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Robert Russel Novak believes \$1 million homes may be constructed in Novi in the near future

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## Million-dollar homes? Novak seeks to build luxury housing

By PHILIP JEROME  
managing editor

Million-dollar houses? In Novi? It could happen... and it could happen in the not too distant future, according to Robert Russel Novak. Novak, 45, describes himself as an "architect/builder." And he's currently developing three custom homes on a parcel of land at the rear of the Carriage Hills subdivision. All the homes in the "Woods of Carriage Hills" have been privately contracted at prices ranging upward from \$600,000. One of the homes currently under construction is a 4,700 square foot multi-level which will expand another 2,500 square feet "by the time we enclose the swimming pool and whirlpool area," Novak said. Estimated price tag — \$800,000. "I believe in designing houses for the individual," said Novak, a big

man with a blondish red beard, whose typical garb is blue jeans and cowboy boots.

"Another house in the Woods of Carriage Hills will have four bathrooms and four fireplaces along with a sauna, steam room and exercise room. A third house will have a billiards room and a three-hole putting green in the basement.

"The owner likes to play billiards and he likes to golf. We're designing the house for his individual tastes and interests.

"When you're building \$700,000 and \$800,000 houses now, the possibility of custom-designed million-dollar homes is not that farfetched," he added.

Although housing costs in Novi are generally considered quite high, an assessment of the city's housing stock reveals that there are relatively few homes in what might be considered the "luxury" category. Several city council members

have expressed interest in promoting luxury housing in Novi, and one — Edward Leininger — has even talked about creating an "estate" zoning classification to encourage more housing in the \$500,000-and-up range.

The relative dearth of luxury housing in Novi has been recognized in some members of the real estate industry. Nancy Meininger, a Realtor-Associate with the Livonia-based Michigan Group, is one of them.

In a press release sent to the media and other Realtors about Novak's "Woods of Carriage Hills" development, Meininger speaks to the city's reputation regarding luxury housing.

"Surprised to hear of houses in this price range in Novi?" she asks in the press release. "So was I. Yet it seems so sensible with the outstanding school system there, and business and residential

climate so favorable."

Novak believes part of the city's image problem regarding luxury homes is self-imposed. "The biggest limiting factor to luxury housing in Novi is the attitudes of the people in city government," he said.

"I think that they think they can't sell houses for more than \$500,000. When I took in the plans for the houses in the Woods of Carriage Hills, they didn't believe them. Of the three people who are buying those houses, two of them already live in Novi. They wanted to move up to bigger homes, but they didn't want to leave the city because they like the schools and they like the community.

"They came to me because there was nothing available in Novi in the range they were looking," he added.

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## School board draws blast from citizens

By AMY ROSA  
staff writer

Novi School Board President Michael Meyer issued an apology to a resident he characterized as a "negative" person at the Nov. 17 school board meeting.

Meyer issued the apology at the Dec. 1 board meeting following a lengthy, and sometimes heated, exchange between board members and the audience regarding his comments at the Nov. 17 session.

A sizable group of residents attended last week's session to express their dissatisfaction with the board's Nov. 17 decision to remove resident Sally Marchak from a district-sponsored curriculum committee, leading one board trustee to refer to the first half of last week's meeting as "The Sally Marchak Hour."

Marchak, a Novi parent with three children attending district schools, was the topic for most of the meeting. In attendance were 35 parents and residents many of whom were there to demonstrate their support for Marchak.

The board was faced with numerous allegations of wrongdoing over its decision to eliminate Marchak from the curriculum council.

Most of the criticism, however, was aimed at Meyer for telling Marchak at the previous meeting that she was eliminated because she was "too negative" and had

**Meyer: 'I'm a human being. I tried to say an honest answer to a question.'**

been critical of the board in the past.

"I think the minimum the board should do is to make a public apology to Mrs. Marchak and to the public, and make her appointment to the council," said James Shaw, a resident who opened the public comment segment of the meeting.

Shaw, a former Novi City Council member, said it was "painful to be here tonight" to discuss what he saw as the board's "outrageous and unacceptable behavior."

Shaw read a letter in which he criticized Meyer for vilifying Marchak "for having opinions that don't match his." Shaw further charged that the means by which Marchak was removed from the council was "an attempt to circumvent the intent and spirit" of the state's Open Meetings Act.

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## Tragedies alarm city fire fighters

By PHIL GINOTTI  
staff writer

It may or may not happen here.

That's the message from Novi fire officials in the wake of a pair of recent serious fires involving volatile chemical compounds.

Last week, a fire at a Kansas City facility killed six firefighters, when, without warning, flames touched off a gigantic explosion. The material causing the explosion is used in the manufacture of heavy explosives.

One night later, a fire at a plastics factory near Flint Township hospitalized over 200 firefighters as they breathed in smoke laced with toxic gases.

Each incident probably could have been avoided, said Novi Fire Marshal William Conn, the point man for the city's new Hazardous Materials Ordinance.

"Oh, absolutely," Conn said.

"That's what the ordinance is designed to do — prevent these types of things from happening here.

"The only thing I hope is that local businesspeople read the newspaper and took notes on it," Conn said. "Maybe this can help them understand what it is we're trying to do."

Novi Fire Chief Arthur Lenaghan said the Hazardous Materials Ordinance will help to eliminate some of the problem, but that communities will still be at risk from rail and road transport of hazardous materials.

"It's not so much the businesses, but the type of materials that can travel," Lenaghan said. "There are laws that require placarding... but that's interstate travel and we don't have much control over it."

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## Edison officials to replace trees

By PHIL GINOTTI  
staff writer

Detroit Edison will replant vegetation and construct split-rail fencing in the area behind the Carriage Hills subdivision, as a result of a deal struck Monday between residents and utility representatives.

Edison last week cleared a 40-foot swath through the dense Novi woodland near Coventry Road in Carriage Hills in an effort to protect electrical lines that run through the area.

Residents complained, calling the work "excessive." It was stopped by city forestry consultant Linda Lemke last Tuesday (Nov. 29).

"They will be planting a series of fences, shrubs

and trees along that whole woodland area," Lemke said. "The exact number... we're not certain on that yet."

"It's a good compromise," she added. "They were a little bit overzealous in their cutting."

Edison Tree Clearing Foreman Jack Donahue said the utility is eager to enter into the agreement.

"It appears as if there was some miscommunication," he said. "But we hope to be in business for a few years out there... we want to get the work done quickly."

The problem apparently arose over the definition of "scrub" bushes. Edison apparently regards any trees four inches in diameter and under as scrub, while the city's definition is ac-

tually much lower.

"Our definition of scrub and theirs is a lot different," Donahue said.

"Their definition is very generous," Lemke said. "Now we know the difference between how we define it and how they define it."

The utility informed residents that it would be removing scrub several weeks ago, but many believed that they were only taking out smaller growths.

Usually, such work would have to be approved by the city. Residents and developers are basically barred from removing trees in mapped woodlands without prior approval.

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## Super swimmer

Gwen Rowlands failed in her quest for an individual championship, but did post a pair of top-three finishes to lead the Novi swim team to its best-ever finish at the state swimming meet. See Page 1D for more details.

## Goodfellows set to hit the streets

"No family without a Christmas."

That's the motto of the Novi Goodfellows, who will be taking to the streets this Saturday, Dec. 10, to sell special complimentary editions of The Novi News to raise funds for their charitable activities.

Jeff Littleton, a member of the Novi Fire Department and chairman of the 21-member Novi Goodfellows, said volunteers will hit the streets Saturday at 9 a.m. and continue working until all papers have been sold.

Goodfellows will be located in front of Twelve Oaks Mall at Novi Road and West Oaks Drive as well as the following intersections — Twelve Mile/Meadowbrook Road, Ten Mile/Meadowbrook Road and Grand River/Novi Road.

The Goodfellows say any donation for the complimentary

newspaper will be accepted and encourage residents to donate generously.

Proceeds from the sale will be used to help the Goodfellows meet their goal of making sure that everyone in Novi is able to enjoy a happy Christmas.

Littleton reported that the Goodfellows raised approximately \$8,000 last year and served approximately 23 families.

Each family receives a food basket containing all the fixings for a complete Christmas breakfast and a complete Christmas dinner.

"We give them everything they need from pancake mix for breakfast to a turkey with all the trimmings for dinner," said Littleton.

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## Board honors Osborne

Novi High School football coach John Osborne was honored at last week's board of education meeting for leading the Wildcats to a 10-2 record and winning the Kensington Valley Conference and MHSAA Class A Regional championships.

Osborne's Wildcats also made it to the Class A semi-finals before losing to the eventual state champions from Traverse City in Grand Rapids two weeks ago.

Osborne, who boasts a 121-77 career record as the only football coach in the history of Novi High School, was selected as Michigan High School Football Coach of the Year. He was also chosen as the Detroit Free Press Suburban Coach of the Year.

After receiving congratulations from Superintendent Dr. Robert Pivko, Osborne said, "I'm only here because of the kind of kids who played for us."

Added Osborne: "The way our kids played this year, I'm proud of them. I'm impressed by what they were able to do."

He then thanked the other coaches and school board members for their support throughout the season.

## Submit photos by Dec. 29

The deadline for the first-ever Novi Photography contest is Dec. 29, but organizers are hoping photographers wishing to enter the competition submit their pictures before the holidays.

The contest is sponsored by the Novi Arts and Culture Committee and Dunn's Camera of the Twelve Oaks Mall.

Entries can be in black and white or color, but must involve elements of the City of Novi.

The 10 subject areas are children, people, pets, nature, special events, holidays, landmarks, sports, architecture and the Novi Civic Center. Contest rules are available at the Civic Center or at Dunn's Camera at Twelve Oaks.

Interested photographers should call Novi Parks and Recreation (347-0400) or Dunn's Camera at (349-3123) for more information.

Judging will take place in January and all winning entries will be displayed at the Novi Civic Center.



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## Christmas shopper

We're not telling whether she bought it or not. Maybe she did. Maybe she didn't. But it's possible that some lucky person on Jennifer Zimmerman's Christmas list might find this jazzy contemporary magnetic pen-holder with their name on it

Christmas morning. Jennifer, a kindergartner at Novi Woods Elementary School, was one of the youngsters who did some holiday shopping at the Santa's Secret Workshop sponsored by the Novi Woods PTA.

## Cable officials review rate hikes

By PHIL GINOTTI  
staff writer

MetroVision Cable officials say they "will look at" cable rates in January, but thus far have refused to address whether or not Novi users will face a rate increase in the new year.

Cable Company representative Robert McCann said Tuesday that the company is currently waiting until January to make a decision.

"Anytime we make a decision about it, we're going to inform our consumers first," McCann said. "They aren't going to read about it somewhere."

MetroVision last had a rate increase in February, 1987.

System users currently pay \$12.95 for "Tier I" basic service, \$3.25 for a remote unit, and between \$7.55 and \$8.95 for "premium" channels, such as Home Box Office, Showtime, Cinemax, the Disney Channel and the Pro-Am Sports System (PASS).

McCann told cable commissioners in November that MetroVision was investigating a rate increase, but he offered few details in an interview Tuesday afternoon.

"Our rates, to the best of my knowledge, are the best of any system in the Detroit area," McCann said. He called speculation about rate changes "premature," but wouldn't rule out a rate increase for 1989.

Lark Samouelian, Executive Director of the Southwest Oakland County Cable Commission, said she

has received no word of a possible increase.

"MetroVision has been very respectful of the commission... and has always notified us before," Samouelian said. "They have been conservative in regards to rate increases."

The Southwest Oakland County Cable Commission oversees the MetroVision franchise for compliance with a variety of technical standards. Federal law now restricts cable commissions from having any real control over rates or rate structures.

A number of southeast Michigan cable companies have enacted broad rate changes since many regulatory powers were stripped from the cable commissions by federal law in 1986. Cable companies in a number of neighboring communities are expected to raise rates again in early 1989.

Part of the federal law — which went into effect in 1984 — allowed cable franchises to market themselves as free-market enterprises, free of many of the franchise requirements they had agreed to when negotiating with communities.

Approximately 25,000 subscribers are served by MetroVision Cable in the cities of Novi, Farmington and Farmington Hills.

McCann refused to answer questions on the likelihood of an increase in 1989 and also refused to give a date on when a possible decision might be announced.

## Group to conduct candlelight vigil

FARMINGTON — The Oakland County Chapter of Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) will conduct a candlelight vigil at the Nardin Park Methodist Church in Farmington Hills on Monday, Dec. 12, at 7:30 p.m.

The church is located on Eleven Mile, one block west of Middlebelt Road.

The purpose of the vigil is to provide a setting in which family and friends may remember their loved ones who have been killed by drunk drivers.

The names of Oakland County victims of drunk driving crashes during the past year will be read while candles are lit in their memory.

Everyone is invited to attend and support the victim families.

The candlelight vigil also begins a period of "hope for a less violent future" as MADD sponsors other programs and projects during December to prevent holiday drunk driving crashes. Among them is the "Red Ribbon Campaign" in which citizens are encouraged to tie a red ribbon to the mirror on their left car door as a sign that they hope for a safe holiday season and a stop to drunk driving.

Greg Bien, president of the Oakland County MADD chapter, said he hopes that every citizen of Oakland County will support the holiday programs. The candlelight vigil is a great way to say "I care" to the victims, he said.

For additional information or to have a name read during the vigil call 333-3060.

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## Gift of Learning

Students at the Village Oaks Elementary School are helping to make sure that students in other schools and other cities also have a merry Christmas this year. Under the direction of the PTO, the students collected more than 500 books to be donated to the

Gift of Learning program. Fourth graders sat down last Wednesday to wrap the donated books in preparation for sending them ahead to others. The book-wrappers in the foreground are Ann Marie Kent (left) and Jennifer Smith.

## Salvation Army assists local families

This year the Salvation Army's Farmington Hills Corps will again be providing Christmas assistance to families in the Novi (48050) ZIP code area.

Several types of assistance will be offered.

Senior citizens can apply for a food certificate to be mailed directly to their homes before Christmas. Families have a choice of either a food box containing one complete Christmas dinner and one toy (approximate cost of \$5) for every child under 12 or request a food certificate based on the number of people in the family.

Applications for the food certificates must be filed by Dec. 9 and for food and toys by Dec. 14.

Applications will be accepted Wednesday, Dec. 7, from 3:30 p.m. and Monday, Dec. 12, from 1-4 p.m. at the Novi Fire Department Headquarters, 42975 Grand River, Novi.

Applicants must bring the following information:

- Drivers license or Michigan I.D.
- Social Security number
- Birth certificate for children or Medicaid card
- Proof of residence — recent utility bill
- Proof of income — recent pay stub,

unemployment card, Medicaid benefits card

If unable to apply any of those two dates, applications are taken daily from 9 a.m. to noon and 1-4 p.m. at the Farmington Hills Corps located at 27300 Shawwassee on the corner of Inkster and Shawwassee roads. Call 477-1153 for more information.

If you live outside these areas, another Salvation Army Corps is prepared to provide assistance.

It is the purpose of the Salvation Army to help all individuals have an enjoyable and meaningful Christmas season.

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## City admitted to mutual aid group

By PHIL GINOTTI  
staff writer

Novi joined 22 other area communities last week, gaining acceptance into the Western Wayne Mutual Aid Association.

The group, formed three years ago, will make available support personnel in case of a serious emergency. It also will supply communications assistance and a specially trained group to handle hazardous materials incidents.

The last member community, Northville Township, approved Novi's admittance last week.

"It's a good program and obviously it's a pretty big step for us. They've got the equipment to handle the chemical incidents..."

Assistant City Manager Craig Klaver said the city has been pursuing acceptance to the group for several months. Each municipality's governing body had to approve a resolution of support.

"The resources they have make this a natural," Klaver said. "It would be very difficult for us to match the sophistication and the resources that this group has."

The Mutual Aid Association can be activated in any type of fire emergency at the command of the highest ranking Novi officer on the scene, according to Garden City Deputy Chief Frank Pelts — a coordinator of the program.

In addition, each community is required to supply a pair of trained hazardous materials handlers in the event of a spill or emergency.

The group can respond with a hazardous materials unit and a communications vehicle, which are both stored at Detroit Metro Airport in Romulus.

The communications vehicle is a converted recreational vehicle, containing a variety of cellular phones and data transmitting machines.

Klaver said the communications equipment will fill a major need for the city should another disaster like

the Chateau Estates tornado occur.

"In studying it, that was one of our weakest areas," Klaver said.

The Chateau Estates tornado occurred June 21, 1987, killing one, injuring six and causing about \$1.7 million in damage. Inter-agency communications were viewed to be a problem, since many of the emergency crews assisting weren't on the same radio frequency.

"Had you been in Western Wayne then, you could have received all sorts of extra equipment," Pelts said. "It serves all kinds of different situations... hazardous materials just one of them."

The program will cost the City of Novi approximately \$840 (3 cents per capita), plus training fees.

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# Thieves strike new school site

Thieves hit the site of the new elementary school under construction on Eleven Mile, west of Taft Road, taking numerous pieces of construction equipment of undetermined value.

The theft was discovered by an employee of Matheson Mechanical, the plumbing contractor. The employee said unknown individuals took several industrial-type tools sometime between 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 29, and the following day at 7:30 a.m. The equipment had been secured by chains to portions of the unfinished building, according to reports.

Police said it appeared that the responsible parties drove a vehicle up to the building in order to load the equipment. Officers noted further that it would have taken more than one person to handle the scaffolding which was stolen from the site.

Stolen were a threading machine and an unknown number of cutting dyes, two six-foot sections of scaffolding with wheels and aluminum planks, a Sears air compressor and an oil used in conjunction with the threading machine.

VANDALS DID AN estimated \$300 worth of damage to Novi High School at 3908 Taft Road sometime during the Thanksgiving vacation.

A maintenance worker told police he discovered that two sections of the garage door had been smashed in by what appeared to have been a vehicle.

The employee said unknown individuals drove their vehicle into the garage door in the shipping and receiving area, damaging two bottom sections.

THIEVES BROKE into a residence on Roundview in the Dunbarton Pines subdivision sometime on Friday, Nov. 30, and removed a videocassette recorder from an upstairs entertainment center.

The complainant said the videocassette recorder was secure when she left for work at 7:30 a.m. The theft was discovered when her daughter returned home from school at approximately 3 p.m.

Nothing else in the house appeared to have been stolen or disturbed. The Emerson VCR was valued at approximately \$260.

UNKNOWN INDIVIDUALS broke into

## Police Beat

to the William H. Kelly Company at 43600 Grand River and stole the petty cash box. The theft occurred sometime between 6:15 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 1, and 6:40 a.m. the next day.

The complainant said the responsible parties broke into the building and then gained access to the computer room by crawling through the ceiling. He also noted that the thief appeared to know where the cash box was kept because nothing else inside the building was disturbed.

Police reports did not indicate how much money was stolen.

A GROUP OF juveniles is believed responsible for vandalizing an unoccupied apartment in the Beachwalk Apartment Complex on Friday, Dec. 2, at approximately 10:15 p.m.

The complainant told police he observed a group of juveniles walking around the corner of the building holding blankets. The man said he suspected the juveniles might have been trying to break into the first floor of the building which was unoccupied as a result of having been damaged by fire earlier this year.

Investigating officers found a screen lying beneath one of the windows and the patio door standing open in first-story unit.

Upon entering the building, police discovered two pizza boxes containing partially-eaten pizzas in one of the bedrooms. In addition, officers also found pizza sauce smeared on the walls in a bedroom closet.

A BMX BICYCLE was stolen from the parking lot of McDonald's at 21505 Hagerty Road on Wednesday, Nov. 30.

The complainant said his son rode the bike to the school and placed it in the bike rack at 1 p.m. He found it missing when he returned at 3 p.m.

The Euro Schwinn bicycle was valued at \$100.

A WALLET AND several pieces of jewelry were reported stolen from a locker in the Vic Tanny Health Club at 43055 Crescent Drive in the Novi Town Center on Friday, Dec. 2.

The complainant said he placed the

wallet and jewelry in an unlocked locker and proceeded to do his workout. When he returned to the locker room at 6 p.m., he observed that someone had placed a padlock on his locker. The theft was discovered after employees cut the padlock from the locker.

The wallet contained \$25 in cash. Also stolen were a man's wristwatch valued at \$200, a yellow gold ring with a black star sapphire valued at \$150 and a gold tie bar.

Total value of stolen property was \$395.

A UNION LAKE woman reported that her purse was stolen while she was having a drink in the lounge at the Novi Hilton on Friday, Dec. 2, at approximately 7 p.m.

The woman said she placed the purse on the floor next to her chair while she was having a drink. She discovered it missing as she was preparing to leave.

A witness told officers she had observed a white female seated directly behind the Union Lake woman. When asked if she wanted to order a drink, the unknown woman declined, saying she was waiting for a friend. She left the lounge shortly later.

The suspect was described as being in her 40s with brown hair and a medium build.

The maroon leather shoulder bag contained \$400 in cash, several credit cards, a car key and a drivers license.

A 1987 TOYOTA van stolen out of Clinton Township was recovered in the parking lot of McDonald's at 21505 Hagerty Road on Wednesday, Nov. 30.

The restaurant manager notified police that the vehicle had been in the parking lot several days and appeared to have been abandoned.

Subsequent investigation showed that the van had been stolen out of Clinton Township and contained a license plate that had been stolen out of Macomb County.

A GARDEN CITY woman reported that her 1984 Buick Skyhawk was stolen out of the Yellow Lot at Twelve

Oaks Mall on Thursday, Dec. 1. The woman said she parked the car at 8 p.m. and discovered it missing when she returned at 4 p.m.

VANDALS DAMAGED a 1988 Pontiac Bonneville owned by a South Lyon man while it was parked in the Twelve Oaks' Red Lot on Wednesday, Nov. 22, between 7:30 and 10 a.m.

The man, a Hudsons employee, told investigating officers that he was informed by a fellow employee that his car had been damaged.

When he went to check, he discovered the right rear vent window had been smashed out. The vehicle's doors were locked, however, and nothing was found to be missing.

THE HOOD ORNAMENT was stolen from a 1986 Cadillac DeVille while it was parked outside the owner's residence on Sunflower in the Whispering Meadows subdivision.

The owner said vandals removed the hood ornament from the car on Friday, Dec. 2, between 12:30 and 3:30 p.m. Also stolen was a lock cover from the trunk.

CAMERA EQUIPMENT valued at \$400 was stolen from a 1988 Mercury owned by a Lincoln Park man while it was parked outside the Red Timbers at 40380 Grand River.

The man said he parked the car on Saturday, Dec. 3, at 6:40 p.m. and discovered the theft when he returned at 12:30 a.m.

Stolen were a Canon A-EI 35mm camera valued at \$300 and a Kodak K-80 camera valued at \$100. The responsible parties also stole the hood ornament from the car.

THIEVES TRIED unsuccessfully to break into a 1988 Pontiac Grand Prix owned by a Brighton woman while it was parked in the Twelve Oaks' Blue Lot on Wednesday, Nov. 22.

The complainant said she parked the car at 12:50 p.m. and discovered the break-in attempt when she returned at 10 p.m.

Investigating officers noted that the metal strip between the front and rear windows had been pried away and was bent. They also discovered scratches on the driver's side door and window.

Entry apparently was not gained, however, and nothing was found to be missing.

## Novi Briefs

**Sounds of Christmas:** The Novi Middle School Band will be performing in concert at Twelve Oaks Mall on Friday, Dec. 16, at 7:30 p.m. Gordon Seiler, director of the Middle School Band, said the group will perform seasonal music appropriate to the holidays.

**More Novi Ambassadors:** The Novi Ambassadors has added two new members to its ranks — Don and Skip Tuck. Group organizers report that the second annual Art Auction held Oct. 29 was a terrific success. The Novi Ambassadors will hold its Christmas party on Sunday, Dec. 18, at 4 p.m. at the Brian Fannon residence.

**In need of history?** "If any place needs to have a history, it's Novi." That was the opinion expressed by State Senator Jack Faxon at the Church of the Holy Family last Sunday.

Faxon was in town to attend Court of Honor ceremonies for four members of Novi Boy Scout Troop 407 who have earned their Eagle Scout Awards. He made the comment after noting that two of the new Eagle Scouts had been involved with community service projects which benefitted historical organizations.

**Borders hosts brass quintet:** Lovers of holiday music will have an opportunity to hear many of their favorites played by the Novi Concert Band's Brass Quintet at Borders Book Shop this Sunday, Dec. 11, at 2 p.m.

Warren Ledger, manager of the Novi Concert Band, said the group plays everything from Bach to Bacharach. The brass quintet will include musical director Mary J. Marburger, Wendell Mullison, Craig Poterale, Pete Dalton and Jim Rice. They will entertain with a selection of traditional and contemporary holiday music.

Border Manager Sue Kennedy said she has been impressed with the number and quality of musical groups in the Novi area. "We recently hosted the Novi Suzuki String Association and we're looking forward to hearing the brass quintet," she said.

**School board appointments:** Two vacancies on the Novi Community Education Advisory Council have been filled by the Novi Board of Education. Helen Stabler and Beth Christman were appointed to fill the vacancies during last Wednesday's school board meeting.

Stabler is replacing Barbara Brinker, who resigned due to family commitments. That term expires in 1989. Christman is filling a vacancy created by Suzanne Saylor, who did not wish to be considered for re-appointment for a three-year term.

**Congratulations, Judy:** Judy Johnson, vice chairperson of the Novi Planning Commission, has been elected secretary-treasurer of the 3,100 member Michigan Society of Planning Officials. Johnson has been a MSPCO board member since 1986.

The announcement was made at the society's 43rd annual conference at the Shanty Creek Resort in Bellaire. Theme of this year's conference was "2001: A Planning Odyssey." Over 500 people from various municipalities throughout the state attended the conference.

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Novi Township (Brookland Farms) residents are being surveyed on whether they want the 48167 or 48050 ZIP code

## Survey explores ZIP code change

By PHIL GINOTTI  
staff writer

Novi Township officials will survey residents this week in an effort to find out whether or not they favor going back to the old Northville 48167 ZIP Code.

Novi Township Clerk Robert Mohr said surveys were sent out Tuesday and that residents were likely to overwhelmingly favor the change, which came about as a result of a deal worked out with U.S. Post Office officials last month.

"At this point, we're happy with it, the post office is happy with it and there are no hard feelings," Mohr said Monday. "The Post Office was very cooperative with us once we pointed out that we didn't like the change at all."

Under the terms of the deal, Novi Township will be required to supply a group mail drop-off site near the entry point of the subdivision (Brookland Farms). The township will be allowed to switch back to the 48167 code and keep the Northville mailing address they had before August.

Novi Township is recognized as an official, separate unit of government in Oakland County. The township is comprised totally of the Brookland Farms subdivision in southern Novi. It fought in the courts to retain township status as Novi was incorporated as a village, then city, in the 1960s.

Postal officials changed the ZIP from 48167 to 48050 in August. Approximately 330 households north of Nine Mile, (and between Eight and Nine Mile east of Meadowbrook Road) were changed over. That included roughly 70 residences in Novi Township.

"None of us liked it and we told them so," Mohr said. "The big picture was that they had to straighten out the boundary lines between Novi and Northville. But they really weren't doing that... even with this plan."

"They weren't gaining anything by changing it over," he said. "It looked very arbitrary," said Trustee Ernest Bacsanyi. "It took place without them even notifying us."

Novi Township officials held several meetings with the Postal Service, including a late-October meeting which attracted about 100 residents, including some who weren't even township residents. Several residents near Nine Mile are also lobbying the post office to go back to the 48167 code.

"It's not just a chance of ZIP Code, it's an emotional feeling that has to do with being attached, being part of a community," Mohr said. "We're in a good situation here. We like it the way it is."

Postal Service Spokesperson Susan Gillespie said the changes were enacted to respond to rapid development in the area. Postal carriers were actually "criss-crossing" each other's paths while making deliveries in the southern Novi area because of the new growth, she said.

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## Police to study Eight Mile Road FYI

By BOB NEEDHAM  
staff writer

The future of speed limits on Eight Mile is now in the hands of the Michigan State Police for study and recommendations.

As part of a regular review of major roads, state police are working with Wayne and Oakland counties to study speed limits on Eight Mile from Naper Road to Grand River in Farmington Hills.

The eventual result could be lower speed limits, higher speed limits, or no change at all.

On a periodic basis we review all the roads in the area," Michigan State Police Sergeant Weldon Greiger said Monday. Although Eight Mile has received a lot of attention locally in recent months, the current action is just part of the regular review of speeds, Greiger said.

The state police review — under a process required by state law — includes speed surveys, accident studies and meetings with all the local governments. "After we have all this information, we'll see what course of action we will propose," Greiger said.

Any recommendations for change go to Michigan State Police Director Richard Davis for approval, and then to the Wayne and Oakland county commissions. A speed limit change becomes effective when new signs are posted.

**Grieger: 'It's a complete and total fallacy that drivers blindly obey signs. They don't.'**

The Northville City Council and Northville Board of Education both went on record earlier this year in favor of a lower speed limit on Eight Mile near Center Street, the site of Amerman Elementary and Northville High School.

Greiger said the presence of a school is one important factor in considering speed limits. But there are many others.

"It's a rather involved process. There are many, many things that go into consideration," Greiger said. "I suspect we're not going to get to an on-scene survey until the middle of January... Those speed limits have been there quite a few years. This does not seem to be something that needs immediate attention today."

One important part of the study is the information and opinions from local police jurisdictions — in this case, Northville, Northville Township, Novi, Livonia, Farmington Hills and Farmington. "The local officers are the ones on the front line," Greiger said. "They typically

get the first response."

Realism is another factor. "The review must consider what speeds drivers will drive, and what limits the police can enforce, Greiger said.

"It's a complete and total fallacy that drivers blindly obey signs. They don't," Greiger said. "The state police try to find a limit which 85 percent of drivers will obey — 'the theory being, if we can get everybody to drive precisely the same speed all the time, there will be no accidents.' Greiger said. "What I'm telling you runs in the face of what a lot of people believe to be true."

In fact, he said, a higher speed limit sometimes can cause lower speeds overall.

Seat-of-the-pants "engineering judgment" also comes into play, Greiger said. "How does it feel? Does it feel like we're going too fast? Does it feel like we're going too slow?"

Other concerns include "side friction," how close development is to

the road; pavement condition; road characteristics, like curbs and shoulders; the "pace" of traffic, a 10 miles per hour span in which most drivers stay; curves, both right-left and up-down; how much development along the road; and what type of development it is: trees, parked cars and other sight hazards; road intersections; and pedestrian activity.

For all these factors to consider, the decisions — between 25 and 50 miles per hour — are somewhat limited, Greiger said.

In response to parent concerns about safety around the schools, Greiger said he himself is a parent who lives on a street. "You're going to get the best I have to offer," he promised.

The state and county look at speeds is not the only front on which the road is being addressed. Northville Mayor Chris Johnson and School Superintendent George Bell have appointed a committee, chaired by Northville Police Chief Red Cannon, to consider local action to improve the Eight Mile/Center Street intersection.

The Northville Police Department is conducting its own study of speeds. The department has been concentrating on speed limit enforcement on Eight Mile for the past several months.

**Maples of Novi hearing:** The Novi Planning Commission has scheduled a public hearing for Wednesday, Dec. 21, to consider a request for amending the city's densities map. The hearing will be held in the Novi Civic Center at 7:30 p.m.

The hearing will be held to consider a request to amend the densities map in the Novi Master Plan to allow for a 4.0 residential density for the proposed PUD development called Maples of Novi. The development is proposed on the southeast corner of the Fourteen Mile/Decker Road intersection, immediately north of the Chateau Estates Mobile Home Park.

All interested persons may attend the public hearing and express their opinions. Written comments must be received at the Department of Community Development at 45175 West Ten Mile, Novi, MI 48050 before 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 21.

**Mini-lubes in B-2 districts?** The Novi Planning Commission has scheduled a public hearing to consider an amendment to the city's zoning ordinance for Wednesday, Dec. 21. The hearing will be held in the Novi Civic Center at 7:30 p.m.

The hearing has been scheduled to consider an amendment which permits mini-lube and quick-oil change establishments as principal uses permitted subject to special conditions in the B-2 (community business) zoning district.

All interested persons may attend the public hearing and express their opinions. Written comments must be received at the Department of Community Development at 45175 West Ten Mile, Novi, MI 48050 before 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 21.

**School closing reports:** We don't mean to push the season, but... winter is approaching and it may be time to let parents know where they can hear school closing reports.

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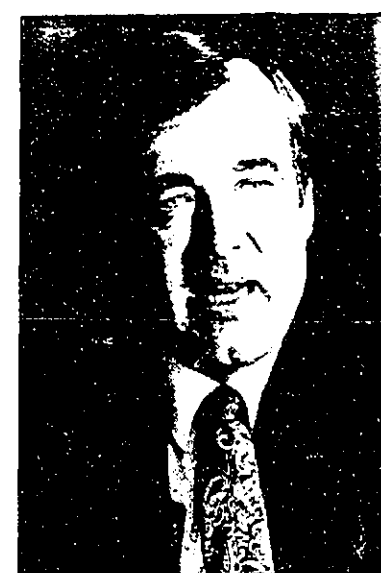
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**'I think when we look at our student performance and we look at what has happened over a period of years, there's consistency.'**



**'Our high school staff has been investigating and talking about where we should be going with our science curriculum.'**



## Piwko sheds light on student MEAP test scores

By AMY ROSA  
staff writer

The Novi Community School District is widely regarded as one of the best in the state, primarily on the basis of the fact it consistently ranks among the state leaders on the Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP).

As a consequence, many couples with young children and a high regard for education seek out homes within the Novi school district in order to obtain a high-quality education for their youngsters.

In fact, the school district's strong reputation is one of the primary reasons behind the high demand for housing in Novi. It's also a reason why people with children in Novi schools tend to remain in Novi, even when looking to move up to more expensive homes, according to area Realtors.

One of the individuals most responsible for the success of Novi students on the MEAP test is School Superintendent Robert Piwko, who has directed district operations since taking over from former Superintendent Gerald Kratz in the early 1980s.

Many of the innovative testing and evaluation procedures implemented by Piwko throughout the district are believed by many to be one of the reasons for Novi's generally strong performance on the MEAP.

Although Novi students scored well on the MEAP test again this year, their 1988 scores generally

### Interviews

demonstrated a slight decline from 1987 levels.

The 1988 test results, which were released at a Nov. 17 school board meeting, showed math scores declined 1.6, 3.3 and 1 percent in the fourth, seventh and 10th grades respectively.

Another category showing a slight decline was reading. Fourth and seventh graders tested 3.2 and 3 percent lower respectively than last year's students, while 10th graders increased their math scores by 2.7 percent over last year.

In light of the decline, we interviewed Piwko last Friday to obtain his opinions on a variety of subjects, not the least of which were the slight decline in MEAP scores and the poor performance of Novi students on the recently-added science portion of the MEAP program.

Is the administration concerned that MEAP scores dropped slightly this year?

PIWKO: "I think there are a number of factors that enter into a situation of that nature. Number one, we always look at each individual student, and so we try to look at the results of MEAP, and the MEAP scores, from the standpoint of education."

tional planning and programming for an individual student.

"When we look at it in a clustering or total basis, then we would look at — was there anything major that occurred? And I think what we have concluded in terms of just our review and somewhat of a cursory review at this point, is that there was no major change occurring in terms of a particular segment, or area of the test that took any type of significant drop."

Are you happy with the scores?

PIWKO: "Extremely so. I think when we look at our student performance and we look at what has happened over a period of years, there's consistency. And that consistency is at a very high level."

The science scores are significantly lower than the other scores — a fact school districts state-wide are also experiencing. An explanation for this offered at a recent board meeting indicated the scores are low because some of the science questions on the test covered material that

students aren't taught until the following year. Do you think your curriculum should be changed to conform to that which the state suggests?

PIWKO: "I think what we need to do is, again, since it has been pulled together by educators, look at what has been suggested at that point. And I think we need to see if we are in agreement."

"If we are not, then I think we are required to give and provide a very thorough explanation to the community and others as to why not. Not just, 'It didn't match and we don't think we should.' But I think it needs to be much more thorough from that standpoint."

What bearing did low science scores have on the development of a new high school science curriculum for the high school, which was unveiled at the Dec. 1 school board meeting?

PIWKO: "What happened in that particular sequence of science course terminology is, we were already looking at the technology and science. That's a program that was under investigation and development prior to state assessment testing even coming out in the area of science — even before we knew what they would be looking at in the area of science."

"Our high school staff has been investigating and talking about where

we should be going with our science curriculum. I think when the science assessment came out, that gave us some additional data and information to look at."

If this (science) program is approved by the school board — as it is on the agenda for the next board meeting — will it eventually help students to perform better in the science area of the MEAP?

PIWKO: "It could. What we would want to say is, whatever it is that we're teaching, we want high attainment by students. That's what our staff strives to accomplish in terms of high levels of student performance."

What do you think of the MEAP test in general? Is it a valuable tool for educators?

PIWKO: "Sure. I think it's how it's used that's important — to look at individual student performance."

Is it fair to use the scores as a comparison tool with other school districts?

PIWKO: "It's like you can't make a comparison between last year's fourth grade class and this year's fourth grade class. You have different youngsters in each situation. And that's not to say that every district is going to be so totally different."

"I think what we do look at how we're doing overall. If indeed our students individually are achieving, then we would anticipate and rightfully expect that the overall grouping would be at a high level also."

"I think one needs to analyze the data and use it to maximize the instructional program. It really becomes a tool for good discussion."

What do you think the scores say about Novi students?

PIWKO: "I think it reflects the quality of instruction that is taking place day by day in the classrooms. I think it's one way of indicating to the community that each day the youngsters comes to school, there is a quality program being provided."

Is there an expectation by parents in this district to consistently see high scores, due to Novi schools' reputation?

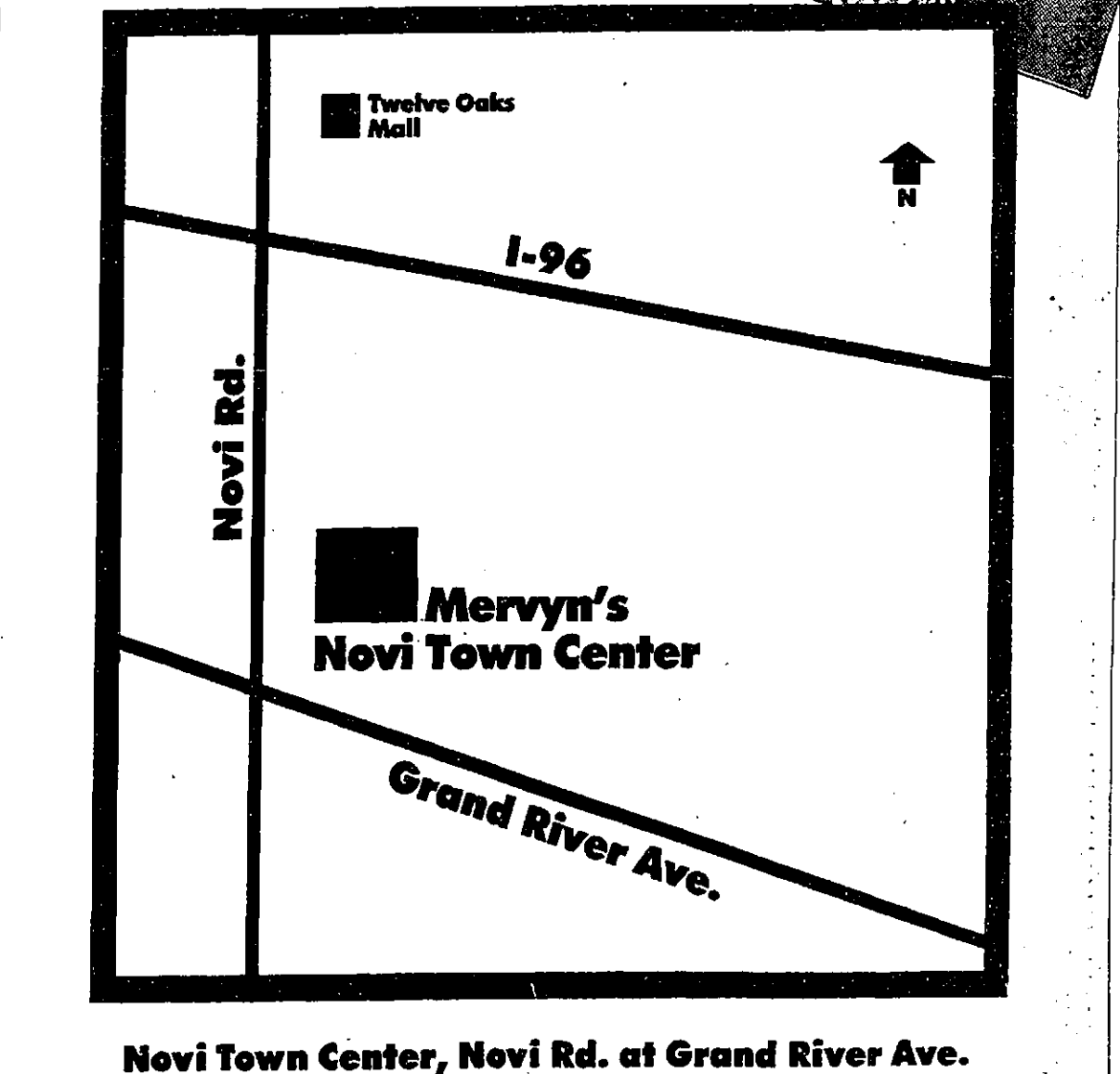
PIWKO: "Sure. I think that what we look at also, is, in an eight-year period of time, where we began and where we're at — it tells us we're having impact. Each year we've consistently been higher. We've reached a plateau, and that plateau happens to be at the very top."

"That's why if you see a variation, it's going to be somewhat minimal, maybe 1 percent. And like anything else, our goal would be 100 percent. That's what we're shooting for."

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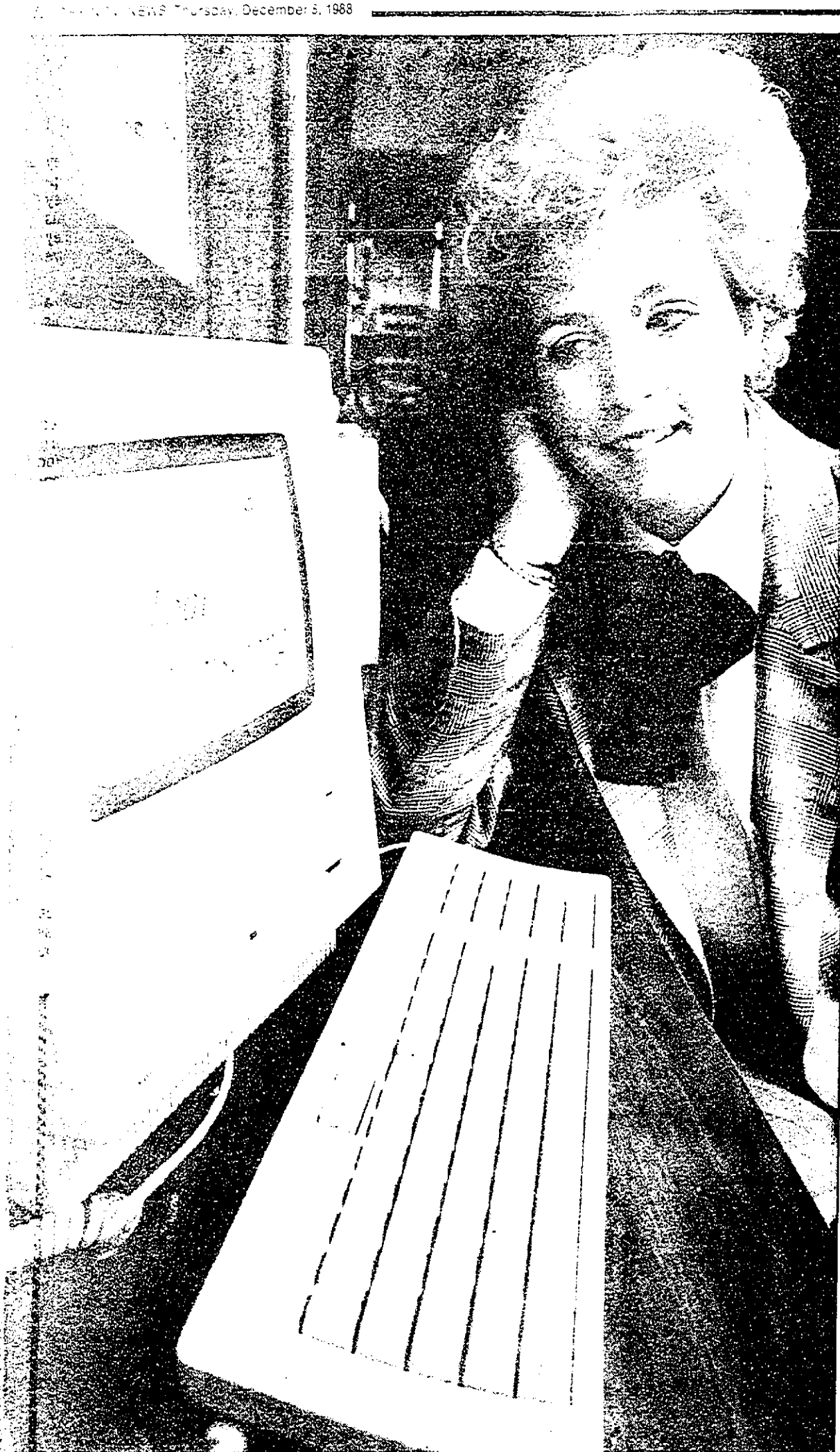
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Jodi Armstrong is the new media coordinator for the Novi Schools

## Hyped on education Armstrong joins school staff

By AMY ROSA  
staff writer

What does one do with a journalism degree, if one doesn't want to write for a newspaper?

Why go into public relations, of course.

And it's hard to get more public than the public schools — just ask Jodi Armstrong, 22, who has recently joined the Novi Community School District as its new media coordinator. She started Nov. 1, replacing Debbie Pisha.

Armstrong, who graduated from Michigan State University last June, said she sensed she wasn't cut out to be a reporter as her graduation drew closer. "Going through school I realized I didn't want to write for a newspaper — I have a negative view of the news. I just couldn't report on the bad things; I'd have to be a feature writer."

"But I saw myself in Jane Pauley's shoes," she said with a smile, then laughed. "That still may not be beyond the realm of possibilities."

But for now she is happy to have some job stability in a field she enjoys and a place she has grown attached to already.

"I like the people here, everyone's

been wonderful. If you have a question they're willing to answer it; if you have a problem, they'll help you with it."

"I'm still trying to get the word out that I'm here."

Besides enjoying the community for what it has, Armstrong has another reason to like working in Novi — it is the home of her future in-laws. She is planning a June wedding to her fiancé, who works as a sales representative in the area.

And she has other family nearby too, she said, counting the grandparents who live in Ann Arbor. Originally from Alpena, Armstrong grew up just outside Chicago. She currently lives in South Lyon.

Because she had an internship with the state Department of Education in college and worked her way to some full-time work with the department, Armstrong could have had an advantage over any other new college graduate who applied for the job.

With the state she helped run cooperative programs between businesses and schools, and got a feel for the field of education. And it's a field that is growing more attractive to her the more she sees of it, she said.

"(Education) is in my blood," she said.

explained, saying her mother is an eighth-grade English teacher. While she never considered a career in education earlier and doesn't "relish the thought of going back to school" for it, "I'm heading in that direction all the time," she said.

