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It's legal reform or insurance rate hikes

By TIM RICHARD
Staff Writer

Auto owners in many suburbs face big insurance premium hikes Jan. 1 if state lawmakers continue to deadlock on lawsuit reform.

"The two chairs have taken rigid positions, at least in the tort area," said Sen. William Faust, D-Westland, a member of the Senate-House conference committee. Its negotiations broke down Thursday morning.

"Suburbanites will be subsidizing reductions for the city of Detroit," said Doug Cruce, president of the Michigan Insurance Federation and former state senator from Troy.

"The current law sunsets Dec. 31. Then we'll go back to the old law before 1986," Cruce said in an interview as he shuttled back and forth between leaders' offices.

The result would be territorial ratings: the rate in a zone next to Detroit could be no less than 10 percent below the Detroit rate; the rate in the next zone, 10 percent below that; and so on.

"The overall state variance (for any one company) can't be more than 45 percent," Cruce said.

Detroit has the highest rates, he said, "because in Detroit you're eight times more likely to have your car stolen. The costs of repairs and hospitals is 50 percent more."

Some suburbs actually would benefit from territorial ratings. But insurers broke down rates by legislative districts to show that Democratic lawmakers close to Detroit would see fairly big hikes.

"A lot of Democratic lawmakers are in favor of what we have now," said Cruce.

Here are AAA's (1) current annual rates and projections of (2) 1992 rates and (3) the increase for a 45-year-old male driving a 1990 Ford Taurus LX three miles to work:

- Southern Novi — $677.80; $713.40 — up $35.60.
- Salem Township — $761.60; $778.60 — up $17.
- Howell — $731.80; $757.60 — up $25.80.
- Plymouth — $706.80; $713.40 — up $6.60.

Those rates are for Michigan's largest auto insurer. Charts were unavailable for Allstate, State Farm and other companies but were said to show even larger hikes.

Faust said Sen. Paul Wartner, R-Portage, and Rep. Mary Brown, D-Kalamazoo, deadlocked on the question of tort reform.

"Mary didn't want to hear of it. Paul said you had to have it," Faust said. Brown and Wartner chair the committees handling insurance legislation in their respective chambers.

Tort questions include: a cap on "pain and suffering" damages in lawsuits; caps on attorney fees in "contingency" cases; liability limitatioins for emergency room personnel; and consumer-chosen limits on coverage, among others.

"That brought down the confer-

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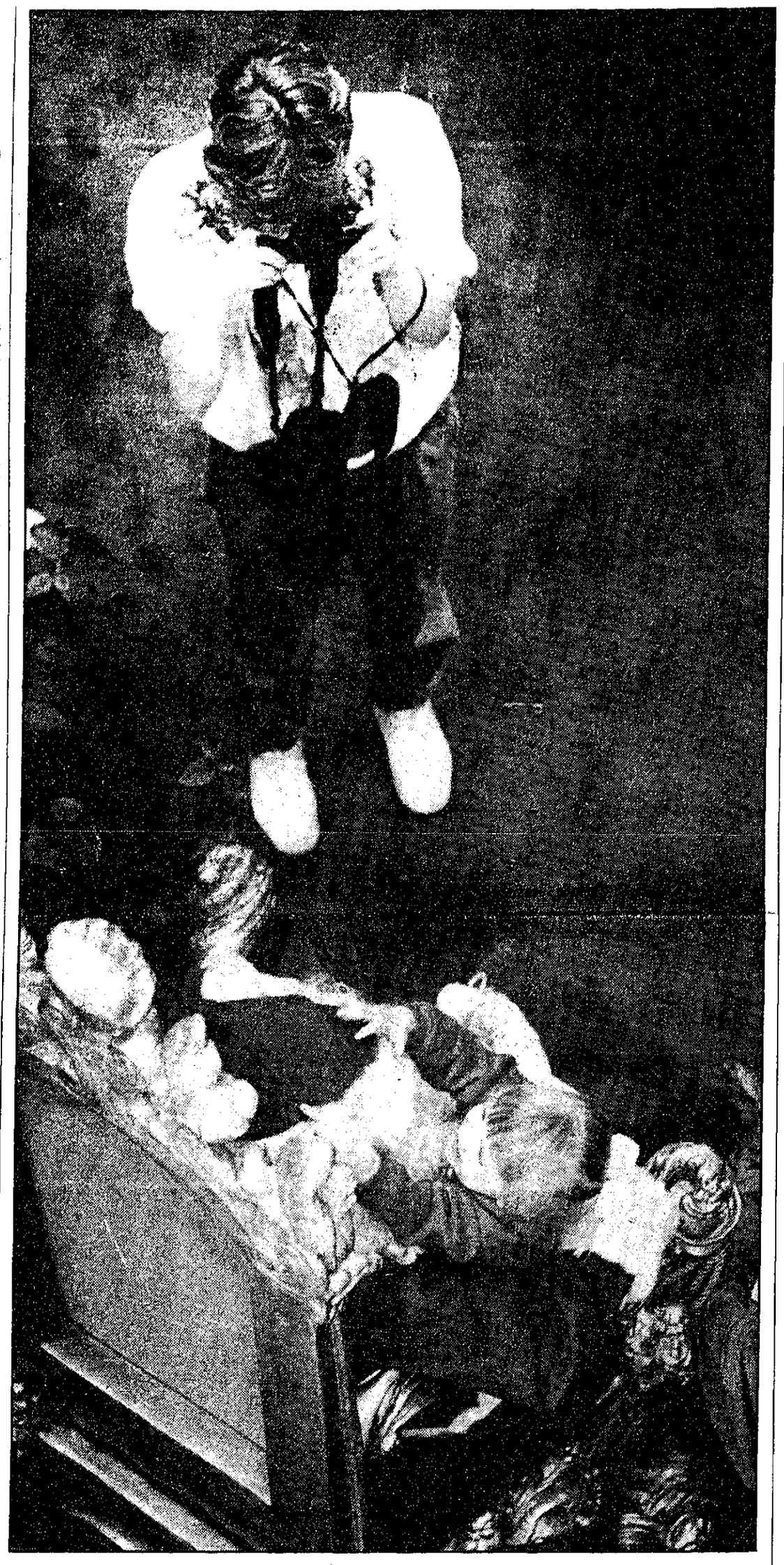

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The view from the top

While two-year-old Kristin Engelsen cuddles up to Santa Claus on his throne at Twelve Oaks Mall and shares a few secrets, her mother, Mary, captures the moment on film. This one looks destined for a place of honor in the family scrapbook.

DNR ponders two views of M-5 wetland

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

In February, the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is expected to rule on the controversial plan to replace near Algonac most of the 46 acres of wetlands which fall in the path of the Haggerty Connector.

As part of the wetlands permit process, the DNR held a public hearing Dec. 12 in a Farmington Hills public library.

Officially, Farmington Hills backs the Michigan Department of Transportation's (MDOT) proposal. That city will only host a part of the Twelve Mile Road interchange ramp that would link M-5 with the freeway system.

"Our city council on numerous occasions endorsed this project. The project is necessary for the good of the community. The good of the metropolitan area," said Thomas Biasell, Director of Public Services for the City of Farmington Hills.

"It's our belief the Michigan Department of Transportation has done everything that is possible to mitigate here. The fact that approximately 30 acres will have to mitigated off-site is an intention in our mind to improve the quality of wetlands in the State of Michigan."

The City of Novi — which as the home of the majority of the boulevard stands to lose the most marshlands — is on record as opposing the plan, as is the East Michigan Environmental Action Council (EMEAC), the Detroit Audubon Society and Concerned Citizens For West Bloomfield. Novi's engineers have found local sites which they suggest might be suitable for the mitigation.

"It is our belief mitigating wetlands lost in Novi in St. Clair County is inappropriate when potential wetlands mitigation sites exist within and around Novi," Anthony Nowicki, Novi's director of public services, said.

So were split the 16 speakers who addressed the DNR Thursday night. While seven M-5 supporters said the boulevard would provide much-needed traffic relief, arguments presented by nine opponents to the plan included a questioning of the wisdom of spending $78 million on the project when the homeless walk the streets of Detroit and social services are facing drastic cutbacks. (See related story.)

The DNR will examine the issues raised, said Barry Horney, district supervisor of the land and water management staff in Livonia — especially the suggestion that an alternate route skirting the sensitive wetlands could have been chosen.

"These hearings are basically to hear facts. Anything but facts doesn't have any bearing," Horney said.

"A lot of the information was extraneous to the wetlands issue. The valid questions will be looked into, hard."

The decision will be based on how well the mitigation matches the requirements of two state laws regulating wetlands, the Inland Lakes and Streams Act and the Gomaere Anderson Act, Horney said.

Opponents to the plan questioned if the DNR could be objective when the department owns the St. Clair County land which could be the beneficiary of the project.

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Pop bomb leaves police guessing

By CRISTINA FERRIER
Staff Writer

Was it someone playing with chemicals? Or was it something more?

Novi Police are attempting to identify a liquid substance found in the remains of a 16-ounce Mountain Dew bottle that exploded on the front porch of a home on Serenity.

Police said the homeowner reported that he heard a loud bang shortly after 10:30 p.m. Dec. 7 and searched all over his residence in an attempt to locate its source.

Finally, police said, he found the damaged plastic bottle on his front porch. The bottle appeared to have been ripped apart by the explosion.

Police found the unidentified fluid inside the bottle.

In addition, police discovered two small, ball-shaped pieces of aluminum foil. The foil, which appeared to have been darkened by the explosion, was about two feet away from the bottle.

Novi Police Chief Doug Shaeffer said he did not know what the discovery meant.

Although the Mountain Dew bottle exploded, police said there were no visible scorch marks on the porch of the residence. In addition, they reported the bottle appeared to have been placed on the porch, and not tossed from a distance.

Neither the homeowner nor his 15-year-old daughter had any idea who might have left the device on their porch.

Superintendent selection on hold

By SUZANNE HOLLYER
Staff Writer

Anyone who expected to learn on Saturday the identity of Novi's new superintendent was in for a suprise.

A meeting to select the new superintendent was scheduled for Saturday at noon.

But the school board decided to allow both candidates the opportunity to review the proposed contract before moving on in the selection process, said school board Trustee Raymond Byers.

The final selection meeting was cancelled and has not been rescheduled, Byers said.

Board President Stephen Hitchcock, who is an attorney, helped rewrite the superintendent's contract.

The new contract is quite a bit different from former Superintendent Robert Piwko's contract, Byers said.

"We're just trying to polish the new language (in the contract)," he said.

Emmett Lippe and Jon Reynolds are the two finalists.

Lippe has been superintendent in the Williamston school district since 1976.

Reynolds has worked as superintendent in Waverly schools since 1983. The Waverly school district is on the west side of Lansing in Delta Township.

The two candidates were selected from a field of 87 applicants.

Both Lippe and Reynolds received high praise from people interviewed last week who have worked with them in their current school district.

Lippe was said to be a hard worker who gets along well with others.

Reynolds, who was also well regarded by his colleagues, was a finalist in the 1980 search for a superintendent that ended with the board hiring Piwko.

Board Vice President Robert Schram said Reynolds was not in the top two candidates 11 years ago. But Schram added that Reynolds has grown as a superintendent.

"I could see either man as superintendent," Schram said.

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> Robert Schram
> School board president

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Community Calendar

Today, December 16

Band Boosters: Novi High School Band Boosters will meet at 7 p.m. in room 511 of the high school building.

Players audition: The Novi Players will hold auditions for "Shay," a comedy-drama with parts for both men and women. Come to the Novi Circle Theater in the Novi Expo Center at 7 p.m. The Expo center is located on Mohawk Drive in Novi. Rehearsals begin in January. For more information, call 474-8032.

Tuesday, December 17

Winter concert: The Novi High School Choir Department will present its Winter Concert in the Fuerst Auditorium at the high school at 7 p.m. Admission is free.

Blood drive: Huron Valley Hospital in Commerce Township sponsoring a blood drive. Call 360-3314 for an appointment.

Wednesday, December 18

Planning Commission: The Novi Planning Commission will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center.

Winter concert: The Novi High School Band will hold its annual winter concert at the Fuerst Auditorium in the high school at 7 p.m.

Thursday, December 19

Open house/board meeting: The Novi School board will meet in the Novi High School building. An open house will run from 2-5 p.m. prior to the meeting. The meeting will begin at 6 p.m. in the library of Novi High School.

Historical Society: The Novi Historical Society will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Old Town Hall next to the library in the city civic center complex.

Friday, December 20

Holiday vacation: Holiday vacation for Novi students begins at the end of the school day today.

Choralaires perform: The Novi Choralairs will perform before the Northville Women's Club at the First Presbyterian Church, 200 East Main, in downtown Northville at 1 p.m. The special program will be a welcome for new members to the group.

Saturday, December 21

Caroling: the Novi High School Choirs will be caroling at the grand piano at Hudsons in the 12 Oaks Mall from 10 a.m. to noon.

