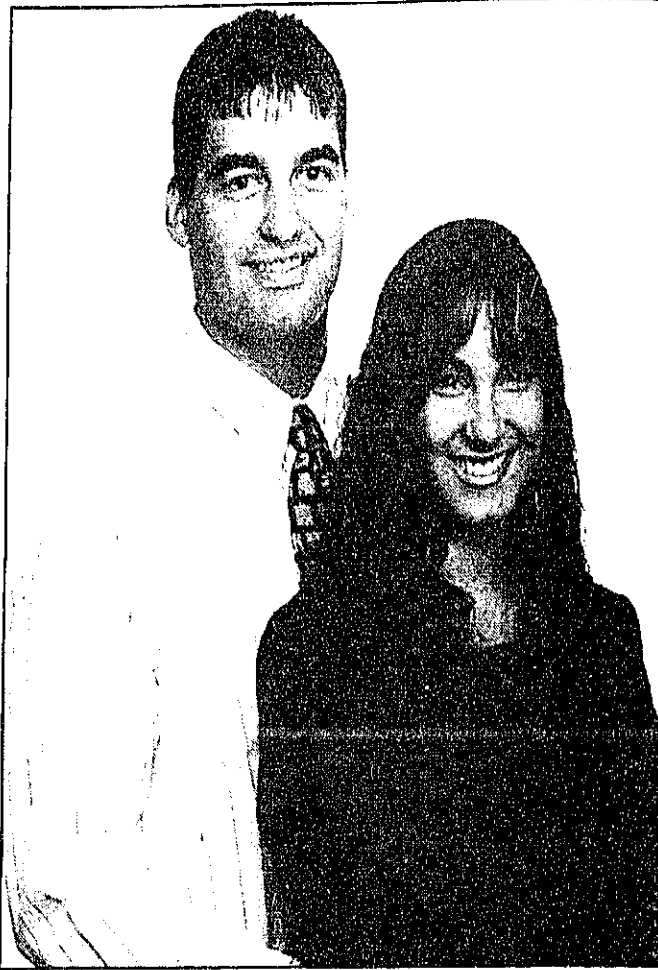
Kyle Korona of Novi participated in the Oakland County 4-H Horseback Riding for Handicappers Program Walk/Trot/Trail event and the Horseshoe race which was held at the Oakland County 4-H Fair Grounds in Davidsburg on Aug. 8.

Dee and Dennis Hodges of Northville also volunteered as leaders. "It's out of the goodness of their hearts that they volunteer for the whole day," said Nancy Harm, who owns Diamond, the horse Kyle was riding, along with Tarfia and Aid.

Twenty five children participated in the Oakland County 4-H Horseback Riding for Handicappers Program. This is the second six week therapeutic riding program Kyle has attended at the Bloomfield Hills Open Hunt Club location but the first time he has attended the fair.

Participants compete in different events at the fair. Kyle, a second grade student at Village Oaks Elementary School, was in three events — Beginner Huntseat Equitation, Horseshoe Relay and Trail. He took fourth place in Beginner Huntseat Equitation, and sixth in

Engagement



Michael Yankowski/Angie Perz

Bill and Mary Ann Yankowski of Novi announce the engagement of their son, Michael Albert, to Angie Perz, daughter of Bruce and Lois Duling of Holt, Mich. The bride to be is a 1991 graduate of Holt High School. This year Angel received her bachelor degree in criminal justice from Michigan State University. She is now employed with the Michigan State Police. Her fiance is a 1990 graduate of Ferris State University where he earned a bachelor of science degree in criminal justice. Michael is employed by the Lansing Police Department. An October 1998 wedding is planned.

Engagement



Rebecca Silvis/Timothy Gilbert

Beverly Gilbert-Allwine and Richard Gilbert, both of Novi, announce the engagement of their son, Timothy Jay Gilbert, to Rebecca Silvis, daughter of William and Barbara Silvis of Ann Arbor. The bride-to-be is a 1989 graduate of Ann Arbor Huron High School. Rebecca graduated in 1993 from Michigan State University with a bachelor's degree in criminal justice, and is currently employed by Cincinnati Millicron in Ohio. The groom-elect is a 1988 graduate of Novi High School and a 1993 graduate of Michigan State University. He received a degree in international relations and a degree in international marketing when studying abroad in Hokone, Japan. He is currently employed by Ford Motor Co. in Missoua, Ohio, as a market representative manager. A November wedding is planned.



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Giving it their all

Senior Variety Series performances of "Broadway Babes & Bullies" will be Thursday, Sept. 17, and Friday, Sept. 18, at noon and Sunday, Sept. 20, at 3 p.m. Tickets are \$10 for the performance and noon luncheon shows, and \$8 for the Sunday afternoon show which includes light refreshments. The show will be directed and produced by Linda Wickert. Tickets are on sale at the Novi Parks and Recreation Department, 45175 West Ten Mile Road in Novi. Performances are held at the Novi Civic Center Stage. For additional information, call (248) 347-0400.

