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HAPPY YEAR 2000!



Residents pose for a 'family portrait'

Almost on the eve of the new millennium, Dec. 6 to be precise, we asked Novi residents gathered at the city's annual Light Up The Holidays event to pose for a group portrait, a look at our city as it was in the very last year of the 20th century. And here they all are, in the atrium of the Novi Civic Center. This is a moment frozen in time of people who appear well-led, well-dressed

and quite content with their lot in life. Of course, with the arrival of Santa Claus

in a fire engine imminent, who wouldn't be happy?

Unlike national politicians, who love to thrust themselves into front row, center, hiding in the back in this shot are the city's elected officials. Because, in Novi, it's clearly kids (including Girl Scouts) in front!

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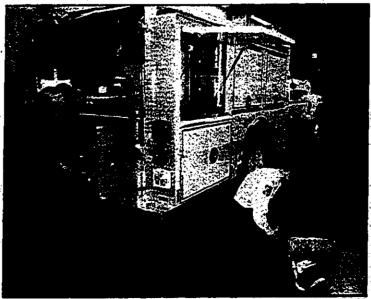
By MELANIE PLENDA Staff Writer

There was no talk of bombs or bugs at midnight among the revelers at Fifth Avenue Ballroom in

As they stood and watched Dick Clark (the other one, not the mayor of Novi) bring in the new century on TV, they seemed to forget the past, ignore the future and enjoy the moment. They knew there would never be another

night like this in their lifetimes. Today will probably be the most memorable day of the century," said Northville resident Mar-

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All dressed up, nowhere to go are Robert Kennaley, left and Lt. Don Dominick, at the fire department on New Year's Eve.

And what really didn't

By B.J. HAMMERSTEIN Staff Writer

The world was watching, the City of Novi was ready and many people are still scratching their

heads wondering.
But Dec. 31, 1999 transformed into Jan. 1, 2000 with nothing of major consequence happening in

the city. There is absolutely nothing to report on," Novi City Manager Ed.

Kriewall said. "I must commend all of the city's departments. We were well-

prepared early on, each department was compliant and every-

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Community Calendar

Thursday, Jan. 6

Novi Rotary 4 The Nov. Roturn vibro meets of monost the Novi Cinred Wethodist phurch at 41671 Ten Mac Rosef. For information, contact Bob limbright.

Novi School Board 43 he Nov. Sensol Board meets complified 7 39 p.m. in the Edinational

Plake Off Founds Sensibly for all ages meets at 7 p.m. at the Novi Mead. his Childhorse on Sapier Road. For more information, call after 6 p.m.: 2450344 2107

Friday, Jan. 7

Services Building, 25045 July Road, For information, call 446 (200).

Expo Show

Today through Jan. 9, the Health Titness and Infestyle Show runs at ... the Novi Expo Center, For information stall 348-5600.

Monday, Jan. 10

City Council The Novi City Conned will meet at 7:36 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center, 45475 W. Ten Mile Road.

Library Board The Novi labrary Board will meet at 7 to onin, in the Novi fibrary build-

Tuesday, Jan. 11

Civil Air Patrol The Sixgate Composite Squadron, Civil Air Patrol, meets at Novi Middle Parks meeting School, 25299 Tatt Rd., from 7/9/30 p.m. Adults and youths who have finished the sixth grade are welcome. For additional information call 349-

Northville School Board

The Northville School Board meets at 7:30 p.m. in the third floor Conterence Room, Old Village School, For information, call 349-3400.

The Novi Chess Club will meet from 7-10 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center. There is no charge to attend and all players are welcome. For more information, call Tim Sawmiller, 344-4269 evenings after 6 p.m.

Optimist Club

The Novi Optimist Club meets at 7:30 a.m. at the Big Boy Restaurant on Novi Road, across from the Novi Town Center.

Novi Concert Band

The Novi Concert Band rehearses at Novi High School at 7:30 p.m. For Expo Show further information, call (248) 932-9244.

Wednesday, Jan. 12

Seniors potluck

Lions Club

The Novi Senior Social Club will gather at noon in the Novi Civic Cen-Expo Center. For information, call 348-5600. ter for their monthly polluck luncheon.

SPARK The Society for the Preservation of American Racing Knowledge, the all-

ica, meets at 7 p.m. at the Novi Expo Center. The meeting is open to anyone interested in supporting the Hall of Fame and Museum.

Thursday, Jan. 13

The Novi Parks and Recreation Commission will meet at 7:30 p.m. in

Youth baseball

Novi Youth Baseball meets at 7:00 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center. The meeting is open to the public.

Novi Rotary

The Novi Rotary Club meets at noon at the Novi United Methodist Church at 41671 Ten Mile Road. For information, contact Bob Limbright at 380-6500.

Take Off Pounds Sensibly for all ages meets at 7 p.m. at the Novi Meadows Clubhouse on Napier Road. For more information, call after 6 p.m. (248) 344-2167.

Saturday, Jan. 15

Today and Sunday, the Bridal Show runs at the Novi Expo Center, For information, call 348-5600.

Expo Show

Today and Sunday, the Great American Train Show runs at the Novi

Monday, Jan. 17

The Novi Lions Club will meet at Kim's Gardens at 6:30 p.m. for dinner Martin Luther King Day. City of Novi offices and the Novi library are closed today for Martin

Luther King Day.

volunteer support organization for the Motorsports Half of Fame of Amer-The Novi Oaks Charter Chapter of the American Business Women's Association meets at the Wyndham Garden Hotel, at 42100 Crescent Blvd. Social hour is set at 6 p.m. and dinner is served at 7 p.m. Meetings are open to all working women. For reservations, call Audrey Gullev at For membership information, call Bettie Johnson at (248) 960-9559.

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Store features paint-your-own ceramics

By JENNIFER NORRIS Staff Writer

ness have always been appealing to environment, including large wood. Ashare recently helped members Kristin Ashare and now her inter- en tables and plenty of natural of the Boy and Girl Scouts organiests have been combined at Ready. light. In addition, several finished zation with a special project at her

Located in the Novi Town Center, Ready Set Paint! is a contemporary 90 minutes to complete a project, said. art studio that allows customers to depending on its size and level of experiment with painting pottery and testing their creativity. "You don't have to be an artist.

creating your personalized project. Ashare explained it is then set out being able to mix her hobbies with is to select your piece. Customers to dry and is available for pick-up her education. can choose from over 300 items, in a few days. During that time a "I enjoy putting to use what I've including plates, candlestick hold-clear, non-toxic, food-safe glaze is studied. It's been a thrill for me to ers, vases, figurines, flower pots applied and the piece is fired a sec- take an idea and see it become a and even spacemen. Next, visitors ond time. can personalize their project with

"There's not much to it," said

of Jeffery Burda, a Novi resident Baylor.

cream to a distributor on Dec. 23.

James Jett. 18, Lacoy Adrow. 18,

and Eugene Brown, 19, were

the 36th District Court. If convict-

"We're extremely thankful the

did," said Steve Kovacs, Burda's

by the actions of the suspects.

with no brains," he said.

police got them as quick as they from anyone."

"If there's any satisfaction that stolen mini van.

life in prison, officials said.

come from this."

available for illustrations.

By JENNIFER NORRIS

Ready, Set, Paint! which opened tions, decorations, pizza, beverage, Creating art and owning a busi- in November, offers an ideal work cake and ice cream. pieces are on display as samples. studio. Ashare said it takes about 60 to "They did such a good job." she

elaborateness. "People love to be creative," said creativity is being encouraged in Ashare, "and people love to get and young kids." you just have to be creative," said give gifts with a personal touch." After customers have finished degree in business from Wayne

She explained the first step to with painting their masterpiece. State University, said she enjoys

The Ready, Set, Paint! studio Studio rates include the price of the help of a variety of stamps, also offers activities for special the pottery piece plus a \$7.00 per sponges, stencils and over 60 col- events such as birthday parties, hour fee for studio time, all supors of glazes. Idea books are also family gatherings, holiday parties, plies, glazing and firing. bridal showers, and corporate outings. A private party room, set-up,

Teens held in Novi man's murder

3rd judicial circuit court.

wrong time," said Shaw.

Magistrate Margaret E. Baylor of simply looking for someone to rob.

can come out of this at this Police said Burda, an employee

Investigator Terrill Shaw of the

Store hours are noon to 9 p.m. share. clean-up, glazing and firing are Tuesday through Saturday. Sun-"I was hooked after doing my first included. Party packages are also day hours are noon to 5 p.m.

"It's fun to have the kids here

and I'm glad that artistic talent and

rant people with no brains. There was no Three Detroit teenagers were awaiting a preliminary examination in Grand Blanc. charged Monday with the murder that is scheduled for Jan. 14, said Burda was born Sept. 1, 1970, reason for this. They had no reason to kill

"They are totally igno-

His aunt Theresa Burda remem-

Building and Mr. Teen Flint.

Burda is also survived by his

Although the family is relieved arraigned on charges of first degree Detroit Police said that this case that the police have found the sus- have a Weadon." felony murder, felony firearm and was a robbery of opportunity and pects, family members are still assault with intent to murder by believes the three teenagers were struggling with their loss.

"It was unfortunate that Mr. them," said Brenda Burda, Jefed, the teenagers face mandatory Burda was at the right place at the fery's mother. "I hope they are put away forever."

"They were going to rob money Shaw also said that one of the with a competitor's spirit. Burda three teenagers was driving a was a body-builder. He also loved

moment it's that they were caught of Hershey Creamery in Brighton, quickly, but nothing good can was approached by the suspects at approximately 8 a.m. in a BP gas him," said his mother. "He was not fiancee Julie Allstead of Novi. Kovacks also said he is angered station parking lot, located at a quitter." 11535 Morang St. One of the sub-They are totally ignorant people jects shot Burda twice in the chest and a 15-year-old boy was also intured, officials said.

Courtney Vanderwei

Shannon Waddell

Andrew Willis

There was no reason for this. The 15-year-old was taken to They had no reason to kill him because he didn't have a weapon." Grace Hospital with a gunshot Jett and Brown are also being wound to the shoulder and was charged with felony firearm, said later released. Burda was trans-Judy Burton, clerical services ported to St. John's Hospital and supervisor for the criminal division "was pronounced dead on arrival of the 36th District Court. police said.

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remanded without bond, are cur- Funeral Home in Flint Dec. 28. He rently in Wayne County jail and are was buried at Evergreen Cemetery

and graduated from Kearsley High who was shot while delivering ice Burton added that both Jett and School in 1988. He was an Honor Adrow have pending cases at the Society student and was engaged him because he didn't

"I'm so thankful they've caught

She remembered her son as being attractive and well-mannered bered her nephew as an avid sports fanatic who was particularly fond of the Detroit Red Wings. He also animals and children and won competed in Mr. Michigan Body many trophies from his various

competitions, she said. "People were impressed with

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Kristin Asher, co-owner of Novi's Ready Set Paint! shows a few prospective clients patterns they can use to paint their ceramic pieces. Customers purchase pottery, then pay \$7 to paint it.

Deerfield Elementary School meeting to be held Jan. 11

for all community members who Nius will present information want to learn about Novi Commu- about the design of the building nity School District's new Deerfield and programs which will be offered Elementary School which will open to students. in August 2000. Deerfield is scheduled to be a school of choice within

the educational services building. 449-1702.

The informational meeting will Traynor.

A meeting has been scheduled Deerfield's Principal Richard Questions will be answered by

be held Tuesday, Jan. 11, at 7 p.m. Student registration will be Feb. at the Instructional Technology 28 through March 15, 2000. For Center, located on Taft Road near more information call Njus at (248)

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& Taylor at Twelve Oaks Mall Stat. omic a mother daughter team entered the men's department and selected several terms of clothing. The earlier light stopped the new initoxicating liquor after an officer The other witnessed the two sub- one, too. acts carry the clathing to the infimate apparel department and premises. entered the fitting rooms

While following the subjects, the jumped by the two owners the pre-turns. other saw the daughter place all of vious week and figured it was okay the clothing underneath her packet. and into the handbag she was car-After concealing the merchanuse, the officer said the mothers case will be reviewed for possible daughter team exited the fitting (assault and battery charges, (1900), and walked past several cash registers without attempting to pay for the merchandise. While NO PICTURES PLEASE extrang Lord w Taylor, the loss prevertion other approached the tan- pany watching property on the female, told the officer he was just informed Best Buy could not reim-

Now Police, the two confessed to the property, the crime with all property being. Passing two no trespassing when the driver replied he had not recovered to the store.

TAKE THIS JOB AND ...

An employee who was recently leave the premises. ared from a father-son establishment in Novi came back to his former place of employment on Dec. 27 requesting his last paycheck, jeets, the woman said one of the The son stated he turned the check over and the former employee. asked him if he still had his old job. - take pictures of the home. The son left to his ask his father. longer employed by the company. Upon notification of this, the ex- males left the residence but not employee became enraged, started - before the woman wrote down the velling, moved around the desk license plate. The plates were regisand threw the son into the wall. Another employee jumped that no longer had an existing between the two men and broke up - phone number. the skirmish. After being separated from the son, the ex-employee IMPRESSIVE MANEUVERS began moving through the premises looking for the father. The sus- arrested Jan. 1, for operating a pect, who was screaming obsceni- vehicle under the influence of an ties, found the owner, jumped across a work bench and struck the owner with a closed fist to the fleit side of the owner's face. A fight

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broke out between the two men-

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the residence. Following the sub-

males jumped out of the vehicle

with a camera and attempted to

She told the subjects she would

contact police if they were going to

take picture of the residence. The

tered to an Ann Arbor company

A 22-year-old Novi man was

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change?

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saw the vehicle, which was heading GLOOMY NEW YEAR'S At that time, the owner left the coastbound on Crescent and Town

Folice notified the suspect if he vehicle's rear to spin 180 degrees the cash register and went back iving while the mother watched on. returned to the property he would and then drive westbound on Cres- into the establishment to retrieve be arrested for trespassing and the cent at a high rate of speed. Also, the officer observed two Upon returning to his truck, he

through the intersection. dem and notified the Novi Police 21000 block of Turnberry stated trying to show off for his friends. she was working at the site on Dec.

While waiting on the arrival of 22, when a green Ford drove on to officer said he noticed an odor of of the store. intoxicants from the driver's breath signs, the employee caught up to been drinking at all.

The officer demonstrated field the above incidents are urged to call advised them they were indeed sobriety tests, read the driver his the Novi Police Department at (248) trespassing and would have to preliminary breath rights and 348-7100.

of a 0.19. Michigan law states that lower than a 0.10 is the legal limit

his keys.

On Dec. 31, a man purchased a Center Drive, make a U-turn in an brand-new computer from the Novi The suspect told police he was - area which was marked for no U- - Best Buy on Haggerty Road. After placing the computer into The officer observed the vehicle—the bed of his truck, the new owner accelerate quickly, causing the said he realized he left his keys at

vehicles forced to stop at the inter-realized his computer had been section due to the pick-up spinning stolen. The man went back into Best The driver of the vehicle, who Buy, spoke with a loss prevention An employee of a security com- was transporting a male and a officer about the theft and was

burse the victim for the computer Upon questioning the driver, the because the theft occurred outside Citizens with information about

An article on the Teach For Tomorrow program that appeared in the Dec. 16 edition of The Novi News listed an incorrect web address for the program. The address does not have a www. It is http://tfi.merit.edu

Poster contest begins

Students in grades seven through 12 can submit entries for the Arson twareness Poster Contest now through March 15. Posters must emphasize the negative aspects of arson such as: death, injury, community decay, moral decay or property destruction.

Prizes will be awarded in each of two categories: grades 7-9 and 10-12. In each category the first place winner will receive \$250; second place is \$150; and third place will receive \$100. Each winner's school will receive a matching cash award. Posters must be approximately 15 inches by 20 inches and submitted

on quality poster or illustration board. Work must be original and may be in any media with the exception of pencil, chalk, charcoal or glitter. No computer-generated artwork is

Please include on the back of the poster the child's name, age, grade, home address and phone number along with the name, address and phone number of the student's school. Send posters wrapped flat to Michigan Arson Prevention Committee, 404 Kalamazoo Plaza, Suite 100, Lansing, Mich. 48933.

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shopping alleviates communication and distribution problems with e-"Novi is an exceptional retail market," he said. "Its success is a reflection of the location and the

Much ado about not much for Y2K at city hall Continued from 1 thing was under control."

Kriewall said each department own jurisdiction and while having gunshots and fireworks. ample amount of time to prepare for Y2K, each did a good job for the

"It was just like a regular night with nothing exceptional happen- tive and support staff. There were of the station's equipment. ing." Police Chief Doug Shaefer no glitches whatsoever."

Shaefer said in preparation for New Year's Eve. he had two extra staff in dispatch, three additional patrol officers and managers on duty for an evening that left everybody wondering about what to

By JENNIFER NORRIS

on the way.

The holiday season has come

and gone, the presents have been

unwrapped, the decorations taken

down and the credit card bills are

Where did all the money go?