Delivery day: The Novi Jaycees will deliver collected items to needy families in the Novi area beginning at 10 a.m. Meet at Jaycee House on Sixth Gate.

Monday, December 23

City Council: Novi city council meets at 8 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center.

Tuesday, December 24

Christmas eve: City offices and the Novi public library will be closed.

Wednesday, December 25

Christmas Day: City offices and the Novi public library will be closed.

Tuesday, December 31

New Year's Eve: City offices and the Novi public library will be closed.

Monday, December 6

Party planning: The parent planning committee of the Novi High School senior all-night party will hold its organizational meeting at 7 p.m. in the Fuerst Auditorium of Novi High School. Volunteers are needed to make this all-night party a success. Contributions and donations are also needed. Tickets for the party will be sold at the meeting for $25.

To get your event listed in the Community Calendar, send information regarding the event, activities to be included, who is sponsoring it, location, time and date, ticket information and the purpose to which any proceeds will be put to the Novi News at 104 Main Street, Northville, 48167.

Plan would 'ship' Novi wetlands to St. Clair

By JAN JEFFRES
Staff Writer

As West Bloomfield resident Ken Whitlock sees it, development since 1972 has turned Haggerty from a road into a parking lot. He'd like to see relief in the form of M-5.

To Art Valenti, president of the 125-member Summit Hills Homeowners Association, cutting off the Connector at Pontiac Trail will just create a bottleneck.

"There's going to be a huge, huge, tremendous, tremendous block of cars that will go nowhere," he said.

"A road to nowhere" is what most of those against the Connector have dubbed the project. The two sides met head-on in Farmington Hills Dec. 16 at a public hearing called by the state Department of Natural Resources (DNR).

The DNR is evaluating a Michigan Department of Public Transportation's (MDOT) application for a permit to mitigate most of the 46 acres of wetlands lost to the Connector in St. Clair County.

This long-distance wetlands replacement has been endorsed by Farmington Hills and opposed by Novi.

"I have two peat bogs. These are the best water systems they have in Novi. All of Summit Hills empties into them. . .It's a goddamn shame to allow them to mitigate that land unless you do it on site. . .We had a big extravaganza. MDOT was there and all the real estate barracudas. Not an open meeting like this. We got a snow job. The people in southeast Michigan were not told they were going to ship the wetlands to St. Clair County," said Valenti, who is battling to keep M-5 off his property.

"I was asked to hear this guy from Farmington Hills say they're for it 100 precent. The amount of land they're going to lose is infinitesimal. Oh, Farmington wants that road. . .Put it in Novi. They won't give up one acre of land."

James Corcoran, president of the Pleasant Lake Improvement Association in West Bloomfield, agreed that the wetlands should be replaced within the same watershed. His subdivision is adjacent to some of the existing marshes.

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DNR answer to come in February

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"The (DNR) wildlife division is supportive of the off-site mitigation. We also issue permits to the wildlife division to do their work and we have to be objective. We have, as best as we can, an objective staff and we're experienced at this," Dave Bastian, DNR water quality specialist.

He added that he has never seen a plan to replace wetlands at a distance greater than five miles before. Bastian said he was not sure if this could set a precedent for both public and private construction.

"The input is excellent. It was good in the fact that we heard from both sides. Quite often the hearings are slanted to one side," he said following the session.

Breathing down the DNR's neck is the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), which has already submitted into the record its disapproval of several elements of the plan. MDOT hopes to recreate the wetlands on a one-on-one wetlands basis while federal standards call for a 1.5-on-one replacement. In addition, the EPA argues that the environmental impact statement for the Connector only stops at Pontiac Trail, when it is likely that the road will eventually push up north to M-59 through a sensitive wetlands and lakes district.

Larry Alber, supervisor of the evaluation and mitigation unit of MDOT's environmental division, said that sites adjacent to M-5 were studied as possible marsh replacement areas but were rejected due to the costliness of land in this area. In addition, the rolling topography here made it difficult to find property low enough to essentially create a swamp from scratch, he said. To mitigate wetlands, the groundwater table must be accessible.

"The bottom line is we spent nearly five years in studying the project . . . what we presented here tonight is the most reasonable project we could come up with. I'm not going to stand here and tell you we looked at every site in Novi and Farmington Hills," Alber said.

What MDOT would like to do is replace 3.6 acres of wetlands as water dentention sites within the Connector's southern interchange. Another 12.7 acres of wetlands would be built on Detroit Edison-owned land south of Twelve Mile and west of Haggerty Road. Edison plans to build a switching station there in the near future and MDOT's proposal means that the station will have to take 1.4 acres of wetlands.

The balance of the mitigation—29.5 acres — would be at the state-owned wildlife area, St. Johns Marsh, replacing wetlands lost in St. Clair County before the state regulated wetlands, Alber said.

Novi put forth several local sites as appropriate for the mitigation, but MDOT received them after the permit was submitted to the DNR, Alber said, adding that transportation department doesn't plan to switch its designs midstream.

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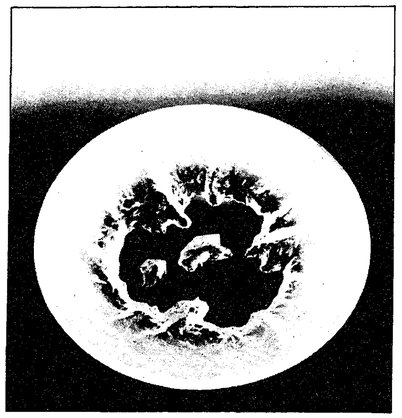

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Novi Briefs

Strain's hearing adjourned: Band Director Craig Strain's tenure hearing scheduled for Dec. 12 at 6 p.m. was adjourned at the union's request, said Interim Superintendent William Barr.

Strain has been accused of sexual misconduct by a student. Barr was unsure when the hearing would be rescheduled. Strain's attorney has not returned repeated phone calls.

Free concert this week: Novi High School's holiday concert, featuring the symphony and concert bands, will be Wednesday, Dec. 18. The free concert features seasonal favorites as well as classical selections in Fuerst Auditorium at 7:30 p.m. The evening also includes a sing-a-long.

Best decorations: Now that Thanksgiving is over, it's time to put up the Christmas decorations. The City of Novi began a new tradition last year . . . judging the homes (houses, condos, apartments) to see who had the best Christmas decorations in the City of Novi. The winners will receive their prizes at the Dec. 23 meeting of the Novi City Council. They will receive custom-designed ornaments. As residents drive around the city, they are being asked to check out the Christmas decorations and nominate their favorites. Call Cindy Stewart at 347-0445 with the addresses and names if you know them. The winners will then be selected from those nominations.

The Grand Tour: City officials and the business community gathered at the new Novi Expo Center recently for a tour of the facility. The site is the future home of the Motorsports Hall of Fame Museum, the Novi Convention and Visitors Bureau and the Novi Players.

Plans are already under way for the Motorsports Hall of Fame's Pre-Grand Opening Celebration and Auction. The Jan. 11 event will feature music and dancing at the Expo Center. For tickets, call 349-RACE.

Hosting the tour were the City of Novi, JCK & Associates, building owner Frank Adell, the Motorsports Museum, the Novi Expo Committee, the Novi Chamber of Commerce and Thompson Brown Realtors. Participants nibbled on refreshments provided by Victor's, the Sheraton Oaks, the Wyndham Garden Hotel and Diane Risko.

Senior party planning: 1992 Novi High School senior party planning committees are being formed. All adults interested in making the party a spectacular event should contact Kathy McCarthy, 348-6525, in the evening or Lisa Willard, 478-7087, in the evening.

Mr. Packard's cookies

Watch out, Famous Amos. Parkview Elementary third grader Kyle Packard's cookies, pretzels and muffins sold so well Dec. 12 that he decided he needed more dough. Money, that is. The young entrepeneur kept raising his prices.

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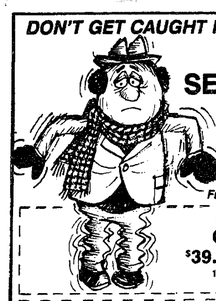

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Phone modem called from car

Novi Police

A resident on Louisiana Ave. reported Dec. 10 that her lap-top phone modem was stolen from her vehicle.

The woman told police she parked her 1988 Chevrolet at her residence at 6 p.m. Sunday and returned at 2 p.m. Monday to discover the incident.

Police said the driver's side door of the vehicle had been tampered with, but there was no visible damage.

MDOP: A resident on Hampton Hill was the latest in a series of residents reporting a broken window.

Police said that sometime between 11 p.m. Dec. 9 and 4 p.m. Dec. 10, the window was apparently broken by a vandal with a slingshot or pellet gun.

A small pellet was found in the living room of the home.

ATTEMPTED AUTO THEFT: A resident on Beachwalk reported Dec. 12 that someone damaged his car in a theft attempt.

The man told police he parked his 1986 Pontiac Fiero at the location on Beachwalk for several days and that he inspects it every morning. At approximately 8 a.m. Dec. 12, he said, he inspected it and noticed that both doors were unlocked and partly open.

He said he then noticed that his steering wheel column was broken and had two wires sticking out of it. He said he further noticed that pieces of his steering column were lying on the floor of his vehicle.

Nothing was reported stolen from the vehicle.

BREAKING AND ENTERING: A construction foreman at a site on Wellington Drive reported Dec. 12 that someone broke in and stole a telephone answering machine.

Police said the front door of the trailer had been pryed open.

LARCENY: A resident on Sunrise reported Dec. 12 that someone stole 10-15 Christmas bulbs from the front of his house.

Police said the incident occurred between 6:30 and 7:30 a.m.

The residence is directly in front of a school bus stop.

Citizens with information about the above incidents are urged to call the Novi Police Tip Line at 349-6887.

Volunteer Notes

Hotline for volunteers: The need for donations and volunteers by non-profit organizations is greater than ever during the Thanksgiving and Holiday season.

Recognizing this need, Allnet Communications Services, Inc. will use the Allnet HelpLink HotLine, to connect potential volunteers with non-profit agencies in need of help, according to Allnet President John Zrno.

The Allnet HelpLink Hotline is a toll free number featuring recorded messages from non-profit organizations. During December, organizations with special needs for the Holiday season will be highlighted. Volunteers to help distribute food baskets, donations of children's gifts, clothing, food and other items are in high demand.

"Simply pick up a touch-tone phone and dial 1-800-U-R-VITAL to learn about agencies which need volunteer help or are seeking donations," explains Zrno. "And what better way to get into the holiday spirit than by doing something for those in need."

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Insurance may shift into higher gear

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ence committee in my judgment. On other areas, we made good progress. Tort is the whole battleground.

"Tort is where Republicans say the greatest savings can be achieved. Democrats are committed to guaranteeing benefits. The only way to reduce rates is to reduce benefits.

"I was willing to look at tort. There are abuses in the system. I was not willing to give up," Faust said.

Conferees continued to talk in corridors and offices throughout Thursday, which was to have been the last day of session. Instead lawmakers will return this week.

It would be ironic if the conference committee produced nothing because the procedure was an unusual one, designed by Cruce himself before he left the Senate in April.

He got the Senate to pass SB 124, an i-dotting, innocuous measure. Brown got the House to make equally innocuous amendments and pass its version.

That put the matter into a conference committee, where all the hearings and writing took place. Wartner chaired the panel after Cruce's departure.

Insurers and Republicans generally supported tort law changes. The Michigan Trial Lawyers Association, a plaintiffs group which supports mostly Democratic candidates, opposed tort changes.

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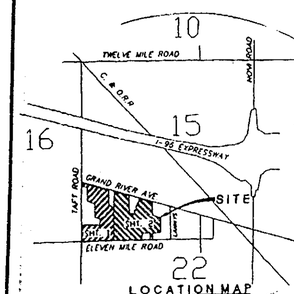

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As We See It

Council overreacted, but made right choice

Government

For all the haranguing that the Ed Kriewall and the city's consulting engineers, JCK & Associates, took last Monday for their involvement in the engineering of the Novi Expo Center, you'd think they'd collaborated to bring a toxic dump site to the city.

That's nowhere near what happened. In reality, JCK donated $6,000 in preliminary engineering service to help convert the privately owned building, formerly the Mohawk Liquor warehouse and headquarters, into the city's new convention center, and expressed an interest in completing the job.

The often harsh criticism that JCK took for proposing to work on the once-vacant building was undeserved. The firm's request to finish what it started was not unreasonable. The project needs to be on a fast track to be ready for conventions which have already been booked there in 1992, and a firm like JCK, with intimate knowledge of Novi's regulations and procedures, would prove expedient.

Council members who opposed JCK's proposal were right to protect the city's integrity, as directed by the recently adopted code of ethics. And the city's stance of not spending money on the Expo Center is clear. However, we feel some on the council may have been too severe in their reproach.