While adjusting to all her job duties may still be a little "fuzzy," she has a lot to look forward to, she said. For instance she will soon be producing a tape of all the schools in the district that will highlight programs and "show what's happening."

And she will continue to prepare the district's newsletter and events calendars, in addition to working with student programming on local cable Channel 10.

When asked how she felt about working in a district that seems to be so highly regarded, she admitted she wasn't aware of just how wide-spread its reputation was at first.

"I went to a meeting yesterday in Lansing, and when people asked me where I'm from, the reaction was 'Oh really' — with a positive, impressed kind of attitude... like 'you couldn't go to a better place.'"

"If I had interviewed with a district not as stable, I don't know if I would have taken the job," she added.

## Choir kicks off fund raiser

Would you like to have a choir perform at your next party or as a special surprise for a friend's birthday?

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Novi choir students are one step ahead of you. They are asking residents to donate a "Single for a Jingle" to help pay for choir department needs such as equipment and garment bags for uniforms.

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Anyone donating a dollar to "Single for a Jingle"

becomes eligible to receive a choir performance anytime during this school year, excluding school holidays.

Names of residents who donate to the cause will be entered into a drawing, with two winners receiving a choir performance of their very own.

The drawing will be held at the Novi Community School District's annual winter concert on Dec. 14.

Donations will be accepted at the winter concert. Contact Paula Joyner at 344-8300 or any choir member for more information.

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**Narcotics Anonymous:** Narcotics Anonymous, a non-profit fellowship of men and women for whom drugs has become a major problem, meets at Botsford Hospital's Family Service Center in Farmington Hills every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.

It is a group of recovering addicts who meet regularly to help each other stay clean. For more information call 537-1110.

**Women for Sobriety:** An organization of women for women, the purpose of Women for Sobriety, Inc., is to help all women recover from problem drinking through the discovery of self, gained by sharing experiences, hopes and encouragement with other women in similar circumstances.

The group meets every Wednesday afternoon at 1 p.m. at Botsford Hospital's Family Services Center. The group is not affiliated with Alcoholics Anonymous, but is a "New Life" program. Membership requires a desire to stop drinking and a sincere desire for a new life. For more information call 537-1110.

**Maternity fitness program:** The Motherwell Maternity Fitness Program at the University of Michigan Medical Center offers classes every Tuesday and Thursday at 7:30 p.m. at the M-Care Health Center in Northville.

The medically-approved exercise classes, designed specifically for pregnant women, are taught by certified instructors and provide many benefits. A package of information is available by calling 536-5186.

**HUGS for families:** Huron Valley Hospital's Perinatal Loss Team is offering a HUGS group for families who have experienced the death of a baby.

HUGS is a mutual support group for grieving parents which meets at Huron Valley Hospital on the third Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. For more information call Sue Duff at 366-3470.

**Pre-natal, Post-natum exercise:** Debra Hoppe leads pre-natal, post-partum exercise classes at the Providence/Novi Center every Saturday from 10-11 a.m. The center is located on Ten Mile near Hager Road. Classes are ongoing and participants can enroll at any time by calling 227-7284.

**AIDS information:** The Oakland County Health Division offers free printed information about AIDS and how to protect against it. The information can be obtained by calling the Health Division at 658-1286.

## Board discusses policy change

By AMY ROSA  
staff writer

Novi's board of education may soon develop a plan to unify the method by which appointments are made to the district's curriculum council — a group comprised of parents, teachers and administrators who screen text books for future use.

The change was proposed by school board trustee Sandra Thornton at the last board of education meeting. She proposed the change as a result of a recent rift between the board and a group of residents, who are disturbed by a recent board decision to remove a parent from the text book screening council.

Thornton cited Sally Marchack, the parent removed from the council, as

being requested by the Novi Woods Parent-Teacher Organization to serve on the council for them. "For whatever reason her name was not put forward to the principal or to this body," said Thornton.

"Then the middle school (PTO) selected her to represent them," Thornton added, "and she was removed. I have a real problem with this."

Thornton continued, saying in her judgment, it is best to have PTO members participate on the council so school officials can be assured that results of council meetings will get reported back to the PTO. She contended there were parents currently on the council who are not affiliated with the PTOs.

Trustee Julie Abrams challenged

Thornton's line of thinking, saying, "Why don't you think the others on the list would do as well?"

"Because that's the way it's always been," Thornton responded. After some discussion as to which body the curriculum council reported to, and how members are to be chosen, Assistant Superintendent Dr. William Barr explained, "the administration put this tool together to serve the administration."

Continued Barr: "It has evolved that some principals allow PTOs to select (members), but some principals select (members) themselves."

Thornton found fault with Barr's explanation, however. "Since some schools are doing it one way, and other schools are doing it another

way, this presents a problem to us. I want to be up front and consistent."

Other trustees indicated they weren't really aware of how the appointments were made, saying they had assumed the school principals had that responsibility, whether they received input from their respective PTOs or not.

"It is unfortunate that we allow a citizen to think they were on this committee and then take them off," Thornton said, referring to the decision to remove Marchack from the committee.

Although no decision was reached on Thornton's suggestion, the board said the issue would be scheduled for further discussion on a future agenda.

## Students offered new science class

Novi high school students will be introduced to science a little differently in the future.

In addition, they can now take a "speedwriting" course instead of shorthand, if they choose.

The curriculum change and speedwriting option were guaranteed by a school board approval last week, after plans for both were presented.

The "Current Science" course, as it is called, will now be given to ninth-graders in place of an existing program. The one-semester course is designed to give the freshmen "a good basic science review," plus prepare students better for the science portion of the Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP), teacher Catherine Guerin told board members.

In an interview the next day, Superintendent Dr. Robert Pivko said plans for the new course were already under way before results of the MEAP

were known. Novi students' science scores on the test ranged much lower than scores in other subjects, but reflected a state-wide pattern.

The instructional techniques for the course are designed to produce learning outcomes consistent with objectives set forth by the state, said the report on the course.

Additionally, the course is designed to promote long-term learning of basic science concepts and processes, and to foster an awareness of current technologies.

Meanwhile, speedwriting was added as an option for students because it's "much easier" to learn than shorthand and is more college preparatory oriented, said shorthand teacher Barbara Cleft.

"Shorthand takes one year to learn — there is

one symbol for each letter," Cleft said about the current Gregg shorthand system. "This new system can be learned in half a year."

Another reason the course is being added is due to the current national trend to emphasize courses like English, math and science instead of vocational classes, a report said.

"Most (students) are taking shorthand for college note-taking purposes," Cleft added, calling speedwriting a more practical alternative.

Cleft showed copies of classified advertisements to school board members, revealing that speedwriting is an acceptable skill for many secretarial and administrative positions.

In addition the report points out that since speedwriting is easier to learn, a higher success rate should occur and fewer students should drop out of the course.

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### MONDAY, DECEMBER 12

10 a.m. — In Print: Jason Gae and Cheryl Hurley  
10:30 a.m. — A House for All Seasons: Avoid the Draft  
11 a.m. — Crisis in the Modern Family: Boomerang kids  
Noon — Serendipity: Christmas  
12:30 p.m. — Travels with Kay: Vienna, Part I  
1 p.m. — Cooking with Class: Cranberry Freeze  
1:30 p.m. — The Nutcracker Ballet  
2:45 p.m. — Merry Christmas, With Love (Christmas program)  
4 p.m. — Tri-Outlet News  
5:55 p.m. — Tri-Outlet News  
6 p.m. — Capitol Report: State Senator Jack Faxon  
6:30 p.m. — Michigan Education Trust Program  
7 p.m. — Serendipity: Christmas  
7:30 p.m. — Sports Yesterday/Today: Bill Rayle on Hazel Park  
8 p.m. — AIM: Christmas decorating  
8:30 p.m. — Special Blend Christmas  
9 p.m. — Cooking with Class: Cranberry Freeze  
9:30 p.m. — Drinking and Driving, A Bad Combination

### TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13

10 a.m. — Senior Adult Exercise Program  
11 a.m. — Celebration: Northville Presbyterian Church  
Noon — Summit University  
1 p.m. — Seniors on the Move: Michael Hollander  
1:30 p.m. — Arch the Angel (Children's musical)  
2:30 p.m. — Community Update: Senior empowerment  
3 p.m. — Farmington Library: Barnyard fun  
3:30 p.m. — Sports File: Jeff Chadwick of the Detroit Lions  
4 p.m. — Tri-Outlet News  
5:55 p.m. — Tri-Outlet News  
6 p.m. — Senior Messenger  
7 p.m. — Seniors on the Move: Michael Hollander  
7:30 p.m. — Chamber Perspectives: Writers Forum  
8 p.m. — Coping with your Disability  
8:30 p.m. — Community Update: Senior empowerment  
9 p.m. — Farmington Focus: City of Farmington  
9:30 p.m. — Viewpoint: City of Farmington Hills

### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14

10 a.m. — In Print: Jason Gae and Cheryl Hurley  
10:30 a.m. — Women on the Move: Jan Dolan  
11 a.m. — Saving Energy  
11:30 a.m. — Quest for Peace  
Noon — Perceptions: Positive Attitudes  
12:30 p.m. — Jewish Television Magazine  
1 p.m. — Michigan Education Trust Program  
1:30 p.m. — Sports Yesterday/Today: Bill Rayle on Hazel Park  
2 p.m. — AIM: Christmas decorating  
2:30 p.m. — Seniors on the Move: Michael Hollander  
3 p.m. — Crisis in the Modern Family: Boomerang kids  
4 p.m. — Tri-Outlet News  
5:55 p.m. — Tri-Outlet News  
6 p.m. — Tri-City Update  
7 p.m. — Children's Hospital  
7:30 p.m. — Sports File: Jeff Chadwick of the Detroit Lions  
8 p.m. — Drinking and Driving, A Bad Combination  
8:30 a.m. — Women on the Move: Jan Dolan  
9 p.m. — Special Blend Christmas  
9:30 p.m. — Chamber Perspectives: Writers Forum

### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15

10 a.m. — Senior Adult Exercise Program  
11 a.m. — Seniors on the Move: Michael Hollander  
11:30 a.m. — A House for All Seasons: Avoid the Draft  
Noon — Women on the Move: Jan Dolan  
1 p.m. — Coping with your Disability  
1:30 p.m. — Viewpoint: City of Farmington Hills  
2 p.m. — Chamber Perspectives: Writers Forum  
2:30 p.m. — Farmington Focus: City of Farmington  
3 p.m. — Tri-City Update  
4 p.m. — Tri-Outlet News  
5:55 p.m. — Tri-Outlet News  
6 p.m. — Farmington Hills Beautification Awards  
7 p.m. — A House for All Seasons: Avoid the Draft  
7:30 p.m. — Viewpoint: City of Farmington Hills  
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The four new Eagle Scouts are (left to right) Brant Primrose, Jason Kohser, Kevin Buck and Mark Skodack

## Soaring to new heights Four boy scouts promoted to 'Eagles'

By PHILIP JEROME  
managing editor

Four members of Novi Boy Scout Troop 407 received the Eagle Scout award — the highest honor in Boy Scouting — during special Court of Honor ceremonies at the Holy Family Church on Sunday afternoon.

Receiving the prestigious Eagle Scout award were Kevin Buck, Jason Kohser, Brant Primrose and Mark Skodack.

"This is a very exciting afternoon," said Gary Skodack, scoutmaster of Troop 407 and the father of one of the new Eagle Scouts.

"This is something these boys have worked for a long time. It's a very proud moment."

Skodack noted that the Court of Honor was particularly meaningful to himself because his son was one of the recipients of the Eagle award. "I myself did not achieve Eagle because I allowed other things to get in my way," he said. "Now I take special pride because my own son has achieved this status."

More than 100 people, including State Senator Jack Faxon and numerous officials from the Clinton Valley Boy Scout Council, attended the Sunday afternoon ceremonies. Also present were members of

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several Novi Cub Scout Packs and several Novi residents who had achieved Eagle status when they were in Boy Scouts.

Eagle is the seventh and highest rank advancement that Boy Scouts can achieve. All boys who join Boy Scouts are classified as Scouts. As they meet requirements they advance to Tenderfoot, 2nd Class, 1st Class, Star Scout and Life Scout.

To qualify for Eagle, a boy must have been a Life Scout for at least six months.

The four new Eagle Scouts from Troop 407 are:

**KEVIN BUCK:** One of the charter members of Troop 407, Buck is a Novi High School graduate currently attending the University of Michigan

where he is majoring in chemical engineering.

During his high school career, he was active in the Wildcat Marching Band and the Novi Jazz Band in addition to playing on the high school soccer team.

For his community service project, he organized and administered a blood drive for the Orchard Hills Baptist Church earlier this summer.

**JASON KOHSE:** Another Novi High School graduate, Kohser is currently attending Wayne State University where he plans to major in business administration. He also is a member of the Men's Glee Club at WSU.

For his community service project, he led a group of Novi Boy and Cub

Scouts to the Sarah Fisher Home in Farmington Hills where they repaired and cleaned the playground.

**BRANT PRIMROSE:** Primrose met the requirements for Eagle Scout as a member of Troop 407 although he moved to Neenah, Wisconsin, when his father was transferred there earlier this year.

While attending Novi High School, he was a member of the wrestling and track teams.

His community service project involved organizing a work crew to scrape and paint the Novi Historical Museum located near the Novi Public Library.

**MARK SKODACK:** Currently a senior at Novi High School, Skodack plans to attend Lawrence Institute of Technology where he will pursue a degree in architecture.

He has served as a student trainer for the Novi football and basketball teams and is a member of the Novi High School marching band, symphony band and jazz band. He is also a member of the high school track team.

His community service project involved reconstructing and refinishing four antique chairs for the Greenmead Historical Museum in Livonia.

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## School board members respond to public attack

By AMY ROSA  
staff writer

### Schram: 'I think the comments that were made were blown way out of proportion.'

Although the Novi Board of Education came under heavy fire last Thursday for a decision to remove a parent from a curriculum screening council, board members fired off a few salvos of their own.

And the meeting was not without its own clashes, spawning from a heated exchange at the Nov. 17 meeting during which Board President Michael Meyer told parent Sally Marchak she was too "negative" and critical of the board to participate on the curriculum council.

After repeated attacks on Meyer's conduct and the resulting conduct of the other board members, trustees had an opportunity to make their own statements.

"I'm inviting a response," said former Novi City Council Member James Shaw, after reading a highly critical letter to trustees and the audience. Shaw said he would try to refute as many allegations as possible if he were in their position.

Trustees Joan Daley and Steven

Hitchcock repeated comments they made after the earlier Meyer-Marchak exchange, saying they didn't agree with Meyer's portrayal of Marchak as "negative" and that she was welcome at any meeting.

Added Daley: "Dr. Meyer's comments were his and not those of the board."

Shaw responded, saying "That was said after you approved the curriculum council. Actions speak louder than words."

In response to Shaw's invitation for comments, newly-appointed Trustee Julie Abrams said, "I approved a list, not voted someone out." She added that she didn't feel she should be included in the "fishing" because she is a new member.

Trustee Sandra Thornton apologized for her silence at the Nov. 17 meeting, saying she was "dumbfounded" by Meyer's comments. Thornton vowed to be more alert in the future.

Trustee Raymond Byers was absent.

Before discussing what he saw as the board's "outrageous" behavior of late, Shaw asked Meyer to comment on the accuracy of media reports of the previous meeting. In particular, Shaw cited several quotes attributed to Meyer which appeared in an article in The Novi News.

"My only contact with the board is through the newspapers," said Gilbert Henderson, a former president of the school board, who was the

second to address the board at the Dec. 1 meeting. He said that since he was not present at the other meeting he had only the media reports to rely on. He was critical of the conduct of Meyer and the school board.

Shaw had also been critical of the board's minute-taking process, saying the minutes were "reduced to the bare bones of motions and votes."

Because of that, he said, "I have to assume the media accounts to be correct."

Trustee Robert Schram, who also was not present at the Nov. 17 meeting, gave his opinion of the incident.

After praising Meyer for past achievements and saying he knew Meyer "had to be pushed to the limit to say what he had," Schram called The Novi News' article on the incident "yellow journalism."

"I think the comments that were made were blown way out of proportion," added Schram.

He said that "no phone polling has existed" in response to The Novi News' article which quoted Meyer as saying the decision to remove Marchak

from the council was based on two private phone conversations.

Schram then admitted to being one of the two. "When I saw her (Marchak's) name on the (curriculum council) list, I called Dr. Meyer to tell him I would oppose her appointment because I felt there were two other more qualified applicants."

"The Novi News did a great disservice to this community by the article," said Schram.

Henderson responded by telling Schram that Meyer "was not the victim of inaccurate reporting."

"I appreciate their (The Novi News') reporting. I have found them to be one of the many things in this community that cares."

Shaw challenged Schram on the same point. "I've never known the press to be that off-base. If you accuse them of being yellow journalists, point to an issue and say what's wrong."

"It's arrogance to blame the press... to shuffle it off," Shaw added. Shaw countered by telling Shaw his comments were "way out of line."

Marchak responded by saying, "It was not for the press it would be to your liking Mr. Schram. Thank God for the press."

Meyer stated that although he "wasn't pleased with everything they wrote," reporters covering "the schools' issues have 'always been fair to me — even when it hurts.'"

In addition to apologizing to Marchak, Meyer apologized to other board members and citizens. "I do what I do on this board for the best interest of the district," he said.

Added to the agenda by Thornton were topics for discussion on improved community perception and the method by which members are chosen for curriculum council appointments.

The board decided they would develop a plan of action to improve the two areas, saying perhaps action items concerning them will be on the agenda for the next meeting. The board meets next at Novi High School on Thursday, Dec. 22, at 6 p.m.

## Citizens demand explanation for board's decision

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Meyer had admitted in an interview with The Novi News that the decision was based on private telephone conversations with two other trustees, who had said they did not want Marchak on the council. Meyer declined to name the two trustees.

Shaw also chastised other board members for not challenging Meyer's "outburst," saying their remarks after approving the list of curriculum council members were "self-serving and deceitful."

"Actions speak louder than words," said Shaw.

Shaw was referring to the board's 5-1 decision to approve appointments to the curriculum council. Marchak was not included among the appointments. The lone dissenting ballot in the 5-1 decision came from Trustee Sandra Thornton who said she believed curriculum council members should be affiliated with the parent-teacher organizations from their respective schools.

Marchak had been selected by the Novi Middle School PTO to serve on the council before her name was removed from the list of appointees. The individual named to replace her was not affiliated with the PTO, according to reports.

Also critical of the board was Gilbert Henderson, a former school board president and mayor of Novi. Henderson continued the attack by saying Meyer had used "poor judgment" in his comments to Marchak. He also criticized other board members.

"I am disappointed that no board member called you to task on that. I would hope someone would catch it."

"You've blown one," Henderson told Meyer. "I felt disappointed when I read the article describing your conduct."

When asked by another resident,

Caroline Duffy, why other board members didn't speak up before the vote, Thornton replied that she, "like Mrs. Marchak," was "dumbfounded" by Meyer's comments and "wasn't prepared at the time."

Thornton then apologized to the community for her silence, saying she will be more alert to such "slanders" in the future and "won't do it again."

Other residents spoke openly about Marchak's character, saying she was a concerned, involved parent, who shouldn't have been removed from the council because "she asks the board questions" on its policies.

Marchak herself spoke, telling Meyer that asking the board questions "is a means of getting things through to you."

"You say you 'cringe' when I stand up... it's almost as if someone has brainwashed you," she continued. "I wonder about your insecurities as a board member."

Roman Marchak, the husband of Sally Marchak, asked the board to reconsider its position and appoint his wife to serve on the curriculum council. "If not, why not?" he asked. "It's not a position of very much power. Why are you so insecure?"

In apologizing to the Marchaks, Meyer said he had been attempting to answer the question as to why she had been removed from the council honestly. "I'm a human being," said Meyer. "I tried to say an honest answer to a question. I'm sorry I caused so much pain for Sally."

When pressed by Roman Marchak as to whether his wife would be named to the council, Meyer shrugged his shoulders. The action caused Marchak to say it appeared that the public outcry "is like water off a duck's back."

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## Obituaries

### WAYNE CORRELL

A funeral service for Wayne Harrison Correll of Northville was held Sunday, Nov. 28, at the O'Brien Chapel of the Ted C. Sullivan Funeral Home.

Mr. Correll died Thursday, Nov. 24, at Huron Valley Hospital. Born in Michigan, he was 42 at the time of his death.

He graduated from Wayne State University in 1969 and was self-employed as an accountant. He was a member of the Redford Jaycees.

Mr. Correll is survived by his wife, Sharon, and two daughters, Sharron and Colleen. He also is survived by his mother, Dorothy, and a brother, Bruce.

Interment was at Grandlawn Cemetery in Detroit. Memorial contributions may be sent to the Michigan Cancer Society.

### KATHY JEAN DAVIS

Kathy Jean Davis of Novi died Tuesday, Nov. 15, at the University of Michigan Hospital in Ann Arbor.

A funeral Mass was held Saturday, Nov. 19, at the Holy Family Catholic Church in Novi with Father Kevin O'Brien officiating.

The daughter of James and Pauline Davis, former Farmington residents currently living in Orlando, Fla., Ms. Davis was born in Grand Rapids on July 16, 1945. She was 43 at the time of her death.

She graduated from Farmington High School in 1963 and was a veteran of the WAACS of the U.S. Army. Professionally, she was Funds Control Clerk at the National Bank of Detroit's main branch office in Detroit.

She is survived by her parents; three sisters — Mrs. Donald (Karen) Anderson of St. Helen, Kerry A. Davis of Novi and Kim I. Davis of Detroit; and a brother, Michael G. Davis of Farmington. She also leaves

three nieces: Annette, Nicole and Michele.

Interment was at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery through the Thayer-Rock Funeral Home in Farmington. Memorials can be made to the Heart Fund.

### FRANK J. WAJDA

Frank J. Wajda of Novi died Wednesday, Nov. 23, at Botsford Hospital in Farmington Hills.

Born in Poland, he was 63 at the time of his death.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Nov. 26, at the O'Brien Chapel of the Ted C. Sullivan Funeral Home at 9:30 a.m. and the Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church at 10 a.m.

Mr. Wajda was employed as a tool-and-die maker.

He is survived by his wife, Bernice, and three daughters — Polly Wrubleski, Gloria Butler and Sandra Bannan. Five grandchildren also survive.

Interment was at Oakland Hills Memorial Gardens in Novi. Memorial contributions may be sent to the Michigan Heart Association.

### GLADYS WENZEL

Gladys Wenzel, a Wixom resident, died Sunday, Nov. 27, at the Novi Care Center. Born in Michigan, she was 82 at the time of her death.

A funeral service was held at the Holy Family Catholic Church in Novi on Tuesday, Nov. 29, through the O'Brien Chapel of the Ted C. Sullivan Funeral Home.

Mrs. Wenzel had been a homemaker. She is survived by two children — Joann Dinsor of Walled Lake and John Wenzel of Dearborn. Also surviving are a sister, Katherine Piercy of Mt. Clemens; five grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren.

Interment was at the Rural Hill Cemetery in Northville.

## Trash plan must be county-wide

PONTIAC — It should be a county-wide plan, and it should emphasize recycling.

That is the consensus emerging strongly from a Solid Waste Task Force of Oakland County and local officials.

"The time has come for everyone to work together to build a single solid waste handling system," said James Perry, Royal Oak's public services director, reading from a concept proposal to the 17-member group.

"No single existing group is of sufficient size to justify the construction of a waste-to-energy facility on a cost effective basis," said Smith, who was joined by two other local officials in preparing the report — Southfield Public Services Director Roger Smith and Bloomfield Township Supervisor Fred Korzon.

"You've made a lot of progress. I think that's great," said Roy Bewold (R-Rochester Hills), chairman of the Oakland County Board of Commissioners and chairman of the task force.

The growing consensus makes it less likely two, three or four separate authorities will try to do solid waste projects in Oakland. It's possible, however, that sub-county groups will administer parts of the plan such as collection and hazardous waste dropoff sites.

It appears likely that SOGIA (the 14-community South Oakland Incorporated Authority) and the Southwest Oakland Solid Waste Consortium will go separate ways.

"County leaders have instructed us," said chief consultant Larry Fox, "that your goal is minimum landfill and to emphasize recycling."

Fox, with the Washington law firm of Bishop, Cook, presented an organizational proposal calling for a countywide authority with a nine-member board comprised of County Executive Daniel T. Murphy and eight members from four different sub-county regions.

Fox reported that he is drafting contracts for which there are four possible bidders: American Energy Corp.; Ogden Martin Systems; Foster, Wheeler Power Systems Inc.; and Westinghouse Electric Corp.

Fox has estimated total investment in the system — resource recovery facility, three incinerators and a landfill — at \$600 million to \$1 billion.

County Commissioner Larry Perlick (D-Southfield) said, "The question everyone is asking is, what does it translate in terms of picking up the solid waste from my home or business?"

"You ask a tough question — a fair one but tough," Fox replied. "If you err, err on the high side so there are no shocks."

Estimating the average household cost for trash removal at \$15 a month, Fox said the "worst" increase would be 50 percent. "Obviously, you hope to be under that," Oakland's work on a solid waste

plan — required under a state law known as Act 641 — has shifted from landfills to incinerators to resource recovery, or recycling — making new materials out of melted trash.

With recycling, not only is there less trash to burn or bury, there is less need for using new materials and resources. Moreover, there is money to be earned by selling recycled materials, cutting trash removal costs to households and business.

Burning trash is known as WTE, or waste-to-energy. The burning process generates electricity for resale.

"But the reason you're doing it," said Fox, "is because it's right for your community and right for your country. You're not doing it to make money."

Fox also warned against getting public hopes too high over recycling. "Recycling is a floating market. You have to adjust if the price goes down. There are times when there is no market" for recycled materials, he said.

## Radon gas topic for local cable show

An informational program on radon gas is scheduled to air several times on MetroVision Cable (Channel 12) in December.

The show, featuring Oakland County Health Division expert Barry Wyatt and Novi Building Inspector Ken Marko, is scheduled to be shown this Friday (Dec. 9) at 8 p.m. and Tuesday, Dec. 20, at noon.

The program was videotaped during a workshop at the Novi Civic Center, which was held Nov. 28.

Radon, a colorless, odorless, radioactive gas, seeps into homes through cracks in basement floors and walls. It is a by-product of the breakdown of uranium in soils.

Heavy concentrations of the gas over a prolonged period of time could cause lung cancer.

Wyatt and Marko basically advised residents to test their homes with charcoal canisters and re-

test if they register high levels. Marko is urging residents to wait until after the first of the year — when possible — before hiring anyone to do basement repairs designed to reduce those levels.

Contractors wishing to specialize in radon mitigation can be certified after that time.

Wyatt also offered a detailed explanation of the health risks associated with the gas.

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## Mishap not likely here

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The Kansas City incident involved a powerful explosion from a parked truck.

There were conflicting reports about whether or not Flint-area firefighters were informed about the types of materials being stored at the plastics facility that burned last week.

The Novi Hazardous Materials Ordinance, adopted earlier this year, requires business operators to document the hazardous materials they store on their premises sites and, in some instances, supply containment devices in case of a spill.

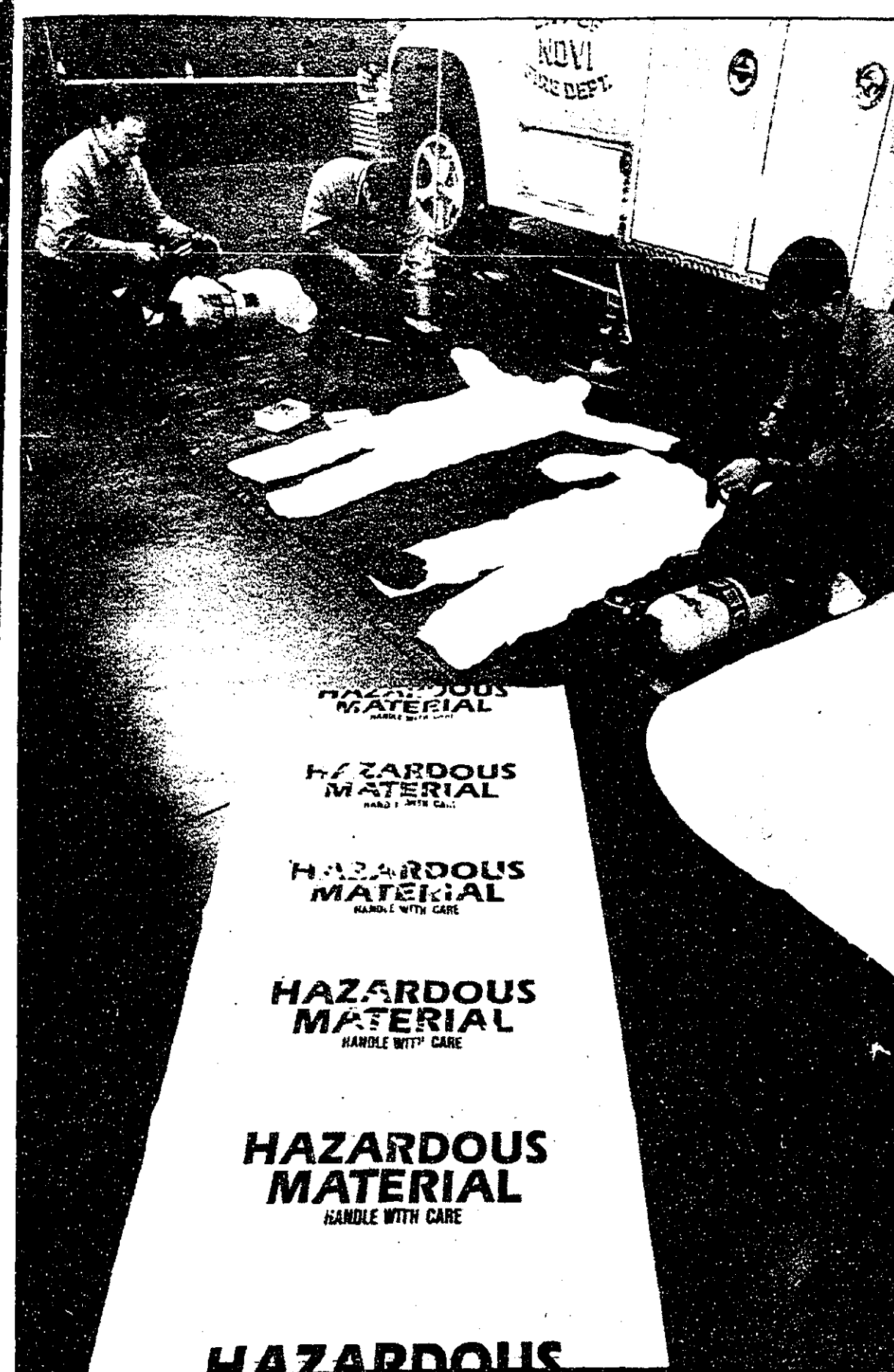
It also requires the implementation of Pollution Incident Prevention Plans (PIPPs), which document procedures to follow should a spill or emergency take place. When combined with "Firefighter Right to Know"

laws, the local ordinance should give a fairly complete picture of the types of chemicals being handled in the City of Novi, Conn said.

The "Firefighter's Right to Know" law is part of a law requiring businesses to document certain types of materials they store on their premises and report it to a local agency, usually a county disaster control division or the Department of Natural Resources.

Preliminary indications are that quite a few businesses aren't complying with the law. Conn said about 60 percent of Novi business operators have complied.

Notices began going out to Novi business operators in early December, requiring them to fill out a hazardous materials survey before applying for a new business license. Conn said Novi businesses won't be allowed to renew their business licenses if they don't fill out the forms.



Novi News/CHRIS BOYD

Fire fighters Joe Aninos, Jim Morris and Day Dye examine hazardous materials equipment

## Hazard series to be held by Novi fire department

The Novi Fire Department is sponsoring a series of Hazardous Materials Ordinance workshops in an effort to bring Novi business operators up to speed about the new law.

Passed this fall by the Novi City Council, the ordinance regulates storage and handling of hazardous materials in addition to calling for implementation of containment devices and pollution prevention planning in some cases.

The seminars are being run by

Novi Fire Marshal William Conn.

"We're interested in getting as much information out about it as we possibly can," Conn said. "In the seminars, the business community will have a chance to go over this and ask any questions they might have."

The city is currently in the process of mailing out surveys to local business operators, along with an application for a business permit in the City of Novi. Businesses not responding will not be granted a permit to do business in the city, Conn said.

The seminars are scheduled for Tuesday, Dec. 13 (8:30 a.m. to noon), Friday, Dec. 16 (1:45 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.), Monday, Dec. 19 (8:30 a.m. to noon), Thursday, Jan. 5 (8:30 a.m. to noon), Tuesday, Jan. 10 (1:45 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.) and Wednesday, Jan. 18 (1:45 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.).

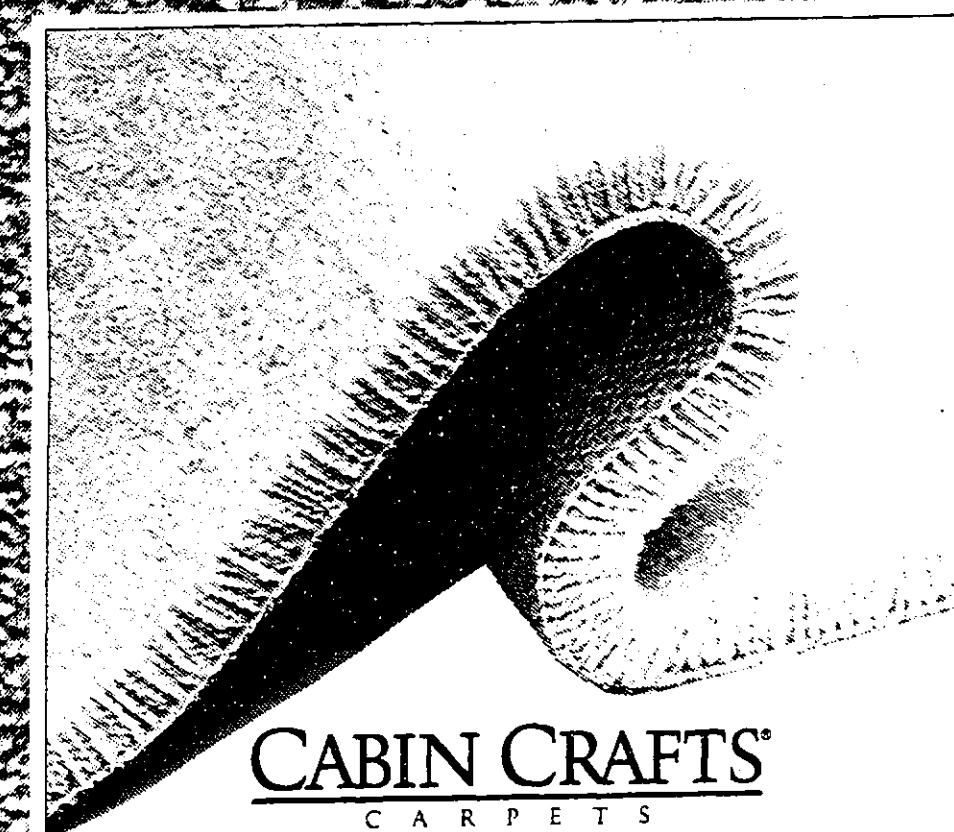
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# Novi MEAPs are tops among local districts

By AMY ROSA  
staff writer

Although Novi students scored slightly lower on this year's Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP) test compared to recent years, the district remains at the top in comparison with nearby school districts.

Of the math, reading and science areas tested on fourth-, seventh- and tenth-graders, Novi students scored higher in more categories than any of the eight other districts charted (see related graph).

Included in the survey were the Birmingham, Farmington, Huron Valley (Milford), Northville, Plymouth-Canton, South Lyon, Walled Lake and West Bloomfield school districts. The nine districts generally are among the state leaders in MEAP test results.

The scores shown, which represent the percentage of students who scored 75 percent or better on test objectives given, reveal Novi students were tops in four areas — fourth-grade reading, seventh-grade math, tenth-grade math and tenth-grade reading.

West Bloomfield students came close, performing highest in three

## Piwko: Novi's MEAP scores 'reflect the quality of instruction taking place day by day in the classrooms.'

categories.

With the exception of the science tests, Novi students rated either first, second or third among the districts surveyed.

Seventh-grade science was Novi's lowest-scoring category, falling behind the districts of Birmingham, Farmington, Northville and West Bloomfield. The relatively low science scores registered in all the surveyed districts reflect a statewide trend.

Low MEAP science scores in Novi have, in part, prompted school officials to draft a new ninth-grade science course called "Current Science," which was just approved by the district's board of education.

The class is designed to give students a general overview of science concepts, and will probably help students perform better on the MEAP, administrators said.

Although it is traditional for the media to compare school district's scores on such standardized tests, Superintendent Dr. Robert Piwko said that is not the purpose of the tests. (See Piwko's comments in the News Interview on Page 7A)

Piwko said the district uses the information as a tool to analyze current curriculum and to tailor individual instruction.

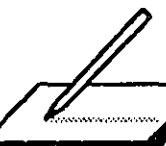



He said the administration is "extremely" happy with this year's scores, saying they "reflect the quality of instruction taking place day by day in the classrooms."

Regarding the district's slight drop in scores over the past year, the Novi superintendent said it appears that Novi students may have reached a plateau.

"And that plateau happens to be at the very top," Piwko said.

## 1988 MEAP\* Comparison

Comparing scores of 4th, 7th and 10th graders for the surrounding school districts.

		Birmingham	Farmington	Huron Valley Schools (Milford)	Northville	NOVI	Plymouth-Canton	South Lyon	Walled Lake	West Bloomfield
 MATH	4th	92.4	90.0	93.3	94.9	96.3	87.8	95.1	89.2	97.0
	7th	86.9	82.5	86.3	86.7	87.7	73.7	80.5	82.0	84.3
	10th	84.4	82.5	78.9	84.1	89.6	74.2	65.0	73.0	82.3
 READING	4th	93.3	91.0	85.9	79.3	95.5	89.1	90.8	86.4	93.8
	7th	95.5	93.9	90.7	93.9	93.4	89.4	91.1	89.6	94.1
	10th	93.9	89.1	85.1	93.9	94.8	86.6	83.4	84.0	90.5
 SCIENCE	4th	74.8	57.2	52.8	—	68.4	56.2	51.6	50.8	75.4
	7th	55.3	50.8	38.8	53.8	50.2	38.4	43.3	36.5	54.6
	10th	52.9	38.0	34.5	48.7	40.4	32.2	26.9	27.0	36.7
 HEALTH	4th	—	73.6	—	—	93.0	—	73.7	—	—
	7th	—	—	—	—	67.9	—	61.6	—	—
	10th	—	—	—	—	—	—	37.8	—	—

Source: School districts above

\* Michigan Educational Assessment Program. Scores represent the percentage of students who scored 75% or better on the objectives given. "Health" is a new test.

## Holiday decorators urged to check for safe lighting

Since Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer doesn't make his rounds until Christmas Eve, you'll probably depend on electric lighting to brighten your home during the holiday season.

Decorative lighting — when used correctly — is a safe and inexpensive option, according to Joan Bradley, Detroit Edison lighting specialist.

Bradley advises holiday decorators to examine every light string carefully for chipped or damaged sockets and for frayed wires.

"Any such items should be thrown out," she said. "Also, throw out any lights that do not have the Underwriters Laboratories (UL) seal. The seal indicates the lights meet specific safety standards."

Bradley said holiday lighting can be penny-wise as well as safety-wise.

"Most strings of lights have an operating cost of between a half-cent and five cents per string for four hours of use," she said. "Twinkle-type lights use even less electricity because they are off half the time."

Bradley offers the following safety suggestions for indoor lighting:

• Use no more than three sets of standard lights on

each indoor extension cord.

• Never use lights on a metal tree. Instead, a lighted revolving color wheel or low-voltage colored floodlights may be used to illuminate the tree.

• Keep lights away from carpeting, furniture, curtains and drapes. Some standard lights produce enough heat to scorch or damage items they touch.

• Use only flame-resistant ornaments and other decorations, including artificial snow, on and around the tree.

• Don't put the tree near an active fireplace.

For outdoor lighting, Bradley offers these safety tips:

• Use only weather-resistant equipment and lights manufactured for outdoor use.

• Keep all electrical connections off the ground and hang sockets downward to prevent water from seeping into them.

• Fasten extension cords or light sets to wood or hardboard surfaces with insulated staples; never use nails or tacks because they may pierce the wires and cause shock or shorts.

• Don't run outdoor lighting cords through door or window openings where they can be damaged.

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## Area organizations identify need for manpower

By PHIL GINOTTI  
staff writer

It's difficult to get tabs on exactly how many Novi residents will be in need — needy — this holiday season. Local agencies that help give out aid do so in strictest confidence.

Though the problem doesn't appear to be as bad as in other areas, the need is there, local charitable organizations report.

And since Novi residents enjoy a slightly higher standard of living, they also are likely to fill an important role — helping out their brethren in "the extended community."

According to Carol Ann Donnelly, a goodwill coordinator with the Holy Family Church, there is a serious shortage of manpower this holiday season, although donations of food, clothing and money appear to be coming in at a fairly steady clip.

"We're very concerned about food — extremely concerned about food," she said. "But there really seems to be a lack of volunteers this year."

"I have groups and people I rely on regularly, but I don't know how close we are to tapping those people out," she said.

Holy Family has received about 150 requests for food baskets this year from what Donnelly refers to as the "extended community" of Northville, Novi, Walled Lake, Wixom, Livonia, Farmington and other nearby areas.

Donnelly said the blankets, with collected items going in to food baskets for the poor.

The Orchard Hills Women's Organization will also be holding a Christmas gift-giving session for residents of the Whitehall Nursing Home. Gifts such as socks, pajamas, slippers and robes are sorely needed.

Residents can donate to either of the funds at Orchard Hills Baptist, P.O. Box 611, Novi, 48050.

Church officials say to make a small notation on checks, saying where they would like the money used, either for food baskets or for the senior program.

For more information, call the church 349-8847.

SPRIT OF CHRIST Lutheran Church is currently collecting food, clothing and funds for metro area needy people.

Cash contributions will be forwarded to the Lutheran Social Services fund.

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People interested in helping should contact Jacobs at Novi United Methodist (349-8552) or Novi Schools Superintendent Robert Piwko (349-1200).

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## Organizers plan next senior party

Plans are under way for the second annual All-Night Seniors Graduation Party at Novi High School.

Organizers already have formed to begin planning another successful event.

The first parent meeting is tentatively scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Jan. 19, 1989, in the Forest Auditorium. A confirmation notice will be published in the high school newsletter.

The planning committee is still in need of volunteers —

parents of both juniors and seniors. Also needed are contributions and prizes or cash donations.

To volunteer or to obtain further information call 349-7705 or 477-4716. Cash donations are tax deductible through the Novi Education Foundation.

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## Edison to replace trees near Carriage Hills sub

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Residents Richard and Diane Cox, who first raised the concerns, said the agreement was workable, although the original cutting was unfortunate.

"It was a good meeting... very positive," Richard Cox said. "We'll

just have to see what happens with it." Most of the work was done near the rear of the Cox home, in a preserved utility easement totalling about 40 feet in width. Contractors hired by Detroit Edison removed a variety of trees that stood a chance of growing

into Edison lines over the next several years. But they also removed trees some 20 to 25 feet on either side of the power lines, which stretch through various subdivisions between Haggerty and Meadowbrook Road, near Nine Mile.

The work was done in a mapped NoVI woodland, removing trees that many of the residents in the area had been required to save. Donahue said the main reason for keeping the trees short in the area was safety.

Edison recorded several incidents of children coming in contact with electrical lines while climbing trees last year. Trees or limbs falling during ice storms also create a serious problem in Oakland County, Donahue said.

"It's a serious safety concern," he said. Lemke said clearing will be reduced in areas west of Carriage Hills, with an emphasis on saving slower-growing vegetation. Edison will not be cited or ticketed for the incident, since replacement costs should be about the same as any fine that could be levied, Lemke said.

## Bishop to preach at church

Methodist Bishop Judith Craig will preach at the Novi United Methodist Church this Sunday, Dec. 10, at 10:30 a.m.

The church is located on West Ten Mile, between Meadowbrook and Novi roads. Bishop Craig is a leader of over 215,000 United Methodists in the two conferences within the State of Michigan. She is beginning her second four-year term after being elected and assigned to the Michigan area in 1984.

The United Methodist Church is the second largest Protestant denomination, with approximately 9-million members in the U.S. Bishops as well as pastors are assigned to responsibilities for limited periods in the itinerant system of ministry.

Novi United Methodist Rev. Charles "Chuck" Jacobs called Craig "a dynamic and inspirational leader... constantly in demand within Michigan and beyond."

She was invited to the church on behalf of the Novi United Methodist Church's Organization. The title of her Sunday delivery is "How far is it from Nazareth to Bethlehem?"

Child care services will be available during her presentation. For more information contact the church at 349-2652.

## Papers for sale Saturday

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In addition, the Goodfellses individualize each "basket," providing clothing and toys for all the children in each family.

"Every kid gets a new hat, coat and scarf in addition to such things as pants, underwear, soap... whatever they need," he said.

"We also try to honor whatever the kids say they would like in the way of toys."

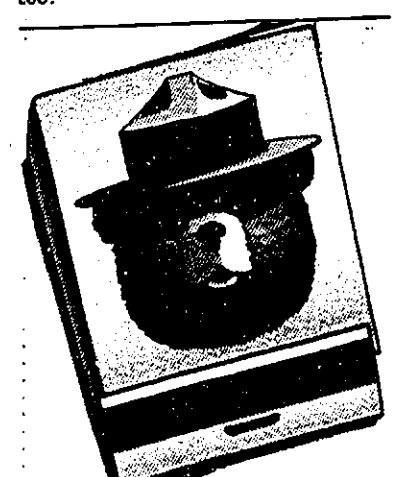
Anyone who needs assistance or knows a family which could use some help during the holiday season is asked to call Novi Fire Station No. 1 at 349-2162. Calls will be received Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Donations may be sent to the Novi Goodfellses at Post Office Box 113, Novi, MI 48060.

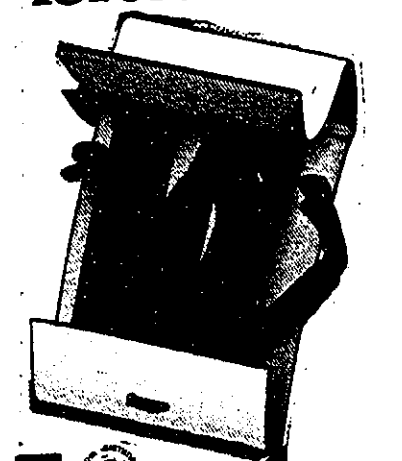
Littleton said the organization have already developed a list of families which will be helped this year. "Some of the families we've helped the last couple of years have already called us for help this year," he said.

The group plans to do its shopping on Dec. 16, prepare the baskets on Dec. 17 and deliver them on Sunday, Dec. 18.

"It is something that we all feel good about," Littleton added. "Christmas was always a very special time for me when I was a youngster. Now, I get a special satisfaction out of making sure that other kids can have a nice Christmas, too."



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### 'And I'd like ...'

Poor Santa Claus hardly had an opportunity to get in a word edge-wise when he asked Tony Borland, 5, what he would like for Christmas. Tony was ready, willing and able to give Santa a full run-down when the jolly old elf popped the big ques-

tion during the annual Christmas party sponsored by the Meadowbrook Glens Homeowners Association at the Novi High School Commons last Friday night.

## Kids invited to eat with Santa

Guess who's coming to breakfast on Saturday, Dec. 10?