Right here to Novi businesses, offi-

cials said. Several local stores are

reporting a significant increase in

sales from holiday spending com-

Jennifer Johnson, a corporate

and institutional sales representa-

tive for Borders Books and Music

in Novi, said people have been buy-

ing more, partly due to the arrival

She explained that many cus-

tomers have been purchasing

books about the turn of the millen-

nium. Pokemon books have also

been popular items this year, she

For special purchases at the

beginning of the year, or to return

"Our staff is excellent and very

Twelve Oaks Mall has also expe-

She explained that there has been an increase of shoppers in the

mail, as well as an increase in sales.

"We're very happy with that."

Hayes said one of the major con-

tributions to this season's level of business has been a strong econony and low unemployment levels. Overall the economy has been

good and that showed in people's holiday giving this year." she said. Hayes also said that the return

lines at Twelve Oaks stores did not appear to be overwhelming.

Most of the people were snapping up bargains and using their rift certificates," she said. Gift certificates were quite popular this year, allowing the recipi-

ents to pick exactly what they

gift certificate sales before Christ-

mas and these sales will take us

well into January," said Hayes.

"There was a huge increase in

Stores within the Novi Town Cen-

"Based on what we've seen so far this holiday season, double digit

increases compared to 1998 are fairly common," said Ernie Reno.

spokesman for the Linder Compa-

ny, a management company that handles Novi Town Center.

He said that most of the tenants have seen increases in their level of

sales compared to last year. In particular. Old Navy had an exceptional holiday season, said Reno.

"Our expectations were met it

Center's special promotional items

Claus plate for every minimum purchase of \$100, by bringing in receipts to one of six selected stores. Reno said that the original supply of 700 plates for the Town

Center sold out in a few weeks dur-

ing the beginning of December. An

additional 200 plates were ordered

"That's \$90,000 in sales tied to plate redemptions," explained

He believed that part of the Town

Center's success is due to the wide variety and quality of merchants

Although greater numbers of

people are purchasing merchan-

dise via the Internet, there was not

been a drop in store sales, said

"People like getting out and shopping," Reno said.
In addition, he said traditional

had tremendous success. Cus tomers were able to receive a Santa

terms of projected sales," he said. Reno also said one of the Town

ter have also experienced an increase in profits due to holiday

rienced a very good holiday season. said Marketing Director Peggy

merchandise, Johnson said Border's employees are ready to assist

customers with their selections.

well trained," said Johnson.

over last year.

pared to previous years.

of the year 2000.

Without a substantial number of operating under the influence of an intoxicating liquor violations, Shaefer said the only thing out of

Fire Chief Arthur Lenaghan said in preparation for Y2K compliancy. a series of checklists were set up in order to make sure all the equipment would be working after mid- had it covered."

"Our biggest fear was the possibility of telephones going down."

"Our biggest fear was the possibility of telephones head was responsible for his or her the ordinary were some reports of going down...There were no glitches whatsoever.

"We had the proper administra- to 2 a.m. to go through the checks on the job through the midnight

There were a lot of things that could've happened, lots of predictions were made" Lenaghan said.

Lenaghan said he had two people Nowicki said the Department of waiting to see if anything would go at each station from about 11 p.m. Public Works had two employees wrong.

Public Services Director Tony installation of water meters, while

"This was a non-typical type of emergency we were preparing for." Nowicki said.

Department working as well. The New Year's shift, which went from midnight to 8 a.m., had the DPW employees working on street signs and the scheduling of the

hours, with two employees from

the Detroit Water and Sewer

"Without going to extraordinary lengths, the city has been preparing for this over five years and the credit should go to the operating pen," Fry said, "Right now there departments for their preparaisn't any real problems. Everything

the worst without spending too network.

District was ready for Y2K and hasn't seen any major problems with

much money on emergency plans

Director of Technology Jim Fry address

New Year's approached. "In a few weeks or months down the road, something may still hap-

no emergency services required, ware, including some of the DOS

Nowicki said Novi was prepared for programs, but nothing major to the

Also, the Novi Community School

rolled over real smooth."

Fry said the district was pre-

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> p.m., Engine 2. 10:38 p.m., Squad 1. Medical, 22070 Edgewater, 41:18 p.m., Squad 3. Medical, 41669 Jumper, 11:22 p.m., Squad 2, p.m., Squad 3.

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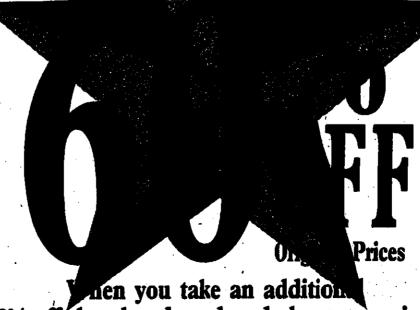
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HAROLD L. CAMPBELL

Harold L. Campbell, Sr., age 69. died Dec. 31, 1999 in University nance supervisor for Kensington. School in 1961 and subsequently bell was born on September 19. 1930 in Plymouth to the late. Church of Northville and the VFW master's degree in education from William Campbell and Betsy

Mr. Campbell was a resident of Fisherman. South Lyon at the time of his death. He was a Quality Control Supervisor with Ford Motor Company and retired in 1995 after 40 at St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran years of service. He also served Church. with the U.S. Army in Korea. Mr. Campbell was a volunteer

firefighter in Farmington Hills and Christian Assembly and was a head usher there for years. Visitation for Mr. Campbell was at the Northrop-Sassaman Funeral

Home in Northville on Jan. 3. Services were held Tuesday in the funeral home. The Rev. Dan VanderVelde from the Northville Christian Assembly officiated the ceremony. Interment was in Oakland Mr. Campbell is survived by his in death on Jan. 17, 1975. wife Cyndi Campbell of South

Lyon: sons Harold (Dawn) Campbell of Northville and William (Kathryn) Campbell of Detroit. He ber of Our Lady of Victory Catholic is also survived by 10 grandchildren, one great grandchild, and ceded in death by her brother. four brothers. Herbert Campbell of Plymouth, Gene Campbell of Ply-Arkansas, and Dale Campbell of ating. Interment was at Holy

JAMES HAMILTON CASH, SR. James Hamilton Cash, Sr., 82,

passed away Dec. 28, 1999. He was born in Wixom on June 17. 1917 to Charles T. and Zella

> (Edmundson) Cash. Mr. Cash, a lifelong resident of Lvon Township, served in the U.S. Army as a Technician 3rd Grade for the 261st Ordinance Company. He was honorably discharged on

He married Elaine Haack on Feb. 22, 1946. He is survived by his wife, daughter Suzanne (Robert) Weaver of Novi and sons James H. (Judy) Cash of Brighton and Gary G. (Nancy) Cash of South Lyon. He is also survived by two sisters, one brother, seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Four brothers and three sisters preceded

Visitation was on Dec. 29 at two daughters, Sara E. Goshorn of Church of Novi. Phillips Funeral Home in South Northville, and Jennifer M. Lyon. A funeral service was Dec. 30 Goshorn of Birmingham, as well as children, Donald Jay Lanning, Jr.

Interment was at Glen Eden Memorial Park. Memorials may be made in his Novi. He was a captain of a station memory to St. Paul's Lutheran with the Novi Fire Department. He Church or Angela Hospice, 14100 Goshorn in death. was a member of the Northville Newburgh Road, Livonia, Mich. 48154-5010.

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CONCETTA CASTIGLIONE Concetta Castiglione, formerly of Northville, died Dec. 10 in

Mr. Cash retired as a mainte-

hiking and was known as "The

Louisiana. She was 95. Mrs. Castiglione was born Sept. DONNA LANNING 4. 1904 in Italy to Vito Ruggirello Donna Lanning of Novi died Dec and Frances Scalia. She married 31, 1999 at her home. She was 65, Vito Castiglione, who preceded her Mrs. Lanning was born Dec. 3.

Post 2502. He enjoyed fishing and Wayne State University

1934 in Detroit to William Walls Mrs. Castiglione moved to and Beatrice Concenia. She later Northville in 1975 from Los Ange- married Louis Lanning, who surles. She was a housewife and mem-Mrs. Lanning lived most of her Church in Northville. She was pre- life in the Novi-Northville area. where she worked as a homemak

A funeral for Mrs. Castiglione er. She was a member of the Ladies was held Dec. 15 at Our Lady of Auxiliary of VFW Post No. 4012 of mouth. Floyd Campbell of Victory with Fr. James Kean offici- Northville. In addition to her husband, Mrs. Sepulchre Cemetery in Southfield. Lanning is survived by her chil-Arrangements were made by Cast- dren, George of Plymouth, David of great-grandchildren. She was also

erline Funeral Home of Northville. Virginia and John of Roseville. Her son. Douglas, preceded her in death. Mrs. Lanning is also survived by her siblings Joan Tatman LENORE MARIE GOSHORN of Walled Lake, Irene Karpapas of Lenore Marie (Swan) Goshorn

also survived by 11 grandchildren. died Dec. 31 at her home in A funeral for Mrs. Lanning was arrangements. held Jan. 4 at Casterline Funeral Mrs. Goshorn taught for 31 vears in public and private schools in Garden City, Dearborn, and Plymouth. She was especially recognized as a teacher in programs for Cemetery in Northville. Arrange- 60678. gifted and talented students. Durments were made by Casterline.

Carlson and Homer Pitner Swan.

She graduated from Dearborn High

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Eastern Michigan University and a her in death in 1995.

Ruth E. Lanning of Northville Farmington Hills. died Dec. 20, 1999 at Botsford Hospital in Farmington Hills. She

Lucille M. Mattson, 81, died Dec. 29 at Providence Hospital in South

busband, Leonard Mattson Mrs. Mattson is survived by

Mattson and Leonard (Laura) Mattson, as well as ten grandchildren well-loved by her friends at Baptist Manor in Farmington.

the O'Brien Chapel/Ted C. Sullivan Clinton and Robert Scheyti. She is Funeral Home. 41555 Grand River in Novi, which conducted all

Home in Northville, with Fr. James memorial contributions to the Kean of Our Lady of Victory American Heart Association. Catholic Church in Northville offi- Memorial and Tribute Program ciating. Interment was at Rural Hill Department 77-3768. Chicago, Ill.

Dec. 28 at Botsford Hospital in She was born in 1907. Mrs Mueller was preceded in death by her husband, Willys Mueller.

Mrs. Lanning was born April 24. 1918 in Rochester to Smith W. Willys (Dolores) Mueller, Jr., M.D., Reed and Winifred Potter. She mar-Light Manzo and the late Marie C grandchildren Mrs. Lauming spent most of her Lopez. Mrs. Mueller is also sur-

Mrs. Goshorn is survived by her—as a homemaker and a mother. She—great-grandchildren. husband William R. Goshorn, and was a member of First Baptist Mrs. Lanning is survived by her

(James), Mrs. Peggy Bozyk Hudson, Allan Lanning (Michael), and Mrs. Mary Namath Northville and Louis Lanning of (Allen), and one brother Homer South Lyon. She is also survived. Association, 17220 W. Twelve Mile James Swan (Sally). A fourth sister. by her siblings, Arla Larson of Road, Suite 100, Southfield, Mich. Dorothy Swan, preceded Mrs. Stockbridge and Dorothy Manges 48076, would be appreciated by of Harrington, Del. Mrs. Lanning is the family. Memorial services will be held at also survived by 11 grandchildren

First Presbyterian Church of Plyand 11 great-grandchildren. mouth at 3 p.m., Jan. 9. The fami-A funeral for Mrs. Lanning was ly requests memorial contributions held Dec. 23 at First Baptist be made to the American Cancer Church with Pastor Gary Elfner officiating. Interment was at Oakland Hills Cemetery in Novi. Arrangements were made by Casterline Funeral Home in Northville.

LUCILLE M. MATTSON

She was preceded in death by her children Anne Siemen, Barbara

In addition, she is survived by eight A memorial service for Mrs. Matt son will be held Jan. 8 at 9 a.m. at

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ANTOINETTE F. MUELLER

Antoinette F. Mueller, 92, died

life in the area where she worked - vived by 22 grandchildren and 34 The funeral mass was held Dec.

21 at St. Edith Church in Livonia. Interment was at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Southfield, Arrangethree sisters: Mrs. Donna Aveck of Redford, Mary Lou Lopez of New ments were by the O'Brien/Sullivan Funeral Home of Novi. Donations to the Alzheimer's

FILEEN JANE NELSON Eileen Jane Nelson, 85, died Dec.

29 in Botsford Commons in Farmington Hills. Mrs. Nelson was born April 12 in Rock Island, Texas to the late Louis Weimer and Gertrude Lundy. Mrs. Nelson was preceded in death by her husband. Edward Nelson and a daughter, Sonia Ellen Nelson.

She is survived by two sons Edward (Vicki) Nelson of Northville and Robert [Chervl] Nelson of Northville. She is also survived by three grandchildren, Robert E. Nel

son. Christopher E. Nelson and Amanda J. Nelson. Mrs. Nelson was co-owner of Barcol Overdoors in Detroit with her late husband, until her retirement in 1980. She had been a resident of Northville since 1983. Mrs.

Nelson was also a member of the

Redford Suburban League. Memorial contributions in her name to the Osteoporosis Research at Providence Hospital, Attn. Dr. Henry Mackie, 22255 Greenfield Road, Suite 228, Southfield, Mich. 48075, would be appreciated by

RICHARD EUGENE NICHOLS

Richard Eugene Nichols, 56, died Dec. 20 at Providence Medical Cen-Mr. Nichols, a Novi resident, was born May 22, 1943 in Warren.

He is survived by his wife, Lynn Marie Nichols of Novi and children Michael (Susan) Nichols, Andrea Gassner and Christina (Kevin) Barganier, as well as by his step-chil-

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Mr. Nichols enjoyed golf and was looking forward to his retirement. He was active with his church as an usher and counter and also volunteered for causes such as the Red Cross Blood Drive and fund raising for the Salvation Army. South Oakland Shelter.

Mr. Nichols was graduated from Levitzburg High School in Levitzburg. Ohio in 1961. He and the former Lynn Marie Rudquist were married in St. Joseph, Michigan on

May 21, 1993. The funeral service was on Dec. 23 at St. John Lutheran Church in Farmington, with Rev. Daniel Cave presiding. Interment was in Oakwood Cemetery, Farmington. Arrangements were made by the

in Farmington. The family would appreciate memorial contributions to the American Heart Association,

Hecney-Sundquist Funeral Home

MARGARET REINKE

Margaret Rosalie Reinke, 91, died Jan. 2 in the Martin Luther Convalescent Center of South Lyon. Mrs. Reinke, a Novi resident, was

preceded in death by her husband. Erwin P. Reinke. She is survived by her children Gerald (Karen) Reinke and Kay (Paul) McKeough: grandchildren Craig (Jenne'), Jennifer, Meg (John) and Zachary, as well as greatgrandchildren Michael, Steven, Peter and Catherine. She is also

survived by a sister, Margaret

(Peggy) Reinke. Visitation is tonight from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the O'Brien/Sullivan Funeral Home, 41555 Grand River Avenue, Novi. The funeral is Friday at 11 p.m., also at the O'Brien Chapel/Ted C. Sullivan Funeral

Interment will be at Glen Eden Cemetery in Livonia. Memorials may be sent to the Martin Luther Convalescent Center. 305 Elm Place. South Lyon. Mich. 48178.

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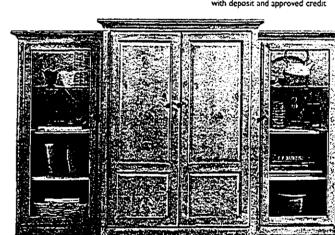
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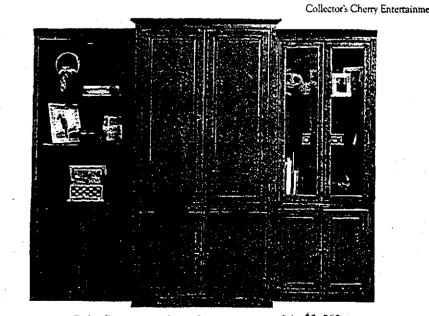
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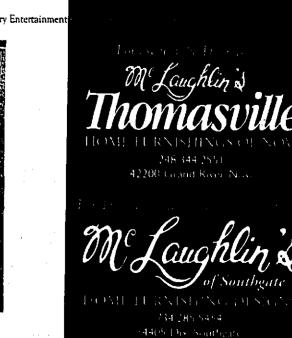


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MARILYN TOPPER Marilyn Topper, a former Novi resident, died Dec. 27 at the Hospice of Farmington Hills

Topper, a homemaker, was born in New York, NY, on Sept. 16, 1943. She was married to the late Edmund Russell Topper and is the Mrs. Teshka is also survived by mother of Dana Topper of South

Creta Bassett, step-sisters Lydell. Ira Kaufman Chapel with inter- (Mike) Watson of Arcadia, Florida: ment at Beth El Memorial Park. Janet (Mike) McCain of Baily, Col-Arrangements were handled by The orado: Mary Jo (Mike) Susalla of Mrs. Teshka worked miti her Ira-Kaufman Chapel in Southfield. Redford: Joe (Lisa) Richardson of Memorials to the Muscular Dvs- New Hudson and Gerry (Mike) Garfrom 1942 to 1963. She worked sex - trophy Association or to any other - rity of New Hudson. She is also - To Life of Michigan would be appremore years as a disposition the charity will be appreciated by the survived by 23 grandchildren and

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> Visitation for Mrs. Zasuwa was in the Northrop-Sassaman Funeral Home in Northville. The mass was Dec. 31 at Our Lady of Victory Church in Northville, Fr. James Grand Lawn Cemetery in Detroit.