We find it hard to criticize those on the council who supported JCK's involvement in the project because the conflict is so minor. There is only indirect gain for the City of Novi in that a thriving Expo Center will fill the area hotels and restaurants, and eventually boost tax revenues.

And as for JCK & Associates, Council Member Joe Toth put it appropriately when he said, "I don't think (JCK President Joe Kapelczak) is going to retire on this one job." The engineering work to be done on the 350,000 square-foot building involves few structural changes. Much of the work to be done is cosmetic.

We do agree, though, with those on the council who cited the "appearance" of conflict. Even a peccadillo such as this one could be brought back to haunt the city at a later date. Ideally, JCK & Associates should have sought council approval before it did volunteer work on the project.

We are certain that there are a number of competent engineering firms that could take on this project and bring it in under deadline. JCK is not the only engineering firm with an intimate knowledge of Novi, of that we can be sure.

A good government should be like Caesar's wife, above suspicion. And with a burgeoning crisis of confidence in government around Michigan and the nation, it's important to us that our city's government maintain its reputation for integrity.

We believe the Expo Center project can become a beacon for Novi, and an integral part of future plans for the downtown area. It's important then that it not be tarnished in its infancy.

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Ban lifted – amigos reunited

Phil Jerome

Geez but I love the holidays. Life is such a social whirl.

Take last Saturday, for example — the night of the Northville Mother Club's annual Holiday Open House.

They call it the Northville Mother's Club because that's the way it started out. But now there are a lot of Novi mothers in the club as well, so it's really kind of a bi-community event.

The Holiday Open House is a swell affair. What happens is that you get invited to somebody's house from 6-8 p.m. on the first Saturday in December. People get all dressed up. There's wine punch and hors d'oeuvres. And then you mingle.

There are usually six to eight parties going on at the same time, but you only get invited to one of them and you're supposed to stay where you've been invited.

I rather like the event and look forward to it every year. But I was particularly looking forward to this year's party because the Mother's Club either goofed or decided to let bygones be bygones and invited Chris Gazlay, my brother David and myself to the same party.

For the record, we were invited to the party hosted by Tom and Linda Handyside and co-hosted by Ray and Roxanne Casterline, Ed and Candy Kritch, and David and Kathi Jerome.

Frankly, I never thought Chris, David and I would ever be invited to the same party again. What happened is that all three of us were at the same party several years ago, when Chris and David perpetrated a small feat of derring-do. I thought it was funny so I wrote about it in my column . . . much to the consternation of at least a few Mothers Club members.

My suspicion is that there were some who wanted to bar Chris, David and myself from attending any more parties, but the motion didn't pass because our wives are quite nice and it would be hard to invite them without inviting us.

My other suspicion is that the Mothers Club then reached a compromise — that Chris, David and I would still be invited, but we would be separated . . . not allowed to attend the same party.

In all fairness, I should note that I've never been able to verify either of those suspicions. And the fact that the three of us were invited to the Handysides this year casts further doubt in my mind as to whether such an embargo ever existed.

The Handysides' party was educational as well as social. The invitation said Tom and Linda lived on Meadowbrook Road. So I drove up and down Meadowbrook from Eight to Twelve Mile for 30 minutes before deciding I needed help.

I pulled into the laundromat on Novi Road, looking for a phone or a map, and that's where I bumped into Novi News reporter Mike Tyree, who told me there was a Meadowbrook Road off Seven Mile in Northville.

That was the educational part. I thought the only Meadowbrook Road was *in* Novi.

The party itself was quite nice. There was even a harpist.

A couple of weeks before the party, Chris, David and I had discussed briefly the possibility of renting tuxedos for the evening, but the idea never got any farther than the discussion stage . . . probably because all three of us are afraid of our wives.

In addition, Chris and David behaved themselves magnificently at the party. They were perfect gentlemen, causing no embarrassment whatsoever to themselves, their spouses or the Mothers Club.

I didn't get anything funny to write about, but I had a good time. Maybe they'll let the three of us go to the same party next year, too.

In passing

By Hal Gould

'Chasing after parked cars'

A friendly Fido watches the traffic from his master's car in the library parking lot

The last time I drove drunk

Rick Byrne

Let me tell you about the first and last time I drove drunk. All in all, the outcome was pretty tame, but it scared me enough that I can say I'll never drive if I've been drinking.

I was a sophomore in college. Forget for a minute that I wasn't of legal drinking age in Michigan. I was still listed as a full-time resident of New York where the drinking age was 18, so I had this cockeyed notion that local laws didn't apply to me.

There was a Friday afternoon happy hour in someone's room in my dorm. It was the weekend of the Michigan-Michigan State football game, so everyone was getting an early start on their attitude adjustment.

I'd knocked back about three or four healthy-sized concoctions in under an hour when Jill came to me asking if I would drive her to the bus station to pick up her friend from MSU. With my resistance at a low ebb and Jill smiling sweetly, the word "no" vanished from my vocabulary.

I drove across campus, and through downtown Ann Arbor, picked up Jill's friend, and returned them both to the dorm safely. Parking being at a premium around U-M dorms, I considered myself lucky to find two open spaces right in front of the building. So lucky, in fact, that I parked in both of them.

It wasn't until the next morning that I saw what a lousy job of parking I'd done that I understood the affects of the alcohol. Further evidence was given by a police officer, who had kindly placed three parking tickets on my windshield. One for parking too far from the curb, one for straddling two parking spaces, and one for an expired parking meter.

If you'd asked me, when I returned to the happy hour, if I had parked my car OK, I would have said yes. I was pretty good at parallel parking anyway, and at that age we compared driving abilities the way younger kids compared baseball cards. To this day, I'm still a whiz at parallel parking. I can put a 20-foot car in a 21-foot space on the first pass.

But looking at the car, parked halfway between two spaces, at an angle to the curb, and far enough from the sidewalk to throw out a gangplank, I got an understanding of just how much alcohol warps your perceptions. Furthermore, if I could misjudge parking that badly, in what kinds of danger had I placed Jill, her friend, or any of the thousands of people we'd driven past on the way to the bus station.

I consider myself fortunate. A few dollars' worth of parking tickets was a very cheap lesson in the dangers of drunk driving. Others have paid a much higher price learning the same lesson.

If there is anything I want to get across here, it's that if you've been drinking, you can't always trust your own judgement. This holiday season, when the roads turn slick and people drink, no matter how much you drink, be honest with yourself. If you've had more than two or three drinks, and haven't given yourself time to sober up, don't take any chances.

I'm not telling anyone to turn down a drink this holiday season (I'm a journalist, remember). If you do drink, just don't turn down any offers of a ride home. Accept my wishes for a safe and happy holiday.

Sports Brief

Novi 60, Walled Lake Western 42: In a Kensington Valley Conference and Western Lakes Activities Association basketball matchup, Novi crushed visting Walled Lake Western 60-42.

The game was never in doubt for the Wildcats, rated as one of the top teams in the KVC, as the Warriors never got closer than nine points. Junior guard Dave York led Novi in the opening game victory with 14 points.

The 'Cats will hit the road as they battle Baseline rival Northville tomorrow night at 7:30 p.m. Novi will play its second game of the KVC season Friday, away, against Hartland, also at 7:30 p.m.

Obituaries

Fern Ferguson

Mrs. Fern Ferguson of Novi died Nov. 21, in her home. She was born April 6, 1919, in Big Springs, Nebraska.

She was a member of the First Methodist Church of Ferndale and sang on its choir. She also taught Sunday school for 30 years.

Her survivors are her husband Hugh, her children Janice Ferguson of Coldwater, Sue Gaynor of Novi, Reid Ferguson of Phoenix, Ariz., and Kristie Ferguson of Novi; her sisters Ardyce Spaulding and Betty Curtis; her brother William Bell and her five grandchildren.

Her funeral was at First Methodist Church of Ferndale Nov. 25. She was buried at Roseland Park Cemetery in Berkley with the Rev. George Spencer officiating.

James H. Cooper

James H. Cooper of Novi, 60 years old, died in Georgian Bloomfield Nursing Home in Bloomfield Township Dec. 8. He was born Aug. 4, 1931, in Waterford Township to Myrtle Cooper of Romulus.

He is a past member of Four-Square Masonic Lodge in Detroit and an Army vetran of the Korean Conflict. He was also a member of Teamsters Local No. 337.

The funeral was Wednesday, Dec. 11 at 1 p.m. at Lynch & Sons (Richardson-Bird Chapel) in Milford with the Rev. Randy Greene officiating.

Survivors are his wife Barbara; his children Laura (Mike) Luke of New Hudson, Sheryl (Bruce) Carter of Milford, Stephen (Elizabeth) Cooper of Royal Oak; his grandchildren Sarah Carter, Erin Carter, Daniel Luke and Allison Luke; his mother Myrtle Cooper and his sister Jane Barbee of Taylor.

Some say M-5 is the way to go

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"If you move the wetlands, you're losing groundwater recharge for people who have wells. It's a unique ecosystem," he said.

But John Marshall of Commerce Township reinforced Whitlock's point that traffic in the area is out-of-control.

"I know subdivisions, condominiums and apartments that have taken up far more wetlands than this road's going to take up. . .I-275 (extension) was shot down by a small vocal group. We've done some surveys ourselves. The residents that are out there say we need some relief," Marshall told the DNR.

Novi resident Jim Bundoff's Twelve Mile Road property will be in the middle of the M-5 cloverleaf. He's now in court with MDOT over the property condemnation. Bundoff said he supported the mitigation plan.

"There were no wetlands here until they built 696. All of a sudden, that all became wetlands. That was not a wetland in 1924. When you worry about wetlands and you put freeways in, they'll build themselves," he argued.

Also lining up with the Summit Drive residents are the East Michigan Environmental Action Council, the Detroit Audubon Society and Concerned Citizens of West Bloomfield.

Representatives of these groups argue that more far-reaching issues are at stake.

Loran McEwen, board member of Concerned Citizens of West Bloomfield, says M-5 will lead to more urban sprawl and the further deterioration of the metro area's core cities.

"This project has taken on a life of its own. As the economy in the state and the nation steadily worsen, decision makers at both levels appear to be proceeding with this project, which will drain away more than $78 million in tax dollars with absolutely no thought to other priorities for this money," she said.

McEwen suggested as an alternative that the present Haggerty Road be upgraded and the remaining tax dollars be shifted to aid the homeless, hungry and sick Michigan residents.

Detroit Audobon Society Executive Director Jack Smiley called the project "reckless development."

"It is not in the public interest to construct the road. The no-build alternative is the best alternative, followed by a possible widening of Haggerty Road," he said.

"The people in the urban center are homeless and have Third World living conditions. It is foolish to even consider any expansion of a highway system when we can't take care of what we have. Reasonable people realize this will lead to future road construction."

Mental patient transfer criticized

A bipartisan group of state senators is protesting Gov. Engler's effort to transfer patients out of state mental hospitals into community facilities.

"Halt the precipitous transfer and placement of clients," says the proposed resolution sponsored by two Republicans and 10 Democrats.

Among local co-sponsors is Sen. Jack Faxon, D-Farmington Hills.

The key to reversing Engler's strategy are the two GOP names — chief sponsor Jack Welborn of Kalamazoo and co-sponsor Phil Arthurhultz of Whitehall.

Arthurhultz chairs the committee — Government Operations — which will handle the resolution. And as majority floor leader, he is No. 2 in rank in the Senate.

For years an Engler loyalist, Arthurhultz was critical of Engler's appointments to the Natural Resources Commission, too.

The Welborn resolution says transferring patients out of state institutions causes "major upheaval to individual clients and their families and requires great prudence and sensitivity.

"The Senate and House are presently studying the policy, practice and future direction of deinstitutionalization and are investigating the services offered by county Community Mental Health Boards . . .

"Actions of the Department of Mental Health in implementing new service district guidelines 43 days prior to the expiration of the public review and comment period are contrary to director (James) Haverman's claim that the department is engaging in careful planning with full input from the public."

The resolution urges the administration to "restore admissions to state mental health facilities based on service district guidelines in effect July 11, 1991" until lawmakers receive DMH's plan for alternative programs.

