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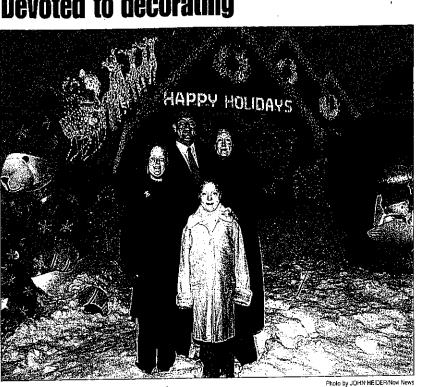
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binder family had their Elizabeth Lane home noted for its colorful holiday light display by the city The See of Novi. Pictured are Jeff and Carol Seelenbinder and their daughters Katle, 12, and Kelly, 9. Jeff said that he's got appoximately 25,000 lights around his home.

Winner's home finished third last year

By Pam Fleming

Dec. 31

By Pam Fleming

STAFF WRITER

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two days away

When the clock strikes mid-

night on New Year's Eve this year, library staff can start counting the

Coming in third place in the city's Holiday Decorating Contest last year was just the motivation Jeff Seelenbinder

needed. This year, he kicked his out-

> That's because any matching funds going to the Novi Public Library's capital campaign ends on Dec. 31, 2005.

Last year, Charles Walker, who died after making a \$1 million donation to the library, and his wife, Myrtle, agreed to match dol-lar-for-dollar any additional dona-tions, up to \$1 million.

The catch, however, is that the match is only good on donations through the end of this year. The clock is ticking quite loud

a "mission on a mission"

"Holy Cross is a mission with a

mission. We are a mission congre-

Still work to be done

Members of the library board's fund-raising committee, staff and volunteers met last night at the library to review plans for the new year. Those interested in helping the fund-raising effort next year can contact the library at (248) 349-0720.

tion in person, as the library will

the Dec; 31 deadline will be placed in a city account on Tuesday, since city hall is closed

on Monday in observance of New Year's Day, which falls on a Sunday this year.

Fund-raising to continue in 2006

meeting, members discussed con-tinuing the fund raising into 2006. "We talked about how to keep the momentum, the energy going

Pastor Henry's developing "Someone once asked me how

At the library board's Dec. 21



Library's final push on for Walker Building Fund

door display up a notch and won He used to decorate when the family lived in Wayne, and they won the city of Wayne's decorat first place. More than 40 homes vied for ing contest one year as well. Seelenbinder started working on "We're definitely happy to win this year," he said. The Seelenbinders' decorattheir Novi bome the day after ing efforts were recognized by

of after the holiday season rather lowing year

Halloween. He uses about 100,000 lights, which he cuts off and disposes

by then," he said,

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Santa's sleigh and reindeer was this year's big addition. "He does everything himself and even built the track that the reindeer are on," Carol Seelenbinder said. "I've done since we've been married," he noted. "I even used to decorate the outside of our apartment."



attends Novi Meadows Elementary, and Kelly, 9, who's

about taking some of the money from HAVEN to fund the senior center manager and provide fund-ing for Novi Youth Assistance. "It would be just horrible in my

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HAVEN award less than 2004 amount By Pam Fleming STAFF WRITER Victims of domestic abuse and sexual assault in Novi will receive less funding next year following a recent vote by Novi City Council.

Funding

domestic

cut for

abuse

victims

City council recently announced the recipients of the 2006 Community Development Block Grants at its Nov. 28 meet-

ing. HAVEN, which stands for Help Against Violent Encounters Now, is a non-profit organization that provides assistance to victims of domestic abuse and sexual assault. Over 150 families in Novi received aid 'from HAVEN last fisyear. HAVEN requested \$16.000 for 2006, the same amount

the agency received last year, but was only awarded just over \$9,500. HAVEN is funded by commu-

nities throughout Oakland County through the Oakland Livingston Human Service Agency, head-

quartered in Pontiac. "They do provide a valuable service," said Member Kim Capello.

There was much discussion

Mayor David Landry, who pre-sented the whole family with a special certificate at Monday's than try to untangle them the folcity council meeting. Jeff Scelenbinder, however, "We have a neighborhood party every year the first Saturday of December, so I had to get all the decorations done was in charge of the project. "Christmas is his favorite hol-"iday by far," said wife, Carol.

now, with the end of the calendar year approaching. Brenda Lussier, library director, said donors are urged to come to the library in person before 5 p.m. tomorrow to make a dona-

be closed on Saturday. However, denors can drop off a check in the book return on Saturday. Monies collected before

congregation

Appointed to

redevelop and grow Holy Cross

By Ramez Khuri STAFF WRITER

When The Very Reverand Karen Henry was first appointed to Novi to redevelop and grow the Church of the Holy Cross, she was given three to five years to do so.

But in only about three years. Henry has relocated the church, and credits many exciting improvements to not only herself, but to all who work with her.

The Long Island native explained it's a very specific type of church development, which is new to the Diocese.

"There are only a handful of churches like this," she said.

gation growing into parish status, fully engaged in outreach and ministry to others, and in addi-tion, to being one of the founding porters of the Detroit Area

Neig

Haiti Mission." Members of Holy Cross have helped build and staff a clinic in Haiti, support a school and send missionaries YOUR NOVI

each year. They also support and volunteer at Crossroads

the only soup kitchen open on Sundays in Detroit. In addition, with Henry's designation as coor-dinator for Hurricane Relief for the Diocese, the congregation has been very active in working on hurricane relief efforts.

numcane relief efforts. That said, the belief by most that priests only work on Sundays is completely untrue. "Preparation for Sunday alone is incredible," Henry said.

"Someone once asked me how long it takes me to write a sermon. I said all my life because as I'm. opening up the word of God to people. I am drawing on a life-time's worth of experience and encounter with that living word. How do you put a time constraint on that?"

Henry explained most clergy work about 60-80 hour weeks, and she is no

exception. She said the amount of education has she

would be comparable to a doctorate degree in any other profession, and the examinations and the process that priests must go through would qualify them for a doctorate position as well. "I don't think people even respect us to that degree," Henry

said. "It's a very challenging place because there is so much

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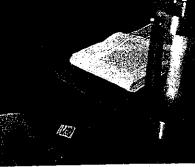
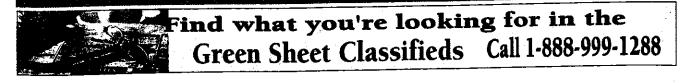


Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Novi Ne

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Episcopal Pastor Karen Henry welcomes her flock to the Church of the Holy Cross on 10 Mile Road in Novi.



2A NOVI NEWS-Thursday, December 29, 2005 Winner's home finished third last year

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a student at Novi Woods Elementary, didn't know until Monday that they were going with more and dad to city hall to accept the prize. The family, who lives on Elizabeth Lane in Addington Park

subdivision, also received a \$100 gift certificate for Home Depot. The money will go toward a new oven Home Depot workers will deliver today Jeff Seelenhinder recently turned the dial to self-clean, and

the oven shorted out. "He blew up my oven last week so I had to get a new one," Carole Seelenhinder. "I'm just glad they're getting me a new one

before the holidays so I can cook Christmas dinner." Home Depot also just happens to be Seeleabinder's favorite store. "I'm in there at least once a week," he said, "I just bought a

Dec. 31

Final awards were to use

\$7.000 from the Housing and

Community Development funds for a Novi Senior Center manag-er position; award \$9,546 to

HAVEN: SIL000 to Novi Youth

bunch of galvanized pipe to build the Santa and the reindeer and went in there several times. They probably wondered what I was building." Seelenbinders said he likes to

decorate because he's still a kid at "When I was a kid, my neigh bors in Riverview used to decorate a lot," be said. "They were my

Carol Seelenbinder said it was won was for Home Depot. "They just happened to be the

only store that had the oven I wanted in stock and could deliver it before Christmas," she said. Pam Fleming is a staff writer for the Novi News, She can be reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 105, or by

e-mail at offening@gumett.com.