If you guessed Santa Claus, you guessed correctly.

The Novi Jaycees will hold their annual "Breakfast with Santa" program in the Novi Civic Center on Dec. 10. The program has been moved to the Civic Center after originally being scheduled in the Novi High School Commons.

Project Chairperson Pat Malac

reported that the Jaycees have made special arrangements with the North Pole for Santa Claus himself to make a personal appearance.

Santa is scheduled to arrive promptly at 9 a.m. Breakfast will be served from 9-11 a.m. Malac said Santa will be available to talk to the children throughout the hours of the breakfast.

Tickets can be purchased at the door at prices of \$2 for adults and \$1

for children. Reservations are not required.

The breakfast menu will include pancakes, sausages, fruit, coffee, tea or juice.

Parents are encouraged to bring their cameras to get pictures of their children talking to Santa Claus during the event.

For more information call the Novi Jaycees at 986-NOVI.

## Patient guide available

In an effort to strengthen the doctor-patient relationship currently under attack from increasing governmental regulation and escalating medical liability crisis, the Michigan State Medical Society has developed a patient guide called "You and Your Doctor: Working Together for Quality Medical Care."

The 10-page booklet lists how to find and evaluate a physician and ways to form an effective health care partnership. It also outlines what to do if the relationship does not work.

The ultimate consideration in a doctor-patient relationship, according to the guide, is the patient's personal satisfaction that his or her doctor is providing high quality medical care.

"Outside forces are stressing the traditional doctor-patient relationship," said MSMS president Fred W. Bryant, a Royal Oak ophthalmologist.

## Builder develops plans for million dollar homes

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Novak suggested that various city departments are not equipped to deal with custom-designed homes. He said it took the city 3½ months to approve plans for one of the homes in Woods of Carriage Hills.

"With that type of attitude, you will never get anything more than mediocre housing in Novi," he said. Nevertheless, Novak believes Novi is an ideal site for scattered developments of luxury homes. "My honest opinion is that I would prefer to build luxury homes in Novi than in West Bloomfield," he said. "In fact, I sold a lot in West Bloomfield to build these homes in Novi."

Although there's a much better community environment, he said, ex-

plaining the reason behind the opinion. "Access to shopping and access to the freeways is far superior."

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plaining the reason behind the opinion. "Access to shopping and access to the freeways is far superior."

community to build in anywhere," said the frank-talking Novak. "The city has more restrictions... tighter controls on quality."

"What that translates to is more grief for the builder, but better housing for the homeowner."

As for the prospect of some day building million-dollar homes in Novi, Novak believes it's a possibility.

"I've got another 2½-acre parcel north of Eight Mile, approximately opposite the Meadowbrook Country Club," he reported. "I think I would want to do something more traditional on that piece because I strongly believe that what I build has to be compatible with what is already there."

houses I design fit the character of the area. I may be looking at something like a 'farm colonial' on that particular parcel."

Whether or not there will be a million-dollar home on the Eight Mile parcel is a matter of conjecture... a decision to be arrived at between Novak and the owner.

But he also is interested in several other pieces of property in Novi which could conceivably contain million-dollar homes.

houses on it.

"You have to appreciate the land," he said. "If you don't consider the natural beauty of the property, you can destroy it."

"As for homes that cost \$1 million, I can only say that I'm approaching that right now," he continued. "The biggest obstacle is that the city must allocate more premium locations for that type of development."

"The city should not be happy to see all of its land developed with 90 to 130-foot lot subdivisions. I don't see the long-term value in that. If that's what happens, Novi will end up like a Canton and I don't think that's anything to shoot for."

"I would hate to see Novi do that to itself."

## Council interviews to fill empty seats

The Novi City Council interviewed hopefuls for several city board positions Monday night (Nov. 28). Appointments will be made in the next several weeks.

The council interviewed Larry Johnson and Donald Flis for the Economic Development Corporation (EDC); Charles Pfeiffer, James Kuptz, Herbert Abugov, Jon Dostal and Lisa Foote for the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA); and Paul Wysocki, Walter Jenkins, Connie Mallett and Kathy Mutch for the Novi Historical Commission.

"There are currently two vacancies in the EDC and Historical Commission, and perhaps as many as four on the ZBA."

ZBA Member Paul Potter resigned and moved out of the community. The other position up for appointment this year is held by Foote, who currently serves as a ZBA alternate.

"No information on the possible appointments was available this week. Mayor Matthew Quinn and several city officials were out of town this week, attending National League of Cities convention in Boston."

Johnson is an eight-year Novi resident and a metallurgist by trade. He is a past chairman of the Livonia Industrial Development Commission.

Flis is a regional branch manager of a banking firm and 10-year Novi resident. He is currently a member of the North Hills Estates subdivision Board of Directors, a member of the Farmington Rotary Club, and co-chairman of the Holy Family Church Catholic Services Appeal.

The EDC posts are two-year terms. Pfeiffer is an eight-year Novi resident and an attorney with the Automobile Club of Michigan.

Kuptz is a two-year Novi resident and president of the Willowbrook subdivision. He was an unsuccessful candidate for Hazardous Materials Appeals Board earlier this year.

Abugov is a retired electrician, a 12-year Novi resident and board member of the Lakewood Parkhome Condominium Association. He was an unsuccessful candidate for the Novi Planning Commission in June.

Dostal is a 14-year Novi resident, employed by Chrysler Motors Corporation. He is the president of the Meadowbrook Glens Homeowners Association and has been recognized by the Chamber of Commerce as an outstanding volunteer in the community.

Foote is currently the ZBA's alternate, a nine-year resident of Novi and immediate past-president of the Novi Chamber of Commerce.

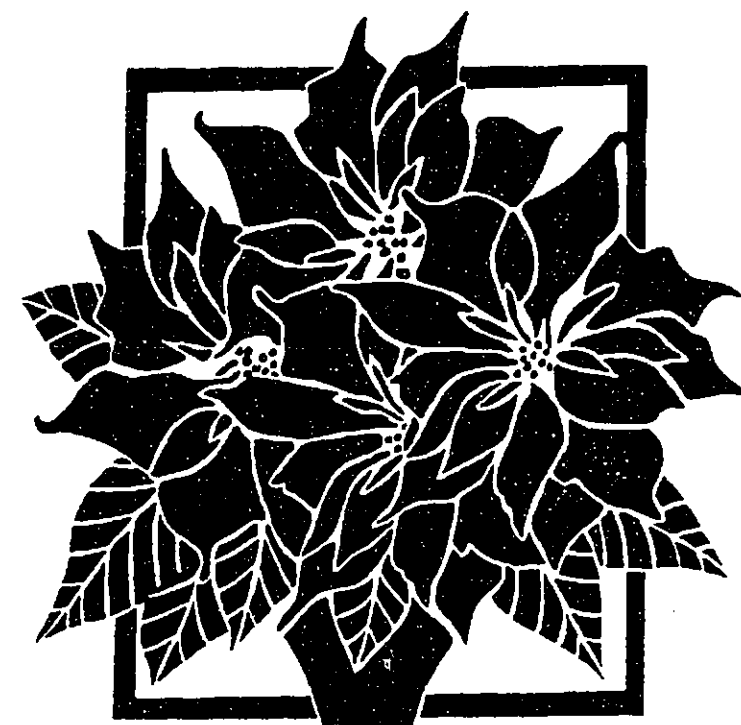
The ZBA positions — three regular positions and one alternate position — are three-year terms, according to the Novi City Clerk's office.

Mallett is the Executive Director of the Novi Chamber of Commerce and president of the Michigan 50s Festival. She is a 15-year Novi resident.

Mutch has served as secretary and president of the Meadowbrook Glen Homeowner's Association and on various school board-appointed committees.

Jenkins has been a four-year resident of Novi. He is currently active in a variety of youth-oriented programs through Boy Scouts and Novi Parks and Recreation.

The Historical Commission seats are three years, to fill vacancies on the board.



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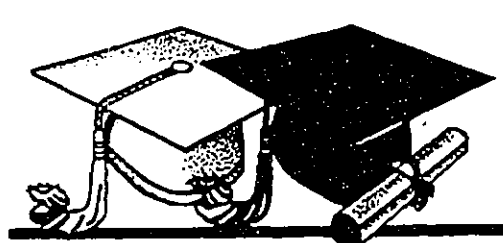
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## As We See It

### Board should adopt appointment policy

The Novi Board of Education came under heavy fire at its Dec. 1 meeting from citizens who came to protest Board President Michael Meyer's comments about citizen Sally Marchak and the manner in which she was removed from an apparent appointment to a Textbook Review Curriculum Council.



#### Education

Board members also responded in a variety of ways. Meyer issued an apology to Marchak. Trustee Sandra Thornton apologized for not defending Marchak at the time Meyer made his ill-conceived comments and others attempted to absolve themselves of any responsibility in the initial flare-up. One board member, Trustee Robert Schram, criticized this newspaper's coverage of the event, saying it was blown out of proportion and accusing The News of "yellow journalism."

It would be easy to keep the controversy burning. It would be easy to criticize Schram for screaming "yellow journalism" whenever he reads something he does not want to read. And it would be easy to fire off another salvo at board members who sat idly by when the original incident occurred.

But that would not be constructive. Nor would it be in the best interests of the school district in terms of bringing this unfortunate situation to a close and moving on to more substantive matters.

We are happy to see that the board already has taken preparatory steps to put the Marchak matter behind it by attempting to develop a policy governing the method in which appointments are made to citizen advisory committees.

One of the problems at the basis of the Sally Marchak matter is that appointments to citizens committees are handled differently at different schools. Marchak originally was asked by the Novi Woods PTO to serve on the council, but her name apparently was not advanced to the school principal for appointment. The Middle

School PTO then selected Marchak to represent it on the council, but her name was removed from the list, apparently as a result of the intervention by Meyer after consultation with two other board members.

The need for a clear policy is obvious. Clarifying the matter in which appointments are made may not result in everyone being treated well, but it should result in everyone being treated under the same rules.

In addition, the policy also should establish the various roles of the PTOs and PTAs, school administrators, and school board members in the selection and appointment processes. One of the most glaring errors in the Marchak matter is that some board members — with Meyer at the forefront — thrust themselves into the process at the wrong time and without authority.

The curriculum council is neither a PTO council nor an administration council. It is a school board council, appointed to advise board members on curriculum matters. As such, the school board has a right to determine who it does and does not want to receive advice from.

The recent controversy should not be allowed to linger and detract from the school district's primary purpose, which is to educate children. The school district will be stronger if the board and administration use this affair as a learning tool and adapt a uniform policy. Additionally, board members need to remember that they are legislators, not administrators, and make certain they do not again interfere in areas where they have no business interfering.

### Different definitions

Though the cutting work done by Detroit Edison behind the Carriage Hills subdivision was excessive, we applaud the work done to help rectify the situation. Area residents and city forestry consultant Linda Lemke deserve some credit.

This truly is the way to deal with environmental concerns. It's just too bad it happened after the fact.

Too many times, so-called "environmentalists" take on issues in a confrontational manner, sporting a variety of emotional, sensational arguments.

But in this case, the residents reacted in a calm, subdued fashion. They realized the need for safety with the Edison power lines, but questioned the excessive cutting. They ap-

proached Lemke and Edison in a cooperative manner and basically got as much as they could to restore the area its previous state.

The city should take with it some important lessons over this. The Edison definition of "scrub" is quite different than the city woodland ordinance definition. Edison regards "scrub" as anything four inches in diameter and under, which is quite generous. It's something to note for the future when Edison expresses an intent to come into Novi and cut.

Next time, city staff should be there when the areas are marked or when the cutting is done. That should prevent this from happening again. It's just too bad it had to happen this time.

### Two tragic lessons

A Kansas City disaster that killed six firefighters and a Flint plastics factory fire that hospitalized 500 both point out the urgent need to know the types of materials the business community is dealing in. Again, we affirm the Hazardous Materials Ordinance adopted by the Novi City Council as a useful tool.

The ordinance requires businesspeople to document hazardous materials they store or use in the workplace. It will, in some cases, require business operators to put in place containment structures or pollution prevention plans.

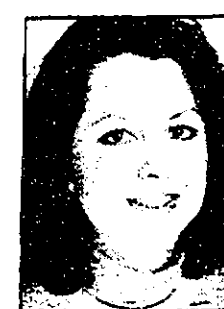
Possibly little could have been

done to prevent the Kansas City and Flint incidents from taking place. But both do point out the volatility, explosiveness and seriousness of hazardous materials in the workplace. They provide pretty frank examples.

Fire Chief Arthur Lenaghan and Fire Marshal William Conn both are taking a pretty cooperative approach with the ordinance. They will be offering a series of workshops to help business people with compliance.

We strongly urge Novi business operators to attend and comply. The risks are great enough.

## In defense of red noses



Amy Rosa

Ahh, Christmas carols. They're everywhere by now.

No longer can we tune into T.V. commercials, walk through shopping malls or grocery stores without hearing them. And pretty soon youngsters will be belting out the familiar tunes in school concerts and the like.

That's wonderful. That's part of the holiday festivity.

But I wonder if kids really pay attention to the words of the songs they sing. I do, there is one song with implications I hope they ignore. "Rudolph the Red-nosed Reindeer." "Why?" you ask. Let me explain.

Okay. The song begins with a simple introduction, whereby we discover the main character is Rudolph, who is a reindeer with a shiny nose. In fact it's so shiny, "you could even say it glows."

Fine. Now then, immediately the song points out that because Rudolph's nose is different, he gets laughed at by "all of the other reindeer." And it doesn't end with laughing mind you, but there is name-calling too. To top it off the fellow reindeer ostracize him: "And they never let poor Rudolph join in any reindeer games."

Nice, guys. Real nice.

So what does this say to our children? That it's okay to make fun of and look down on those who are different? Particularly those having a physical "flaw" or "abnormality?" Not a very nice message coming across, is it?

Well, to make matters worse, we have a second

message equally as bad.

As you all know, one foggy Christmas Eve Santa comes to town and, upon seeing Rudolph and his glowing proboscis, brainstorms and thinks that's the guy to lead his sleigh. You know, the old permanent headlight premise. (It was probably chosen over buying headlights and reflectors, plus it added manpower for the flight.)

Alright, that's not so awful, but the reindeer's response to it is. As soon as the four-legged creatures discover that Rudolph is now important and will gain fame as Santa's sleigh leader, they are soooooo nice to him. As the song goes: "Then all the reindeer loved him!"

Sure, they love him now, because he's probably going to grace the cover of Field and Stream, make lots of money and be recognized the world over. I guess they forgot all about him being different and unacceptable for reindeer games just the day before. Maybe they thought his new connections could help them out in the future, like getting in as a stand-by reindeer, or something.

No apologies, no excuses, no "Gee Rudolph, we're sorry we acted like such jerks," no nothing. What kind of message does this send to our kids? That it's fine to like someone if they're suddenly liked by someone important first? Particularly if it's beneficial to your career?

In fact, anyone who has attended a city council meeting would know that the seven members discuss and debate even minor topics sometimes to the boredom of the audience.

I'm reminded of The Elephant Man, who was at first treated like dirt because of his gross facial configurations, but then suddenly "respected" once he started making money in a circus side-show.

Think about it. Who made up this song in the first place?

## Forum

By Chris Boyd



### Say Ahhh

## 'Meatball scandal' rocks party



Phil Jerome

I knew I was going to catch it before we even got in the car. I had started out having a good time at the party at the Robison's house last Saturday. And I was having an even better time as the hour grew later and the punch bowl grew lower.

But there had been that one little incident just before we left, and I knew she was not happy about what I had done.

"Why did you do it?" she demanded as soon as we got in the car.

"Why did I do what, my little bumblebee?" I asked in feigned innocence. "Why did I drop the little meatball on the floor? Is that what you're talking about? I can assure you it was a total accident. It just sort of rolled off my plate. I had fully intended to eat that meatball."

"That's not what I'm talking about," she shot back. "What I'm talking about is the way you accused Andy of throwing the meatball at you. And to make matters worse, you yelled it real loud so everyone could hear. And to make matters even worse than that, you called it a 'damn' meatball. You said, 'Oh, sure, Andy. Throw the damn meatball at me.'"

"Don't you know you can't swear at parties like that? And what about poor Andy? This was the first year Andy and Cheryl were invited, and they wanted to make a nice impression on everybody. And you, you big jerk, you have to embarrass poor Andy by accusing him of throwing a meatball. Now everybody thinks he goes to parties and throws meatballs."

"Geez, I hadn't thought of it like that," I said, suddenly contrite. "I guess I'm just a bad person with very poor social skills. And now I've gone and ruined the reputation of two innocent people like Andy and Cheryl."

"But there is a bright side," I added, optimistically. "I hope Andy has learned his lesson about throwing meatballs."

## Mayor criticizes News' editorial

To the Editor:

As a lawyer and as an elected official, I have always supported the First Amendment right of a free press and I support responsible journalism.

During the 11 years that I have read The Novi News and the "Opinion Page," I have found most of the opinions stated by the editors to be within reason and based upon some fact.

It was never important to me if I agreed with the opinion presented by the writer or not, as long as there was a basis for the opinion to be presented.

Unfortunately, in the Nov. 24 "Opinion Page" in the article entitled "Get off the phone," the writer of this editorial deviated from the standard of care of responsible journalism by rendering an opinion that was not based upon any investigative facts whatsoever.

The editorial statement presented was as follows: "Novi City Council meetings are becoming more and more antisocial and, we fear, well discussed before issues even come up before the council table."

It went on to say "what's happening now is that a lot of city and school decisions are being made without public discussion of the background, the reasons for why those decisions are being made."

As the mayor of this city and as the person responsible for running this city's council meeting, I take exception to these statements as being blatantly untrue and not based upon any fact whatsoever.

I can honestly state that during my one year as mayor that the Novi City Council has never "practiced" an agenda and we have never violated the Open Meetings Act by discussing issues before they come up at the council table.

In fact, anyone who has attended a city council meeting would know that the seven members discuss and debate even minor topics sometimes to the boredom of the audience.

It would appear that the newspaper is trying to create news rather than reporting the news. The newspaper's reporters are upset apparently because over the last two months the agenda items have been relatively mundane and there has not been any great debates over these items at the council table.

It is my opinion that if a city government is being run properly on a day to day basis, there will not be any great surprises to debate. At the Novi City Council table, debate is welcomed and discussion of the important issues is a regular occurrence. I challenge anyone to present facts to make my statement untrue.

I welcome all residents of this city

to appear at our open meetings and present their point of view on any topic and to ask questions of the council and the administration. I welcome the press to any meeting and I challenge them to report the facts.

Matthew C. Quinn,  
Mayor, City of Novi

EDITOR'S NOTE: The editorial in question did not accuse the city council of violating the Open Meetings Act.

### 'Groundless'

To the Editor:

I wish to speak out in defense of the Novi school board members because I have the highest respect for each of them and because I am most appreciative of their dedication to serving this community in their vital capacity.

I am certain that our board members are sincere in their commitment of providing the best education possible for our children and that their success in doing so is indisputable.

The press has sensationalized the event of the last few weeks to the point that people who have never previously attended a board meeting are attacking and accusing the board members en masse of "misde-

meanors" that are totally groundless and without merit (e.g., "over the phone decisions," "improper meeting minutes," etc.).

My own personal observation is that some people just don't know their place in this democratic system of ours. Just because audience participation is on the agenda of each board meeting, some individuals feel that this is their opportunity to play the role of a board member. They seem to feel that they are on an equal standing with the elected board members, when in fact they are not.

It is indeed a privilege for a citizen to make a request, recommendation or proposal for the board's consideration, but it is deplorable for an individual to make a demand, attack or accusation without merit upon the board members.

Ironically, Dr. Meyer's much criticized assertion that negative individuals were not in the best interest of this school district has actually been proven true. More attention is being directed towards venting the frustration of these individuals rather than on the accomplishments and hard work of the many fine contributors to the academic, athletic,

social and arts programs here in Novi.

Isn't it time to put aside our differences and strive to better rather than weaken ourselves?

J. Simon

### Instant replay?

To the Editor:

Perhaps it's time that PTOs from each school appoint a representative to come to school board meetings in order to come back to the group and share the information so that there is some check and balance in the Novi schools.

Perhaps it is time for us, as a district, to invite a representative from the PTAs to come to Novi and speak about the advantages of having such a group be a part of our schools.

We go to school board meetings, whether there be three or 30 citizens, or petitions with 300 signatures, and still our concerns are not met with actions.

A future date, an acknowledgment that we listened, an apology is sufficient for the school board. And the ultimate gesture is a parent who is put on a committee who does not want to be controversial. What does it all accomplish — a waste of precious time and a citizenry which will not be well represented by that parent.

The suggestion was offered at the last school board meeting by a new resident that perhaps the school board should start visually taping their meetings. A resident tried to go through the proper channels last school year with that very request and was told that taping would not be possible.

One resident, who taped (audiotaped) a meeting last school year, had to stand firm in her intention, when she was told to put her tape recorder away. Would not instant replay, visual and auditory, help to keep accurate accounts?

Yes, the board does run a tight ship, but the portals are letting in some fresh air, and the hairline cracks are beginning to look like fissures.

Sally Marchak

### Poor precedent

To the Editor:

Well last week it was another school board member who brought embarrassment upon himself and the board when Mr. Schram accused The Novi News of "yellow" journalism.

Hopefully this paper will take Mr. Schram to task on that, while I raise another "yellow" journalism issue.

In spite of all the public criticism, the board refuses to honor the PTO's freedom to choose its representative. The board simply claims it is their organization and it will do what it pleases.

But a precedent has been established as no one can recall someone being pulled off the curriculum council after having attended its initial meeting. Precedents count in many areas, including law.

Now, this board has been criticized for its poor image in the past so this would be an excellent opportunity to improve it. But when Trustee Sandra Thornton wanted to move curriculum council appointments to an action item again, she was not able, so it could only be discussed as a further information item.

Once again, I implore the board to consider the public outcry and reconsider its position at the next meeting at the high school in the library at 6 p.m. Before even more citizens conclude that this board is not interested in working with the parents.

Thus, they could foster a spirit of cooperation instead of leaving us to believe that last week's apology was just empty words.

Roman Marchak

### Support lacking

To the Editor:

I am writing in reference to Novi's past performance in the playoffs. Novi made it into the playoffs with outstanding effort. Effort which has brought us single Novi team further into the playoffs than ever before.

Our Wildcats took on many difficult fights and they needed all the support they could get.

But what was the recognition we gave our team? Where were the signs, the posters, the pep assemblies acclaiming our good fortune. Therefore, it could be presumed that few people actually knew that our team was in the playoffs. Even fewer people realized it was the first time that any Novi team ever made it that far into the playoffs.

It is apparent that the team needed our support. We should be cheering our team on, not ignoring their efforts. Did the school put up posters, have pep assemblies, even parades through the hall? I never saw any.

And what concern did the community give our team? Did they forget the signs down Novi road or the parade through the city? What about the front page story for the Novi News? Novi needed to show our team some appreciation. How can the Wildcats be a team without the city behind them?

Joseph Onorio Micallef

## Compromising over the holidays



Brenda Dooley

of the family is the unhappy party.

Hubby Kevin and I began to eagerly look forward to spending our first Christmas together months ago. Until the dreaded question popped up.

"Where are we going to spend Christmas?" I asked while the image of trekking to Grand Rapids for the holiday flickered into my mind. The highway would be lightly dusted with snow and we'd be sitting in a warm and toasty inside the car singing "Have a Merry Little Christmas" and munching on crunchy candy canes all the way there. The back seat would be piled with colorfully-wrapped gifts decorated with red and green bows and ribbons. And for once I wouldn't mind the 2½ hour drive to the Bonheim homestead.

Kevin looked at me with skepticism as if

there were really any question at all.

"I thought we were going to my mom's house," he said, wiping that merry little image out of my head.

Of course the pout came next. It didn't work. "Honey, we agreed," he reminded me. And he was right.

As compromising newlyweds we had agreed that we'd alternate Thanksgiving and Christmas between our families. Thanksgiving had been spent in Grand Rapids this year — next year we'll go to Mom Dooley's house. It sounded like a logical, workable system. Until spending Christmas away from my family for the first time in my life neared reality.

"But..." I started. He gave me that look of utter husbandly exasperation. "OK, you're right."

Images of spending Christmas with my new family replaced the previous illusions. It would be fun establishing new traditions with my new family members — sitting around the fireplace at the Dooley homestead, swapping stories and exchanging gifts. After all, I can munch candy canes just as easily there. My spirits rose and I looked forward to Christmas again. Until the dreaded question resurfaced.

This time it came from my mom.

"What are you guys doing for Christmas?" she asked after an enormous Thanksgiving dinner.

"We're going to Kevin's mom's house," I said. There was silence.

"Well you're coming here, too, AREN'T YOU?"

"Mom, it's kind of a long drive... the weather will probably be bad." Suddenly I felt like a guilty six-year-old caught in a terrible lie. She was giving me that infamous look and I shifted in my chair uncomfortably.

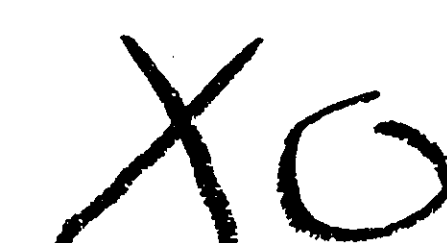
"We'll talk about it later," I mumbled. End of discussion. What a coward I had been.

I'm sure the conversation will arise again, and I'm hoping it'll be easier to argue my case long distance. People tell me to stand my ground because the first year is the hardest. It's probably true.

"Just think, dear, when we get our own house we'll be able to have both families over for the holidays," Kevin said.

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## Novi Chamber

**Holiday mixer:** Jack Cauley Chevrolet will host a holiday mixer for the Novi Farmington Farmington Hills, West Bloomfield and Lakes Area chambers of commerce on Tuesday, Dec. 13, from 8-9 p.m. The mixer will be held in the Jack Cauley Chevrolet show room at 7020 Orchard Lake Road in West Bloomfield.

The holiday gathering provides an opportunity for business professionals from surrounding areas to exchange information, ideas and knowledge with others in a networking environment. Food and beverages are provided by Jack Cauley Chevrolet.

Reservations may be made by calling the Novi Chamber at 349-3743. Deadline for reservations is before Dec. 9.

**Membership dues:** The Novi Chamber of Commerce has sent out notices of 1989 membership, according to Executive Director Connie Mallett.

The 1989 dues structure includes an increase — the first time in five years that dues have been increased. In addition, two new levels have been added to the formula. The category of 25 or more employees has been split into two groups to reflect a more equitable level of investment in Chamber programs and total operations.

The new dues structure is as follows: \$185 for firms with 1-4 employees, \$235 for firms with 5-14 employees, \$285 for 15-59 employees and \$325 for 60 or more employees. More information about dues and the dues structure is available by calling Chamber offices at 349-3743.

## Splitting town? Rumors fly about three major stores

By PHIL GINOTTI  
staff writer

The rumblings of over-the-fence chit-chat have apparently spread to the "Big 3" of the regional shopping world — leading Novi city officials to assume the role of rumor control experts for a brief time.

City officials released a report several weeks ago ruling out persistent rumors that three of area's major retailers would close or leave town.

The stores in question — Meijer's Thifty Acres, near Eight Mile and Haggerty Road; Kroger's in the Novi West Oaks Mall; and A&P, near Ten Mile and Meadowbrook Road — have all been rumored to close over the last several months.

City Manager Edward Kriewall said the rumors were widespread

and consistent enough to merit a brief city investigation. Several city employees contacted officials of the major firms and reportedly received assurances that the stores weren't closing any time soon.

"Where do these things come from? I really don't know," Kriewall said. "They keep coming up and coming up. I've heard it from a few different people. . . I figured it was time to take a look at it."

"I personally checked (A&P and Kroger's) and got nothing on those," Kriewall said. Kriewall said Planning Commissioner Ernest Aruffo was able to contact a high-ranking Meijer's official to get a confirmation that the Eight Mile/Haggerty Road store was not closing.

A&P manager Patrick Crowe, when contacted by the Novi News, said he had not heard of any plans to

close the store and was surprised at the rumor.

"It certainly would be a surprise," he said.

Crowe said business at the Ten-Mile/Haggerty Plaza has remained strong and that company officials were happy with the amount of sales generated there.

A&P is a major shopping area for a large number of Novi residents in the densely populated southeastern section of the city.

Meijer's officials have consistently denied that the Eight Mile store is due to close or move anytime soon. But they neither confirm nor deny that a large offer was made on the property within the last several months.

Aruffo said a hotel chain had been interested in the Meijer's corner. He called it a "tempting offer" that Meijer's officials opted to turn down earlier this year.

Aruffo said the additional rumors about the store may have been spurred by a rash of construction activities in that area.

Meijer's also purchased a parcel of land in Plymouth Township this year, large enough to accommodate a "Thrifty Acres" store. They also plan an expansion into West Bloomfield, near Haggerty Road, Aruffo said.

Kroger Real Estate Manager Dave Pruetter said the West Oaks facility would have closed and relocated to Commerce Township, if a new plaza would have been constructed near Haggerty and Fourteen Mile this year. When plans for that plaza fell through several months ago, the relocation plans were suspended, he said.

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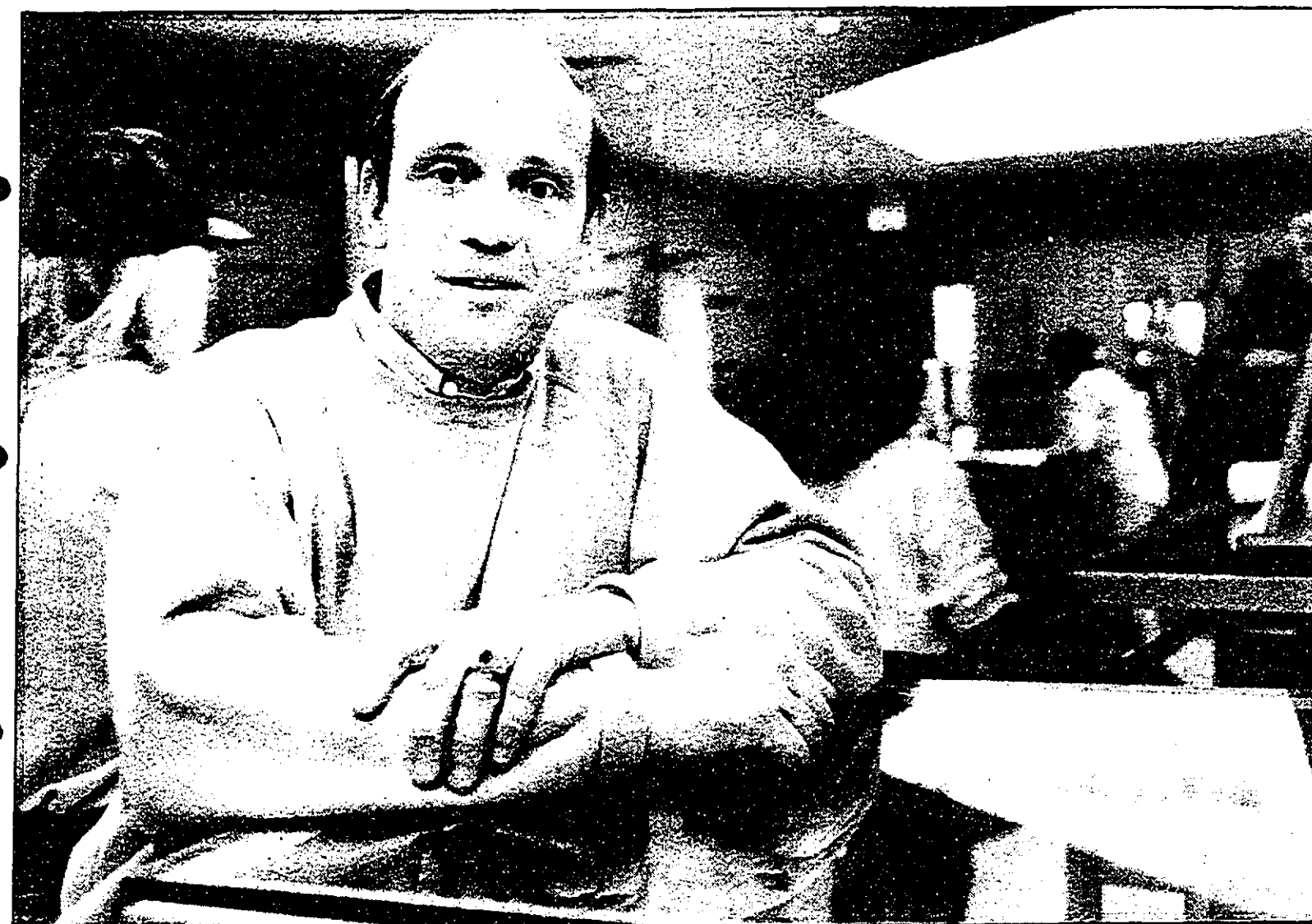
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## Section B

## GREEN SHEET

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Ed Grund, a co-president of First Issues, supervises the opening of the new store at Twelve Oaks Mall

## First Issue aims to stress service at Twelve Oaks

By PHILIP JEROME

With the increasing number of two-career families, retailers are attempting to come to grips with one of the basic facts of life of the 1980s — people don't have as much time to shop as they used to have.

Linda Anderson, marketing director at the Trammell Crow Company's Novi Town Center, said that open-air centers — like the Novi Town Center — are one way that retailers are attempting to cope with the problem. "People who are short of time want a place where they can drive up to the door, get what they need and then jump back in their cars again and be on their way," she said.

Now, another major retailer — Liz Claiborne, Inc. — is trying another approach for dealing with diminishing amounts of shopping time.

It's not really a new approach. In essence, it amounts to "one-stop shopping." But it's being applied to fashionable women's clothing by a retailer with the prestige and reputa-

tion of Liz Claiborne.

Claiborne's efforts to accommodate fashion-conscious consumers whose time is limited has resulted in the opening of a new division called First Issue.

Although planning has been going on two years, the first First Issue store began opening this year. The goal was to open 13 stores during 1988. The first opened in the Americana Center in Manhattan, New York, on Feb. 11, and since that time other stores have been opened in such places as Atlanta, Georgia, and Northbrook, Illinois.

The company achieved its goal of opening 13 stores in 1988 when a First Issue store was opened in Novi's Twelve Oaks Mall in mid-November. "We've been awfully busy, but it's been exciting," said Ed Grund, who, along with Jo Miller are co-presidents of the division.

Grund was in town for five days to supervise the opening of the Twelve Oaks store.

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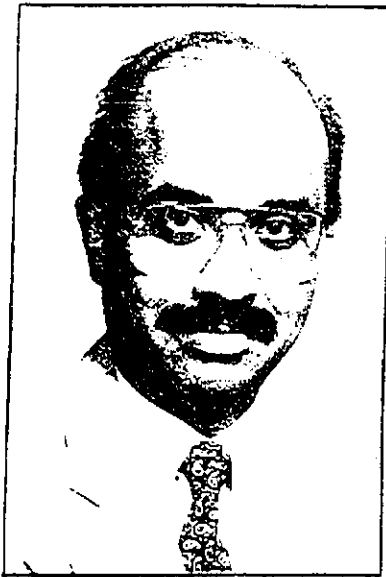
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## Business Briefs



ELIZABETH K. HEDKE

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ELIZABETH K. HEDKE of Novi has been promoted by the Amerisure Companies to assistant vice president, home office credit-collection at the Southfield office. She formerly was regional credit manager of the Michigan region, Farmington Hills.

Hedke brings to her position more than 17 years of experience. Before joining Amerisure in 1986, she was with the Reynolds Metals Company.

She is chairperson of the Credit and Financial Development Division of the National Association of Credit Management (NACM) and is a national director for the NACM.

Michigan Mutual Insurance Company is the parent company of the Amerisure Companies, which include Amerisure Insurance Company and Amerisure Life Insurance Company. All companies are headquartered in Detroit.

RALP P. BHARGAVA of Northville has been named to the board of directors of the Metropolitan Center for High Technology (MCHT), according to MCHT President Charles W. Henderson. Bhargava is vice president of marketing for Michigan Consolidated Gas Co. and president of MichCon Trading Co. and South Romeo Gas Storage Corp.

The mission of the Metropolitan Center for High Technology is to commercialize technology. It does so by conducting research in areas with potential for future commercial development and operating a small business incubator, providing low cost office space and business services to entrepreneurial technological companies. It is one of Michigan's three Centers of Excellence.

VIDEOWILLAGE OF FARMINGTON will hold the grand opening for a state-of-the-art media room on Wednesday, Dec. 14, from 10:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. The store is located at 3761 Grand River in the Halstead/Grand River Shopping Center in Farmington Hills.

Ernie Iafate and Mike Bustos, co-owners of Videowillage, reported that the new showroom will give customers an opportunity to see and hear the latest technological advances in home entertainment electronic equipment in operation. "The customer will be able to see just exactly how the equipment works and sounds in a simulated entertainment room environment," said Iafate.

The media room will include a complete line of wide-screen projection televisions including such brand names as Panasonic and Zenith equipment. Also on display will be sound systems, including Dolby Surround-Sound processors, pro-logic steering and a full line of the latest electronic equipment for the '90s regarding compact disc players and laser-vision players.

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## Medicare recipients facing new surtax

## Money Management

If you're eligible for Medicare, life is going to be a lot more taxing starting Jan. 1, according to the Michigan Association of CPAs.

On that date, millions of Americans become subject to a new surtax in exchange for new catastrophic Medicare insurance coverage.

The coverage — and the surtax — stem from the Medicare Catastrophic Protection Act signed into law last July. Designed to protect the elderly and certain disabled individuals from the financial devastation of acute illness, the new Medicare program introduces several valuable benefits.

In just a few weeks, for example, expanded hospital protection (called Part A) becomes available. The new coverage is undeniably a vast improvement over the old program. Under current law, you receive only 90 days of coverage per period of illness, plus up to 60 lifetime reserve days. The current cost is a \$40 deductible for the first 60 days.

In addition, you have to pay \$135 of the cost for each of the next 30 days. For each of the lifetime reserve days, you have to contribute \$70. Once you exhaust your reserve days, you are totally on your own.

Starting Jan. 1, all that changes. After paying a deductible of \$564, you will be entitled to up to one-year's stay at a hospital — with no co-insurance requirements. If your hospital stay exceeds one year, you will have to pay another deductible.

But the expanded coverage comes with a hefty, and inescapable, price tag. If you are age 65 or older or a disabled individual eligible for Medicare, you will have to pay \$22.50 for each \$150 of income tax owed.

Luckily, the surtax, or "supplemental premium," has an annual cap. In 1989, the maximum surtax for any individual taxpayer will be \$800, or \$1,600 for a married couple filing jointly.

Next year, the maximum goes up to \$850 per individual and \$1,700 per couple. Again, the maximum will increase yearly until 1993, when all taxpayers could pay a surtax of \$1,050 on top of just \$750 in regular federal income tax.

For joint filers, the 1993 maximum surtax will jump to \$2,100. Let's look at what effect the surtax may have on the tax liability of a married couple in 1989.

Tom and Mary are both 65 years old and file a joint return. Their combined federal income tax liability for 1989 is \$1,000, which makes them subject to the maximum surtax of \$1,600. When April 15, 1990, comes around, Tom and Mary will owe the IRS a combined total of \$2,600.

Now, you may be wondering if Tom and Mary will have to pay the surtax even if they never sign up or actually use any Medicare benefits. The answer is an unqualified "yes." Even if they cannot use their Medicare benefits because they are still covered by an employer's insurance plan, Tom and Mary will have to pay the full \$1,600.

In fact, experts estimate that approximately 97 percent of all Medicare enrollees will never need or use the extended hospitalization benefits being launched this year. However, for the one million or so beneficiaries expected to take advantage of the unlimited hospital-care coverage, the new catastrophic Medicare insurance surtax and increased Part B premium later on this year.

CPAs suggest you start revising your budget and tax plans now to avoid being sidetracked by the new catastrophic Medicare insurance surtax and increased Part B premium later on this year.

While you're worrying about how to foot the bill for the new surtax, don't forget that as of Jan. 1 you will also begin paying more for Part B doctor coverage. Next month the premium increases from \$24.80 to approximately \$31 a month. The new premium reflects a \$4 increase for catastrophic care and \$3 boost to help offset inflation. The premium is expected to gradually increase each year, until it hits \$35 a month, or \$420 a year, in 1993.

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How will the surtax be collected? If you assume that your employer will automatically deduct the correct

amount from your paycheck, guess again. As of this date, there are no plans to collect the surtax through automatic payroll or Social Security deductions, or for any other means for that matter.

The responsibility for paying the catastrophic Medicare insurance surtax falls entirely on the individual. And if you fail to make the correct payments by April 15, 1990, you may find yourself owing a penalty on top of the surtax.

The most convenient arrangement you can make for paying the so-called "supplemental premium" is to file an amended Form W-4 so that you will not be hit with an underpayment penalty next year. Alternatively, you can add the appropriate amount to your quarterly estimated tax payments.

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## Liz Claiborne launches First Issue stores

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And how does First Issue attempt to accommodate shoppers with little time for shopping? Grund said two things make the store unique. First, the clothes are presented in collections — with new collections arriving every two weeks. Second, each collection includes accessories — handbags, belts, scarves, sunglasses, socks — all put together for individual outfits.

"Our stores are divided into sections," Grund explained. "Each section has a different collection put together by a different designer, and everything in that particular section is designed to work together."

"It's not necessary for the consumer to go to one store for a skirt, another store for a blouse and yet another store for jewelry or other accessories. At First Issue, everything in any given section has been designed to work together."

"The customer doesn't have to run all over the place to put together an outfit."

A second major focus of the First Issue stores is its emphasis on service. Grund said the focus is evident in every aspect of the store from its design to its dressing rooms.

The store encourages customers to become familiar with the merchandise. Green glass panels segment each designer concept group, and a special lighting system allows customers to see the true colors of the clothes.

The emphasis on customer service is perhaps best exemplified by the sections of hire only full-time "sales associates."

"A lot of people talk about service, we're investing in service," Grund said. "We're asking our sales associates to develop a one-to-one relationship with their customers."

"We interviewed more than 100 people to come up with the eight people at the Twelve Oaks store, and we're compensating them appropriately so they will regard the job as a profession."

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CHRISTMAS tree, 5 ft., artificial. Revolving, reg. set and wreaths. (313) 246-2207.

