

Services Celebrate Birth of Christ

The birth of the Christ child in Bethlehem will be celebrated with songs and services planned by area churches tonight (Christmas Eve) and on Christmas Day tomorrow.

A service of carols and candlelight at the First United Methodist Church in Northville will begin at 8 tonight. The service marks the church's traditional Christmas Eve time of singing and reflecting upon what this time of year is all about, the Reverend Guenther C. Branstner, pastor, explained.

Ted Strasser of radio station WJR, who is a resident of Northville, will be narrating "The Little Lopsided Tree" at the church tonight. All those attending services will receive a candle as a year-round reminder of Christ's birth.

Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church has planned six Masses for Christmas Eve and Christmas Day, the Reverend Father Gerard Hadad, pastor, announced.

Christmas Eve Children's Masses will be held at 5 and 7:30 p.m. Carols by the church choir begin at 11:30 p.m. with the traditional Midnight Mass following.

On Christmas Day, Masses will be held at 8, 9:30 and 11 a.m.

St. Paul's Lutheran Church will have its Christmas Eve family service with Holy Communion at 7:30 tonight. The sermon, "Simply Wonderful," is based on the Christmas Gospel from Luke and will be delivered by the Reverend

Charles Boerger, pastor.

The Christmas Eve candlelight service, sponsored by the youth of St. Paul's, begins at 10.

On Christmas Day, worship with Holy Communion will be at 10:30 a.m. The Reverend Ralph G. Schmidt, assistant, will deliver the sermon "Christ The Savior Is Born."

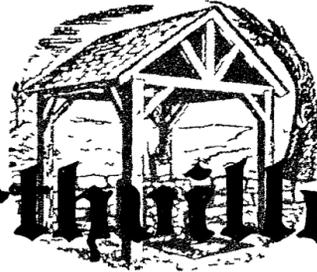
On Sunday, December 29, the pastor will preach on the theme "The Villain in the Christmas Story" at both services, 8 and 10:30 a.m.

The Adult Choir, the Day School Chorus, Youth Choir and instrumentalists will participate in the services at St. Paul's.

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Time for Sharing

Believing that Christmas is truly a time for sharing and giving, 144 students in grades five through eight at Our Lady of Victory are giving individual Christmas gifts to the children at the Plymouth Center for Human Development. The gifts were offered at the school's Christmas Mass Thursday. The Reverend Father Gerald Hadad, pastor, accepts the gifts from (left to right) Mary Kay Palarchio, Brian Hestlip, Tim McClorey and Moira Witmer. The gifts, for children between the ages of one and 12, were delivered that day to the center, Principal Philip Schwartz said. Among the items were toys, books, puzzles and personal items.



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Township Seeks Dismissal

Mobile Park Order Time Limit Expires

Northville township has directed its attorney to seek dismissal of a consent decree by which zoning was obtained to permit a mobile home park on the southwest corner of Six Mile and Ridge Road.

In a special joint meeting between the planning commission and the township board Thursday, commissioners recommended the action to the board which approved the dismissal move later the same evening.

The consent decree, by which the 200-acre parcel was zoned to a combination of industrial, commercial and multiple, was agreed upon by attorneys for the township and the owner, Oka George. The suit was settled out of court in 1973.

Part of the stipulation was that preliminary plat stage one was included in the settlement and stage two be submitted one year later. That date expires January 1, 1975.

Attorney for Mrs. George, Daniel Devine, has informed the township that the original developers, Mobilife, have withdrawn. However, in a letter to the board and planners Thursday, Devine said he believes Mobilife may renew its option to purchase the land once an easement is obtained from the City of Detroit across the Detroit House of Correction property.

His letter also indicated that the owner will be discussing purchase with other developers and that it would be possible to develop the mobile home park according to the revised preliminary plat for stage one.

Planning commissioner

Bernard Baldwin said he was opposed to granting an extension and that "we should clear this thing up now. If (the consent decree) runs out, it runs out."

According to the consent decree, if stage two plans were not submitted within a year, zoning would revert to what it was before the settlement. Zoning originally had been one-family residential.

Baldwin said he felt it was "in the best interests of the township to enforce the consent decree. We could harm him by waiting."

Planners had discussed tabling the matter until January. However, Baldwin said if owners had found another developer but did not gain the easement, or vice versa, they could be hurt financially.

Baldwin, supported by commissioner John Dugan, moved to recommend the township board enforce the decree and instruct its attorney to obtain dismissal of Board members accepted the planners' recommendation. Both actions were approved unanimously by the members of the boards attending.

In other action, the planners agreed to have the attorney review minutes of meetings concerning rezoning of the Dun Rovin Golf Course and advise the commission of its legal position.

Attorney for Dun Rovin, Clarence Charest, told the commissioners that he did not feel the developers "should pay \$8,000 to \$10,000 plus \$4,600 (in application fees) and then have you tell us our plan is not feasible."

Charest said it would cost about \$10,000 to obtain all information required by the township planners in order to have the planned neighborhood development plan reviewed.

"We were well aware that we did not have all the information necessary when you chose to deny our petition," Charest said.

Baldwin suggested that possibly the \$4,600 fee was too high "on the basis that it may be thrown away. Maybe there should be a middle ground on the fees."

Charest had told the board that if he had known the petition for rezoning was going to be acted upon in September, he would have had a representative at the meeting. He said he had received assurances that the matter would be tabled.

Deputy Clerk Margaret Tegge, in a letter to the planners and board members, said that she "relayed his request (for tabling) to the

planning commission." She explained that in July Charest requested it be tabled for 30 days and the planners tabled it for 60 days. "In September, he asked that it be tabled again. I did not say it would be tabled. I only relayed his request to the

planning commission," her letter said. Trustee and member of the planning commission James Nowka told Charest that "If you or your representative had been there, I expect the result would have been exactly the same."

Attack SEMCOG Plan

Rail Transit Gets Boost

Pumping hard for rapid transit into this area via existing rail lines, citizens and officials of Northwestern Wayne County tossed some

heavy criticisms at the proposed regional transportation plan of SEMCOG last Wednesday night at Schoolcraft College.

Criticisms were mainly triggered by the fact that the plan, a projection to 1990, fails to provide for rapid transit into this section of the county.

Earlier in the week, the Northville City Council adopted a resolution opposing the plan "as presently proposed," and it urged that "a more adequate mass transit system be included for Northwestern Wayne County."

City Manager Steven Walters, attending the meeting at Schoolcraft on behalf of the city, echoed remarks of other officials who urged rapid transit for the area.

Most vociferous of the remarks of the 50 persons in attendance was Richard Wernette, former mayor of Plymouth, who was applauded for his attack on the plan as outlined by SEMCOG officials and documented by spokesmen for SEMTA and the state highway department.

"It is totally unrealistic to postpone (rapid transit) for this area that long," declared Wernette. "I think we need

action now."

"The C&O, he said, "could provide passenger service,

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Board OKs Contract With Police Union

Contract between Northville township board and the police officers' union was approved Thursday by township trustees.

Authorization was given to have the supervisor and clerk sign the contract on Thursday, December 26, unless any objections are raised by trustees before that date.

The contract is retroactive to December 1 and runs through December 31, 1975. The contract is the first entered into by the township and an employees' union. Negotiations began in August and went into mediation before the contract was

settled. Included under the contract are all patrolmen. The chief and other police employees are excluded.

Salaries may be negotiated 30 days prior to April 1, the beginning of the township's next fiscal year, but is the only item in the present contract which may be discussed this year, township attorney Donald Morgan explained to the board.

Any raises agreed upon at that time will be retroactive to April 1, not the beginning date of the contract, he said. Salaries included in the contract approved Thursday

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Postpone Millage Recommendation

A recommendation that the township board seek additional operating millage has been postponed until the January 9 meeting of trustees.

Speaking to board members at a special meeting Thursday, Trustee Charles Rosenberg, chairman of the ad hoc committee studying retention of the police department, said "We thought we would be prepared to make a full list of recommendations. "We will defer our millage recommendation until January 9," Rosenberg said. However, his committee did

recommend that layoffs of full time township employees be delayed from January 15 to April 15 when they will be eligible for unemployment insurance.

The committee, which also includes Trustee James Nowka and residents Dr. John Swienkowski and Ronald Cousineau, cited two reasons for its recommending postponing the layoffs.

"We have a basic social responsibility," Rosenberg said. "The ad hoc committee does not feel it is fair to take action without protecting the

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NEWS BRIEFS



Kids' Recipes

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IT'S THAT TIME again! Time for the 19th annual first baby contest sponsored by this newspaper and cooperating merchants. Formal announcement of contest rules will be made next week. Meanwhile, expecting parents in the Northville, Novi and Wixom area should keep in mind that a host of prizes await the first baby born in 1975. Deadline for receipt of first-baby notification will be Friday, January 3, with the winner to be announced in the January 8 edition.

DEADLINE for all news and advertising copy for The Northville Record-Nowi News will be 5 p.m. Friday because of the New Year's holiday. The newspaper will be published Monday, December 30, for delivery the following day. The newspaper office will be closed Tuesday and Wednesday, December 31 and January 1.



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Mothers' Club Shares Recipes for Holiday Parties

As the holiday season nears its New Year's Eve climax, recipes to serve during the evening are welcome.

Northville Mothers' Club is sharing the dips and spreads as well as the whiskey punch recipe used at the series of benefit parties given in the community early this month. "We've had a lot of requests for the new Broccoli Dip," reports the committee. Here it is:

BROCCOLI DIP
3 ribs celery, chopped fine
1 large onion
1 4 oz. can sliced mushrooms, drained
1 pkg. frozen broccoli, chopped

1 can cream of mushroom soup
1 roll garlic cheese (found in local supermarket)

Saute celery, onion and mushrooms in butter. Add soup and cheese. Stir until melted. Cook broccoli according to directions, but do not overcook. Drain well. Combine and serve hot with Fritos or other dip chips.

Can be made ahead and reheated.

A hostess offering popular these days, especially with those who are trying to count calories, is the raw vegetable tray with a dill dip.

DILL DIP
2 & two-thirds c. mayonnaise

2 & two-thirds c. sour cream
4 Tbsp. shredded green onion

4 Tbsp. shredded parsley
4 Tbsp. dill weed
4 Tbsp. Beau Monde seasoning

Mix the first two ingredients. Add next four. Mix well. Let stand one hour before serving. Keep in refrigerator.

The seasonings used all are available in tins or jars in the supermarket.

Suggested vegetables for the dip are cauliflower, washed and cut in pieces; carrots and celery, cleaned and cut into strips; cherry tomatoes; cucumbers and green peppers, both cut in strips.

A cheese ball almost is a tradition at holiday parties. This Mothers' Club recipe combines three varieties.

CHEESE BALL
1 8 oz. pkg. cream cheese
2 jars Old English sharp
1 jar Roka blue — 3 or 4 oz. jar.

3 Tbsp. red wine vinegar with garlic

Soften cream cheese. Add other cheeses and wine vinegar. Mix well but do NOT use beater or blender. Form into two balls. Chill. Roll into chopped pecans.

Serve with crackers.

For a big gathering a whiskey punch is easy. This Mothers' Club version served 70 using 4-ounce servings.

WHISKEY SOUR PUNCH
½ gal. whiskey
5 qts. ginger ale
15 oz. lemon juice (bottled)
3 cans frozen orange juice (6 oz. cans)
5 cans frozen lemonade (6 oz. cans)

Chill ingredients. Mix in punch bowl, adding ginger ale last.

A snack to serve hot is the meat ball recipe:

MEATBALLS
3 lb. ground chuck
2 medium eggs
1 lg. onion chopped or grated
garlic salt and pepper to taste

Mix ingredients. Make 150 meat balls.

Make sauce of 12-oz. jar chili sauce and ¼ c. grape

jelly and bring to boil. Put balls in and simmer 30 minutes.

Refrigerate overnight and skim off fat. Reheat to serve.

This Braunschweiger Spread presents an attractive appearance on a holiday table as it looks like an iced snowball. It has to be made a day ahead.

BRAUNSCHWEIGER SPREAD

1 lb. braunschweiger
¼ c. mayonnaise
3 Tbsp. dill pickle juice
3 drops Tabasco sauce
2 Tbsp. worcestershire sauce
¼ tsp. garlic salt
1 pkg. (8 oz.) cream cheese

Mix first six ingredients with a third of the cream cheese. Add one-third cup chopped onion, ¼ c. dill pickle. Mix well and place in bowl lined with clear plastic wrap. Chill overnight.

Unmold and ice with other two-thirds cream cheese softened with a little milk. Decorate whole ball with sliced stuffed green olives.

CLAM ROLL
2 pkg. 8 oz. cream cheese
1 7½ oz. can minced clams, drained

2 Tbsp. lemon juice
2 Tbsp. minced onion
¼ tsp. salt
¼ tsp. garlic salt
½ c. walnuts, chopped fine

Mix ingredients and chill half an hour in refrigerator. Makes two large or three small logs or balls. Can be frozen in foil. Serve with crackers.

Dream Bars Make Easy

Dessert

These Coconut Dream Squares are easy to make at the last minute and have a layering effect that makes them fancy.

COCONUT DREAM SQUARES

1 C. unsifted cake flour, or sifted all-purpose flour
¼ C. firmly packed brown sugar
One-third C. soft butter or margarine
2 eggs
1 C. firmly packed brown sugar
¼ C. flour (as above)
½ tsp. double-acting baking powder
1 tsp. vanilla
1 and one-third C. (about) flaked coconut
1 C. chopped walnuts

Combine one cup flour and a quarter cup brown sugar. Add butter and mix until thoroughly blended. Press firmly into an ungreased 9-inch square pan and bake at 350 degrees for 15 minutes.

Meanwhile, beat eggs until light. Add cup brown sugar gradually, beating until mixture is light and fluffy. Mix one-fourth cup flour with baking powder; fold into egg mixture. Mix in vanilla, coconut and nuts. Spread over baked mixture in pan, return to oven and bake 20-25 minutes longer, or until lightly browned.

Cool. Cut in squares. Makes about two dozen.



HOLIDAY CHEER—Mrs. John Conder, right, pours a cup of punch for Mrs. Charles Fountain. This is the recipe served at the Northville Mothers' Club benefit cocktail parties for which Mrs. Conder was chairman.