HAVEN award less than

2004 amount continued from front page

ance: \$25,000 for a Senior mind if we gave HAVEN less Service: and \$64.223 to money," Member Toni Nagy said, "I think if people saw the effects on families who have Minor Home Chore Services. Capello clarified that the Senior Center Manager is the pfleming@gamett.com these problems and the impor-

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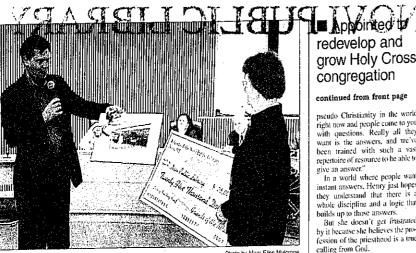


Photo by Mary Ellen Mulcroi Rick Smith, immediate past library board president, and Barbara Brunett, treasurer, Friends of the Novi Public Library, show a larger-than-life check representing the \$25,000 donated to the library by the Friends. Smith gave Brunett a photo of the expanded circulation desk, which is what the Friends have chosen to have named in their honor, during the Dec. 5 city council meeting.

fund the major part of the con- total will be, but we could be ruction. looking at more than "For every dollar raised, \$250,000, including the struction. deadline only we're helping to reduce the amount of millage we would have to request from the citimatch, that's above heyond the \$1 million. two days away Lussier said. Checks that are to be ear ens," Lussier said. marked by the deadline on th continued from front page Rick Smith is resigning from his position as president of the library board because Walker Library Building Fund must be dated by Dec. 31, 2005, to qualify under the agreement signed with the Walkers. into the new year." Lussier he's being transferred to France by his employer. Visteon Corp. Board vice president Bob Cutler is the We have to increase our communication with Novi "A lot of people have real-City Council and do whatever ized that their contribution will be doubled as long as they we can to increase donations." The library hoard decided new president. Lussier noted that Sam's Club recently gave the library \$1,500 to set up a collection of several months ago to expand write the check before the end of the year. the current facility on 10 Mile parenting materials in addition Road east of Taft by 60,000 Pain Fleming is a staff write square feet at a cost of \$18 to the Friends of the Library's S25,000 donation. "A few donations are pend-Novi voters will most likely he voting on a proposed milling," she said. age in a future election to help

"It's hard to say what the ing@gannett.com

ager earns \$43,000 a year and

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PUBLIC SAFETY

Novi Road north of Grand River

Avenue waiting at the light when she saw a 2005 Nissan Altima run

a red light going eastbound on

Grand River Avenue.

POLICE REPORT

Eight or nine drinks A 31-year-old Northville ma

the driver.

the Christian faith is all about.

Even as a woman it's a long, hard

Henry said that no two days are

ever the same in the church. If a priest is being faithful to his or her calling, they are basically open to the guidance and movement of the holy spirit to direct them in what

they do, how they do it, and who

they respond to. The job also entails taking the

word of God and opening it up so that the neople who come to hear

t understand it and have some-

thing to take with them to make

"I equip the people so that they

can go out and be Christians in the world." Henry said. "Our motio

serving at Holy Cross is 'Grow in

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Christ, Grow in Size, Grow in

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them stronger in their faith

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right now and people come to with questions. Really all

give an answer.

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Novi High School.

New York City.

reading and gardening.

pseudo Christianity in the world

want is the answers, and we've

been trained with such a vast repertoire of resource to be able to

In a world where people want

instant answers, Henry just hopes

they understand that there is a

But she doesn't get frustrated

by it because she believes the pro-fession of the priesthood is a true

"It's not an easy life, by any

means, especially as our culture has changed," Henry said. "There is a growing skepticism to what

builds up to those answers.

come to you

The Very Reverend Karen Henry

whole discipline and a logic that for the three years I have been

nett.com

Occupation: Pastor and priest in charge of Church of the Holy

Family: husband, John, who is also an Episcopal priest in the

Hobbies and/or interests: She enjoys playing and composing

all kinds of music and singing. She enjoys nature, writing poetry,

Advice: "Basically, if they believe they are being called into

this profession by God, it's going to hound you and follow you.

You can run away from it as long as you want, but if it really is

Schools: She atlended Fordham University for two years in

New York City, received her bachelor of arts degree from Suny

State University in New York and was the first religious honors

degree from Union Theological Seminary and went for two more

years in Anglican studies at The General Theological Seminary in

Years in field: She has been associated with the church all

graduate from there. She also received a master of divinity

from God, it's going to hook you and get you.

her life. She has been ordained for 15 years.

same church. She also has four children, two of which attended

grow Holy Cross

bal one Dispatch also advised them that old police he had consumed eight or nine alcoholic drinks after being arrested for operating while intoxi-cated at 1:36 am. Nov. 3 at E. the suspects were outside both the front and back of the restaurant. By the time officers arrived on Glenhaven Circle off of Eight Mile The arrest was made while the

officer was on patrol when the driv er of a red 1994 Chevrolet Blazer

drove half way out of its lane and drifted into the second lane. The Police received a vandalism report via the Internet at 5:01 p.m. Dec. 2 after suspects cut a strand of driver also appeared to be speeding The officer began to pace the vehicle and got as high as 58 mph in the 45 mph zone before stopping 7 a.m. Dec. 1 on Addington Road The female caller told police that her family had several strands of When approaching the driver, the officer said the man smelled hadly lights strung up in front of the house, and that on the night of Nor of alcohol, and his eyes were red 30 vandals had cut one strand. The value of the strand of lights was When asked how much he had had to drink, he said eight or nine only \$7, but it caused the entire drinks since 8 p.m. that evening. A breath test showed a blood holiday display to go dark. The woman said she had no idea who would have cut the strand but alcohol level of .15 percent. was told by a neighbor that it is

usually local juveniles. Arrest on Meadowbrook The resident requested extra patrol in the neighborhood to cur A 33-year-old Livonia woman was arrested for operating while intoxicated at 12:02 a.m. Dec. 2 at tail such vandalism. S. Heatherbrae and Nine Mile

Don't sneak in the vodka The officer was operating mov-A 17-year-old Detroit man was ine radar patrol on northbo rok south of 10 Mile arrested for a liquor violation whe he tried to sneak a bottle of vodka Road when he clocked a black

in to Buffalo Wild Wings 2005 Volkswagen Touraeg traveling Restaurant at 10:22 p.m. Dec. 2 at 43 mph in the 30 mph zone for Fountain Walk shopping center. The manager told police that one of his waitresses notified him that a bout five seconds. He then followed the car and noticed that it drifted slightly from male customer had a bottle with left to right within its lane. After him that she believed had alcohol pulling the driver over, the officer smelled the odor of intoxicants

The manager approached the coming from inside the vehicle man, told him that outside bottles were not allowed in the business. While speaking with her, he also noticed that she had slightly slurred The man apologized and asked speech, and her eyes were glassy. When quizzed about her drinkthe manager not to call the police. When the manager asked how old the man was, and he said he ing history that night, the woman said she had had one or two glasses was 18, the manager called pol A breath test revealed a blood

A breath test showed a blood

alcohol level of .0 percent, and the alcohol level of .16 percent. an showed no signs of consum ing alcohol. Disorderly conduct at Denny's

conduct complaint at 2:31 a.m. A 23-year-old Brooklyn, Mich., ec. 2 at the Denny's Restaurant a man was arrested for operating while intoxicated at 2:20 p.m. Dec. Six officers arrived at the scene 3 at Grand River Avenue and Novi to disperse a fight inside the restaurant. While enroute to the call, dis-Road. An officer was on southbound atch informed the officers that it

Officers responded to a disorder-

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After initiating a traffic stop, the officer could smell the odor of the scene, they learned that the parintoxicants coming from within the ties had left in a limousine. vehicle. When the officer asked the driver Grinch cuts lights now much he had to drink, he said that he was under the legal limit. At this point, the officer noticed that the man's eyes were also glassy lights between 11 p.m. Nov. 30 and and bloodshot A breath test revealed a blood alcohol level of .18 percent. war Elizabeth Lane and Taft Road Holiday decorations lifted A 74-year-old man who lives on

was not a physical fight, just a ver

Greentree near Ladenc and Ck told police at 11:38 a.m. Dec. 3 that meone stole a wire deer and fawn light set from his front lawn between 11 p.m. Dec. 2 and 7 a.m Dec. 3. At this time there are no witness-

es or suspects in the crime Marshall Field's shoplifter

A 59-year-old Livonia woman was arrested for retail fraud when she stole more than \$1,000 w of merchandise between 10:30 and 11 a.m. Dec. 3 at Marshall Field's

department store at Twelve Oaks Loss prevention agents at the watched as the woman put item after item into her Marshall Field's shopping bag. Stolen prop-erty recovered included 63 items for a total of \$1,121.95 as the soman left the store. Nine items at a total of \$625.39 were recovered from the woman's car. One bag of numerous pajamas alued at \$405 was also take from the vehicle as she had no receipt

for the items, and the tags were still on the merchandise. valued at \$25. There are no investigate leads in Doctor's bag stolen at church these incidents at this time.

A 40-year-old female physician from Novi told police at 2:53 p.m.

Alleged robber shot at gas station

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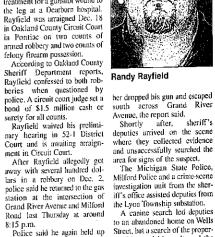
hag stolen between 1 and 1:30 p.n By Dan Trudeau that day in the south parking lot o Novi United Methodist Church at

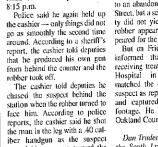
A Novi man was shot in New Hudson Dec. 15 while fleeing the gas station he's accused of robbing twice in two weeks. Randy Rayfield, 27, arrested Dec. 17 at his home after police learned he received treatment for a gunshot wound to the leg at a Dearborn hospital. Rayfield was arraigned Dec. 18 in Oakland County Circuit Court in Pontiae on two counts of armed robbery and two counts of felony firearm possession According to Oakland County

> ty did not yield results and the robber appeared to have disanpeared for the second time But on Friday deputies were informed that Rayfield was receiving treatment at Oakwood Hospital in Dearborn. He matched the description of the suspect as reported by witnesses and captured on surveillance footage. He is lodged in the Oakland County Jail.