Garden clubs to meet for tea and 4-H fund raiser

By CAROL DIPPLE
Feature Editor

Garden club members from all over the state will meet at Mill Race Village on Wednesday, Sept. 23, for an International Tea. For the first time in almost half a century, the Northville Branch of the Woman's National Farm and Garden Association will be the host club for the annual fund raiser which benefits the 4-H International Farm Youth Exchange Program. About 200 people are expected to attend, according to Barbara Strong O'Brien, publicity chair for

the Northville Garden Club. "There are a lot of garden clubs in this metro Detroit area," said Evelyn Harper, a member of the Northville Garden Club's nominating committee. Among those expected to attend are Jean Ehlinger, natural president of the Woman's National Farm and Garden Association; Marla Diamond, president of the Michigan Woman's National Farm and Garden Association; Donald Jost, executive director of the Michigan 4-H Foundation; John Aylsworth, program coordinator for the 4-H International Farm Youth Exchange; and Betsy Knox, Michigan 4-H Youth Program. Harper anticipates that about 600 sandwiches will be made by 20 to 25 members the day before the tea. Other members are making table arrangements with an international theme and serving tea. By doing the catering themselves, the Northville Garden Club expects that almost 100 percent of the ticket price will go directly to the exchange program. The garden club's goal is to raise about \$2,000, according to Harper. The Woman's Farm and Garden Association has supported the 4-H exchange program for 50 years, 45 of which by hosting an annual tea.

The International Farm Youth Exchange program brings young people from other countries to the United States where they can spend months absorbing our culture, according to Harper. A different garden club hosts the event each year. The docents will be on duty at Mill Race, a musician will play the dulcimer, and the weavers will be working in the Weaver's Cottage throughout the afternoon. The event is open to the public.

On Campus

In addition to being named a First Group Scholar at Smith College, EMILY PIPAS was also named to the Dean's List for the 1997-98 school year. The Dean's List recognizes those students with grade point averages of 3.3 or above. First Group Scholars are further recognized for their particularly high level of achievement, and they generally represent the top 5 percent of the class.

Pipas was captain of the varsity tennis team as a sophomore. She spent her junior year at the Sorbonne in Paris, and was an intern in media relations at the French Open at Roland Garros. Pipas will be a senior at Smith, majoring in French and government. She is the daughter of George and Barbara PIPAS of Novi.

SONIA SHAMON and CHRISTINA TARDELLA, both sophomores at Michigan State University, have been selected as residence assistants. RAs serve as the primary facilitators of a floor community, plan programs and activities, help

with problem solving, confront inappropriate behavior and mediate conflicts. In exchange for these responsibilities, RAs receive a single room with board while school is in session. A resident assistant must also maintain a 2.2 cumulative grade point average and serve a one-year term.

Shamon is majoring in social work and will be a RA in Wilson Hall. She graduated in 1996 from Novi High School and is the daughter of Allan and Ullat Shamon of Novi. Tardella, also a 1996 graduate of Novi High School, will be a resident assistant in Wonders Hall. She is majoring in engineering arts, and is the daughter of Daniel and Julianne Tardella of Novi.

The following Novi students at Madonna University were recognized for their superior academic achievement during the past term and were named to the Dean's List: STEPHANIE J. AHRENS, senior, legal assistant; KAYE H. CUNNINGHAM, senior, social work; MELISSA M. FRANCIS, post degree, legal assistant;

STEPHEN M. GURKA, freshman, undeclared; LEANN HORNE, senior, biology; GWENDOLYN D. ILEY, senior, nursing; PAMELA J. LAZARUS, post degree, elementary provisional program; MELANN LEV, senior, computer science; CHERYL L. MAGCALAS, junior, English; MARY KATE MAY, senior, English; DONNA M. PRICE, senior, English; TANYA L. RABKINA, senior, international business and economics; KIMBERLY A. SAGE, sophomore, journalism-public relations; JENNIFER L. VIGH, post degree, elementary provisional program; and SHANNON R. WARNER, senior, business administration.

Oakland Community College awarded merit scholarships to Novi students GREG BENNETT, ALECIA CORTE and ANGELA SMITH for the fall and winter semesters. Each scholarship totals \$1,500 per recipient. Also receiving a \$200 Board of Trustee Excellence Scholarship from OCC Orchard Ridge campus was ROLAND NAMTALASHVILI of Novi.

Church Notes

The Cantabile Women's chorale will perform at ST. JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH, 46325 West Ten Mile in Novi, on Friday, Sept. 18, at 8 p.m.