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NOTICE OF RE-ADOPTION
ORDINANCE 91-81.10

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Novi City Council has adopted Ordinance 91-81.10, an Ordinance to add Section 33-774 to the Novi Code of Ordinances to order the Traffic Engineer to erect Stop Signs at the following designated intersections:

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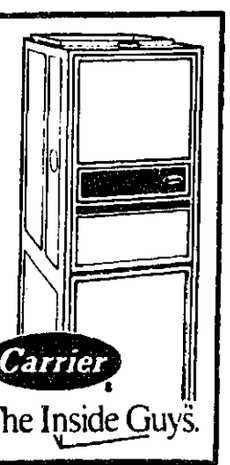

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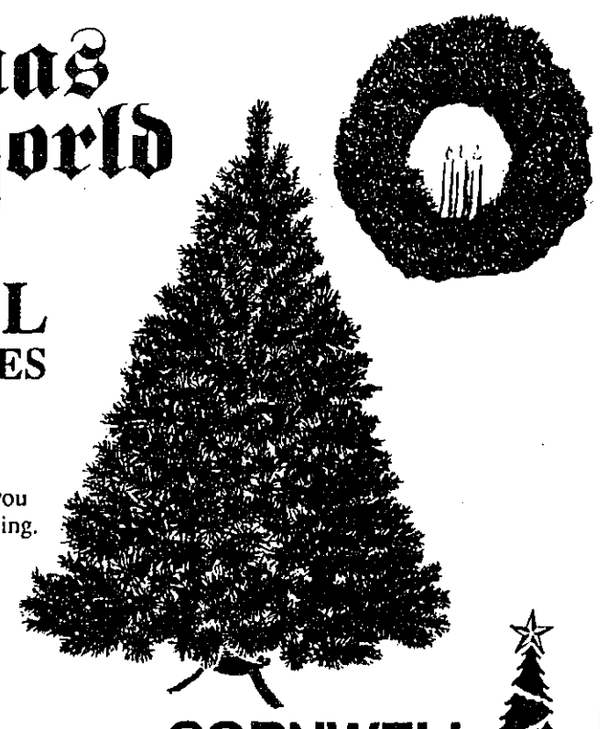

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Alsace region yields wines at good values

Alsace is the most beautiful wine region in France. Almost isolated, Alsace is situated between the Vosges Mountains on the west and the Rhine river on the east.

The best-kept secret in wine is the dry, fruity, long-lived white wines of Alsace. They accompany the great cuisine of 36 Michelin-starred restaurants in Alsace — a greater number than anywhere else in Europe.

Recently, we discussed Alsace wine with Etienne Hugel, whose family has made wine continuously since 1639.

"We have produced Alsace wines in Europe's favorite battlefield for over 350 years," said Hugel. "Imagine our task. Each time the Alsace region exchanged its relationship with Germany and France, we had to start over.

"As a consequence of having our boundaries changed so often, the wines of Alsace lost their identity. We sell dry, French wines in a German-style bottle made from grapes that sometimes sound French (pinot blanc) and sometimes sound German (gewurztraminer)."

Most French wine regions use two or three grape varieties planted on a single soil type. Alsace has seven wine grape varieties (sylvaner, riesling, pinot gris, gewurztraminer, pinot blanc, pinot noir, and muscat d'Alsace) planted on a patchwork of granite, sand, clay and chalk soils that allows each variety to be appropriately matched by type.

Hugel emphasizes that to appreciate Alsace wines, the consumer must understand the grape varieties, the unique northern climate and the region's extended growing season.

"The best introduction to Alsace wines is pinot blanc," said Hugel. "It is versatile and affordable, great with food and is styled like a chardonnay without being too aromatic. Pinot gris is more complex — a step up. This wine shows exuberant fruit, not wood. Gewurztraminer has lively spice aromas and flavors that complement smoked salmon and oriental cuisines. Ultimately, people should enjoy the elegant balance and finesse of riesling, the king of Alsace varietals."

Hugel insists that the key to producing fresh, balanced Alsace wines is the long, cool growing season. Grapes can hang on the vine until biological maturity is attained. This slow ripening explains how Alsace wines maintain crisp acidity, retain fresh fruit and achieve the body of world-class wine.

The wines of Hugel are bottled by increasing quality and labeled "Hugel," "Cuvee Tradition" and "Jubilee." The day-to-day process of vinification and maturation is undertaken entirely by family members. Contrary to popular opinion, the aging potential of the great Alsace white wines is limited only by the lifespan of the cork.

WINE SELECTIONS OF THE WEEK

The Alsace wines of Hugel are served in every Michelin three-star restaurant in Germany, Italy and France. That is just about the best recommendation a wine producer can have. The **1989 Pinot Blanc "Cuvee Les Amour" Hugel** ($15) shows lively fresh fruit qualities with an attractive steeliness. The **1988 Tokay Pinot Gris "Cuvee Tradition" Hugel** ($22) boasts a touch of spice in the nose and a rich palate impression backed by solid fruit. It was an excellent accompaniment to Pike Quenelles with Crayfish Sauce served at the Golden Mushroom. The **1989 Gewurztraminer, Hugel** ($20) has typical aromas of spice and lychee fruit complemented by good balance and body. This Alsace wine is particularly adaptable to oriental cuisines.

SHOPPING FOR THE CHEF

Here are some suggestions for holiday gifts

By MARY BRADY
Special Writer

Bah humbug! The time to buy Christmas presents is upon us. The push is on to find the perfect gifts for family and friends.

The spirit of the season dissipates with the mere thought of what to buy. Most of the time it is a last-minute, expensive, nonsense offering that causes post-season depression when the credit card statement comes.

For those who are fortunate enough to have gourmet cooks to procure gifts for, the offerings available are enormous. I took a poll of chefs, gourmet home cooks, customers, culinary students and various others involved in the wonderful world of cooking. Their answers will help you decide what to get for your cook.

Anna Skupski, the manager of the new Kitchen Glamor in the Novi Town Center, has the world at her fingertips when it comes to cooking equipment. She has used about every pot and pan, utensil, appliance and gadget known to modern day cooks. Her suggestion for the gourmet is an electric Gaggia Cappuccino/Expresso machine. Imagine the fun. At $175.99, the Gaggia is a coffee lover's dream. Just think, after an elegant meal, of sipping rich, sumptuous Cappuccino.

This machine is durable and easy to use. Pretty much, plug it in and go. It is pump-driven with turbo frothers. Sounds like an expensive sports car. The cleanup is nil.

Anna also suggested Trident knives for the starting chef. New to the line are the lovely carrying cases now available. And for the home enthusiast she recommended an electric ice cream maker as a fun addition to the kitchen.

Ronnie Cambra, owner of the Kitchen Witch in Northville, submitted some superb ideas: "A good cookbook is always appreciated."

Favorites this season are the beautiful picture books available on French cooking and chocolate. Something new is the "Menus and Music," a cookbook/cassette combination. Choose the type of music that suits you and turn to the corresponding chapter in the cookbook. Sounds interesting. The tunes range from old to present-day and are performed by the San Fransico Symphony Orchestra.

According to Ronnie, Tom MacKinnon wants one of the chef pewter wine corks that just came in. She says that pepper grinders and gourmet peppercorns are definitely popular this year.

Kathie Briggs and her husband, Bill, love to cook and eat. Kathie and I chat about food and restaurants each time she is in. We compare notes on this cookbook and that new piece of equipment. I'll run into the kitchen, grab the latest Culinaire and we'll flip through the pages "oohing" and "aahing" over the glorious color photos.

She didn't hesitate when I asked her what was on her wish list for Christmas. A "good" saute pan. "One that is just big enough for two veal chops." Cuisinart or Chantal are excellent choices. They conduct well and will last a lifetime. Or a stockpot that is large enough to make a decent amount of stock. Her cookbook choice is Patricia Wells' "Simply French." "It is perfectly beautiful," she said.

Last, but not least, she would like an exquisite robe to lounge in after a day of cooking. I think silk is in order, Bill.

Now for some professional opinions. Ed Janos, executive chef at Too Chez, wants a F. Dick Sausage Stuffer from J.B. Prince. The catalog description reads like a jet plane. "Stainless steel cylinder and base plate, plastic piston, plastic-coated gear box and support rods. Piston provided with a patented air valve. Fast back stroke. Four stuffing tubes included." All this for a measly $800. If Santa is good to you, Ed, can I share?

Mike Haggerty, chef/owner of Minchelle Lamour in West Bloomfield, would be happy with a few new Brigard chef coats. Brigard is a French company with offices in New York. They are known for their fine line of chef's uniforms, made from the finest Egyptian cotton. They fit like a glove. A frog could pass for a prince in one.

The cost? $125 for the low-end jacket. I certainly wouldn't cook in one of these; they are for dress-up.

His son, Eric, the main cook, wants a professional Cuisinart. I don't blame him. They make life a lot easier.

Photo by RICK BYRNE

The Gaggia espresso maker comes highly recommended by the staff at Kitchen Glamor in Novi

My sous-chef, Laura Merglewski, would love a set of professional pans for her kitchen. "Once you get used to the restaurant quality saute pans it is hard to use the 'home cook' variety," she says. Calphalon is her choice. She would also like some specialty cutlery.

Kelli Lewton, executive chef for the Miesel-Sysco Company, wants some Misono Japanese ice carving chisels. They go for about $1,500. Good luck, Kelli.

I can offer a variety of recommendations. Cooking classes are an excellent choice. Kitchen Glamor has a wonderful variety of one-day sessions. Flyers are available in the stores. Schoolcraft College offers classes geared for professional and home cooks. Call the continuing education office for more details.

Restaurants are getting into the act too. Les Auters in Royal Oak features Master Chef Jeff Gabriel as its instuctor. Kathie just finished one and gives Jeff an A-plus.

In January I will begin teaching a few classes that will feature hands-on experience in a professional kitchen. The classes will be limited to 10 so that individual attention can be given. Menus are designed according to the wishes of the students. Pupils then prepare a five-course meal and invite "company" to dinner.

At the end of a busy day, the meal is served with wine to the cooks and their guests. In the past this has been the most popular and pleasurable of my classes.

My choice of a class would be to return to Ireland for another six weeks of classical cookery. Mater Chef Peter Timmons was great.

The Food and Wine Library in Ann Arbor offers a variety of unique and valuable cook books. Jan Longone is proprietor extraordinaire. She offers for sale some of the oldest cook books in the world. She is extremely knowledgeable about each and every one.

I recently purchased a complete set of the Time-Life series of Cooking Around the World. It was the last one available in the United States, maybe the world. I am enjoying them. The Wine and Food Library is located in Ann Arbor. Visits are by appointment only. A shopping spree here takes all day; the choices are mind boggling.

For those who are into eating rather than cooking, a rare opportunity recently became available. The Michigan Culinary Team has four practices open to the public. The $30 ticket includes cocktails and hors d'oeuvres for two hours. Pieces that will be entered in the October 1992 Frankfurt, Germany, World Culinary Arts Salon will be on display. Team members will be available to talk about the competition. A set of four tickets is available for $100 and is tax deductible. This is a great and reasonable gift. Contact me at 380-8460 for tickets.

A final idea is to give your gourmets gift certificates to their favorite eateries.

Happy and swift shopping.

Northville resident Mary Brady is a certified executive chef and co-owner of Diamond Jim Brady's in the Novi Town Center.

Chef Mary Brady

Florida fish are for those with a 'sweet' tooth

I have spoken of Foley's in Boston, the wonderful fish house, on several occasions. It is so much fun to order from them. I feel like a kid in a toy store.

Well, there is now another toy store to go to. Mr. Seafood, located in sunny Pompano, Fla., has been added to our order sheet. Peter Jarvis calls each Monday with his list of fares.

At first, I would just order the more "usual" or "recognizable" varieties, because if people are not familiar with a species the chance of them trying it are fairly nil. I have found this to be so true with fish. Americans still eat less fish than any other flesh protein.

Many of us remember the obligatory Friday night fish dinners that usually consisted of fried fish and chips of frozen cod fillets soaked in milk to rid them of their fishy smell. For the last several weeks we have offered fresh grouper, mahi mahi, and snapper. Red snapper is generally acknowledged as the most favored and is difficult to buy due to the "blackened" phase that we experienced several years ago. Yellowtail snapper is becoming popular now.

Snappers are so named because they shut their mouths with an energetic snap. The flesh is firm and white. When possible it is best to purchase the fish whole. The skin is a beautiful red which intensifies with cooking. Whole fish may be broiled, baked, grilled or steamed.

The flesh of the grouper closely resembles snapper. Although their weight ranges from two pounds to hundreds of pounds, most of the commercial catch is in the fifty-pound area. The larger the grouper, the coarser the flesh.

Anyone who has ever spent time in Florida has eaten grouper. A grouper sandwich is the state's mainstay. Grouper is mild in taste so it lends itself to many presentations. We prefer to cook it Italian style, dipped in tosca batter, quickly sauteed then finished in the oven. Accompanied with homemade cheese tortellini and a fresh tomato basil sauce it is wonderful.

Mahi mahi is growing in popularity. Mahi, or dolphin fish, is not related to the true dolphin which is a mammal and a protected species. It is also referred to as dorado. Mahi, when cooked properly, has pink flesh which is mild and sweet. Our version was simply grilled, served with basmati rice and garnished with Florida fruit — oranges and grapefruit.

Two simple but elegant sauces finish the plate, a beurre blanc (white butter sauce) and beurre rouge (red butter sauce). The presentation was visually outstanding and the mahi delectible.

I hesitated to order pompano because the price is much more than what I like to commit to. The more my cost, the higher the selling price. But I couldn't resist. The worst that could happen is that I'd be forced to eat it myself. No such luck. We sold out the first night. Pompano is noted for its rich sweeet flavor. Sumptuous is more the word. What a treat.