Dan Trudeau is a reporter for the South Lyon Herald, Reach him at (248) 437-2011 or at

turned his own gun toward the ashier. him at (248) 437-201 Witnesses said the injured rob- dtrudeau@gamett.com.







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had come to the church for a meet-ing and discovered the theft about an hour later. More yard ornaments taken A 43-year-old Novi man who lives on Buckminster at Christina and Petros told police at 2:25 p.m. Dec. 4 that someone had stolen decorations from his yard betwee 4 p.m. Dec. 3 and 7 a.m. Dec. 4. Missing property included one one-foot red and white wood candy cane and one two-foot, black-and-

Dec. 3 that she had a physician's

Total value of the large, brown

teather bag containing instruments

scene, they saw a gray 2005 Chrysler Town and Country van

with its front passenger window

The woman told police that the large Liz Claire shoulder bag con-

tained a stethoscope, ophthalmo-scope, her Henry Ford Hospital ID

badge, some paperwork, life-sup-port training materials, a tuning fork and other examination equip-

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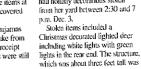
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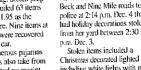
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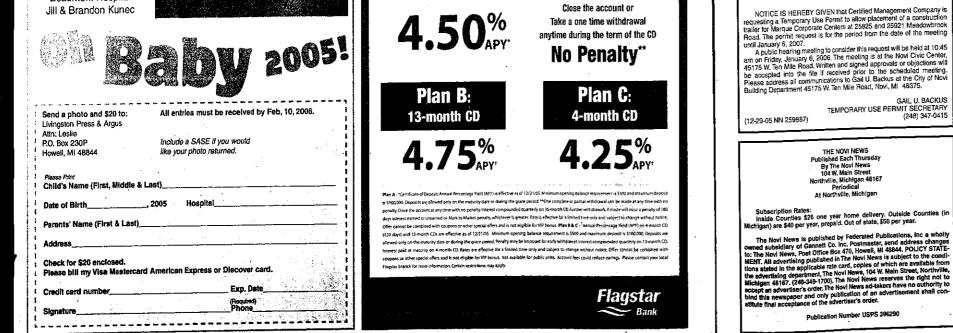
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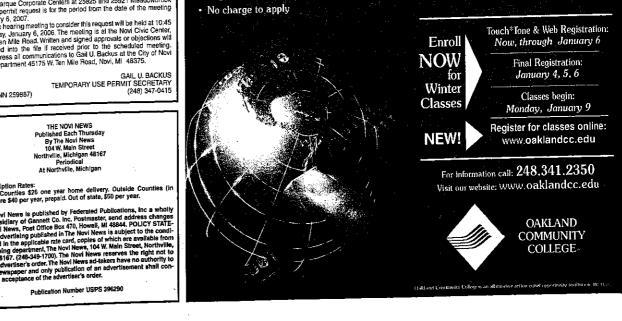
white wood penguin, valued at \$70 The man told police he contacted them to document the theft. In a similar incident, a 56-yearold resident of Cheltenham near

Beck and Nine Mile roads told police at 2:14 p.m. Dec. 4 that she had holiday decorations stolen from her yard between 2:30 and 7 p.m. Dec. 3. Stolen items included a









COMMUNITY

McCotter rocks for troops in Iraq

Delegation left U.S. on Monday

By Pam Fleming

There's nothin' like a little rock in' roll to put U.S. troops in the holiday spirit. That's just what local Rep. Thaddeus McCotter (R-Mich.)

had in mind. McCotter, the Republican con-gressman from Livonia who serves the 11th District, which includes Novi, left the day after Christmas to entertain soldiers as a member of the band, the Second Amendments. The band is made up of five members of the U.S. Congress. McCotter plays lead guitar and

does not sing. "You have to have hair in our hand to sing," he joked. McCotter said Congress had a hand called the First Amendments in the 1990s, so one of the new and members suggested they call he band the Second Amendments.

This is an appropriate name for a wartime band, so to speak, since the Second Amendment is the right to keep and bear arms. The band has been together ince earlier this year, according to McCotter, who resurrected the congressional band. Other members include Reps.

Collin Peterson (D-Minn.) on lead ocals, Dave Weldon (R-Fla.) on hass; Kenny Hulshof (R-Mo.) or drums; and John Porter (R-Nev. on keyboards. Peterson used to play with the band, the Firs

former ban Amendments. Of course, McCotter and friends wor't be just janmin' while visiting the troops. They'll be part of a congressional delega-tion to learn what's happening "You get a better sense of rock and classic country. what's going on in the military when you're actually there." songs.

McCotter said. "And we always try to do something special for the troops at the end of the day



Members of the congressional band the Second Amendments, from left; Rep. John Porter (R-Nev.), keyboards; Rep. Thaddeus McCotter (R-Mich.), lead guitar; Rep. Collin Peterson (D-Minn.), lead vocals; Dave Weldon (R-Fla.), bass; and Kenny Hulshof (R-Mo.), drums. The band left Monday to play for U.S. troops overseas

the Second group, "There's no talk of politics while we're playing." McCotter said, "There are plenty of other opportunities for that." The Second Amendments will Amendments will be entertaining the troops each day they're overseas. "We'll be in a different military theater every day." McCotter said. They will play six shows in Europe and the Middle East. He describes their music as a had marriage between classic return from their overseas gig after the first of the year. McCotter, who has already been overseas twice, said he's looking forward to entertaining "We do a few George Strait ongs," McCotter said, "I never istened to country particularly, so the troops because a lot of the stened to country particularly, so its is new for me." In the U.S. mill-tary won't be able to spend the holidays with their families.

we're proud of what they're doing." he said. He also wants to learn first-No strangers to crowds The Second Amendments definitely don't have stage fright. hand what's going on not only militarily but politically and ecoin September, they played for "You don't rely on second-hand reports," McCotter said, "You've got to see it for yourself, It's criti-6,000 at the Tweeter Center outside Chicago as part of the Farm Aid benefit. In August, they performed for 40,000 at cal to do this." the WE Fest country music fes-tival in Detroit Lakes, Minn., Pam Fleming is a staff writer according to "The Hill," the for the Novi News. She can be newspaper for and about the

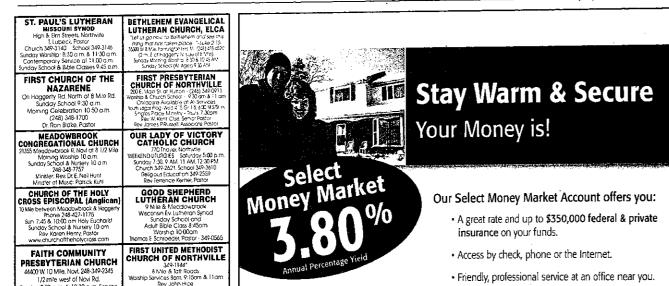
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"We want to let them know we're proud of what they're doing."

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Members

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City Council makes 2006 appointments

Members of city council mounced appointments to sev ral boards and commissions a eir Dec. 19 mee Michael Lynch was appoint d to the Planning Commission. Gerald Bauer, Justin Fischer and Tim Shroyer were named to the Zoning Board of Appeals, with Linda Krieger serving as

an alternate. Sheryl Koury was named to the Library Board. Gary Gudes was appointed to the Historical Commission

Lee BeGole was appointed to the Board of Review. Brian Larson was appointed to the Election Commission. Jerry Ross and Ram Ramachandran were named to the Housing & Community Development Advisory

The city still has one vacancy on the Historical Commission one vacancy on the Public Access Promotion Commission and three vacancies on the Storm Water Management and Watershed Stewardship Committee As for city council members,

committee appointments were mounced at a recent council meeting. Lynne Paul, Bob Gatt and Terry Margolis agreed to be on the Consultant Review

Committee. Kim Capello, Andrew Mutch and Mayor David Landry will serve on the Ordinance Review Committee, with Toni Nagy serving as an alternate. Gatt and Margolis will be on the Rules Committee, along with Landry. Mutch will serve on the

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Southeast Michigan Council of Governments Committee, which meets a couple of times a year, with Paul as an alternate. Nagy will remain on the Capital Improvement Program which Paul will Committee, also serve on.