**002 Absolutely Free**  
CLOTHING, Church of Christ, 6026 Rickel Rd. Tuesdays, 6-8 p.m.  
CLOTHING, Howell Church of Christ, Grand River, Mondays 7 p.m.-8:30 p.m.  
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EGG cartons, plastic jugs, baby items, aluminum plates. (313) 227-3430.  
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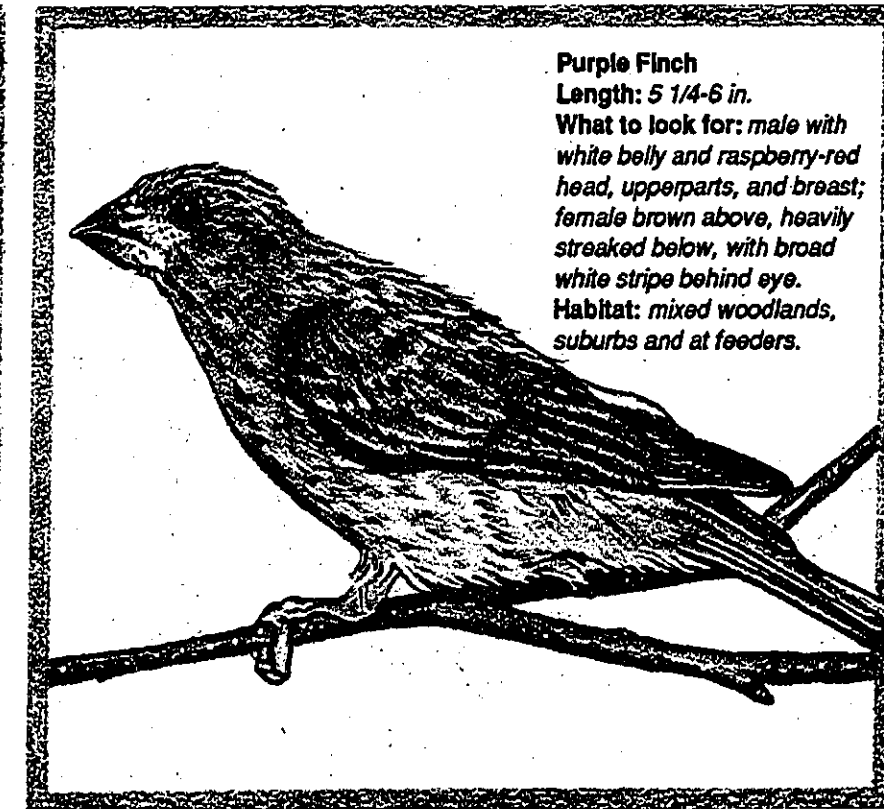
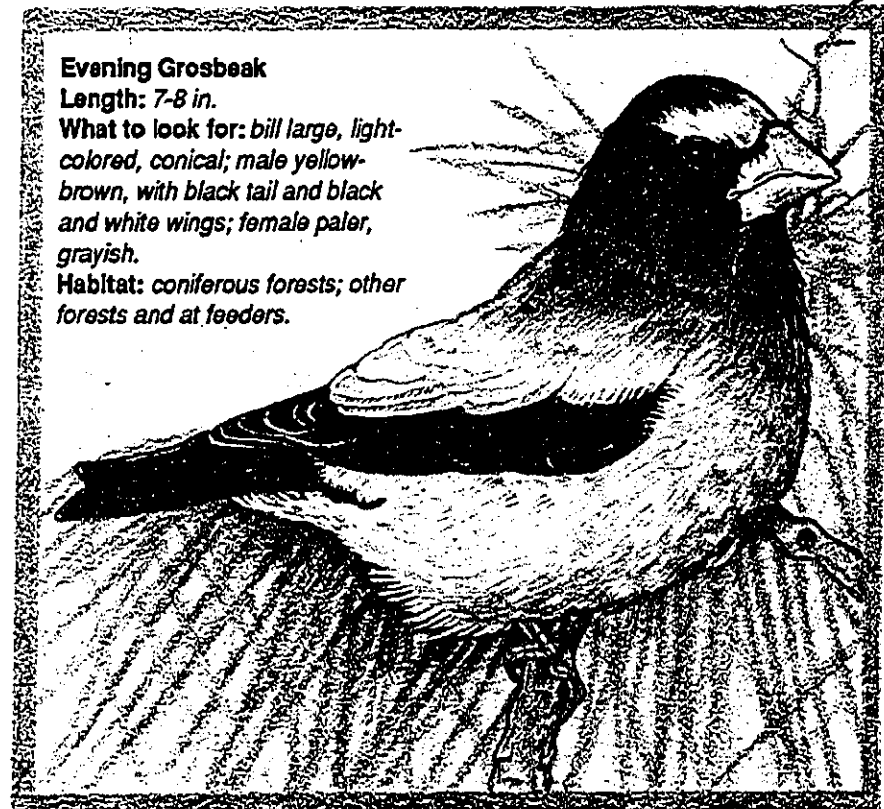
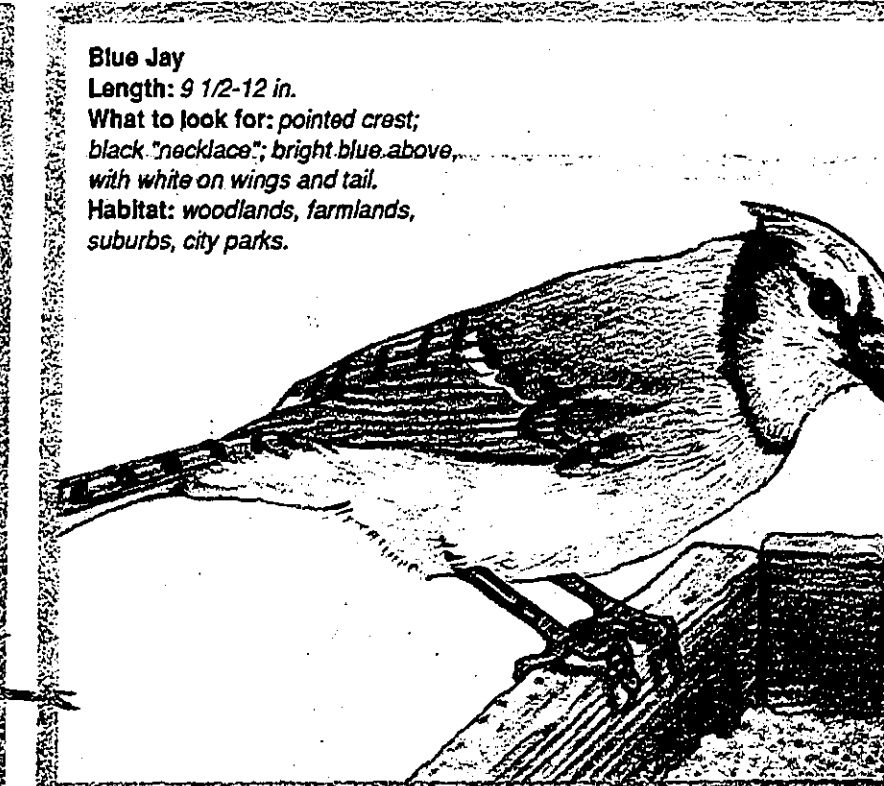
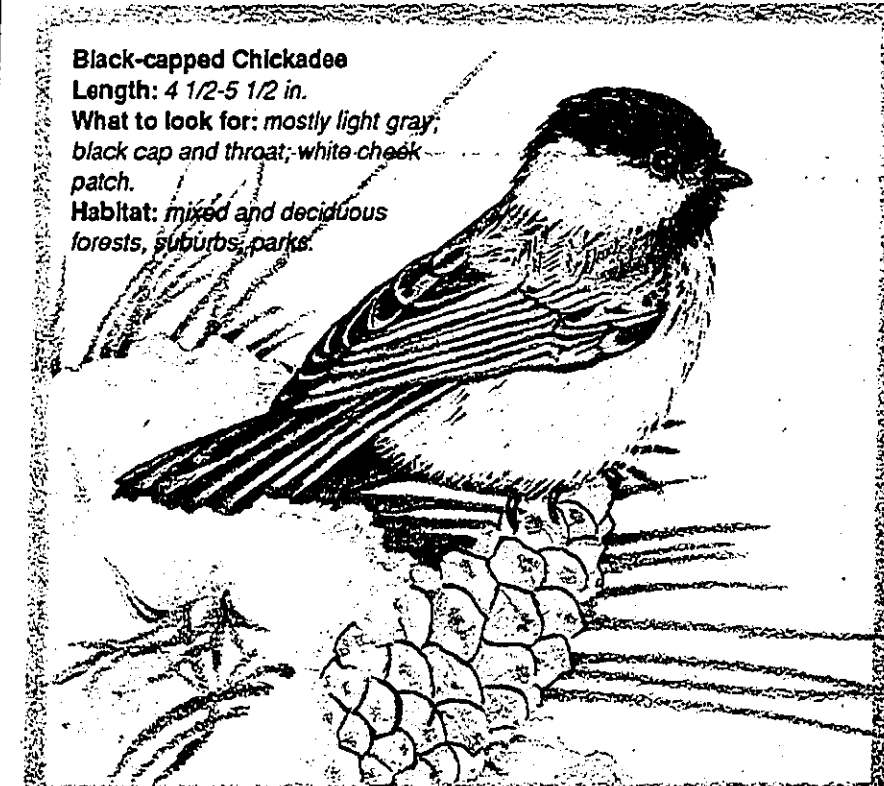
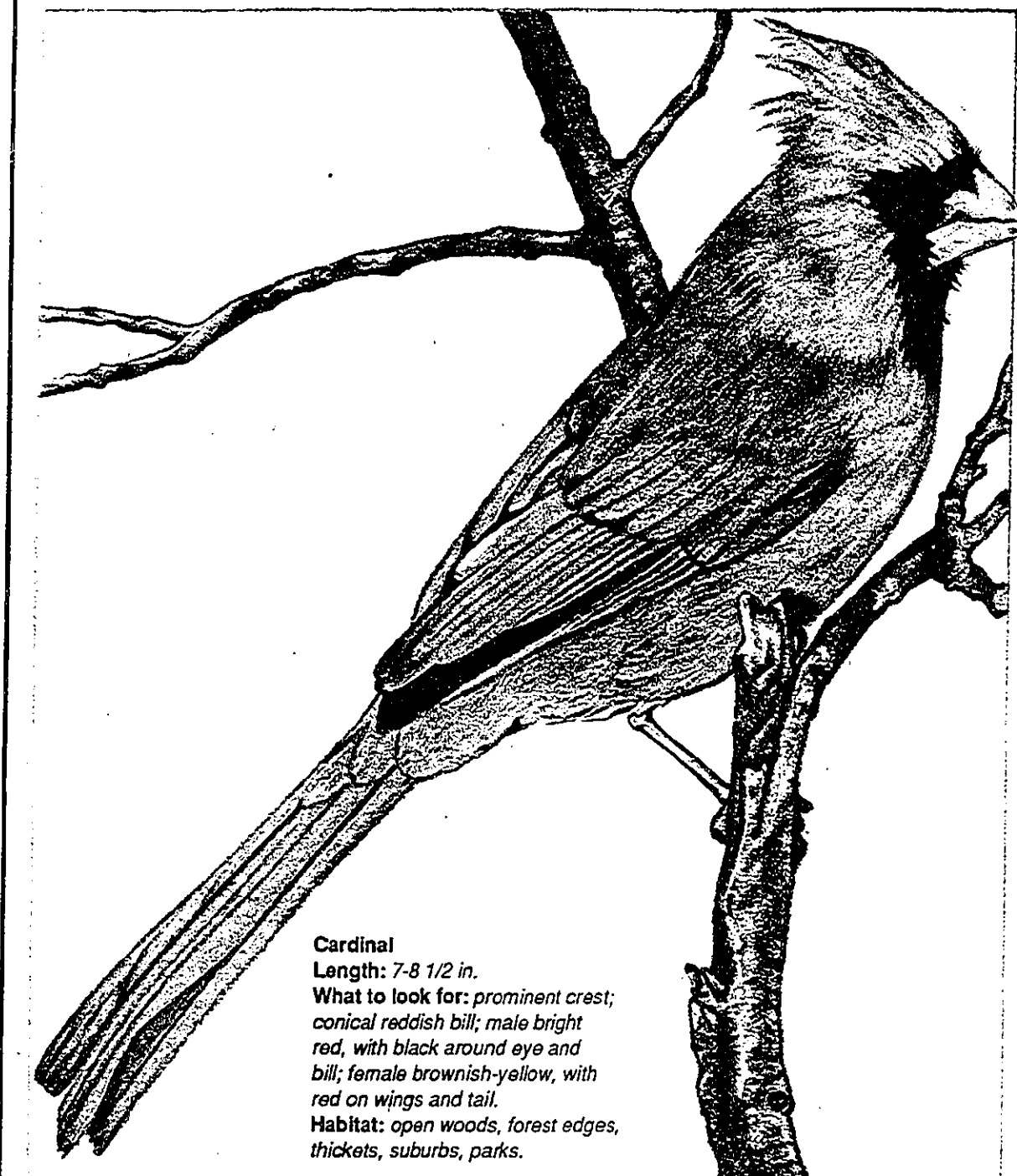
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pastures, abandoned buildings, orchards, parks and  
recreational areas. Open-water areas are especially  
good places.If your choice is to remain inside, you needn't miss  
out. By providing food, shelter and water, one can at-  
tract an astonishing variety of winter birds to enjoy  
while inside looking out.Water should be available and accessible in all  
seasons, especially when the earth is frozen and there  
is no snow. Dripping water is particularly alluring.Birdhouses are also an important part of attracting  
birds. Whether a birdhouse is constructed from a milk  
carton or wood, it should be placed where cats and  
squirrels can't reach it.Food can be provided naturally by planting a variety  
of grasses, flowers, shrubs and trees, or food can be  
provided artificially with bird feeders.A mixture of sunflower seeds, cracked corn and  
millet should appeal to a wide variety of seed-eating  
birds.Soft peanut butter, cottage cheese, bread crumbs,  
berries and nuts are also desirable food sources."You can supplement by using suet, which is a hard  
fat found in beef," Hotaling said. "You can get it in  
chunks from your butcher. Birds are also attracted to  
fruits such as raisins, apples or oranges that have been  
cut into small pieces."Children can prepare special holiday treats for birds  
by making popcorn wreaths and balls, filling jar lids  
with peanut butter and stringing pieces of cut-up  
apple—all to hang outdoors in view of the house.It's important to offer a wide variety of feeding sites  
and types of bird feeders as birds like to feed at dif-  
ferent heights and locations.A well-rounded program would include some ground  
feeders; a platform feeder raised five feet off the  
ground; a few hopper or tube feeders for different  
types of seeds suspended by wires at about five to eight  
feet high; a window feeder; and some suet feeders  
mounted on tree trunks at various heights.The window feeder, mounted on the window sill for  
easy reach in cleaning and setting out food, is ideal for  
close viewing.The basic suet feeder is covered in a plastic netting,  
preventing birds and other predators from taking  
away large pieces of suet.In the winter, birds especially favor sheltered  
locations—areas that are shielded from the wind and  
buffered by trees and shrubs.If cats harass the birds in your backyard, hang a bell  
around the cat's neck. This will help alert birds to its  
presence.Whether your acquaintance with these birds is long-  
standing and anticipated or new and unexplored, they  
are winter's special gifts, there for the taking—a quiet,  
unassuming friendship.The following books provided information for this ar-  
ticle: "America's Favorite Backyard Birds," by Kit  
and George Harrison; "Feeding and Attracting  
Wildlife," Cooperative Extension Service Bulletin E-  
759, February 1973 and October 1975; and "Bright  
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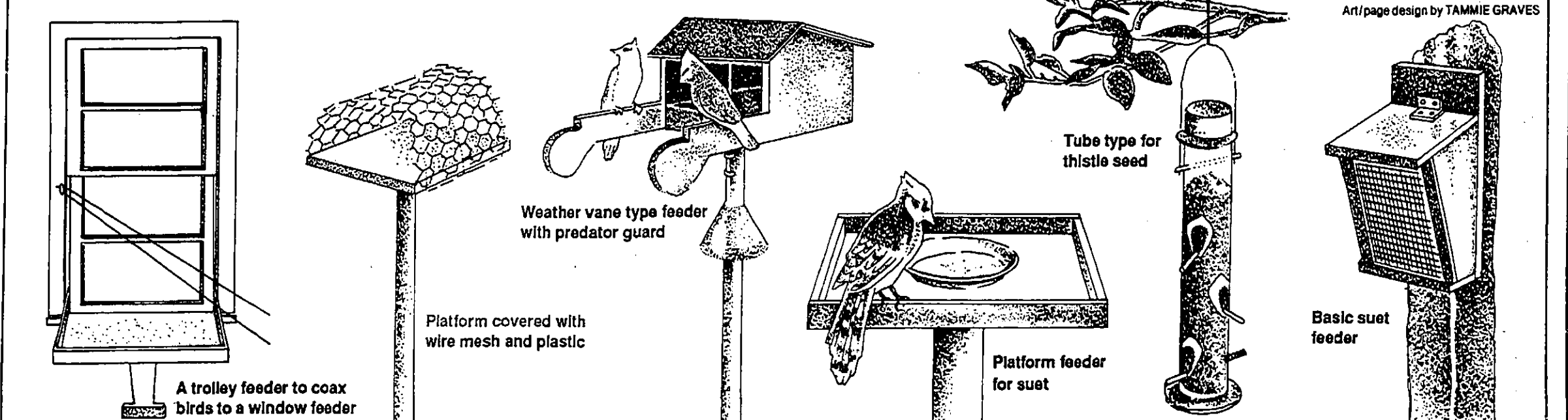
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1. Brighton State Recreation Area
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3. Island Lake Recreation Area
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5. Highland Recreation Area
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# Library hosts holiday wreath-making workshop

By JEANNE CLARKE  
special writer

The Novi Public Library will host a Christmas wreath-making workshop today, Thursday, Dec. 8, at 4 p.m. for children in fourth grade and up.

Parents are advised to call ahead to see if space is still available. There's a \$1 fee for materials.

The library will present two movies for toddlers and preschoolers on Tuesday and Wednesday, Dec. 13 and 14. Scheduled to be seen are movies titled "The Tiny Tree" and "The Berenstain Bears' Christmas Tree." Call the library at 349-7270 for more information.

Two movies for children of all ages will be screened at the library on Saturday, Dec. 17, at 11 a.m. Movies will include "The Tiny Tree" and "The Snowman." Registration is not required to attend the special holiday movies.

Children's Librarian Jan Brown reports that several youngsters have not yet picked up the plates they made during the popular "Design-A-Plate" program earlier this fall. About 50 plates still need to be picked up so they can be given as Christmas presents. The plates should be picked up as soon as possible.

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas at the library since the friends of the Novi Library decorated the building with a tree of hand-crafted ornaments, silk poinsettia flowers and a large wreath. The Friends held their annual Christmas luncheon following the library-decorating party.

The Friends are still accepting donations of books for their annual Used Book Sale. The book sale will be held after the library renovation project has been completed. All proceeds will be used to fund projects at the library.

The Friends also are continuing to collect community service points from Bill Knapp's restaurants. Anyone who eats at Bill Knapp's is asked to request the service points from the cashier and turn them in to the library. The Friends hope to collect enough points during the year to purchase a stereo system and a microphone for the library meeting room.

Novi residents are reminded that the library has a large collection of holiday books for the entire family.

**COMMUNITY ED:** The Novi Community Education Department has published a special "Pre-Holiday Edition" which has been mailed to all school district residents.

## Novi Highlights

The brochure includes information on a wide variety of classes being offered during December, January and February.

Among the special offerings is a Science Connection Winter Day Camp at Novi Woods School on Wednesday and Thursday, Dec. 28-29. The camp is geared for students in grades 1-6 and costs \$25 for one day or \$46 for both days. Students will spend some time outdoors, learning how plants and animals adjust to winter. More information is available by calling 348-1200.

The winter session of That's Dancing classes have already started, but there's still time for both children and adults to sign up.

The Early Morning Jog and Swim program is offered Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6:15 to 7:15 a.m. beginning Dec. 6 and running for 12 weeks through March 9. Open gyms and open swims also will be available during the holidays. Other fitness classes include Vital Options, Exercise Energy, Hatha Yoga and Swim-nastics.

Beginning this week are Tip Top Tots classes for junior tots (30-48 months), toddlers (12-30 months) and walking and tiny tots (12-24 months). The program provides equipment which encourages large muscle play along with exercises for flexibility and strength. Small muscles are used in finger plays and songs.

More information about all community education classes and registration procedures is available by calling 348-1200.

**HOLY FAMILY CHURCH:** The members of the Church of the Holy Family are busy with a variety of projects to help needy people during the holiday season.

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Laura Gray and Craig Reiter comprised the affirmative team, while Kendra Kewak and Rita Kang formed the negative team.

In addition to winning the KVC championship, Kewak was named winner of the "Top Speaker" Award. The 1988 debate proposition was: "Resolved: That the federal government should implement a comprehensive program to guarantee retirement security for U.S. citizens over age 65."

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The Novi High School debate team is coached by Ruth Vigna.



Members of the Novi debate team are (left to right) Kendra Kewak, Rita Kang, Laura Gray and Craig Reiter

## Church features seasonal music

Meadowbrook Congregational Church celebrates the Christmas and Advent seasons by performing special music selections.

Holiday music will be featured at the church on the third and fourth Sundays during Advent, on Christmas Eve and on Christmas Day.

On Sunday, Dec. 11, the church choir will sing an anthem by Healy Willan "Behold Her, Beautiful as a Dove." The anthem is based on a text from the 8th Century. Rosemarie Murch's offertory solo that morning will be the Martin Luther carol "From Heaven Above to Earth I Come," set for voice and lute.

Music for Sunday, Dec. 18, will feature two pieces for choir and harp by the English composer John Rutter. The harpist will be Christa Gritter. The anthem "Love Came Down at Christmas" and for the offertory music "Tomorrow Shall Be My Dancing Day," sung by the women of the

choir with a solo by Cheryl Barnes.

The 6 p.m. service on Christmas Eve will offer music by the children's choir and solos by Cheryl Barnes.

The 9 p.m. service will feature an abbreviated version of the cantata "The Christmas Story" by American composer Ron Nelson.

Arranged for choir, organ, three trumpets, three trombones and timpani, the cantata contains parts for two narrators — Timothy Lentz and David Reynolds. Included in the second service is an aria by J.S. Bach.

On Christmas morning the Chancel Choir will perform a shortened version of the J.S. Bach cantata "Hear the Joyful News This Day" with two violins, viola, cello and keyboard.

For the offertory solo, Ruth Kline will sing an aria by Telemann, accompanied by a string trio.

Special music programs were prepared by Ray Ferguson, Minister of Music at Meadowbrook Congregational Church. The church is located on Meadowbrook Road between Eight and Nine Mile.

## Album to appear at Borders Books

Award-winning sports writer Mitch Albom will sign copies of his book *The Live Album* at Borders Books.

The book, Albom's work has appeared in *Sports* and *Sports Illustrated*. He was voted the top columnist by the Associated Press Sports Editors in 1986.

Albom has drawn great reviews from fans and coaches. According to *Detroit Pistons Coach Chuck Daly*: "There aren't enough adjectives to describe Mitch Albom as a columnist, but to use a few — humorous, intelligent, compassionate, insightful. He's easily one of the country's top ten."

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## Jex recognized for singing talent

Tamara Jex developed quite a reputation for her vocal talents while attending Novi High School.

And she's continuing to build on that reputation as a freshman at Central Michigan University.

Jex recently was selected as a semi-finalist at the National Association of Teachers of Singing (NATS) competition at Bowling Green State University in Bowling Green, Ohio. She competed against 50 vocalists from other colleges and universities in Division II (female freshmen).

Michigan NATS members of part of the Buckeye Region of NATS, which includes the states of Ohio, Illinois, Indiana and Kentucky in addition to Michigan.

Participants were required to perform three pieces of music before a panel of three judges for a time period of eight minutes. Jex performed "December Lark" by Krevitz, "Leviote" by Scarlatti and "Spring Day" by McArthur in the competition.



TAMARA JEX

Jazz Band.

She received the Novi Chorale scholarship upon graduating from Novi High School last June. Jex is currently studying with Cora Egan, a mezzo-soprano who is a regional governor of NATS and a departmental advisor at CMU. She previously studied voice with Patricia Willington of Royal Oak.

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With the holiday season upon us, the Better Business Bureau of Detroit and Eastern Michigan would like to offer some helpful shopping tips.

**Refund and Exchange Policies:** Be sure to ask what a store's refund and/or exchange policy is before making a purchase. Refunds and exchanges on returned merchandise are a privilege, extended by stores, not a consumer right.

There are no state or federal laws which require merchants to accept items for refund, exchange or credit, unless the merchandise is defective or misrepresented.

Most stores have a specific refund or exchange policy. Some stores have an exchange policy only. You can exchange the gift for a similar item, but you cannot get a refund.

Other stores give full cash refunds or credit your charge account with no questions asked. In most cases, however, an item may be returned only in unused condition, and only during a specific post-holiday period.

In addition, a sales receipt is often required for a return, so keep all receipts.

**Layaway Plans:** As a courtesy, many stores offer layaway plans which allow merchandise to be held until customers have paid for them. Shoppers who wish to take advantage of this service should clearly understand what the plan entails before placing items in layaway.

**Deal with merchants who will stand behind their claims and their merchandise. Be selective — a few unscrupulous merchants use "bait and switch" tactics, offering merchandise at low prices to lure customers, then using extreme pressure to convince them to buy more expensive items.**

There are many variations in plans offered. For example, in some plans the amounts paid are refundable, while others provide for no refunds. Some involve a contractual obligation to make scheduled payments and others do not, some include a service charge for the layaway privilege, others have no charge.

Store policy determines the layaway plan, and is not dictated by regulations and laws, so be sure to ask for all the information needed before placing an item in layaway.

**Charitable Appeals:** Solicitations from charities at this time of the year

are numerous. The BBB advises that you give — but give wisely. Whether the appeal is by telephone, door to door, on the street, or by mail, carefully plan your giving and always demand accountability of the organization. Do not hesitate to ask as many questions as it may take for you to fully understand and believe the cause is real and the organization will put your contribution to good use.

If you feel your questions have been answered adequately and you decide to contribute, always make contributions by check, payable to

the charity. It is also a good idea to keep a record of your donations for tax purposes.

**Too-Good-to-be-True Bargains:** Be cautious of mail order ads in which the prices are unrealistically low. It won't be such a great bargain if you never receive the item or if the merchandise is of poor quality. Read the ads and catalogs carefully and never send cash.

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Savings claims in advertising should be based on either the store's own previous selling price for the item... or... on prices which are being charged elsewhere in the same area for the same or comparable merchandise.

Wise consumers should compare shop in order to satisfy themselves concerning the accuracy of bargains offered.

The BBB suggests that holiday shoppers contact the BBB for a reliability report before dealing with any unfamiliar company and for information on charities by calling 962-7566 or by writing the BBB at 150 Michigan Avenue, Detroit, MI 48226-2646.

## Births

### KELSEY ANN FULLERTON

Doug and JoAnn Fullerton of Lewisville, Texas, announce the birth of a daughter, Kelsey Ann. She was born Nov. 21 at Trinity Medical Center in Carrollton, Texas. She weighed 6 pounds, 11 ounces, and measured almost 20 inches long. Paternal grandparents are Russ and Beverly Fullerton of Grand Island, Fla. Maternal grandparents are Fred and Elaine Piercy of Novi.

### DANIEL ROBERT KAHLER

Robert and Maureen Kahler of Novi announce the birth of a son, Daniel Robert. He was born Oct. 15 at Mt. Sinai Hospital in Detroit, weighing 7 pounds, 9 ounces. He was 19 inches long at the time of birth. Grandparents are Ruth O'Driscoll of Northville and Edwin Keegan, also of Northville. Great-grandmothers are Mutie Stotsberry of Lincoln Park and Margaret Keegan of Tustin, Calif.

## Church Notes

**Bishop to visit:** Bishop Judith Craig, resident Bishop of the United Methodist Church, will preach at Novi United Methodist at 10:30 a.m., Sunday, Dec. 11. The title of her sermon is "How far is it from Nazareth to Bethlehem?" Novi United Methodist is located on West Ten Mile Road, between Meadowbrook and Novi Road.

**First Baptist Church:** The First Baptist Church of Novi presents the Christmas cantata "Love Beyond Measure," Sunday, Dec. 11 at the 11 a.m. worship service. The choir is directed by Dave Pherson. Penny Viug is the piano accompanist. Soloists include Dave Stanley and Robin Pearce. The scripture will be narrated by Dave Pittsinger. The annual Sunday school Christmas program will be presented Sunday, Dec. 18 at 6 p.m. The program is directed by Judy Pherson.

**Church of the Nazarene:** The youth at the Detroit First Church of the Nazarene will present the musical drama "Ebenezer, Jr.," on Sunday, Dec. 11, at 6 p.m. The 40-minute drama is based on "A Christmas Carol" by Charles Dickens. The church is located at 21260 Haggerty Road, across from the Novi Hilton.

**Novi Methodist:** The Novi United Methodist Women are selling 1988 "Entertainment" books to raise funds for church activities. "Entertainment" is Metro Detroit's leading dining and leisure discount book. Each book contains a fine dining section with a distinctive fine dining card plus hundreds of two-for-one coupons for family dining, informal and casual dining, movies, sporting events, special attractions and hotels with savings of 50 percent on almost everything. Jill Hoffman said proceeds from the sale of the books have been earmarked for the mission program. The 1988 "Entertainment" books are priced at \$30 and can be ordered by calling the church office at 349-2652.

**Antioch Lutheran:** The Antioch Community Choral will present the Christmas portion of Handel's Messiah at the Antioch Lutheran Church in Farmington Hills on Sunday, Dec. 11, at 4 p.m. The church is located at Thirteen Mile and Farmington Road. The choral is composed of members of Antioch Lutheran Church and other community churches. Highlights will include professional soloists and the familiar "Hallelujah Chorus." The choral is under the direction of George Scott and will be accompanied by organist William Johnston.

## School choirs present winter concert

Sounds of joyous music will fill the winter air at Novi High School next Wednesday, Dec. 14, with the presentation of the school district's annual Winter Concert.

Choirs from the high school, middle school and Orchard Hills Elementary will participate in the concert.

Admission is free and the concert will be held in Forster Auditorium beginning at 7 p.m.

Third and fourth graders from Orchard Hills will provide a trip down memory lane by singing "Grandmother's Scrapbook." The Orchard Hills choir is conducted by Suzanne Korzyn.

The Novi High School Concert Choir, conducted by Paula Joyner-Clinard and Student Teacher Anita Arslanian, will sing "Carol of the Bells." "A Christmas Choral Fantasy," "Blow, Blow Thou Winter Wind," "If You Say My Eyes Are Beautiful" and "The Christmas Waltz."

Middle school choirs plan to perform several selections, including "Glad Noel," "Stars That Twinkle and Shine" and "Winter Fantasy." High school Concert Choir members will highlight the program with their traditional performance of

the "Hallelujah Chorus" from Handel's "Messiah." Returning choir alumni are invited to join the choir on stage during the performance of the "Hallelujah Chorus." Audience members also are invited to sing along.

All choirs will wrap up the concert with a holiday sing-along. Again, the audience is invited to join in the singing.

For more information about the "Adopt-A-Family" program call L.J. Janet Love at the Salvation Army's Booth Services, 496-1500.

## Salvation Army program aids families

The Salvation Army is offering families, groups and individuals an opportunity to personally touch the hearts and lives of the needy through its "Adopt-A-Family" program.

Families or individuals seeking holiday assistance through the Salvation Army are offered the option of being placed on an "adoption waiting

list." They are then matched up with church or business groups or other families who would like to share their holiday cheer directly with a family or person in need.

According to one woman who wrote the Salvation Army after her family was adopted last Christmas, "Without (the adoption program) my

family would not have had a Christmas... I cried." This year, hundreds of lives will be touched by this direct means of sharing one's love and generosity.

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# Diversions

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## Tree lots offer fun alternative

By ANNE WILLIS  
editor

The time for decking the halls is upon us, and that means the search for the perfect Christmas tree is here.

In the past Christmas tree shopping has been a pretty mundane affair for the Willis family — drive to a tree lot, search the rows, shake a few trees — drive to another lot, repeat the process — and eventually, two hours later, buy the tree you saw in the very first lot.

It's a tradition shared by millions. Finally the family decided the usual just wasn't good enough. We were going to cut down our own this year. That's right, do it the real way, the way the pioneers did it. The pioneers? Well, you get the idea.

Cut-your-own Christmas tree lots have grown in popularity and have become true holiday outings for many families. Part of the search is always to find the freshest tree possible, because as the holiday season stretches on — the needles drop off. Cutting your own tree insures that the tree is fresh, right up until the point of cutting.

Cut-your-own tree farms offer something the traditional tree lot does not. Atmosphere. Most farms are off the beaten track, meaning the family has ample time to try to remember the second verse to many of the popular Christmas carols while the car bumps over dirt roads on the way to the farm.

Once there, prospective lumberjacks are given saws and loaded on wagons or hay-filled trucks for transportation to the lot itself. The ride out and back can be the highlight of the trip for children.

Once the wagon stops you're free to wander the farm and cut down the tree of your choice. For finicky house cleaners the best part of the entire trip may come after the wagon has transported you and the tree back to the staging area. There, a special "tree-shaker" machine spins the newly-cut tree, shaking out most of the dead needles before they hit your carpet. Then another handy machine wraps the tree ready for transport in or on your car.

The entire outing can be the stuff of which memories are made. Unfortunately for the Willis family outing, we chose to go the day after Thanksgiving. That was bad because it rained all day.

Tip No. 1 is do not go in the rain. It is not a pleasant experience to put your knees in the mud and feel cold



A Christmas tree shopper cuts down a tree

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rain running down your back as you saw at your tree.

But Tip No. 2 is do go early. One of the bad things about cut-your-own lots is the speed with which lots can be emptied. Once cut — there are no refills. Last year we waited too long, and most of the lots were closed for the season.

Fortunately, others in the office can verify that if the day dawns dry — or even snowing — a good time,

even a great time can be had by all. But according to Amy Rosa, reporter and successful Christmas tree picker, wearing the right clothes should be Tip No. 3.

Boots are an obvious need, as are gloves, both for the cold and the sharpness of the needles. Also dressing warmly for wind and cold is a good idea.

Tips from the Michigan State

**Cooperative Extension Service** for after you get the trees home: Before putting the tree in its stand, cut an inch or two off the trunk, squarely, at its base. This will allow the tree to take up water more readily throughout the holidays. Next, a tree stand kept full of water will prevent needle droppings and increase the tree's fire resistance. It is important to keep the water level well above the tip or the end of the trunk.

## Jaycees hosts Santa breakfast

### In Town

Area children and adults will have the chance to eat breakfast with Santa this Saturday. The Novi Jaycees sponsors its annual "Breakfast with Santa" program at the Novi Civic Center on Dec. 10.

Santa is expected to arrive at 9 a.m. Breakfast will be served from 9-11 a.m.

Santa will be available through the hours of breakfast to visit with children. Tickets are \$2 adults and \$1 children. Tickets can be purchased at the door.

Breakfast will include pancakes, sausage, fruit, coffee, tea or juice.

Call 348-NOVI for more information.

**Bed and Broadway:** Tired out from a full day of Christmas shopping? Take some time out to wind down. The Novi Hilton is offering a Saturday evening Bed and Broadway theater package.

The musical revue Tap Ltd. (Theater Arts Productions) of Farmington Hills will offer family-oriented entertainment in the Novi Hilton's dinner/theater format. The upbeat tempo revue follows in the footsteps of the highly successful "Cole, George, Ira and More," one of the group's shows previously featured at the Novi Hilton.

The show includes TAP performers impersonating celebrities as they might sing some favorite holiday tunes. Sing-alongs and a version of "Name That Tune" also are featured in the show.

Reservations are required. For more information and reservations call 349-4000 or 683-1827. There will be two shows nightly at 7:30 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. on Dec. 10 and 17.

**"The Three B's":** Northville Arts Commission presents Michael Farrell in a lecture and slide series entitled "The Three B's."

The lecture series focuses on the art of Botticelli, Bosch and Botsa. Presentations are scheduled Jan. 12 and April 13 at the Northville Presbyterian Church on Main and Hutton streets at 8 p.m. Farrell is Associate Professor of Art History, University of Windsor, Adjunct Curator at the Detroit Institute of Arts and instructor for Art

House in Detroit. Tickets are \$5 and may be purchased at Freydl's, Sweet's N Treats, Four Seasons, Bookstall On-The-Main, and from Northville Arts Commission members.

**Wizard of Oz:** Northville's Marquis Theater will feature 16 productions of "The Wizard of Oz," beginning Dec. 2 and ending Dec. 30.

The show is a stage adaptation from the original movie script of "The Wizard of Oz." Each production is expected to last 1½ hours. Tickets for the play are priced at \$8.50 for adults and \$5.50 for children, and can be reserved by calling 349-8110. Tickets also can be purchased at the theater or at the Marquis Stores at 135 East Main Street in Northville.

Play dates are Fridays, Dec. 9 and 16 at 8 p.m.; Saturdays, Dec. 10 and 17 at 2:30 p.m.; Sundays, Dec. 11 and 18 at 1 and 4:30 p.m.; Dec. 27, 28, 29 and 30 at 2:30 p.m.

"In Town" lists entertainment events in Novi and Northville. To have an event listed write to "In Town," Novi News, 104 W. Main, Northville, MI 48167.

## Meadow Brook provides exhibit

### Nearby

Meadow Brook Hall presents its annual "A Wondrous Christmas" event through Dec. 11 with the exhibition of floral displays during a festive Christmas Walk through the original home of Alfred and Matilda Dodge Wilson.

Festivities include visiting with Santa and tours of the Knole Cottage. Hours are 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Dec. 8-9 and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Dec. 10-11.

Admission is \$6 for adults on weekdays and \$8 on the weekend; \$5 for senior citizens and \$4 for students. Greenhouse tours are 50 cents.

For more information, call 378-3140. Meadow Brook Hall is on the east campus of Oakland University in Rochester.

**Vienna Choir Boys:** The Music Hall Center presents a performance of the Vienna Choir Boys on Sunday, Dec. 11, at 2 p.m. The

choir will sing a special Christmas program featuring holiday favorites. Tickets are \$16 to \$22.50 and can be purchased at the Music Hall box office or at any Ticket Master Outlet, including Hudson's and AAA. Call 963-7680 for more information.

**Christmas concert:** Madonna Chorale presents a holiday concert Sunday, Dec. 11, at Madonna College's Kresge Hall. Admission is free and the public is invited. Call 591-5177 for more information.

Madonna College is at I-96 and Levan Road in Livonia.

**Greenfield Village:** Holiday activities abound at Greenfield Village during the Christmas season, "Christmas Past," featuring holiday crafts, decorations and fragrant holiday spirit, runs Dec. 3-31.

Henry Ford Museum presents "A Child's World of Christmas" Dec. 3-31, featuring a giant Christmas tree, toy trains, puppet shows, cartoons, crafts and a miniature circus.

A quilt display by Susan McCord will be offered Dec. 3 through 1989 at the Henry Ford Museum. On Dec. 26-31, "The Wizard of Oz" plays at the Henry Ford Museum Theater; call 271-1620 for reservations.

**Holiday tunes:** Schoolcraft College Community Wind Ensemble presents a holiday concert Wednesday, Dec. 14, at Livonia Mall. Admission is free.

**Looney Bin:** Following is a list of performers appearing at the Walled Lake comedy club.

Chris Jakway, Mark Hamilton and Eric Champella, Dec. 9-10; Marti Micoli, Mike Green and Ken Leslie, Dec. 16-17. Showtimes are 9 p.m. Friday; 8 and 10 p.m. Saturday.

The Looney Bin will be closed Dec. 23 and 24 for the holidays. The club hosts a New Years Eve dinner and show package Dec. 30 and 31, when Gary Hardwick will headline. Also appearing will be Jeff Nease, Mike Green and Don Hudson. Call 689-9374 for more information.

The Looney Bin Comedy Club is at the Wolverine Lounge, 1655 Glengary, Walled Lake.

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## DIA draws crowd with 'Helga'

By Dorothy Webster

Large crowds are viewing Andrew Wyeth's 116 drawings and paintings of Helga Telford at The Detroit Institute of Arts. On exhibit through January 22, 1989, the show is so popular that the museum will remain open on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve days from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Traditionally closed on those two days, the museum will have both the Wyeth exhibition and the Tuscan Drawings from the Uffizi show open, as well as the gift shops. Other galleries will be closed.

The Wyeth works, which span a fifteen year period, offer viewers a glimpse of the artist's working procedures, his preoccupation with a single subject, and a personal vision of a separate personality. They also spotlight a virtuoso performance of rendering flesh tones in the meticulous tempera medium. At times, Wyeth seems obsessed with surface textures and tones, rather than with trying to capture the essence of the model's persona.

That detachment serves the artist well, acting as a foil for his talents, but this viewer, at least, wished for more of Helga's character coming through the painstakingly built up surfaces. There was a sense of wanting to know this strongly built, almost roughly hewn woman as a person—a wish which was never quite met despite the multitude of poses and the variety of mediums used in the portrayals.

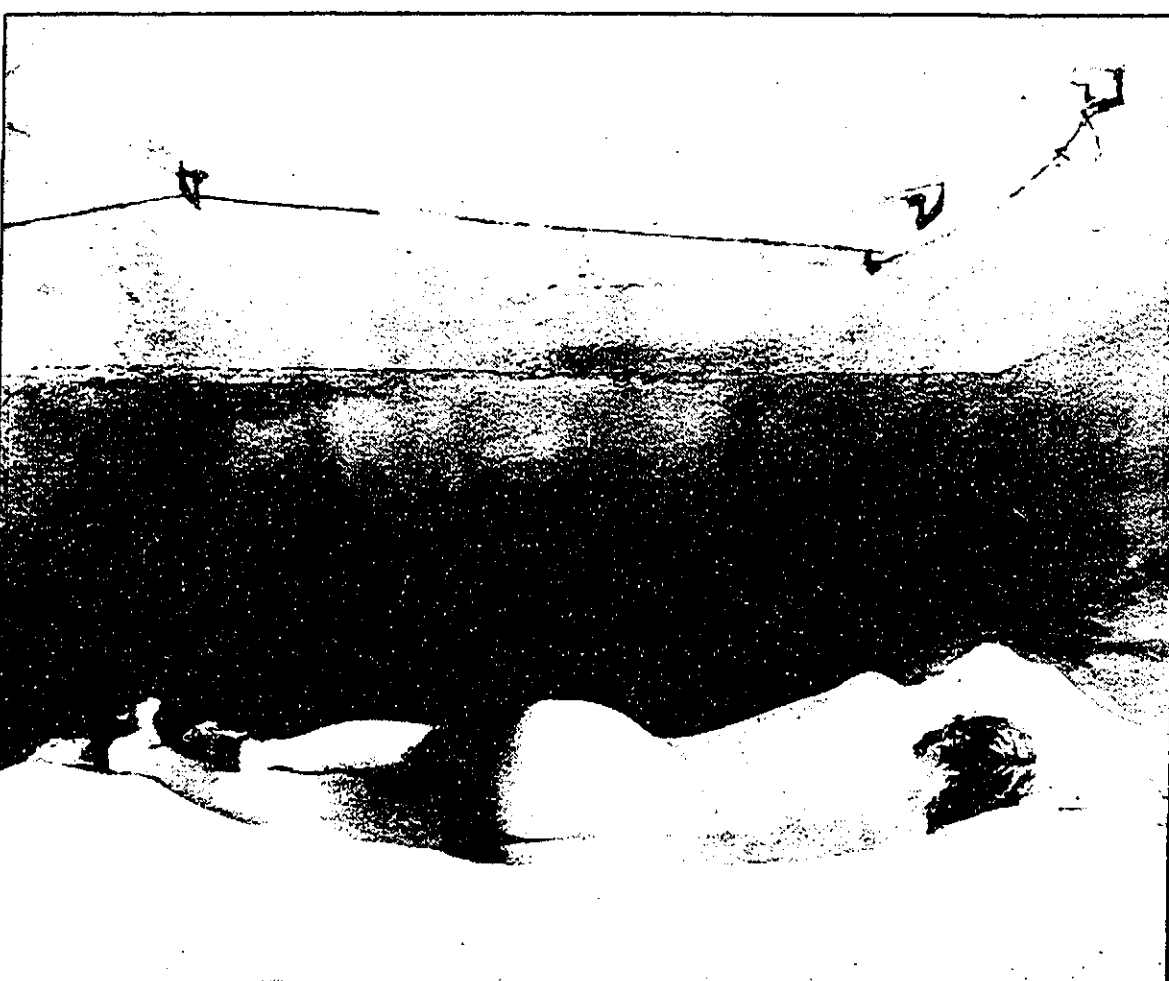
The immediacy of the drawings—the trial and error—of limb arrangement, of facial plane tilt, of hair placement, gives rare insight into Wyeth's working methods, which adds a great deal to the viewing experience. The installation of the works also adds much to the overall understanding of the Helga Suite.

Don't leave The Detroit Institute of Arts without seeing, and studying, the Tuscan Drawings from the Uffizi. No matter how impressed you've been with Wyeth's work, you will be forced to reconsider your opinions after viewing these one hundred works by masters who contributed to this great age of draughtsmanship.

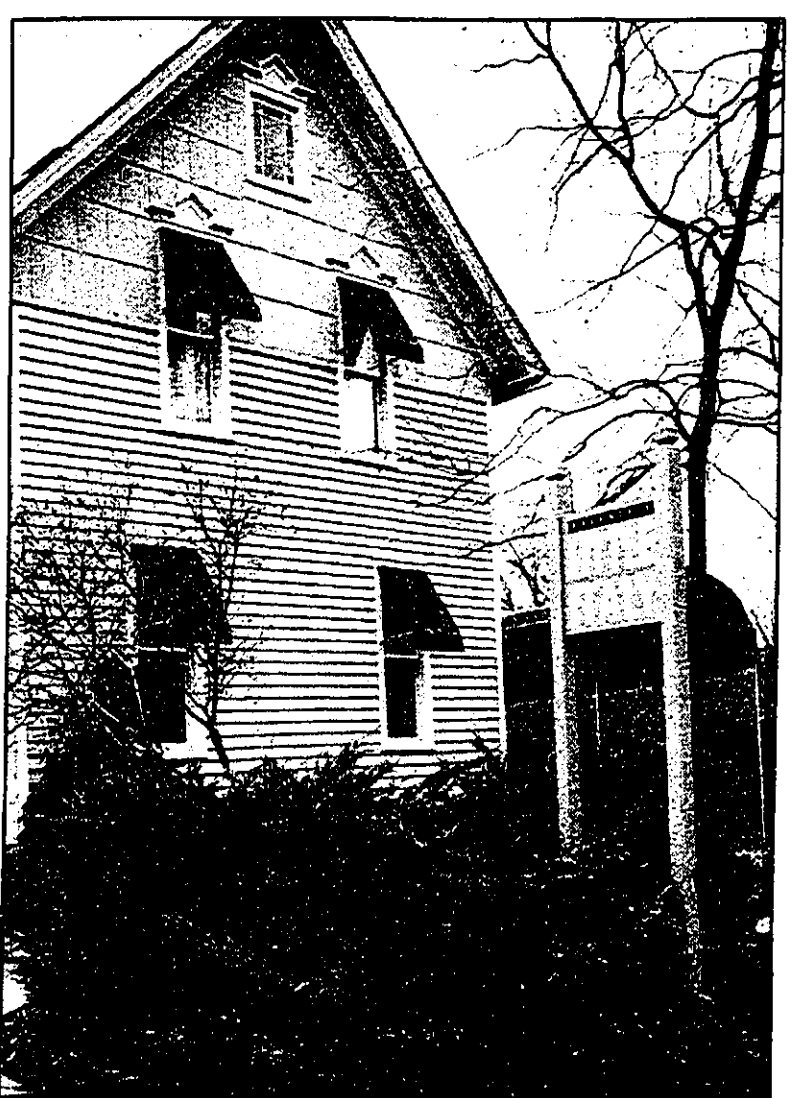
All of the classical training, all of

the anatomical knowledge, all of the precise but inspired rendering of the human form is present in these small scale drawings. Here are fine drawings which are not just preliminary notations for later paintings. Here too, are works by Andrea del Sarto, Bronzino, Michelangelo and Pontormo. This unique exhibit, which is appearing at DIA as its only venue, is simply not to be missed. Unreservedly, it is one of the finest exhibitions to be installed at DIA in this viewer's memory—which covers a forty year plus span. Half of these drawings have never been shown outside of Florence.

The Tuscan Drawings from the Uffizi will be on exhibit through January 8, 1989. Admission is free. The Detroit Institute of Arts, 3200 Woodward Avenue, Detroit, is open Tuesday through Saturday from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tickets for The Helga Pictures are \$4 for adults, \$3 for students and seniors.



Barracon, 1976 by Andrew Wyeth



Little Italy is located on Hutton Street in Northville

For years, the local restaurant scene was graced by Elizabeth's—the quaint little Northville restaurant where Doug and Elizabeth Campbell served up outstanding French cuisine.

Elizabeth's is gone now. Closed when the Campbells moved to the East Coast, and in its place is a new restaurant, which serves Italian—not French cuisine, but offers local residents yet another opportunity to enjoy a truly fine dining establishment.

Located in the same Victorian cottage on Hutton Street which once housed Elizabeth's, the new restaurant—Little Italy—is the second venture of the Valente family, which also owns and operates the Ristorante de Maria in West Bloomfield.

In addition to the change of ethnic fare from French to Italian, the new owners have brought a lot of other changes to the restaurant. Most notably, a change in atmosphere.

While the ambience at Elizabeth's was often on the cold and formal side, the Valentines have lightened things up considerably... striving to create a more relaxed, informal atmosphere.

Physically, the restaurant remains quite attractive, but there have been a lot of changes from the days when the Campbells were creating their culinary masterpieces.

The wallpaper has been stripped away, and there's a new emphasis on bare walls and beautifully refinished woodwork around the windows and doorways.

There are damask tablecloths and napkins, and small vases of flowers atop each table. The mood is completed with appropriately Italian background music.

But if Little Italy looks good, which it does, it is the quality of the cuisine which sets it above most other Italian restaurants. The man responsible for the food is Chef Jeffrey Jekko Valente, one of the new owners.

Shortly after diners are seated, a waitperson arrives with a complimentary antipasto tray containing Mediterranean olives, salami and mortadella, lupini beans and a caponata.

The antipasto tray is an apt omen of things to come. Chef Valente prepares a wide variety of dishes which demonstrate his creativity and are presented attractively.

Among the appetizers, for example, is *Calamari e Scungilli* (squid and calamari in red sauce with artichoke hearts, black olives and sun-dried tomatoes) and *Gamberi e Carciofini alla Collina* (shrimp and artichoke hearts in olive oil, garlic and sun-dried tomatoes).

The creativity—and quality—are maintained through a broad selection of veal, poultry, seafood and meat entrees.

Among the more interesting entrees are a *Scaloppine alla Maria* (veal, shrimp and artichoke hearts in a cream sauce), *Aragostine e Gamberi alla Collina* (lobster tails and shrimp with garlic, sun-dried tomatoes and olive oil), *Calamari e Scungilli alla Putanesca* (squid and calamari with tomatoes, garlic, olives and crushed red pepper over linguine) and *Coniglio alla Cacciatora* (farm-raised rabbit with peppers, onions and mushrooms in a red sauce).

Also available are five pasta entrees. Meals, which are served with bread, salad and a pasta side dish in addition to the complimentary antipasto tray, range in price from \$10.95 to \$21.95.

There's also a nice selection of primarily Italian wines and several exemplary dessert choices.

Open a little more than two months, Little Italy still has some major problems to resolve, however—notably it's treatment of customers. Several attempts to make reservations were terminated when the hostess simply hung up the phone after saying she was too busy to talk at that particular moment.

Arriving early one night to beat the rush, we were seated with the admonition to finish our meal in 90 minutes. Hardly the type of treatment one should expect at any restaurant.

Still, the quality of the cuisine at Little Italy is superb. As soon as it learns how to treat customers graciously, the restaurant will be a welcome addition to the local dining scene.

Little Italy, 227 Hutton, Northville. 340-0575. Open for dinner Tuesday through Thursday from 5-10 p.m., Friday and Saturday from 5-11 p.m. and Sunday from 4-9 p.m. Liquor license, Visa and MasterCard.