Mrs. Fountain was hostess for the club's own Christmas party the following Monday, December 9, at her home on Pickford Road. The club is sharing its holiday recipes in response to requests.

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Consumer Agency's Open

Have A Complaint?

It doesn't seem possible that no Wayne County resident in the Northville area has a consumer complaint, but not a single resident showed up to register a "beef" at the first visit of a representative of the county's new consumer protection agency last Wednesday at Northville Township hall.

Miss Johanna Moore, an investigator for the agency formed last July as an arm of Wayne County Prosecutor William Cahalan's office, will be back, however, February 12, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

She also visits Plymouth on alternate months and will be there from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. January 8 at 42350 Ann Arbor Road in its township offices.

Northville residents may make their complaints there, also. Miss Moore, who also makes out-county visits to Gibraltar, Trenton and Grosse Ile, says most complaints the agency receives are about home improvement work. Next greatest are registered against auto mechanics.

Wayne county residents may make their complaints directly to the Consumer Protection Agency office at 356 East Congress in Detroit or may call 224-2150.

Most complaints, Miss Moore explains, are settled by mediation, with civil litigation in criminal prosecution also possible.

"We have had much success in coming to understandings by talking with both sides," she says, with such complaints being ended with some compromise.

As proof that the agency does pursue complaints, Miss Moore cites 10 cases that have gone to criminal prosecution since July.

Federally funded under a grant sought by the prosecutor in response to requests, according to Miss Moore, the agency operates with four investigators and a

chief working under Allen Kellman, an attorney. The prosecutor's office, she adds, also has 30 part-time law students on its staff who work on complaints.

In many cases, she says residents send duplicate complaints to Action Line or Contact 10 whose staffs also cooperate with the agency.

First step in a complaint against a home improvement firm, Miss Moore explains, is to check if the firm is licensed to do business.

Contact is made with the firm with the agency staying in the picture until some agreement is reached.

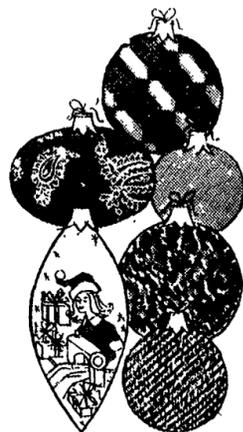
Auto complaints, she says, are tough with the easier ones being those against dealers as the agency staff then can take a case to the automotive company.

While Miss Moore waited for "customers," she did get

two gripes from township employees — on an automotive repair and a utility problem.

She's hoping more people will be aware of her February 12 visit. She stresses, however, that only residents of Wayne county, or those with a complaint against a business in county, or who have signed a legal contract in the county may use the service.

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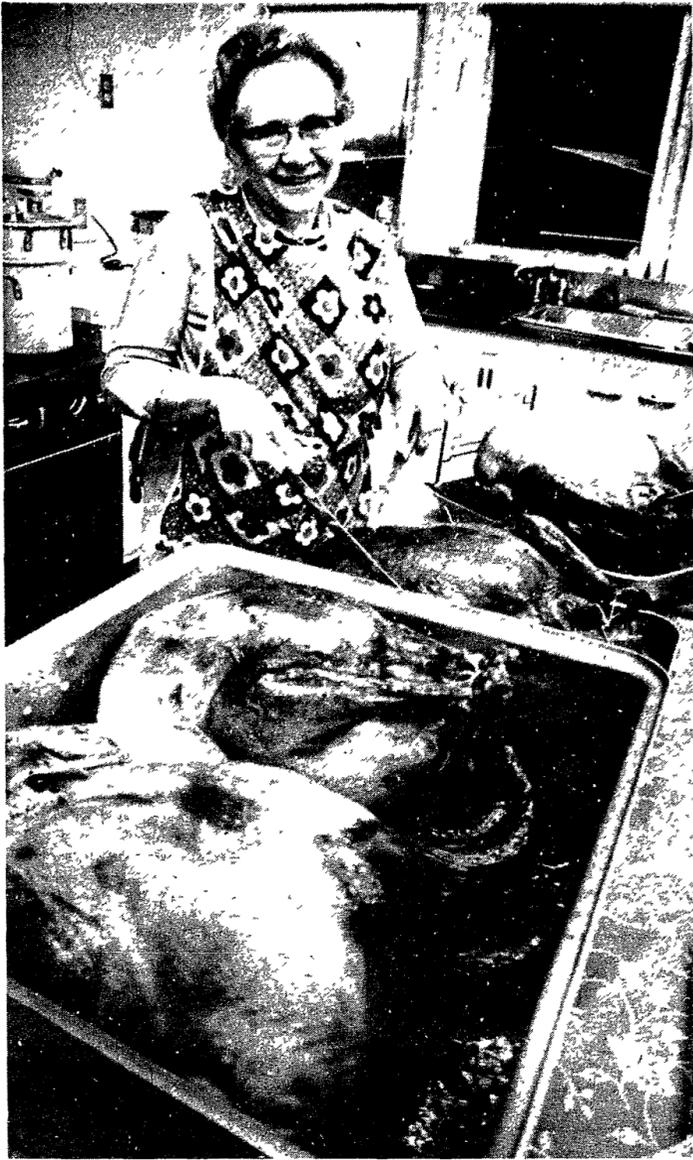
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EARLY FEAST—Eighty-one pounds of roast turkey — or four large birds — were served to Northville Senior Citizens at their Christmas dinner party Tuesday evening at the Northville First Presbyterian Church. That's Mrs. Alma Fisher carving up the feast.

Schoolcraft Miss van Buren Exchanges Vows Taps Woman In Afternoon Holiday Ceremony For Post

Schoolcraft College has selected a Livonia mother of four to fill the key post for women's services and programs at the College.

The appointment of Jean Christensen as assistant to the director of community services was announced by Dr. Robert Keene, vice president for instruction. Dr. Keene said she had been selected from over 100 candidates for the job.

"We are pleased to have Mrs. Christensen join our staff," Dr. Keene said. "She has fine credentials, meaningful work experience and, more importantly, typifies the women the College hopes to serve better."

The vice president's reference was to the many years Mrs. Christensen devoted to being a homemaker between earning her bachelor's degree and later returning to college for her master's degree.

A graduate of Detroit Pershing High, Mrs. Christensen holds a bachelor's degree in elementary education from Wayne State, and a master's degree in guidance and counseling from the University of Michigan. She was an intern in the Schoolcraft counseling department during the 1972 winter semester.

In private life she is married to Leon Christensen who operates Christensen's Incorporated, a family nursery business in Livonia since 1937. Their four children are Holly 18, Laurel 16, Bari 14, and Peter 11.

At Schoolcraft, Mrs. Christensen will assist in developing a variety of new community services in conjunction with the College's resource center. She will also conduct information, testing and referral programs for individuals and groups.

Mrs. Christensen has been a counselor for student services and a testing coordinator at the Detroit Institute of Technology since 1973. She has also been active in voluntary service with the PTA, Girl Scouts and other community groups.

Mrs. Christensen's appointment at Schoolcraft became effective on December 9. She is filling the post recently vacated by Mrs. Nancy Dufour who joined the staff at Macomb County Community College.

Sprigs of variegated holly in her bridal bouquet carried out a Christmas season color scheme at the wedding of Sharon Cress van Buren and David Willard Simon last Saturday afternoon at St. Andrews Episcopal Church in Ann Arbor.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James H. van Buren of 18355 Edenderry Drive in Northville. Her bridegroom is the son of Mr.

and Mrs. Willard B. Simon of Jackson, Michigan. The couple exchanged vows and rings in a 1 p.m. service at which the Reverend O.G. Jones officiated.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a white gown of Quiana jersey with a deep inset of Brussels lace outlined with seed pearls accenting the bodice. The gown was simply designed with long fitted sleeves and a flowing skirt extending into a chapel train.

A Juliet cap adorned with seed pearls held her mantilla of Brussels lace and chapel-length double-tier veil of silk illusion.

All-white roses and stephanotis with the variegated holly formed her bouquet.

Mrs. Gregory Regan was matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Sara Freligh, Diane Tucker and Janine Simon, sister of the bridegroom. Diane Cress was flower girl.

All wore matching gowns of deep red velveteen featuring old-fashioned detailing of white lace trim at the neckline and on the bodice and tucking at the shoulders of the long sleeves. Flip ties accented the back.

Their flowers were red and pink variegated Elegance carnations, deep red sweetheart roses and white mums. Bands of fresh holly with white ribbon bows formed their headpieces.

Philip B. Simon was best man for his brother. Ushers were David Stilson, Bob Ginter and Peter van Buren, brother of the bride. The bridegroom's brother, Peter Simon, was ring bearer, carrying the rings on a lace-trimmed velvet pillow matching the red velvet of the bridesmaids' gowns.

A reception followed at Barton Hills Country Club in Ann Arbor.

The couple met at Grand Valley State College. The new Mrs. Simon now is attending Cleary College while her husband attends Eastern Michigan University where he is affiliated with Delta Sigma Phi fraternity.

They will make their home in Ypsilanti.



MRS. DAVID WILLARD SIMON



JEAN CHRISTENSEN

To 4-H Congress

Returns from Trip

Cheryl Visnyak of 50855 Nine Mile Road in Northville has a sterling silver bowl as a memento of her trip this month to the 53rd National 4-H Congress in Chicago.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Zolie Visnyak, Cheryl was one of four top state 4-H winners awarded the expense-paid trip December 1-5.

She was the only member attending from the Wayne, Oakland and Washtenaw counties but reports that about 30 young people from

other parts of Michigan attended.

As state winner in the 4-H dairy foods competition, Cheryl's trip was sponsored by the Carnation Company, which sent its delegates a carnation each day of the congress.

One of the enjoyable pluses of the convention, she recalls, was meeting "kids from all over, including Alaska and Hawaii." Those attending also met Miss America and were entertained by Ford Motor Company, General

Motors and Firestone corporations.

Entertainment included the "New Virginians," a big attraction, she adds.

Secretary of Agriculture Earl Butz also was on hand.

The Northville winner lives on a farm with her parents and enjoys raising and showing her own cattle.

The Northville senior hopes to attend Michigan State University after graduation. It was in competition on the MSU campus that she won the state title.

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Novi, Wixom Seek Federal Monies

Novi and Wixom are in the beginning stages of application for a federal grant which one local official called the most complex grant ever devised by the federal government.

Coming out of the new Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, the grant basically replaces all of HUD's existing community development-type programs including Model Cities and

Urban Renewal, and will last for five years. HUD will administer the new program. Effective January, the act makes available more than eight billion dollars to be spent over the next three

years. Further sums will be provided later. Local governments will not have to provide matching funds. In Novi, City Manager Ed Kriewall was authorized last week to attend a seminar program January 8-10 in New York which will explain the act.

Wixom, meanwhile, allocated \$2,000 to planners Vilcan-Leman to prepare the grant application. Wixom stands to get \$246,000 during each of the next three years, plus a smaller amount the following two years.

No figure is yet available on how much Novi could receive. Tuesday, January 7, Wixom will hold a public meeting to hear the wishes of residents. The council plans to hold a study session Thursday, January 9 to discuss the act and determine a feasible project. The planning commission is to act as a citizen's advisory committee. Notification of the meeting is being sent through the mail to all Wixom residents, along with a brief summary of the objectives of the program. The January 7 meeting is tentatively planned for 8 p.m. at Western High School.

Every rural city, including Novi and Wixom, will be eligible to receive "hold harmless" and/or discretionary funds — approximately 20 per cent of the total eight billion dollars available (with the remainder going to metropolitan cities). Cities outside of an SMSA (Standard Metropolitan Statistical Area) are eligible for "hold harmless" funds — the sum of the average of all grants, loans or advances received during fiscal years 1968-72 under the programs consolidated by the act.

The remainder of the 20 percent rural fund, after allocation of the "hold harmless" funds, is then available to cities which would put in an application along with a specific project for which the money would be used. All cities applying would be in competition.

Wixom's \$246,000 per year would be "hold harmless", received on the basis of funds from a HUD project in 1969 which the city actually turned down. That project was for renovation of the "downtown" area, new assistant to the Mayor Bernard VanOsedale said. The city, if it wished, could go out for extra discretionary funds.

Novi, meanwhile, may be eligible for some "hold harmless" funds from HUD funding of a sewer project in the Walled Lake area, Kriewall said. He added that the city will probably go out for discretionary funds also. According to VanOsedale, the following areas could be funded under the city's "hold harmless" community development grant:

- 1) acquisition of real property, including air or water rights.
- 2) acquisition, construction, reconstruction, or installation of the following public works, facilities and site or other improvements: neighborhood facilities, senior centers, historic properties, utilities, streets, street lights, water and sewer facilities, parks, playgrounds, and other facilities for recreational participation.
- 3) building code enforcement
- 4) special projects directed to the removal of material and architectural barriers

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And there were shepherds in the fields

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Crime Prevention Effort Becomes Full-Time Job

Some people say it's cute. Others have nicknamed it the "little police car". But to the residents of Wixom, the tiny powder blue Mercury Comet symbolizes that city's effort at crime prevention.

With special crime prevention unit decals on the sides, the Comet is the sole official transportation of Wixom's new crime prevention officer Vern Darlington.

The car came as part of a nine months grant given to the city by the Michigan Commission on Criminal Justice in October. During that initial nine months period, the city is to receive \$16,972 in federal monies, and \$943 in state funds. Wixom had to contribute \$943. Approximately \$4,000 of that amount went to purchase a compact car, as well as other needed equipment. The grant could be continued two more years.

"What we are trying to do is educate the citizen and businessman of certain measures they can take to

secure their home, property and business from B and E's," explains Darlington. In its few months of existence, the special unit has done much toward laying the groundwork towards slowing down crime.

"We have established two task force groups," says Darlington. "The Chief (George VonBehren) has set up a management task force and I have set up a residential

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Novi Postmaster Asks Snow Removal

'Tis the season to be jolly, but Novi Postmaster Neal Lahring says residents can make it a little more joyous for the mail carriers if they will clean the snow away from the front of mailboxes to allow easy access.