We cooked it in a traditional manner, en papillote or baked in a parchment case. The case keeps the moisture in and also allows the addition of vegetables and herbs to steam along with it. Our version included Julienne leeks, carrots and mushrooms. Just a touch of white wine was added along with fresh chopped herbs. When the fish was served the packet was opened at the table and all those magnificent aromas rushed out. Heavenly.

Stone crab claws never made it to the specials board. Our regulars know that I bring them in every 10 days or so and place their orders ahead of time. Even though I add on an extra they never seem to stay around for more than a few hours.

I'm sorry to keep using the word "sweet" to describe the above Florida fish but there is no other way to convey what my taste buds remember. As a testimonial I saw Michelle, who "hates" fish, take second bites during our show and tell session. We are expecting another shipment from Peter this week.

As a final note I like to relay a "restaurant" story. I took Tuesday off. It was my second day off since we opened. Laura, my sous chef, takes over the expediting position at night. Joe, a former student at Schoolcraft and now a valued employee, runs the floor. Joe was so good in the dining room class that he took my spot when I went to Singapore. Pat, my day sous chef, handles the lunch. The place is in good hands.

Well, anyway, I had to stop in just for a moment to wish an employee good luck. It all started three weeks ago. A couple of the waitstaff wanted to play Secret Santa. As it was explained to me everyone's name goes into a bag and each person pulls a name. You are then to buy your pick a gift. There is a $10 limit.

How creative can you be with $10? There was some moaning and groaning and then someone had a great idea. A waitress had just been diagnosed with breast cancer. We all waited anxiously for the verdict and when the test came back positive we felt devastated. In addition to the illness she was faced ewith a month off work and no insurance.

Why not give our secret santa money to her? We did on Tuesday. It was very emotional. When she started to cry so did most of us. I am very proud of each and every one of my staff for the wonderful thing you did. You're to be commended for your kindness and generosity. Thank you.

The Refrigerator Door

GINGERBREAD HOUSE CONTEST: Northville Merchants Association will sponsor a Gingerbread House Contest this holiday season.

Entrants can be individuals or families. No culinary arts students, professional caterers or restaurateurs, please. Contact Ronnie Cambra at the Kitchen Witch for instructions if you need them.

The Northville Historical Society will also be offering a class in gingerbread house making at the Kitchen Witch. Call 348-0488 for more details.

Contest rules are available at the Kitchen Witch, 107, N. Center.

CHRISTMAS BRUNCH: The Orchard Cafe inside the Novi Hilton has planned an elaborate Christmas Day Brunch. The buffet style menu includes fresh fruit and vegetables, poached salmon, smoked fish, cream cheese, bagels, pate, assorted cheeses, sweet and sour ham salad, german potato salad pear Waldorf salad, greek salad, pineapple lime salad, seafood pasta salad, sweet potato walnut salad, duck cranberry and orange salad, assorted breads and rolls with fruit-flavored butter, honey-glazed ham with raisin sauce, roast turkey with dressing and giblet gravy, roast beef au jus, whipped potatoes, sweet potato soufflé, saffron rice, roast goose with apple pear dressing, filet of sole, basil champagne, squash, bread pudding, pecan, pumpkin and mince meat pies, trifle, chocolate mousse, holiday cookies, macaroons, assorted tortes, ice cream sundae bar, waffles with toppings and the egg nog. Call 349-4000 for reservations.

NEW FOOD GUIDE: Bring on Healthy Food Choices! Oakland County Health Division has updated the American Red Cross Food Wheel for healthful eating. The revision is the work of the Health Division's registered dietitians. The colorful one page handout features plenty of grains, fruits and vegetables.

Are you confused about fats? Where are they hidden? How do make trade offs? The new Food Wheel will show you how. A special section describes fat serving sizes.

The guide is based on the new U.S. Deparment of Agriculture and Health and Human Services Dietary Guidelines for Americans and the American Cancer Society recommendations. The daily plan is easy to follow. It show suggested numbers of servings from each food group for different ages.

For your free copy, if you're an Oakland County resident, send a self addressed stamped (29 cents) business envelope to:

Food Wheel, Materials Center, Oakland County Health Division, 27725 Greenfield Road, Southfield 48076.

HEALTHY SNACKS: The Food and Nutrition Hotline sponsored by the Oakland County Cooperative Extension Service can answer many food and nutrition questions. To contact it, call 858-0904 from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday to Friday. Sylvia Treitman, home economist for the Extension Service, offers several suggestions for healthy snacks.

- Keep low-fat crackers, boxed juices, microwave natural popcorn, fresh and dried fruits and nuts and seeds on hand at work for healthy snacking.
- Use microwaves and slow cookers to make easy one-dish meals instead of buying fast food from restaurants.
- Keep plastic bags of cut vegetables in your refrigerator for easy snacks.
- Stay away from vending machines unless they offer fresh fruit or yogurt.

NUTRITION INFORMATION: The Food Marketing Institute, the American Academy of Pediatrics and the American Dietetic Association recently launched a nationwide nutrition campaign aimed at encouraging families with children ages two to six to make better food choices. Four free booklets offer information concerning reducing fat and cholesterol, avoiding arguments about food and healthy food choices. To obtain free copies of the brochures, you must include the brochure code in the address where indicated. The codes are Good Nutrition, Healthy Foods, Food Hassles and Cholesterol. Send a self-addressed, stamped, business-size envelope to the American Academy of Pediatrics, Department C—(Brochure Code), P.O. Box 927, Elk Grove Village, IL 60009.

"The Refrigerator Door" is a list of coming events and short notes about food and drink. If you have an event planned or a brief announcement you would like included here, send it care of this newspaper, 104 W. Main Street, Northville, Mich., 48167. Photos or other artwork welcome.

Get the lead out at your table

If one took to heart all the alerts reported in the papers, we'd give up eating and drinking. Even jogging at times seems suspect.

Often confusion sets in, so we do nothing. That's silly. Warnings are to be taken seriously, but judiciously. There is no need to panic. However, at times, just by altering our habits a little we can reduce risk.

Beyond just the dishes from which we eat, lead also can be a problem in the glasses from which we drink. Even the wine that is decanted gives some people concern.

In the late 19th century lead was added to crystal ware to produce brilliant glass of a high density and durability. Ever since, lead crystal has been the ultimate in glassware.

Bad news came earlier this year from Lancet, the esteemed British medical journal. Lancet printed a report on studies conducted by two Columbia University physicians that showed the correlation between alcohol in crystal decanters and elevated levels of lead of the liquid inside.

How often have you seen episodes in sophisticated movies where the hero pours after-dinner brandy from a handsome crystal decanter that has been sitting on the sideboard? Since a little bit of brandy goes a long way, that decanter can sit on the sideboard for many a month. Actually, that brandy can be pretty poisonous stuff, depending on how long it remained in the decanter.

The research doctors poured port wine into three crystal decanters that had been made in France, Ireland and West Germany. When newly poured, the port contained 80 micrograms of lead per liter, a comparatively safe amount.

After reposting the crystal decanters for four months, the lead content leaped dramatically. The 80 micrograms had skyrocketed to between 2,162 and 5,333 micrograms per liter. And sure enough, the decanter with the highest degree of lead oxide (32 percent) resulted in the highest figure.

Still, it's nothing to cause hysteria. Few people are going to sit down and drink a liter of port. Besides, if they attack alcohol like that, stuff wouldn't sit around very long in the decanter.

However, common sense tells us to relegate our heirloom crystal decanters to decorative roles. They can be used for decanting wine that will be poured within the next hour or so. Just forget the display lineup of spirits standing at the ready in glamorous crystal decanters.

But we're not through with the lead alert. Poor wine, everyone is attacking it these days. Now comes the U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms with a test it conducted at the request of the Food and Drug Administration.

The FDA suspected that lead in the foil around the top of the wine bottle contributed amounts of lead to the wine itself. They were right. But programs were already under way, here and abroad, to replace the foil caps, usually with plastic. Many American wineries switched some time ago.

Now for some good news. If your cellar holds bottles with lead capsules, there is no need to worry. It's very easy to avoid any contamination from the lead. And it's proper service, besides. All you have to do is cut the foil well below the lip of the bottle, remove the foil cap and wipe the top of the bottle.

Have you ever watched a well-trained wine steward open a bottle of wine? Then you noticed that after removing the foil cap he wiped the top of the bottle with a napkin. Then again, once the cork has been pulled out, he wiped the lip of the bottle, reaching inside a bit.

We can't pretend that he was making a conscious effort to remove traces of lead. With the first swipe, he removed any dust particles from under the cap. The second cleanup took care of any bits of cork that may be clinging to the neck.

To put things in perspective, and avoid panic, just remember that many chemicals that scientists warn us about occur naturally in the foods we eat and drink. Good foods, too. Among many other foods, lead occurs naturaly in apples, oranges, chicken, popcorn and even President Bush's detested broccoli.

So when a particular problem is pointed out, correct it. Begin by putting the handsome decanters on display and wiping wine bottle tops. Don't eye everything you put into your mouth with suspicion.

Relax. Enjoy.

Pie crust makes a low fat dessert

Holiday cheer is in the air, people are smiling more and whistling carols. The release of the last American hostage, Terry Anderson makes all a little more hopeful that there really is such a thing as "peace on earth, good will toward men (women)."

Stop, before you try the Best Fruitcake recipe, there's a missing ingredient, 1 pound of light or dark brown sugar which equals about 3½ cups. The Best Fruitcake recipe fills 4 loaf pans or 2 bundt cake pans. Aunt Phyllis' Nutty Fruitcake fills 2 loaf pans or 1 bundt cake pan. Selma Dunivant of Livonia and Frances Moritz of West Bloomfield called to point these errors out to me.

While we were talking, Moritz gave me a great recipe for low-fat pie crust. "I sent away to Puritan Oil for a cookbook, this was one of the recipes," said Moritz. "It's real nice and flaky."

Since he likes pie so much, Moritz leaves making the crust to her husband. This recipe works every time. It makes one crust, double it for two crusts.

LOW-FAT PIE CRUST

1½ cups all purpose flour
½ teaspoon salt (optional)
⅓ cup Canola oil
3 tablespoons skim milk

Combine flour and salt in one bowl. Blend oil and milk in another bowl. Gradually add to flour. Stir with fork until mixture forms large clumps.

Press with fingers to form ball. Flatten between hands to form a 5- to 6-inch pancake. Roll pancake between unfloured sheets of wax paper. Peel off top sheet, flip into 9 inch pie plate.

Better Crocker tip of the week: Crepes have the distinction of being a very dressy dessert without being difficult. Fill crepes with vanilla pudding, drizzle with raspberry sauce and top with a dollop of whipped cream and a sprig of mint.

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Almonds have historically been associated with feasts and special occasions. The practice of presenting wedding guests with candy coated Jordan almonds — still common today — began with the Fabian family of Rome in about 177 B.C.

For a special treat this holiday season, try White Jordan Almond Bark, which combines colorful pastel Jordan almonds and unblanched almonds in luscious white chocolate.

Over the centuries, almonds have become an essential ingredient in the holiday specialties of a number of different European countries, from English mincemeats and puddings to Austrian and Czeck braided breads.

In Denmark and Holland, the baker hides a whole almond in Three Kings' Bread; whoever gets that piece is sure of good luck. Swedish Christmas rice pudding also boasts a secret almond. Tradition says that the one who finds it will also find romatic happiness and marry in the coming year.

Almonds are essential to German Lubkerchen, Italian torrone, Danish wienerbrod and kransekager, Swedish bondkakor (Country Lass Cookies), and kronanskaka (crown cake), and Finska pinnar (Finnish shortbread). And almond extract is a favorite flavoring, adding holiday flavor to baked goods and desserts.

Almonds are available in a number of forms — in-the-shell almonds look pretty in a wooden bowl, (alone or in assortment with other nuts), as a centerpiece. Swedes float slivered almonds in glogg, the traditional hot spiced holiday wine. Ground marzipan (almond sugar paste) is the basic ingredient in many traditional cookies, candies and sweets, while chopped toasted almonds are used to top English toffee or to garnish French chocolate truffles.

Wrap White Jordan Almond Bark in colored cellophane and present in a holiday tin tied with ribbon for a special homemade gift. A beribboned jar of fancy Sugar 'n' Spice Almonds makes a handsome hostess gift, and they're a tasty treat to serve guests at your own holiday parties, too. Almonds can even add a holiday touch to meals. Green Beans Amandine dressed up an ordianry vegetable for holiday presentation.

Recipes in this column are tested in 625- to 700-watt microwave ovens.

Micro-Tip of the week

To roast whole almonds in your microwave oven, toss almonds with vegetable oil to coat lightly. Arrange in a single layer on microwave-safe plate and microwave 2 minutes at HIGH (100 percent power) setting. Toss and let stand 1 minute. Microwave 2 minutes longer at HIGH setting, or until almonds are golden brown. Drain and cool on paper towels.