## DEC ON What's Going On Theater

**THEATER:** sm2300 Christmas

Carol returns to Meadow Brook. Meadow Brook Theater presents the holiday classic "A Christmas Carol," through December. To reserve tickets call 377-3300. Another "Carol" at Wayne State University. Wayne State University's Bontelle Theater presents "A Christmas Carol" during December. Performances are Fridays and Saturdays, Dec. 9-10 and 16-17 at 8 p.m., with matinees on Saturday, Dec. 17 and Sunday, Dec. 11 and 18 at 2 p.m. For reservations and ticket information call the University box office at 577-2960. Tickets also will be sold one hour before curtain at the box office at Cass and Hancock in Detroit. "A Wrinkle in Time" plays at EMU. Eastern Michigan University kicks off its holiday season with the classic tale "A Wrinkle in Time," by Madeleine L'Engle and adapted for stage by Patricia Zimmer. The play runs Dec. 9, 10 and 11 in EMU's Quirk Theater. Curtain times are 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 2:30 p.m. Sunday. For ticket information contact the EMU Arts and Entertainment Box Office at 487-1221. "Pinocchio" in Ann Arbor. Community High School Fine Arts Repertory Company, Ann Arbor Civic Theater and Young People's Theater present "Pinocchio." Production dates are Dec. 9, 10, 11, 16, 17 and 18. Friday performances begin at 7 p.m.; Saturday performances are at 2 and 7 p.m. Sunday performances begin at 2 p.m. Performances will be held at the Community High School Craft Theater, 401 N. Division. Tickets are \$5 adults, \$3 children. Tickets can be reserved by calling 662-7282 or may be purchased at the door. "Two Masters" comes to U of D. Carl Goldoni's comic masterpiece "The Servant of Two Masters," runs to Dec. 18 in the Earl D. Smith Studio Theater on the second floor of the Architecture Building on the University of Detroit campus. Curtain times are 8 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday and 7 p.m. Sunday. Tickets are \$7 adults, \$5 for students and seniors. For tickets, call 927-1130. "The Wizard of Oz" at the Marquis. Northville's Marquis Theater presents "The Wizard of Oz" Dec. 9, 10, 11, 16, 17, 18, 27, 28, 29 and 30. Adult tickets are \$6.50 and children are \$6.50. Tickets available at the Marquis Stores, 135 E. Main, or by phone at 349-8110/349-0868. Hilberry presents "Romeo and Juliet." The Shakespeare classic plays evenings through Jan. 28 and at 11 a.m. Tuesdays through May. For ticket information and reservations, call 577-2972.

## Sounds

**MUSIC:** Holiday concert at Oakland Community College. Oakland Community College Chorus presents an evening of seasonal music Dec. 13 in the Smith Theater on the college's Orchard Ridge campus. The chorus is directed by C. Kevin Dewey, assistant conductor of the Wayne State University Choir. There is a \$2 donation for the program. For more information, call 477-7700. The Orchard Ridge Campus is on Orchard Lake Road at 1496 in Farmington Hills. Schoolcraft College presents holiday favorites. The Schoolcraft College Community Wind Ensemble will present a concert of Christmas music and brass ensemble music at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 14, at Livonia Mall on Seven Mile and Middlebelt. Admission is free.

**EXHIBITS:** Drawing exhibit. Henry Ford Community College's Sisson Gallery presents an art exhibit "To Draw" through Jan. 15. The exhibit features visual statements by John Hegarty, Jim Nawara and Peter Williams. Gallery hours are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sisson Gallery is in the Mack-City Fine Arts Building at the Dearborn college. For more information, call 845-9634. Photography at Madonna. Madonna College Exhibit Gallery presents a student photography exhibit through Tuesday, Dec. 13. Admission is free and the public is invited. Exhibit gallery hours are 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 1-4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. For more information call 991-5187. Madonna College is located at 146 and Levan Road in Livonia. Annual Prewabic show. The annual Prewabic Pottery Holiday Exhibition runs through Dec. 31. Fifty artists will present functional and sculptural works. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Thursday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. For more information call 822-0954.

**AND MORE:** "Lights Before Christmas" light up the Toledo Zoo. A colorful display "Lights Before Christmas" will be featured at the Toledo Zoo through Dec. 30. A lighted stroll through the entire African Savannah and a special "Merry Christmas" greeting from George, the zoo's new male giraffe, are new attractions to this year's display. Other activities include visits with Santa, cookie decorating, holiday food specialties from Mrs. Claus' kitchen and animated toy displays in the museum's Great Hall. Admission gates reopen at 5 p.m. and close at 8:30 p.m. Visitors are welcome to tour the zoo until 9 p.m. Admission is \$2 adults and \$1 children and senior citizens. For more information, call (419) 385-5721. Lily Tomlin returns to Detroit. The Fisher Theater welcomes Lily Tomlin when she stars in her Tony Award-winning show, "The Search for Signs of Intelligent Life in the Universe," through Dec. 22. The show was written and directed by Jane Wagner.

Karen Christlieb is chairperson of the Novi Arts and Culture Committee. She resides with her husband Morris, a local veterinarian, and two children—Andrew and Kate—in the Orchard Ridge subdivision.

1. **PAINTING:** Christlieb said one of her hobbies is oil painting. "I used to do a lot of figures, but now I primarily do landscapes," she said.

2. **GARDENING:** "I like to watch things grow," said Christlieb who lists gardening as another of her favorite things. She grows roses and herbs, and is trying to get a perennial garden started, but confesses that she has not had much success with vegetables.

3. **THEATER:** The Christliebs are avid theater fans and have season tickets to the Attic Theater in Detroit. They also attend productions at the Hilberry Theater on the Wayne State University campus frequently.

4. **COOKING:** Christlieb said she enjoys cooking Country French cuisine with vegetables and light sauces. She also enjoys baking bread and making seafood dishes. "I have a family which likes to eat," she explained.

5. **CAMPING:** SORT OF: The Christliebs family has a recreational vehicle which they like to use for summer excursions. "It's not really camping, but I enjoy it just the same," she said.



## My Favorite Things

## Ladycat tankers finish 9th in state meet

### Rowlands sparks best-ever showing

By NEIL GEOGHEGAN  
staff writer

Gwen Rowlands' dream of winning a state swimming championship didn't happen. But the splendid Wildcat tank star stroked her way to a pair of top-three finishes to lead the Novi swim team to a ninth-place finish at the MHSAA Class A Swimming and Diving Championships on Dec. 2-3 at Michigan State's Charles McCallie Pool.

The Wildcats scored 51 points to tie Farmington Hills Mercy for ninth place—66 points behind the state champs from Birmingham Groves. It was the first time a Novi girls team has ever been in the top 10 at the state meet, and coach Rick Anderson was very happy after it was all over.

"We swam great," he said. "We wanted to get everybody in the finals (top 12) and we wanted to finish higher than we did last year (13th)—we did both. This was our best team finish ever."

Rowlands was a legitimate state title contender in both the 100 and 200-yard freestyle events and was seeded second and third respectively heading into the finals.

In the 100 freestyle, Rowlands improved her qualifying time by nearly a second (53.43) in the preliminaries to qualify as the number two swimmer for the finals but then returned to the state next season.

In the 200 freestyle, Rowlands crushed her qualifying time by almost three seconds in the preliminary heat (1:54.85) to place third. She also finished third in the finals with a time of 1:55.21. Junior Kristy Heydaneck of Midland won it in 1:51.87.

"It was a great race," Anderson said. "Gwen went out a little slower, but she came back a little faster than we anticipated. Her final 25 yards but she was a little too far behind to get Fischer."



Beth Surowiec (left) powers her way through the breaststroke as Rick Anderson and Ellen Surowiec (right) cheer her on

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As a junior, Rowlands will be the top returning 100 freestylist in the state next season.

The only other Novi entrant to place in the top-six and earn All-State honors was the 400 freestyle relay team of Beth Surowiec, Julie Sommers, Ellen Surowiec and Rowlands. The team made it to the championship heat with a qualifying time of 3:43.24—which was fifth overall—but slowed a little in the finals (3:45.79) to finish sixth.

This group was seeded 19th heading in, so to move up to the top six is a great accomplishment," Anderson said. "They improved their qualifying time by over six

seconds to their preliminary time. That's a big improvement."

"I've never been more proud of the girls than I was after this relay."

Senior Beth Surowiec advanced to the consolation heats (top 12) in both the 100 backstroke and the 200 IM and ended up adding two more top 10 finishes for Novi. In the backstroke, Surowiec was seeded 10th but moved up to seventh with a 1:02.65 effort in the prelims. In the finals, Surowiec improved her time by a half-second, but still dropped two places to finish ninth overall (1:02.14).

"Beth was disappointed because she wanted to get into the top six so bad," Anderson said. "But I wasn't disappointed at all. Her time in the finals was her best of the season, but a few of the other girls improved a little more. Beth missed getting into the finals by only .79 of a second."

In the 200 IM, Surowiec was seeded 16th but moved up to 11th after a 2:16.68 effort in the prelims. Her time was over two seconds better than her state qualifying cut.

Surowiec then moved up to ninth in the finals with another great swim (2:15.42). In the consolation heat, Surowiec was third out of six competitors.

"I was real impressed with Beth's time drops in the IM," Anderson said. "In the consolation heat, she was leading after the second leg, but a few of the girls caught her in the breaststroke. But Beth came on very strong in the freestyle. It was a solid race."

"Overall, the girls showed a lot of spirit and guts. You couldn't ask for a better way to end the season."

## All-Area team heavily armed with top guns

When it comes to running, gunning and filling up the hoop, the 1988 edition of the Sliger/Livingston East All-Area basketball team is quite a bunch.

How good are they? Led by Milford's Lori Montante and her 25.5 point-per-game average, they averaged better than 20 points per game. Here's a closer look at the players named to the 1988 All-Area first team.

**KAREN BAIRD**, Northville, guard: Baird was the finest point guard in the area, practically carrying the Mustangs through the district tournament and wrapping up her senior campaign in style.

The 5-foot-7 Baird averaged 16 points per game and would have set a new Northville single-season scoring record in 1988, but teammate Debbie Stevens beat her to it. She also was among area leaders in assists (4.0 per game), steals (4.4) and three-point accuracy (48 percent) in addition to being the Mustangs' leader in free throw percentage (.600).

"The impressive thing about Karen was that she continued to improve in all aspects as the season went on," said Mustang coach Ed Kritch. "She was unquestionably the best outside shooter and ballhandler we've ever had."

**LORI MONTANTE**, Milford, guard: This 5-8 senior, who led the area in scoring (25.5 points per game) and free throw percentage (.874), is considered one of the best offensive players in the state.

Her smooth ball-handling skills, quick first step, clever passes and ability to score from the perimeter will be long remembered at Milford High School.

"Lori is a special kid," Redskins coach Don Palmer said. "You can't say enough about what she does when she has the ball. Teams have focused on her ever since she was a freshman... and she still gets the job done."

This past season, Montante converted 181 of 207 free throw attempts and 196 of 485 field goal tries (40%). She also recorded 7.7 rebounds and 2.3 assists per game.

Palmer added that Montante's scoring prowess sometimes overshadowed her other skills.

"Lori is a great passer, too," the coach commented. "Some of her passes go down as turnovers, but that's only because they get dropped a lot of the time. She's a very unselfish player."

"And you can't overlook her defense," Palmer continued. "She's fundamentally sound and she has good instincts."

"It was a great race," Anderson said. "Gwen went out a little slower, but she came back a little faster than we anticipated. Her final 25 yards but she was a little too far behind to get Fischer."

**KELLY FORBIS**, Lakeland, center: This 5-11 senior is not a natural basketball player, but hard work and intelligence enabled her to excel.

Playing in 22 games, Forbis averaged 10.9 points and 7.4 rebounds per outing. She also was considered Lakeland's best inside defensive player.

"Kelly improved a lot between her junior and senior year," Eagles coach Sherry Bell said. "A lot of that has to do with her mental game. She's very smart, a 4.0 student all through high school, so she picks things up right away. You rarely have to tell her something twice."

"She was a good rebounder for us, and she also had a nice jumper from the elbow and dotted-line areas. I would call her more of a finesse player than a power player."

Forbis' other statistics include 54-of-101 shooting from the free throw



Members of the Sliger/Livingston East Girls' Basketball Team include (left to right) Lori Montante of Milford, Justina Holman of South Lyon, Debbie Stevens of Northville and Karen Baird of Northville. Lakeland's Kelly Forbis is not pictured.

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line (.535), 92-of-201 shooting from the floor (.463), 23 assists and 25 steals.

**JUSTINA HOLMAN**, South Lyon, forward: Lions coach Ron Shanks did not hesitate when describing this 5-9 junior.

"Justina is a legitimate great player," he said. "She gives us a consistent inside game, both offensively and defensively, whenever she steps on the court. She's an extremely quick player... and her instincts are good."

Holman, who joined organized basketball just two years ago,

averaged 13.1 points, 9.4 rebounds and 3.2 steals per game this past season. She led the Lions in all three categories.

Her other statistics include 110-of-281 shooting from the floor (.391), 55-of-154 shooting from the free throw line (.357) and 31 assists (1.5 average).

"Another great thing about Justina is she never fouled out of a game, yet she played a major role in fouling out a lot of opposing kids," Shanks said.

"Debbie did the dirty work on the boards for us and she's a tremendous scorer from anywhere on the

court," Kritch said. "There's nothing she can't do offensively. She's the finest pure basketball player we've ever had."

Stevens led the 16-7 Mustangs in scoring (16.8 points per game), rebounding (9.0) and field goal percentage (.470), and was second in steals (3.7) and free throw percentage (.667). She set a new school record for points in a season (386) and also owns the Northville mark for scoring in a single game (30).

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Stevens has been a Mustang starter for three years and was the second-leading scorer in the area.

Novi's Nicki Kasten was named a second-team berth on the 1988 All-Area cage squad/4D





Jon Cohen (right) may be the best prep swimmer in the state of Michigan this year

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## Cohens lead strong tank squad

By NEIL GEOGHEGAN  
staff writer

Historically, the Novi boys swimming squad has been long on individual talent but short on depth.

But with an All-American and two All-Staters on 1988-89 roster, the Wildcats tank team may now have the depth that's been so elusive in past seasons.

That's the main reason Coach Larry Teahan appears to be a little more optimistic than he normally is heading into a new season.

"Coaches are usually guarded heading into a season and I'm no different, but I think we'll do OK this year," he said. "Right now we have 36 kids participating in the swimming program, so that's good numbers."

"For the first time, really, we'll have some depth — and that's the reason for our optimism."

Because he's such a fixture in Novi swimming, you can't talk about Teahan's squad without first starting with superstar Jon Cohen, an All-American and All-State swimmer.

Cohen is simply put — one of the finest senior swimmers in the United States.

He is a returning All-American in the 500-yard freestyle and the 200 individual medley events and is the defending state champion in the 200 IM. Cohen is also a past state champ in the 500 freestyle and the Oakland

County record-holder in both events.

"Jon's a truly outstanding swimmer, but he's not quite in the same condition he was in prior to the start of last season," Teahan said. "We've noticed that Jon seems to be much stronger in the shorter distance events than he has been, and I suppose that comes with maturity."

That's not to say he wasn't a good sprinter in the past, it's just that he wasn't as outstanding as he was in the distance races.

Teahan expects Cohen to be a more complete swimmer for his senior season, giving the Novi coaches more options on when and where to swim him.

"He'll be more of a swing-man in our line-up," Teahan said. "We can put him in any event, except diving, and expect an outstanding performance."

"I would think he'll be a strong contender for a couple of state titles this year. He's not a lock for something like that — and he'll have to work hard to get it — but he's got a good shot at it."

Jon's younger sibling Steve has been in his brother's shadow the past few years, but he's also an outstanding high school swimmer. His All-State status comes as a result of being a member of the Novi 400 freestyle relay team that placed sixth in the state last winter. Teahan plans to use the junior in all the freestyle events, the 200 butterfly and maybe the breaststroke — in addition to his spot in the relays. He was a

state meet qualifier in the 500 freestyle and the 200 IM a year ago.

"(Steve) looks like he'll probably end up swimming several events for us," Teahan said. "He's a fine swimmer. He doesn't have the outstanding times Jon has, but not many do. He's a hard worker and a real team leader."

The other All-Stater is junior Rudy Speerscheider, who was also a member of the 400 freestyle relay. According to Teahan, Speerscheider will see action in the freestyle events and maybe the butterfly.

"Rudy has really developed into a key member of our team," observed the Novi tank coach. "With the graduation of Steve Warrman, he's sort of inherited the freestyle sprint events, and I'm sure he'll do well."

Other key returnees include senior Josh Matta and a host of talented and promising juniors. Matta is entering his fourth year of varsity swimming; his best events are the distance freestyle races, the backstroke and the IM.

The 11th grade brigade features Bob Bates, Phil Byers, Ryan Devereaux and Steve Strausberg. Bates will see action in the IM, the

freestyle, Devereaux will be used in the sprint and middle distance freestyle races; and Strausberg is penciled in for work in the freestyle and butterfly sprints.

Other upperclassmen expected to contribute are senior Brian Hess and a pair of juniors — Andy Mutch and Mark Bolitho.

The loss of Joe Jablonski may be a blow to the Novi's diving fortunes, but returnees like seniors Doug Justus and Joel Scheffler and sophomore Mark Mote are poised to fill in.

Sophomore returnees like backstroke Mark Chirgwin, butterfly specialist Jeff Leahy and freestyleist Dan Bush should also provide some depth.

Newcomers Jamie May, Derek Speerscheider, Dan Sveller, John Mutch, Chris Foreback, Chris Bayer, Brian Wohlfeil and Adam Cox all have swim club experience, so they are a promising group as well.

The Wildcats have goals of improving on their 10-2 dual meet record and their eighth place finish in the state meet from a year ago — but it won't be easy.

"We'll know if we can meet our goal of a better record after our first

## Eagle cagers roll past Saline, 83-70

With nine of its top 10 players lost to graduation, the Novi Christian boys basketball team headed into its season opener against a veteran Saline Christian squad on Dec. 2 as the decided underdog.

With three starters from last year's junior varsity team and a newcomer, who's never played organized basketball in the starting line-up, first-year coach Harold McMahan's troops went out and clobbered Saline 83-70 in Metro Christian Conference action.

McMahan took over the head coaching position from Dick Burgess, who coached the Eagle cagers for 20 years. Burgess is now McMahan's assistant.

"We answered the challenge with hard work, tough defense and accurate shooting," McMahan said.

Novi Christian slowly built its lead in each quarter. The Eagles were ahead by six at halftime and eight at the end of three quarters. A 16-9 scoring advantage in the final period gave Novi Christian a comfortable 13-point victory.

The Eagles shot a blistering 59 percent from the field and were led by Dennis Leech's career-high 41 points. Mark Row added 21 points and 12 rebounds, while Mike Caswell contributed 15 points and 13 boards.

Saline's Lunke Miller scored 19, but had only four in the second half.

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## Pistons to award two scholarships

The Detroit Pistons will award two \$1,000 college scholarships to local high school seniors for the ninth consecutive year.

The local winners will be among 50 seniors throughout the nation who will be awarded \$1,000 scholarships by the National Basketball Association and its 23 teams as part of the league's scholarship program, first started in 1980.

"A college education is more important than ever before," said Pistons General Manager Jack McCloskey. "We recognize the importance of a college education and are most pleased that, for the ninth consecutive year, we will be able to assist two local students achieve their goal of a higher education."

In order to apply for a Detroit Pistons scholarship, a senior must submit an official application form, his or her high school transcript, SAT scores, a letter of recommendation from a faculty member and an essay of under 500 words on the subject "The Importance of a College Education."

Applications must be received by March 3, 1989. Scholarship winners

any accredited four-year college or two-year junior college or community college.

Scholarship applications and information can be obtained from high school guidance counselors or by writing Scholarships, Detroit Pistons, Public Relations Department, 3777 Lapeer Road, Auburn Hills, MI 48007.

Applications will be judged on the basis of academic and extracurricular achievements, along with the contents of the essay.

To be eligible for one of the two Detroit Pistons scholarships, a senior must live within a 75-mile radius of the Palace of Auburn Hills. If a senior lives beyond that radius, the application will be considered for one of the four national \$1,000 scholarships to be awarded to students who do not live near NBA teams.

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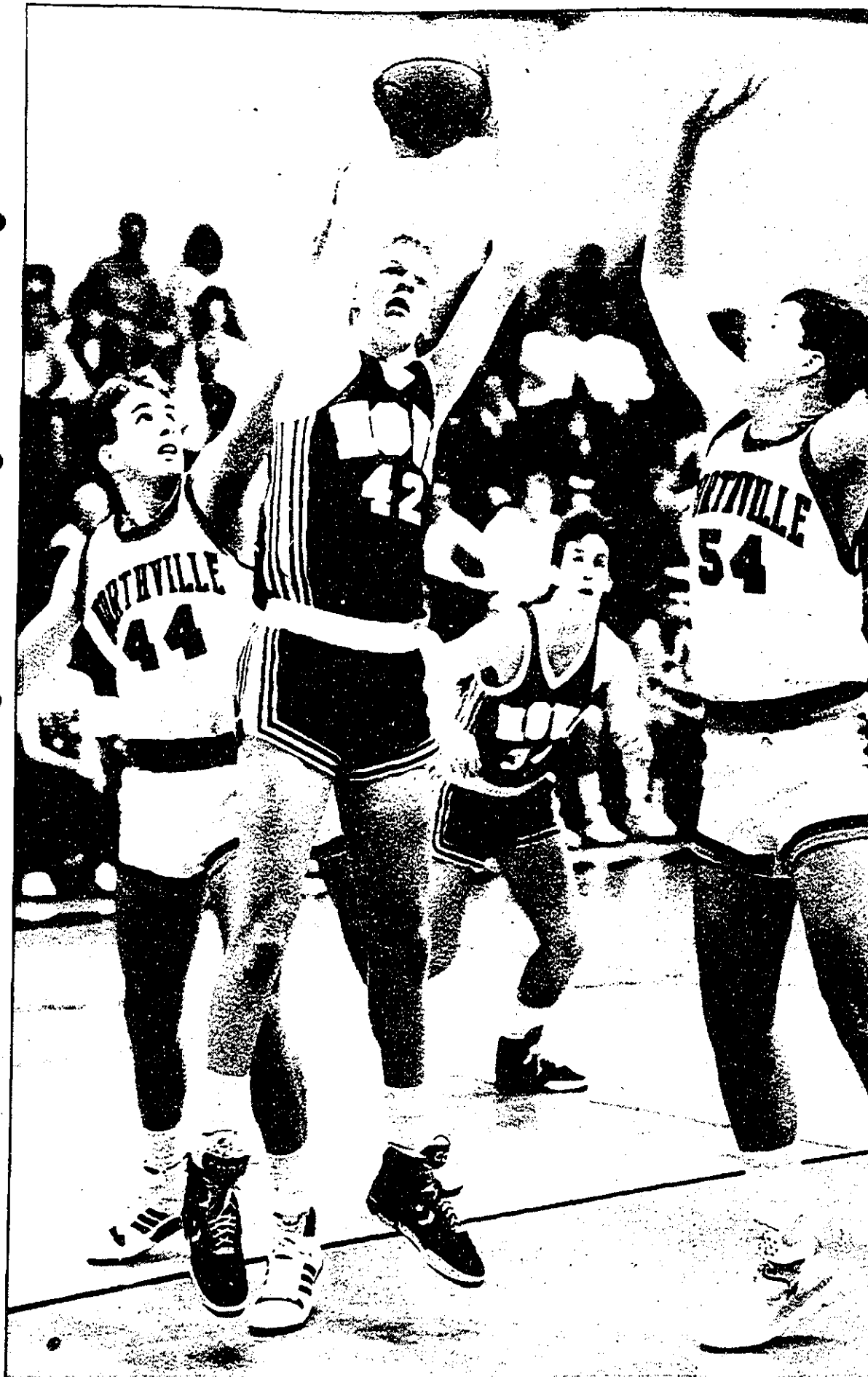
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Novi's Brad Brockman (42) goes up for a shot against Northville

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## Mustang cagers gallop away from Novi, 76-61

By NEIL GEOGHEGAN  
staff writer

All you really need to know about the Novi-Northville boys basketball season opener last Friday (Dec. 2) is that the Wildcats shot 39 percent from the floor, committed 32 turnovers and had two key players in foul trouble for much of the game.

As the statistics indicate, Novi had some serious problems — especially in the second half. And the Mustangs' pressure defense had a lot to do with it.

Northville ended up winning the game 76-61 by outscoring the Cats by 14 points in the third and fourth quarters after leading by a single point at halftime.

"I thought it was a pretty nice way to start the season," said Mustang Coach Omar Harrison. "We had the first game jitters early in the game — we were fighting ourselves a bit because the kids wanted to win so bad. But we settled down in the second half and didn't make as many silly mistakes."

Northville crept out to a four point lead after one quarter, but the Wildcats came back with a 17-14 scoring advantage in the second period to pull within one, 29-28, at halftime.

"It was a fast-paced first half and it was very evenly played," Novi Coach John Cicchelli said. "We missed a lot of easy scoring chances and

those were the kind of chances we didn't get later on."

Just before the half, Wildcat guard Ed Cote was whistled for his fourth foul. And then, about a minute into the second half, center Mark Fisher collected his fourth. Cicchelli sat them both down with the team trailing by a point. When they returned later in the third quarter, the Mustangs were up by eight. The lead increased to 12 heading into the final stanza, and Novi never recovered.

"All those turnovers we committed added up being easy baskets for Northville," Cicchelli said. "And losing Cote and Fisher didn't help — those are two guys we really count on."

Harrison credited his team's half-court trapping defense with causing Novi so many problems in the second half.

"We changed our defense at halftime and it helped," he said. "(Novi) didn't have as many easy baskets as they did in the first half and we had a lot of steals and conversions in the third quarter — that was the difference."

A pleasant surprise for Northville was the guard-play of Mike Karfis. Joe Kaley and Rob Walsh. With no returning starters in the backcourt, it appeared to be a problem area for the Mustangs heading into the season. But if the Novi game is any indication, it could be a strength.

Walsh — a transfer from Florida —

scored 16 points, and Kaley came off the bench to score 12. In addition, Karfis had a fine floor game with five assists.

"I was real pleased with the way our guards played," Harrison said. "Karfis used his quickness to penetrate and dish off. Walsh looks like he'll be a valuable addition to our team and Kaley was a pleasant surprise."

Mustang Center Chris House led all scorers with 17 and Heath Myers chipped in 10 to give the Mustangs a balanced scoring attack.

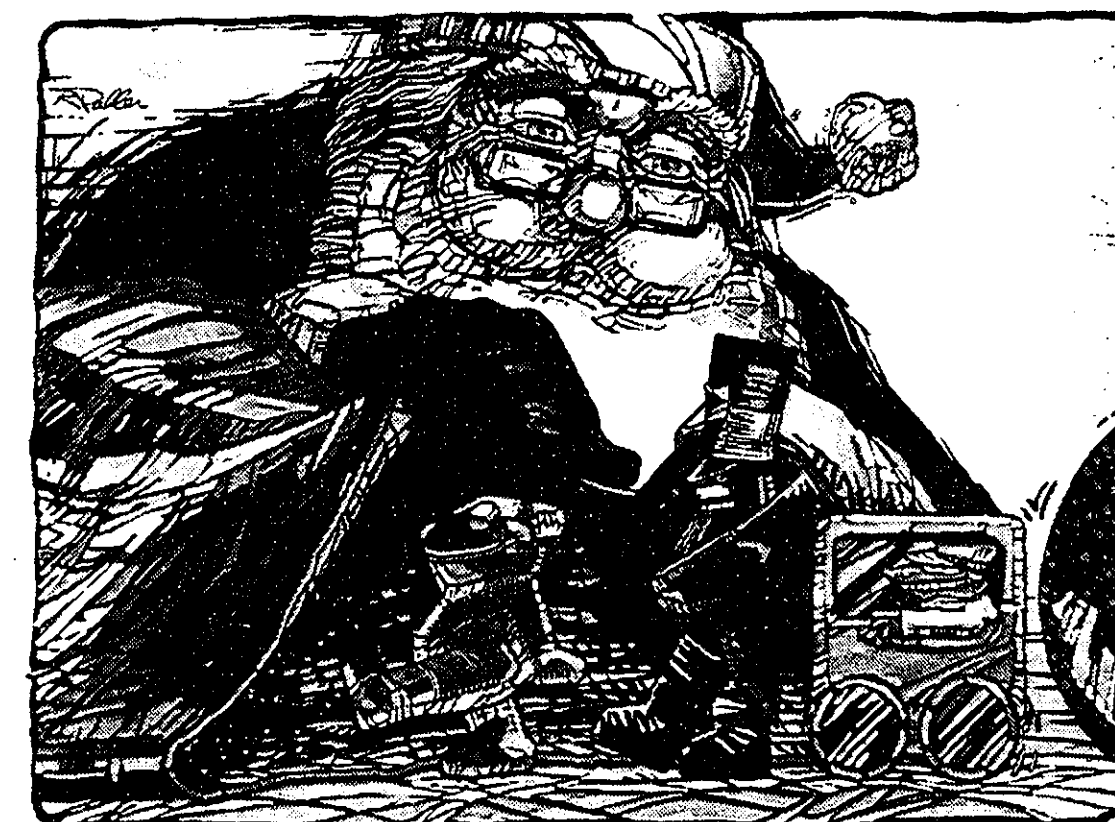
Brett Cordas led Novi with 13 and point guard Todd Wise added 11 and six assists, but Cote and Fisher combined for just 14 in limited action.

"We need to learn to take care of the ball better and we need to be more selective in our shots," Cicchelli said. "We took some poor percentage shots, so we need to be more patient in our half-court offense."

Northville (1-0) will host Dearborn Edsel Ford tomorrow (Dec. 9) in a non-league clash, while Novi (0-1) will open Kensington Valley Conference play against Lakeland at home the same evening.

"You couldn't ask for a much better start than this," Harrison said. The reverse is probably true for Cicchelli's squad.

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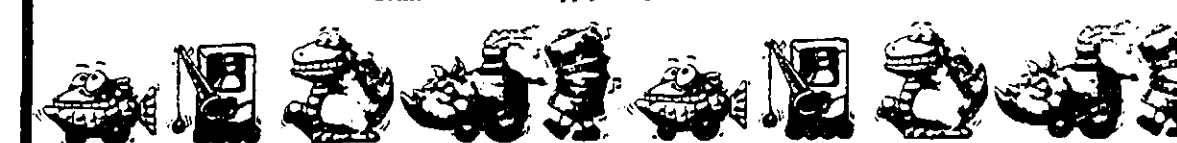
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## Novi's Kasten named to squad

Sure, the Novi Ladycat cagers suffered through a tough season.

But that does not mean the Novi quintet was bereft of talent. In fact, one of the Ladycats — backcourt star Nicki Kasten — heads off the Slinger/Livingston East All-Area second team.

Here is a look at the group of standouts selected by our sports writers for recognition on the All-Area second team.

NICKI KASTEN, Novi, guard: The Wildcats' undisputed leader was this 5-7 senior swing player. Kasten was one of the area's more versatile performers, providing steady defense while leading Novi in scoring (9.3 points per game), assists (1.4) and steals (3.6).

"Nicki is a very fine athlete and that's one of the reasons she was our best defender," Novi coach Debbie Harris said. "She's very dedicated and had a lot of desire. Those things, combined with her athletic ability, made her successful at the defensive end of the court."

"She has good anticipation, good

quickness and was versatile enough to play as a guard or a forward."

SHEILA HATTON, South Lyon, guard: In her first season as a starter, this three-year letter-winner averaged 8.7 points per game and canned 14 shots from three-point land.

"Sheila did a nice job," Lions coach Ron Shanks said. "She gave us some experience, having been there during the glory years. She's not a great athlete, but she uses her head and she plays with poise."

Hatton, considered a streak shooter by most, was successful on 58 of 202 field goal attempts (.337) and 33 of 56 free throw tries (.589). The 5-6 senior also averaged 2.2 rebounds, 2.2 steals and 1.1 assists per outing.

"It took a while for Sheila to settle down this year," Shanks added. "Once we moved her from guard to forward, though, she seemed much more comfortable. She was able to concentrate on shooting instead of handling the ball so much."

JENNIFER RUCKER, Milford, center: Despite breaking her nose

twice during the season, this 5-9 junior played a major role in Milford's 19-4 campaign.

"Jennifer was an unsung hero for us," Redskins coach Don Palmer said. "She was a good defensive player, and she also rebounded well. And you have to give her a lot of credit for her willingness to play in pain."

"One of the best things about her, though, is she was a real asset against gimmick defenses. When teams went box-and-one (on Lori Montante), Jennifer gave us an inside threat which is a key to beating that defense."

Rucker, who missed only two games because of injury, averaged 6.1 points and 6.0 rebounds per outing. She converted 37 of 63 free throw attempts (.589) and 46 of 112 field goal tries (.411).

HEATHER SIXT, Northville, forward: Sixt, the perfect role player for Northville, probably could have starred on several other teams. The 5-8 senior sacrificed her personal numbers for the good of the team and

ended up being a very important part of the Mustangs' success.

"Heather was very versatile for us," Coach Ed Krutch said. "She helped get the ball to our scorers, she played solid defense and she provided scoring when we needed it. She is a good leaper, has good quickness and anticipation. Nobody could get the ball inside to her teammates as consistently as Heather could."

Sixt averaged 8.2 points, 3.6 assists and 3.7 steals per outing, while shooting 57 percent from the charity stripe.

PAM WHITEMAN, Lakeland, forward: This 5-9 junior — considered one of the best athletes in the area — was a defensive dynamo for the Eagles.

"Pam definitely had a defensive role this year," Lakeland coach Sherry Bell said. "I always put her on the other team's best player. That was her main job — to stay with the other team's scorer, and she did a great job 99 percent of the time."

## All-Area Cage Team

### ALL-AREA BASKETBALL FIRST TEAM

Name	Cl.	Pos.	Ht.	School
Kelly Forbis	Sr.	C	6-0	Lakeland
Debbie Stevens	Sr.	F	5-9	Northville
Justina Holman	Jr.	F	5-9	South Lyon
Lori Montante	Sr.	G	5-8	Milford
Karen Baird	Sr.	G	5-7	Northville

### ALL-AREA BASKETBALL SECOND TEAM

Name	Cl.	Pos.	Ht.	School
Jennifer Rucker	Jr.	C	5-9	Milford
Heather Sixt	Sr.	F	5-8	Northville
Pam Whiteman	Jr.	F	5-9	Lakeland
Nicki Kasten	Sr.	G	5-7	South Lyon
Sheila Hatton	Sr.	G	5-6	South Lyon

PLAYER OF THE YEAR: Lori Montante, Milford.

COACH OF THE YEAR: Don Palmer, Milford.

HONORABLE MENTION: Sue LaPrad, Kate Holstein — Northville; Cathy McQueen, Adrienne Miskovich, Darryl Culp — Novi; Kari Heinonen, Stacy Lys — Milford; Stacy White — Lakeland; Jenny Shanks, Cheryl Kastano — South Lyon.

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## Wildcat wrestling coach aims to defend KVC title

By NEIL GEOGHEGAN  
staff writer

With talented, promising underclassmen all over the place, the Novi wrestling program may be able to rebound from devastating graduation losses sooner than even Coach Tom Fritz expected.

The Wildcat grapplers were one of the top teams in the state last winter. And with the kind of talent currently moving its way up through the ranks, Novi may return to that status in a year or two.

But patience has never been one of Fritz's better attributes. As much as he'd like to see his squad reach some of the lofty levels set by the 1987-88 team, he realizes it may be asking a little too much.

A first-ever Kensington Valley Conference title and a season-ending ranking of fourth in the state were just a few of those accomplishments and the backbone of that team is gone. The list of departed grapplers includes Bret Keir, Scott Brown, Ron Vuth, Matt Brunker, Ron Fritz, the Brown twins and several others who combined to make it the most talented and successful class of wrestlers ever to come out of Novi.

Surely, Fritz couldn't challenge his team to repeat the feats of a year ago, but he probably will anyway.

"I'm very optimistic but following in the footsteps of last year's team will be very difficult," he said. "There will be a lot of challenges for this team, but I think it will be a fun year."

"With the youngsters we have, I can see it coming and I know we'll be good. But we may be a couple of years away. I still think we'll be a good team this year, but all that potential makes me very excited about what's ahead."

Technically, Fritz has only three full-time regulars returning this season, but he also has a fine group of part-timers and newcomers who may develop into a very competitive unit.

Leading the way is senior Ed Price, who has been extremely impressive in early workouts. Price was bounced around between the 167 and 185-pound weight classifications as a junior, but now has a lock on the new 171-pound division.

"Eddie Price is going to be another Bret Keir if he keeps going the way he's been in practices," predicted Fritz. "He's been awesome, and I've been very impressed. He should have no problem holding the weight, but I may bounce him up to 189 from time to time for team strength. Right now, I'd have to consider him the favorite at 171 in the KVC."

Another imposing returnee is

Fritz: 'We have 52 kids out for wrestling and that's a nice number. A lot of schools would like to have that many. We are very young, but most of these kids know what it takes to be successful and I think that will help us.'

junior heavyweight 'Big' Bob Ahrens, who is agile and quick for a 247-pounder. Ahrens is off to a slow start due to a shoulder injury suffered in football, but is expected to recover and challenge Lakeland's Dave Senk for the KVC heavyweight crown.

"I haven't had a good look at 'Big' Bob yet because of his injury, but if he can get it straightened out he'll be a great asset to us," Fritz said.

Sophomore Brian Paquette is back for action at 105 pounds after seeing regular duty in the 96-pound class last year. Paquette placed third in the KVC as a freshman, and Fritz believes he has a shot at the title this season.

"Brian looks real good, but you have to remember he is only a sophomore," said the Novi mat coach.

Senior Rick Mathias, like Price, was a part-timer last year, but will be a fixture at 152 — one of the deepest spots in the Novi line-up this year. Pushing Mathias will be junior Jim Marshall.

"Rick has the same kind of experience that Ed Price had last year," Fritz noted. "I bounced him around too. He's looked good and will definitely help us."

The final returning starter is sophomore Chris Wenzara, who was a regular at 105 a year ago and should have the job at 119. But he's having academic problems and may face ineligibility.

Junior Ty Lum, who sat out last season with a broken hand, is also vying for a starting spot at 119.

At 125, Wenzara or Lum may move up and challenge sophomore Craig Barker who wrestled last year as a freshman but has no varsity experience. Another sophomore — Mike Gowans — could be a future star and will be Novi's top competitor at 130. He is a returning letter-winner and has caught his coach's eye on a number of occasions already.

Mike's been impressive, but 130 is by far the toughest weight division in

the State of Michigan," Fritz said.

"Despite that, Mike will win his share."

Senior Kevin Martzloff hasn't been out for wrestling since he was a freshman, but he's the top candidate for the starting spot at 112.

Two other seniors — Dan Valdes and Steve Karevich — are battling for a start at 140. The loser may move up to 145 and challenge junior Rich Helfer, a transfer student from Wall Lake, Western.

Sophomore Scott Vermillion appears to be the top choice at 189, and even though he shows great promise, he may have some problems competing in a weight classification that normally features upper classmen.

"I see glimpses of brilliance out of this kid Vermillion, but it's very hard for a youngster to do well at 189," Fritz said. "He may get beat up a bit this season, but it will make him a better wrestler."

The 135 division is currently up for grabs — sophomores Chris Lowery, Keith Scheffler and John Polakowski are the top candidates. Junior returnee Jeff O'Neil is in line at 162, but he's being pushed hard by senior Dave Pierle.

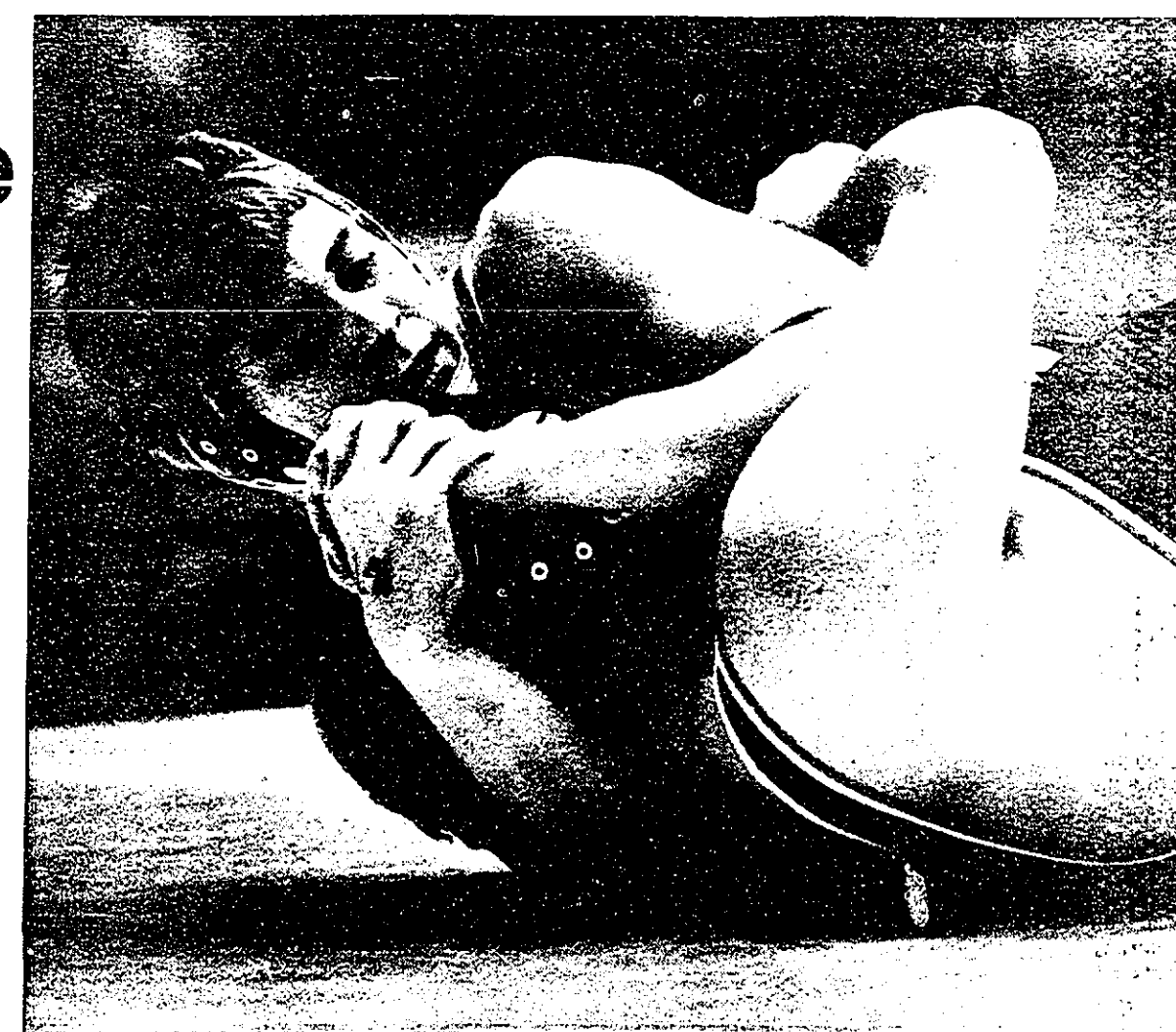
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The battle for the Kensington Valley Conference championship is wide open, according to Fritz. He said South Lyon is probably the pre-season favorite, but Lakeland also has some very tough individuals.

"It's going to be a fun year because I don't think anybody has a lock on it (the KVC championship)," he said. "It's the most even I've ever seen the KVC."

And what about Novi's chances to repeat?

"I think a lot will depend on how well I can coach these young kids," commented Fritz.



Ed Price promises to be a key performer for the Novi wrestling team this year

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Bob Ahrens gives the Novi mat squad strength in the heavyweight division

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## Residents turn to healthy foods

By BOB NEEDHAM  
staff writer

Health food has come a long way. From the roots of the business — the occasional person seeking out wheat germ or vitamins as an alternative or supplement to traditional medicine — a large industry has grown. And people in this area are buying as much as anyone, judging by the reports of local health food stores.

"We're doing great," said Eva Hanning of the Good Food Company. "We just get bigger and bigger, day by day."

"Probably every year (the business) has grown," said Clara Adams, owner of Zerbe's Health Foods Supermarket. "Over the years it has grown, and it has broadened, also."

Zerbe's, the granddaddy of area health food stores, opened in 1986, before the back-to-nature sentiment of the '60s and the health-conscious sentiment of the '80s. That period of time has seen tremendous increases in both the number of people buying health food and in the kinds of food available.

"I got interested through my father," Adams recalled. "I got interested basically because my father was looking for alternatives to his health and my mother's health. . . . He wasn't getting the answers from physicians that he wanted."

While not much in the way of "health food" was available a few decades ago, that's not true now. Organically grown produce; chips and other snack food free of additives and preservatives; natural juices, tea and other beverages; a complete deli line; and many different herbs are among the offerings of local stores.

"I think people are just more aware of health," said Jean Bruny, a clerk at Healthways of Plymouth. "Hanning said many people now use health food stores as their regular grocery store. 'It is an alternative



Barbara Wade of Healthways arranges bottles of sparkling cider in her Plymouth store.

shopping center. We have anything that you would find in a grocery store," except the additives, she said.

The stores don't necessarily stop with food, though. Most health food stores sell books. The Good Food Company has music and crystals; Zerbe's has a line of natural cosmetics and a staff nutritionist/psychologist.

The field has seen an explosion of information which shows no signs of stopping.

"You think you know a lot and every day you learn something new," Bruny said. The information is getting out to the general public, too, which may help account for the increasing interest in the products.

"I think people are becoming more knowledgeable," Bruny said. "Even the medical field is becoming able to admit some of this stuff might be

able to help."

Herbs and homeopathic medicine are a big growth area for the industry, Adams said. "In one way, this is the natural pharmacy for many people."

All types of different people are now buying healthy food, the stores said.

"Lately, a lot of people are coming in to get oat bran. It's the first time they've been in a health food store," Bruny said.

"Our clientele comes from as far as Canada and Pontiac," Hanning said. "This is their grocery store."

"There is really no profile here. It's all walks of life, all ages, all types of people," Hanning continued. "They are just very health-conscious people searching for a better way to shop."

A store sees "everything from very earthy-type people to very wealthy

people," Adams said. "Sometimes a person really needs to make drastic changes. There's so much in this field that's available, it takes a lot of time to really educate yourself on which way you want to go."

Hanning concluded that people's good experiences with health food are going to insure a strong future.

"They keep coming back. I rarely see people coming in one time only," she said. "We'll keep growing. I only see us getting bigger and bigger."

The western suburbs are home to quite a few health food stores. Some of the closer ones include: Healthways of Plymouth, 942 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth, 455-1440; Zerbe's Health Foods Supermarket, 34164 Plymouth Road, Livonia, 427-3144; Good Food Co., 33321 W. Eight Mile, Livonia, 477-7440; General Nutrition Center, Twelve Oaks Mall, Novi, 344-1410.

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## Examining sterilization procedures

By EILEEN MURPHY, M.D.  
special writer

Each year more women and men are electing to undergo a sterilization procedure as a form of birth control. Sterilization is a permanent procedure whereby women are no longer able to get pregnant and men can no longer father children. In the female, it is called tubal sterilization or tubal ligation. In the male, it is called vasectomy.

Sterilization is a permanent form of birth control. Because of this fact, it is extremely important that you carefully think through this decision before making it. While there are surgical techniques to reverse both sterilization procedures, the success rate is poor. If you are unsure about this decision, it is best to use a reversible form of contraception.

Both procedures are elective forms of surgery. A physician will do a thorough history and physical to be sure the benefits outweigh the risks. Your physician may question you about personal issues to be sure you do not feel pressured into making this decision.