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When he was a candidate he campaigned for it. Now Council Member Lou Csoralso a licensed practical nurse at council members to the initial draft contact, issue resolved and a space Mt. Carmel Mercy Hospital in of his proposed City of Novi reply

> imously, council listened as Csor- nominal fee to produce the cards, das said the new opportunity for Csordas believed the eards would communication will be the founda-

The card will work as a tool to with the city a chance for automat- the counters about 30 days after ic contact as to the level of cus- its introduction to the rest of city tomer service they receive on the council Kean officiated, Interment was at front-lines," Csordas said at the Dec. 19 session.

"It will also be an on-going tool which evaluates the city consul-Memorial contributions to Right tants and other city employees." Csordas said he envisioned the City of Novi reply card being displayed in plain view at the reception area of each department at city address

> Recommending the cards be ddressed to the city manager. Csordas said he would like to see monthly reports with responses and other information on the card forwarded to department heads through a spreadsheet type of pro-

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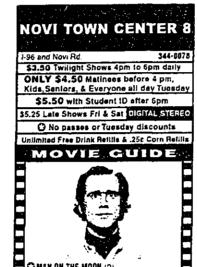
give residents and other people tion of improved feedback to the who do business with the city the city as it responds to citizens' opportunity of holding the city Csordas said the customer serprovide anyone that does business vice card has a target date to be at

for other additional comments.

"This card would be a great way of tracking responses and response time frames," he said. 1 believe we will find a greater

ratio of satisfied 'customers' as a result of the implementation of this B.J.

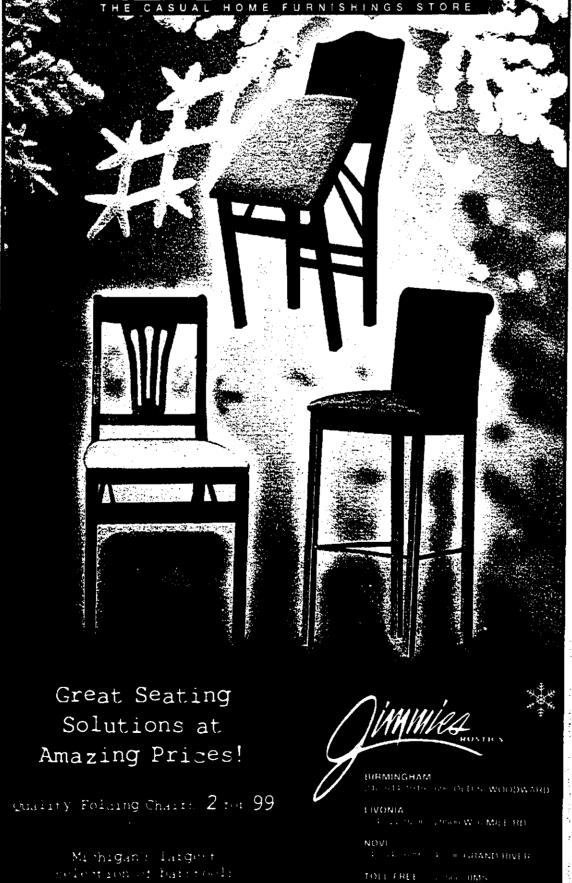
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At the Oxford Inn Tavern's New Year's Eve bash, George Anderson of Detroit's Impact Seven serenades Novi Building Department employee Cindy Uglow, with champagne at the ready.

Forget the prophets of doom, these folks had a good time

remote control car track.

Continued from 1

"I mean, today is the day everyone is wondering what tomorrow will be like and what will happen. And no one knows what that will p.m. to 9 p.m., gave parents and empty buffet, some of them disbe. And none of us will ever know children a fun and safe way to cel- cussed what the future might have

Kisses were as plentiful at midnight as the champagne. Suddenly best saved for another day. Very few seemed to care. They were all a

part of a once-in-a-thousand year But for many, the festivities began much earlier in the night at places like MacKinnon's Restau-

rant in Northville. There, several couples sat sipping wine among silver and black streamers from balloons hung from the ceiling. Classical music delicately accented the \$135-a-person meal which entitled a guest to appetizer and a choice of lobster tail. Beef Wellington, duck or cedar

buzzed with talk of the new centu- that was not going to happen.

"We were talking on the way here about everyday things we take for thought would happen at midnight 20th) century - the ball point then go to bed." pen, paved roads —we take those would be so different without Eve remembering their childhood them," said McKinnon's customer visions of the future.

She said she and her husband Jesse, who is a computer network they remembered figuring out how each other as the future became engineer, were not too worried old they would be by the year 2000 about the Y2K bug. However, they and marveling at how old that was. did have a supply of bottled water and had filled their bathtub, just to be on the safe side.

"I think at midnight corks will pop and cheers will sound," she

happen," Jesse Nelkie added. Across town at Northville High School, Northville Parks and Recreation put together Northville Night for parents and their kids.

may prove to have more drawintroverted, I think. Everything is

done by computer. Now you still Several stations were set up with need people skills to get through a activities for kids including bench- day but in the future all that will be making kits and a nail polishing lost," he said.

table. The gym was transformed At the Novi Hilton, 21111 Haginto a carnival complete with a gerty Road, the sentiment was the moon walk, a musician and a same. Though the band was hopping as guests flitted between the The event, which went from 5 crowded dance floor and near-

fingertips. It amazes me that kids

money. All they will have to do is

She said what upset her the

reality and there was no going

people like that personal connec-

tion. So I don't think it will be as

But as midnight approached.

people didn't want to talk about the

future anymore. They didn't want

At Fifth Avenue, Andy Behm of

East Lansing said he was exactly where he always thought he would

be at New Year's Eve for the turn of

"I always knew, wherever it was,

ebrate the holiday in store for their children. Livonia resident Mary Sikorski While sisters Robin Svoboda and said she was glad she was able to Renee Yarcho marveled at the new spend the holiday with her kids retinal identification scanner decorum and prudence were things and arrived home before the bars installed at Yarcho's bank, Svoboclosed and traffic worsened. da said she worried how future

Additionally, she said the new generations will grow up. year was especially poignant for She said technology is moving her because of the death of her much to fast and is creating an father a week earlier. "It's hard to keep kids grounded

"It really has me hoping for health, love and family for everyone today they have everything at their in the coming year," she said. The children at the event seemed will grow up not knowing what it's to be unfazed by the changing cen- like to do actual physical work for

"It's just a new year," 8-year-old push a button. It's scary," she said. Alexander Cook said. He said he didn't believe the hype most was the idea that this was surrounding New Years Eve. However, he had heard some

However, Yarcho offered her things about the water *getting all Their dinner conversations dirty, but he had reason to believe some hope. "I know I can go online to buy" His 5-year-old brother Philip things, but I still shop at Wilson's agreed. When asked what he Hardware (in Brighton)," she said.

granted that were invented in this he said. "I'm going to watch TV and Still, most of the merrymakers things for granted but our life were waxing nostalgic New Years

> They spoke of flying cars and Jetson-like buildings. Many said to worry. They wanted to enjoy However, some of the holiday partyers were worried about what

the future may hold. Sitting at the eclectic family style dinner at Genitti's Hole-in-the Wall Restaurant, Ronnie and Ken Cambre said though technology is good,

I'd be with my best friend, and am," he said. "We met at Kindergarten roundup 20 years ago and have been together ever since. That's

what it's all about." Melanie Plenda may be reached e-mail mplenda@ht.homecomm.net

Library Briefs

LIBRARY HOURS

The Novi Public Library is open Monday-Thursday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Sundays, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. The library is located at 45245 W. Ten Mile Road, just east of Taft Road. For more information, call (248) 349-0720.

STORYTIME NOTES Winter Story Times begin Jan. 10. Please call for information on

the day and time of your child's LIBRARY BOARD MEETING

The Novi Library Board of Direc-

tors meets Jan. 10 at 7 p.m. in the

library meeting room. Community

members are welcome to attend. AFTER SCHOOL STORY TIME

No registration is necessary.

SENIOR BOOK DISCUSSION

The January selection is "The Pilot's Wife" by Anita Shreve. The group meets Jan. 13 at 12:30 p.m. in the library meeting room.

LIBRARY CLOSED MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY The library will be closed Jan.

KIDS ONLINE: SEARCHING, SAFETY & SITES

17, for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

This child-oriented introduction to the Internet focuses on kids' search engines, the importance of including privacy issues, keeping online safety, and sites that kids children safe from online predalove. The class, which includes tors, and evaluating online con-Join Novi High School students hands-on practice, meets Jan. 13, tent. The program will be held Jan? and our Youth Librarians for an at 4 p.m. For children ages 8 27 at 7 p.m.

adventure in reading on Jan. 12. through 12. Parents are welcome: The 30-minute program for chil- Please register in advance for all dren ages 4 to 7 begins at 4 p.m. Internet programs in person or by calling the library.

> USING THE ACCESS MICHI-GAN MAGAZINE DATABASES

Internet whiz Richard Truxall, explains the fine points of search: ing the online magazine databases. some of which you can access at nome. This session is highly recommended for students and others; interested in doing in-depth research on the Internet. The program will be held Jan. 25 at 7 p.m.

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Dear Gov., please send money, roads are rotten

Dear Gov. Engler:

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We don't want anything that's not our due for 2000, but we think you should put this on your list of New Year's resolutions. preferably high up.

Let's lead with a bright shing new road funding formula, a brand-spanking new education policy — the one you brought us last year didn't work ...

It's the start of a new century and we wondered what our communities might ask for if they were to compile a wish list of their wants and needs from Gov. John Engler and the Michigan House and Sen-

Such a list would surely include: A new road funding formula.

Public Act 51 - the state law that determines how state gas tax money as well as other transportation revenues are to be divided between the state government, counties and municipalities — is set to expire in the fall. Lawmakers put that sunset on the formula to force a review and revision of the distribution. A nine-member study committee has already been working on a rewrite.

The process appears heavily weighted in favor of the Michigan Department of Transportation. If the MDOT, as a road agency, benefits from the revision, it will come at the expense of county road commissions, cities and townships.

Controversy over the way Act 51 distributes the money has been one of the major obstacles to Michigan's road improvement and upkeep. Out of anger that the formula unfairly redistributes road funding to outstate communities and turns the vast majority over to the MDOT, suburban municipalities have blocked attempts at increased gas taxes. As a state we've been unable to get to the issue of whether road funding is adequate, whether taxes to support roads are set at appropriate levels, because it makes little sense for suburbs to support any increase. Even at an increased level.

Act 51 would send the money elsewhere. No one argues that MDOT should get a lion's share of the money, because it is responsible for maintaining some of the state's most heavily traveled roads. expressways included. But when county road commissions are chronically underfunded and municipalities repeated have to take over upkeep of their own county and state roads, it is clear the formula is lopsided.

One idea proposed in Lansing would clearly help — splitting the MDOT. A state road agency responsible for its own projects and maintenance programs should not be responsible for distributing the cash to municipalities and reviewing road funding requests. Obviously, when there is a conflict. MDOT will favor its own projects. Separate the "pass through" function of the MDOT from the road improvement and maintenance function. Then let the MDOT compete on an equal footing with counties and municipalities when it seeks additional road bucks.

· A new attitude toward "donor coun-

Let's face it, you can only kill the fatted

calf so many times before it's dead. Each year the state attempts to live off the production of a very small area. Oakland County has long been Michigan's "donor county," sending off \$1.35 in taxes for every dollar it gets back in benefits. Oakland was Michigan's only donor county. Now Livingston County has joined the ranks of counties expected to foot the bill for rest of the state. The dis-



parity for Livingston County is much less severe, getting back 99 cents for each dollar it contributes.No one argues that urban sprawl policy and another new Michigan's wealthiest areas should contribute to the upkeep of the rest of the state. But the drain on Oakland County particularly seems all out of proportion. It vould be less bothersome if Oakland County didn't have such stark needs itself that have gone unaddressed. The congestion on Oakland County roads is just one

If Oakland is such a hot bed of economic support for the state, isn't it interesting that the county's higher education institutions - Oakland University and Oakland Community College — don't rate

higher on the state's spending list. It has often been said that Oakland County has become the state's "economic engine." But expecting output from any engine without taking some time for maintenance is just asking for break-

A coherent policy on education.

Gov. Engler and the Michigan Republicans have been working on education over the past year. But, many of the policies enacted run counter to the state Constitution. That document clearly gives the authority for K-12 education in Michigan. to the State Board of Education, but Engler and the GOP have moved as much

Republicans have also pushed for new schools known as "charter schools," or "public school academies." Although the claim is that they are simply independent public schools, they've been allowed to operate just as private schools do, with little reporting of about their finances and little accountability.

If the Republicans intend to revamp Michigan's education system, a constitutional amendment is order, outlining what that new system should be. Then voters can make the determination.

Unless the GOP is willing to put such a nuestion on the ballot, it should allow the State Board to do its job and demand that "public school academies" operate in the same manner as other public school districts, with open financial records, open meetings, parental input and requirements to meet special education needs.

• A new urban sprawl policy. State lawmakers have been working to devise ways to address the issue of urban sprawl, using incentives rather than mandates to gain cooperation from local units of government to participate in

regional planning. The idea, lawmakers say, is to coordinate the state budget to support development that is directed back toward central cities and preserves greenfields in the

outlying areas. It's a tall order. But if indeed the budget can be arranged to make it worthwhile for both inner city areas and fringe suburbs to work hand in hand to avoid further sprawl, it makes sense to do so. If the state can set up its policies to support Main Street redevelopment while avoiding further expansions of the urban ring, it

should be done. With Michigan's economy booming and the state expecting a significant increase in population in the next 10 years, addressing the sprawl issue should be considered a top priority for state govern-

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The crystal ball was fogged



Hammerstein

happenings and see if anything I said was true. In order for this masterful piece of prediction to work, you have to show a little faith in this writer, I am really composing this section on Dec. 30 — hon-

Prediction 1:Complete and utter destruction of the should be making, but by me going on the record. when the world is actually kipputz. I can say I told

But now, as I think this thought through, I realize the rest of my predictions won't really matter. That is, if the world is no more.

Prediction 2: Detroit Riot City Year's Eve 1999. Is Hamtramck a part of Detroit? I hope not. That's where I will be.

Prediction 3:Y2K isn't a computer bug that will rip Eduardo Sanchez and Daniel Myrick ("The Blair wild evening, watching the global celebration was Witch Project") have outdone themselves by word-of- inspirational and compelling. Happy New Year. mouth advertising and companies spending millions

If this column actually makes It is during the New Year's Eve press conference it to print, our Y2K fears prob- when we will actually first see the trailer for the new ably weren't so catastrophic romantic-horror. "Y2K: The Movie." starring Leonarand the New Year's Eve do DiCaprio and Jennifer Love Hewitt. hoopla wasn't too devastating.

The story follows the two actors during their hon-

So, to fill up this portion of eymoon which is set on a cruise ship. Filmed entirewhite space. I thought I could lv on 16mm film by hand-held cameras, the movie make a few predictions about follows the couple through their week-long vacation what the next 24 or so hours where a deep sea monster wrecks havoc on vacationwill hold. When I return to the ers. The hand-held cameras mixed with cruise ship office on Monday, if there still claustrophobia promises to give viewers the most is a office. I will recap the realistic motion sickness ever created on screen.

Jan. 3, 2000.

Well, here I am back at the office looking at these ridiculous predictions I made just a few days ago. What was I thinking? What are all of you readers going to think of me after this goes to print?

Prediction 3:As far as I know, there is no "Y2K: The Movie," but if I may be so bold, what a great story

Okay, I know this isn't the kind of prediction one Prediction 2:It makes me proud to say this prediction didn't come true. Detroit is still standing as we embark on this new era. Hopefully, in the new millennium Detroit can erase the negative image it has across the nation and world and be a place we can all be proud to call home.

Prediction 1: The world as we know it is still here. Work, bills and the Lions losing-streak all intact. I Well, here's another pessimistic observance, but suppose I am glad to see we are all doing well after one that may hold true. Detroit has a reputation for non Y2K, but I must say, the thought of world stepping up to the plate and making a spectacle for destruction kind of tantalized my dark curiosity. the absurd. What better evening to do this than New Mass destruction, complete chaos, the unknown —

In the year 2000: Well, not one to make resolutions, I will however say I will no longer go on the technology to shreds, but is actually the most inno- record-making predictions which will subject me to vative and claborate marketing concept ever created. complete ridicule. On a side note, New Year's Eve By collaborating with James Cameron ("Titanic"). 1999 was really an unbelievable event. Besides my

In Focus By Lou Poulos



Service with smile South Lyon hat coffee and lunch during Novi Middle School's Senior Citizens Day.

You can bank on this history



way of saving money in the Detroit Public Library. old days, many people preuse today.