Although the near-record 19 inch snowfall was over three weeks ago, nearly 50 per cent of Novi's mailboxes still have snow piled around them making delivery difficult—or impossible.

"We've probably had 12 wrecker calls this winter,"

said Lahring. "It's an unusually large number and it's a little expensive to the carriers because they have to pay it out of their own pockets."

"I've gone out myself to check on carriers and helped push them out. Then I'd shovel around the mailbox. It only takes 5 to 10 minutes."

"All of our carriers have been stuck at least once," added the postmaster. "One was stuck three times in the

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S(N)OW MAIL — Mail carrier Ida Ciot uses a mailbox on LeBost to show the problems she encounters at many of the boxes in Novi where residents have not taken the time to clean away the snow. When carriers do not have easy access, they are not required to deliver the mail. If they get stuck trying to reach the mailbox, carriers must pay their own tow bills.

New Law Triggers Policy On 'Open' Student Records

A policy governing access to student records, a requirement of a new federal law, is expected to be approved at the next meeting of the board of education.

Novi board members Thursday night reviewed the proposed policy and sent it back to administrators for revisions.

The 1974 act provides, as must the policy itself, that all parents and guardians of students under the age of 18 and all students 18 and over have the right to examine official records, files and data

of the school district directly relating to the student.

The local policy now under consideration also will give these authorized persons the right to challenge any of the contents of the records to insure their accuracy and fairness.

In some school districts prior to the new law, records were available for inspection only by school personnel — not parents. This was not the case in Novi.

Under the law the federal government also is entitled to examine student records. One

of the changes in the proposed board adoption is that parents or legal guardians of the student be notified if records are examined by the federal government.

The federal government might, for example, require records in connection with the student's application for financial aid.

According to Superintendent Gerald Kratz, all school districts must adopt a policy regarding access to student records in compliance with the law in order to receive funds from any referral program.

Kinds of student records in question include, but are not limited to, identifying data, academic records, achievement level records (such as grades, standardized achievement test scores, etc.), attendance data, scores on IQ aptitude and psychological tests, interest inventory results, health information, family background information, observations and ratings of teachers and counselors, behavior or discipline records.

Under the law, however, observations or notes made by a teacher, counselor or administrator which are not communicated to other persons in working with the student are not considered a

part of the official records and need not be available for examination.

Requests to inspect materials by authorized persons must be honored with a "reasonable time period," not to exceed 45 days after the request.

A resignation was accepted and a leave of absence was granted by the board.

Marlene Aitken, fourth grade teacher at Novi Elementary School, was granted a maternity leave of

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Novi Road Light Put Up By County

Workmen last week installed the traffic light at the intersection of Novi and Nine Mile Roads in Novi, after a lengthy delay that had prompted the city council to hold up payment to the county for work done at the intersection.

The city was required by the county to pay \$32,250 of a total \$50,000 for a passing lane plus work done on Nine Mile. The county was to pick up the remaining cost of the

intersection work, which was contracted out by Oakland County. Novi was to reimburse the county for the cost, but held up payment when the light was not installed.

Cost of the traffic signal was \$4,500, which was to be split 50-50 between the city and county.

The traffic light was requested by the city because the corner was a bottleneck and several accidents had occurred there.

Burglary Ends

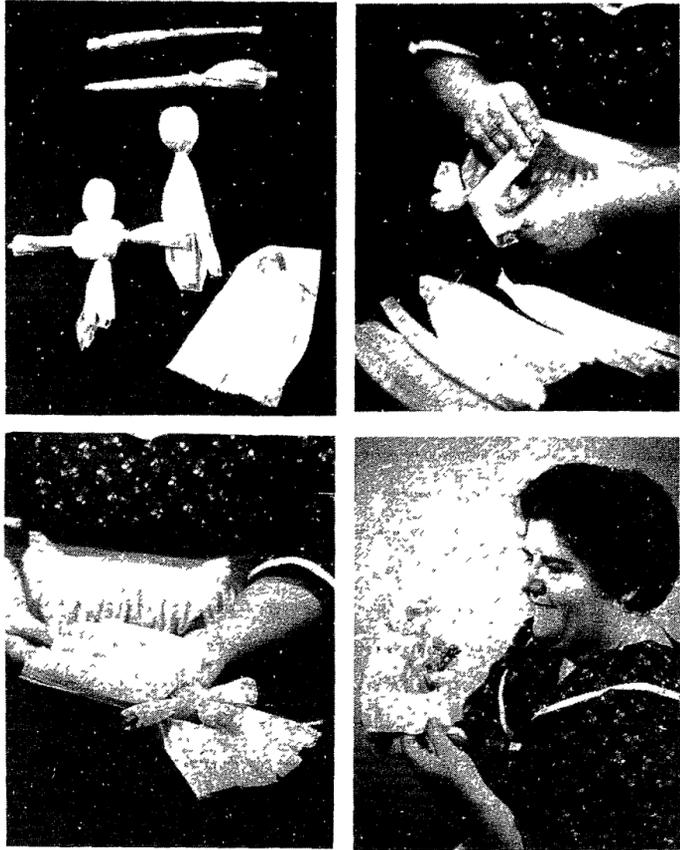
Holiday Joy

Christmas is a time for gift giving, but there may be fewer this year at the Donald Kreeger residence, Novi Detectives report.

Kreeger, of 50250 Eight Mile Road in Novi, lost \$500 which he had planned on using for Christmas presents when a burglar entered his residence earlier this month and made off with his wallet containing the cash.

Some of the money belonged to his 15-year-old daughter Judy.

The wallet was later found without the money.



Busy hands transform common cornhusks into works of art

Start with Corn Husks

Dolls Delight Children

In the days when all treasures under the Christmas tree were made by hand, corn husk dolls were a favorite gift. Today, starting from scratch or using a convenient kit, you can make the dolls that delighted children a century and more ago.

Greenfield Village craftswoman Beatrice Wilkins shows how in these photos.
 Note: Corn husks must be wet for easy working. Soak them in a solution of hot water and 2-3 teaspoons glycerine until they are pliable.

Begin your doll by making the arms. Roll up a husk tightly; tie with string at each end to form hands and again in the middle. Then add a blouse sleeve by attaching two corn husks slightly above the tie for the hands; pull these pieces back toward the center, slightly overlapping so the sleeve will be closed; secure with string.

Form the head out of scraps of husks, wrap with husk and tie at the neck with string, leaving ends that are long enough to serve as bodice pieces.

To put head and arms together, place the arms between the bodice pieces. Wrap a husk over each shoulder of the doll, crossing in front and back at the waist. Secure with string at the waist.

Two or three large husks are used for the skirt, depending on the fullness desired. Attach each husk at the doll's waist in an upward position, then fasten string tightly around the waist to hold in place. Pull husks down to form skirt. Trim bottom of husks so the doll stands straight.

Finishing touches are left to your ingenuity. Hair may be added using corn silk or hemp. You also may wish to add a husk hat, or a gingham apron and bonnet.



AUXILIARY GIFT—More than 100 lap robes were made by members of the Northville Eagles Auxiliary 2504 for Christmas time delivery to patients at Eastlawn Convalescence, Incorporated, and Wishing Well Manor convalescent homes in

Northville. Getting ready to package the robes are (left to right) Mrs. Glenda Hurrelbrink, president; Mrs. Ruth Hook, project chairman; and Mrs. Pauline Wagner, a past president.

At Schoolcraft

ESP Expert Lectures in January

Parapsychologist Russ Burgess, a lecturer, humorist



and mind reader, will be presented in Schoolcraft College's Waterman Center at 8 p.m. January 14.

Burgess, after years of experimenting with ESP, does not approach the subject in a fanatical fashion with wild claims, but attempts to give his audience a true picture of what can and cannot be expected from extra sensory perception. He thus separates knowledge from superstition, backed up with scientific investigation.

The program is sponsored by Schoolcraft's Cultural and Public Affairs Committee which later in the month, January 28, will present the brilliant, young violinist Ani Kavafian.

promises to mail the program chairman a sealed envelope containing the headline that will appear in the local newspaper on the day of his performance. His accuracy in this regard has astounded audiences around the country.

Tickets priced at \$2 are available at the college bookstore from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Thursday and until 3 p.m. on Friday. Tickets will be available at the door, if not sold out in advance. Phone 591-6400, extension 252, for information. The college is located at 18600 Haggerty Road, Livonia.

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Women's Center Takes Holiday

The Schoolcraft College Women's Resource Center will be closed for the holiday season from December 16 through January 10.

The Center which is located in the Bradner Library will reopen on January 13 at 9 a.m. It is designed to provide women on campus and in the community with information, referrals, counseling and programs on education, employment, volunteer work, family living, personal growth activities and women's changing roles and alternatives.

Staffed primarily by volunteers, the Center is a cooperative effort of women working together to find the answers to questions women are asking today.

Nancy Postiff Earns Honor

Nancy C. Postiff of Northville has been named to the Dean's List for the fall term at Northwood Institute in Midland. To be named to the Dean's List a student must earn a 3.0 or above grade point average on a 4.0 score for that term.

Grandparents Travel from Germany

Host Holiday Visitors

This Christmas will have a special place in the memories of Rudolf and Hanna Rottenfusser of 19507 Whitman Court. His grandparents have traveled from Germany to spend the holidays here.

They traveled from Augsburg, Germany, via Munich and Toronto to Northville where they will spend the next four weeks.

"Oma was already here twice and will go along with almost anything which promises fun," Rottenfusser said of his grandmother. "She is almost 74 now and loves traveling, no matter if it is on my motor-scooter or on a 747." "Opa, however, would rather stay at home than

travel to any place," he said of his grandfather who celebrated his 75th birthday in October.

"This is why it is a big honor that he decided to change his made-up mind never to set foot on an airplane," he commented.

The Rottenfussers traveled to Toronto Friday to await the arrival of his grandparents

and bring them to Northville.

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Kids Whip Up Favorite Recipes

'Take Eight Eggs, Pound of Dough, Stir 99 Times'



COOPERATING — Joe Sugrue and Amy DeMattia combined their favorite recipes and came up with something even better

while working in the kitchen at Northville's Amerman Elementary.

Ask a child what he wants to do on a snowy day and if he can't go out and build a snowman, chances are he's likely to suggest baking.

And every child has a favorite recipe with its own secret ingredients that guarantee success. We asked elementary school students in the area to share their best with us and here's what's cooking in their kitchens.

From Amerman Elementary in Northville—

CAKE
By Joe Sugrue
You buy a cake mix. You add two eggs and addings (addings are the cake mix that come with the box), one pound of flour, two pounds of sugar.

You get the beaters out, put the beaters in it. You cook it in a pot for half an hour. You take it out and let it warm up and then you have a cake.

CHOCOLATE ICE CREAM

By Mark Mandel
Get some milk. Pour it into a glass. Put some Hershey in it. Put it in the refrigerator. Wait 'til it's done (frozen). Then you eat it.

PORK CHOPS

By John Roth
Dump it in water. Put it in the oven for four minutes. Put two pinches of salt on it. You take it out and serve it at dinner.

CHRISTMAS COOKIES

By David Kull
We need cornflakes, just a box as much as the cookies need. Then you take some of that red stuff. You mix it into the cornflakes and cook it for half an hour. Then take it out. Leave it out for about 10 minutes and that's all you do. They do taste like cornflakes but they are real good Christmas cookies.

STEAK

By Wendy Haas
Put some of that sauce over it. Cook it on the grill for 13 hours. Take it out and give it to everybody. Put salt on it (a little bit). Mash potatoes up and then cook them for four hours. Then we eat it.

BASKETTI

By Steve Stock
We put 10 of them long sticks in and put 10 gallons of sauce in. The sauce has an inch of salt, an inch of pepper, five inches of the stuff you use in goulash, 10 cups of hamburger meat.

About an hour to cook it. Put the basketti in a frying pan. Eat it. It tastes cook.

SPAGHETTI

By Amy DeMattia
Well, my mom's made it before but I'll put in my own recipe.

Put some water into boil. Then add some green peppers, onions, garlic (a little bit), tomato sauce (my mom's homemade).

Put the noodles in a pot with water. Then drain them.

You gotta start early in the morning. Then you let it boil. Then at night, you take it out and put it on a hot pad.

ORANGES

By Nicole Forman
First you add orange juice to the seed. Then add lemon and apple juice. It grows to a ball in my bedroom in a box on the floor. Then we put it in the refrigerator and eat it.

From Village Oaks Elementary in Novi—

APPLE SAUCE DUMPLINGS

By Steve Heckendorf
Add 18 jars of apple sauce. 100 dumplings in a bowl. 48 apples. Cook 24 hours at temperature 15 degrees. Makes 10 cups.

SNOW TAFFY

By Debbie Tousignant
Four quarts snow, two quarts butterscotch, one big huge bowl, two cake pans. Take the snow and put it in the bowl. Take the butterscotch and pour it all over the snow and stick it in the cake pan and then put it in the refrigerator and then eat it. It makes four servings.

PICKLE PIE

By Eric Schuster
One cup milk, three eggs, four pickles, 2½ cups flour, half stick of melted butter, 1 cup sugar. Mix together. Heat oven 250. Wait until 29 minutes. And then let it cool. Then add whip cream.

From Loon Lake Elementary in Wixom—

CAKE

By Lisa Edwards
Make two layers and put them on top of each other and then put it in the oven and then take it out and put the icing on it and let it freeze.



TASTE—TESTING — "How else can you tell if it's good," comments Amerman student Ellen McClure who's busy cooking for the holidays.

CHOCOLATE CHIP COOKIES

By Eric Yeager
Half cup of chocolate, half cup of chips, whole cup of dough and bake.

SPAGHETTI

By Kandy Foor
It has tomato sauce and noodles, beans and hamburger. Cook it. Then eat it.

TURKEY

By David Moody
Put stuffing into the turkey and put it into the oven at 55 degrees for one hour. Put it on the table and eat it.

TACO

By Craig Schumann
Put 21 pounds of hamburger into the taco shell. Make cheese, onions and salad. Put those into the taco shell. Put it in the oven 18 minutes. Then eat it up.

CHICKEN

By Gordon Kruse
Put grease on the chicken and put it into the stove for seven minutes. Take it out and put it on the table.