Landry will serve on the Public Access Promotion Committee, and Nagy will be a member of the Stormwater Management Committee For information on how to apply to volunteer as a member of a city board or commission, call the city clerk's office at



American Legion aids local soldier

Roger and Cheryl Dreasky (center) of Novi accept a \$500 "Thank You"check from the Coalltion to Salute America's Heroes for their son, U.S. Army Sergeant Duane the Coalition to Salute America's Heroes for their son, U.S. Afring Sergeain Datane Joseph Dreasky who is recovering from wounds sustained from his military serv-ice in Iraq. Past American Legion State Commander Norbert J. Schollett (left) of Novi Post 19 made the presentation at the family's home with the assistance of Post 19 Commander Ramon Garcia (right), Also attending the presentation were Post Members Tony Lolli and Herman Helwig.

Sgt. Dreasky, who is recovering from burns over 70 percent of his body from his service in Iraq, is one of 1500 veterans who are 30 percent or more disabled from the war, who have been approved by the Department of Defense to receive a \$500 check from the Coalition to Salute America's Heroes.

The American Legion is a full partner with the Coalition to brighten the holidays of our newest veterans this season. The coalition has obtained the generous support of philanthropists who also want to provide a special recognition for ca's newest veterans.

Smiles for the holidays Dr. Larry Spillane and Dr. Jamie Reynolds want to thank everyone who participated in their Halloween Candy Buy-Back. It was a great success. The patients who turned In andy received \$1 per pound and Spillane & Reynolds Orthodontics matched their unt with a donation to The American Red Cross disaster relief fund. The candy was donated to local charities and nursing

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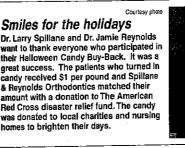
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Treatment Plant. Commerce However. Township was not in a position to allow this connection, By Pam Fleming because the previous agreement

City council approved an amendment to an agreement with Commerce Township Dec. did not include Wolverine Lake. The already alloted sover capacity will include 270 homes 19 that will help Novi's neigh oors to the north in Wolvering Lake. Council members gave their

blessing to an amended Sewer Capacity Exchange Agreement that will provide 270 Wolverine Lake homes with sanitary sewer service. There will be no change,

however, Novi's sewer capacity allowance. Sharon Miller, supervisor, Wolverine Lake, and Thomas Zoner, supervisor, Commerce Township, were present at the meeting. Commerce Township officials recently approached city of Novi officials about amending

the existing 1991 sanitary sewe capacity contract between Nov Commerce Township an Walled Lake. The original contract was an exchange of 2,000 residential

units treatment capacity right been reluctant to approve repairs of the septic systems from Novi to Commerce at the Walled Lake-Novi Waste Water Treatment Plant, Novi, then, was to receive 2,000 units of credit at the South Commerce said. Michigan Department of Waste Water Treatment Plant.

The Village of Wolverine Lake has had septic system failure at several existing homes, which threatens the water quality of Wolverine Lake. "This has become an environ-

"The health department has ly passed the special assessment district. Bonds have been issued, and the residents will pay for the \$300,000 project because the sites are so small along Wolverine Lake," Powell over a 10-year period. Bids have already been taken, construction will start in

January on the project and Wolverine Lake residents Environmental Quality officials had approved the plan but wouldn't issue a permit until Novi and Commerce Township should be able to connect to the

Novi and Commerce Township approved the amended agree-ment. "This will allow the sewer to be installed so residents can tie into the system whenever they "Total and the sever they area to a staff writer Pam Fleming is a staff writer Pam Fleming

mental issue," said Clay Pearson, assistant city manager, city of Novi. The inten the Mc Laughlin's & Thomasville of N 11 1 161 7

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more than 100 square feet, th

resident must tie into the sys

tem, according to Powell, "A couple of residents can't even live in their homes because

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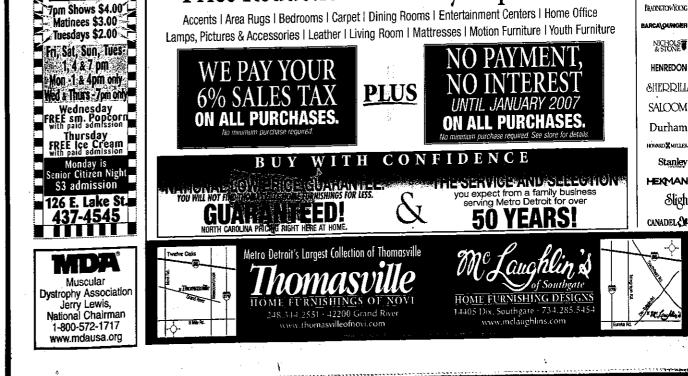
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Going out of business

A number of stores in metro Detroit are running liquidation sales, including Sidney Krandall & Sons Jeweiry, Jimmic's Rustics, Casual Corner/Petite Sophisticate. Newton Furniture, Media Play and Bailey Banks & Biddle jeweiry at Twelve Oaks in Novi. Builey Banks & Biddle is liquidating its store with 40 percent to 70 exercised of investors. By Pam Fleming STAFF WRITER

percent off jewelry and watches. Mervyn's department store in Novi is conducting their going-out-of

Mereyn's supartited i store in Nov's conducting their guilegue of business sales. Overall store prices are 55 percent to 65 percent of the original prices. Mereyn's plans to close all 15 Michigan stores by Pebruary. Other Mereyn's locations include, Ann Arbor, Burton, Dearborn, Flint, Lansing, Livonia, Madison Heights, Okemos, Pontiac, Portage, Taylor, Warren and Westland.

Helping the homeless

Seven Oakland County non-profit agencies will receive over \$2.9 million in federal dollars in 2006 to provide transitional and perma-nent supportive housing to homeless families and individuals in the

In January 2005, 1,300 students were being served by Oakland Intermediate School District's homeless student education program. By January 2006, the final phase of a homeless management informa-tion system will be instituted to help homeless families in the county get back on their feet.

Detroit's official Bud Bowl memorabilia

As anticipation for professional football's championship game builds in the Motor City, the nation's largest brewer is fueling the excitement by introducing commemorative Budweiser and Bud Light bottes featuring the Bud Bowl Detroit logo. Approximately 3.7 million collectible Bud Bowl Detroit bottes are destined for Detroit and major cities across the state. Sale to retailers

began Monday, and the bottles will be available in bars, restaurants, began Monday, and the bottles with the available in bars, restaurants, supermarkets and convenience stores. Budweiser has sponsored the Detroit Lions for more than 25 years, and also sponsors 28 of the 32 NFL teams.

Health care for UAW

United Auto Workers members working at Ford Motor Co. recently oved a health care deal that will cut Ford's annual expenses by \$850 million. The UAW announced the plan passed with a 51-percent

Compuware settles with IBM

Terms of the settlement agreement between IBM Corp. and Compuware Corp, were recently amended and clarified in a Compuware filing with the U.S. Securities and Exchange

Commission. Originally, it was announced that IBM could license \$140 million of Compuware software during a four-year period and offered to pur-chase \$250 million of Compuware services over four years. According to the amended filing, IBM will license \$140 million of Compuware software and maintenance over a five-year period.

Relocation for TCF

TCF Bank Michigan will move its headquarters from Ann Arbor to Livonia as soon as construction is completed on a three-story, 60,000-square-foot building in the College Park office complex on Haggerty Road near Six Mile. The move will involve more than 250 employees from the former Ann Arbor headquarters, at the former Great Lakes Bank Building.

Corner development in Rochester

Birmingham-based Curtis Properties Group L.L.C. is developing a 120.000-square-foot shopping center in Rochester that will include a 50,000-square-foot Page Joe Scorrect Market Scheduled to open in April. The \$30 million development at the northwest corner of Rochester and Tienken roads is to include Starbucks, Cold Stone Creamery, Rite Aid, a health and funess club called Fitness 19 and a steak and

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Snow fort fashioned



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Andrew Schmid, center, got some help building this snow-based big ape (with a blonde doll on his left arm) in his Novi lawn. Helpers include Bailey Durham, Eddie Andrew Schmid, a Ford Motor Co. engineer who lives in Novi, recently built a snow fort in his front yard that looks a lot like the big gorilla made popular by this year's holiday blockbustor. For those who aren't familiar with the storyline, "King Kong" is a tale of a gorilla who was brought to New York City as "The Filehth Roney, Elise, Bethany and Jacod Schmid, Christian Durham and Samuel Gillman. young," he said. "We do it every

so neighborhood children can crawl played the damsel in distress. so acignionicol entraren can crawi through the snow structure. "The first day we spent about three hours on it," Schnid said. "Now we spend about an hour a filst gord the damsel in distress. Last year, the family made a structure featured a puppy with its head on the ground. Last year, the family made a year." He noted that his son is getting structure featured a puppy with its bad or the source of th

day working on it." Schmid got help building the snow fort from son, Jacob, 10, a fifth-grader at Northville Christian School, and daughters, Elise, 8, and body and tail also, but somebody stepped on it and destroyed it. By the boot size, I'd say it was an older Bethany, 6, who are both home

kid. Schmid said they start by piling up the snow, and then they dig the "We're thinking about putting a doll by one of his arms," Schmid

The "arms" of King Kong are said, to represent the original two tunnels that actually connect. movie's actress, Fay Wray, who

schooled

New York City as "The Eighth Wonder of the World" exhibit. He

escapes from his captors, however, and scoops up a damsel in distress

The Schmid family started mak-

ing their King Kong-inspired fort on Dec. 18 and had to use most of the snow in their front yard off of Mill Road Court.

in the process

head on the ground. "The tunnel was the mouth, and the two paws were on either side of its head," Schmid said. "We made a snow sculptures even more. "You get a lot of exercise and fresh air, and we enjoy doing it — just being outside. It's surprising how much warner it is inside the

snow tunnels." Schmid said a couple of neigh horhoods kids, Eddie and Christian, helped, with this year's King Kong snow sculpture.