The first bank to be established in our area was the Bank of Detroit. Organized in 1806, it opened just one year after a devastating fire destroyed the entire town. The Bank of Detroit was the

only institution of its kind for 15 years, until being joined in 1819 by a second bank to serve the growing population. But before Detroit was settled in 1701, early French "voyageurs" used mainly a barter system when they traded items with the Native Americans. his method of bartering carried well into the 19th

century, with customers paying for goods by providng services or products for storekeepers. Indians used shell beads for currency, and often wove the beads into beautifully intricate belts known

as "wampum belts." The wampum belt was the Indian form of conveyance, representing to them the same thing as a written deed. Wampum diplomacy involved displaying an impressive belt to the other side. Wampums

belt was used in the transaction. Formerly called Hog Island and used as a common for grazing cattle by the Indians, Belle Isle was sold in 1769 by the Ottawa and Chippewa Nations. The actu-

Though stuffing one's mat- al belt representing the deed is till in existence and tress with dollar bills was one can be seen at the Burton Historical Collection of the Detroit's currency varied over the years of its multi-

national occupation, from French francs to British methods of banking still in pounds, to American dollars. Detroit became an American possession in 1796. The War of 1812 was particularly devastating to

Detroit, especially when Michigan Governor Hull surrendered the town to the British in 1812. Detroit remained under British control for just over one year. The British occupation, though brief, had a serious

effect on Detroit's economy. Prices soared and supplies were diminished. A number of people left the town in fear of another British attack. Those who stayed suffered from starvation due to lack of crops and incoming supplies. Still others lost their lives in a disastrous plague that swept over the town during the winter of 1813-1814.

Detroit was still struggling to survive when in 1818, a financial crisis hit the area. The failure of a number of unchartered banks in Ohio directly affected Michigan's already-shaky economy.

It was at this time that Detroit's second bank opened, the Bank of Michigan. Remaining as conservative as possible, the new bank was able to settle some of the financial problems facing Detroit.

By the late 1830s, lax banking laws led to the creation of "wildcat banks." Many of the banks opened were also used as symbols of declarations of war. in quick succession, often in remote areas. They were Black beads indicated war. White beads were a sign created in order to issue notes which were not redeemable in cash, existing mainly to profit the offi-When Belle Isle was purchased by Lt. George cers of the institution. The wildcat banks were among McDougall from the Native Americans, a wampum the factors that led to further disaster in the Michi-

Local historian Barbara Louie has written two books

Consumers want Internet on cable



Young

It is sometimes hard to decipher all the

alk about which is better - DSL or cable

modems. So what is all the hype, anyway?

Internet. This dedicated connection

Complaints are raised all the time about

and security of cable modems.

I just finished reading another

article on the Twelve Mile widening

plans in your Dec. 30, 1999 issue.

Each day we get shared system, much like an old-fashioned Communications, the company that several calls from party line.

> This business of a shared line can also be in the customer's favor. Cable modems cost less than DSL because they operate on a shared coaxial cable. A single piece of cable can provide this high-speed Internet to thousands of customers. Then a single piece of equipment at the cable office can patch those people onto the Internet.

be literally you entire neighborhood.

DSL requires a separate pair of wires for Well, for those of you who don't know, each subscriber. The phone company (here cable modems have taken this country by it is Ameritech) would need to install a spestorm for their speed in accessing the cial DSL modem for each phone line at its Internet. Many believers think that you central office. This type of technology have not lived until you have experienced a allows DSL to be inherently more secure high-speed dedicated connection to the than a cable modem because DSL is a dedicated connection over your own phone changes the way you use the Internet line. This dedicated bandwidth comes at because it is so much faster. But some peohigh price, though. Some DSL providers ple have concerns about the performance charge twice what a cable company charges for Internet service. Another downside to DSL is that you must be a certain cable modems and their security. Lots of distance away from the phone company's people want to know if it's possible for an central office to be eligible to receive the

City shouldn't pay for developers

Folks who lived through the Great

To meet that need, the region is expected

days when Michigan was losing population

Michigan's roads and bridges are already

past their expected life spans. Keeping all

while the developers reaped all the

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nice mall and shopping centers.

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making all the money on these

replacement workers is the single biggest think we have declared war on vacant fields

Depression of the '30s or even the Great this region, we've burned up 50 percent

And the winner for attacker to break into their computers and highest speed service.

high-speed digital access confidential files. Cable modems are Our local phone company. Ameritech. more risky because they operate on a has lofty plans for the future of DSL SBC recently merged with Ameritech, plans to You see, cable modems are based on roll out its Pronto service by 2002. This 1980s Ethernet technology. Ethernet is a involves providing 77 million Americans broadcast network, therefore making it with always-on high-speed voice, data and possible for your Network Neighborhood to video services via DSL. They also claim the service will be much faster than the DSL

service the company currently offers. How does this compare with today's DSL speed? Today's service features connectivity speeds that are up to 200 times faster than traditional access, which allows for near instantaneous downloads of files and graphics. DSL provided by Ameritech also pledges the "always on" technology, thereby eliminating the time-consuming and frustrating dial-up connections to Internet Service Providers or corporate Local Area

are many companies out there that provide DSL. Just make sure you know what you are paying for. As far as cable modem services goes, we have to wait for Time Warn-

Melanie Young is the community relations specialist for the Southwestern Oakland

worth it. We stopped the bureau-

cracy with the golf course and we

can get rid of these "friends of

developers" that we just elected

and a few others that continue to

refuse to "do the will of the people.

Let your voice be heard. Write,

call, e-mail, or do whatever it will

take to let the mayor and council

know that we are furious. We can't

stop the developers from building.

aware that we are watching and

... and overall the region's population has

experienced only a bit of growth in the past

few years. In the past several decades in

more land with only a four percent gain in

SEMCOG's report had yet another pre-

diction: "Increasingly mobile lifestyles that

find people living, working and shopping in

different communities means that citizen

regional. Likewise, local governments are

boundaries...Understanding the benefits of

joint public services will help governments

save time and money and enable them to

Maybe if we put as much thought, ener-

gy and money into dealing with these chal-

lenges as we just did chasing if-come com-

puter bugs and stockpiling survival sup-

plies, they would seem a little less daunt-

Mike Malott reports on the local implica-

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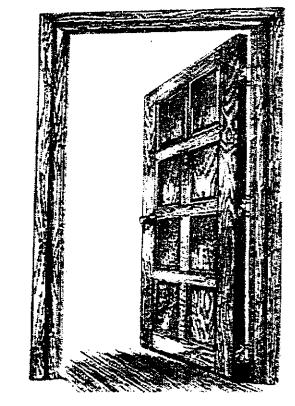
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from the profits of the skating rink. All elected officials might ponthe developers, not the citizens anymore. We've done our share

"Even though the road bond proposal failed. Ramco (developer) still wants Twelve Mile Road improved der a bit on the word "recall." to help traffic flow into its develop- Citizens are seriously angry. What will it take for our officials benefits. to listen to the people and not to

Key words - "developer wants" — "improved" — "its development." developers? Recall? The past election should have to do what they promised in the Where are the developers that are been proof to our city "parents" campaigns? (All that sweet talk to "the people?" Ha!) Recall? spent for the developers to be babled. If this developer wants improvement anywhere, let him

Food for thought

continues to spout off about what a and share the good fortune that great place we are living, yet we we've supplied for them.

Money is spent against our wishes. and neighbors, let's do it again! I Challenges are ahead for this area

the work.

What will it take for our officials

The City of Novi is a mess. It

Whew. That was in the region is now the lowest in a genera- new homes will have to be built in the Mankind tion, at 3.5 percent. Additionally, the region to give them all a place to lay their escaped region will lose 166,000 workers when heads at the end of the day. oblivion on New baby boomers reach retirement age. We are already complaining about urban between 2010 and 2025. Finding 166,000 sprawl. Suburbanites are beginning to

Now we find we threat to the economy's continued vitality." have a whole new SEMCOG stated in a recent report.

Fortunately, they Recession of the '70s know this is a good are more mundane. problem to have. But the effects are real. They do not include Every time you go to a store or restaurant

Mike

Bob

Jackson

this time last year.

Or will it?

and the beginning of a new millennium, i

the water still runs, my ATM card still

works (I checked right after midnight just

to be sure), and when I go to turn on my

Malott bowing down to and get poor service, you see the impact. Lucifer, nor do we Businesses are having a hard time filling have to sweep up heaps of fallen airplane positions. Firms are beginning to find it parts. And no, we do not have to conduct hard to branch out and take advantage of concerns will expand beyond their local an emergency mass distribution of abacus- new opportunities for lack of people to do unit of government and become more

nostications — those that did not stand a to add 570,000 new residents in the next must chance of being heard above the din of the 25 years. Again, those who remember the doomsayers — for the coming years.

The Southeast Michigan Council of Gov- and experiencing "brain drain" will underernments has taken a moment to issue its stand that this is a good problem to have. view of where we are headed and the prob- We are already complaining about road lems it believes we will likely confront in congestion. SEMCOG puts it this way. the next few decades. Perhaps before we vehicle miles traveled per year in this decide where to spend the next spare tril- region will increase from 42 billion to 48 lion dollars out of the U.S. economy, we billion by the year 2025. And many of

According to SEMCOG, the biggest challenge we face in southeast Michigan is find- those people on the road will cost big ing the people we need to keep our local bucks. SEMCOG puts the price at \$26 bil-

economy running. "Maintaining an adequate workforce will All those new people have to have places mail at mmalott@homecomm.net

be a continuing challenge. Unemployment to live too. SEMCOG figures some 390,000

And now, for the next 1,000 years NORTHVILLE, 12:23 just witnessed the birth of a new age. a.m., January 1,

with the exception of Bueter, Jim Lon, and about 20 partygoers.

seems to have changed. The lights are on, millennium? Boggles the mind, doesn't it?

Bug for just a moment and just stop to the next 1,000 years. onsider one very simple fact - we've all About 700 years ago, people thought the

We're no longer in the 20th Century.

an occasional honk our eyes focused on the downtown clock of the horn from a waiting for the stroke of midnight, I could- answer to the universal "why" question by passing car along n't help but get caught up in the thought the next millennium? Will Northville man-Main Street, or the that no matter what happened - no matter age to maintain its quaint Victorian charm excited scream from if the lights went out or the water stopped by the turn of the millennium, or will our walking running, or even if my ATM card refused to city fathers have turned our quiet, suburalong the nearly work - I was part of a unique, historical ban "village" into an interplanetary space moment. And as the group of us counted port? As I sit at my desk down the last 10 seconds of the passing writing this, 23 min- century and millennium, the one thought transpire in the next thousand vears. utes after the passing of the 20th Century that stuck in my mind was this - I wonder what this world will be like when the the 21st Century, things seem kind of difcan't help but notice that nothing much inhabitants of this planet bring in the next

about it, humanity is still in its' infancy. We television later today to begin watching the haven't been on this life-giving satellite all parade of college football bowl games, I that long, and when I think of all the happen. suppose it'll be pretty much as it was at changes I've been alive to witness - all the joys, triumphs and tragedies - my mind begins to get numb thinking about all the Let's throw out the Y2K "Millennium changes that will have taken place within

500 years, scholars believed the world was And as I stood on Main Street with John flat. Forty years ago, people scoffed at the Northville is quiet, and Toni Genitti, Butch Casterline, John idea of traveling to the moon.

Just imagine what we'll learn tomorrow. I wonder - will we have discovered the

Seriously, there is no telling what will which is why on this, the first morning of the water still runs, and yes nothing has happened to my bank account, but this Because when you really stop to think day truly represents the beginning of something bigger than all of us.

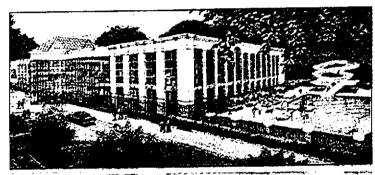
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And I'm just happy I was around to see it

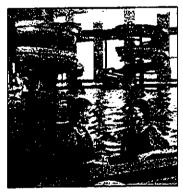
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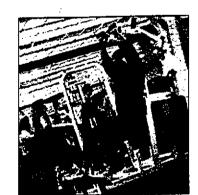
















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A final look at the people, places and things that shaped Novi and Northville throughout the 1990s



Bruce Casterline, flanked by daughters Courtney Ross, left, and Linsey Casterline, have taken over the Northville funeral home business their father and grandfather began in the 1930s.

Casterline Funeral Home gave comfort in times of need

Inspired by a Jan. 28, 1938 this place has been operating." Northville Record story Century In Review story ran Jan.

Ask a lifelong local, and they'll tell you the name "Casterline" is to Northville what "Ford" is to Detroit or "Rockefeller" is to New York. In each case, they're family names that helped to shape what the community eventually became.

"This is a business that's dedicated to giving people the chance they need to heal during the loss of a loved one," said Ray "Butch" Casterline, current director of the funeral home. "We really work towards giving that personal touch for people. That's been our goal as long as

Casterline Funeral Home was opened this week 61 years ago by Ray J. Casterline. Prior to its opening. Ray J. Casterline was working for the Schrader Funeral Home in Plymouth. The Schrader Funeral Home was also a furniture store.

The business worked well in its infancy, and eventually the torch was passed to the second generation, this time to Fred Casterline. With both Ray J. and Fred Casterline, the philosophy was about making funerals meaningful and

special in each individual case. "You treat other people as you'd want to be treated." he said. "That's what we're all about."



Had it not been for Cliff Turnbull, father of Northville historian Bruce Turnbull (above), Northville could have been without electrical service in the early 1920s.

Turnbull family wired city in electricity's earliest days

Inspired by an April 26, 1962 Northville Record story Century In Review story ran

March 29 In the grand scheme of things. Cliff Turnbull probably won't hold

the kind of legacy as Benjamin Franklin or Thomas Edison. In Northville, though, memories of the late founder of the

Northville Electric Ship still "There were phones in glow as brightly as the homes town, but not in the out-

he helped to light up. "Dad's shop had quite a history around Northville," said (local historian and son of Cliff Turnbull.

Bruce) Turn-The Northville Electric Shop story really took its roots after Cliff Turnbull graduate from Delhi High School in 1908. Interested in pursuing a career in the rapidly-expanding field of telephone service. Turnbull went off

the Hawley School of Engineering

Education completed. Cliff Turnbull returned to his roots in Delhi, (Ontario). It wasn't long before farmers in the area sought the experience of their local electrical expert.

There still wasn't any phone service in the outlying areas of Delhi, which was where the majority farmers lived and worked. Bruce Turnbull said.

"There were phones in town, but not in the outskirts," Bruce Turnbull said. Dad decided to hook up the farms."

Cliff Turn-Bruce Turnbull bull gradually Northville historian

skirts. Dad decided to hook

brought electricity to the homes of Northville, but the entrepreneur

in him convinced him that he should go at business on his own. In 1920, the Northville Electric Shop was born on West Main

The business was primarily focused on doing electrical contracting work and wiring.



Novi city manager Ed Kriewall as seen in a 1994 Novi function. Kriewall will retire in February.

Kriewall lead Novi through tollgate city's early period

Inspired by a Nov. 18, 1974 Novi News story Century In Review story ran Nov. 18

By his own admission, Ed Kriewall wasn't particularly enthused about the idea of becoming city manager of Novi back in 1974, even though he'd stepped into the job on an interim basis several times previous.

After all, the Bay City native's professional history was rich in road construction and public works but not in urban management.

Kriewall took over as (Novi's) public works director in September of 1969. After only working in that capacity for a year or so, Kriewall was beckoned to step in as interim city manager as the infant city councils juggled managers to help run the fledgling commu-

"We really didn't have a lot of stuff to work with back then." Kriewall said.

Finally, in 1974, Kriewall was taken in as full-time city manager. With that appointment came the nerves of a new

"You'd seen three or four city managers come in and out of their offices in five years,' Kriewall said. "I definitely had that in the back of my mind."

Kriewall survived, though, and has been Novi's chief executive since November of 1974. (In late fall of 1999), he announced he would be retiring in February of 2000.

Four-sided clock finished Northville's downtown renovation

Inspired by a March 18, 1981 Northville Record story Century In Review story ran March 18

Toronto has the CN Tower. San Francisco has the Golden

Gate Bridge. St. Louis has The Arch. And Northville has The Clock.

Northville's four-sided timepiece in the median of Main Street has been a fixture of the city for almost 20 years now, but for those who helped bring the clock to town, it's like it was installed yesterday.

Former mayor Paul Vernon, now retired and living in the northern Lower Peninsula, said the clock was part of the original Main Street 1978 project, but took some extra time in bringing to the community because of safety concerns over the placement of the clock in the median.

"The clock had always been a part of the restoration of downtown Northville, but it was originally going to be two-sided." Vernon said.

But Vernon's wife, Norma, a member of the Northville Beautification Commission, wasn't happy with having a clock face on only two sides.

"She really deserves most of the credit for the clock," Vernon said, adding that stories which ran in



The Northville clock has been a fixture of the city of Northville since its installation in the early 1980s. An driving accident in the late summer of 1999 forced the city to pay for the clock's replacement, as the original clock was damaged beyond repair.

the Northville Record about the clock made few mentions of her work in helping bring the timepiece into being.

"The clock was one of those things that we thought was the nucleus of the downtown," he said.



Northville resident Jim Lapham has been a big fan of flying legend Eddie Stinson. He's shown above with a working replica of the Stinson Black Widow.