HOMEMADE COOKIES

By Anne Sak
You take eight eggs and you use a pound of dough. Then you stir it 99 times. Put it in the oven to cook.

PIZZA

By Eric Rohwetter
You get a pan. You pour the batter into the pan. You put cheese and meat into it. You put it in the oven and turn the oven to 10 degrees.

CAKE

By Carolyn Gross
Spread butter on the pan. Put the oven to eight degrees. Put two eggs in the pan. Add the cake mix. Put this in the oven for two hours.

HAMBURGERS

By Maureen Thompson
Put buns in the hamburger. Salt and pepper them. Put cheese in the hamburger. Cook them at 60 degrees for four minutes.

From South Lyon Elementary School —

GINGERBREAD MEN

By GLENDA PIIRALA
Put some sugar on them and put some buttons on them made out of candy. Then you put them in the oven I take them out and give them so my little brother so he can split them — half for him, half for me and half for my baby sister.

CHOCOLATE CHIP COOKIES

By DERON CROUSE
You use flour and put it in a pan with some other stuff that I don't know the name of. Then you put some chocolate chips in. You have to bake them for an hour.

GINGERBREAD MEN

By MARK ELIE
You have to have brown dough. Take a rolling pin and roll it out. Then take the gingerbread thing and push down into the dough with it. Then you take a pancake flipper and put the cookie in a pan. Put the pan in the oven for about 10 minutes.

CHOCOLATE CHIP-BLUEBERRY COOKIES

By LYNN SKAGGS
Take some raw dough and put chocolate chips in it. Then stir it up. Put them on a plate and put the plate into the oven. Blueberry cookies are just like chocolate chips except you put blueberries in instead of chocolate chips.

Holiday Menu

'Eat 'em Mashed And You Won't Get Smashed'

A taste-tempting array of food and a watchful eye on the bar are safeguards a holiday host can take to insure that party guests arrive home safely, according to Automobile Club of Michigan.

"Since Christmas and New Year's are mid-week holidays this year, and more motorists will be staying near home to enjoy private parties than usual, our annual advice to be 'First A Friend, Then A Host' (FAF'AH) is especially important this year," said James G. Moffat, Auto Club general manager.

Moffat noted that an estimated eight out of every 10 state motorists will drink sometime during the holidays and drive, adding that:

"Every party host should feel a moral obligation to get his guests home safely."

Last year, 13 persons died on Michigan highways during the 102-hour Christmas holiday and 24 were killed during a similar period during New Year's. Auto Club notes that approximately 50 percent of these deaths involved motorists known or suspected of drinking.

Michigan motorists are expected to travel an estimated 340 million miles on state highways this year during both Christmas and New Year's—much less than usual because the holiday periods will last only 30 hours each.

The Christmas holiday officially begins at 6 p.m. Tuesday (December 24) and ends at midnight Wednesday (December 25). New Year's begins at 6 p.m. Tuesday (Dec. 31) and runs to

midnight Wednesday (January 1).

Auto Club suggests this five-point plan for a safe, successful holiday party:

1. Plan an ample selection of hors d'oeuvres and party "nibblers." Alcohol has a quicker effect when consumed on an empty stomach.
2. Keep your party's liquor supply out of sight and coffee and other non-alcoholic beverages in plain view.
3. Never press a drink on an unwilling guest. Hospitality means respecting his wishes if he says "no thanks" or "make it coffee."
4. An hour before the party ends, stop serving alcoholic beverages and provide your guests with a substantial meal.
5. If you feel a guest has had

too much to drink, don't let him drive home. Arrange for someone else to give him a ride or call a taxi.

Moffat said that party guests can help prevent overindulgence in alcohol by following Auto Club's advice to "eat 'em mashed and you won't get smashed." Before heading to a party, they should eat a starchy dish such as mashed potatoes or baked beans—food that acts like a sponge by retaining alcohol in the stomach and slowing its rate of absorption into the bloodstream.

"Once at the party, guests should spend a good half hour sipping the first drink," Moffat said. "During the evening, they should drink at a moderate, even pace and nibble on food."

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So forget for the coming Holiday Season
Every trial and tribulation
Join in spirit with every man
For this Christmas celebration—
To forgive and love, to share and show
That each man is our brother—
Then the Holiday Light will forever be bright
As it shines for one another.

Johanna M. Cafolla

Business Briefs

Column About People, Places 'n Things

THE MANE OBJECTIVE is the name of the new beauty salon that replaces Salon Rene at 1059 Novi Road.

Featuring complete salon service, the new shop is open six days a week and on Thursday and Friday nights. The owners-operators are Russell Spaulding and Ronald Kruchek.

NORTHVILLE CREATIVE Day Nursery School is announcing plans to extend its classes and to give evening seminars for parents.

The school, now in its seventh year of operation, is held in the First Presbyterian Church of Northville with Monday through Thursday sessions for preschoolers with afternoon classes to be added the second week in January.

Open to children two-and-a-half to five years old, the new class will be from 12:30 to 3 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays.

At the evening seminars for parents and teachers of young children topics of frequent concern will be explored.

These include discipline, social-emotional development of preschoolers, aggression, sibling relationships, feeding problems and nutrition, and reading readiness. Workshops on creative activities and puppetry also will be included.

Leading the seminars and the workshop will be school directors Ellen Wahi and Ann Stasinos, both are state certified in elementary and nursery school education. They state that their program is "developmental in nature, planned for young children's needs and growth and learning in the preschool years."

Outside speakers also will be featured in the seminars for which specific schedules will be announced later after interests have been determined.

To register for classes or further information call Mrs. Wahi, 349-2161, or Mrs. Stasinos, 476-1810.



"CHRISTMAS COMES EARLY" — Stanley Tekieli (left), a resident of Northville and longtime customer of National Bank of Detroit, cheerfully accepts a brand new color television from Ed Rochowiak, Manager of NBD's West Seven Mile — Northville Rd. office. Mr. Tekieli won the new set by coming closest to estimating the correct number of pennies in a special "piggy bank." His estimate of 19,740 pennies was only 14 cents short of the actual number in the bank. The color TV was given away to help celebrate the Grand Opening of the new Northville NBD office.

A **NORTHVILLE** resident and National Bank of Detroit customer for the past 29 years was the winner of a new color television set given away during the grand opening celebration of NBD's West Seven Mile — Northville Road office in Northville.

Stanley Tekieli, who opened his first account at NBD in 1945, won the TV by coming closest to estimating the correct number of pennies in a special "Giant Piggy Bank" on display in the office.

Ed Rochowiak, manager of the office, said people used everything from tape measures to slide rules to determine how many pennies were in the bank. Tekieli's way proved to be the easiest and most effective.

"I figured there were about 16 or 17,000 pennies in the bank," related Tekieli, "and I knew that the bank opened in 1974, so I thought I might as well just tack a zero on the end of the year and take my chances." Tacking a zero on the end of the date resulted in an estimate of 19,740 pennies, — only 14 cents short of the 19,754 that were actually in the bank — and a new color television for the Tekieli family.

The color television was given away as part of ceremonies to mark the completion of NBD's newest branch office. The ultra modern office, designed to bring faster, more convenient banking to the Northville area, features ample parking, four drive-in banking windows, extended drive-in hours until 7:30 p.m. each evening and Saturday drive-in banking.

JERROLD A. FROST, JR., Birmingham, president of JAFCO, Inc., a construction equipment rental business located in Novi, was elected president of the Michigan Society for Mental Health (MSMH) at



JERROLD FROST

Out of the Horse's



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Sally Saddle.

the society's annual board of director's meeting in East Lansing.

Other officers elected were Vice Presidents DeVere R. Boyd, M.D., Muskegon; George F. Newman, M.D., Farmington Hills; William E. Peters, Bay City; and Jack M. Stack, M.D., Alma. Clarke Andrae was re-elected Treasurer.

For the past two years, Frost has served as chairman of the Society's executive Committee and prior to that, was president of the MSMH Oakland County Chapter.

Frost believes that one of the most important messages that the Society can communicate to the general public is the necessity to seek early help, to explore continuing problems, before they become insurmountable.

Frost, a 14-year veteran teacher at Christ Church Cranbrook, his wife and four boys, have seen the effectiveness of an early church-sponsored counselling program. They are convinced that such early programs can be effective in the first stages of preventative mental health care for many community members.



NEWLY-ELECTED as a director of the United Northwestern Realty Association and the Western Wayne Oakland Board of REALTORS, Philip A. Herman, (left center) executive vice president of the B.F. Chamberlain Division of Chamberlain Companies, is welcomed by 1975 Vice President Theodore Zukosky, president of Cardinal Realty. Looking on are (left) Wendell J. Smitherton, principle REALTOR of the W.J. Smitherton Company, and (right) Louise Cutler, manager of James C. Cutler Realty, who along with Zukosky were re-elected to three-year terms on the two boards.

Takes Leave

William McCormick, Livingston County personnel director, will take a 20-day medical leave of absence, beginning January 6.

Chairman Joseph Richards made the announcement of McCormick's leave at the county commissioners' special meeting last Thursday night.

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Coup Gives Driver Two More Years

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NOVI HIGHLIGHTS

By JEANNE CLARKE
624-0173

Parents of a baby boy born December 12 are Mr. and Mrs. Peter Timko. Mrs. Timko is the former Karen Clarke. Patrick Victor was born at Pontiac Osteopathic Hospital and weighed seven pounds, two ounces. Grandparents are Mrs. Wesley Asch of Walled Lake, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Clarke of 13 Mile Road and great-grandmother is Mrs. Marie Travis of Northville.

Some of the young people from Novi who are home for the Christmas holidays include Ruth Munro, a senior, and her sister, Tina Munro, a freshman at Pan American University in Texas, and Richard Pierce of 12 1/2 Mile from Arkansas State University.

Mrs. Carol McDonald is visiting from South Carolina at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Asa Caswell of Owenton Avenue. While here, she and her brother John celebrated their birthdays.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Mitchell are entertaining Mr. and Mrs. Hilacker of West Bloomfield at their home on Glenda on Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Behrendt of Meadowbrook Road will have about 18 members of their family with them on Christmas. Guests will be from Wayne, Bridgeport and Novi.

Mrs. Mary Ann Atkinson, Mrs. Signa Mitchell, Mrs. Jim Mitchell and Mrs. Jennie Champion had luncheon as guests of the Christian Women's Club at the Mayflower Meeting House last week.

Entertaining for Christmas for dinner will be Mrs. Hildred Hunt who will be having her family and some friends from Livonia and Novi area at her home on 11 Mile Road.

Also entertaining for Christmas dinner will be Mr. and Mrs. Glance of Stassen Street who will host about 15 members of their family from Garden City, Plymouth and St. Clair Shores.

Christmas Eve will be the time for the traditional family party and buffet supper held at the home of Mrs. George Lien on 12 Mile Road. Present will be Mr. and Mrs. Tom Lien of Milford with their family including their six month old baby, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Franks (Donna Lien) of Farmington and their two youngsters, Mrs. Schunte of Northville, Mrs. Franks of Detroit and Mr. and Mrs. Noel Reed and family will also attend.

Many people in the area attended the wedding of Gerald Pratt and Doris Williams on Friday, December 13, at the First Presbyterian Church of Brighton. In the wedding party from this area were Herb Harbin and Dave Butler.

The George Dingman family on 11 Mile Road will be entertaining relatives for dinner on Christmas and Mrs. Dingman's mother, Mrs. Signa Mitchell, will be with them also.

Mr. and Mrs. Brent Munro are expecting their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Lenville Spicer and two

children, to be with them for Christmas. Tina and Ruth, who are home from school, and other relatives will also be there.

Novi Senior Citizens
The Novi Senior Citizens will meet at the United Methodist Church on 10 Mile on January 9 at noon for a covered dish luncheon. Hostesses will be Mrs. Jean Moon, Mrs. Hazel Mellon and Mrs. Alice Tank. Members are urged to remember the sick members with cards - Ray Traham, Anita Stark and Ethel Larson.

Novi Goodfellows
The work of the Goodfellows will be continuing through today, December 24. Several people in the community are helping with contributions such as new toys from Mrs. Don Tuck and Mrs. Florence MacDermid; Mrs. Mary Skeltis, who dressed some 25 dolls; Mr. and Mrs. Mike Smith, who donated a tree; and the Farmington Goodfellows, who shared some additional dolls for which dresses were made.

Parents Without Partners
All members are urged to remember the special meeting on Friday at the Presbyterian Church when the special speaker will be Wally Cook of the Novi Youth Assistance Committee who works with troubled children as a case worker in Novi.

Novi Boy Scouts
At their last meeting, the following boys received awards: Randy Trapp, star; Paul Young, second class family living skill; Greg McComas, reading merit badge.

Matt Skunner, Mike Rice and Jim Madigan received their first aid and citizenship awards.

The scouts will go ice skating Monday night, weather permitting. On January 18, the boys will participate in the polar bear project with scouts from the district. There will be a committee meeting January 7 at the United Methodist Church for all parents and adults of the troop.

Novi Girl Scouts
Troop 26 for sixth grade girls has been divided with leaders of new troop 627 being Miss Sue McCollum and Mrs. Marie Stump. They will meet

at Orchard Hills school Monday from 7:30 to 9 p.m. The rest of the girls will be under the leadership of Phyllis Calhoun and Gerry Anderson.

Plans were made for an all-troop ice skating party later this winter.

Novi Blue Star Mothers
Lottie Race, chairman of the serviceman project, has completed sending Christmas greetings to all servicemen from Novi whose names she received.

The ladies who were at the hospital last week reported seeing the new lounge chair which was purchased with funds from the Novi chapter from contributions to the general fund. The chair will be used for veterans.

Novi Rotary Club
Plans have been made to visit the Stroh's Brewery during the next few months with the group also planning to sponsor a girl and boy for Wolverine State.

Several of the Rotarians have worked on the annual Christmas party for needy children in Novi and each child received lunch at the Community Building. They also went to a movie and then returned to the community

building for gifts and the party.

Novi Youth Assistance Committee
The Reverend Leslie Harding, on behalf of the committee, received a framed copy of the resolution passed by the Novi School Board on November 25, backing the committee's concept of bike trails in Novi. Clara Porter, chairman of the project, had originally received the resolution from the school board. The bike committee has been busy with meetings with City Manager Ed Kriewall and also with engineers getting estimated facts and figures for the project.