WHITE JORDEN ALMOND BARK

1 pound bulk white chocolate
1 ½ cups Jordan Almonds
½ cup unblanched whole almonds
Yields about 1 ½ pound candy.
Preperation time: 10 minutes
Cooking time: 4 to 6 minutes
Oven setting: HIGH (100 percent power).
Line cookie sheet with foil; set aside.

Break up chocolate and place in a 2-quart microwave-safe casserole or mixing bowl. Microwave, uncovered, 4 to 6 minutes, or until chocolate melts, stirring every 2 minutes. Stir in Jordan and unblanched almonds. Immediately turn mixture onto lined cookie sheet; spread into thin layer and allow to cool thoroughly. Break into pieces and store in airtight container. Store in cool, dry place.

SUGAR 'N SPICE ALMONDS

1 cup granulated sugar
½ cup water
1 cup honey
1 pound unblanched whole shelled almonds
1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
½ teaspoon allspice
¼ teaspoon ground cardamom
¼ teaspoon ground ginger
Yields 1 pound fancy sugared almonds
Preperation time: 10 to 15 minutes
Cooking time: 10 to 14 minutes.
Oven setting: HIGH (100 percent power); MEDIUM (50 percent power); LOW/DEFROST (30 percent power).

Combine sugar and water in 2-quart microwave-safe casserole. Microwave on HIGH setting 3 minutes. Stir in honey and microwave 2 to 4 minutes inger on HIGH, or until mixture is thickened and hot.

Stir in nuts and microwave on MEDIUM setting 3 to 5 minutes, or until nuts begin to crackle. Remove from oven.

In a small bowl, combine spices; stir to blend. Sprinkle hot nuts with spices; toss to coat evenly. Microwave at LOW setting 2 minutes longer, then in 1-minute increments (as necessary), until mixture is dry, stirring every minute. Spread on paper towels to cool, then store in airtight container in cool, dry place.

FRENCH GREEN BEANS ALMONDINE

1 (10-ounce) package frozen French-cut green beans
¼ cup slivered almonds
2 tablespoons butter or margarine
Salt and pepper to taste
2 tablespoons shredded mild cheddar cheese
Yields 4 servings
Preperation time: 5 minutes
Cooking time: 7 to 10 minutes
Oven setting: HIGH (100 percent power).

Place green beans in a 1 ½-quart microwave-safe casserole. Cover and microwave 5 to 6 minutes, or until beans are tender and heated through. Drain and set aside.

Combine almonds and butter in a 1-cup glass measure. Microwave 1 to 2 minutes, stirring after 1 minute, until butter is melted and lamonds are lightly browned. Add to green beans, tossing to combine. Cover and microwave 1 to 2 minutes. Season to taste with salt and pepper. Transfer to serving dish, if desired, and sprinkle shredded cheese over top. Serve immediately.

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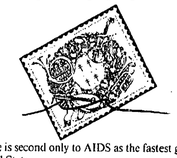

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Take these tips for safe cooking

Does "tradition" put your family at risk for food poisoning?

When you look at the faces around your Holiday table, think about this. Nearly one in fice of the people you see could face special risks frdom food poisoning.

Who? A lot of people are especially vunerable to food poisoning. Most of them don't know it. People over 65, pregnant women, infants and people with chronic illnesses all stand a greater chance of getting sick from food poisoning and suffering complications.

But here's the most important part. You can cut those risks, protecting yourself and family. Most foodborne illness can be prevented by safe food handling.

Check out your family traditions. According to Diane Van on USDA's Meat and Poultry Hotline, one of the riskiest things people do is something they've seen done for decades — leave the cooked turkey out all day.

"It's on the counter, it's on the table. People pick at it after dinner and there it sits for hours," said Van.

Unfortunately, while it's sitting there bacteria are multiplying, doubling every 20 minutes in the right conditions.

"If just one bacterial cell got on the meat after you pulled it out of the oven at 1:00, by 8 that evening you could have over 2 million," Van said.

So here's the food safety rule: Two hours after you pull the cooked bird out of the oven it shold be back in the refrigerator. To speed cooling and limit bacterial growth, cut the meat from the bone, remove the stuffing and store both in small, shallow containers.

Turkey like Grandma Made. "For as long as we've been having holiday turkeys, we've been looking for ways to save time with the fixings. Somewhere from the glue in the seams could make you very sick."

"Eggstra" cautions. Because of emerging problems with salmonella bacteria in unbroken eggs, people need to take precautions when preparing foods made with eggs, especially some desserts, like pumpkin or custard pies made with eggs.

Foods like custards, containing eggs, milk and high moisture content, need to be cooked to 160 F or until firm. They must also be refrigerated after cooking — a precaution that's necessary with most cakes, breads or cookies.

It's also important not to consume raw eggs. Use commercially pasteurized eggnog or make your own eggnog with a cooked custard base, Van said.

For safe Holiday food:

- Thawing a frozen turkey — Don't thaw on the kitchen counter. Thaw in the microwave or refrigerator.
- Snacking — Snacking off the turkey is fine, but don't leave it out more than 2 hours.
- Leftovers — To speed cooling, debone the turkey and refrigerate it in small, shallow containers.
- Cooking — Don't cook turkeys overnight at low temperatures. Cook at 325 F.
- Desserts — Cook custard to 160 F and refrigerate pies made with eggs.
- Eggnog — Don't use raw egg recipe. Use commercially prepared, pasturized eggnog or make your own with a cooked custard base.

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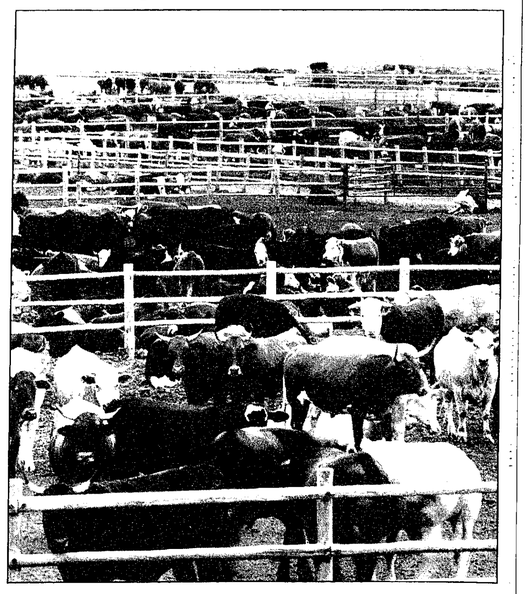

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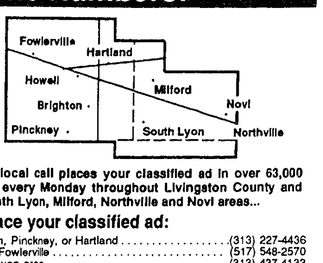

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HARTLAND Schools. 3 br. ranch, approx. 1000sq.ft., large lot. FHA approved. Must sell. $69,000. (313)421-0857, after 6pm.

042 Byron

80 ACRES of prime hunting ground. Offers 2 story 4 br. farmhouse. Double brick exterior. Excellent buy at $139,000. McGuire Realty, (313)266-5530. Eves. McGuire, (517)634-5259.

NO. 701. 4 to 5 br., 2½ story large spacious home, ½ baths, large family room, living room and kitchen, lots of cupboards, first floor laundry, garage, privacy fence. $64,900. McGuire Realty, (313)266-5530. Evenings, Barb, (517)271-8426.

049 Hamburg

LAKE privileges, 1 acre, garage, walk-out basement. Priced for quick sale. $64,900. Better Homes & Gardens, (313)229-7292.

052 Highland

LOW down land contract available on this brand new 1,512sq.ft. bi-level, 1 block from White Lake Public Access. $83,500. (313)887-8568. No realtors.

053 Howell

4 BR, starter home in city. $55,000. Also brand new 3 br., $118,900. (517)546-1976.

NEW CONSTRUCTION!
Beautiful 3 br. tri set on 2½ acres just minutes from downtown Howell. 2,200sq.ft. includes large kitchen, dining room, family room, den, Jacuzzi, central air and much more. Must see to believe how much $149,500 can buy. HWY USA All American Properties. (313)476-1600 Ask for Sherry.

061 Oak Grove

WHITMORE Lake/Ann Arbor, like new cond. 3 br., lake access, no pets, $690 a mo. Call after 5pm. (313)229-8695.

070 Whitmore Lake

WEBSTER TWP. COUNTRY HOME, DEXTER SCHOOLS. PERFECT FOR HORSES OR CAR COLLECTORS. 9 Br., 2½ baths on 10.3 acres. 2 Acres yard, corral, 48x50 barn, 3 car garage. Field, hills, stream, & pond for skating. Modern home decorated in neutral colors. Soaring brick fireplace, full length dock off bedroom. Inground pool & cabana. Owners leaving state, must sell now. $169,900. Call Mary Peters, Spear Associates, (313)426-5577.

077 Oakland County

COMMERCE lake privileges, 4 br., ranch, 3 baths, ½ acre, priced to sell. $109,500. Better Homes & Gardens, (313)229-7292.

081 Homes For Rent

BRIGHTON, Fonda Lake. 1 br., ideal for couple or single occupancy. (313)229-9844.

BRIGHTON. 3 br., fireplace, large country kitchen, city water & sewer. $650 monthly. After 6pm. (313)229-5223.

BRIGHTON. 2 br, fireplace, 2 car garage, references. $600 mo. (313)227-1868.

BRIGHTON Twsp. 2 br. home. $400 mo., first & last. (313)229-2985.

BRIGHTON. Woodland Lake, 3 br., family room, 2 car garage, Security deposit. $1,300. (313)274-4343.

BRIGHTON. In city, 3 br, 1 bath, $750 mo. (313)229-4693, (313)229-4659.

BRIGHTON. 3 bedrooms, fully carpeted, garage. (517)548-4197 after 5 pm.

BRIGHTON. Price reduced. Modern cape cod, 4 br., full bsmt., attached 2 car garage, exc. neighborhood. $965 per month. Available immediately. (313)426-3329.

FENTON south oil. 2 story country home on 8 acres, 2 very large bedrooms plus 1.5 baths, $700 per month. (313)735-9816.

FOWLERVILLE. 3 br., in town, newly decorated. No pets. $650. (517)223-8995.

FOWLERVILLE, 3 br., 2 bath, pole barn, Fowlerville schools, two br. apt., private balcony, available immediately, $600 per mo. plus deposite. (313)363-3900.

BRIGHTON Schools. Neat & clean 2 br. all sports lakefront, new carpet, 1 car garage. Available immediately. $600 per month, $900 security. No pets. (313)231-2442.

HOWELL. 2 bedroom, stove & refrigerator, $475 a mo. (517)548-4197 after 5 pm.

HOWELL 3 br. ranch, walkout basement, attached garage, fireplace. Located on a black top mail 5 miles from I-96. $700 per month. (517)546-4569, (517)548-3998.

HOWELL. 3 br. house, garage, no pets, available January. $735 per month. (517)546-9454.

HOWELL. Newly remodeled 2 br, fireplace, appliances, bsmt. Lakeview & access. Screened-in porch, close to downhill & cross country skiing. $650. No pets. (313)437-8004.

MILFORD. 2 br., lake access, $650 mo., available Jan. (313)684-5510.

MILFORD. Clean 3 br. house, $700/mo. No pets, first and last. (313)887-1133.

NORTHVILLE, $1,000 mo. plus utilities. 3 Br. ranch, 2 baths/bsmt. at 6 Mile/I-275. (313)565-9134.

NOVI. 1 br., near mall, secluded. $395/mo. $500 security. (313)347-1133.

NOVI. 2 br., with garage. Large lot. Grand River and Novi Rd. area. $675 mo. (313)632-5292.

082 Lakefront Homes For Rent

BRIGHTON. Crooked Lake, 5 min. from Mt. Brighton. Furnished bungalow, $595/mo. Avail. until June. (313)565-6383

BRIGHTON. Easy US-23, I-96 access. 3 br., 2 full bath, 2 fireplace, 2 car garage, paved rd. Available Jan 4-1992. $1100 monthly plus security and references. No utilities. (313)227-6949.

BRIGHTON. Briggs Lake. Furnished. Very clean. Must see. Weekly rates. (313)227-3225.

GAYLORD area ski chalet, Sleeps 14. Completely furnished, fireplace. 20 min. Boyne. Groomed cross country trails. $300 per weekend. (313)349-3129 after 4pm.

HOWELL, Triangle Lake 3 br., 2 bath, chalet. Walkout basement, large deck, 120ft. frontage all sports lake. Beautiful. (313)665-2239.

083 Apartments For Rent

1100 SQ.FT. 2 br. apartment with privacy fence. $600 monthly includes heat, hot water. Immediate occupancy. References. (313)229-9513 days, (313)437-9933 eves.