Legendary Eddie Stinson gave Northville a reputation in the sky

Inspired by a May 6, 1927 coming of age back then." Northville Record story Century In Review story ran

With a name like "Eddie," you're either destined to be a pool hustler. a rock n' roll guitarist or a pilot. In the case of Northville's Eddie Stin-

son, the sky was his calling. Stinson, a renowned barnstormer and savvy businessman for his time, was Northville's claim to fame in the air when he organized the Stinson Aircraft Corporation in May of 1926. The company has gone the way of the biplane, but the Stinson name lives on particularly in the mind of Northville aviation buff Jim

Lapham. "Eddie Stinson just built a good, solid airplane," Lapham said. "He did some things that no one did to that point in time. Planes were just

There's not a lot known about Stinson in his pre-flying years. Records about the local legend in aviation have disappeared over

Lapham said Northville might not have been the home of the Stinson Aircraft Company had it: not been that one of Stinson Aircraft's corporate directors owned an old building which had been sitting vacant for a number of

That structure, Lapham said, was the building now occupied by Belanger, Inc., within the village limits. Planes were constructed in the building and were then hauled by Model T out to the airfield at Six Mile and Beck roads. Lapham's grandfather. Charles Ponsford, owned the land that Stinson used to test his new creations.

Photos by John Heider

Stories re-told by Chris C. Davis

The Northville Genealogical

A reunion of Northville resi-

dents now living in Florida is

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ing begins at 1:30 p.m. He will

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encing grief due to the death of a Society will meet on Jan. 9 at

loved one. Group members will 2:30 p.m. at the Northville District

learn about the grief process while Library. Betty Tripp of Livonia will

dealing with emotional support. speak on the Oregon Trail. A

Meetings will be held at First Unit- beginner's class is slated for 1:30

ed Methodist Church of Northville p.m. For more information, call

The Northville Woman's Club's slated for Feb. 18 at the Quality

theme for it's Jan. 7 meeting at Inn in Sebring, Fla. beginning at

First Presbyterian Church of II a.m. For more information, call

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presented by Thomas Genova of reached at (800) 654-7235. Reser-

the Michigan Photographic Histor- vations received by Jan. 20 receive

tographs from the 1800s from his Beanstalk" will take place Jan. 8

collection. Members may bring a and 9 at 2:30 p.m. at the Marquis

Charter House busy in December Religion

"Millerman, Madness Stales" is the title of he program being developed by the registy and amily members wise will be working New Year's had and New Year's Day at Charter House of lient. Places are being made to show appreciation the employees who aid, be working on those thavorite. A bridge fournament will begin at 11 the 5 p.m. Christmas Eve service included two special days to making hourly drawings to alim, at the Chie Center with advance registrathank them for their reduction and sergic to a non-required for the 68 chars available. There is a story serving as meditation. Several families—talking about the film "The Green"

have been receiving domainous of gifts for the . Score-O contest from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. Registras ... and 11 p.m. service at the church. making and are also accepting each donations - non for this event is on-site. For youths, Imagicome from tamples. However, anyone in the com- p.m., and balloons and coloring opportunities month and those serving in the volunteer capae- Presbyterian Church are seeking shop will deal with all facets of mounty who would like to help in the activity - will be made available, as well. may contact the activities department at (248).

and rad family inglet holiday celebration with a and re-carving for sponsors will available by there than 250 residents and their families par- calling (248) 347-0400. trepating. Entertainment was turnished by Jack. Daiton always a favorite with residents. er but plans are in the works to see it before it is - long-term trips, and athletic leagues.

Holy Family Catholic Church visited Charter on Jan. 43. House and left behind gitts for all the residents. Santa Claus made an appearance along with a Ron Ward and a group of carolers. Special brigo was held last week with first being distributed. The hospitality cart had the - tant part in the Christmas season programs. - for this group are held at the Novi Library on the look of Christinias with "the Cookie Lidy" Bonnie - starting with the Advent workshop that included - third Thursday of the month at 10 a.m. Guests Korte distributing homemade cookies donated by more than 35 children who were responsible for are welcome to attend one meeting without

NOVI PARKS AND RECREATION

The new Novi Parks and Recreation brochure is available. Additional brochures are available. at the Novi Civic Center. The brochure explains - the young people reciting scripture and present- - At most meetings, there is a show-and-tell. At planned this year for Jan. 22 at the Civic Center. begins Jan. 3 or on-site at 9:30 a.m. The partici- performed by Erika Slating, a liturgical dance were displayed by members. pation fee is 85 per vehicle, which includes a fin- - was put on by Ann Salo and Sara Bet O'Connor, ish ribbon and refreshments at the Lakeshore and a drama was presented by Jameson Shroy-

10:30 a.m. to noon with on site registration. program. Inside, a chib contest will take place from noon — The children's musical "Oh, My Stars...It's — Novi Highlights is written by Jeanne Clarke. to 1:30 p.m. Votes will be taken to determine the Christmas' was presented under the direction of She can be reached at (248) 624-0173.

Novi Highlights

Open skating will take place at the Novi Ice

Arena from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. with 50 percent-off As always, Christiaas has been basy with the coupons available to the first 75 children. Snow

play was postpened because of inclement weath-studies, health and special services, day- and that would be taken to a nursing home. Earlier in the month, representatives from the Novi Public Library from noon to 1:30 p.m. planned to work on the calendar for next year

fourth grade children participated.

evening service entitled "Christ The King" with the Smocking Arts Guild of America. er, Ali Kazakos, teddy Shively and Jim Benton. A snow sculpting contest will take place from - Fifteen other youths participated in the worship - services at Hutzel Hospital.

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Elaine Wroc. There was also a special birthday Family Roman Catholic Church to teach people who are not part party for Jesus on Dec. 19 from noon to 3 p.m. will return to regular hours of of the church what Christianity when youths had lunch, sang Christmas carols—accepting donated clothing on—teaches and to respect honest at a nursing home, played games and celebrated. Jan. 6 at 9 a.m. For more inforquestions about the religion. For

lessons, carols and candlelight with a children's movie discussion group will be were invited to share a unique Christmas tradi- Mile on Jan. 9 at the church These whereare making the program a success. Another contest is the Score-O and Super tion in their family. There was also an 8 p.m. library. For more information, call

A reminder to senior high and junior highs specifies either items. Most of the gats have mation Stations will be open from 11 a.m. to 1 - the youth planning council will meet once a ity can use the hours toward National Honor Society or confirmation volunteer hours.

MICHIGANDER SMOCKERS

The Christmas party was held at the Sweet new equipment is being collected. ner is slated for Jan. 15 at 5 p.m. Afton Tearoom in Plymouth, which included For more information, call (248) Hors d'oeuvres will be served at Many other programs are also available—lunch and short business meeting. In addition. 374-5909. through the parks and recreation department, the members had decided that instead of a gift A trip to view the Hines Drive holiday light dis- meluding Novi Theatres, teen ski trips, creative exchange, they would bring in one or small gifts

The group is working on its 2000 Michigan The book discussion group will be meeting at Smocker nominations. In addition, the group Christian faith will begin meeting either event, call (248) 349-0911. Those presenting ideas would not necessarily be obligated to teach the program being considered.

FAITH COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN One idea under consideration would be to have a retreat at a lodge in Cadillac, solely for The youth of the church played a very imporsewing, stitching and relaxing. Regular meetings the creation of a new "Hanging of the Greens" charge. After that, guests must pay \$2 plus an tradition. The senior highs, junior highs and additional \$2 per kit if one is used. Guests may attend a maximum of six meetings per calendar In addition, the senior highs led a Sunday year. All chapter members must be members of

the traditional Chilly Wiffy Winter Festival, ing performances as Biblical characters through one of the recent meetings, a purple patchwork song and dance. The pianists were Sara Beth quilt, a cross-stitch of cats in tea-lights, a pin-Registration for the winter walk-ski event. O'Connor and Emily Cross, special vocal were. cushion, a Santa scissors-bob and a needle case

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The Clothing Closet at Holy on Jan. 6. The course is designed more information, call (248) 374-

A workshop for persons dealing with grief is being hosted by members of First Presbyterian Church of Northville and will begin on Jan. 13, meeting each Members of Ward Evangelical Thursday thereafter. The work-

Also at First Presbyterian — the Russian prisons. Both used and church's annual progressive din-Also at Ward - a class other stops during the evening designed to give atheists, agnos- providing other courses of the tics and others a safe place to meal. The deadline for sign-up is explore the basic tenets of the Jan. 9. For more information on

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Engagements

Victoria Eppers of Phoenix, Ariz.

The bride-elect is a 1991 gradu-

ate of Northville High School and a

1995 graduate of Michigan State

University. She is employed as a

senior operational consultant and

Scottsdale, Ariz. She is the daugh-

ter of Robert Eppers of Tucson,

Ariz, and Susan Eppers of Dallas.

Both parents are formal Northville

The groom-elect earned a mas-

ter's degree from Eastern Michi-

gan University and is employed as

a senior business consultant and

auditor with Ernst & Young, L.L.P

of Phoenix. He is the son of Kris

A May 2000 wedding is planned.

George Bentham of Maple Glen,

The bride-elect received her in Farmington Hills.

gy from Eastern Michigan Univer- planned.

Pa., and Marlene Bentham of

sity and is currently employed at

and Lynne Klann of Dexter.

auditor for PCS Health Systems of

and Kevin Klann of Dexter

announce their engagement.

Novi resident Gail Siekkinen was honored by Washtenaw Community College on Dec. 16 for earn-

was awarded a bachelor of science recently initiated into Kappa Delta

College in Novi. Winter 2000 worthy education ideals, leadership

Dec. 16 commencement exercises.

per semester.

Janowski is a junior majoring in The bride is the daughter of age of 3.7 for three consecutive graduate of Northville High School.

Klann-Eppers

degree from Baker University in Pi, an international honor society in a graduate of the University of Baldwin City, Kan, at the school's education. To be a member of this Michigan and is an engineer honor society, a student must have with Ford Motor Company. an overall grade point average of The bride wore a classic full-Students can register now for 3.0 or better: 12 or more semester length ivory and rum pink gown winter semester classes at Walsh hours of course work in education: with a tiara waterfall headpiece. semester classes begin for 11- and potential, commitment to education honor. Bridesmiads were Sarah 14-week semesters on Friday, Jan. and desirable personal qualities.

Albion College student Kelly M. held commencement exercises. ley and Kevin Spillane. Joe Wil-Janowski is a new initiate to Alpha Both Alison Michelle Machacek of lev served as an usher. Lambda Delta's Albion College Northville and Meagan Claire chapter. The honorary is given to **Hadley** of Novi received a bachelor Katmandu following the service. students who have earned a 3.5 out ... of science degree in education. ...



Wixom announce the engagement Oakwood Hospital, Dearborn. The employed at Robert Bosch Corp. son of Kenneth Kolb of Taylor and Mary Ann Kolb of Dearborn. master's degree in speech patholo- A September 2000 wedding is

of law and graduate business. She



Novi resident Nathan Pietrowski of 4.0 grade point average at the Amy Allayn Orwig of Farmingreceived his bachelor's degree from end of their first semester or have ton Hills and K.J. Willey of Northwood University in the an accumulative 3.5 at the end of Northville were married Oct. 23 school's December commencement their freshman year, based on at at The Castle in Detroit, Rev. least three units of graded courses Bob Schaden officiated the cere-

psychology. She is the daughter of Mary Labuta and Blaine Orwig of Diane L. Leyda of Brighton and McClure, Ohio. She is a graduing a cumulative grade point aver- David R. Janowski of Livonia and a ate of Wayne State University and is employed with Fairlane Behavioral Sciences as a thera-Madonna University biology pist. The groom is the son of Novi resident Eric J. Aldstadt senior LeAnn Horne of Novi was Geraldine Willey and the late David Willey of Northville. He is

> Burke Orwig and Sarah Lindow The best man was Michael Wil Miami University-Ohio recently ley. Groomsmen were Craig Wil-

> > The coupel honeymooned in



Gerald and Linda Bricker of is employed as an attorney with few of their own photos for Theatre in Northville. For more of their son. Scott Michael, to groom-elect is a mechanical engi- Northville announce the engage- Angelo Plakas & Associates in appraisal or approximate dating. information, call (248) 349-8110. Angela Mazur, daughter of Ken- neering graduate of Lawrence ment of their daughter, Kristin Westland, The groom-elect is a neth and Ramona Mawr of Can- Technological University and is Lorraine, to Kevin Michael Kolb, graduate of the University of Detroit Mercy Graduate business school. He is chief financial officer

Willey-

The bride-elect is a graduate of for Great Lakes Rehabilitation the University of Detroit's schools Hospital in Southfield. A May 2000 wedding is planned.



Bricker-Kolb

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Grown-ups need play groups as much as children do

car twice it we early other to jabber at: Here tare the over tows already. And some times they even give each other kisses.) Med Or coarse I have them. But at a vest (let the ready don't provide stimulating conceisation I have the dog, too. But most of the time she's positing in another. but he doesn't have all that much time. durang the day for me to call and say, the Mom's Night Out that rolls around

"Cooper and Max past made owl noises! every month,"

group and last year myited me to join. Tents is really a lifeline to sanity. have asked me to keep my prematurely-group understands this. But even more, it pediatricians, internists and dentists, been leas away from large groups of other - understands that while being a parent is germy, has until next year! I do partake in - tough, being a parent in a new place can - she said.



The camaraderic from just those few hours with other moins to blow off steam

hackile my neighborhood formed a play- or ask questions of the more seasoned par-

ready for new moms and children to hop for tours and set up other events like car chance to make it at least once in a while.

chair, playgroup is held once a week with a group is relatively easy. rotating schedule leaving it up to the desigmean people with commitments on certain said. while. The host serves refreshments.

one to meet at a place like Twelve Oaks join, ask around.

Playgroups help children with social skills and parents with so much more, tips: Sawaya said. Many people come to play-While I still can't participate (the doctors — The Novi Newcomers and Neighbors - groups hoping to find references for good "It's a resource for other things as well,"

The Newcomers Playgroup also has a could get crazy. seat inspections.

still host playgroup only arrange for every- Also, if you're simply looking for one to each month. It works out great.

form a new group. Sawaya offers a few things, I'm there. Hold playgroup for a two-hour span.

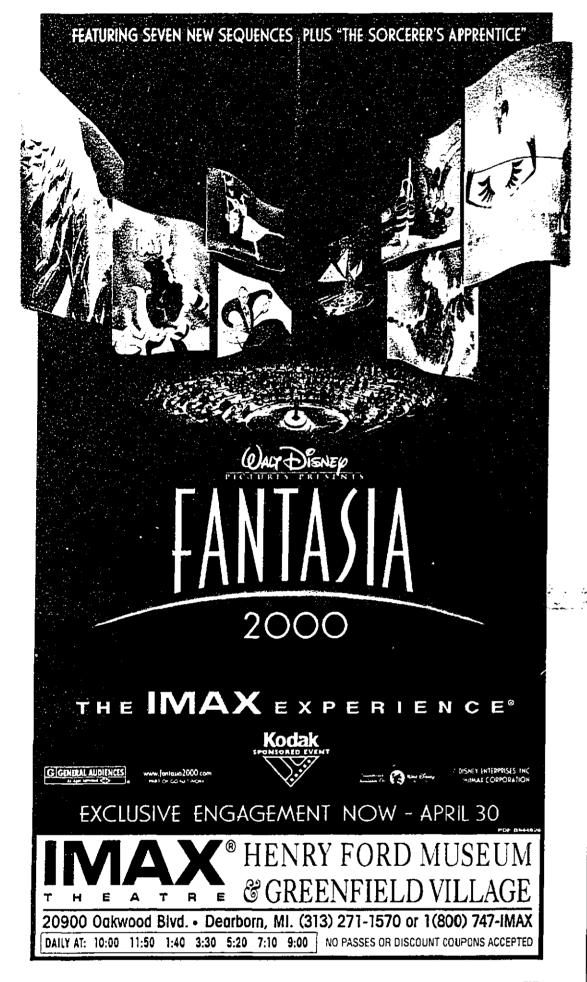
• Don't host playgroup on days when The Novi News and Northville Record. She school is out. Parents with older children can be reached at (248) 349-1700 with sugmight bring them along and then things—gestions for column ideas or questions.

Lucky for new members, the organiza- Mom and Tot group. These members take ... • Unless one day works great with everytion's playgroup is well-established and field trips to local restaurants and bakeries one, rotate days so all members have a

While the Newcomers Playgroup doesn't "There's nothing to it, you just need a necessarily hold Mom's Nights Out (they nated hostess to pick a day. Random days couple of people to get interested," she get together for other functions) I highly days might be able to make it once in a Some homeowners associations have ting up a night at the movies, dinner, a newsletters where you can advertise for comedy club or whatever else you can Newcomers who are still in apartments other people to start a playgroup, she said. think of. Our group picks one Thursday

> But for ambitious parents looking to guys involved with the playgroup side of Wendy Pierman Mitzel writes a monthly

column on parenting and child issues for



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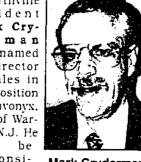


ECONOMIC NETWORK

Business

Mark Cry dermai was named as director of sales in his position at Nuvonyx.

will



Northville resident Scott Carlton has been named general manager of the Great Lakes District of Microsoft. Carlton oversees the development of marketing and sales activities and specializes in work with large enterprise organizations.