Last Wednesday night, Kent Smith from the Oakland County Planning Board met with committee at the home of Mrs. Porter and showed slides of bike trails and bike paths that had been developed in Oregon.

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BUILDING CLEAN-UP - Novi City Clerk Gerry Stipp and Secretary to the City Manager Pat Dryer pick up some left-over boxes of materials in the new interim municipal facility during clean-up last week.

The city staff including the manager, clerk, treasurer, controller, and assessor will move into the new facility the second week in January.

Novi, Wixom

Seek Federal Grants

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which restrict the mobility and accessibility of elderly and handicapped persons.

5) sale of real property acquired through block grant activities.

6) activities necessary to develop a comprehensive community development plan.

Activities not to be funded include: public facilities such as stadiums, schools, hospitals, transportation facilities, libraries, etc.;

political activities; new housing construction; income payments; and, general operating and maintenance expenses.

Wixom Councilmembers have emphasized that the city's new fire stations, set for construction, cannot be funded by the grant.

Primary objectives of the act include: prevention of deterioration of neighborhood and community property and facilities that are of importance to the welfare of the community; elimination of conditions which are detrimental to health, safety, and public welfare; the conservation and expansion of the nation's housing stock in order to provide a decent home and a suitable living environment for all persons; historic preservation.

Kriewall said that it will be up to the Novi council what project the city will submit plans for, but he suggested that the city could renovate the Grand River-11 Mile Road area. He explained that sewer and water could be installed and that some buildings could be purchased and removed. He also said that traffic problems at the intersection could be relieved.

"It might be nice to reroute 11 Mile Road," he said. "Ideally, we should look at something like that. It's kind of hazardous at the intersection. It's hard to get from Grand River onto 11 Mile Road and at times it's almost impossible to get from 11 Mile onto Grand River."

The application which each city must submit for the total CD block grant breaks down into four major sections:

- 1) A summary plan representing the community development plan for three years "must identify the applicant's needs, demonstrate a comprehensive strategy for meeting those needs, and specify both short and long-term objectives."
- 2) An annual program must be submitted which outlines proposed activities, including their cost and general

location. It must also indicate other resources which the applicant expects to be available for use in conjunction with the block grant.

3) The applicant's program must address, where they exist, the community's needs to eliminate or prevent slums, blight, or deterioration and, where necessary and appropriate, improved community facilities and public improvements, including the provision of health, social, and similar services where they support the basic physical development thrust of the community development program.

Each city must submit a Housing Assistance Plan which must: accurately survey the condition of the locality's housing stock and assess the housing assistance needs of lower-income persons residing or expected to reside in the community; specify a realistic annual goal for the number of dwelling units or persons to be assisted; and indicate the general locations of proposed housing for lower-income persons.

Deadline for application for "hold harmless" funds is April 15 and for discretionary funds March 15.

Local communities can budget up to ten percent of its monies for proposed activities as unspecified local option items without filing a formal plan or program amendment.

Beginning in February 1976, each participating municipality must turn in a performance report.

HUD, which administers the program, could disapprove the application in whole or part if it finds that an applicant describes falsely its needs and objectives; if the activities proposed are inappropriate when set against the locality's own statement of its needs and objectives, and if it determines the applicant has failed to comply with the various applicable, separate federal statutes, or has proposed the funding of ineligible activities.

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Policy Opens Records

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absence, and the resignation of Mrs. Jacqueline Russell, Village Oaks secretary, was accepted. She is returning to the nursing field.

A \$500 gift, given to Orchard Hills Elementary School by parents of a student in the school, was formally accepted by the school board.
The donors, who wished to remain anonymous, suggested the money be used for purchasing a film strip projector and playground equipment for the school.

A framed resolution expressing the school district's appreciation to Doris Darling, director of food services, for 25 years of employment with the school system was adopted and presented to her during the meeting Thursday.

In addition, Mrs. Darling was presented a framed copy of the November 17, 1949 school board minutes which noted her hiring. It was presented to her by Frazer Staman, school board president at the time.

Mrs. Darling also received a silver tray and sugar and pitcher set from friends and fellow staffers, hand-made books of appreciation from students.

Members of Mrs. Darling's family were present for the occasion, and refreshments were served later at the school.

The resolution adopted by the board concludes, "Be it resolved that the board of education of the Novi Community School District expresses its appreciation to Doris Darling for her contributions to the school and community activities in her capacity of director of food services which have made this a better school district; and

"Be it further resolved that the board of education of the Novi Community School District extends its sincere appreciation to Mrs. Darling for her loyal and dedicated service for the past 25 years recognizing fully that the lives of children and youth have been enriched by her contribution."



GROUNDBREAKING— Representing students from existing schools at the groundbreaking ceremony for the new elementary school in Novi were (l to r) David

Majors of Village Oaks, Allen Price of Orchard Hills and Cheryl Shankel of Novi Elementary.

Downs' John Carlo

Suggests Racing Probe

Who is the least likely to favor an investigation of horse racing in Michigan?

The answer's obvious. An operator of a race track. Right?

Wrong. John J. Carlo, executive manager of Northville Downs, would welcome a state-wide investigation of horse racing in Michigan, one similar to a recent investigation of the sport in Illinois.

Certain track licensees in Illinois had their racing dates cut because an investigation proved they had contributed funds to political campaigns or parties.

Carlo is making no allegations, but he is confident that Northville Downs' skirts are clean and he thinks that the Northville harness racing track is

getting shabby treatment when it comes to racing meet dates. And he blames it on politics.

To further point up his consternation at what is happening to racing in Michigan, and particularly a small track like Northville, Carlo points to a recent letter (November 26) to State Racing Commission Leo Shirley from Senator-Elect Bill S. Huffman, whose district includes the Hazel Park track.

The letter calls for a comprehensive revision of the state racing act and makes several other specific recommendations regarding the manner in which racing should be conducted in Michigan.

Twenty-one copies of the letter were sent to various interested parties including harness and thoroughbred racing associations at Hazel Park and Livonia, plus union representatives and elected officials.

No copies were sent to Northville Downs, the pioneer harness racing track in Michigan, or Jackson.

With a twinkle in his eye, Carlo says, "it may have been intentional".

Carlo is burning over the fact that Commissioner

Shirley awarded back-to-back summer racing dates to the two big harness racing tracks, Wolverine (Livonia) and Hazel Park. He thinks that political pressures were brought to bear upon the commissioner to force this decision, but naturally he can't prove the suspicion.

But he has taken the commissioner to court and he is advocating an investigation by the state attorney general's office into Michigan racing. In particular, he'd like Michigan to look at the same areas covered by the Illinois investigation.

Northville Downs does not

employ a lobbyist in Lansing. Carlo points out that the two big tracks do and he thinks that the law prohibits interference in racing by lobbyists and politicians.

"The racing act is very clear. The selection of racing dates rests solely with the commissioner", says Carlo. He thinks the commissioner has, for some reason, favored the other tracks over Northville.

Carlo maintains that back-to-back harness racing at the two big tracks will actually reduce revenues to the state and help Windsor. Hazel Park, which has the first part of the summer schedule, will be helped by the arrangement, but Wolverine will suffer, says Carlo.

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JOHN C. CARLO

Groundbreaking

Novi Marks New Elementary School

Formal groundbreaking for the new elementary school to be located just south of the middle school took place last week Wednesday afternoon.

Highlighting the occasion was the turning of earth by three students representing Novi's present three elementary schools—David Majors of Village Oaks, Allen Price of Orchard Hills, and Cheryl Shankel of Novi Elementary.

The invocation was delivered by the Reverend Chester Brown of the First Baptist Church, and the welcome by School Board President Robert Wilkins.

Representing the city was Mayor Robert Daley, and representing parents of the

community was Richard Bingham, chairman of the Needs Assessment Committee. Robert Weinburger, president of the Novi Education Association represented the faculty. Persons present for the

occasion were invited to sign a sidewalk block which will be incorporated into the final building complex.

Refreshments were served in the administration building following the ceremony.

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Calendar

TODAY, DECEMBER 24

Christmas Eve
DECEMBER 25
Merry Christmas

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 26

Novi Rotary, noon, Farmington Holiday Inn.
Northville Senior Citizens Club, noon, Kerr House.
Northville Retail Merchants, 2:30 p.m., Manufacturers bank.
Northville Weight Watchers, 7:30 p.m., Presbyterian church.
Northville-King's Mill Civitans, 8 p.m., clubhouse.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 27

Northville Parents Without Partners, 8 p.m., Presbyterian church

MONDAY, DECEMBER 30

St. Paul's Lutheran paper drive, 6-8 p.m., Marathon station
Northville Kiwanis, 6:30 p.m., Tack Room.
Northville Blue Lodge 186, 7:30 p.m., Masonic Temple.
TOPS, 7:30 p.m., 215 Cady.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31

Northville Rotary, noon, Presbyterian church.

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Christmas GREETINGS

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Northville Township Board Minutes

**SPECIAL MEETING
NORTHVILLE TOWNSHIP BOARD
OF TRUSTEES
DECEMBER 3, 1974
7:30 p.m.
16300 Sheldon Road**

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Wright at 7:30 p.m.
Present: Lawrence A. Wright, Supervisor; Betty M. Lennox, Clerk; Richard Mitchell, Trustee; John MacDonald, Trustee; Charles Rosenberg, Trustee; James Nowka, Trustee.
Absent: Joseph Straub, Treasurer
DISCUSSION OF REPORT OF AD-HOC COMMITTEE ON THE FEASIBILITY STUDY OF TOWNSHIP FINANCES.
The committee consisting of John MacDonald, Charles Rosenberg, James Nowka, Richard Mitchell had met twice to discuss the township budget and finances. They recommended change in procedure on requirements for purchase orders - approval by the township board on all salary increases - standard time statement and approval for over time by the executive group - monthly financial reports - statement of revenues, expenses, accounts receivable and any significant changes affecting the board.

Establish an Operating Reserve Account within the Public Improvement Fund with funds borrowed from the Operating Reserve. Account to pay current obligations where expected revenues in the same fiscal year will be used to repay the Operating Reserve Account.

Monthly activity reports from each department including all expected expenditures and manpower. The first draft of budget to be completed by January 1, 1975.

By January 2 reduce the number of clerks and by December 3 eliminate all paid Reserve Police Service. Establish a working agreement with the City building department or reduce the work week of the building department/plumbing on a fee basis.

Professional services to be reduced with the engineer to attend only Water & Sewer meetings - other meetings upon request. The consultant only to attend Planning Commission meetings - the attorney on a call basis. Pay all delinquent bills.

Police Dept Wide lay-off of the department by January 15, 1975.

Formation of a new Ad-Hoc Committee made up of representatives of both the community and the board - recommendations to be made by January 5, 1975. Implement the recommendations by January 15, of the Ad-Hoc Committee with the following changes:

By January 2 reduce the number of clerks working for the Township from six to four.

Pay all delinquent bills. Fire, Library, Recreation
Institute a department wide lay-off of the police department as of January 15, 1975.

Formation of a new Ad-Hoc Committee made up of representatives of both the community and the board that will come up with recommendations by January 5. If these recommendations meet with board approval they will be implemented by January 15, 1975. MacDonald moved, supported by Rosenberg that the Township Board approve the recommendations.

Ayes: Wright, Lennox, MacDonald, Nowka, Rosenberg, Nay: Mitchell

Mr. Mitchell disagreed with the board action by saying that the action is irresponsible. He said that the money in the Public Improvement Fund were monies left over from prior years and belonged to the taxpayer.

Comments from the audience:
Mr. Schrot objected to the board's actions and spoke of the contribution made to the police department by the reserve officers. He said the elected officials should also take a cut in pay. He pointed out that the reserves protect the people of the Township for a token fee.

Mr. MacDonald said that it was his understanding that the State Police have two cars assigned to Northville Township. Mr. Mitchell disagreed and said that the State Police do not guarantee a car anytime in the township. He said that it has been his goal to have a police and fire department to service the emergency needs of the residents. The officers of Northville Township are fully equipped and have the fire training.

Mrs. Dorothy Jacks spoke of her concern and questioned the tax structure. Mr. Wright explained the SEV factor.

Dr. Swienkowski questioned the state police cars and wanted to know when they became available. He inquired about the building department involvement with the City. He questioned the Federal Revenue Sharing funds - the Fish Hatchery agreement, was it a budget item and suggested that the board appoint another Ad-Hoc Committee that would include some of the people of the Township.

Mr. Reh spoke and said that he had a large investment in his police department and depends on them. He spoke of the crime rate and the three major institutions which house criminal people. He said Northville Township has a good police department that has taken years to build and the people cannot depend on the State Police or the Wayne County Sheriff. If they lost the police department now they would never get them back.

Mr. Cousineau asked that the people of the community work together and said the people should be educated so that they know how the tax bill is allocated.

Jim Clarke asked how Plymouth Township handled their police needs and asked if they were having any special problems. Chief Nisun answered by saying Plymouth Township cannot cope with the problems. They have had to ignore accidents and break-ins. He did not think the State Police would short stop in other areas to service Northville Township and Plymouth Township.

Fred Philippeau said that he would not like to see the police department eliminated and inquired if the money could be borrowed from the Water & Sewer fund.

Mitchell moved that the action of the board be tabled until contracts for the library, fire and recreation are pulled and reviewed. No second.

DISCUSSION OF ANNEXATION
Discussion regarding the law suit pending in Ingham County, initiated by six citizens of the community vs the State Boundary Commission.

A motion was made by MacDonald and supported by Nowka to instruct the attorney to intervene in the lawsuit as plaintiff defendant in the action by the six Township residents vs the Michigan State Boundary Commission.

Mitchell objected and asked what were the objections and wouldn't it be more in order to file an appearance. MacDonald said you have to be on one side or the other and the lawsuit affects the township and breaks in. He did not want only allow just to monitor a lawsuit. Mr. Mitchell asked if the township wanted to spend \$1,000 or \$2,000 to get feed-back.

MacDonald added to the motion that the cost was not to exceed more than \$1,000. The motion was carried with Mitchell voting nay.