Your physician will also want to be sure you have considered the implications of your decision and explored all possibilities such as death of a spouse, death of your children or divorce. It is probably best not to make this decision during a period of great stress.

If you change your mind or have serious reservations at any time before your surgery, you should let your physician know. She or he may be able to address your reservations or agree to postpone or cancel your

surgery. Your physician also may have you sign a consent form that requires a certain time period to expire before she or he will perform the sterilization procedure.

The most common form of tubal sterilization is the laparoscopic tubal ligation. This is generally done on an out-patient basis where the patient comes in and goes home the day of the procedure. It is usually done under general anesthesia, but other anesthetics may be used depending on the given circumstances.

The procedure is performed by making a small incision just below or in the umbilicus or navel. The abdominal cavity is then inflated with a gas. This expands the distention of the abdomen and enables your physician to visualize the tubes and ovaries.

The laparoscope, which is similar to a long slender telescope, is then placed through the incision. This allows the physician to inspect the uterus, tubes and ovaries as well as the remainder of the pelvis and abdomen. Your physician will then proceed with the sterilization. This involves placing clips or rings on the tubes or burning the tubes. It is done by placing a second instrument, either through the laparoscope or making a small incision above the pelvic bone through which the sterilizing instrument is inserted.

Once the procedure is finished, the gas is released from the abdomen and the instruments are removed. An absorbable suture is used to close the small incisions.

The recovery period is generally quite fast, approximately one to three days, since the incisions are very small. It must be realized that

this is a surgical procedure so there are risks including anesthetic risks, bleeding, infection and damage to the bladder or bowels. These are uncommon.

It must also be realized that although this is considered permanent, there is a small risk of failure which is less than one percent. The procedure is effective immediately.

The second most common form of sterilization is the mini-laparotomy. This is a slightly larger incision (approximately two inches) that is made just above the pubic bone. The tubes are tied and a portion removed during this procedure. Occasionally, the tubes may be clipped or burned as well.

The failure rate is similar to the laparoscopic tubal ligation. The discomfort can be somewhat greater or this procedure because the incision is larger, and may require overnight hospitalization.

In general, you will be feeling much like yourself within three days. Your physician can help you decide which procedure is most right for you.

The vasectomy is the male sterilization procedure. Because the male reproductive organs are outside the body cavity, a vasectomy is frequently a less complicated procedure than tubal ligation. It is generally done in a doctor's office under local anesthesia.

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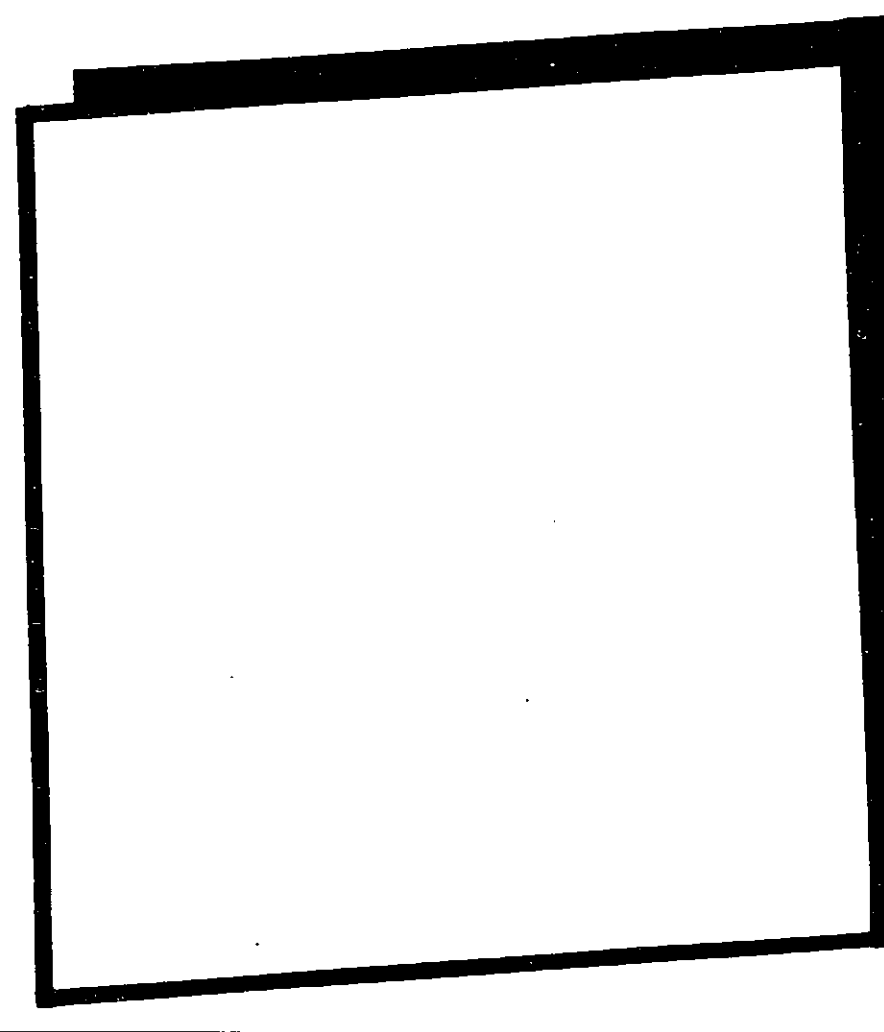
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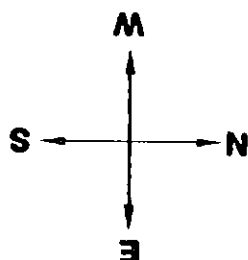
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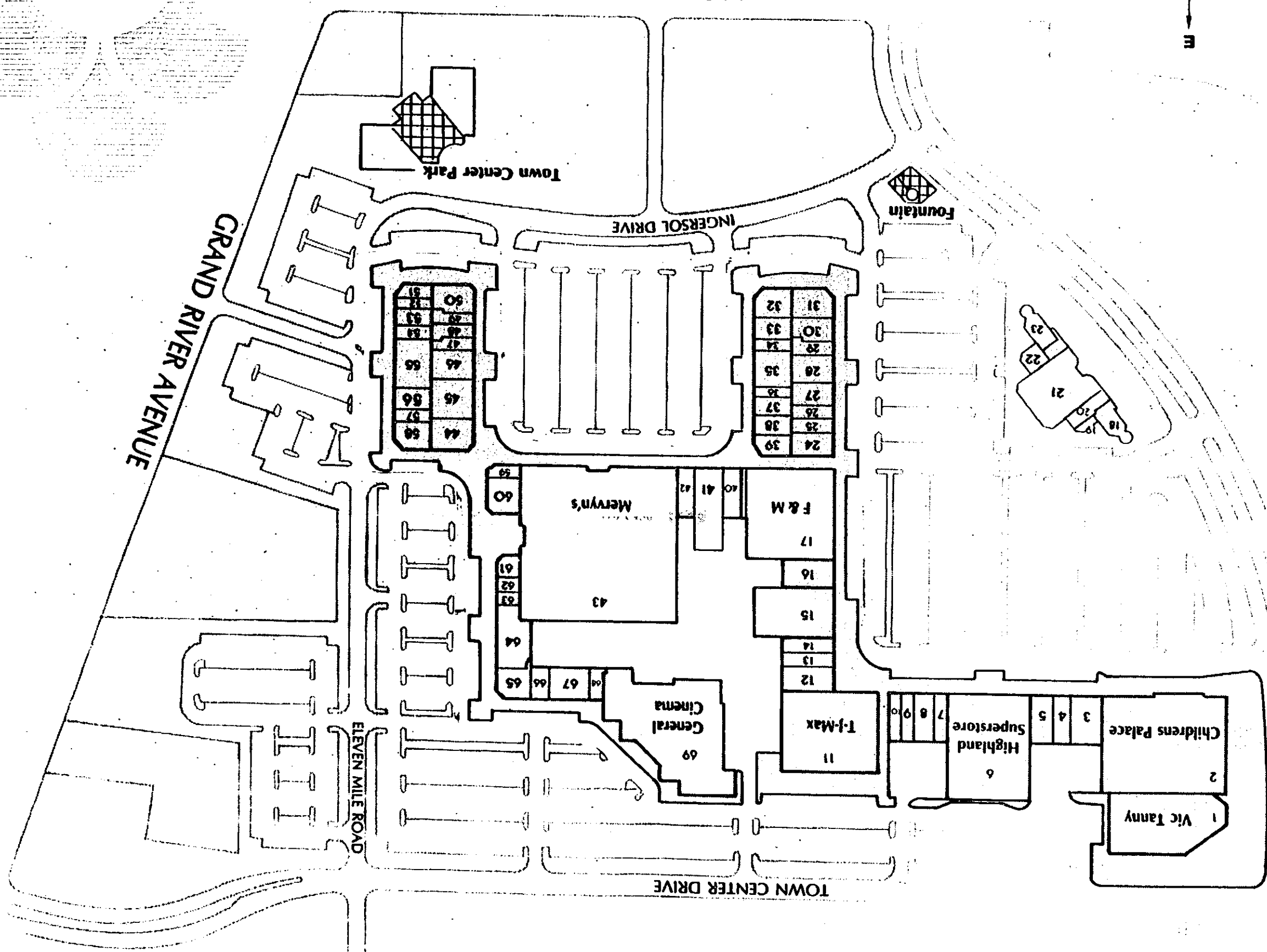
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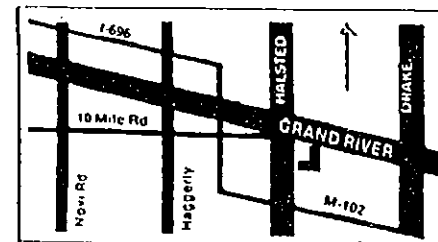
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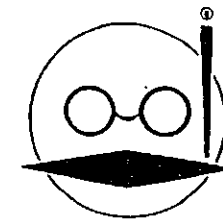
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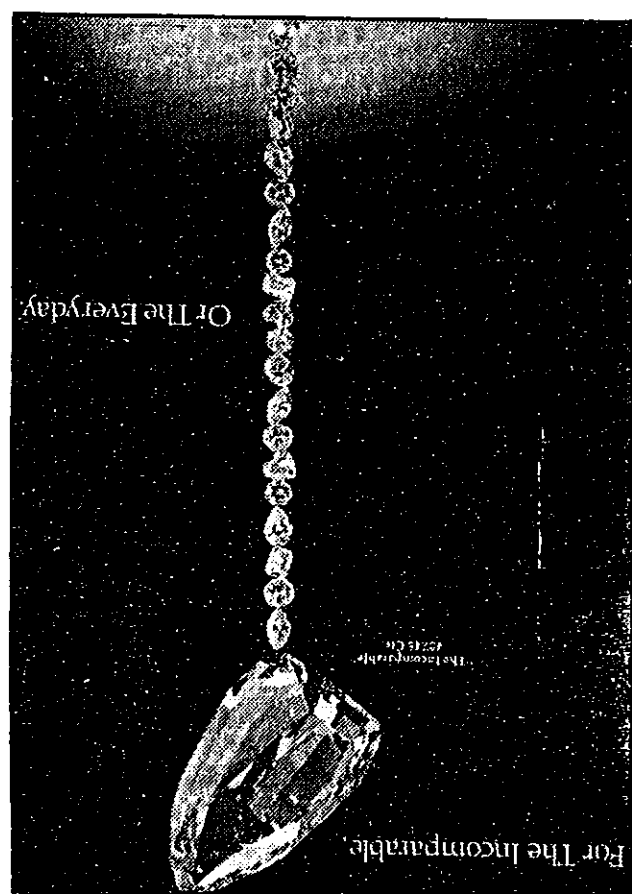
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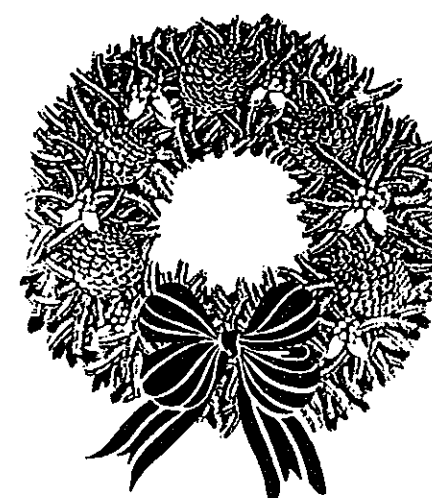
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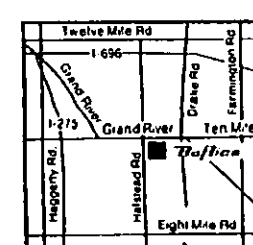
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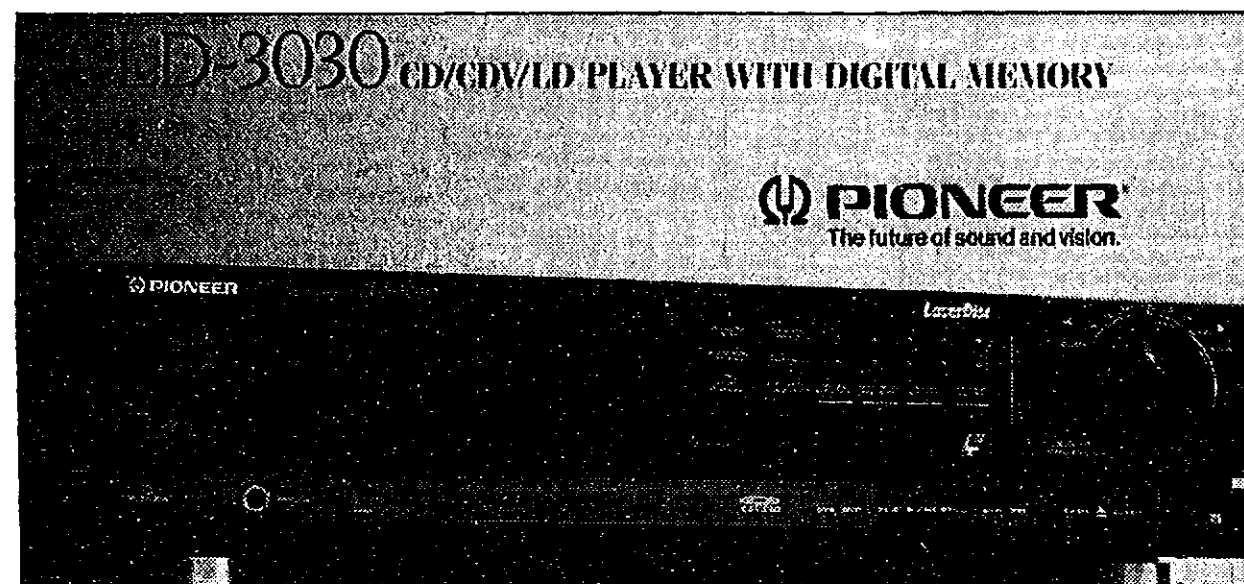
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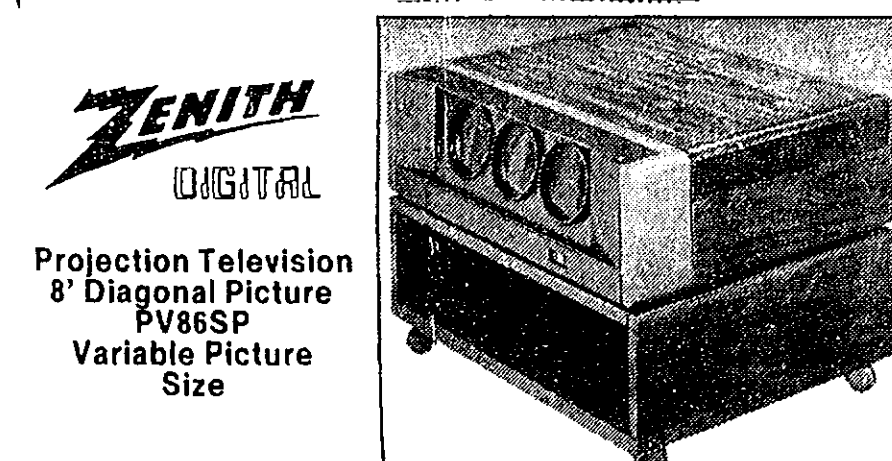
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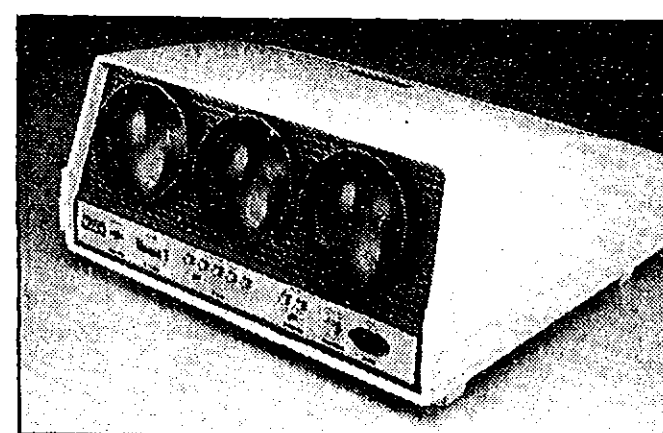
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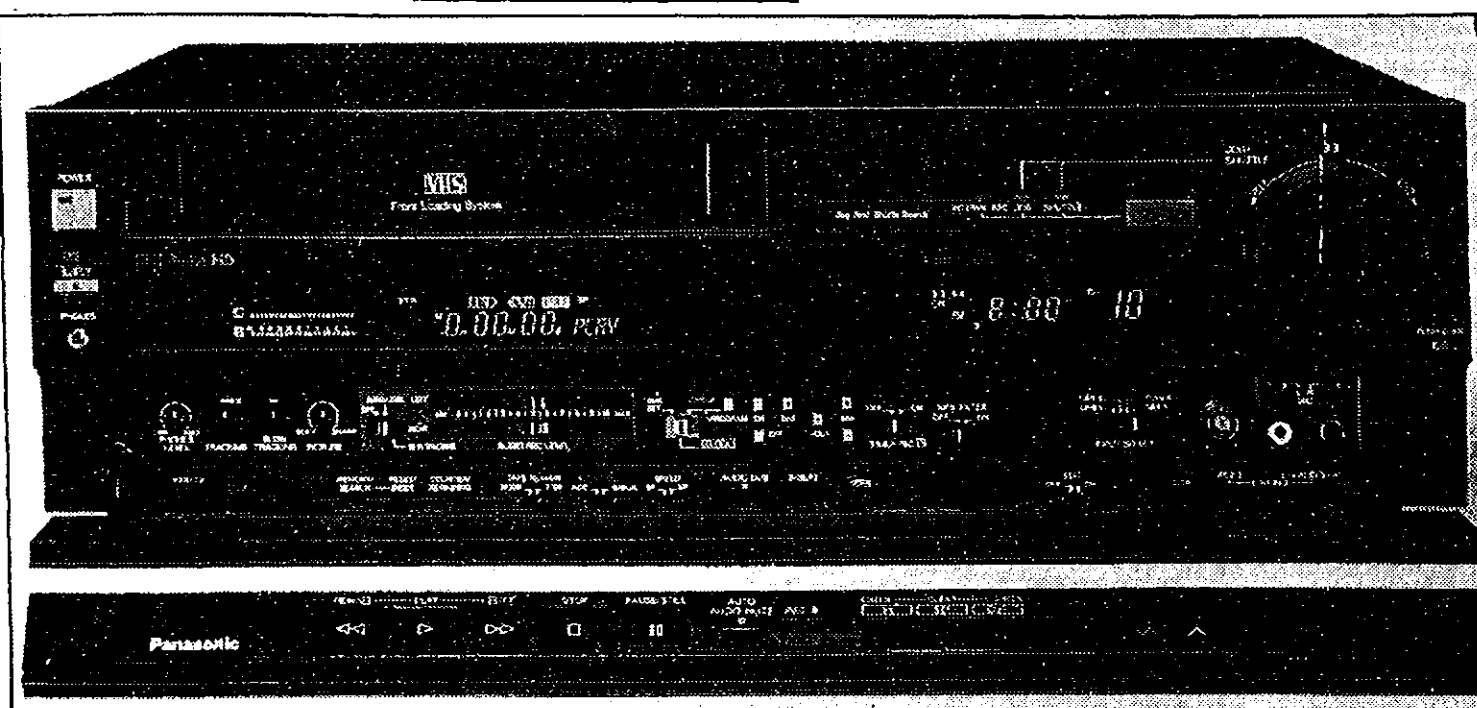
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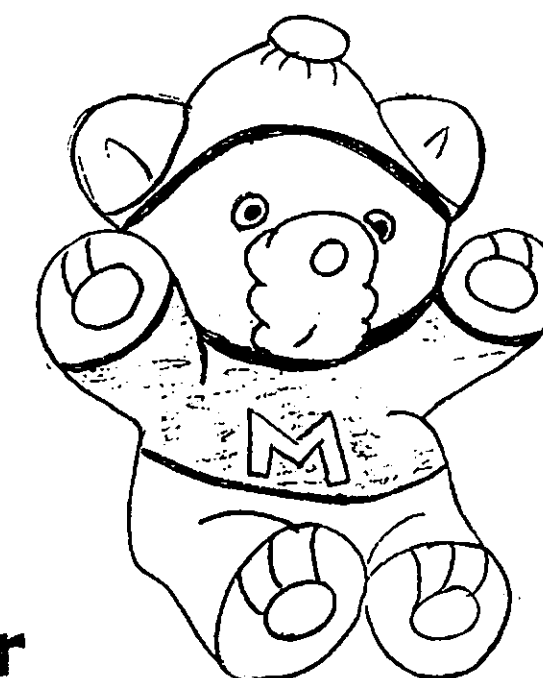
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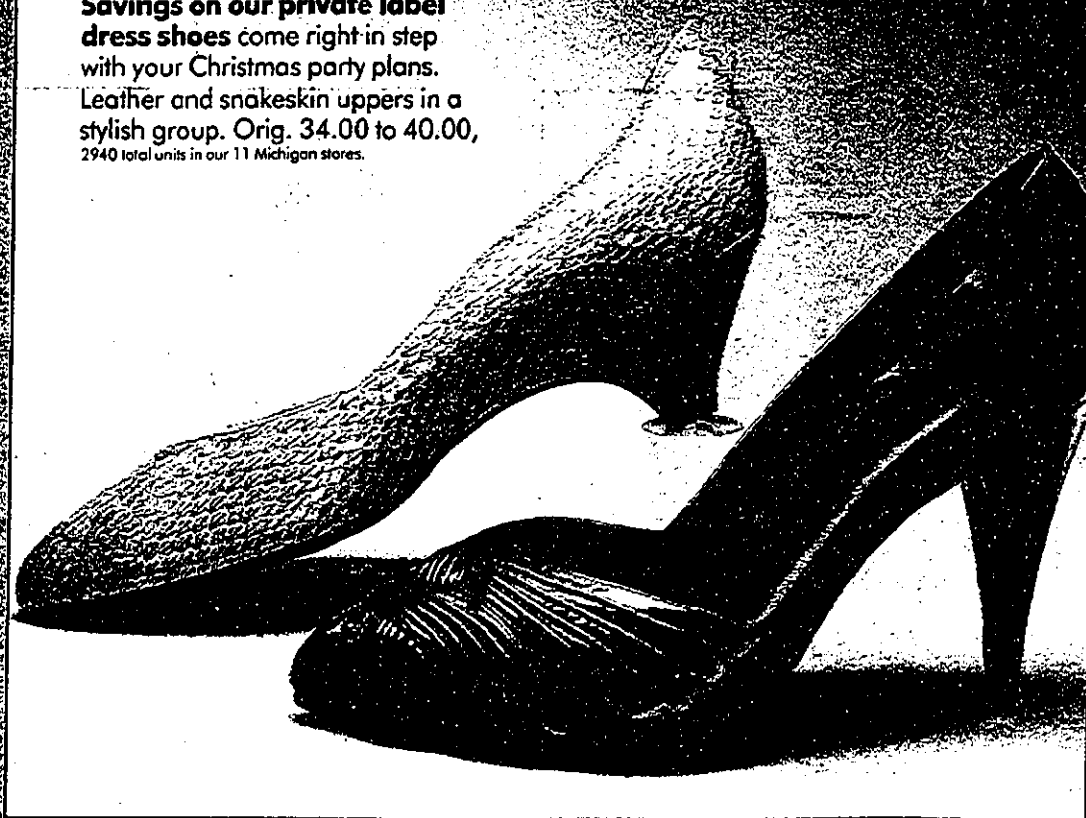
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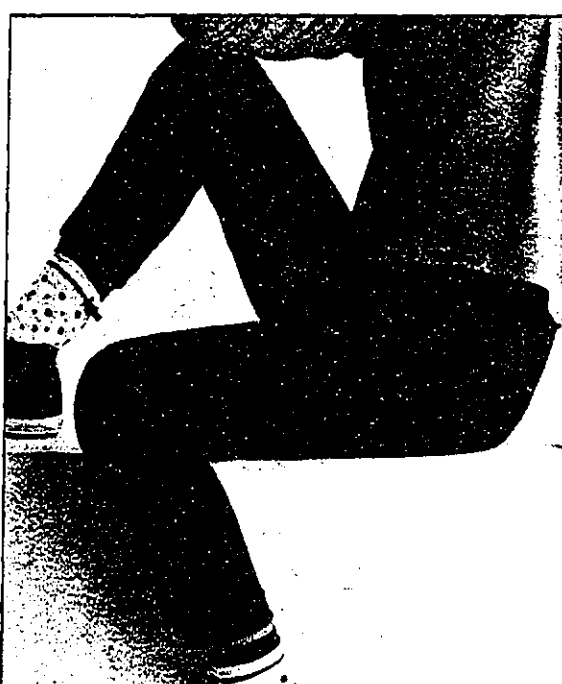
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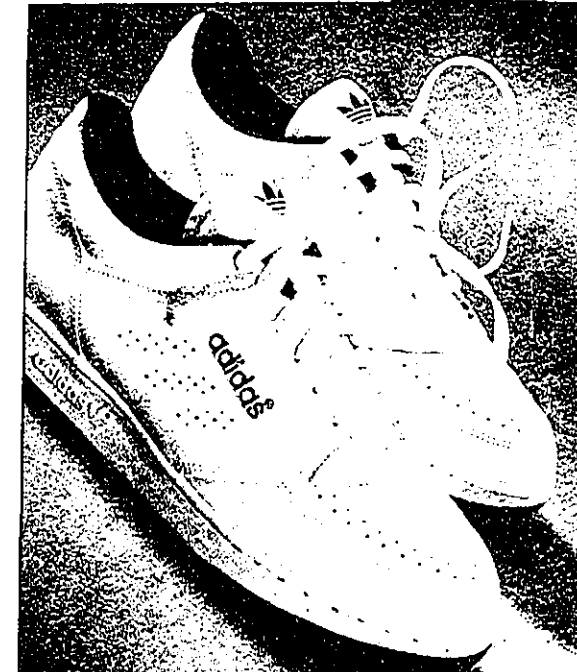
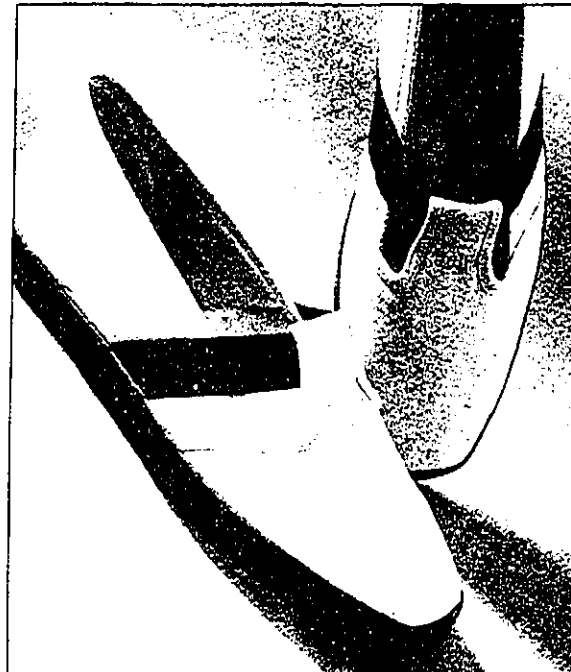
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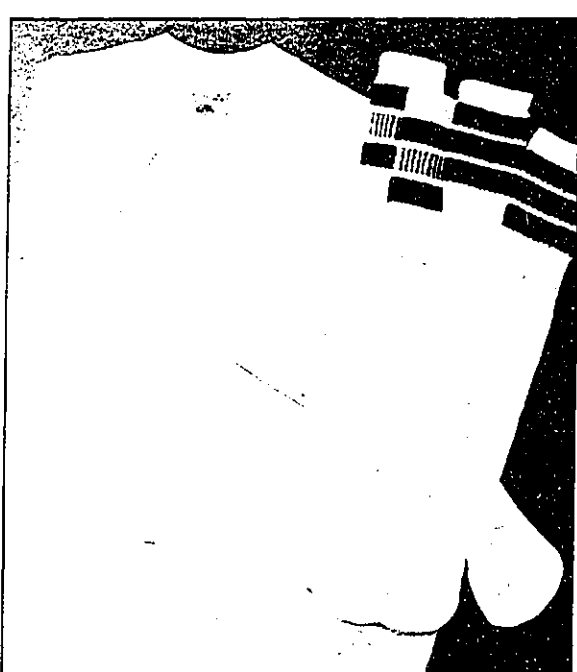
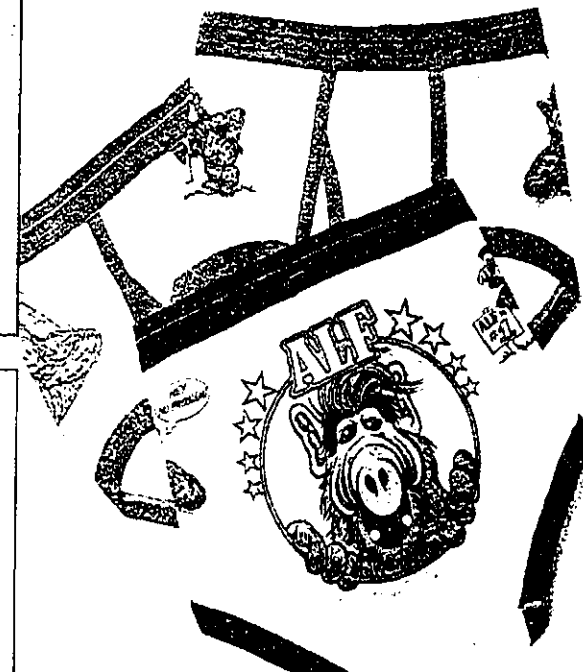
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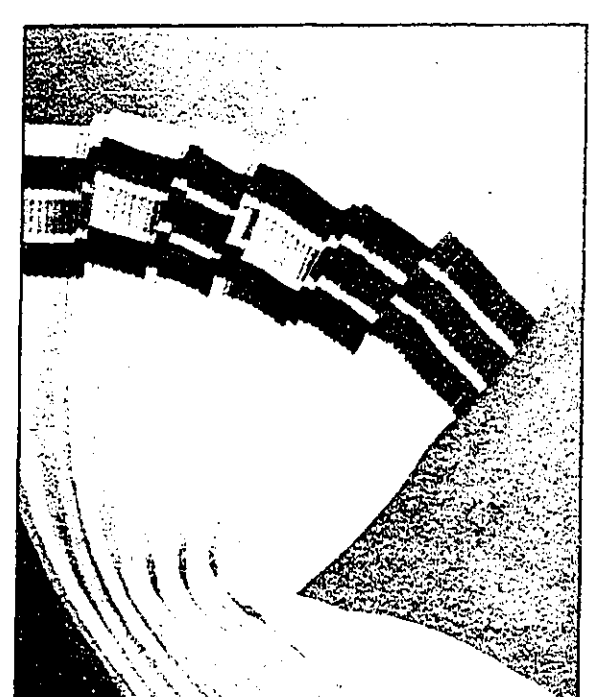
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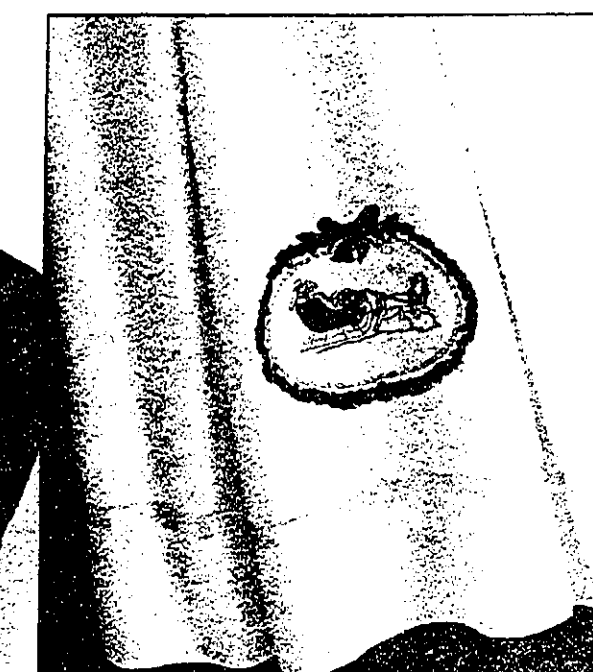


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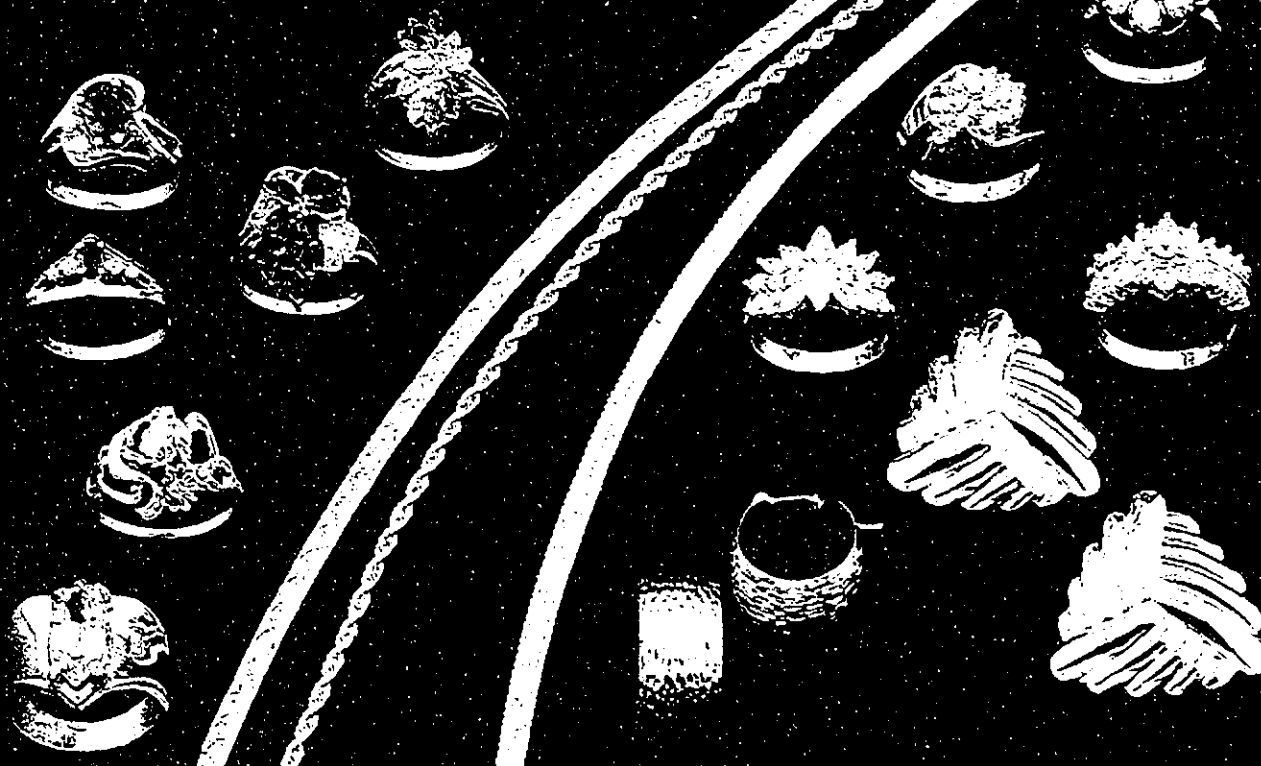
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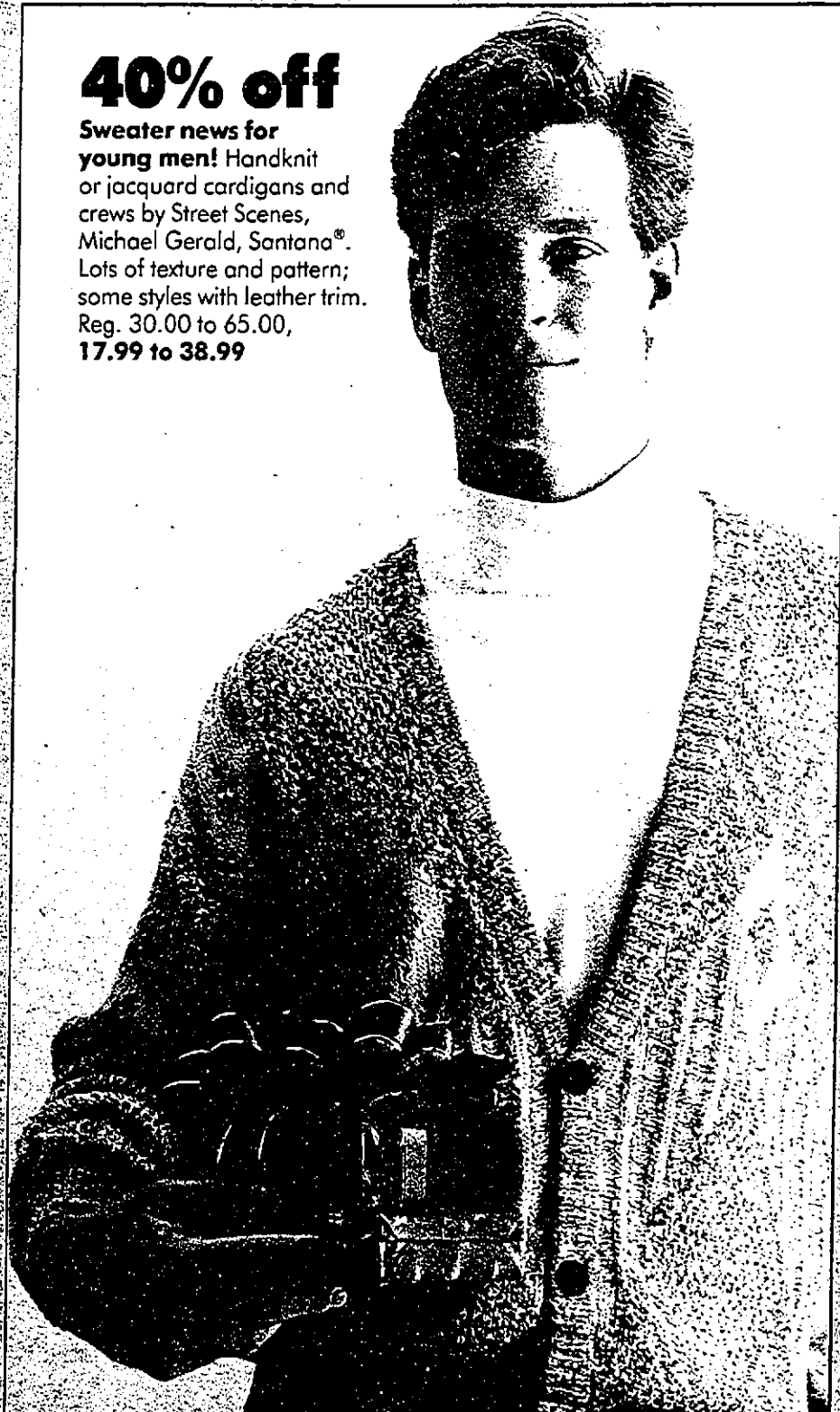
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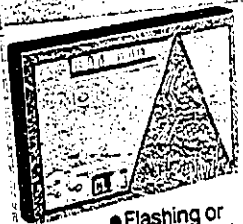
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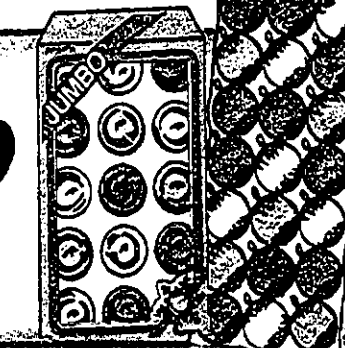
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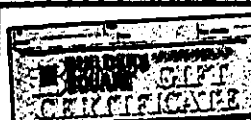
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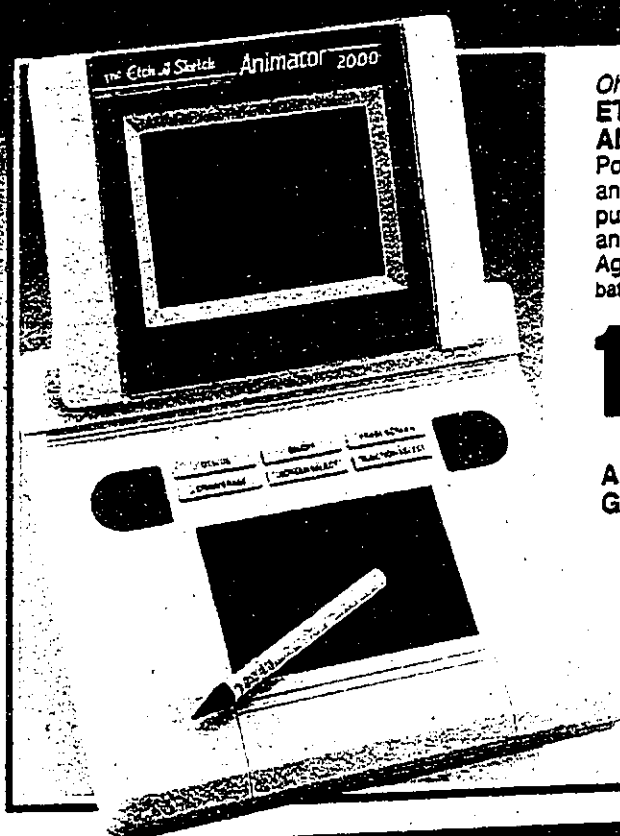
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# TOYS 'R' US



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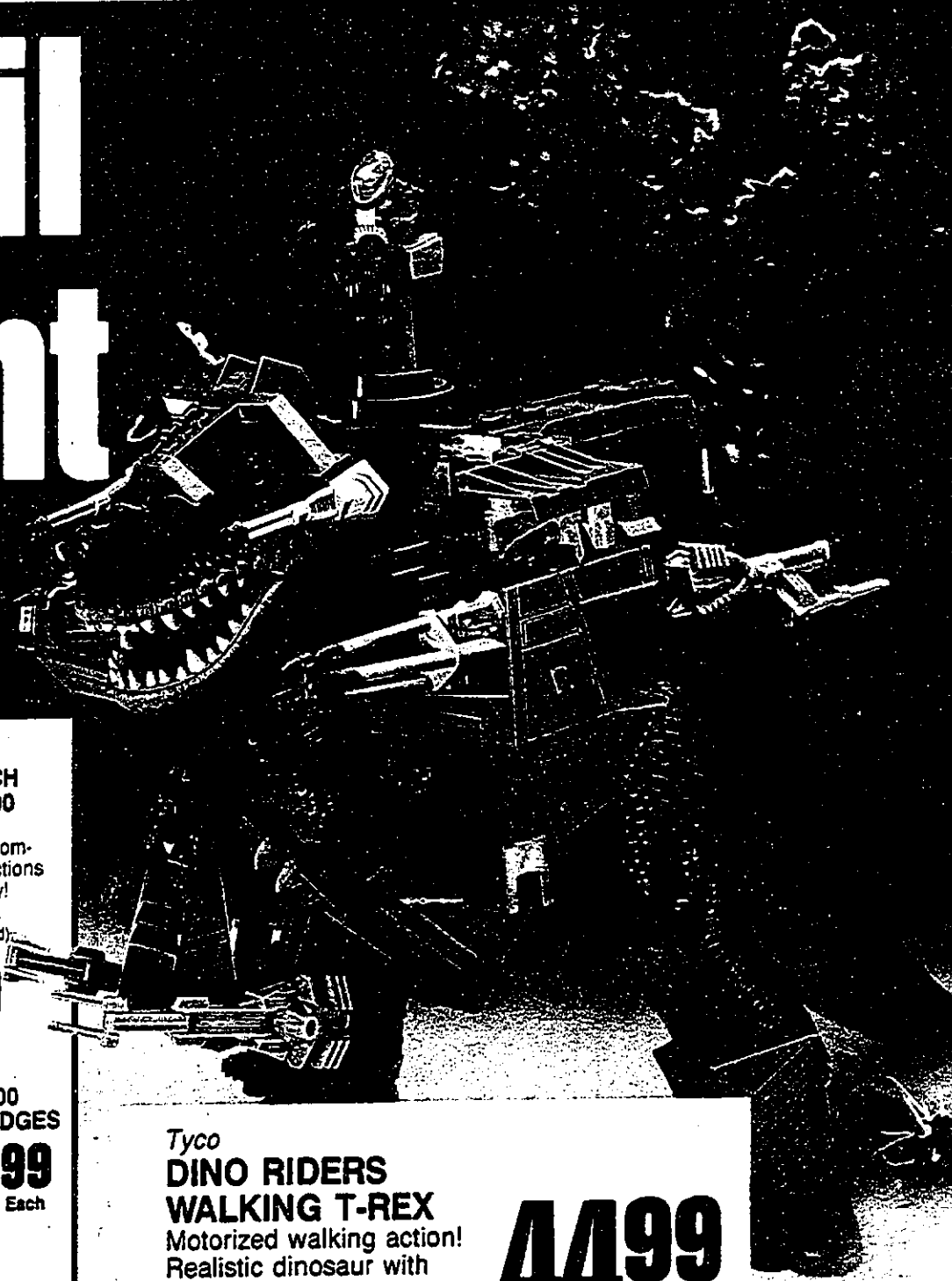


**Ohio Art  
ETCH-A-SKETCH  
ANIMATOR 2000**  
Portable drawing  
animation game com-  
puter with 30 functions  
and 196K memory!  
Ages 6-up. (Six AA  
batteries not included)

**13999**

ANIMATOR 2000  
GAME CARTRIDGES

**2899**  
Each



**Tyco  
DINO RIDERS  
WALKING T-REX**  
Motorized walking action!  
Realistic dinosaur with  
battle gear and 3 figures.  
Ages 7-up. (D battery not included)

**4499**



**Hasbro  
FAZZ JEWELRY  
& COMPACT SET**  
Beauty kits with  
pizzazz! Bracelet,  
string tie, necklace,  
hair clip and  
cosmetic compacts!  
Ages 4-up.

**1999**



**Kenner  
FASHIONSTAR FILLIES**  
Beautiful and distinctive fashion model  
horses, each with a beautiful pearlized  
body and a brush. 6 styles. Ages 4-up.