"It was a lot of fun making it," Schmid said. "We had a blast." "It reminds people of being



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No resolutions for Top 10 New Year's resolutions 2006, just life goals

doctor to lose the weight," said the 86-year-old, "I know it will be better for my health in the long

Greenstone said her goal is to

cut back on sweets and cut out

bread from her diet altogether. "It's good to make goals," she said, "but even if they aren't com-

pletely accomplished, the point is

to enjoy life. "We should all just make the

Seniors make and break their resolutions too

By Tracy Mishler staff writer

best of everything, resolution t Marshal Pickell wants to stop chasing girls in 2006. The 75-year-old Fox Run resi-dent said he's ending the chase for his new year's resolution because Moving on in 2006 he can't quite seem to catch them. "I can't even remember what to do if | catch one." Pickell said. "What am I going to say, "will you come home and wash my dirty which s "I had my first girlfriend at 13 years old," Pickell said, "and I've been married for 53 years, My wife says more power to me, but I think it's time to give it up." Many seniors, including Pickell, are writing down their own for health reasons. resolutions for the new year, and next will rey and stick to them. Ruth Greenstone said skie plans to lose at least five pounds for the intervention of the state knew I had to.

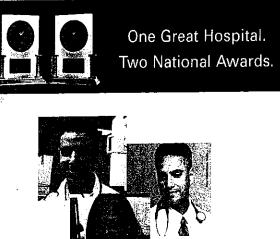


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Tuesday 1/3 9 a.m. make goals all year long, not just 9 a.m. 9:30 a.m. during the beginning of the year. "New year's resolutions only last about two hours," said the 84-10 a.m. 1) a.m.-1 p.m.Computer Lab open

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year-old, "then you're back to doing the same old thing." Robert Kirby doesn't bother with new year's resolutions. Former radio voice Ernie "I made a resolution when I was younger to stop drinking," said the 76-year-old, "That was 40 Harwell said his new year's reso lution is to not make a new year's years ago, and I didn't last very resolution "] just want to keep moving on," said Harwell, 88, "I don't Kirby said instead of setting his goals in the beginning of a year, he decided to stop drinking on his need a resolution to tell me to "People break resolutions every year," he said. "I stopped when I themselves both physically and mentally."

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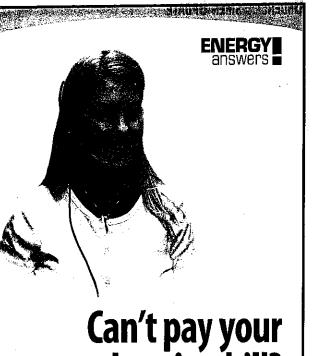
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scores big goal in victory over Northville

By Ramez Khuri STAFF WRITER

lost to the South Lyon Lions 9-0, it was obvious a change needed to be made. It really wasn't "Rousseou's team" at the time, but the Novi High Wildcats ice hockey squad soon became much of his respon

including a loss to the rival Northville Mustangs. The change came right before the two teams' second meeting of the season, and it seemed to pay off, as Novi won But a humble Rousseau, who scored a goal in that game, will be quick to tell you that his appointment to captain really had nothing to do with the win. "The start of the season was pretty tough on us, but we came ogether as a team for that game," e said. "I don't think we were playing well together before, but sucked it up against we sucker Northville." After the contest, the pumped-up Wildcats hit the locker room and talked about the victory as After the Unit the locker room and talked about the victory as being a possible turning point to what was shaping out to be a dis-"1 just got into it, just barely what was shaping out to be a dis-appointing season. And Rousseau is taking his new

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UNDERCLASSMEN UPDATE

Freshman basketball

On Dec. 13 the freshman basketball team trav eled to Westland to play John Glenn and fell, 61-45. The first quarter started off quickly as John Glenn The init quarter stated on query ar out of the out-pushed the ball up the court very well as they jumped out to an early 15-4 first quarter lead. This was a sign of things to come for the entire evening. During the second quarter the Wildets dug in and played tough, and won the quarter 15-11 to head into halftime down 26-19. During the third quarter it was back and forth with both teams making small runs, however in the ehd they made a quick 6-0 run to end the third to take a 40-30 lead heading into to end the third to take a 40-50 teal relating into the final quarter. During the final quarter John Glenn continued to push the ball very well as they scored 21 points in the final stage to take the game 61-45. Novi had 13 of their 15 players score in the game. They were led by Danny Kilger, who had 10 points, Max Wojczyk with seven points and Tyler Wenson had two points and seven rebounds. The 'Cots are now 1-1. 'Cats are now 1-1.

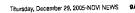
Junior varsity basketball

The Novi IV improved their record to 1-1 by defeating Westland John Glenn last Tuesday, 54-39. defeating Westland John Ciren filst (Desudy, 34-5). The Wildcats, only leading by one at half, broke open the game with an 18-7 third quarter. The 'Cats were paced by freshman Miles Reichley's 12 points, which were all scored in the second half. Other top scorers were Mark Heard and Nick Pagano cach with 10 points. Tyler Mouch recorded seven rebounds while Collin Crandell had four steals. 47. In their first league game of the year, the Shamrocks rolled Notre Dame Prep, 61-48. In a wild, come back win the JV Wildcats defeated Walled Lake Central last Friday, 56-53. The









When Steve Rousseau's team sibility, as Coach Dan Phelps appointed him captain. The team had a 2-6 record, Novi Wildcats captain Steve Rousseau had this East Grand Rapids player shaking in his skates as he fired the puck on goal last school year. the team and everyone looks up to you," Rousseau said. "I make sure we're all ready for games and on time for everything. I also tead stretches." "He's just awesome," Rousseau Novi didn't have a captain before number 15 was awarded the "C" by his coach. In fact, Rousseau was a bit surprised at how late in the season the appointment came. time for everything. I also lead

how late in the season the appointment came. Rousseau believes that it could it in the season the Rousseau believes that it could cither play club or junior bockey. Rousseau believes that it could have been his rich hockey back-ground that allowed him to posses the skills needed to receive the the started playing hockey what was shaping out to be a dis-appoining season. being able to skate, and playing all And Rousseau is taking his new responsibility as captain very seri-ously in trying to make sure that happens. In the state of playing all played travel hockey, and triple A hockey." In addition. Rousseau enjoys

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Our fundamental purposes are to enhance the lives of our readers, nurture the home towns we serve and contribute to the business success of our customers.

WHERE WE STAND

HAVEN funding cut: Victims still need support

If you think domestic violence, sexual assault and child abuse are non-existent in an affluent community like Novi, think again.

This city was third only to Pontiac and Royal Oak in the number of clients served last year by HAVEN -Help Against Violent Encounters Now, a non-profit organization that provides assistance to these victims in Oakland County.

Last month, Novi City Council voted to give HAVEN a Community Development Block Grant of \$9,500 - down from the previous year's \$16,000. "We always ask for funds equivalent to how many people used our services," said Meredith Newman,

development associate for How to help KAVEN HAVEN. The block grants are a 🔳 \$25 provides 3 cab "huge chunk" of the orgafares for rape survivors or families escaping violence nization's funding, according to Newman. Money \$50 purchases a family of puppets to help children tell their stories of abuse and also comes from a large sexual assault

base of longtime individual supporters, companies 🖬 \$100 buys sweat suits and corporations, other to provide dignity to 4 sexual governmental funding and assault survivors who must give their clothing as evitwo large, annual fund-

dence raisers. \$500 pays for a court Although Newman said advocate throughout the Novi's cut is an "unpleaslegal process for a child vicant surprise," she said timized by assault there will be no effect on Call (248) 334-1284 and

the services HAVEN propledge your support. vides, "We don't turn clients away. We'll have to cut back possibly on pro-

gramming and einch our budget belt." The grants are so important to HAVEN that two full

days are spent training staff members who will make the appeals to communities for funds. In the 2004-05 fiscal year, 153 people in Novi were

served by HAVEN. Royal Oak served 217 and Pontiac, which is where the organization is based, served 1.042. Here's how HAVEN serves victims through treat-

ment and prevention services, according to the City of Novi Web site:

"The Novi Police Department works with HAVEN to insure that victims are aware of the programs and services available. Police officers investigating abuse cases provide HAVEN paniphlets to victims and explain the services available. Officers can have police dispatchers contact HAVEN when they are with a victim of domestic or physical abuse if requested and a HAVEN representative responds to the location to speak with the victim."