Mr. Swienkowski said that with the vote just taken by the Township Board they had just taken the side of the State Boundary Commission. He said that petitions had been filed December 2 with the State Boundary Commission with 1641 signatures and he felt that it was presumptuous of the board to file when a majority of the people voted it down in a recent election.

APPOINTMENT TO THE BOARD OF REVIEW
Mrs. Helen Baldwin was appointed to the Board of Review, replacing Mrs. Rita Young.

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AUTHORIZATION OF DEPUTY TREASURER, KAY RATLIFF TO ENTER SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX
Due to Mr. Straub's illness, and he being the only one who can enter the vault with the Supervisor or Clerk in attendance, the bank needed authorization for Kay Ratliff to enter in place of Mr. Straub.

Mrs. Ratliff was authorized to enter the safety deposit box in Mr. Straub's absence.

Meeting adjourned at 10:50 p.m.
Betty M. Lennox, Clerk

This is a synopsis of the minutes of December 3. Copies of the entire minutes are available at the clerk's office.

Minutes of the Northville Township Board regular meeting held on December 12, 1974, 16300 Sheldon Road, Northville, Michigan

The meeting was called to order at 8 p.m. by Supervisor Wright.

1. ROLL CALL: Present Lawrence Wright, Supervisor, Betty Lennox, Clerk, Richard Mitchell, Trustee, John MacDonald, Trustee, Charles Rosenberg, Trustee. Absent: Joseph Straub, Treasurer, Consultants: Donald Morgan, Attorney, William Mosher, Engineer. Also Present 50 visitors, the press.

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF November 14, 1974; Select Committee of Finance - Nov 20 and 26, 1974, Special Meeting December 3, 1974, Water and Sewer Commission meeting Nov. 6, 1974.

Mitchell moved, supported by MacDonald to approve the minutes of Nov. 4, Nov. 26, Dec. 6 and also to put the minutes of Dec. 3 on the agenda of the next regular meeting. Ayes: All Motion carried.

3. APPROVAL OF BILLS PAYABLE
MacDonald moved, supported by Nowka to approve all bills payable Ayes: All Motion carried.

4. ACCEPTANCE OF Planning Commission Minutes of Oct. 29, 1974, Board of Appeals, Oct. 7, 1974, Receipts for Nov 1974; Treasurer's Report, Nov 1974; Police Report, Oct. 1974, Water & Sewer Financial Report, Nov 1974; Budget Report - Clerk.

Nowka moved, supported by Rosenberg to accept the reports and to receive and file them. Ayes: All Motion carried.

5. CORRESPONDENCE
1. THREE RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY CITY OF ROMULUS RE: TOWNSHIP AND PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT (MR ROSENBERG WILL EXPLAIN)

MacDonald moved, supported by Rosenberg to remove this item from the agenda. Ayes: All Motion carried.

2. DON THOMSON - DISCUSS RECREATION PROGRAM
Mr. Thomson stated that a \$75,000 budget is anticipated for the 1975 year. A full time director is needed because of the increasing amount of participation. A full time director would cost the total community an additional \$5,000, both City and Township.

To keep track of whether children are from the City or Township, they are required to fill out a registration card for a sport or craft. The cost of a sport or craft is between \$5 or \$6 per child. A child not from Northville City or Northville Township is required to pay a larger normal fee.

Applications for a full time director would like to be taken to get an idea of what kind of people are interested in the job.

Mosher moved, supported by Mitchell to accept Mr. Thomson's report. Ayes: All Motion carried.

7. NEW BUSINESS
1. INSURANCE CLAIM FOR PRUDENTIAL
Before Mr. Wright came into office the Board had a study on the Prudential Plan for the employees of the Township which was recommended to enter. Five months later, after a study was made, it was adopted. The Township changed over to Blue Cross and Blue Shield which provided more coverage and was more economical.

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MacDonald moved, supported by Rosenberg to have this item be put on the agenda of the December 19 special meeting. Ayes: All Motion carried.

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1. APPOINTMENT TO FILL EXPIRES OF JAMES NOWKA (EXPIRES 11 10 74)

MacDonald moved, supported by Lennox to re-appoint Mr. Nowka to the Planning Commission and he will represent the Township Board at the Planning Commission meetings. His term expires 11-10-77. Ayes: Wright, MacDonald, Mitchell, Rosenberg, Lennox, Abstain Nowka.

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pool ordinance and fence ordinances. The basic difference is in the Zoning Ordinance, but the City would revise their ordinances so as to meet the needs of the community.

Nowka moved, supported by MacDonald that this item be taken under consideration at the Special Meeting of December 19, 1974. Ayes: All Motion carried.

6. OLD BUSINESS
1. DOG ORDINANCE
MacDonald moved, supported by Rosenberg that we adopt the Dog ordinance as furnished by the attorney and publish in accordance with the law. Ayes: Wright, MacDonald, Mitchell, Nowka, Rosenberg, Lennox Motion carried.

MRS PEREZ - GERALD AVENUE TRAILERS
MacDonald moved, supported by Nowka to table this item to the next regular meeting as Mrs. Perez was not present. Ayes: All Motion carried.

3. DANCE PERMIT - ARTHUR JAHN (REPORT FROM POLICE DEPT)

Mrs. Lennox read a report from the Police Dept in which they recommended issuance of a dance permit. Arthur Jahn has met all the requirements.

Nowka moved, supported by MacDonald to allow this item for further study. Mr. Morgan stated that he would like to review this matter with a few members of the Board. Mrs. Lennox and Mr. Nowka were appointed to review this matter.

Ayes: MacDonald, Mitchell, Nowka, Rosenberg, Lennox, Abstain. Wright Motion carried.

4. BUDGET - FEDERAL REVENUE SEVERANCE AND PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT (MR ROSENBERG WILL EXPLAIN)

MacDonald moved, supported by Rosenberg to remove this item from the agenda. Ayes: All Motion carried.

5. DON THOMSON - DISCUSS RECREATION PROGRAM
Mr. Thomson stated that a \$75,000 budget is anticipated for the 1975 year. A full time director is needed because of the increasing amount of participation. A full time director would cost the total community an additional \$5,000, both City and Township.

To keep track of whether children are from the City or Township, they are required to fill out a registration card for a sport or craft. The cost of a sport or craft is between \$5 or \$6 per child. A child not from Northville City or Northville Township is required to pay a larger normal fee.

Applications for a full time director would like to be taken to get an idea of what kind of people are interested in the job.

Mosher moved, supported by Mitchell to accept Mr. Thomson's report. Ayes: All Motion carried.

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MacDonald moved, supported by Nowka to put this item on the next agenda of the next regular meeting in January for more resumes. Ayes: MacDonald, Lennox, Rosenberg, Nowka, Nay: Mitchell. Abstain Wright.

9. RECOMMENDATIONS
1. PLANNING COMMISSION - PETITION 743 - REZONING SIX MILE AND SHELDON PETITIONER - MR JEROME ACKER, PRESIDENT EQUITY RESOURCES

A letter was read by the Clerk from Equity Resources which stated that they are requesting an adjournment and a rescheduling on January 9, 1975, regular meeting, so their legal council can be present when the matter is given consideration.

MacDonald moved, supported by Nowka to adjourn the matter until the Jan 9 meeting. Ayes: All Motion carried.

2. WATER & SEWER
1. LEVITT - INSPECTION DEPOSIT - RECOMMENDATION MADE NOV. 6 MEETING AND RESCINDED DEC 4, 1974

MacDonald moved, supported by Rosenberg to receive and file. Ayes: All Motion carried.

b) W8 FRANKLIN ROAD ST. - WATER MAINS
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landfill permit subject to the conditions set forth recommended by Mr. Mosher. Ayes: Wright, MacDonald, Mitchell, Nowka, Rosenberg, Lennox. Motion carried.

POLICE DEPT - COMMENTS FROM AUDIENCE
Mr. Presnell appeared before the Board, as the Chief Stewart of the Police Officers Union, and as a police officer stating that the police officers are quite concerned with the action that was taken by the Board members a week ago.

Mr. Presnell asked Mr. Morgan what is going to be done about the Police Contract. Mr. Morgan replied that it is not public discussion as of yet, and if he has completed the contract in time for the Dec. 19 meeting, that he will request from the Clerk or Supervisor that this item be put on the agenda for the Board to take action on if necessary.

Mr. Wright told Mr. Presnell that he could attend the meeting of the December 15 meeting on Sunday to give some recommendations to the new ad hoc committee.

Mr. Presnell went on to state that many of the police officers have served many years of service to the Township and he is wondering is the Township going to supply jobs for them.

Mr. Mitchell pointed out to Mr. Presnell that a lot of people did not understand what the mileage election in April of 1973 was all about. This mainly started out as a project of 3 miles for the Township department and ended up with a contract arrangement that was never put out to the people of what the plan was. It was as much a fire plan as a police plan.

Mr. Hardisty asked the Board how they arrived at the decision of the elimination of the police dept. through their study instead of making cuts in other departments. Mr. Wright stated that there are cuts other than in the police dept. Mr. Hardisty asked if the other two cuts were from the same department and were they full time.

Mr. Wright replied that the other two cuts are not from the same department and they are full time.

Mr. Schrot stated that in another department the Township has purchased a \$5,000 truck. He further stated that he did not feel that it was appropriate to take bids and purchase a vehicle at this point in time. Mr. Wright stated that since the Township Water Dept bought the water and sewer lines from Plymouth that department is very busy also the Water & Sewer Fund is completely different than the Township General Account.

Mr. Fiorelli asked if the Ad Hoc Committee that is going to meet on Sunday, has authority to bring back recommendations to the Board that can

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Upper Level Northville
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Area Citizens Boost Rail Transit

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starting at Northville, to Plymouth, Livonia, Redford, Dearborn, and on to downtown (Detroit).

"We have the railroad tracks there... they are in good condition, and I would hope they would try to provide the necessary equipment so that we could have two or three commuter trains in the morning and two or three in the afternoon.

"I'm sure as soon as our Jeffries Highway (new I-96 from Detroit to Plymouth and then north to Northville and Novi) is completed out here we are going to have the same congestion problems on it that we have now on I-94 and I-75."

Wernette took the position that rail passenger service would be used.

He charged that the declining number of passengers experienced just prior to the discontinuing of the service was the direct result of a deliberate downgrading of service by C&O to discourage passenger use so that it could use lines exclusively for freight business.

Among those supporting Wernette's remarks was Senator Carl Pursell, who along with Livonia Editor Tim Richard and Schoolcraft Trustee Arch Vallier produced last week's meeting that drew representation from Northville, Plymouth, Livonia, Canton, Westland, Garden City, Inkster, and Redford.

Said Pursell: "I grew up in Plymouth and I can remember as a small boy 250 people lining up at the Plymouth depot to take that train to and from work. And as a county commissioner, just back in 1968, I rode that train with (Wernette) and we got to and from Detroit in pretty good time."

Reminding the audience that he had carried to Washington the fight to keep passenger service going only to lose, Pursell urged SEMCOG (Southeast Michigan Council of Governments) and SEMTA (Southeast Michigan Transportation Authority) to explore the possibility of reintroducing passenger service on the C&O line.

Pursell, along with others, also supported a SEMCOG suggestion that a bus-only lane be provided on the new I-96 freeway into Plymouth.

Spokesmen for the regional planning agency offered the bus-only alternative when citizens and officials, including Livonia Mayor Edward MacNamara, sharply criticized them for failing to provide for a rapid transit system here.

While indicating that plans do not now exist calling for the bus-only lane into the Livonia area, they noted that an

experimental bus-only lane is planned on the Detroit end of the new freeway and that if this stretch proves successful it might be extended westward.

Concerning the C&O line, Ross Childs, acting general manager of SEMTA explained that it had been considered for commuter designation in initial plans but that SEMTA opted instead for a Macomb County rail transit system because Northwest Wayne County will enjoy the new I-96 freeway whereas no similar freeway is planned in Macomb.

Nevertheless, he suggested the C&O versus Mt Clemens rail line may be restudied.

Current studies concerning the feasibility of the Penn Central line from Detroit to Ann Arbor suggest, he said, that this rail corridor is not a

good one for rapid transit "I think I could board an express bus in Ann Arbor and beat the train to Detroit," Childs said.

"Their (rail commuter) on time performance when we studied this over a year ago was less than 14-percent. Now the other corridor, the C&O corridor, is not much better. What we have are inhibiting speeds through the communities because of grade level crossings. And if we decide to use commuter rail in the Detroit area we must get into a good signalization system or we will have the Chicago accident twice a year."

"They (C&O and Penn Central lines) are a good asset in the sense that they are exclusive right-of-ways. But either we have to get rid of grade crossings, put in proper signalization, and rebuild the

road beds or they can't be used for effective movement of people."

"It would take a train from Plymouth a long time to get from Plymouth to downtown in eight miles an hour."

"The Jeffries Freeway project (a bus-only lane) to be implemented in the spring, if carried on (westward) might in the long run be as fast as a rapid transit line. And if it would serve the needs it might require less capitalization and it will be available sooner."

Those remarks triggered Wernette's sharp rebuttal: "I want to take issue with the last speaker," he started. "I have been a resident out here for nearly a quarter of a century and I have had years and years experience in commuting back and forth on the C&O Railroad. I can assure him that the on-time

record of the C&O Railroad when they tried to give service was 75 to 85 and 90-percent. It wasn't until they (C&O) wanted to get rid of the commuters... that the service started to go down. They gave the freight train the right of way."

"And I also want to call his (Child's) attention to the fact that the Penn Central is a bankrupt railroad and that they have neglected their right-of-ways. C&O is not a bankrupt railroad and they have not neglected their right-of-ways. And I can assure you that you could get a passenger train ride from Plymouth to downtown Detroit in less than a half hour. It isn't eight miles an hour."

"The C&O trackage is in good condition, and C&O could provide good passenger service."



KINDERGARTEN VISIT — Ellen Bergeron gets a chance to tell Santa of all the toys and goodies that she'd like to see under the Christmas tree Wednesday. This was the first year that Santa was able to visit the kindergarteen rooms at Novi Elementary.