BRIGHTON, Hidden Harbor. 1 br condo. Close to shopping, ex-ways, skiing. $450 mo. (313)227-4064.

BRIGHTON. Attention seniors: No stairs! 1 br. luxury main floor apt. in senior building. Security system, dishwasher, washer, dryer, air. Won't last long! $495 mo. (313)227-6354.

BRIGHTON. 2 br., carport, all appliances, carpeting, drapes. Newly decorated $525 mo. (313)229-4374.

BRIGHTON. 1 apt. No pets. Security plus 1st month. (313)229-4678.

DEXTER efficiency, $375/mo., plus utilities. PINCKNEY, 1 br., $450/mo., includes utilities. (313)663-8822 Evenings: (313)665-5423.

FOWLERVILLE. Extra nice, 2 large br., no pets. $450 per mo. (313)685-2701

FOWLERVILLE

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!
We have spacious, well equipt, 2 br. apts., with snow free security entry ways, additional storage and much more. Immediate occupancy. $500/monthly. Metropolitan Management, Ltd.

(517)223-7445
(313)454-3610

HOWELL. Furnished short term apts. including washer/dryer & garage. 1 month or more. Berwick Farms. (517)548-5755.

HOWELL near park. Two 2 br. apts. $450 monthly. Call for information and application. (313)363-8051.

HOWELL. Large Victorian studio apt. in town. $375 per mo. plus deposit. Non-smoker, no pets. (517)546-1593.

KALAMINK Creek Apts. a FmHA 515 assisted housing community is now accepting applications for 1 and 2 br. apts. at 392 W. Grand River, Apt. # 101, Webberville Mi. (517)521-4924. Barrier free apts available periodically. Equal Housing Opportunity.

MILFORD AREA
$399 Moves You In (On selected units)
• Large 1 & 2 Bedroom
• Walk-in closets
• Fully carpeted
• Swimming pool, clubhouse
• Free Heat
Kensington Park Apartments
Across from Kensington Metro Park located at I-96 & Kent Lake Rd.
437-6794

084 Duplexes For Rent

BRIGHTON. 2 bedroom, 1 car garage, walkout, references, $600 mo. (313)227-1868.

HOWELL. 2 br. newly remodeled, fenced yard, good privacy. $530 per month plus security. (517)548-4155.

MILFORD. Large, clean 1 br. $450/mo. includes heat, water, laundry facility. First & last. No pets. (313)684-5314, (313)684-1828.

PINCKNEY 3 br. 1½ bath country duplex. Stove, refrigerator, air cond. patio dock. No pets. $595 per mo. (313)227-6808.

085 Rooms For Rent

BRIGHTON Townhouse, must be clean & courteous $500 mo. (313)229-8658.

HOWELL, house to share. Split rent, $350 monthly, some utilities. (517)548-4635.

086 Foster Care

ADULT Foster care home, in Livingston County. On lake with color tv's and private bathrooms in every room. (313)735-7049.

087 Condominiums, Townhouses For Rent

ARGENTINE TWP. Contemporary 1 br., luxury condo on Lobdell Lake. All utilities, appliances, attached garage, washer/dryer, cable, dock and much more for $540. (313)735-8590.

BRIGHTON. Newer 3 br. condo., 3½ baths, high efficiency, 2,800sq.ft., garage, non-smokers, $1,300 monthly, plus security deposit. (313)227-8169.

BRIGHTON condo. 1 bedroom, air, dishwasher, $440 mo. (313)335-2864 (313)227-6659.

NORTHVILLE. 3 br., family room, fireplace, 1½ bath, heat, $1000 monthly. (313)348-6561.

088 Mobile Home For Rent

FOWLERVILLE. Country setting, 2 br., 2 bath. $300 mo., security first & last. (517)223-3273.

WHITMORE LAKE. 1987 Oakbrook, 1,120sq.ft., 3 br., 2 full baths. $500 mo. plus utilities. Available Jan. 1st. Call after 6pm. (313)665-4625.

089 Mobile Home Sites For Rent

OLD Dutch Farms Manufactured Housing Community. South Lyon schools. Club house, off street parking, RV storage, singe wide sites available. (313)349-3949.

090 Living Quarters To Share

BRIGHTON. Spacious & comfortable. (313)227-4675.

BRIGHTON. Wanted, non-smoker to share 2 br. duplex w/female & cat. Laundry facilities. $250 plus ½ utilities. Available Jan. 1, maybe earlier. Call after 6pm, (313)229-8809.

HIGHLAND. Reliable person, $250/mo. plus 1/4 utilities, (313)887-9267; (313)887-4725.

HIGHLAND/Milford area. Pleasant room for rent w/house privileges, $70 wk. (313)887-3421 leave message.

HOWELL. Female wishes to share 2 br., Apt. with same. For more information please call after 5pm. (517)546-5364 messages only.

HOWELL. Walk to downtown or the lake. House privileges include washer and dryer. $250 a month. (517)546-6709.

091 Industrial, Commercial For Rent

BRIGHTON. Commercial building, 1500sq.ft. w/walkout bsmt. $300 per mo. (313)526-6700.

HOWELL, downtown, approx. 1000 sq.ft., retail or office. (517)546-3570, (517)546-6802.

HOWELL West Grand River location, 2500 sqft. overhead doors, zoned commercial, available immediately $1200 per month, call (517)546-0227.

INDUSTRIAL/COMMERCIAL BROKERS
Have lunch with us and learn about lease opportunities in the Lowry Technology Park. 11am-1pm, Wed., Dec. 18, 1991. Come to 7100 Whitmore Lake Rd., Suite 9410 at Maltby Rd. (just S. of Grand River Ave. in Brighton, MI. R.S.V.P. (313)227-9000. The Baker Team.

093 Office Space For Rent

BRIGHTON Office building for lease, 1500sq.ft. w/walkout bsmt. $300 per mo. (313)626-6700.

BRIGHTON. New office space for lease in Fonda Place. Must see to appreciate. Single office wishared services up to 5,272sq.ft. Call Mike at (313)227-2146

BRIGHTON/SOUTH Lyon. 800sq.ft., new premium finished office on Kensington Rd. at Silver Lake Rd. $750 per month, includes all utilities. (313)437-4163.

094 Vacation Rentals

DISNEY/EPCOT---Universal studios, 1½ miles away, luxury 2 & 3 br., 2 bath condos. Washer, dryer, microwave, pool, jacuzzi, tennis courts, from $525 weekly. 1-800-488-5150 days (313)878-9713 evenings.

FLORIDA. Furnished, 2 br., 2 bath, 2 car garage. Retirement community. Must be 55 or older, no children, non smokers, club house and pool available. $850/mo. 3mo. minimum. First, last, security, $500. (313)227-5990.

096 Storage Space For Rent

MILFORD. Large dry 2 car garage in Village. $100 per month. (313)684-2173

NEW HUDSON. Enclosed car storage, $35 per month. Call Liz, (313)437-7602.

101 Antiques

COUNTER top display case, 2x5ft. Oak china cabinet w/ curved glass. Secretary desk. Library table. Mantle clock. Claw leg table. Plant stand. Numerous small items. (313)363-3047.

LARGE household sale. Many quality antiques. Wicker set. Call for appointment. (313)227-1626.

STOCK Exchange Antique shop. 1156 Hacker Rd., Brighton. Open 12 to 6pm till Christmas. (313)227-7912.

103 Garage, Moving, Rummage Sales

ALL GARAGE, RUMMAGE & MOVING SALES PLACED UNDER THIS COLUMN MUST START WITH THE CITY WHERE THE SALE IS TO BE HELD.

FREE GARAGE SALE KITS
ASK ABOUT YOURS WHEN YOU PLACE YOUR GARAGE SALE AD IN THE GREEN SHEET. THESE KITS CAN BE OBTAINED AT YOUR LOCAL NEWSPAPER OFFICE.

NORTHVILLE Moving out of state, must sell household items including: wood inlaid cocktail table, stangl dinnerware and more. (313)348-0065.

104 Household Goods

APPLE Stylewriter printer with accessories, new unopened box, $350. (313)887-6191.

COMPUTER resale network, matching buyers and sellers of used computer hardware. Buyer protection plan. Call Compuoyecle, (313)887-2600.

110 Sporting Goods

ROWING machine w/digital timer, Avia Professional, hardly used. $195. (313)349-6093.

SOLOFLEX, complete with leg extension and butterfly, mint, $750. (313)229-6175 after 6pm.

SOLOMON SX82 lady's ski boots, size 6½/7, $65. (313)227-0656 after 5pm.

111 Farm Products

CLEAN Straw and Hay, large firm bales. Rocky Ridge Farm. (517)546-4265.

FRESH home grown Turkeys. By appointment only. Howell, (517)546-7953.

CHRISTMAS fruit baskets made to order. Northern spy, red and golden delicious apples. Fresh cider and other goodies. We ship apples UPS. Open daily except Monday, 9am to 6pm. Warner's Orchard and Cider Mill, 5970 Old US 23 (Whitmore Lake Rd.) Brighton.

115 Christmas Trees

B & B live trees and cut trees, same price until ground freezes. All types and sizes. Sloan Farms. (517)546-3094.

CHRISTMAS trees. Buy one get 3 free. Douglas Firs, blue & white spruce. (313)229-6815.

LIVE Christmas trees in 25 gallon plastic container, ready to put in your livingroom. Colorado spruce, 5 - 10ft. tall. Also cut trees. (313)229-6425. Exit 75 off US 23, 1/4 mile east. 1185 Center Rd

SCOTCH Pine, sheared and shaped, up to 8 ft., $15.00. You select, I cut. Open Fri., 1-5, Sat. 10-5, Sun. 1-5 Duane Grubach, 3700 Mason Rd., Howell (517)546-4305.

107 Miscellaneous

BRIGGS and stratton, 8 hp. IC, side shaft, good for log splitter, new still in box. $335. (313)437-6090.

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEARS EARLY DEADLINES

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CHRISTMAS special. Individual has gift certificate worth $437 for fur and leather shop, will sell for $337. Brenda (313)721-6302.

DIAMOND ring, 1 full carat, flawless. $1,200. Call after 4:30pm, (313)887-9274.

HOT TUBS Distributors surplus on 1991 portables. Were $3790, Now $1,3051 (313)425-7227.

INTELLIVISION III, 31 games. Asking $100. Great Christmas gift. (313)347-1828.

NEW furnace, still in box with heating and cooling thermostat and some duct work. $545. Ask for Wayne. (517)548-5229.

RELIANCE Imports grand opening sale at Northville location. Oriental rugs - traditional and contemporary designs from India, Pakistan, China. Flokati from Greece, Egg - art ware from Denmark and many more items. Buy at wholesale prices, save 20% to 30%. Lay away available. Dealers welcome. Visit our showroom or call (313)349-5650, Sanker Pathak.

TANNING bed, Sontegra Aruba. Exc. cond. Commercial unit. New bulbs, $1,800/best offer. (313)347-6852.

TRENCHER, 14HP, 3ft digging depth, all hydraulic. $2,500. (517)548-1367.

USED color TVs - reasonably priced. 1 VCR $120, guaranteed. (313)349-5183.

WILLIAMSTON furnace, 125,000 Btu. Good condition, work great. Includes permanent filters. $225. (313)229-2120 after 6pm.

108 Miscellaneous Wanted

RECYCLE WITH REGAL
Wanted: Scrap copper, brass, aluminum, nickel, carbide, etc. Regal's, 199 Lucy Road, Howell. (517)546-3820.

SCRAP wanted: Highest prices paid. Aluminum, .20¢ to .35¢ per pound. Brass, .30¢ to .60¢ per pound. Copper, .65¢ to .85¢ per pound. Auto radiators, .40¢ per pound. Catalytic converters, $8.00 and up. Batteries, $1.00 each. Mann Scrap Co., 1123 Decker Rd., Walled Lake. (313)960-1200.

WANTED: JAPANESE SWORDS any condition for Martial Arts School. Cash paid. $300-$400 and up. (517)524-8141.

109 Computers

ROTTWEILER pups, AKC, Black and Mahogany, $350. See both parents here. (313)878-9113.

SHELTIE, AKC, all shots, $225 each. (313)227-5320.

SHELTIES for Christmas, AKC, some champion sired and show quality, all ages and colors, $100-$300, (517)628-2828.

SHIH TZU puppies, AKC, beautiful, champion bloodlines, have both parents. Will be ready for Christmas. (313)437-7419.

SHIH-TZU puppies, AKC, shots, ready for Christmas. (517)546-1070.

SIBERIAN Husky pups, AKC, blue eyes, reds & blacks. $250. (313)231-1150.

WHITE Artic Tundra pup/Wolf Hybrid, female, $600. (313)573-0991.