The Novi chapter of Business reader poll Network International will meet on at 7 a.m. Jan. 4 at Kerby's Koney Island (21200 Haggerty Road, Farmington Hills), and the sales and marketing of high- Northville chapter on Jan. 6 at 7 and Northville. power direct diode laser material a.m., also at Kerby's. For more processing systems manufac- information, call (810) 323-

Pet Corner

Several animal-related groups Southeastern Michigan have adoption opportunities in the Novi and Northville area. Here are the dates and locations for some of

Michigan Anti-Cruelty Society Third Saturday of each month 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. PetSmart (17677 Haggerty.

(248) 347-4337 Critter Connection Saturday

Northville)

11:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Pet Supplies Plus (41660 Ten (248) 380-0007

Volunteers For Action Some Saturdays and Sundays PetSmart (17677 Haggerty, Northville) (248) 626-8051

Animal Welfare Society of

In addition, the Pet-A-Pet group managing editor Bob Jackson. and residences of physically and favorites. emotionally challenged children to help with the programs. Here's a 5 p.m. on Jan. 27. rundown of where the group will

Old Village Second Tuesday of each month

First Thursday of each month

Wynwood of Northville Third Thursday of each month

News and Record seek nominations for cities' best restaurants in

It's time once again to recognize the best eateries in Novi

Record are sponsoring the 2000 Restaurant poll. Recognition will be given not only to the best overall restaurant in the two communities, but also for sever-

The poll has been a tradition in the newspapers for several years. Novi's Border Cantina took home top honors last year. "Novi and Northville are full of great places for a meal," said

spends time bringing animals to "We think this is a good way for nursing homes, hospice locations, residents to give a nod to their

Entries are due to the News and adults. Volunteers are needed and Record offices no later than Photocopies or facsimiled be making stops soon. For infor- copies of the entry blank cannot

mation on volunteering, call (248) be accepted, and only one entry per household is allowed. The winner of the balloting will be announced on Feb. 24. The entry form to the right

will appear in future issues of both the News and Record, as the NOVI

The Northuille Record

2000 Best Restaurant Poll

Cast your ballot for the best eatery in the Novi and Northville area. Wir announced on Feb. 24.	nners will be
BEST OVERALL RESTAURANT	
BEST INEXPENSIVE RESTAURANT	
BEST BREAKFAST RESTAURANT	117
BEST SANDWICHES	
BEST DESSERTS	
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BEST SALADS	

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BEST WAITER / WAITRESS (include restaurant)

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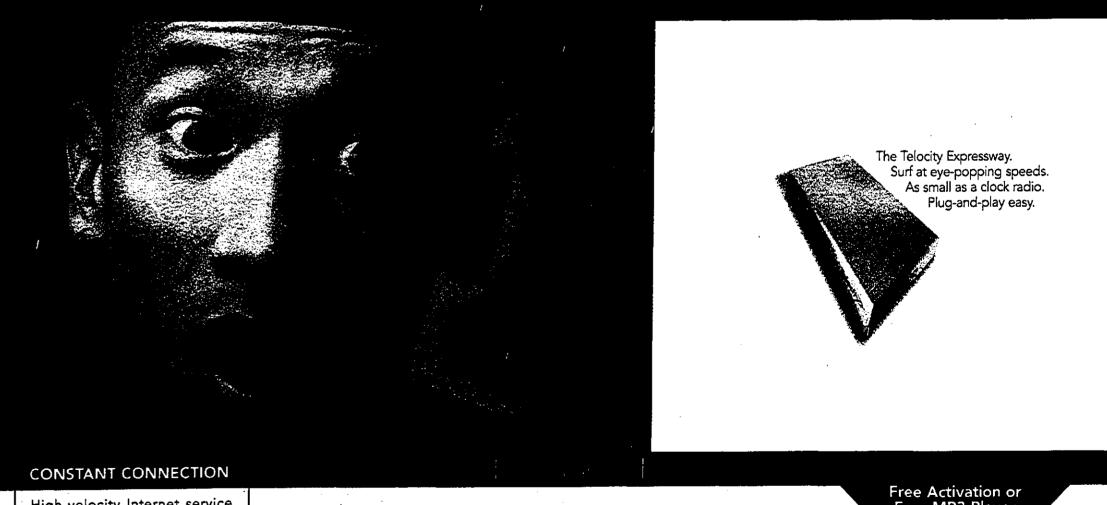
) One entry per household; entries from restaurants not permitted. 2) Only original forms will be accepted. 3) Entries must be received by 5 p.m. on Jan. 27. 4) Entries must be signed and include a telephone number for verification

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Diversions

NEWS **THURSDAY**

January 6,

Frozen art that can warm the soul

Plymouth Ice Spectacular returns to dazzle crowds Jan. 12 through 17

The treasures in frozen water will return to downtown Plymouth next. week, as the 18th annual Plymouth International fee Sculpture Spec tacular kicks off Jan. 12. The 24 hour, tree of charge show

will run through Jan. 17. Last year's tesuval attracted more than 700,000 visitors, bringing the total attendance for the life of the event to greater than 10 million. This year's show offers \$10,000 in prize money, scholarships and honors to acc carvers and sculptors. from around the world.

Sponsors of the show are awarding a variety of prizes, including a completely restored 1937 Lincoln Zephyr in a raffle, the proceeds from which will benefit CHART, a non-profit organization. Visitors to the show can also win a two-year. lease of a 2000 Buick Century, a ski vacation to Colorado or a trib to Orlando, Fla. The Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular is a non-

profit 501(c)(3) organization. A complete schedule of events can be obtained by calling the event hotline at (734) 459-9157. The official website of the event is http://www.ocouline.com/ply-

CHILL OUT

Here are some quick facts on the 18th annual Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular:

WHEN: Jan. 12 through Jan.

WHERE: Kellogg Park, downtown Plymouth

ADMISSION: Free of charge FACTOIDS: Oldest and

largest ice carving event in North America; some 400,000 pounds of block ice are used: attracts carvers from U.S., Canada, Japan, Norway, Russia and Switzerland; one of last year's entries included a working mechanical clock

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shown above — will be on display at the Plymouth Ice Spectacular.

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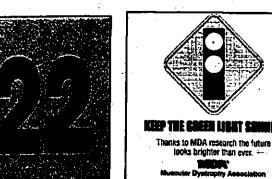
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Movies

the NOVI **NEWS**

January 6,

'Magnolia's' nine stories present microcosm of American society

Phil Parma (Philip Seymour his patient for reconciliation

Fernando Valley, a dying father, a Reilly) — compassionate, bum- and "Boogie Nights." young wife, a male caretaker, a bling LAPD officer Jim Kurring Hoffman offers a surprising porfamous lost son, a police officer in falls in love during a routine trait of an emotionally involved. Michael Penn, who did the score love, a boy genius, an ex-boy investigation genius, a game show host and an estranged daughter will each become part of a dazzling multi- Phil Parma is a dutiful caretaker

Through a collusion of coinci-tridge with his estranged son dence, chance, human action, shared media, past history and and warp through each other's neighborhood lives on a day that builds to an seek forgiveness, others escape. Some will mend frayed bonds,

through a series of comic and all kinds of torrents are poignant vignettes. It is a portrait of a lonely city Parents and children, anger and sometimes called up short on love. forgiveness, television and real

THE FAMILY TREE

is to communicate with his lost Partridge, a dying man who is Linda Partridge (Julianne of his life in his final moments.

married for money lies dying she

Frank Mackey (Tom Cruise) - intriguing challenge for Robards television guru of female seduc- who had just recovered from a tion. Frank Mackey is at the top of near-fatal illness himself. his macho game, until he has to deal with his family

show star, he has the answers to bring what I know to it." everything, except how to win his

Macy) - a 1960's quiz show star. Frank T. J. Mackey is the Tony Donnie now is barely hanging on Robbins of seduction, a sort of

- quiz show host and icon of fam-

ily values, Jimmy Gator is the antithesis of his image Rose Gator [Melinda Dillon] ever faithful to her husband, Rose is about to hear his final-and

Claudia Wilson Gator (Melora Mackey with Cruise in mind. Walters) — living on media satura- Partridge's devoted male nurse tion and cocaine, Claudia just Phil Parma, played by Philip Seywants to tell someone the truth

JANUARY 12TH

AT A THEATRE NEAR YOU.

Hoffman) — an at-home nurse, before death. who hopes to reunite Earl Par-tridge," explains Hoffman, "From Dixon (Emmanuel Johnson) ——— is going to die soon, he's basically budding con artist or street poet? an emotional wreck, because he divine intervention they will weave Dixon is the eyes and voice of his has really platonically fallen in

Paul Thomas Anderson's "Magunforgettable climax. Some will nolia" presents a microcosm of lines of "Magnolia" are set to a Reilly, Jason Robards and Melora American society through nine soundtrack of songs by Aimee Walters, among others. intertwined stories that each take Mann, whose music becomes part others will be exposed. "Magnolia" place on one clement day in is a mosaic of American life woven Southern California, during which unleashed.

It is a personal exploration of the life, longing and loss, chance and hidden elements of crisis. It is a volition, sunshine and storms find story about putting things right themselves in collision on this day that builds through a series of accidents to an unexpected phe-

Earl Partridge (Jason Robards) At the center of the "Magnolia" - dving of cancer, his final wish maze of interconnections is Earl coming to terms with the failures Moore) — as the husband she Partridge is played by Jason

Robards, who had never worked realizes she has fallen in love with with Anderson before. Playing a dying man was an

"It was sort of prophetic that I be asked to play a guy going out Stanley Spector (Jeremy Black- in life," he comments. "It was just man) — a child genius turned quiz so right for me to do this and

> The one thing that Earl Partridge wants before he dies is to

Rick Spector (Michael Bowen) — see his estranged son, Frank T. J. unable to keep his own life in Mackey, who has followed his order, he lives off his genius son's father's footsteps into the television world, albeit in a very differ-

Jimmy Gator (Philip Baker Hall) priced seminars that teach men how to get their way with the Playing Mackey is Tom Cruise. who had approached Paul Thomas Anderson about doing a project together after viewing Boogie

Nights. Anderson wrote the part of mour Hoffman, who came to the

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caretaker who is as desperate as for "Boogte Nights" and "Hard

The nine interdependent plot Macy, Julianne Moore, John C.

"He's very attached to Earl Par-

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nolia" was particularly inspired by

Seymour Hoffman, William H.

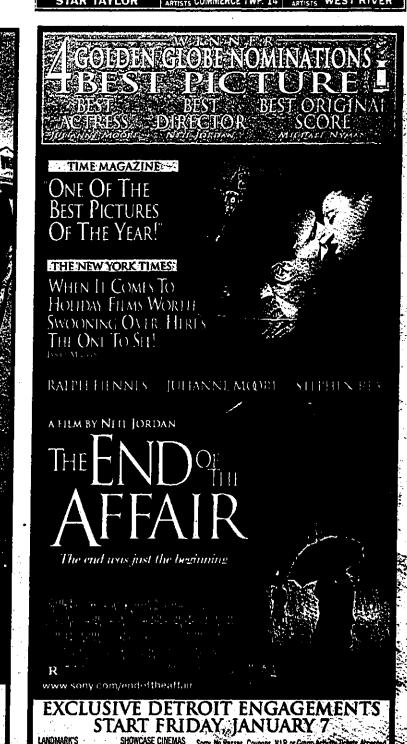
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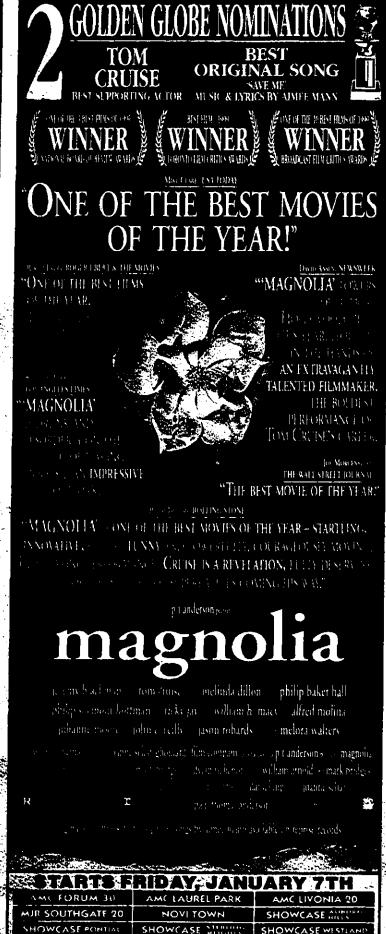
her song "Wise Up."





Tom Cruise and Jason Robards in "Magnolia."





Females Seeking Males

BEST THERE IS Friendly, attractive DWPF, 48, 5'8", who enjoys a

walks, exercising, camping and variety of other interests, is looking for an intelligent, attractive SWCM, 44-60, who enjoys life, to spend time with. Ad#.2289

FUN AND SERIOUS

Kind and loving, this employed SWP mom of two, 47, 5'2, who loves the Lord and enjoys summer and winter activities, is seeking a caring, loving, kind SWCM, 40-55, for friendship and maybe more. Ad#.1234

UNTIL NOW Retired SWF, 36, 5'6" enjoys horseback riding, nature and the movies. She's looking for a sincere, honest SWM. Ad#.5560

THE NEXT STEP This SWCF, 19, 5'10", is known to be an outgoing and friendly college student who enjoys participating in sports, animals, great conversations and more. Could you be the honest SWM, 18-23, she's seeking?

Ad#.1116 ALL WE NEED This outgoing DWCF, 52, who enjoys dining out, dancing, going to the movies and more, is looking for a sincere SWCM, 50-60, a N/S, for a possible longterm relationship. Ad#.1947

HEAVEN SENT This friendly, outgoing SWF, 47, 5'4", whose interests include good conversation, going to the movies and taking long walks, is looking for a SM, under 55, for friend-

ship first. Ad#.8869 GOOD COMPANY

Say hello to this attractive DWCF, 48, 5'4", with blonde Outgoing, never-married hair and blue eyes, who SWF, 33, 5'6", with dark enjoys dancing, playing cards and movies, hopes to meet a considerate, caring DWCM, over 45, with similar interests. Ad#.6982

MOVE QUICKLY

Here's a versatile, active SWF, 41. 5'5", with blonde hair and blue-green eyes, who enjoys movies, taking walks, and camping. Are you the energetic, hand-some SWM, 38+, she's hoping to hear from? Ad#.2124

SHARE HER WORLD This outgoing DW mom, 38, 5'5", who enjoys spending time with her children, traveling, going to the movies and music, is seeking a SWM, 36-45, to share life's ups and downs with. Ad#.4770

LET'S GET ACQUAINTED Shy and reserved, this never-married SWCF, 30, 5'5", who enjoys a variety of interests, is seeking an outgoing, caring, loving SWCM, 30-34, for friend-ship leading to more. Ad#.1525

ENERGETIC

This SW mom of one, 34, hair and blue eyes, who enjoys fishing, camping and hunting, is seeking a secure, friendly SWM, 25good time with. Ad#.1444

WISHING UPON A STAR Kind, honest SWCF, 37, 5'3", who enjoys attending church, long walks in the God-fearing, Ad#.1212

GREAT EXPECTATIONS to go out and have a good time with. Ad#.2222

FAMILY FIRST

Attractive, family-oriented SWF, 50, 5'2", who enjoys dancing, spending time with family and more, is looking for a SWM, 48-56. Ad#.9122

LOOKING FOR LOVE This DWCF, 34, 5'8", who enjoys bible study and riding Harleys, is waiting for you. If you are an outgoing, warm-hearted, SWCM, under 45, then giver her a call. She'd love to hear from you. Ad#.9445

SET UP A TIME & DAY This outgoing SWF, 19, 5'7", who enjoys sports, spending time with family and going to movies, is in search of a SWM, 18-22, to spend quality time with. Ad#.1111

OUT OF THE SOUTH Here's a DWC mom of one, 37, 5'4", who would be a perfect match for a SWM, 37-45, who enjoys the outdoors, bowling, family times and more. Want to prove me right? Ad#.6456

PLEASANT You can share your world with this versatile and outgo-ing DWCF, 57, as long as you're a SWCM, who shares her passions for travel, animals, socializing with friends and more. Ad#.1942

LOVES ATTENTION Friendly, honest DWCF, 60, 5'3", 129lbs., with blonde hair, and green eyes, who enjoys the outdoors, travel, the theater, and spending time with family, is looking for an honest SWCM, 55-67, who shares similar interests. Ad#.2417

IS IT FATE?