—City Council Minutes—

NORTHVILLE CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

December 2, 1974
Mayor Allen called the meeting of the Northville City Council to order at 8:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL. Present: Allen, Biery, Folino, Nichols, Vernon.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING. Minutes of the Council meeting of November 18 were reviewed and the following corrections were noted:

Page 5, seventh paragraph, change to "Motion failed."

Page 6, sixth paragraph, add: "to establish Parking Fund with Manufacturers Bank as depository."

Page 6, under Drawbridge License Resolution, change to: "Resolution rescinding the Entertainment License."

Minutes stated approved as corrected.

MINUTES OF BOARDS & COMMISSIONS. Minutes of the Plan Commission of November 11, Historical District Commission of October 22 and September 24 and Beautification Commission of October 15 were placed on file.

APPROVAL OF BILLS. Bills presented were as follows:

EQUIPMENT FUND 5,235.78

GENERAL FUND 60,733.67

LOCAL STREET FUND 3,492.77

MAJOR STREET FUND 3,477.66

PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT FUND 31,658.24

SEWER AND WATER FUND 10,492.58

SPECIAL ASSESSMENT FUND 10,492.58

SEPTEMBER 1st THRU NOVEMBER 30th 38,859.80

TRUST AND AGENCY FUND 8,765.00

Motion by Councilman Vernon support by Councilman Nichols to approve the bills as presented.

Carried unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS

Notice received of a hearing by the Wayne Co Road Commission regarding the construction of a bikeway in the Edward Hines Parkway City Manager to write a letter in support of the bikeway.

The Jaycees requested Council approval to solicit for donations on Main St for their candy cane sale on December 13th from 5 to 9 p.m., December 14th from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. and December 15th from 1 to 4 p.m.

Motion by Councilman Vernon support by Councilman Folino to approve the Jaycees candy cane sale on December 13, 14 and 15, subject to the City Manager checking on insurance.

Carried unanimously.

Paul Vernon was appointed 1975 Michigan Municipal League legislative coordinator.

Wayne County D.P.W. notice was received regarding a wastewater system plan hearing December 5th.

Mayor Allen and City Manager to attend the hearing.

Request from Black Christian Nationalist Church to solicit No action taken because of insufficient information.

Northville High School Band requested permission to sell Christmas Candles on Friday, December 6th and 13th from 6 to 9 p.m. from one of the parking spaces in the parking lot east of Northville Drug.

Motion by Councilman Folino support by Councilman Biery to approve the High School Band's sale of candles on December 6th and 13th subject to insurance coverage by the school and final approval by the City Manager.

Carried unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITIZENS. Charles Toussaint, 528 Horton, commended the DPW for the

snow removal. He went on to say that traffic on Horton is excessive as it has become a secondary route to Center St from Main to 8 Mile Rd. He suggested a stop sign be placed at Lake and Horton.

Ann St. John, 624 Carpenter, stated that traffic is very bad on Baseline.

The Police Department was directed to study traffic routes between 8 Mile and Main St. Traffic Control Order 74 27 was deferred pending the results of this study.

The City Council commended the DPW for the excellent job done on the snow removal.

RESOLUTION TO DEDICATE CITY PARKS. City Attorney presented resolution to dedicate city parks.

Motion by Councilman Nichols support by Councilman Folino to dedicate the following sites as City Parks: Maptewood Park, City Hall Park, Northville Well on S. Main St., former water system well site and Joe Denton Park.

Carried unanimously.

Discussion followed on the advisability of including other sites such as the Historic Village site and the Scout Bldg site.

TRAFFIC CONTROL ORDER 74 26. Motion by Councilman Folino support by Councilman Biery to adopt Traffic Control Order 74 26.

Carried unanimously.

ROCK SALT BIDS. Rock salt bids received are as follows:

Morton Salt Company \$12.18 per ton delivered.

Diamond Crystal Salt Company \$12.26 per ton delivered.

International Salt Company \$13.43 per ton delivered.

Motion by Councilman Folino support by Councilman Biery to accept the bid of \$12.18 per ton delivered from Morton Salt Company.

Carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION RE M.C.J.C. CRIMINAL JUSTICE GOALS & STANDARDS. Motion by Councilman Vernon support by Councilman Folino to adopt resolution urging the Criminal Justice Commission to adopt revisions in Goals and Standards proposed by the Michigan Municipal League.

Carried unanimously.

Appointments. Motion by Councilman Vernon support by Councilman Biery to appoint Russ Amerman to the Recreation Commission.

Carried unanimously.

MISCELLANEOUS. Council approved the return envelope concept for water bills for the new accounting equipment and the deletion of water rates on bills.

Councilman Vernon suggested reconsidering Christmas lighting since the ban has been removed.

Council agreed by consensus that Christmas lights be lit.

Councilman Folino inquired as to the Linden St. traffic control order. This is still under discussion with the school. Matters referred list will be on the next agenda.

City Attorney reported that referendum was filed today for an annexation election in the Township.

There being no other business, Mayor Allen adjourned the meeting at 10:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Steven L. Walters.

Betty M. Lennox, Clerk.

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be acted on immediately and not put off to some other meeting. He stated that the Board has an obligation to the people of the Township to resolve this problem and the people of the Township in turn have an obligation to the Board to come up with recommendations.

Mr. Bruce Roy stated to the Board that he is concerned about the Township Police, that with the high crime rate and the number of break ins in the Township that he would hardly think this would be time for a layoff to happen. He suggests that a millage should be thought of for the operation of the Northville Township Police Dept.

Mrs. Roscoe then asked the Board if the millage election in April of 1973 was first proposed for police then changed to include fire and police. Mr. Wright stated that it had been proposed for a Public Safety Millage. She asked what the Township residents are supposed to

do for their protection now that the police dept will be terminated. Mr. MacDonald stated that the State Police have two cars that patrol Northville Township, with the help of one Sheriff car.

Mr. Yant asked why the Township does not use the money that is in the Public Improvement Fund. What happens if the Township and the City are annexed? Will that money go into the City? Mr. MacDonald replied to Mr. Yant that this money was for the Building of a fire station in the SE portion of the Township and only for that.

Mr. Wright suggested that anyone in the audience that is interested could attend the special meeting on Sunday, December 15, 1974, at 1:30.

Rosenberg moved, supported by Lennox to adjourn the meeting. Ayes All. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 11:00 p.m.

Betty M. Lennox, Clerk.

It is the season to say Thanks

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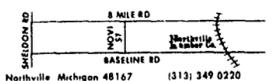
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MRS. CLAUS

Speaking for Myself

Santa Claus Too Fat?



MR. CLAUS

SPEAKING
for The Record
By **BILL SLIGER**

There's nothing to match Christmas for pure magic. It lifts the spirits, stirs the memories and softens the heart — even of newsmen.

Editor Jack Hoffman and I were stirring our own memories recently as we tried to recall some of the many people who have contributed in one way or another to the communities of Northville, Novi and Wixom since we have been covering the area.

Jack, of course, reminded me that his memory is not quite as old as mine. But we both came up with a list of individuals who are not as active as they once were, but who have left either a little or large measure of themselves in the communities in which they were once very active.

Communities, like people, are the products of those who influence them in one way or another. And we think that Northville, Novi and Wixom can be thankful for the contributions these people have made over the years.

Our list, which certainly is not complete, is composed of residents or ex-residents who are still living.

We want to thank them now, during the magic of the Christmas season, for their contributions.

We think they have made our communities better places in which to live. And sometimes these people have had to do little more than just be good citizens themselves and to support the programs that improved our communities.

In other instances, these people were the "movers", the ones who made things happen, who prodded, who pleaded, and who made us aware of our responsibilities.

We've left out the people who are most active today, although some of these "pioneers" are still contributing. Most, however, have stepped aside so that others may take up the duties of good citizenship.

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The Northville list goes back to the mid-fifties and includes many who do not live here any longer, and some who continue to take part in capacities that are more "advisory" in nature.

In Northville we remember Harold Bloom, Ed Bogart, Leonard Bogotaitis, Rita Northup, John Northup, Jack Burkman, Louese Cansfield, Mary Donovan, Don Nutten, Roy Stone, Eugene Cook, Pete Gross, Glenn Deibert, Stan Johnston, Wilson Tyler, Chuck Ely, Ken McLeod, Phyllis Slatery, Wilson Funk, Essie Nirider, Fran Gazlay, C. A. Smith, Chuck Altman, Luke Bathey, Alice Woodruff, Elroy Ellison, Russ Amerman, Harry Smith, N. C. Schrader, Liza Wagenschutz, Dick Ambler, Father John Wittstock, Dr. Russell Atchison, Cy and Sid Frid, Bill Becker, Jim Kipfer, Don Lawrence, Del. Black, Chuck Lapham, Joe Denton, Dr. L. W. Snow, Nat Hopkins, Glenn Cummings, Cliff Hill, John Canterbury, George Zerbel, Doug Bolton, George Clark, Russ Clarke, Mary Alexander, Jim Littell, Jack Stubenvoll, Ed Welch, Bea Carlson, Gunnar Stromberg, Karl Knoth, Al Jones, Don Merritt, Carl Johnson, Andy Bertoni, Bill Secord, Bud Hartner, Wilma Campbell, John Miller, Harvey Ritchie, Charles Schoultz, Harry Sedan, Bill Milne, Charles Freydl, Ruth Starkweather, Ruth Knapp, Hazel Boyden, Levi Eaton, Fred Stefanski, Fred Kester, John Steimel, Bruce Turnbull, Mary Ware, Bob Webber, Bud Weber, Tom Wheaton, Ed Yerkes, Don Yerkes, Jan Reef, John Robertson, Frank Ollendorff, Reverend John Taxis, Eugene King, Bruce Potthoff, Al Wistert and Tom Quinn.

We apologize for our omissions, but in the spirit of the season that brings back pleasant memories, we say "Thank You and Merry Christmas", wherever you are.

YES . . .

Overweight? You've gotta be kidding. Santa Claus is just plain fat!

Santa certainly wasn't too hefty when we first got married. In fact, he was sort of skinny. (Probably from running around at all hours of the night with those elves.) But over the years, the old man has become rather . . . well . . . chubby.

And it's embarrassing, him always getting stuck in people's chimneys. (Besides, have you ever tried to get soot stains out of a Santa suit?)

All those little kids don't help matters, either, leaving him platters of cookies and milk every Christmas Eve. Old softie Santa doesn't want to offend anybody, so he cleans up every bite.

(You think you have weight problems around the holidays? Try cleaning up several million helpings of milk and cookies some evening!)

Lord knows I've tried to help Santa keep trim. Two years ago at Christmas, I got him an exercising bicycle. Last year, I gave him a gift enrollment at Vic Tanny's.

This summer, I even tried to talk Santa into joining Weight Watchers. But that didn't work, either. He complained there weren't any chapters at the North Pole. So, despite all I do, that bowl-full-of-jelly belly keeps ballooning.

I think I've finally figured out how to beat old Kris Kringle's calorie crunch, though. When he opens his presents this Christmas morning, he's going to find nothing but gift-wrapped packages of Ayds.

There'll be no McDonald's gift certificates this year!

Mrs. Santa Claus
North Pole

NO . . .

What a silly question! Of course, I'm not overweight. Mrs. Claus lies through her bifocals.

Oh, I admit at one time in my marvelous career, I was a tinsy-winsy bit plump. And Mrs. Claus would have to bring up those times I got caught in the chimney and my reindeer had to pull me to safety.

But that was about 200 years ago. Over the past two centuries, I've gradually slimmed down to what I am today—a svelte, handsome, muscular fellow with whiskers.

In fact, around the North Pole, I'm known as Super Santa, who, disguised as a mild-mannered drunk with a red nose, tries to make millions of kids happy every year on Christmas Day.

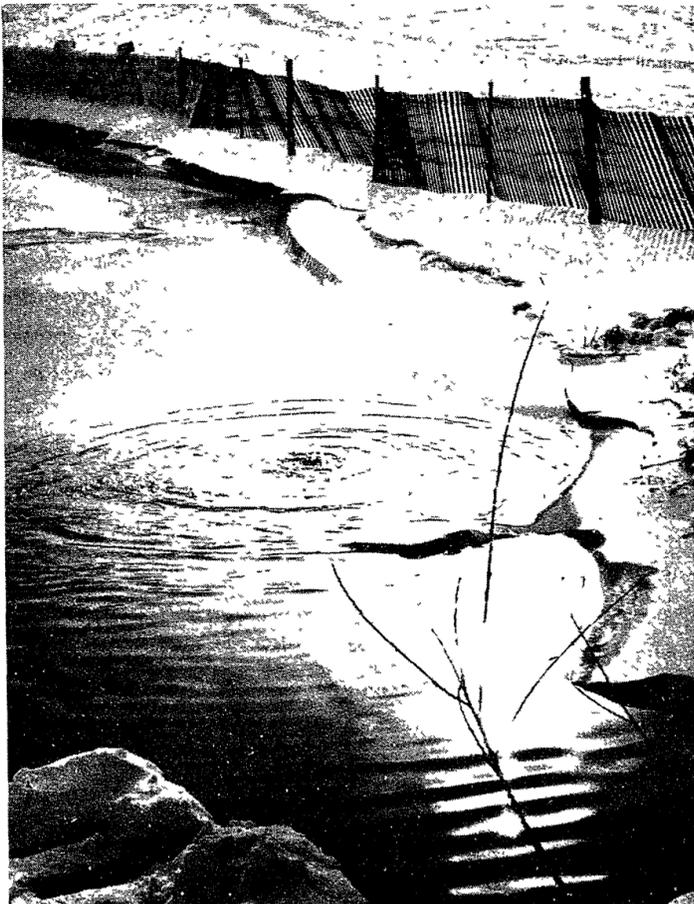
I admit I look a little chubby. But that's because I use an inflatable beach ball to make me appear fat. In reality, my tummy is as flat as Phyllis Diller.

Truthfully, I think Mrs. Claus is just jealous. All the elves adore me, and she doesn't like me getting all the attention. And, if you want to know what's really galling her, it's that she's developed a little paunch over the years.

Truthfully,
Santa Claus
The North Pole

Photographic Sketches . . .