The programs HAVEN offers include a 24-hour crisis and support line; counseling; i battering; residential shelter; supervised parenting time: advocacy; START (Safe Therapeutic Assault Response Team); and community education and prevention. With the year ending, you may be looking for a worthy non-profit organization to make a taxdeductible donation to. We feel HAVEN provides a necessary service in Novi, and would be a great choice for your contribution.

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worse, a potential dictatorship and the end of this republic as we

Congress and the judiciary must act to restore the basic principle

that we, even the president, all live by the rule of law both in times of peace and time of danger. Otherwise the brave soldiers who fought at Valley Forge and who are now fighting to bring democracy to Iraq

Walter Sobczak

The end of our Republic?

Will the title of our presidential anthem change from "Hail to the Chief" to "Hail to Caesar" if our congressional leaders do not stand up to Mr. Bush's multiple violations of his inaugural oath to uphold the Constitution?

By repeatedly authorizing spying on ordinary Americans without the safeguard of judicial approval, Mr. Bush has crossed a metaphori-cal Rubicon. This can only lead to an imperial presidency, or even

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Will dramatic change spark rebound?

tively near future.

henefits.

Joining Lukas Barnes, center, on sieds are Trevor Budzynski, left and Garrett Quick. The teens, all 14, were sledding on a small hill near Meadowbrook on one of their first days off during Christmas break.

Remember the old adage that it's always darkest just before sand little cuts.) Cole is absolutely right, of course. The entire auto industry (and much of manufacturing, for that matter) is in the middle dawn? I'm inclined to believe that the potential for a real revival of our economy is lurking under the superficial but very of an enormous transformation of its old business model. nainful surface froth on our There are three main compo-

present economic misery. As evidence, consider this The role of organized labor.
 A globalized economy means the United Auto Workers' The bad news is that there is an enormous crisis in the auto mobile industry; it's a terrific union has lost the ability to define wages and benefits. It could do that back when challenge to the state, the the auto industry was a closed



Give 'em a break!

Today's economic realities a sense of urgency that will help get will require labor and management to collaborate if both are Phil Power to survive. · The nature of work and some things done in the industry that need-

pay. The days are over when high school dropouts could earn a good wage as an essen-tially unskilled auto worker. ed to be done for a long, long That's the word from David Today's manufacturing requires

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Cole, the highly respected president of the Center for different. workers with a minimum twoyear degree from a community college, and most guess that the high productivity, flexible Automotive Research. Cole's point is that if you want to get big and important things done, it often takes a crisis to mot manufacturing of the near future will require a four-year college degree. Today, it is vate people to make tough "My biggest fear about what high skills that are needed to could happen to the domestic auto industry." Cole says, "is for people not to take suffilead to high productivity, and high productivity makes high wages economically possible • Competition. In the old ciently radical steps to get the days, auto companies competed industry back on its feet. "The worst thing that could happen is to wake up some day and discover the entire industry to bring their own unique design and engineering features to their products. But going it Icnance. Manage

New Year's resolutions: What if there wasn't a next year?

both think it's a great arrange So you see Ford and General Cole thinks plants like

Motors collaborating on devel-oping a new six-speed automat indee represent a hopeful future for the auto industry. c transmission, and DaimlerChrysler, GM and Even though the 2007 contracts BMW working together on hybrid technology for use on etween the Big Three and the UAW are in effect being re-negotiated right now, it's more likely that Dundee-like larger vehicles. Cole calls this development

"coopetition," and it's likely to become the norm in the relaarrangements will bubble up from the bottom as local plant managers and union local lead As a sign of what the future ers realize there is much more of the auto industry might look to be gained from collaboration than from conflict.

like. Cole points to the joint I suspect that when we come venture between DaimlerChrysler (Germany), to write the history of this peri-Mitsubishi Motors Corp. (Japan) and Hyundai Motor Co. (Korea). od, we will realize the tipping point was the Delphi bankrupt-cy. It challenged the notion that Located in union-friendly great big companies would sur Dandee in Monroe County, the vive forever, regardless of what Global Engine Manufacturing Alliance employs a couple of hundred UAW members who happened to their costs or the market. In a slightly perverse sense, it's the UAW leadership earn standard union wages and that is the greatest beneficiary

of Delphi's restructuring, because it made it crystal clear that it can no longer be busi-But nearly everything else is The minimum requirement ness as usual. for a production employee is a two-year community college degree; many workers have

There's an old line that aptly catches today's requirement fo collaboration, "Better to be in

EDUCATION

Coffee Express teaches lifelong lessons

School staff gets to buy vummy treats to

aet them through the day By Ramez Khuri

It started about five years ago when Novi Middle School's Parent Teacher Organization donated some funds to the special

education department. The idea to do a "Coffee Express" program was born when that money was used to purchase cooking utensils and of course.

coffee

and finance, gets into the act by purchasing a yummy treat from Novi Middle School's coffee expres students. Today, the program funds itself. with most of the money going back into it. This year was special. Pictured here are Garrett Racicot (pointing), Taqueria Jones, Alison Scott, Koster and Carmen Sims. towever, as a portion of the raised young adults and develop somefunds were donated to Relay for

Barbara Herbst, special education para professional, explained that "Coffee Express" is used as benefits students by giving then part of the students curriculum to the chance to interact with adults be dens used as the end of the students of the students of the chance to interact with adults and the chance to interact with adults be dens used as the end of the students of the students of the students of the chance to interact with adults and the chance to interact with adults the chance to interact with adults and the students of the students of the students of the students of the chance the students of the stud read recipes, and use math in making change and handling

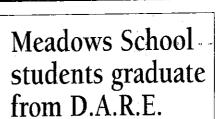
"Good Morning Detroit!"

WXYZ, Channel 7 weather man Dave Rexroth was at Partoview Elementary School Dec. 13. Mrs. Ukrop's second grade class, along with one student from every other second grade class partici-pated in the school shout out. The children learned about what Rexroth does and a little about televi sion. The school was told they will be on television some time after the holiday break. When Rexroth chooses an elementary school, he comes out to meet the students and asks them to say what school they're from, then everyone yells "Good Morning Detroit."



"Thank you for the Gift of Reading!" The students of Deerfield Elementary School donated books to Walt Whitman Elementary School in Pontiac as part of their November/December Community Service Project.





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children.

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Novi police, Details Bryan Finnerty, Drug Abuse
Resistance Education was stress lessons started in 1983 by the on resisting Los Angeles Police Department, in coopera drug use tion with the Los Angeles Intermediate School

By Ramez Khuri It's only been about a month since the Novi Police Department hosted a movie and drug education lock-in for

 D.A.R.E. was taught to over 560 sixth graders Novi High students. And now the boys in blue at Novi Meadows Elementary School this are at it again. This time Novi's finest, with fall, bringing the total the help of former professional soccer player Bryan "Goose" Finnerty, focused their efforts on the sixth graders of Novi number of Novi students that have participated to over 5,000 in the last 10 Meadows as they hosted their

vears. annual Drug Abuse Resistance Education Graduation. "Make no mistake, we are the students were asked to write an essay on what they thought D.A.R.E. was all about. They

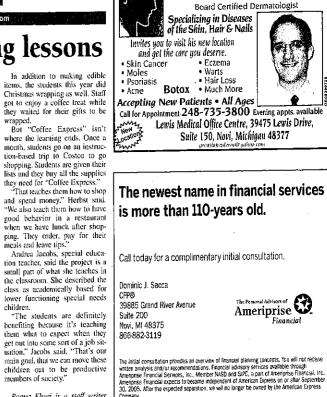
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The Novi Police

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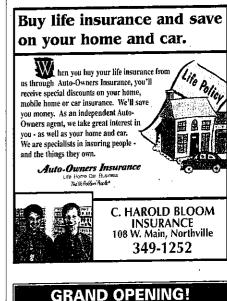
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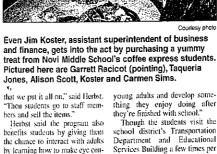
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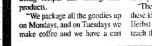


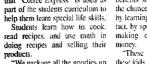
that we put it all on," said Herbst. by learning how to make eye con-tact, by speaking properly and by

year, they pretty much stick to their own turf — the Middle

read recipes, and use that in making change and intermine the out the true to the products. products, and or use the fire skills that it reats that appeal to every these kids will need in the future, it reats that appeal to every these kids will need in the future, it cacher's appetite, such as choco-on Mondays, and on Tuesdays we fire thest said. "We're trying to late covered pretzels and them how to be successful Christmas candies.

elp them learn special life skills. Students learn how to cook.