She's a fun, intelligent SWF, 19, 5'2", who enjoys the little things in life. She is looking forward to meeting a caring, honest SWM, 19-23, to go out and have a good time with. Ad#.7180

MAKE THE MOVE

hair/eyes, who enjoys sports, long walks and picnics. She's looking for a SWCM, 32-42, similar interests. Ad#.1308

THE PRIME OF LIFE Charming Catholic WWWF, 68, a brunette, is seeking a youthful, sweet SWCM, 65+, with whom to share common interests such as Bingo, dining out, dancing, sports, bowling and long walks. Ad#.5720

LIVE IT UP

This outgoing SW mom, 38, 5'4", full-figured, who enjoys camping, long walks and spending time with family, is looking for a family-oriented SWM, 35-45, to spend quality time with. Ad#.9028

YOUR SERVE

Ambitious, athletic Catholic SWF, 29, 5'3", a blue-eyed blonde, who enjoys tennis and working out, is seeking a confident, humorous Catholic SWPM, 28-36, for friendship leading to more. Ad#.2570

GIVE ME A CALL Kind-hearted, active SWF, 35, is looking for an interesting SWM, 29-39, N/S, to 5'9", full-figured, with blonde share animals, travel and more. Ad#.3333

START RIGHT HERE Active SWF, 71, who enjoys dancing, traveling and play-45, to go out and have a ing cards, is in search of an outgoing, friendly SWM, 68-75, to share similar interests with. Ad#.2434

MELODY OF LOVE This outgoing DWCF, 51,

park and camping, is ISO a 5'7", is a member of the choir intelligent who's ISO a romantic, con-SWCM, under 45, who siderate SWCM, 50-61, N/S, shares similar interests. for friendship, maybe more. Ad#.6127

WILL GET BACK TO YOU This friendly, attractive SWF, 37, 5'4", who enjoys dancing, spending time with friends and more, is seeking a fun-loving SWM, over 29, for an outgoing SWM, for a relationship. long-term Ad#.8567

This well-educated DWP

mom of two, 49, 5'7", is hoping that the sensitive, kind SM, 35-55, that she hopes to meet will come forward soon. She enjoys sports, quiet evenings of conversation, movies, music, cooking, the outdoors and more. Ad#.4949

HEAVEN SENT

Pleasant, Catholic DWF, 51, 5'9", is seeking a companionable Catholic SWM who shares her enjoyment of country living, cooking, gardening, reading and the arts. Ad#.7837

NOTEWORTHY

Family-oriented DW mom, 38, 5'8", is hoping to share a meaningful friendship with a man of character, heart and substance, a SWM, 35-42, with patience and under-standing. Ad#.4073

Outgoing SW mom, 43, 5'3", with brown hair and green eyes, who enjoys spending time with her children, walks on the beach and more, is interested in meeting a car-ing SWM, 37-50, who likes children. Ad#.4383

SWEET THINGS Friendly SWF, 45, seeks a SWM, for friendship first, maybe more. She enjoys bowling, picnics, boating, long walks and the outdoors.

Ad#.6999 SONG BIRD

Outgoing, Catholic SWF, 48, is looking for a SWM, 40-52, to share music, cooking, the outdoors and the arts. Ad#.9500

Males Seeking Females 1

FLEX YOUR MUSCLES Fun-loving, sincere and amletic, this Catholic SWM, 40, 6'1", enjoys family, friends and romantic times, and is seeking a trim, fit SAF, 21-38. Ad#.6969

WORTH A TRY He's a sincere, honest, outgoing SW dad, 41, 5'10", who enjoys fishing, going for walks, and more. He's seeking a loving SWF, 34-44, for a possible relationship.

WORTH A TRY Fun-loving, active SWM, 30, who enjoys the outdoors and traveling, is seeking a nice, honest SWF, for a possible relationship. Ad#.2463

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Malott nets two goals in Classic championship win

By JASON SCHMITT Sports Editor

Call it revenge, call it retribution, call it what you

But when the Novi hockey team walked off the ice last Wednesday night, there's no questioning who was the best team at Novi Ice Arena.

The Wildcats roared to their first-ever championship of any kind, knocking off a previously unbeatable Northville squad 6-2 in the title game of the Northville/Novi Christmas Classic, Backed by a five-goal outburst in the second period, the 'Cats beat Northville for the first time in four meetings.

"I hate to call our guys a bunch of junkyard dogs. but when we're in a corner, we fight," Novi coach Dan Phelps said of coming back from a 1-0 firstintermission deficit. "We fight to the finish."

The comeback sparked the team's second win in two days, which also included a 4-1 domination of West Bloomfield.

Novi tied the Mustangs 2-2 in their only other meeting this year. But Northville beat Novi 7-2 and 6-1 in their two encounters last year.

"When something is done, it's done," Phelps said of last year's games. "They were able to push that aside. I didn't see any intimidation."

As the first period came to a close, it looked as if the game was going to go Northville's way once again. Jason Engelland scored the only goal of the period, on the power play, with 6:15 left to play.

But Phelp's club came out inspired in the second. Kyle Major tied the game up just 1:05 into the period. Both Fred Napier and Brad Zarem picked up

It didn't take the team long to strike again. Just 30 seconds later, senior captain Travis Malott took a pass from Jared Perras and broke in from the right side to beat Northville's Josh Block near post to give Novi the lead at 2-1.

The game stayed that way until Angelo Barduca took a nice feed from Jered Genso to give Novi a two-goal cushion with 7:32 remaining in the second. Rvan Layton also picked up an assist on the

Just 1:18 later. Robbie Harrell found himself the recipient of a beautiful pass from Malott. He scored from out front to make it 4-1. But the 'Cats weren't done quite vet. Malott picked up his second goal of the night at the 11:51 mark of the period, off a pass from Layton. Genso also had an assist on the goal, which forced Northville coaches to pull Block from goal.

We've had our spurts this year where we play to our opponent's level." Phelps said. "But good teams jschmitt@ht.homecomm.net

play up to a certain level, and they stay there. We're trying to find the level of consistency that we're able to play. And then we want to stay there. We don't want to be dropping downwards."

Novi added another goal just 4:20 into the third as Brad Zarem avoided defenders and beat Northville's backup to make it 6-1. Northville added a goal with 19.6 seconds remaining.

Brian Markowicz picked up the win in goal for Novi, which is still missing Beau Brandau due to a

case of mononucleosis for the senior. "Both Brian and Jeremy (Goodman) have played tremendously in filling his shoes," the coach said. "It sounds like a problem, but it's a nice problem to

have. I'm really proud of both of those guys." After the game, both Novi players and coaches stayed on the ice to celebrate their first-ever cham-

"They always say winning isn't everything, but winning sure is fun," the Novi coach said, "For a team that was stricken by injuries and DQs, we possess a lot of character. We stepped up when the time was right."

Although the tournament doesn't officially give out a most valuable player award. Phelps said he couldn't help but think Malott would have earned it with his play in the two games.

"As far as I'm concerned, Travis Malott was number one out there." Phelps said. "The way that he played — it's not only his on-ice qualities that were great, but he sucked it up and took charge of this

The win upped Novi's record to 7-1-5 heading into the "second half" of the season. The team played Lakeland last night (after The Novi News' deadline) in the last game of the team's first loop through the Kensington Valley Conference season. The team is 2-0-3 in league play, trailing Milford (3-0-2) by two points and Brighton (4-0-1) by three.

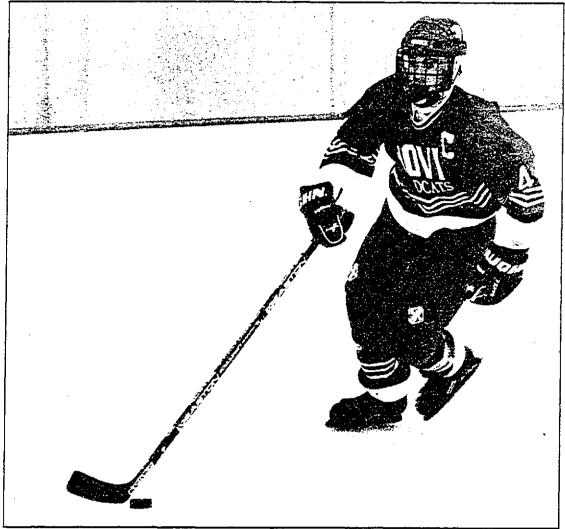
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Despite falling behind 1-0 early, Novi came right back to score four unanswered goals to get the win in the second semifinal game Dec. 28.

"We were both missing players and it was really a battle of the infirmaries," Phelps joked. "But they played a hard game and it shows you how important it is to come out of the gate like we did. You

never know when your team is going to play flat." Goodman allowed just one goal in picking up his first win of the season.

Jason Schmitt can



Novi senior Travis Malott (above) skates in on goal in Novi's 6-2 win over Northville.

Icers impress this writer



then the Novi hockey team has knocked it clear off its back

as a monkey in sports.

Since the school's hockey program began a year ago, the team has seen its share of ups and downs. It's seen the lows of starting off its inaugural year at 0-9. It's seen the highs of a six-game winning streak aiter that sluggish start.

And this year it's seen

If there is such a thing its record soar to 7-1-5 after the first 13 games of the

But until last Wednesday night (Dec. 29), it hadn't seen a win over its biggest rival Northville. Novi's 6-2 thrashing of the Mustangs sent a message to both communities, the entire Kensington Valley Conference and upcoming district opponents. It sent a message which quite frankly states, "THIS IS NO ORDINARY SECOND-YEAR TEAM."

The Wildcats have finally started coming together under the direction of head coach Dan Phelps. This team has the talent, the coaching, and now it has found a very important ingredient called confidence.

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Novi wins at Salem

By JASON SCHMITT

Just when you think you've seen the best out of the Novi wrestling team, things get better.

The Wildcats were very close to perfect last Thursday, winning the Plymouth Salem Invitational by a commanding 70 points over runnerup Greenville. Novi dominated the 18-team invite by placing 10 of its 14 wrestlers in the top three.

"It was probably the best we've looked all year, and it was really fun to be involved with," Novi coach Brad Huss said.

Three 'Cats brought home championships, including Dan Jilg (119 pounds). Ryan Churella (130) and Jason Moore (275). For Jilg and Churella, it follows up their Oakland County championships of three weeks ago.

Along with those three, three others reached the championship match. Brent Frey (135), Adam Borashko (189) and Nick Slovan (215) all took second place at the tourney.

Picking up big points for their team, Josh Churella (103), Brian Dodds (125) and Scott Kortlandt (171) all won their third-place matches for Novi. Vince Slovan (152) took fourth.

Although some of the top finishes were expected from his experienced wrestlers, a few were pleasing to Huss.

"With Dodds taking third at 125, that was fantastic for him." the coach said. "He's got that kind of ability, but we've just got Danny (Jilg) at 119.

"And Brent (Frey) has been wrestling well this year. He's just gone unnoticed because of how well everyone else is doing."

Huss said the addition of Vince Slovan back into the lineup should give his team stability at

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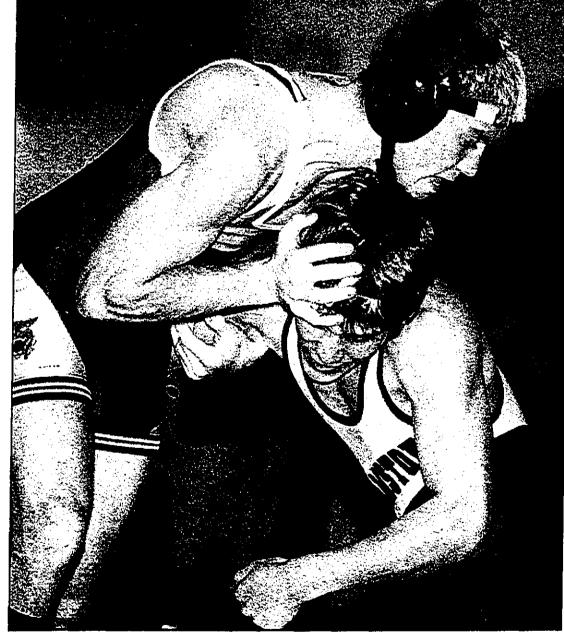


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Novi senior Dan Jilg broke Taka Watanabe's school record of 156 wins Tuesday night.

Jilg breaks school record in win

Going into Novi's matchup with Northville Tuesday night. Novi coach Brad Huss preached to his team to stay off their backs and they'd have a shot to break a four-match losing streak to Northville.

So as he walked off the mat following the match, the first words out of his mouth were, "We stayed off our backs, even against their big studs."

That Novi did, and in the process, the Wildcats came away with five pins of their own in a 47-18 pounding of

Not only did the team win big, but senior Dan Jilg

broke the school record for wins in a career by pinning his way to his 157th triumph. He now has a 157-18 record in his four years on varsity.

Jilg, Ryan Churella (130), Cory Nobach (112), Frank Kava (160) and Nick Slovan (215) all won by sticking their Northville opponents.

Brian Dodds (dec. 4-2), Vince Slovan (tech. fall 18-1), Adam Borashko (dec. 9-2) and Jason Moore (void) also picked up wins.

Novi built an early 21-3 lead before Northville got as close as 21-15. But Novi won five of the last six matches.

Athletes share some resolutions

As the New Year passes us by each Jan. 1, so do all the New two weeks' attention to.

We say them, think about them for a short while, then bury them into our memory tank, which usually runs out of fuel a few short days later when no one is looking.

As it states in the American Heritage Dictionary, a resolution is "a course of action determined and decided upon." Nowhere in that definition are the words "carried out."

Many times we do toss our resolutions out the door, either because they're too lofty to live up to, or we're to lazy to see them through. Either way, resolutions are just a bunch of false promises we make to ourselves in the presence of a few others to make them

With all that aside, I decided to ask a few area athletes from Northville and Novi high schools what they felt were some of their New Year's resolutions for the upcoming year. What do they want to see happen, both for their teams and individually, in the year 2000?

Some wanted individual numbers and achievments, but each and every one of them started things off with team-oriented

For instance, Northville junior David Gregor wants his team to make a trip to the district basketball finals, something the team did two years ago but was unable to do last season.

"I don't think anyone has ever made it past regionals, so that would be cool," he said.

Individually, the 6-foot-4 forward wants to put up good numbers. but to help the team. "Basketball is a team sport, so I really want the team to do well. But I would also like to average double digits in points and rebounds," he added.

Novi hockey sensation Brad Zarem has put up tremendous offensive numbers this season. but all of his focus was on the

"We'd like to stay undefeated in Year's resolutions we pay about the Kensington Valley Conference. and if we can do that we could stay undefeated the rest of the way because the KVC is a pretty tough league," he said.

Also a lacrosse player, Zarem feels some of this year's younger talent should make the team a contender in the state playoffs this spring. "We still got big Pat Muston and we should be pretty good," he noted.

Having been a part of a state championship gymnastics squad in the past. Northville/Novi gymnast Monica Fink resolves to work hard to make it happen

"I want us to get motivated and to work hard so we can have a chance to win states again. I'd like to qualify for the state meet myself, and place in as many events as possible," she said.

Northville volleyball players Beth Gillis and Julie Bozyk have different resolutions, but both relate to the team's continued.

"The thing I'm most looking forward to is to bond with my teammates, and through that it should produce a winning season," said Gillis. "I've got such a good feeling about this year's team with the start we've had." Bozyk added, "I'd like for us to

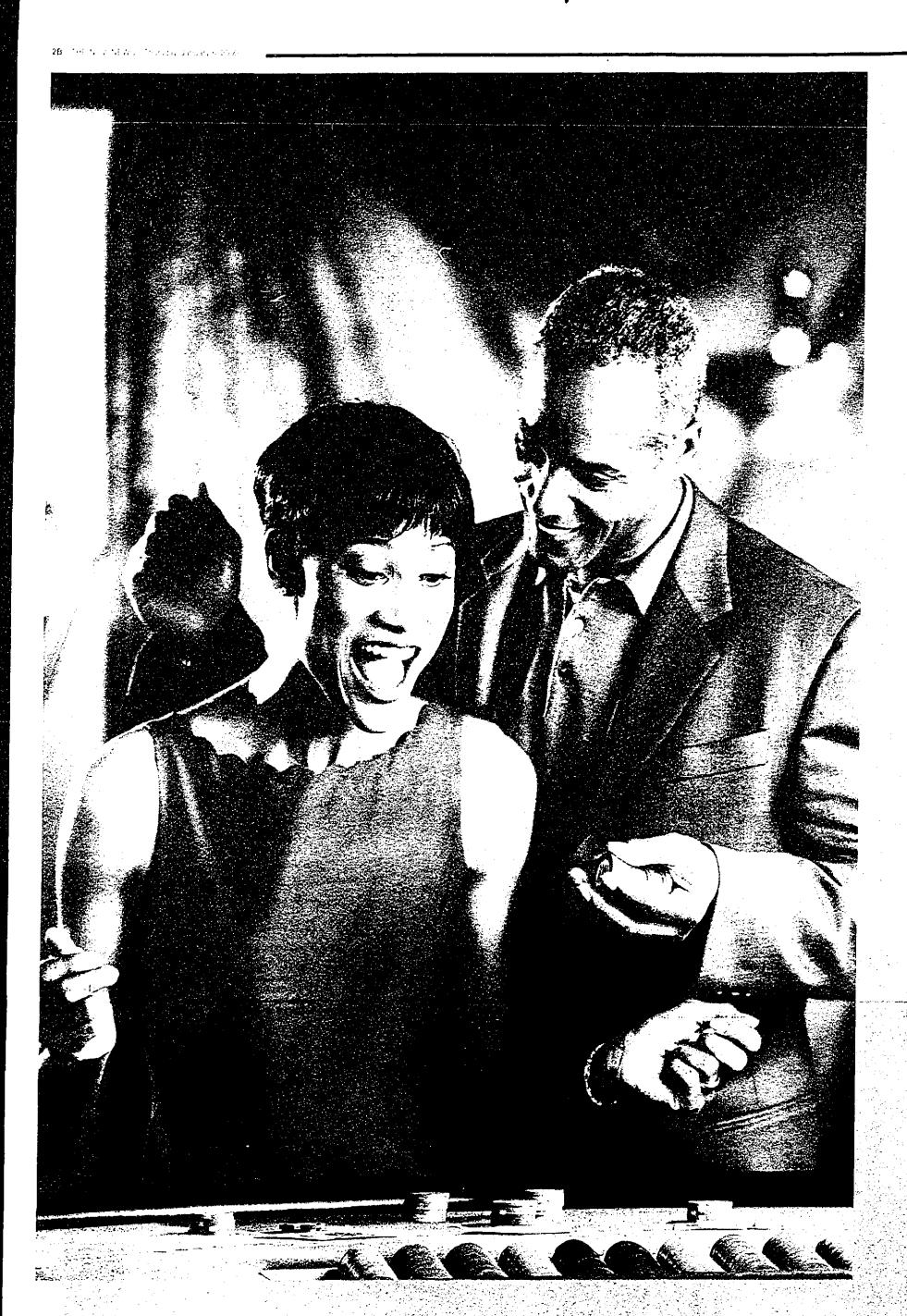
be division champs, and for us to beat Salem. I think we totally have a shot. That would be amaz-David Whitbeck, a vital part of

the Northville swim team, said he'd like to see his team beat "Our team is hoping we can

beat Canton and win the (Western) division," he said. "Individually I'm hoping to qualify in the 200 and 500 freestyle and maybe even help the 200 and 400 freestyle relay teams qualify."