TIMBERWOLF Hybrids, 70%, 6 weeks, shots and wormed. Fun and loving. $450. The Wolf Pack, 7101 East M-36, Hamburg. (313)231-1150.

117 Firewood

2 YEAR seasoned wood. Solid Oak or Hickory. $40 cord, 4x8x20. (313)266-4407.

AGED hardwood firewood, any quantity, delivery and stacking available. Bundled kindling. Mick White Trucking, (313)348-3150.

ARROW TREE EXPERTS
Dry seasoned hardwoods. 4x8x18 $55. Or try our special aromatic blend, perfect for the holidays. $65. Call now for free delivery. 1/2 cord orders accepted. (313)437-4335.

CEDAR slabwood by the truckload, $25 cut and delivered. (313)449-0459.

DRYER WOOD
Quality seasoned firewood 4x8x16 mixed hardwood, $45. All oak, $55 face cord. 2 cord min. Free delivery. (517)223-3425, (517)521-3350.

SEASONED hardwood, $55/facecord. 4x8x16-18, 2 facecord minimum, split and delivered. (517)548-9964.

SEASONED hardwood, $50/cord, 4x8x16-18, split and delivered. (313)878-6678.

SEASONED oak, $35 a facecord, 4x8x16, unsplit, $50/split. Free delivery in 5 cord lots or more. Volume discount. (517)634-5263.

SEASONED firewood: oak, cherry & maple. Free kindling with each order. $45 delivered. (313)449-0459.

SEASONED mix hardwood. $50 a facecord. 4x8x16. (517)546-1976.

118 Building Materials

5FT. sliding glass door, $200. 3x4 window, $75. Call (313)887-3800 after 6pm.

8FT. thermopane patio doorwall w/screen. Exc. cond. $350 or best offer. (517)546-0649.

119 Lawn, Garden Snow Equipment

OTHER SERVICES AND PRODUCTS CAN BE FOUND IN OUR BUSINESS DIRECTORY CLASSIFIC

170 Help Wanted General

EASY work! Excellent pay! Assemble products at home. Call toll free 1(800)467-5566 ext. 610.

FACTORY JOBS NOW

DAYS/AFTERNOONS

BRIGHTON, Whitmore Lake, Dexter, Howell.

ADIA
(313)227-1218

GENERAL office help needed, Mon., Tues., Wed., 9am-12, $6.00/hr. (517)546-7211.

LIVE-In couple to provide care for young man with developmental disability. Room and board in a nice home in W. Bloomfield Twp. Salary based on background. Please call New Outlook Inc., at (313)473-2470 for an appt.

MAINTENANCE couple wanted to clean & maintain luxury apt. building. Neat appearance, apt. or commercial maintenance experience & excellent housekeeping skills desired. Salary plus benefits plus 1 br. apt. Call (313)347-6867 and ask for manager only.

NOW accepting applications for sales associates. Competative starting salary, health insurance program, clean positive working enviornment, apply in person: I-96 Shell Food-Mart, I-96 and Grand River, Brighton.

NOW HIRING
Sales assistants wanted for Novi and Milford locations. Will train. Advancement opportunity. Ideal for re-entering work force. To schedule an interview, call Andy Massie at Little Valley Homes, (313)349-2500.

PRESS BRAKE OPERATOR. Steel Fabricating Co., in Walled Lake seeking experienced operator for day shift. Candidate must be able to do all set ups and be able to read prints. Full benefit package, including profit sharing. (313)624-2410.

RESIDENT manager for small senior citizen property, located in Howell, MI. Send resume to: Attention Cora, Country Glen Apts., 600 Warbler St., Howell, MI 48843. Call (517)546-5592 for appointment.

RUBBER molding press operator. Experience required. Walled Lake area. Call Karen at (313)624-4417.

SATELLITE OUTDOOR ANTENNA INSTALLATION - SERVICE.
- Some experience necessary
- Full/part-time
- Benefit package

CENTURY, (313)227-[illegible]22.

SECURITY OFFICERS

Pinkerton is now hiring in the Howell area. Experience helpful, but not needed. Benefits include:

- Paid Holidays
- Vacations/Overtime
- Free uniforms/equipment
- Medical Ins. offered

Interested applicants, call Lori at: (313)354-1200 between 9am-1pm.

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STYLISTS needed, immediate openings, full or part-time, benefits included. Sign-in bonus. 1(800)589-SAMS.

TEACHER - Spanish or French. Part-time, 1 to 6 hrs/week, $15 to $45/hr. to teach afternoons. Training and materials provided. For interview, call 1(800)547-7741.

171 Help Wanted Sales

Absolutely The Opportunity
For Success!

43 yr. old manufacturing company with hot item, seeks sales professionals to cover expanding area. We are growing and need quality help. We offer:

- No overnights or long distance
- Complete corporate training
- Health Insurance
- Liberal scheduling
- Lots & lots of preset confirmed leads
- 50-100K potential income

We ask for ethical motivated people who desire to increase their income and want to get in on the ground floor of our expansion and grow with us! Call Preston: (313)227-4270 or (313)662-3171.

DOWNTOWN Brighton insurance office looking for part-time telemarketer Mon. thru Thurs. 6-9pm. (313)227-3000.

ENTRY level sales w/prestigious fine art gallery in Liv. Cty. Duties include: setting appointments & calling on corporate prospects. Must be reliable. Randy, (313)229-9897.

GREAT part-time job, excellent pay, monthly bonus, flexible hours. "Call today," start January. Contact Sue, (517)548-1920.

PHONE soliciters. Part-time, days and evenings. Students welcome. (517)548-0519.

WALLPAPER Sales. In store position at Drapery Boutique Farmington. Experienced with knowledge of manufacturers, wallpapers books, invoicing, measuring and sales. Competitive hourly, plus benefits. Call Lori or Stacy (313)626-4313.

TRU GREEN
America's fastest growing green industry leader is seeking aggressive career oriented individuals for management trainees and marketing representatives. Experience in marketing preferred. Competitive salary, benefits, incentives and car allowances available. Expand your potential with an industry leader. Call Mike at (313)665-7707 for an appointment.
Tru Green
3735 Plaza Dr.
Ann Arbor, MI 48108

DANCE CLASSES. Ballet, Tap & Jazz offered. 5 yrs. exp. Jan. classes. Linda (313)668-7535.

TUTORER in Speech Therapy needed for 4 yr. old 2 evenings per week in my home. Please reply with qualification and pay expectations to: P.O. Box 192, Whitmore Lake, MI. 48189

180 Situations Wanted

GIVE yourself or your spouse the best gift ever! A home cleaning service! Call (517)548-9678.

HOME and office cleaning. 2 experienced adults. Livingston County area. (517)223-9494.

187 Business Opportunities

CHILDRENS consignment resale shop. Brighton area. (313)227-3923.

PARTY Store. Reduced to $40,000. Terms available. Must sell. At Old US-23 & Bergin Rd. (Ray's Market). Jim Thompson, Century 21 Brighton Towne Co. (313)229-2913, (313)437-4122.

SNACK Counter & Restaurant for lease, in 32 lane bowling center. (313)685-8745.

205 Snowmobiles

1976 ARCTIC Cat Pantera, good condition, $550 or best offer. (313)684-5602.

1979 ARTIC Cat Pantera 5000, F/C, with cover, $1000. 1978 Artic Cat Jag 3000, F/A, with cover, $800. (313)887-1752.

1968 FORMULA MX, Suite & wedge helmet. $2500/best. (313)887-9141 Bob eves.

1991 POLARIS Indy Lite. Extras, $2,700. (517)223-7562.

2 SNOWMOBILES plus trailer: 1981 Arctic Cat Panther 440, low hours; 1980 Yamaha SS 440, new track, seat and recently tuned up; 2 place tilt trailer, larger than standard wheels. $2,900 negotiable. (313)229-5859.

210 Boats and Equipment

1989 WELLCRAFT Portofino 43ft. Loaded. All electronic instruments, custom dash, low hours, well maintained. Mr. Smith, Mon-Fri. 8am-4pm. (313)538-8878.

215 Campers, Trailers And Equipment

UTILITY trailers, factory direct. 4x8, $425. 5x8, $475. 5x10, $550. 5x12 tandum, $825. Landscape trailers, we custom build. Nomanco dealer. Haulmark. We accept MasterCard and Visa. (313)632-5612

220 Auto Parts And Services

1972 SUPER Beetle, part only, engine/trans, great for Dune Buggy. $250/best. (313)227-5008.

HOME AUTO PAINT AND UPHOLSTERY SHOP. Vinyl tops small repairs. Cant beat my price. (313)348-8810 Jerry or Pete.

225 Autos Wanted

1 SELL ME YOUR CAR, TRUCK OR VAN, 1980 to 1987, low mileage or high mileage, good condition or fair condition. Out state buyers waiting. Instant cash. Please call Dale, (517)342-6455, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. seven days a week.

I WANT OLDSMOBILE 98'S OR CADILLACS. 1977 to 1984. Please call Dale, (517)342-6455.

230 Trucks

1978 CHEVY 3/4 ton, 4 speed, many new parts, am/fm cassette, $900. (517)546-6074; or pager (313)229-1248.

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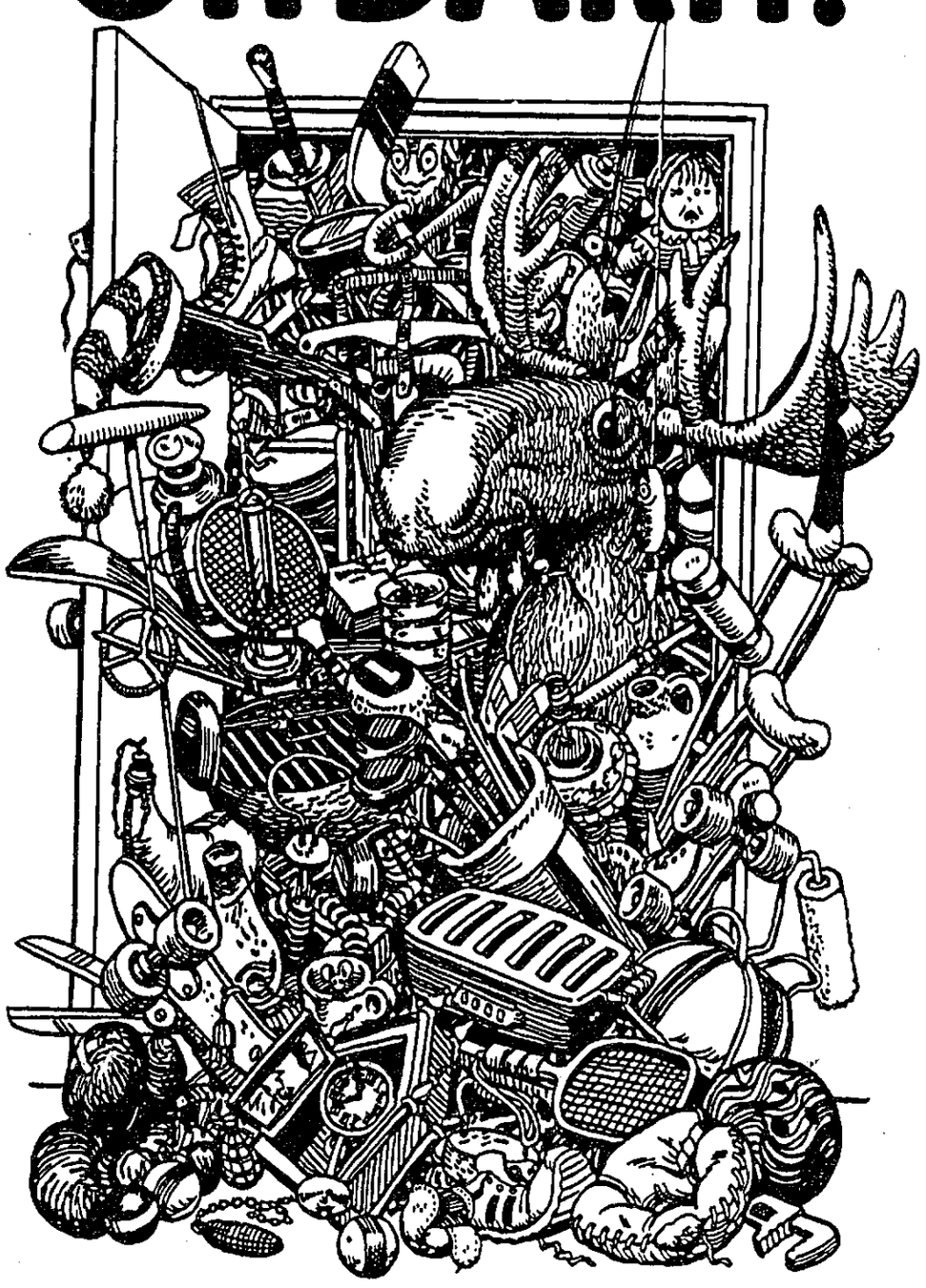

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