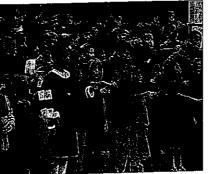
four-year degrees. There are the train than on the tracks few work rules: workers are Here's hoping everybody pays attention - and here's hoping your holidays are merry cross-trained and work in teams, so there is essentially only one job classification and bright. Outside suppliers, some

union and some nonunion, pro Phil Power is a longtime vide some 45 different bu observer of politics, eco and education issues in nomics services to the plant, including Michigan. He would be pleased building and equipment mainto hear from rea ders at ppowment topsiders and leaders of UAW Local 723, which represents the workers, er@hcnnet.con

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Hot times in the cold school

Novi Meadows fifth graders celebrated their "Hawaiian Spirit Day" recently. Even though the temps were close to 0 outside, the kids got into the Hawaiian Spirit inside.



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'Peace!'

he four kindergarten classes at Novi Woods ry School, led by music teacher Julia Saeli, erformed many holiday songs for their parents.

extremely committed to the education awareness and prewere told the top three essays tion effort when it comes to would win medals, and the winteaching our young people to ning authors may read their work in front of classmates during the stay away from not only drugs graduation. Novi Police detective Kevin but also to violence, alcohol and tobacco," said Novi Police

Chief David Molloy. Meadows principal Dr. Tim Rhea said because there were so many good essays, four students won medals instead. Falls told students during the won m "I wanted to do this becaus event though it was called D.A.R.E. Graduation, they wanted to get up in front of al my classmates and show my talshouldn't think of it as the end. " said Matthew Keam He said the message of not sixth grader chosen as one of th doing drugs should stay in their ninds the rest of their lives. four. "I wasn't nervous. I just Finnerty, former goalie for the read my essay like I would any

Detroit Rockers, agreed Molloy was happy to receive "It's all between your cars," he such strong support from the stu said, "It's a mental game, much like pro sports at the professional Olympic level all the way down dents and staff of Nov Meadows. to what we're doing on the fields "We are extremely proud to be here," he said. "Thi are. If you're prepared mentally, the rest will take care of itself." an outstanding job in embracing Finnerty explained many times kids think they must have a this program. Ramez Khuri is a staff writer book in front of them, or a sheel for the Novi News. He can be reached at (248) 349-1700, with all the answers, but the truth they know the answers ext. 110 or by e-mail at rkhuri@gannett.com. A few weeks before the event

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Tis the season to make and break new year's resolutions. Each year,

we all make some sort of resolution to do better than Q the last. Whether it be quitting smoking, los-

ing weight spending less money or **Tracy Mishler** may exercise for a week, yet

sometime later you end up eating one cookie, which turns into two simply being kinder to others, we

all say we'll stick to it, but most of us don't. When the clock strikes mid-So much for that resolution. "My doctor told me I was going Setting your mind on doing something can be very restrictive We all tend to feel bad because night Saturday, instead of comutting to something for a week. taybe we should all reflect on the we broke our resolutions, but paths we are taking in this world. That may sound strange, but then you think, there is always next year. What if there wasn't a next throughout the year you've said, 'I need to lose 20 pounds.' year? George James, 96, of Novi, said he doesn't have much time left in his lifetime, but he plans Just like everyone else, you

"I've decided to be more polite

to make the best of it.

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to live to 100 and I believe that I was a real hellion when I was young, and although I said I was going to straighten up, it took a long time. James said it wasn't until he married his wife and had a child that he turned his life around. "I've lived a long time, and we should all learn that life is precious and we should treat others the way we want to be treated

and take care of ourselves more?

alone today is just too expen-

and nice to everyone," James said

With only a few days left in 2005, this is a good time to sit trend during the first of the year, you should take the time to care about yourself all year long. back and reflect on the things on can do and stick to in you Just like James. I want to live a ng time and the only way to do that is set realistic goals, be If you want to quit smoking, stop talking about and do it. polite to those around you and ake care of yourself. I'm at fault myself for saying If you don't care about your 1'll do something and never com mitting to it. We all have to think about our wn life, who else will own lives once in a while.

Tracy Mishler is a staff writer It's good to do something for ourself, and although new for the Novi News. She can be reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. year's resolutions tend to be the 107, or at tmishler@gannett.com.

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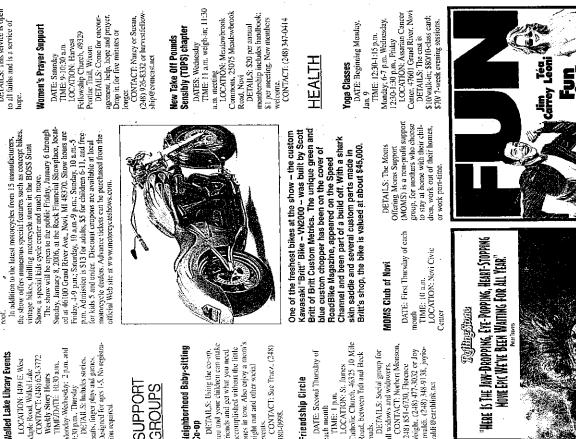
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Give the Gift of Reading DETAILS: Novi Public Library is a collection pairi for The Gift of Reading program sponsored by the Reading programs. New books suit-able for reading to children up to age 6 can be dropped off at the library through today.

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Home Owners Do You Know... About

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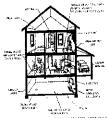


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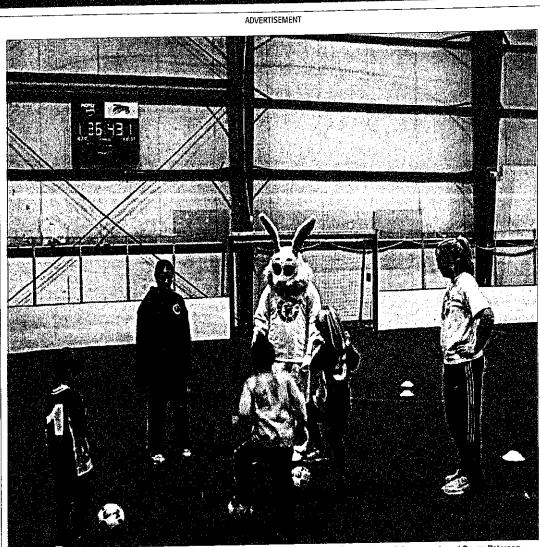
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Facing from left, Jen D'Annunzio, director of the Lli Kickers program at Total Sports Complex, "Hoppy" the mascot, and Casey Peterson, one of the coaches, instruct the children in one of the classes.

Total Sports Complex

Facility offers Lil' Kickers Child Development Program, lacrosse, soccer, baseball, softball, flag football and roller hockey

The Total Sports Complex in Wixom is more than largest indoor venue for sports and athletic training in the area. The versatile facility also offers the nationally renowned Lil' Kickers child development

program. Lil' Kickers is a non-competitive, introductory soccer and movement skills program that teaches kids about life through soccer. The program was originally developed by a child psychologist and is now available locally at the Total Sports

Complex. The Lil' Kickers program is designed for boys and girls from 18 months to nine years old with several levels of classes for 10-12 weeks. The 40 to 50-minute classes are available on a variety of days and times including weekday mornings and afternoons or Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1

p.m. "They are structured classes with constant changes to keep the kids' interest,' said Jen D'Annunzio, director of the Lil' Kickers program at Total Sports Complex. "It's a comfortable atmosphere and we have great camaraderie among our staff." Total Sports Complex invites parents to bring their children and try the first class for free. With nearly 200 participants, the program currently has openings at most age levels with open enrollment for all classes. "It's a wonderful program that helps build the child's self esteem while developing happier and healthier kids," said Ericka Lipman of West Bloomfield, whose 3-year old son Ryan is enrolled in Lil' Kickers.

seeing improvement in his physical skills," Lipman said.

Parents are required to participate in the "Bunnies" class for 18-24 month olds and "Thumpers" class for 2 to 3-year olds. The classes are designed to develop balance, listening and physical coordination skills, while teaching ball and soccer movements.

The most popular "Hoppers" class for 3 to 4-year olds introduces the concepts of teamwork and co-operation with some non-competitive soccer games. The "Jackrabbits" class is designed for kids in that age group with some soccer experi-ence and the "Big Feet" DETAILS class for 5 and 6-year olds

who have not played soccer. Non-competitive, developmental micro leagues are offered for 4 to 9-year olds with some soccer experience. Advanced clinical leagues are available for 6 vear olds

Lipman also hopes to offer music, art, and parent-toddler classes for preschoolers in the future there. For more information, contact Ericka at 248-360-1323.