**999**  
Each

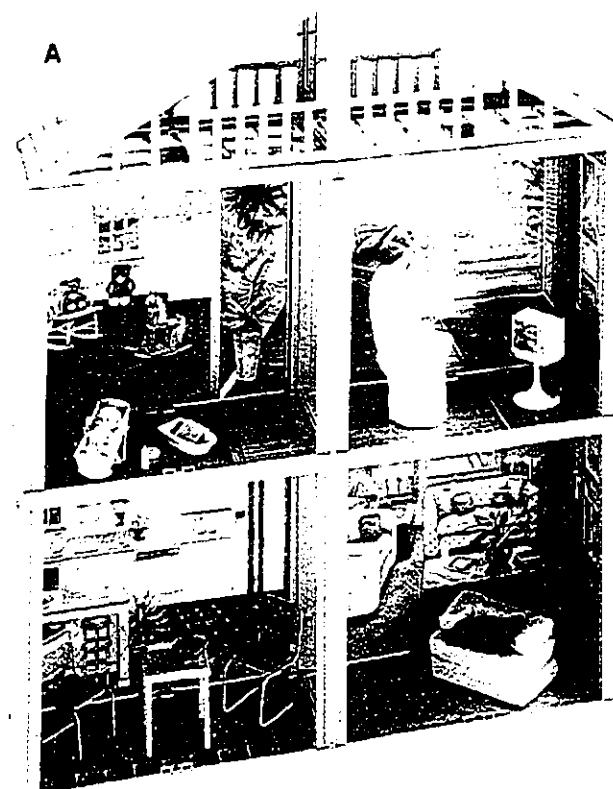


**Mattel  
LITTLE MISS  
MAKEUP DOLL**  
Makeup appears  
magically when cold  
water is applied;  
warm water brings  
back natural look!  
14". Ages 3-up.

**1999**

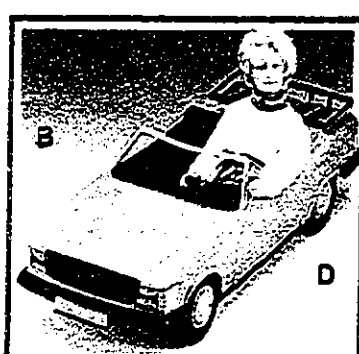


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**A. MAXIE BABY-SITTING HOME**  
Completely furnished! 3' high, for play with 11 1/2" dolls. Ages 3-up.

**4999**



**B. MAXIE MOTORIZED SPORTS CAR**  
Friction-powered convertible holds two 11 1/2" dolls! Ages 3-up. (Doll sold separately)

**1299**

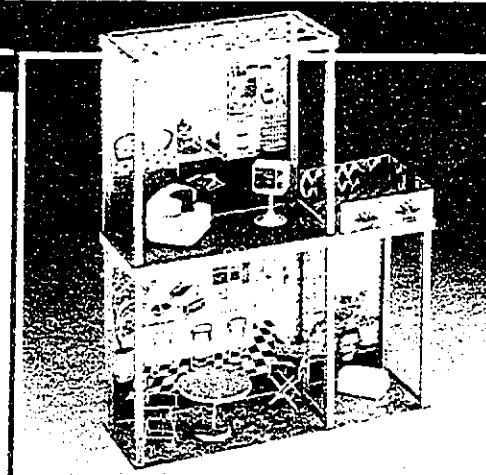


**C. MAXIE REMOTE CONTROL SCOOTER**  
For Maxie or any of her 11 1/2" friends! Headlight. Ages 3-up. (Doll, two AA batteries not included)

**1099**

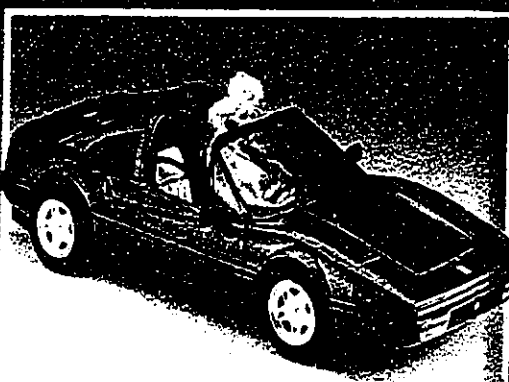
**D. LOOKIN' SMART MAXIE OR ROB**  
Cool, classy and ready for fun! Fully poseable, 11 1/2". Ages 5-up.

**999**  
Each



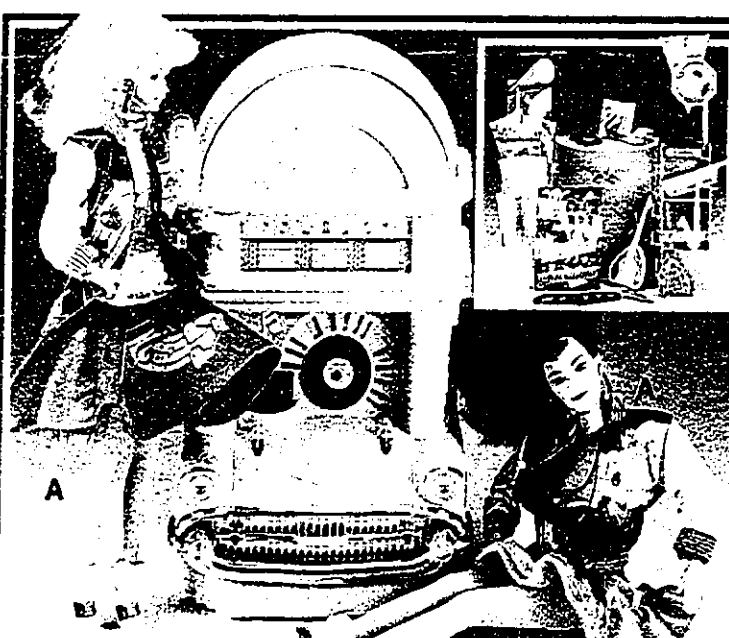
**MAXIE LIFESTYLE CITY HOUSE**  
Trendy teen playhouse for all 11 1/2" dolls fully furnished! Ages 4-up.

**2299**



**BARBIE FERRARI**  
Glossy red speedster modeled after the real thing! Ages 3-up. (Doll sold separately)

**1799**



**A. BARBIE & THE SENSATIONS**  
Bright 'n' bold with 50's feeling and 80's flair! Barbie doll with cassette of hit songs! Ages 3-up.

**1099**  
Each

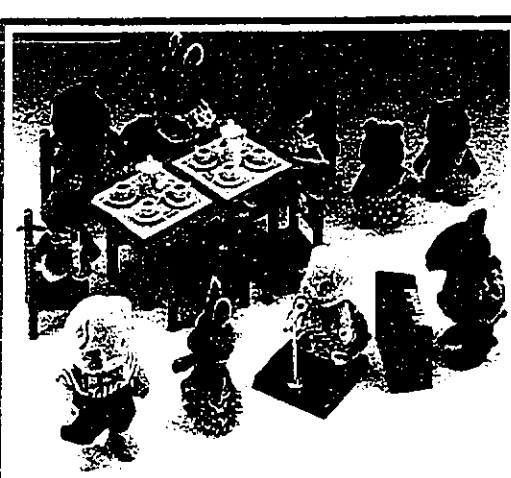
**B. JUKEBOX MUSIC SHOP PLAYCASE**  
Music store playset transforms into a carry case, with lots of accessories! Ages 3-up. (Dolls sold separately)

**1799**



**BOUNCIN' BABIES DELUXE GIFT SET**  
Includes doll! Complete set of play accessories and furniture. Ages 4-up.

**2199**



**PEACH FUZZ DELUXE PARTY SET**  
Includes these furry forest folk and accessories! Ages 3-up.

**1999**



**A. MY LITTLE PONY PARADISE ESTATE**  
60-piece set, fully furnished! Ages 3-up. (Ponies not included)

**4999**

**B. BIG BROTHER PONY**  
With Clydesdale-like feet, hat, bandana, brush. Ages 3-up.

**499**

**C. PEEK-A-BOO BABY PONY**  
Movable head to pose from side to side! Ages 3-up.

**499**

**D. SUNDAE BEST PONY**  
Scented with delicious ice cream flavor! Ages 3-up.

**499**

**E. NEWBORN TWINS**  
Littiest ponies of all, with diapers! Ages 3-up.

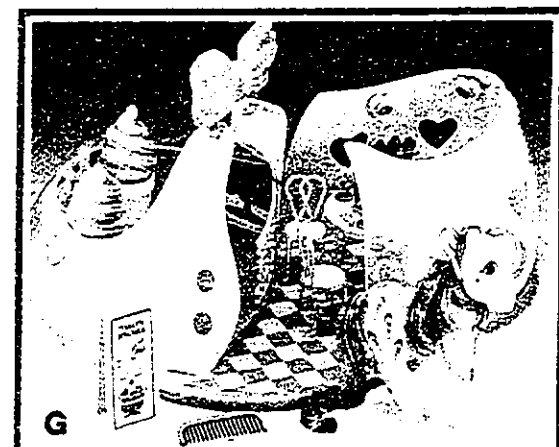
**899**

**F. LOVING FAMILY PONIES**  
Themed body designs for each family! Ages 3-up.

**1399**  
3-PK.

**G. SATIN SLIPPER SWEET SHOPPE**  
Opens into playset, includes Scoops pony!

**1399**



**MY LITTLE ONE NURSERY**  
Complete nursery set for dolls up to 16". Ages 1-6.

**4999**



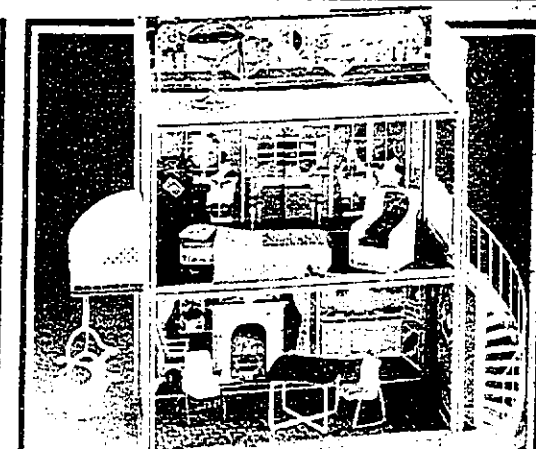
**DOLLY SURPRISE HAIR BOUTIQUE**  
Everything to style Dolly's growing hair! Ages 3-up. (Doll sold separately)

**1799**



**JENNY! COMPLETER PLAYSET**  
8-room furnished house, plus driveway and accessory environments, even 1 1/4" Jenny and her family! Ages 4-up.

**6499**



**BARBIE FURNISHED GLAMOUR HOME**  
Big, sturdy and filled with glamorous furniture and accessories! Ages 3-up.

**6499**



**JULIE TALKING DOLL**  
With voice card. Ages 3-up. (Four C batteries not included)

**4996**

**OUTFITS, Each, 10.99**  
**VOICE CARDS, Each, 21.99**



**A. CABBAGE PATCH TODDLER KID**  
Ages 3-up.

**1699**



**B. CABBAGE PATCH CORNSILK KIDS**  
Each with rooted nylon hair, brush, ribbons. Ages 3-up. (Black doll available)

**2499**

**D. CABBAGE PATCH DIAPER 6-PACK** . 3.69



**CRICKET TALKING DOLL**  
Ages 3-up. (Four C batteries not included)

**6999**

**CRICKET'S OWN CHAIR** . 9.99  
**OUTFIT/TAPE SET** . 14.99



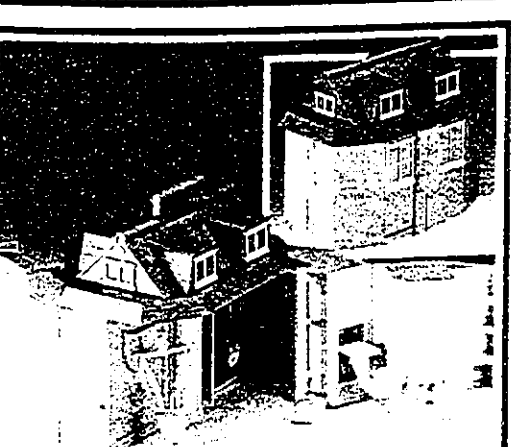
**BABY SECRETS**  
16" soft doll whispers or speaks when touched! Ages 2-up. (9-V, two AA batteries not included)

**3499**



**TUFF STUFF DOLL STROLLER**  
Washable fabric seat, big enough for most dolls! 22" high. Ages 3-up. (Doll sold separately)

**1297**



**BABIES PLAYHOUSE**  
For all 5-6" dolls! 15" house opens to 24" playset! Ages 3-up.

**3999**



**WALKING WANDA DOLL**  
32" tall, Wanda really walks when you hold her hand! Ages 3-up.

**1999**



**MUSICAL DOLL COACH**  
Touch-tone coach plays 8 melodies; washable body, canopy. Ages 3-up. (Doll sold separately)

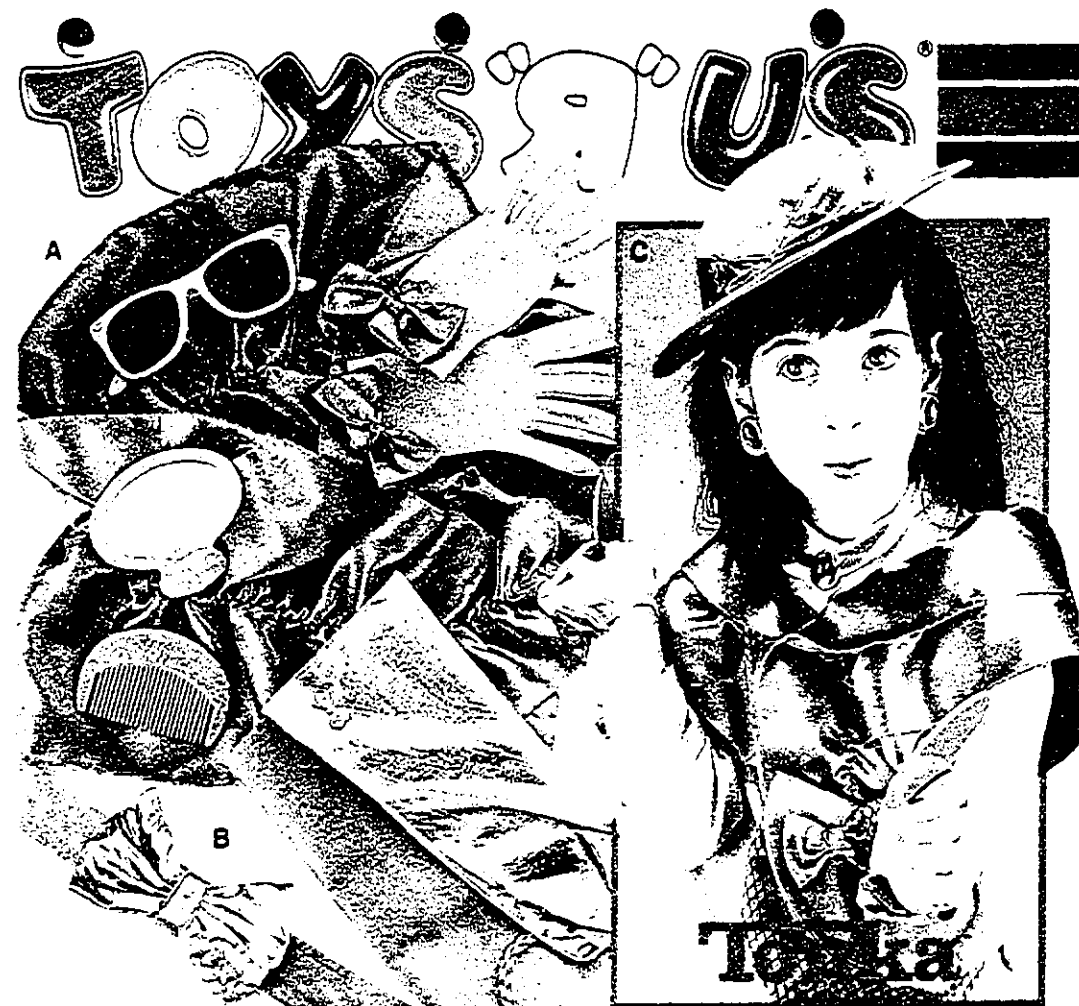
**2299**



**DOLL BUGGY**  
Unique eggshell design! Durable and quality construction. Ages 1 1/2-5. (Doll sold separately)

**1997**





**Tonka**  
A. DRESS 'N DAZZLE  
GLOVES 'N WRAPS  
Matching gloves and wrap  
made of fancy fabric or thick  
fake fur! Ages 5-up.

**1699**  
Set

**B. DRESS 'N DAZZLE  
HANDBAGS 'N  
ACCESSORIES**  
With matching sunglasses,  
comb and mirror! Ages 5-up.

**999**  
Set

**C. DRESS 'N DAZZLE  
GIFT SET**  
Matching gloves, wrap,  
necklace, bracelet, earrings,  
cosmetics! Ages 5-up. (Hat  
sold separately)

**2499**



**Fisher-Price  
SMOOSHEES CUDDLER  
COMPANIONS**  
Adventurers with pets,  
which smooch into  
vehicle! Ages 4-up.

**1299**  
Each



**Fisher-Price  
SMOOSHEES  
SMUGGLER STYLES**  
Girl's hair accessories,  
plus Smooshee character!  
Ages 4-up.

**699**  
Each



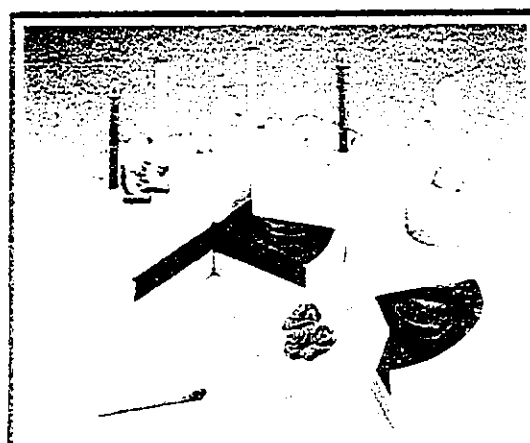
**Tonka  
BABY KEYPERS**  
Each baby stores a tiny  
secret in its hiding place!  
Ages 4-up.

**549**  
Each



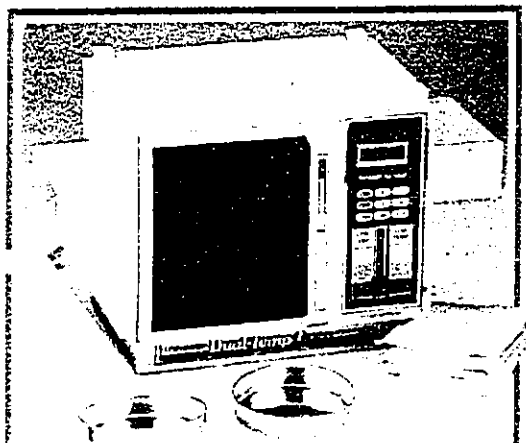
**Multi Toy  
WIZARD OF OZ DOLLS**  
Choose from 6 favorite  
characters, 10-12", each  
with accessory! Ages 4-up.

**999**  
Each



**Meritus  
PLAY CAKE SET**  
The birthday cake you can  
keep all year! Glowing  
candle. Ages 3-up.  
(AA battery not included)

**1299**



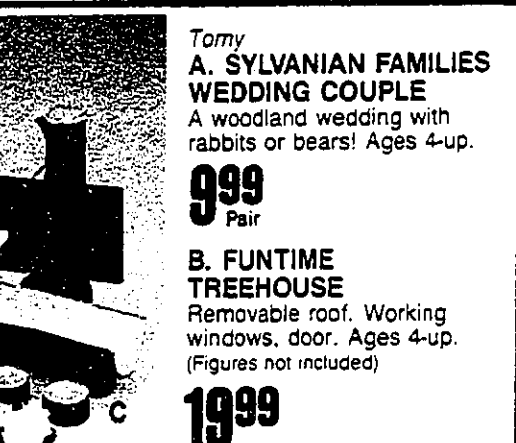
**Kanner  
EASY-BAKE OVEN**  
Dual-temp oven with  
mixes! Ages 8-up.  
(100-watt bulb not included)

**2497**  
MIXES 4-PACK 4.48



**Tomy  
A. SYLVANIAN FAMILIES  
WEDDING COUPLE**  
A woodland wedding with  
rabbits or bears! Ages 4-up.

**999**  
Pair



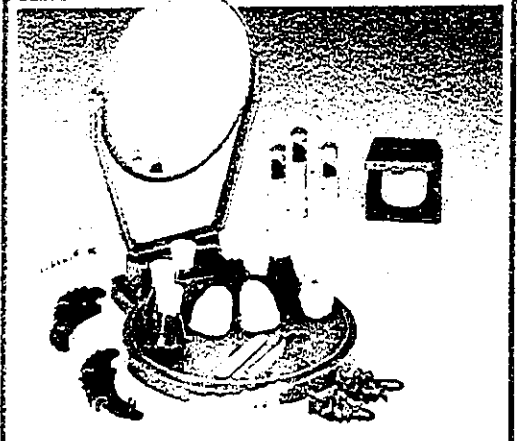
**B. FUNTIME  
TREEHOUSE**  
Removable roof. Working  
windows, door. Ages 4-up.  
(Figures not included)

**1999**



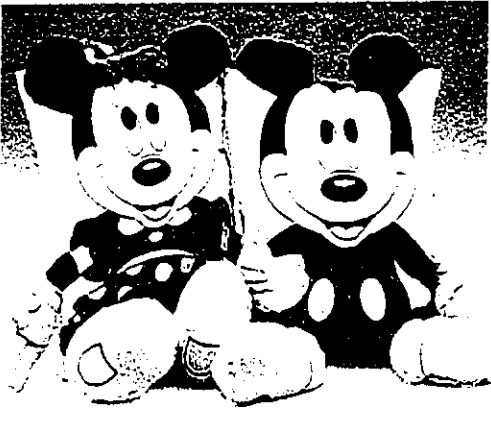
**Chilton Globe  
SPECIAL BLESSINGS  
41-PC. TEA SET**  
Fancy service of six to  
complement your special  
dolls. Ages 3-up.

**799**



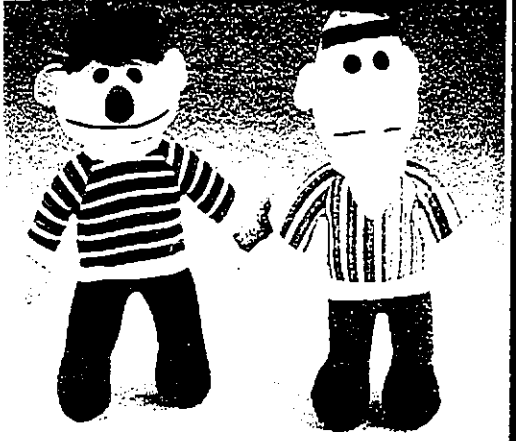
**Libby Lee  
PLAY MAKEUP SET**  
30-piece set includes  
jewelry, matching mirror,  
brush! Ages 3-7.

**1099**



**Springs  
MICKEY OR MINNIE  
PILLOW PEOPLE**  
Squeezable and cuddly!  
Ages 3-12.

**1399**  
Each



**Playskool  
BERT OR ERNIE**  
Colorful, soft stuffed  
Sesame Street  
characters! Ages 1 1/2-up.

**799**  
Each



**Tonka  
A. POUND  
PURRIES**  
Ages 3-up.

**996**  
Each

**B. POUND  
PUPPIES**  
Ages 3-up.

**996**  
Each

**C. BARKERS**  
Ages 3-up.  
(Two C batteries  
not included)

**796**  
Each

**D. NEWBORN  
PUPPY LOVE**  
Ages 3-up.

**496**  
Each

**E. NEWBORN  
PURRIE**  
Ages 3-up.

**496**



**Worlds of Wonder  
TALKING  
MOTHER GOOSE**  
Animated storyteller with  
book of tales. Animation  
cassette included. Ages 3-up.  
(Four C batteries not included)

**2996**

**STORYBOOK/TAPE  
SET, Each 4.96**



**Worlds of Wonder  
A. TEDDY RUXPIN**  
Original talking, animated  
toy! Includes book and  
cassette. Ages 3-up. (Four C  
batteries not included)

**3999**

**B. STORYBOOK AND  
TAPE SET, Each 9.99**

**C. ANSWER BOX**  
Interacts with Teddy, child!

**2199**

**ANSWER BOX BOOK  
AND TAPE SET, Each 9.99**



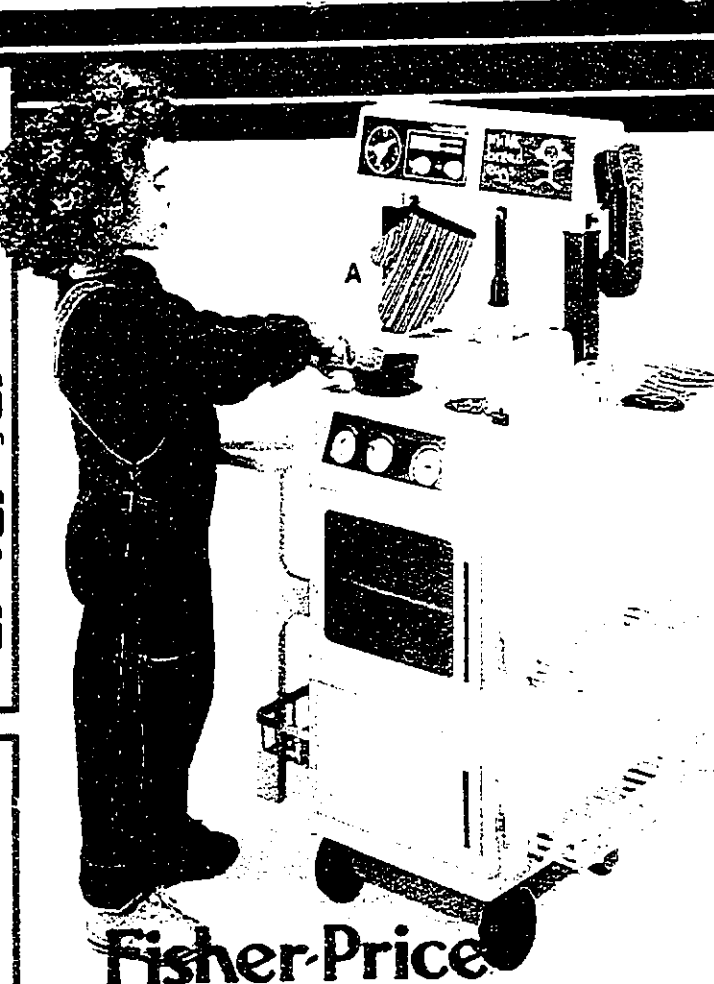
**Golden Ribbon  
HUGGY  
BEAR  
DOLL**  
Straight from the  
Chocolate Forest  
to your heart!  
Ages 3-up.

**1999**



**Playskool  
RAGGEDY ANN**  
Classic 12" doll with a  
heart! Removable  
clothing. Ages 3-up.

**899**



**Fisher-Price  
A. FUN WITH  
FOOD KITCHEN**  
Sink, freezer, oven,  
toaster, phone,  
accessories, all on roll-  
around wheels!  
Ages 3-7.

**6499**

**B. SIMMERING  
SAUCEPAN SET**  
See-through pan with  
seasonings and water  
inside for boiling effect!  
Ages 3-7.

**999**

**C. PLAY FOODS  
OR QUICK MEALS**  
Eight delicious "en-  
trees" that kids will love  
to cook and serve!  
Ages 3-7.

**499**  
Each



**Tyco  
BRUSH-A-LOVES**  
Unique brush-in-tail feature.  
with a mirror on one paw!  
Ages 3-8.

**1499**  
Each



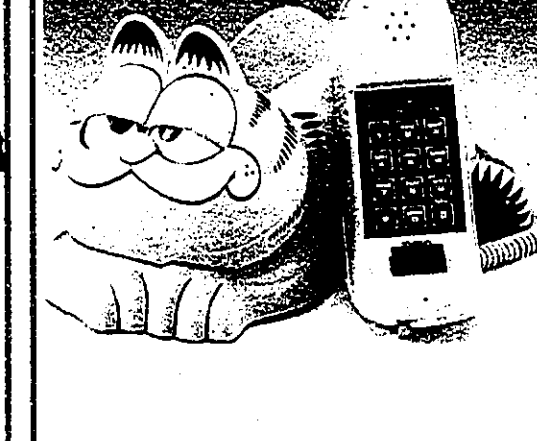
**Coleco  
STICK-AROUND ALF**  
Poseable alien life form  
looks like he's stuck on you!  
Ages 5-up.

**899**



**Mattel  
SPORTS POPPLES**  
Soccer, basketball or  
football stars pop in and  
out of their pouches!  
Ages 4-up.

**1999**  
Each



**Tyco  
GARFIELD PHONE**  
Real conversation piece!  
Lift receiver and Garfield  
wakes up. Ages 5-up.

**4997**



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View-Master  
**A. DISNEY COLLECTOR SET**  
Ages 5-12. **997**

**B. DISNEY THEATRE**  
Ages 5-12.  
(Four D batteries not included) **1999**

**C. SHOW BEAM PROJECTOR**  
Ages 3-12.  
(Two C batteries not included) **997**

**SHOW BEAM CARTRIDGES**, Each 2.97

**ABC**  
Larami  
**GIANT LETTERS 'N' CARRY CASE**  
32 soft plastic letters in case. With playmat!  
Ages 1½-up. **999**

Superior  
**DISNEY GUMBALL BANKS**  
Complete with colored gumballs!  
Ages 4-up. 16-OZ. REFILL **999**  
Each 4.59

**LEGO FORESTMEN'S HIDEOUT**  
Legoaland Castle series with 2 figures. Ages 7-12. **1199**

**LEGO POLICE RESCUE BOAT**  
Advanced set includes 2 figures! Detailed. Ages 6-12. **1299**

Playskool  
**A. WEEBLES COPTER**  
8 activities and sounds! With figure. Ages to 2. **1299**

Playskool  
**B. BIG BIRD DRIVER**  
Eight driving activities plus Big Bird ornament on hood. Ages 2-5. **1299**

**LJN PLANTSTERS GREENHOUSE**  
Simple growing steps introduce children to wonders of nature! With seeds. Ages 5-up. **1999**

**Ohio Art PROGRAM-A-SKETCH**  
New design machine "cranks" out a different drawing every time. Ages 5-up. **1799**

Matchbox  
**PEE WEE HERMAN DOLL**  
Looks just like your old pal! With movable, poseable joints. 17". Ages 3-up. **1496**

Chicco  
**MY FIRST SPORTS CAR**  
Steerable, pushable, pullable sportster makes a motor sound! Ages 1½-5. **1199**

Ilco  
**MICKY MUSICAL TV**  
Moving panoramic screen as music plays! Ages 3-up. **1499**

**REBATE**  
Fisher-Price  
**LITTLE PEOPLE FAMILY HOUSE**  
Ages 2-6. Our Price ... 19.99  
Mail-In Rebate 3.00  
FINAL COST ... **1699**

Fisher-Price  
**ANIMAL SOUNDS BARN**  
Pull bone, dog barks, press button, bird chirps. 5 sounds in all! Ages to 3. **1499**

Chicco  
**GAZOBOO SHAPE AND SORT KEY HOUSE**  
Classic learning toy! Keys included. Ages 1-5. **1199**

Price/Stern/Sloan  
**WEE SING AMERICA**  
Classic book and tape series presents new look at land of liberty! Ages 3-up. **699**

Springs  
**DINOSAUR SHEET SET**  
Flat and fitted twin sheets, with matching pillowcase. **1499**

**MATCHING BLANKET** ... 9.99

Fisher-Price  
**OVERNIGHTER**  
Child-sized sleeping bag with built-in pillow and storage! Ages 4-9. (Toys sold separately) **3499**  
Each

Fisher-Price  
**CONSTRUX BASIX GIFT SET**  
Includes two figures, idea book! Ages 3-7. **2499**

**CONSTRUX BONUS SET** ... 9.99

Large  
**GEOFFREY BOP BAG**  
Rugged 36" vinyl bopper provides hours of bopping fun! Ages 3-up. **399**

Blue Box  
**CARPENTER BEAR CENTER**  
Fascinating preschooler toy with pieces that store on bear! Ages 3-up. **1699**

Gerry  
**DELUXE BABY INTERCOM**  
Listen to baby while you move freely about! (9-V battery not included) **2999**

Fisher-Price  
**DANCING ANIMALS MOBILE**  
Four soft animals face baby as they rock to Brahms' "Lullaby". Ages to 6 months. **1899**

Playskool  
**A. LINCOLN LOGS**  
Classic building toy! 212 pieces. Ages 5-up. **2599**

**B. TINKERTOY SUPER SET**  
Build 50 different structures! Ages 3-up. **1699**

Fisher-Price  
**DISCOVERY COTTAGE**  
Over 13 play features, plus 2 figures! Ages 1-3. **1499**

Tyco  
**SUPER BLOCKS 102-PC. MILITARY ADVENTURE**  
Articulated figures and tank treads! Ages 8-12. **999**

Ohio Art  
**ZAKS 1300 SET**  
152-piece set with storage bag! Ages 6-up. **1699**

**1200 SET, 96-PIECES** ... 10.99  
**1400 SET, 328-PIECES** ... 29.99

Playskool  
**POPPIN' PALS**  
5 Disney Babies or Sesame Street pals! Ages 1½-3. **1299**  
Each

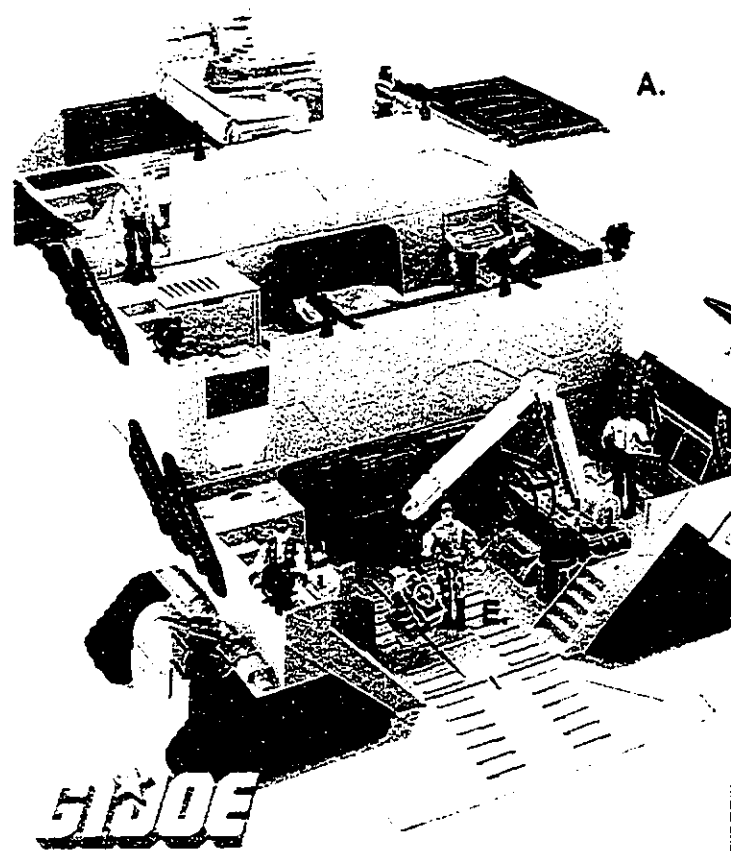
Little Tikes  
**TAP-A-TUNE PIANO**  
Easy-to-press keys; color-coded songbook with 20 tunes. Ages 2-6. **1997**

Froll  
**ROCKIN' USA SUPER SAXOPHONE**  
18" sax with full octave range, plus beginner's book! Ages 3-up. **999**

Playskool  
**DRESSY BESSY DOLL**  
Classic 14" learn-to-dress doll with working snaps, zippers, buttons, buckles! Ages 3-up. **1197**

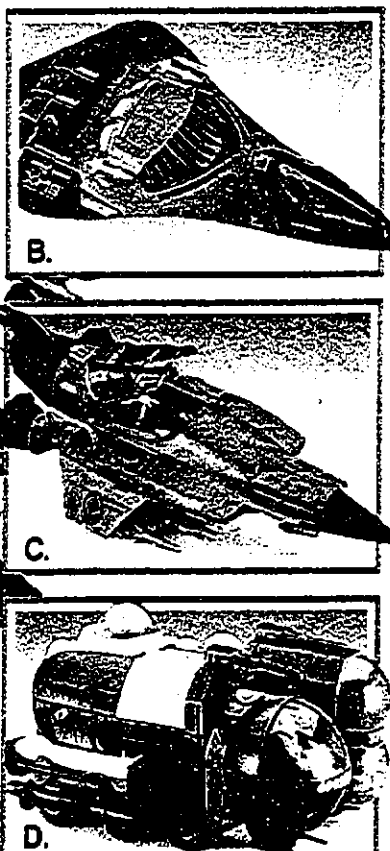


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**A. G.I. JOE MOBILE COMMAND CENTER**  
Tracked mobile unit opens into 3-level fortress, with figure. Ages 5-up.

**4499**  
**2199**



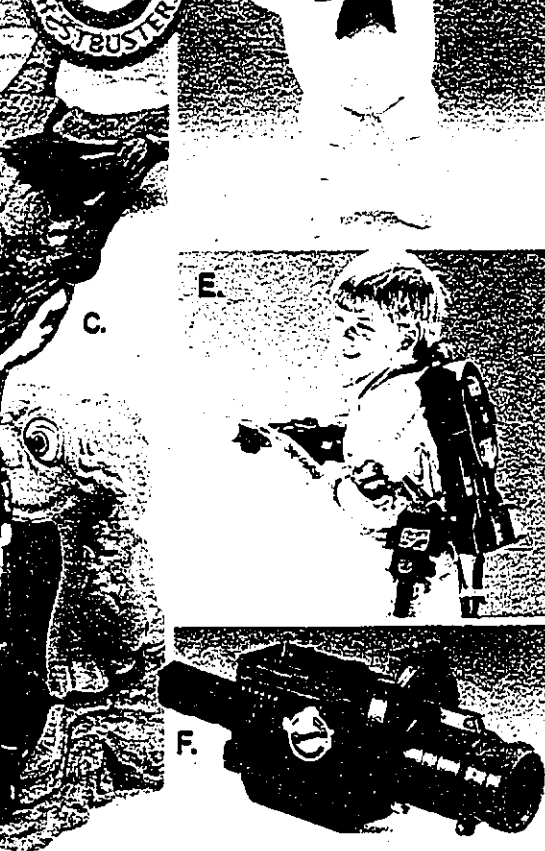
**B. PHANTOM X-19 STEALTH FIGHTER**  
With Phantom pilot, gear, missiles, guns. Ages 5-up.

**899**  
**1999**  
**269**



**C. COBRA BUGG**  
Submarine detaches from main vehicle! With figure. Ages 5-up.

**1899**  
**799**  
**799**



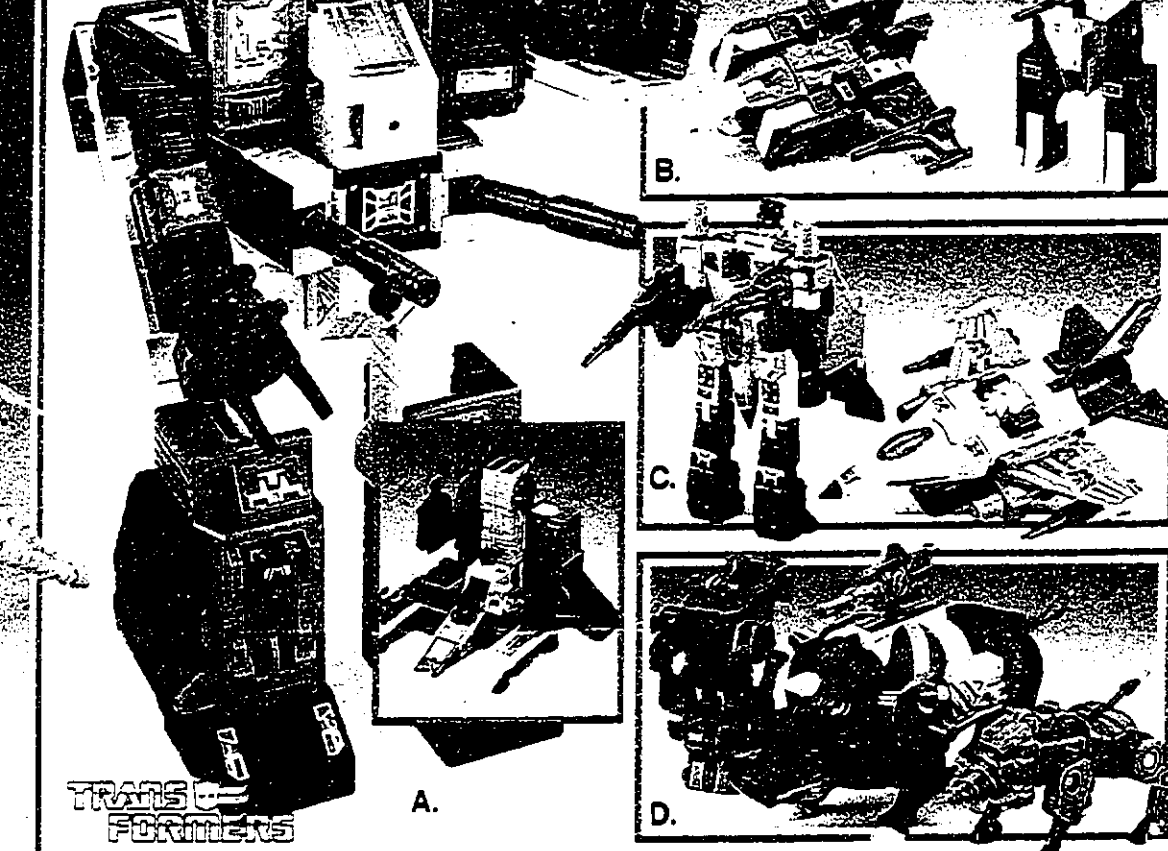
**D. REAL GHOSTBUSTERS ECTO-1 VEHICLE**  
Rooftop swivel gunner seat. Ages 4-up.

**1499**  
**1999**  
**1499**



**E. PROTON PACK**  
Backpack, blaster gun with sound, plus PKE meter. Ages 4-up.

**1999**  
**1999**  
**1499**



**F. GHOSTZAPPER TOY**  
Zaps ghosts off wall! Ages 4-up. (Two C batteries not included)

**1499**  
**1499**  
**1499**



**A. CROOKS AIR SPEEDER**  
With cap-firing guns and caps. Ages 4-up. (Figure sold separately)

**599**  
**699**



**B. COPS FIGURES**  
5" figures with cap-firing weapon. Ages 4-up.

**599**  
**599**



**C. COPS CYCLE**  
Cap-firing gun. Ages 4-up. (Figure sold separately)

**699**  
**699**



**D. TRANSFORMERS FORTRESS MAXIMUS**  
Colossal 21" robot changes to armored battle station to defend fort and back!

**7999**  
**1499**



**E. POWERMASTER DECEPTICONS**  
Fighter plane uses pilot to transform to robot and back! Ages 5-up.

**1499**  
**1499**



**F. PRETENDER BEASTS**  
Outer shell splits open to reveal robot animal inside! Ages 5-up.

**1799**  
**899**



**A. G.I. JOE MOBILE COMMAND CENTER**  
Tracked mobile unit opens into 3-level fortress, with figure. Ages 5-up.

**1599**



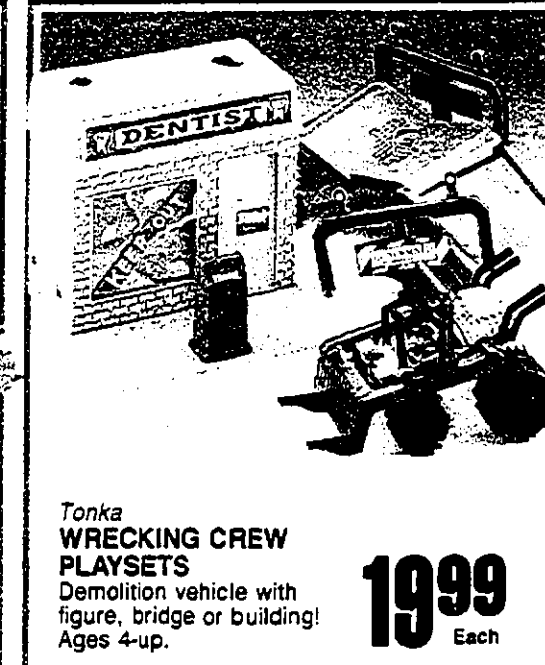
**B. PHANTOM X-19 STEALTH FIGHTER**  
With Phantom pilot, gear, missiles, guns. Ages 5-up.

**3999**



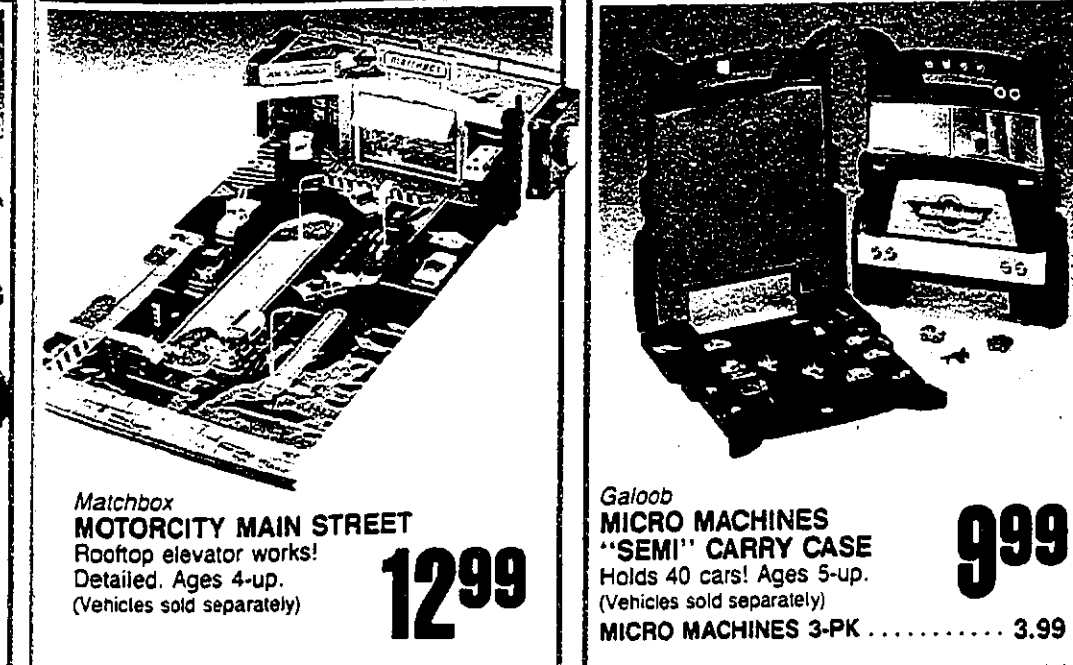
**C. COBRA BUGG**  
Submarine detaches from main vehicle! With figure. Ages 5-up.