Having won a state championship as a member of the 1998 Novi soccer team, Nick Slovan has both team and individual

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Hockey team takes step up with title

Novi's conference schedule begins tational this weekend before com-

Novi has had to come from away with another one. behind several times this season. Bob Jackson, managing editor of the shoulders of many. Anyone on to go to Novi games, because he's The team was very fortunate to the Novi News and Northville Record the ice can score for Novi, mainly walk away with a couple of their and beat writer for the Northville because the team has great skaters ties, scoring the game-tying goal team, and I have long debated the who are willing to give up the puck with their goalie pulled in the last teams over the past two seasons. to the open man.

His team was falling behind early that "my" Wildcats were up and going to get better. Last week I saw the way, there's no end of the road and playing catchup to teams they coming, a horse without a saddle. the emergence of Travis Malott, a for the Wildcats. But if there is one were clearly more talented than. When they were able to harness player I think is a tremendous high Novi was not playing up to their their incredible talent, watch out. school talent who has only shown

game was clearly ready to take that his face. He was impressed with the seems to have that effect on his ready to claim a district title. I really skating team caught up.

early deficit and pour it on at a great lines. Northville has shoul- best player on the ice.

point when many fans were think- dered the scoring loads on Ryan. I'm amazed at his skating ability ing Northville was going to sneak and Tim Hillebrand, whereas Novi in traffic and his ability to get a

 Jackson was confident "his" Mus Probably the scarlest thing about see. Phelps was concerned about this. tangs were the superior club. I felt all this is that Novi is probably only

But as the two of us sat there and flashes of what he's capable of. But the team I saw on the ice in watched Novi dominate Northville in When he was on the ice, Jered post season, it's their lack of experilast Wednesday's Northville/Novi the second period and take a com- Genso was better. When he was on ence. Christmas Classic championship manding 5-1 lead. I could see it in the ice. Ryan Layton was better. He Hopefully for Novi parents, play- tangs in the manner in which it against a tough John Rekoumis. next step. They're ready to vie for a way Novi skated. He felt it was only teammates. conference championship. They're a matter of time before the superior Another player who we really

That was the difference.

He's a little out of shape but he still now the team will continue in their 15. The Kensington Valley Confer-

has spread their scoring load over shot off. He's one reason why I like

didn't know much about at the beginning of the season, Brad The Wildcats demonstrated both Northville has one great line, cen-Zarem, made a name for himself for the Northville Record and Novi cats forced the issue in many of last year" statement pretty accu-

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Novi Wrestlers win Salem Invitational

With Malott and Zarem leading

thing that could hinder their hopes

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wrestled well and placed." Huss non-league preparation. The 'Cats ence season begins Jan. 21 in a tri- jschmitt@ht.homecomm.net

will compete at the Wyandotte Invi- meet with Brighton and Milford.

Resolutions show kids love for teams

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goals for both his wrestling and soccer squads. "Being in wrestling right now, I'd like for our whole team to stick with it," the junior said. "After a

while it gets tough to stay in

(wrestling), but this year's team

has a lot of promise. Individually,

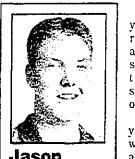
I'd like to go to states." His soccer team reached the state quarterfinals this past fall, and he feels next year's team is very similar. We're going to hae to tor for the Northville Record and work for everything. It's going to Novi News. He can be reached at

Northville junior skater Rob Ryan and his team has gotten off to a slower start than usual this

from this team to win more games," he said. "Individually, I want to play better defense and to

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Wrestling match over early...like I said



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the ability to come back from an tered by Rob Ryan. Novi has a few early on this season and is still the News. He can be reached at the matches, and came out on top. rate. I said if Ravi Saran and Josh I went on to say "If Josh Churelovertime, where Saran scored off a early."

> At 112 I said "Last year (Jeremy) and will provide a boost to Novi's early lineup." I consider Nobach's pin in just 42 seconds another

When Also, as I suggested, Novi you're adjusted their lineup from 119right 130. They stuck Brian Dodds in at about 119 and he beat Jason D'Anna 6some- 2. Dan Jilg and Ryan Churella thing, proceeded to pin back to back at shout it 125-130. I didn't think Northville could be these last two, and they When didn't. So because of the adjust-

you're ments, I was only half right. wrong Next up was Northville's studs, about Reggie Torrence, Chad Neumann some- and Dan Scappaticci. In my keys thing, to Novi winning the match, I said keep "If (Novi's) 135-152 wrestlers can. your stay off their backs and give mouth shut and turn the other Northville's studs a challenge, the team will be in good shape.

Well fortunately for me, I was Northville won all three matchpretty much right in several of my es, but save the team valuable predictions for the Northville/Novi points. Another one for the sports

I was high on Frank Kava, as But I have to admit that I didn't well as Scott Kortlandt. Kava won think Novi would handle the Mus- by pin, but Kortlandt was pitted He lost, so I guess I did too. As I sat there at the scorer's Adam Borashko, Nick Slovan

table. I witnessed just how good and Jason Moore all won their Novi was. Northville didn't neces- matches, making my "Novi finishsarily wrestle good, but the Wild- es up as strong as Northville did

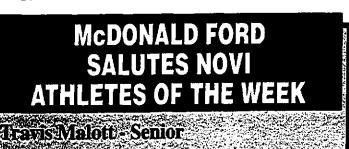
Churella stayed at their current la and Nobach can score points for weights, "the best matchup of the the 'Cats, the match could be over day could come at 103." The early. Jilg and Churella won't be match was tied 5-5 and headed to beat and could push the lead up

take down just 42 seconds in. Novi jumped out to a 21-3 lead. Chalk that one up as a correct - Match over

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Elders with back pain get back to life

Getting older can be a pretty spine-tingling experience - and not always in a good way. As if wrinkles, balding and menopause weren't enough, most people find that their backs hurt more often as they age, sometimes enough to interfere with their daily life.

But unlike younger people's back problems, which often have a fixable cause, the back pain of older Americans isn't as easy to relieve. Whether it's osteoporosis, arthritis, shrinking padding between backbones or just the normal changes that come with aging, the elderly face some of the most difficult causes of chronic

That's why the University of Michigan Health System has launched a first of its kind program for people over 60 with chronic back problems. Called the Geriatric Spine Program, it offers one-stop shopping for treatment by a variety of specialists.

"Back pain in the elderly usually causes a decrease in function, much more so than in the younger population, so that they're not able to do the basic things like get around, be independent in the community, and do the things they used to do," Anne Christopher M.D., director of the program, said.

"What's more, it can be more difficult to get elderly people back on their feet after a back pain episode because their pain tends to be more chronic.

Christopher and her colleagues hope their new program will be a model for others. That way, they hope to help the nearly six million Americans over 65 who, the National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases estimates, suffer frequent lower back pain. And with our country's average age inching ever higher, and 12 percent of Michigan's population expected to be over 65 by next year, more of us than ever will be saying "Oh, my aching back!" soon.

The eight-week U-M course starts with a half-day individual assessment, followed by solo and group meetings with a team of experts in physical therapy, occupational therapy, psychology. nursing, case management and exercise physiology. The team pays special attention to what kind of home activities the patients can't do because of their back pain and tries to find ways to restore some of that function

"The geriatric population has very specific needs because the patients aren't going back to a workplace and because they often have so many other health issues affecting their function." Christo-

"They really need a program designed to suit their individual needs, and that's what we do." Often, the first step toward

recovering some of the lost ability is getting into better shape. Christopher said.

*We work with our patients to increase their flexibility and strength, as well as cardiovascular conditioning, flexibility endurance," and explained.

"We also address issues of biomechanics, to help them understand the best and easiest possible way to do things, so that they're not injur-

ing their back more." Individual therapists work on each patient's gait, posture, and balance three areas often worsened by general weakness due to lack of exercise. And they constantly work within the constraints of each patient's other health conditions.

Besides building a model for others to copy, Christopher and her colleagues hope to generate much-needed research results on what works - and what doesn't - to

improve strength and function and relieve back pain among the

"Our goals are really to see how we can keep this population independent and not at risk for falling and having further functional decline," she said.

University of Michigan Health

UM-FACTS

Facts About the Elderly and Back Pain: According to the National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases:

· About one-half of adults have low back pain in any given year. Approximately 15 percent of U.S. adults report

frequent back pain or pain lasting more than two weeks annually. . More than 26 million Americans ages 20 to 64,

and almost 6 million ages 65 and older, have frequent low back pain, According to the Michigan Aging Services

. The older population - persons 65 years of age or older - numbered about 1.1 million in Michigan in 1990. They represented 11.9 percent of the state population, about one in every eight Michiganians.

• People 65 and over are projected to represent 12 percent of the population in the year 2000 but will be 16.6 percent by 2020. If these projections. hold, more than one in six Michiganians will be over 65 in 2020.

Health Notes

RUNNING FIT OFFERS CLASSES

Starting in January of 2000, Running 101, a series of classes for non or beginning hithiers interested in learning the "how to's" and the "how far's" as well as the skill of having fun while running will be offered at the Running Fit store in Novi and Ann Arbor. For more information, please call

HEALTH RISK APPRAISAL

Do you know what your health risks are? Botsford's health risk appraisal includes blood pressure, total cholesterol and hdl readings. There is a \$50 fee and an appointment is required.

For registration and information, call (248) 477-6100.

INTERMEDIATE WATER AEROBICS

This is a 50-minute water exercise class for postnatal and postphysical therapy patients. There is a \$35 fee for the six-week course and registration is required.

For registration and information, call the Botsford Center at (248) 473-

Oakland County Health Division's Child Health Clinics provide free ongoing well care for children from birth to school entry. Families who do not have an hmo or Medicaid may be eligible. Clinics are held at 14 locations throughout Oakland County.

Services include heights and weights; head to toe physical examination; immunizations: vision, hearing and lab testing; growth and developmental screening; and counseling as needed.

Appointments are required. For more information, call: north Oakland, Pontiac: (248) 858-1311 or 858-4001: south Oakland, Southfield: (248) 424-7066 or 424-7067; west Oakland, Walled Lake: (248) 926-3000.

ABC'S OF WEIGHT LOSS

A registered dietitian will work with you individually for three months to set up a realistic weight loss plan, organize your appetite and discuss the best strategies for weight loss. A \$95 fee and appointment is required.

The class is sponsored by Botsford's Health Development Network, 39750 Grand River Ave. in Novi.

For more information and to register, call (248) 477-6100.

ASTHMA EDUCATION

Individual sessions with a registered nurse can provide the tools to better understand and manage asthma. Day and evening sessions are available. Families are welcome.

There is a \$30 fee and an appointment is required. For more information and to register, call (248) 477-6100.

BREASTFEEDING BASICS

This workshop covers the "how to's" of breastfeeding and answers questions and concerns of women who are already breastfeeding.

The fee is \$20, and the classes are held at Botsford's Health Development Network in Novi.

For information and registration, call (248) 477-6100.

CIRCUIT TRAINING

This is a multi-stationed exercise and education program designed for the individual with limited experience using fitness equipment. Participants will be instructed on the proper use of weight and cardiovascular

The class meets Mondays and Wednesdays from 7 to 8 p.m. The fee is \$70 and preregistration is required.

For registration and information, call the Botsford Center for Health Improvement at (248) 473-5600.

MARTIAL ARTS FOR CHILDREN

Conducted by a black-belt martial arts instructor, a physical therapist and an exercise therapist for children ages 5-16 with special needs such as cerebral palsy, add, or sensory integration dysfunction.

This is a continuously revolving eight-week course held on Friday evenings from 6 to 8:30 p.m. at Providence Medical Center-Providence Park in Novi. There is a charge of \$100.

To register, call 1-800-968-5595.

PANIC ATTACK AND AGORAPHOBIA SUPPORT GROUP

They have monthly meetings starting in September at both Northville and Livonia locations. It's a comfortable group support setting for individuals experiencing panic attacks. The cost is \$5. For more information call Susan Franceschi at (734) 420-8100.

CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

"Focus On Living," a self-help group for cancer patients and their families, meets the first Wednesday of each month at St. Mary Hospital in Livo-

Co-sponsored by the American Cancer Society, "Focus on Living" provides an opportunity to discuss concerns, obtain answers and gain support from others who share the same experiences.

Registration is not necessary, and there is no charge to attend. For more information, call (313) 655-2922, or toll free 1-800-494-1650.

DIABETES EDUCATION

This comprehensive program includes self-monitoring of blood glucose, diet and meal planning, disease management with exercise, potential complications of the disease, and presentations by a pharmacist and a podia-

This is a continuously revolving six-week program held on Monday evenings from 6 to 8:30 p.m. at Providence Medical Office Center, Ten Mile and Haggerty roads. There is a \$20 fee.

Call (248) 424-3903 to register.

SURGICAL PREPARATION

Through the Sally the Surgery Star program, children scheduled for surgery are taken on a tour and familiarized with the surgical experience. A variety of educational materials and supportive teaching tools are used to help children deal positively with the idea of a hospital stay.

Admission to the program is by appointment only. There is no charge. Call the Providence Medical Center-Providence Park at (248) 380-4170

WEIGHT ON THE RUN

Conducted by an exercise physiologist and a nutritionist, this 12-week program starts with a fitness assessment and nutritional consultation, followed by three weekly monitored workouts and weekly nutritional support. Day and evening classes are available.

A \$300 fee includes enrollment in the class "ABC of Weight Loss." For more information and to register, call (248) 473-5600.

CHILD HEALTH CLINICS

Oakland County Health Division's Child Health Clinics provide free ongoing well care for children from birth to school entry. Families who do not have an HMO or Medicaid may be eligible. Clinics are held at 12 locations throughout Oakland County.

Services include: Heights and weights; head-to-toe physical examination; immunizations; vision, hearing and lab testing; growth and developmental screening; and counseling with referrals to physicians and area resources as needed.

Appointment is required. For more information, call: North Oakland, Pontiac. (248) 858-1311 or 858-4001; South Oakland. Southfield: (248) 424-7066 or 424-7067; West Oakland, Walled Lake: (248) 926-3300; and Holly residents: 1-888-350-0900, extension 8-1311 or 8-4001.

HEALTHY SOLUTIONS SEMINARS

Healthy Solutions are offering a seminar series over the next few weeks. All seminars are free and begin at 7:30 p.m. Please call (248) 305-5785 or stop in healthy solutions to reserve a seat (space is limited). You may show up the night of the seminar, however a seat may not be available.

STEPPING STONES It's a divorce-recovery workshop for children and parents. It starts Nov. 4 and is offered by pre-registry only. It runs every Thursday for six weeks

at Ward Presbyterian Church in Northville. The cost is \$10 and scholarships are available. For more information please call (248) 374-5920.

Women who suffer from multiple daily hot flashes associated with menopause are being sought to participate in a nationwide study to assess the safety and effectiveness of an investigational hormone replacement skin patch to treat hot flashes. Women may be eligible if they are between the ages of 45 and 65, have not had a menstrual period in six months, or a hysterectomy. For more information, call 493-6580.

BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS

Providence Medical Center-Providence Park is offering free blood pressure checks Monday through Friday from 9 to 11 a.m.

Area residents are invited to visit Providence Medical Center-Providence Park, 47601 Grand River Ave., to obtain the service. Screening will take

place in Providence's Emergency Care Center located within the center. For more information call (248) 380-4225.

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