Total Sports Complex is planning a Summer Camp program for children to run from mid-June through August. It would begin with a breakfast club at 7:30 a.m., include morning and afternoon programs, and offer extended day care from 3 to 6 p.m. for working parents. A brochure with complete details about the summer camp will be available in February.

The facilities at Total Sports Complex

are second to none, featuring the only indoor full-size soccer and lacrosse fields in Michigan. The 220,000 square-foot facility also includes 3 indoor soccer rinks, one inline skating rink, 3 batting cages, 10 baseball instructional tunnels, and a 70,000 square-foot dome with

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The curriculum for the Lil' Kickers program is developed by licensed coaches and child development professionals who conduct the classes. All classes are limited in size to provide low coach-to-child ratios

We encourage men to bring their kids on Saturday. It's a wonderful opportunity for dads to bond with their kids," said D'Annunzio.

Lipman, who teaches sign language from birth to two-year olds, is planning to hold a Baby Signs® class at Total Sports Complex beginning Feb. 3. She says the program allows children to communicate before they can talk.

an additional soccer field.

The facility also houses a Total Performance Training Center staffed with athletic and personal trainers to help amateur athletes improve their skills and conditioning or any person to stay physically fit.

Total Sports Complex offers clinics in baseball, softball, soccer and lacrosse with competitive play in soccer, lacrosse and inline or roller hockey. Many local athletes use the facilities to workout during off-seasons as well.

In addition to all the sports facilities, there is a snack bar and full-service bar and restaurant, the Total Sports Grille.

All programs begin the first week in January 2006. For more information about them, visit the Web site at www.totalsportscomplex.com or call (248) 669-9817.



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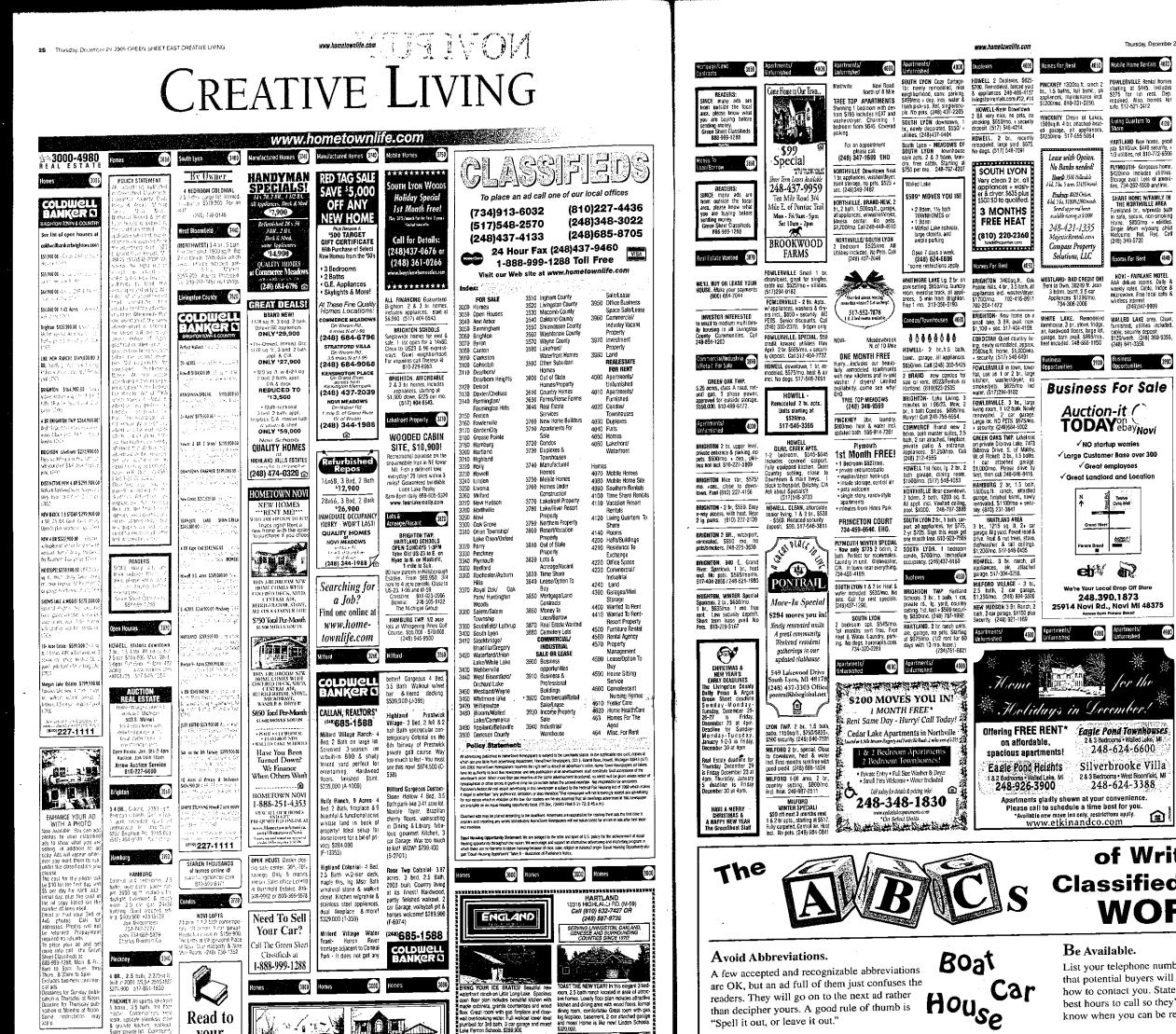


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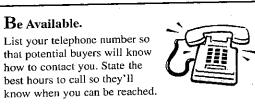




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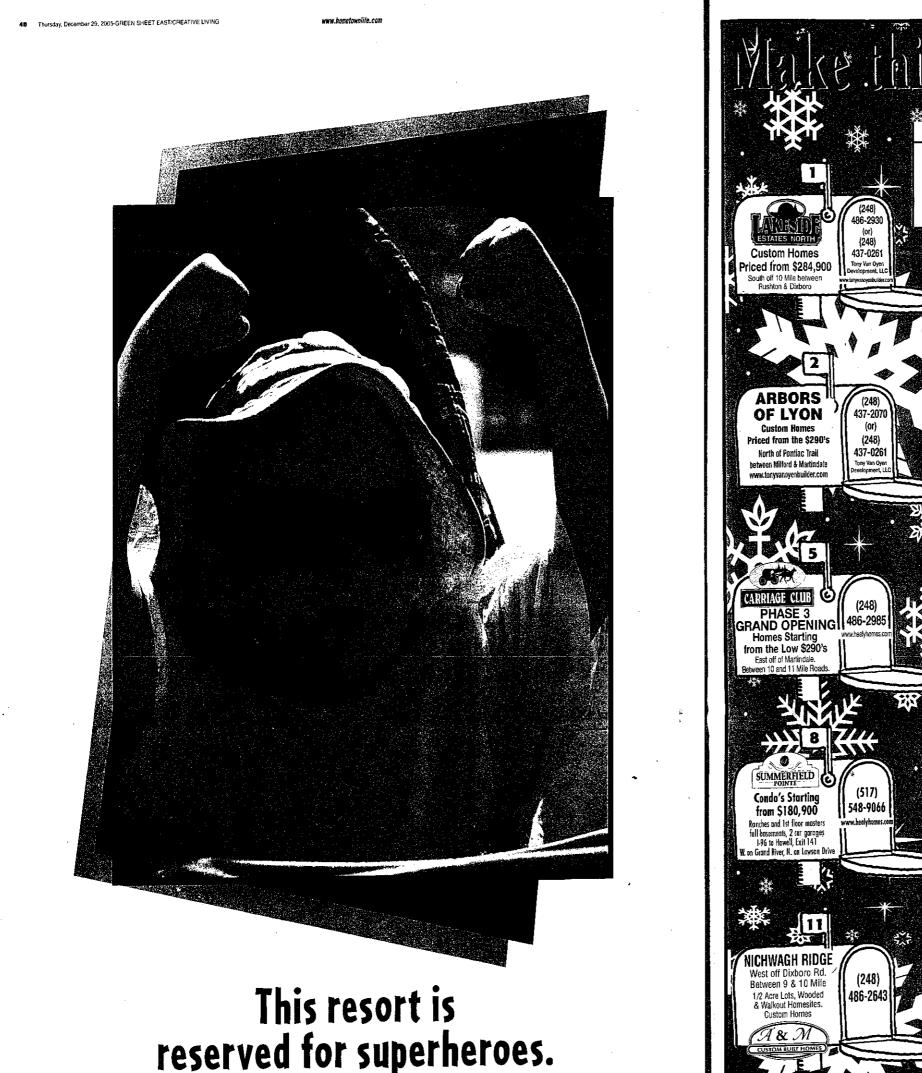
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