**1199**



**D. REAL GHOSTBUSTERS ECTO-1 VEHICLE**  
Rooftop swivel gunner seat. Ages 4-up.

**1999**



**E. PROTON PACK**  
Backpack, blaster gun with sound, plus PKE meter. Ages 4-up.

**1299**




**F. GHOSTZAPPER TOY**  
Zaps ghosts off wall! Ages 4-up. (Two C batteries not included)

**399**

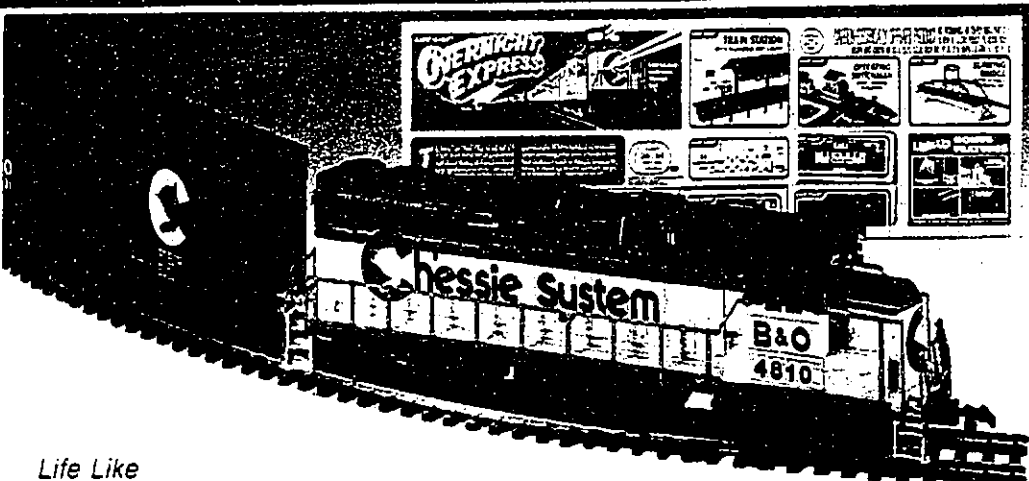


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**Lionel**  
**RAIL BLAZER .027 TRAIN SET**  
Beautifully detailed 0-4-0 steam loco, plus boxcar and caboose! Over 50 pieces in all. Ages 8-up.

**9499**



**Life Like**  
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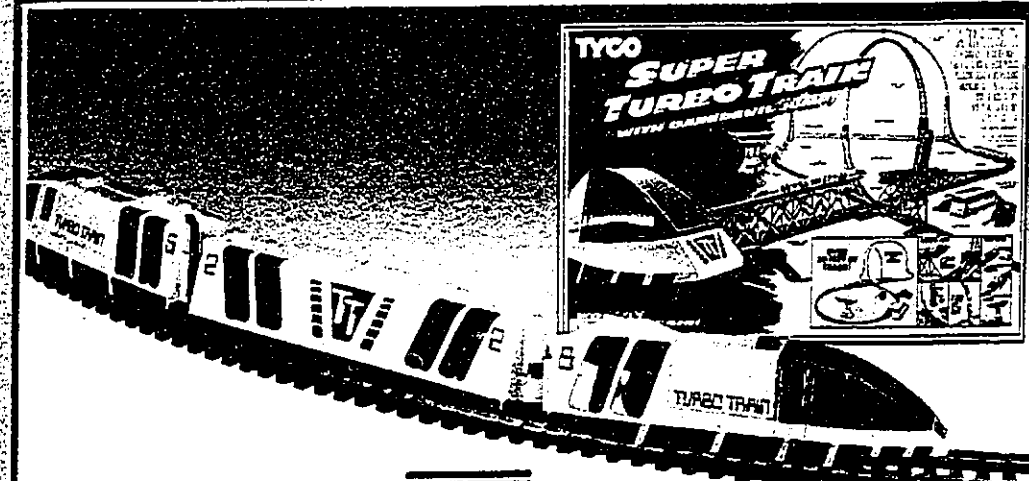
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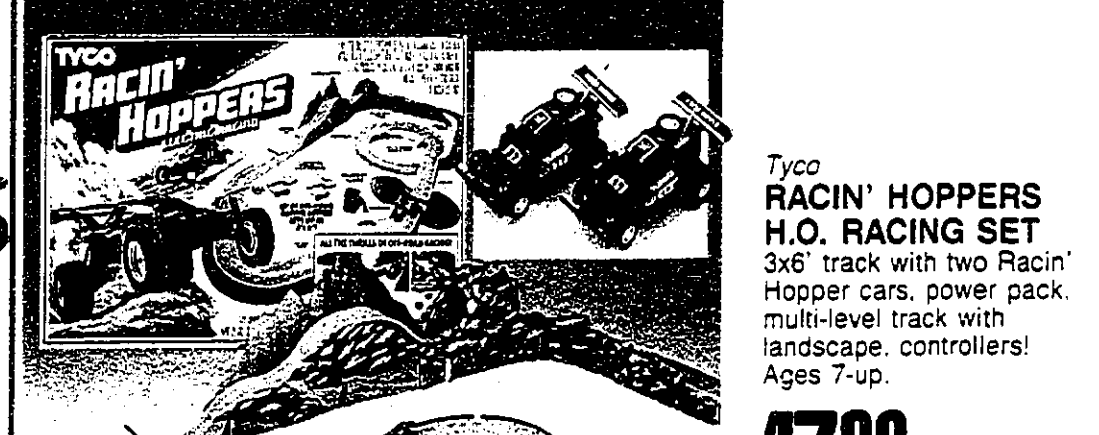
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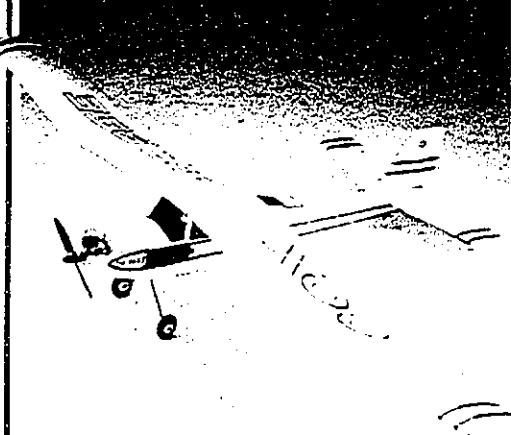
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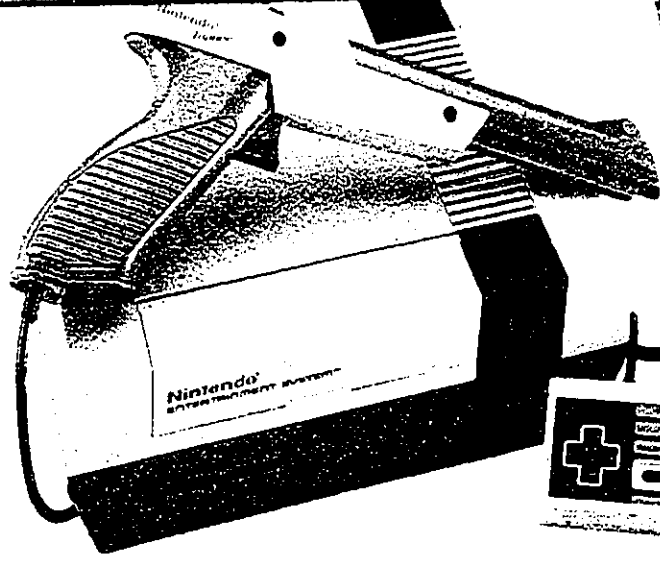


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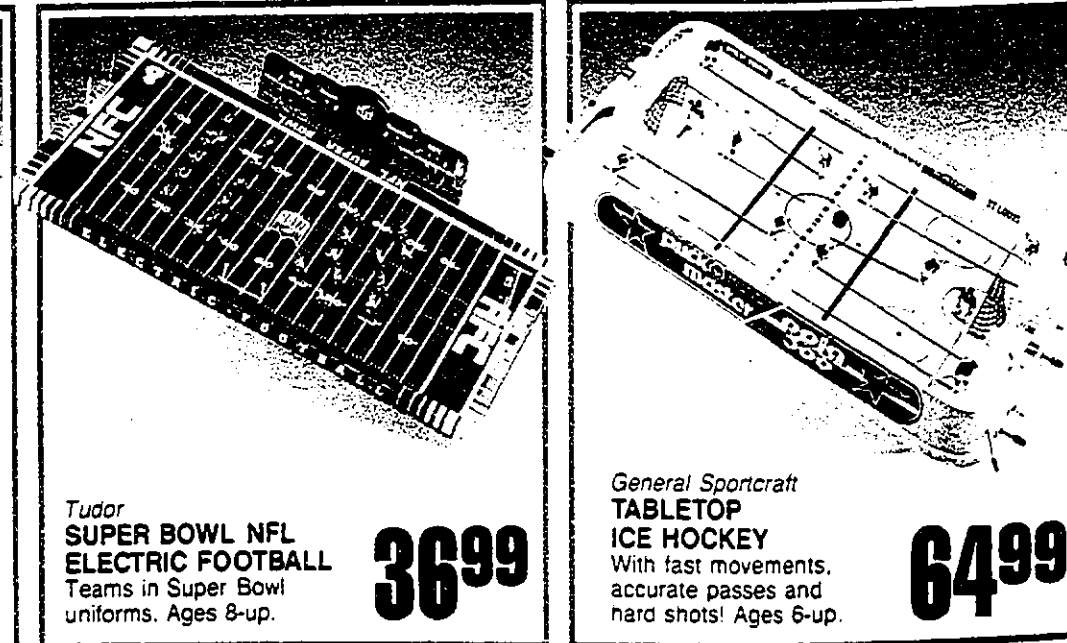


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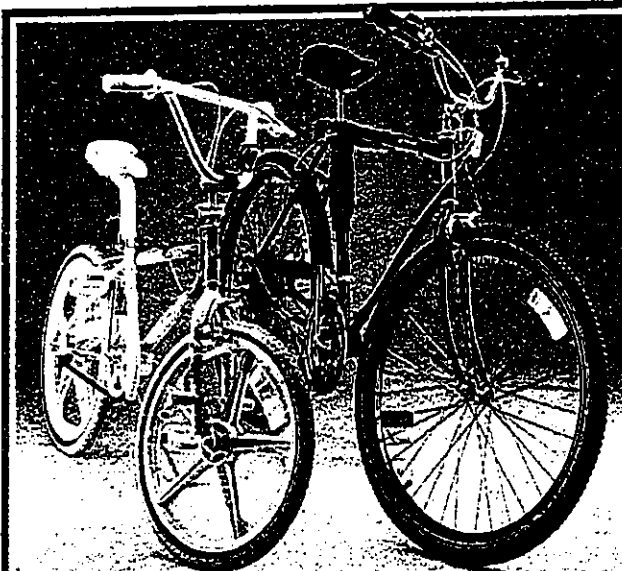
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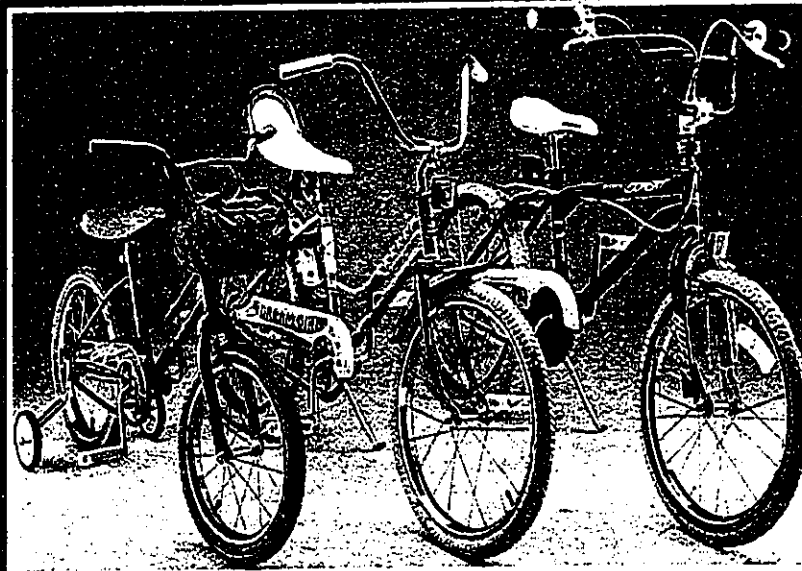
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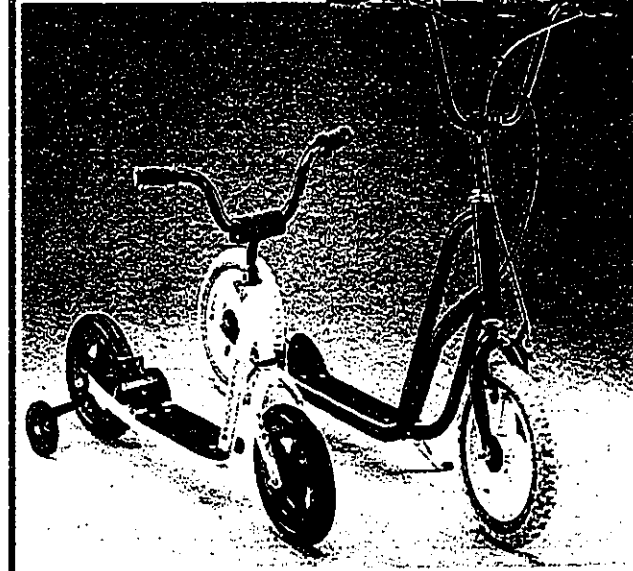
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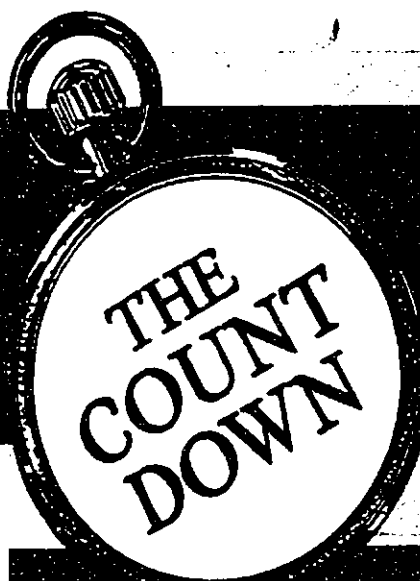
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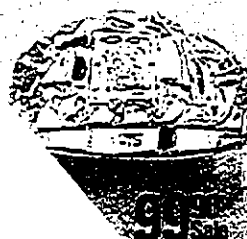
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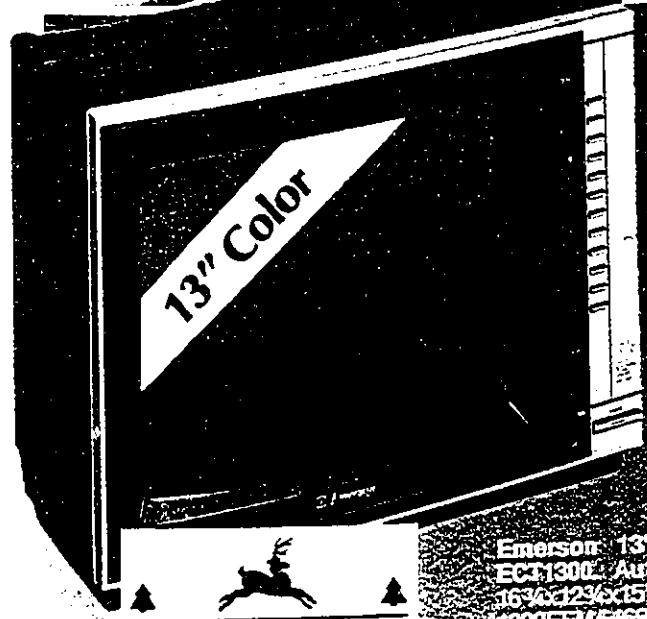
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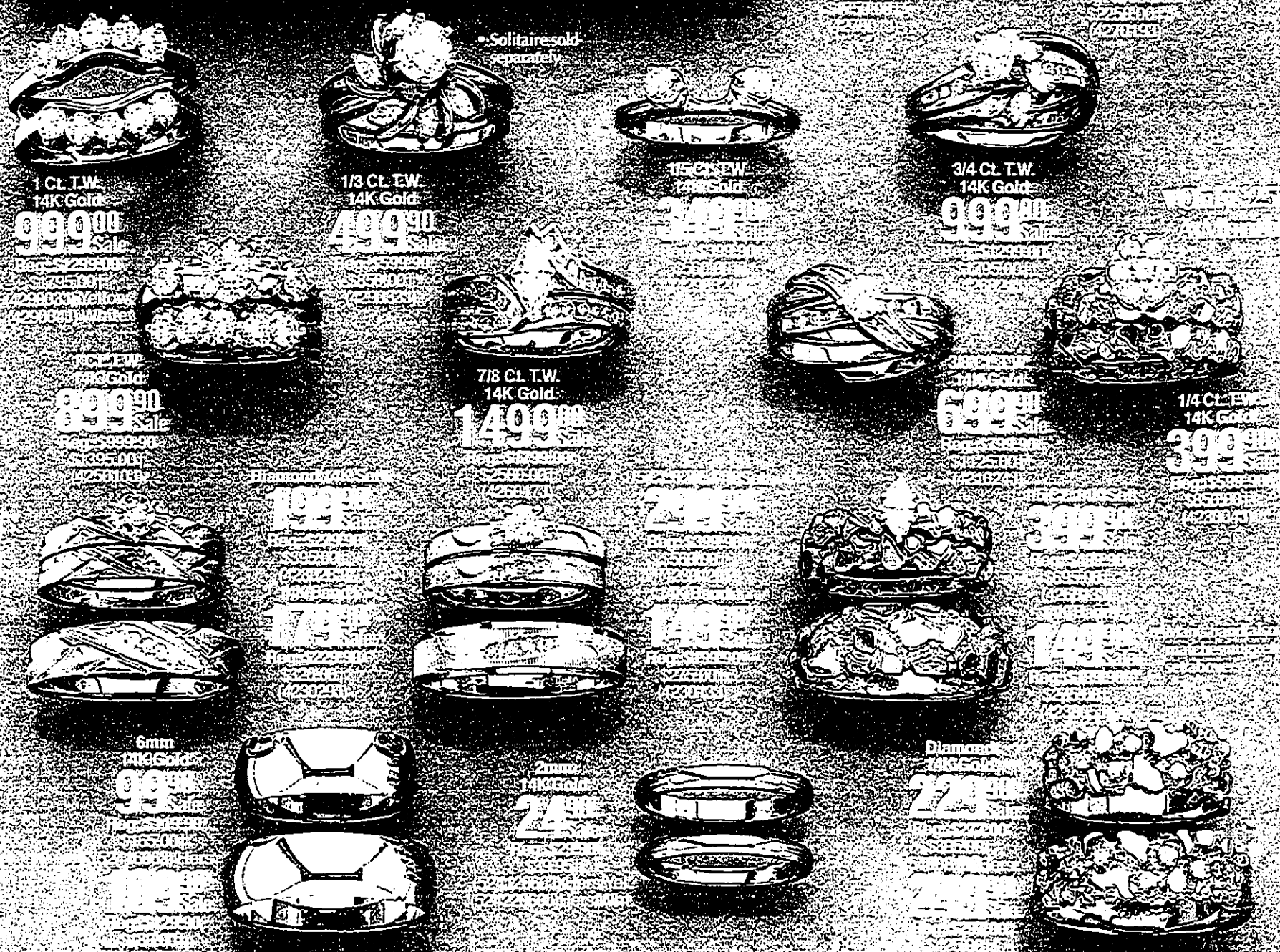
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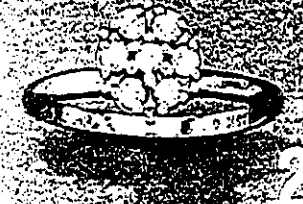
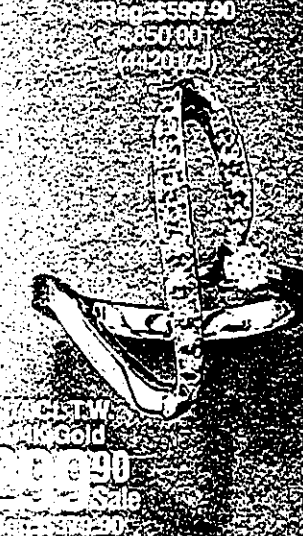
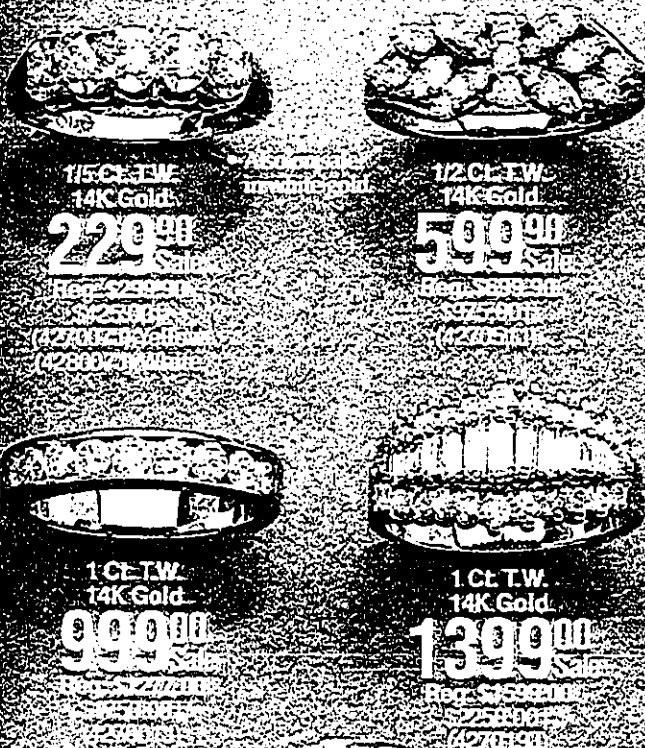




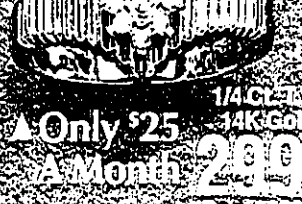
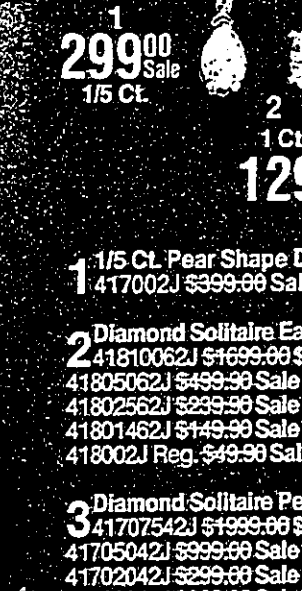
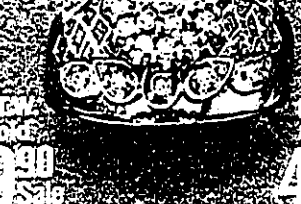
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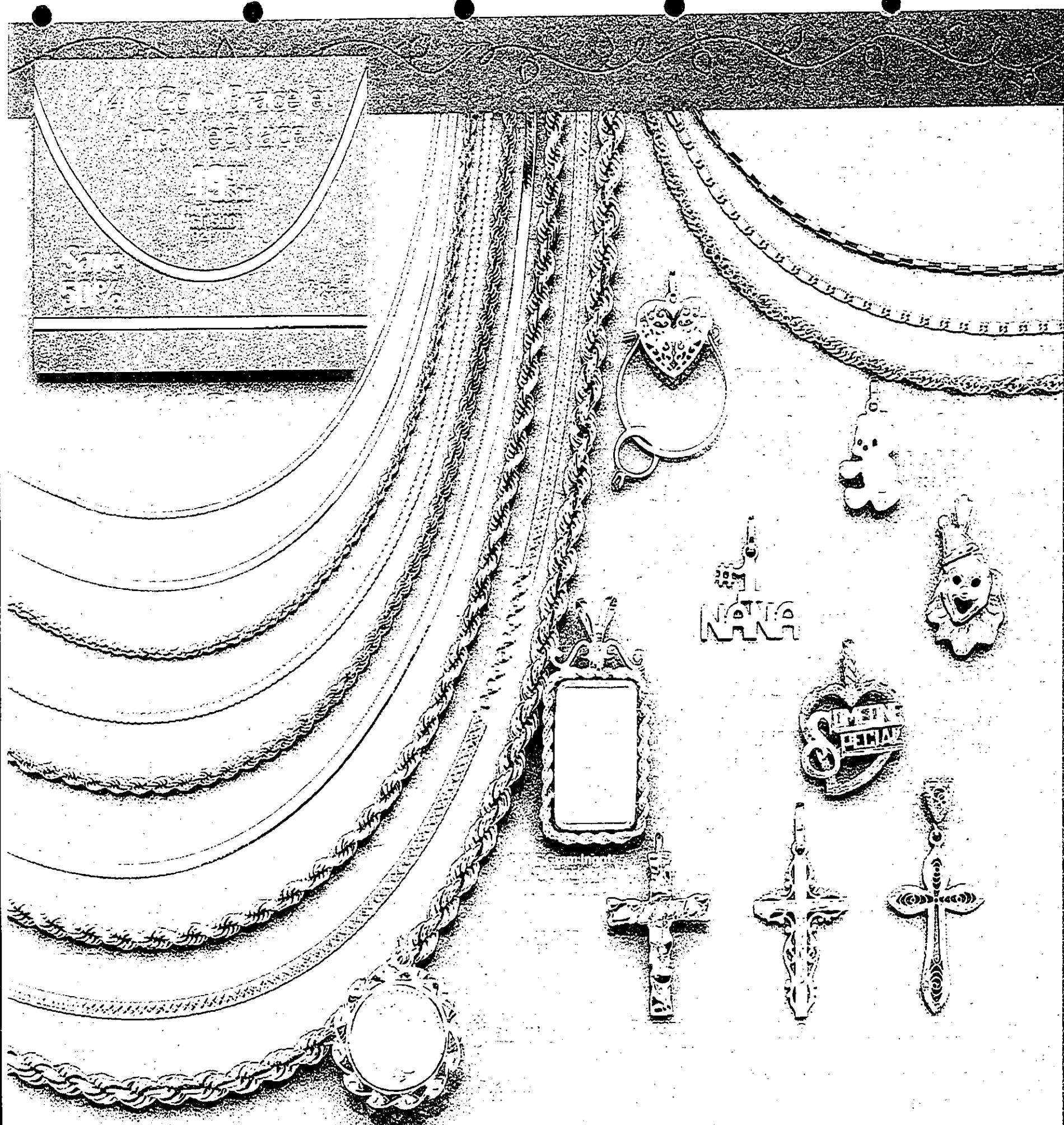
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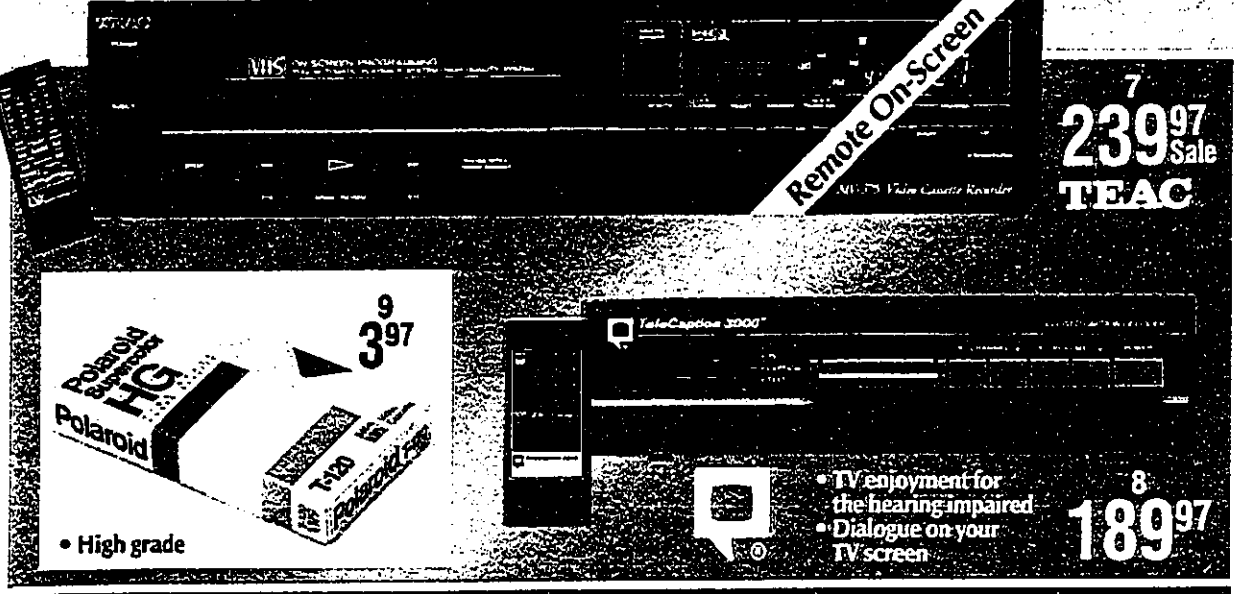
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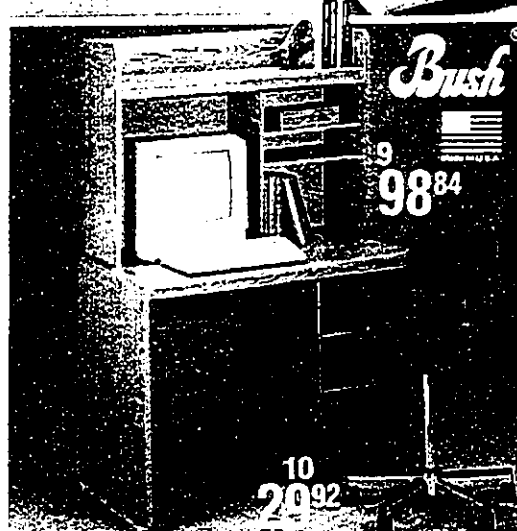


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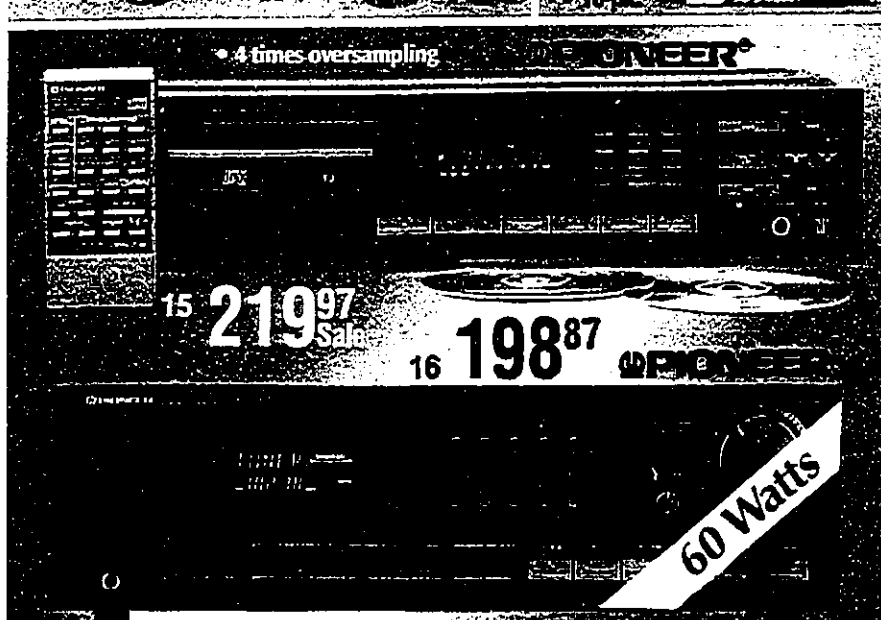
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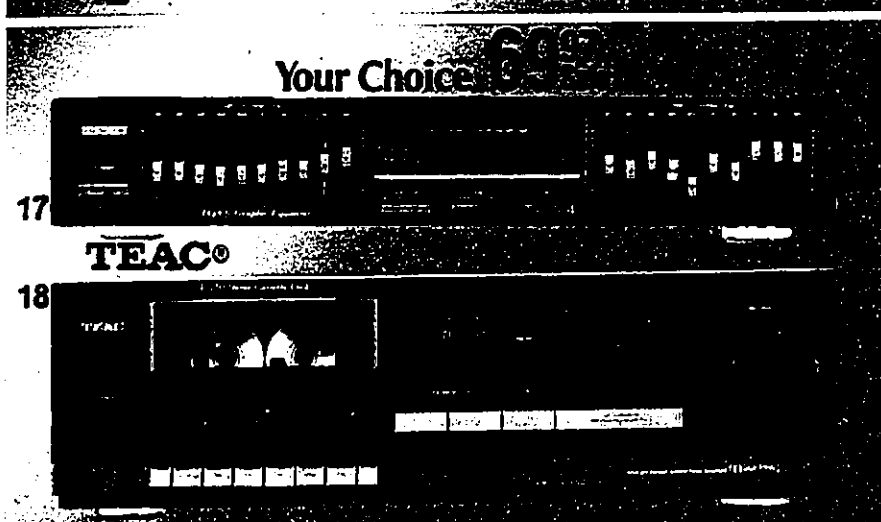


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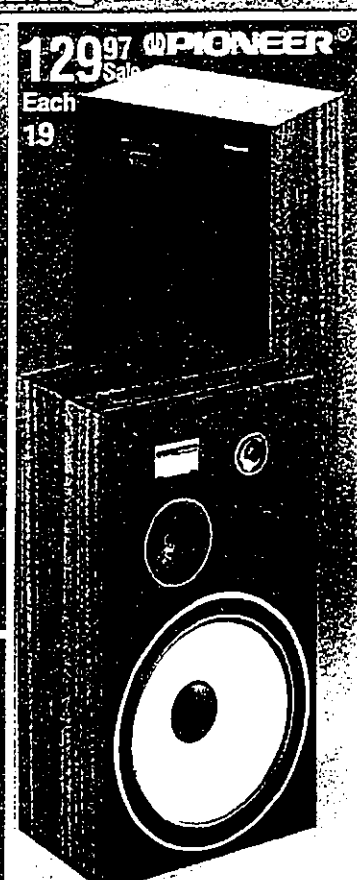


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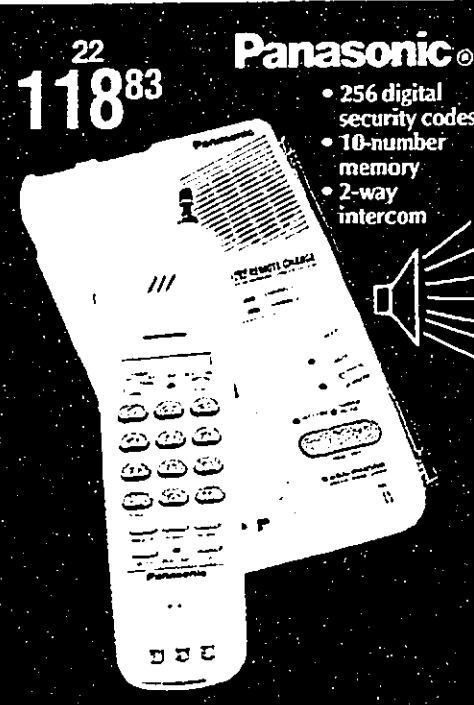
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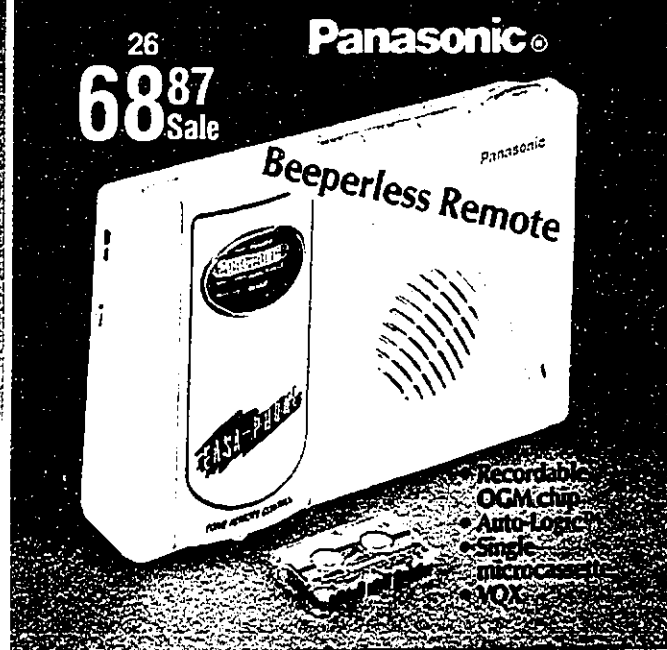
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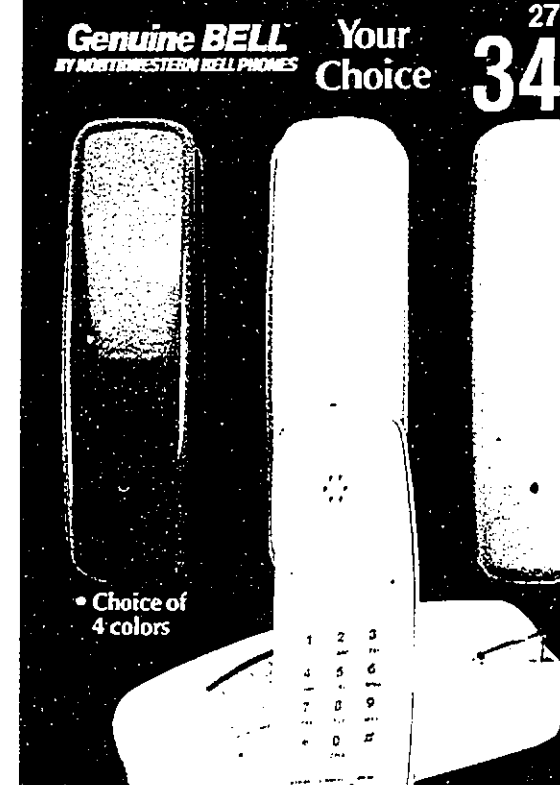
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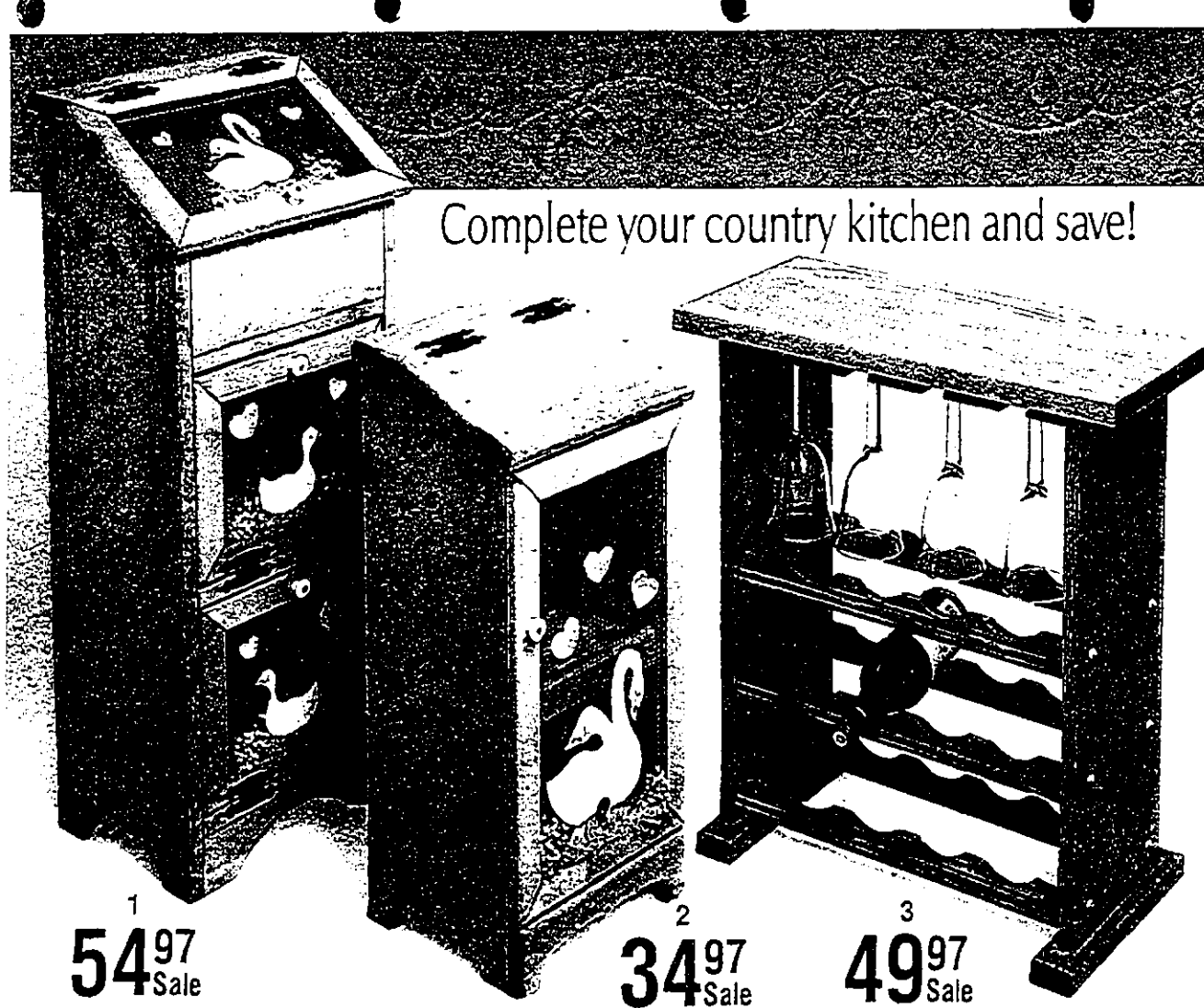
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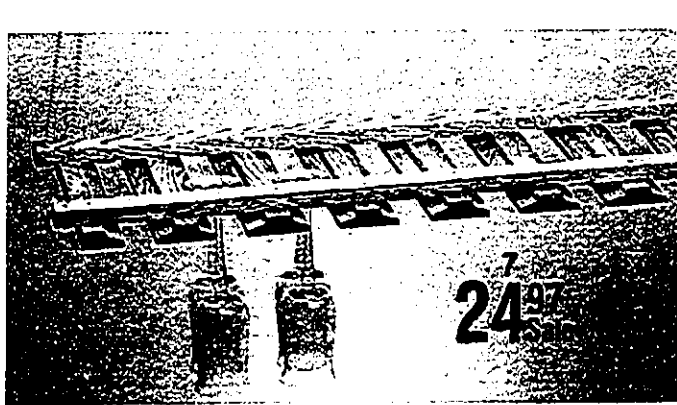
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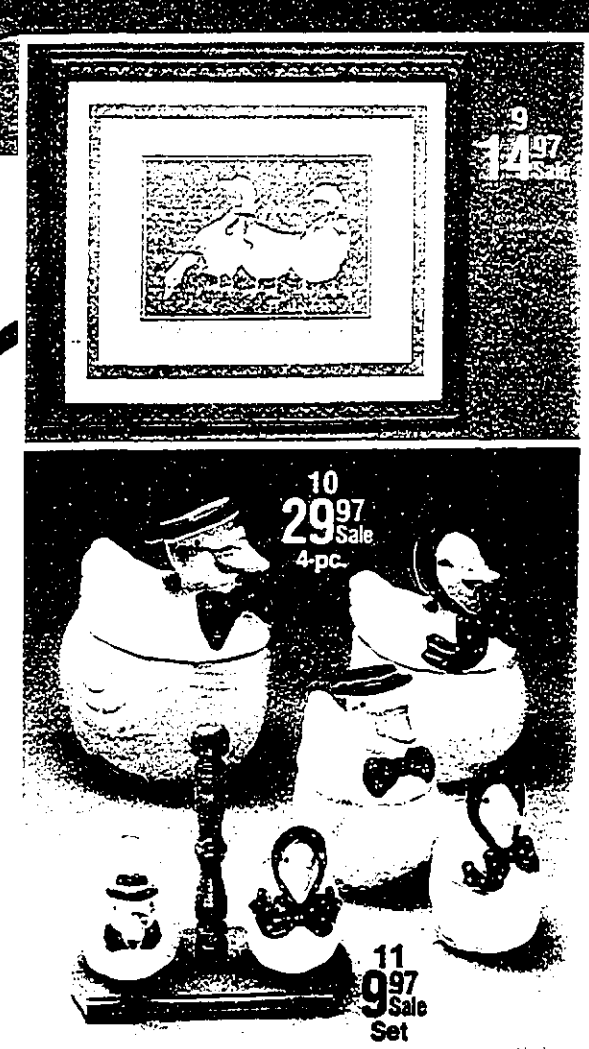
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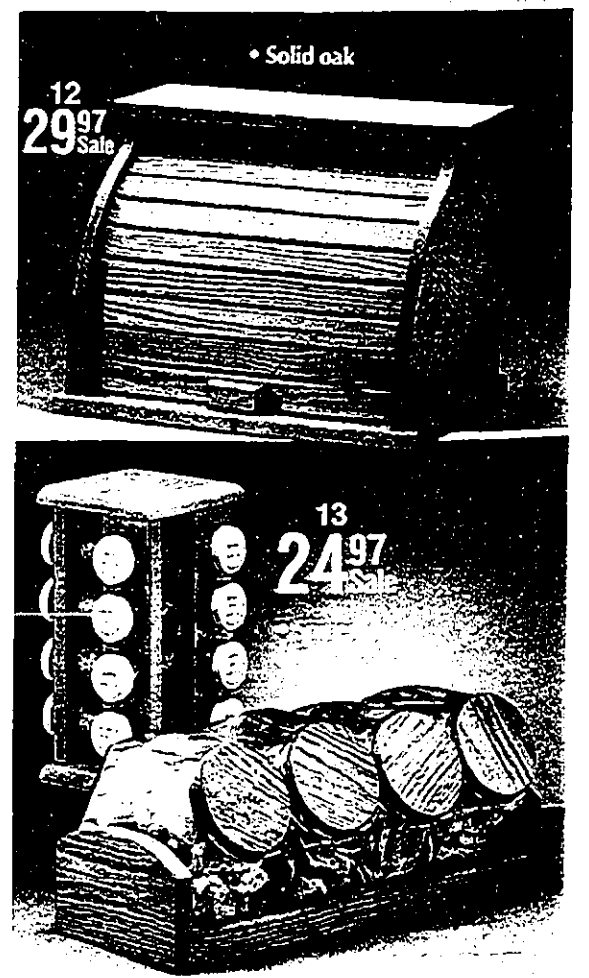
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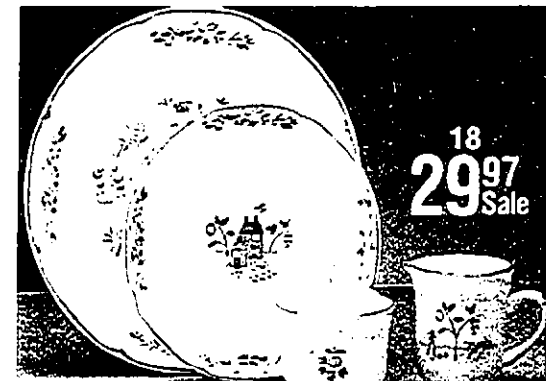


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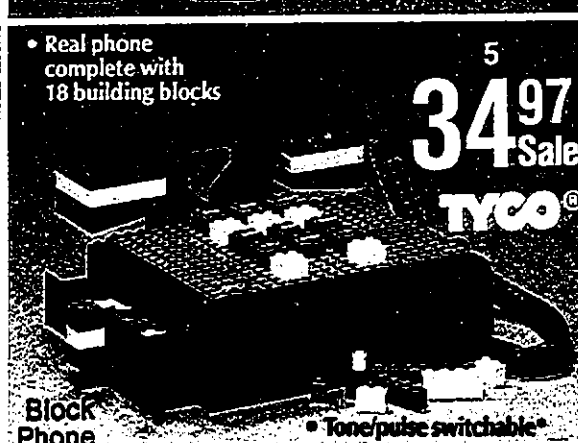
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