The concert will feature a variety of musical styles including folk, classical and spiritual. Under the direction of Peter Jarzenkowski, the concert will include horns, harp and string orchestra. Selections will include "Vester in F" by Michael Haydn, "Four Songs Opus 17" by Brahms, "Messe Breve" by Delibes, "Choral Hymns from the Rig-Veda" by Holst, and selections from "A Ceremony of Carols" by Britten. Suggested donation is \$5 at the door. For details, 347-7778.

HOP LUTHERAN CHURCH, 39200 West Twelve Mile Road in Farmington Hills, has added a new weekly contemporary service at 9:45 a.m. The service will feature a wide range of music styles, drama, dance and spoken liturgies. Other Sunday worship services are at 8:15 and 11 a.m. These services offer a blend of traditional and contemporary elements. All three services will include the weekly celebration of Holy Communion. For more information, call the church at (248) 553-7170.

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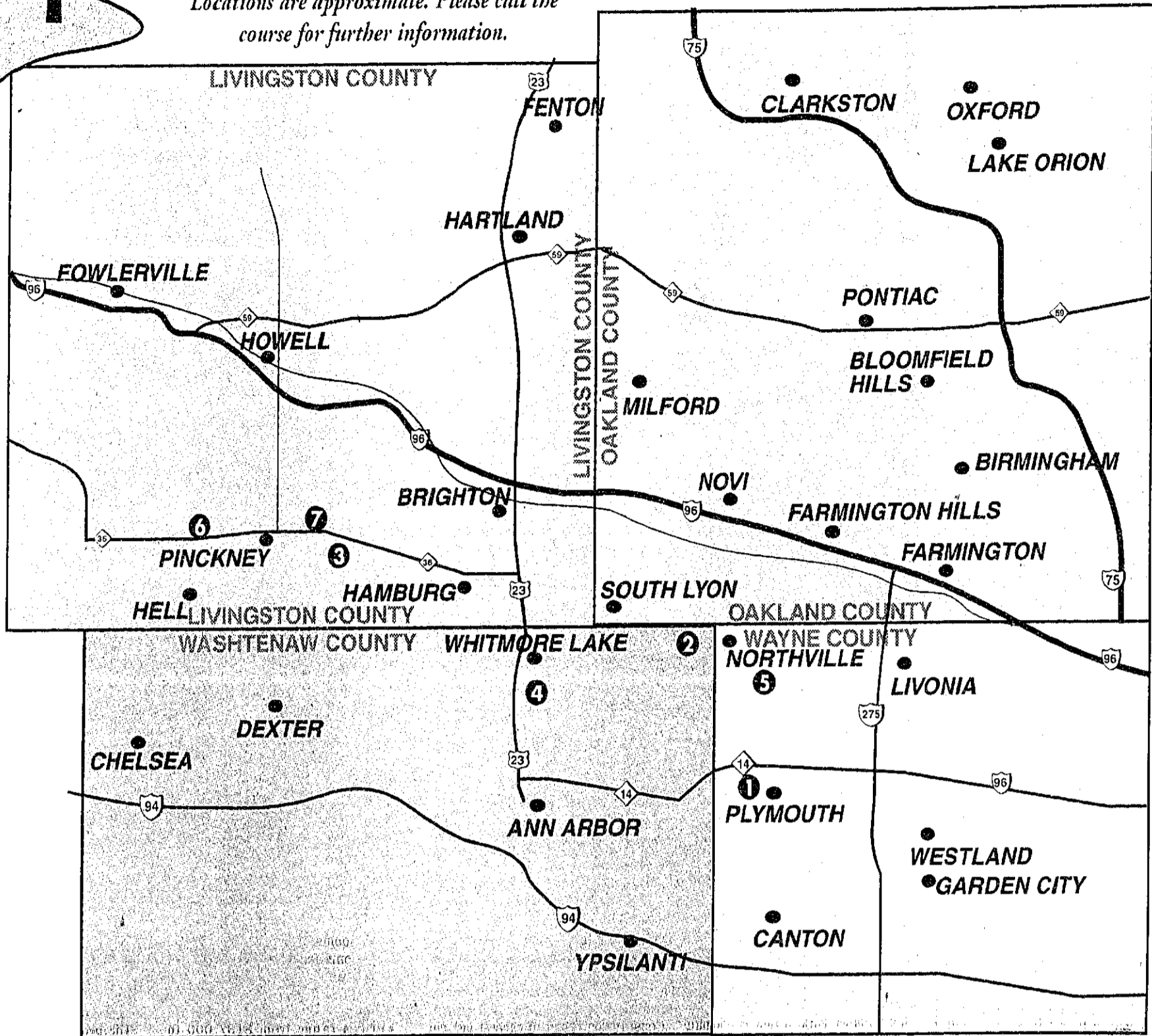
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