By JIM GALBRAITH



Winter Patterns



By JACK W. HOFFMAN

The idea of passenger service on the existing C&O railroad through Northville to Detroit is a very appealing one that deserves some serious consideration.

(See story on Record, Page 1).

I'm inclined to agree that discontinuance of service probably was an understandably selfish move on the part of the railroad because it found it could make more money as a freight carrier than as a passenger carrier. And, after all, profit is the name of the game.

But population demand and a worsening energy situation suggests re-examination of rail priorities is needed.

Without any factual data to back up the statement, I believe C&O would be hard-pressed to accommodate the large number of people in Northwestern Wayne County who would regularly use a reasonably expensive, dependable commuter rail service.

And if that service was extended to Novi—one of the fastest growing communities in the seven county region serviced by SEMCOG—the number of potential rail passengers would be increased appreciably.

In other words, population changes and the fuel situation might very well make passenger service a more profitable business today than it was years ago.

I wasn't around when C&O passenger service was provided in Northville, nor did I have the good fortune to use the interurban (DUR) lines that serviced this region, but most of those persons to whom I have spoken about these systems contend that "old fashioned" mass transit was unbeatable as long as it remained dependable.

Ironically, the automobile that killed this kind of transportation years ago is forcing its revival today.

If only we knew in the Twenties what we know now about transportation, the DUR, or at least its rails, would have survived. But we didn't anticipate today's problems, of course, so we find the experts in the strange position of proposing costly mass transit systems that are really carbon copies of the old DUR.

Unlike the DUR, however, the C&O passenger rails still exist and are in reasonably good condition. It seems ludicrous to suggest totally new transit systems without considering their use for transporting people.

It is unreasonable, I think, to expect the C&O lines to be used for transportation of people without local financial support. And those attending last week's meeting recognized this fact. They noted, for example, the vital need for public parking at rail stations.

I, for one, would support the use of my tax dollars to finance parking accommodations and a waiting station here in Northville.

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Readers Speak

Northville Teachers Lament Changes in Classes

To the Editor:
We, as concerned teachers, who want quality education for your children, feel you should be made aware of proposed class changes for next semester.
These are the changes proposed to date:
1. Art — One section of art will be dropped, overcrowding the other sections. (For example,

ceramics has eight wheels, and 35 students.)
2. Foreign Language — Students who took the Russian course will be denied the opportunity to continue it, unless they elect it on the year-round schedule. This would mean that the student who chose to continue in Russian would have to continue that class into the

summer. In addition to this, classes will be dropped in German I, Spanish I and II, resulting in overcrowding in the remaining classes.
3. Home Economics — There will be no classes dropped. However, classes are overloaded (30 students in a sewing class and 12 machines, 6 sections of foods with 30 students in each and

facilities for a maximum of 24).
4. Business — The Vocational Typing class which prepares students for immediate employment, is being dropped. The Business Machines class will have more students than machines.
We teachers question the need for making these changes. Will your son or

daughter be affected?
High School Teachers
County Defends
Storm Action
To the Editor:
The volume and nature of complaints received by the Oakland County Road Commission following the

snow storm of December 1 prompts me to try and place things in perspective.
The Oakland County Road Commission is responsible for snow control on some 2650 miles of state trunklines, county primary and local roads and subdivision streets — more than twice the

Defends Storm Action

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mileage under either the Wayne or Macomb County Road Commissions. In spite of this fact, I feel our Road Commission crews were at least as effective as any snow control agency in southeastern Michigan during and after the storm.

No agency in Michigan can maintain sufficient equipment and manpower to deal quickly with a storm of such magnitude. Our men worked around the clock for five days, at considerable expense in overtime wages, until the critical phase of the storm aftermath was past and emergency access assured for all County residents. We reverted then to regular work hours only out of financial necessity. As you may be aware, Road Commission revenues were down sharply for the third and fourth quarters, and prospects for the first quarter of 1975 look even more discouraging.

Our ordinary procedure is to clear pavement area and shoulders of 575 miles of state trunkline and 1481 miles of county primary and key local roads before beginning to plow subdivisions outside of incorporated cities and villages. After the December 1 storm, we altered our procedure. Working around the clock, we were able by Tuesday morning, December 3, to go into subdivision streets all day to clear one lane for emergency access. Our main thoroughfares were little better at the time — passable but narrow.

After the one-day effort on subdivision streets, we returned to widening plowed pavement area and clearing shoulders and medians in the principal thoroughfares as a safety measure. Nevertheless, by the end of Tuesday, December 10, we had widened subdivision streets to two lanes.

Considering that this snowstorm was our worst since 1886, I consider that Oakland County Road Commission crews dealt as effectively with it as was possible under most difficult circumstances. The heavy snow was just as frustrating to the Road Commission as it was to snowbound residents. We appreciate the patience and understanding of the vast majority of residents who refrained from carping and threatening the Road Commission.

Sincerely,
William M. Richards
Chairman

Signal's Coming

THAT LONG-AWAITED traffic signal at Novi and Eight Mile roads is scheduled to get underway Monday. Spokesmen for Detroit Edison said their crews will begin installing the poles and wiring and expect to be completed by January 3. Actual placing of the traffic signal will then be done by Wayne County.

CHRISTMAS

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LOCKING OUT CRIME—Wixom crime prevention officer Vern Darlington demonstrates the different types of locks available for doors. Besides going out to homes to show what things can be done to

make it burglar-resistant, Darlington and Police Chief George VonBehren have assembled citizen business task forces to help in preventing crime.

Stops Crime in The Home

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task force. "The management task force is composed of eight area businesses. Its purpose is to meet quarterly and show a film or slide presentation on security. Then we will talk informally to hash over any problems they have and try to come up with solutions.

"The residential task force is composed of persons from ten different area associations and groups. I hand picked each person and I had 100 per cent participation from those I asked.

"There were 20 persons present at our first task force meeting last week and we discussed two newsletters which we have sent out or are going to send out." One of the newsletters explains the crime prevention program while the other tells of the holiday watch — where task force members will keep a

special eye open during the holidays (a traditionally high crime time) and report any suspicious activities to police.

"We also borrowed from the Oakland County Crime Prevention program an excellent film on burglary and locks called 'Target of Terror'. It concerns a man who comes home to find his home all ripped apart and his wife beaten," explains the crime prevention expert.

Besides the task force groups, the crime prevention department provides several other services including, upon request by any citizen, a complete inspection of a house to determine the ways in which that house could effectively be modified to slowdown a burglar.

"There's absolutely no combination of measures that can make a house burglar proof — only burglar resistant."

Utilizing a detailed checklist, Darlington can specify what measures can be taken to lessen the chances of a successful B & E, however.

"If these measures were used, I'd say it would take a burglar at least three times as long to break into a house. And that increases his chances of being caught because a neighbor might hear or a patrol vehicle might come by. He might just say 'oh heck' and give up."

Darlington estimates that successful B & E's would drop to "virtually nothing" if every Wixom resident would participate. While for an average home with two doors and 7-8 windows, the cost of modifying the windows and doors would be \$50-\$150 depending on materials, the cost would be much less than that lost in a successful B & E.

"It makes our job easier doing this prior to an attempted burglary rather than having to spend days afterward trying to solve it," Darlington adds.

Besides numerous pamphlets which the department has prepared, other tools are in use. One is a door which has "eight different brands of locks — some good — some not so good. It has a door viewer on

there for homes and apartments and it has a plexiglass window which is virtually unbreakable."

The door, built by the Wixom DPW for the crime prevention unit, also has hinges on the outside, which Darlington says can be set in such a manner that even if the pin is removed, the door cannot be taken off its hinges.

Darlington says he recommends a good deadbolt lock, but advises that it is ridiculous to put a good lock on a "hollow core door" — one made of thin plywood reinforced by cardboard.

"One good kick and the door's done for," explains the officer. He recommends that such doors, which are all to prevalently used to keep down costs, be replaced with solid doors.

Plexiglass, while it's twice as expensive as regular glass, is almost unbreakable and can be hit with a hammer without breaking.

"In all the houses I've looked at since the program began, I haven't found one that was as burglar resistant as it could be. One was pretty close, right to the plexiglass on the rear door, but his hinge on the door was outside and I

showed him how to put in the pin so the door couldn't be taken off its hinges."

Darlington also points out that, starting in January, a pin map of B & E's will show where they are occurring in the city.

"If we can see a trend, we hope to get a neighborhood watch going in the particular areas struck hardest. We'll also have our patrols out more and I will be out more."

He adds that the mode of operation used in a B & E will also be crucial in his work.

"When there's a B & E, I'll go to the neighbors and explain to them how the B & E occurred so that they can take corrective measures with their own home. If a burglar strikes once in a neighborhood, we want to see to it that he can't strike again."

While the new program is Vern Darlington's "baby", Chief George Von Behren admits that "I'm excited about it because I think it will work."

"But the key to whether it works lies more in the hands of the citizens of Wixom than in their police department. Citizen involvement will make it go."

Top of The Deck

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Meanwhile, I hope citizens of this area who share my views will join our public officials in demanding that SEMCOG adjust its long-range transportation plan to provide for rapid transportation in this area and, more specifically, that the existing C&O railroad lines be considered for this purpose.

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Police—Court News

In Northville

Last week's snow resulted in a rash of minor accidents in the city of Northville with police investigating nearly a dozen complaints between Tuesday and early Saturday morning. No injuries were reported in any of the mishaps.

In nine of the accidents, reports were filed with officers. Accidents which took place on Tuesday included Horton and Base Line, 9:40 a.m.; 1000 block of Allen Drive, 12:15 p.m.; Center and Main, 2:40 p.m.; and Hutton and Main, 6 p.m.

A single accident on Wednesday took place at Eight Mile and Taft Road at 7:30 a.m.

Three accidents on Thursday included Eight Mile and Novi Street, 10:38 a.m.; High near Randolph, 2:50 p.m.; and Linden near Dunlap, 4:10 p.m.

At approximately 12:15 a.m. Saturday, an accident occurred in the parking lot of Northville Downs.

Two shoplifting complaints were investigated by police at Kroger's. The first occurred at noon Wednesday with the second taking place shortly after midnight Thursday. Both involved items valued at approximately \$1.

A wallet containing \$25 in cash and numerous credit cards was reported stolen Friday afternoon from Marquis Boutique on East Main.

According to police, the wallet belonged to an employee of the shop.

Nels Vernon Justice of Brooklyn, Michigan, was bound over to Wayne County Circuit Court to face charges of assault with intent to rob.

The action took place in 35th District Court Thursday. Justice will appear in circuit court January 16.

According to city police, the charges stem from incidents which took place in the parking lot of Northville Downs on December 7. Bond was set at \$5,000.

A Detroit man, Alvin Benedict Jalynski, is scheduled to appear in Oakland County Circuit Court today (Tuesday) on charges of breaking and entering.

Jalynski was bound over to circuit court December 9 after he waived examination. He was arrested November 30 at Hamlet Food Mart after he allegedly broke into the business.

In Township

A Detroit man, Kevin Joseph Berry, sustained a broken leg in a toboggan accident last Thursday.

Michigan state police reports said Berry had just completed a run down the toboggan slide in Cass Benton Park shortly after 11 p.m. when the accident took place.

Berry told police another toboggan was coming down the hill and he jumped on his toboggan was hit before he could get out of the way.

He was taken to Botsford Hospital where he was treated for a broken lower left leg.

A tape deck and tapes, valued at \$280, were stolen from a car parked in the 18600 block of InnsBrook Drive.

According to township reports, the theft took place between 11 p.m. last Sunday and 6:30 a.m. Monday. The tape deck and 24 tapes in a

case were stolen after the driver's side door was pried.

A rear window was opened to gain entry.

Joe Wallace Smith, 25, of Pontiac was bound over to Wayne County Circuit Court to face charges of attempted murder and armed robbery.

Smith, who appeared before 35th District Court Judge Dunbar Davis Thursday, was arrested by township and state police November 25. He is charged in the October shooting and robbery which occurred on Ridge Road near Five Mile Road.

He is scheduled to appear in circuit court on January 16. Bond was reduced from \$200,000 to \$25,000, court officials said.

A Detroit man, Vanis Young, was sentenced in Wayne County Circuit Court after he pled guilty to a charge of aggravated assault.

The sentence, handed down last month, includes two years' probation, the first 60 of which he must serve in Detroit House of Correction, and court costs of \$350.

Young was arrested by township police after assaulting another man at Maybury State Park during demolition of the buildings last year.

In Novi

Thirteen steel scrap metal 55 gallon drums valued at \$2,500 were taken from Tempform Corporation in Novi, December 18. The drums had been stored outside.

A Ross tape player, Magnavox TV, and Panasonic Tape Deck valued at \$605 were taken from a home in the 1500 block of Paramount December 17.

A Sears radio valued at \$80 was stolen from a car parked in the 33 000 block of West LeBost December 12. The vehicle was unlocked at the time of the theft.

A Wixom resident was injured at 9:15 a.m. December 4 when his car slid on ice on East Lake Drive and struck another car.

William Theodore Fair, 67, of 2913 Potter Road was taken by Novi Ambulance to Botsford Hospital with an incapacitating injury.

His car struck a vehicle driven by Jerry McKindles of Detroit who received a possible injury.

A 30-day suspension of the 7-Eleven Store's liquor license at 24111 Meadowbrook Road in Novi has been ordered by the Michigan Liquor Control Commission.

The suspension, effective January 6, grew out of a charge that liquor was sold to a minor from the store.

In Wixom

Four spare tires valued at \$160 were taken from the trunks of four 1975 Lincoln Continental Mark IV's while they were at Automotive Specialties on Beck Road in Wixom. The thefts reportedly occurred December 16.

A yellow Ski Doo Snowmobile valued at \$500 was taken from a home in the 2100 block of Hopkins Drive December 16.

The snowmobile was parked behind a house and taken December 16.



New books available in the public libraries this week include:

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ADULT READING

The Gulag Archipelago, Aleksandr I. Solzhenitsyn; The true story of Solzhenitsyn's imprisonment in Siberia and the harrowing experiences shared by the inmates of the Gulag Archipelago Camp.

Buckeye, Robert Vane; Find out what makes Woody Hayes tick. Football fans will enjoy this biography of Ohio State's coach and the Ohio State football machine.

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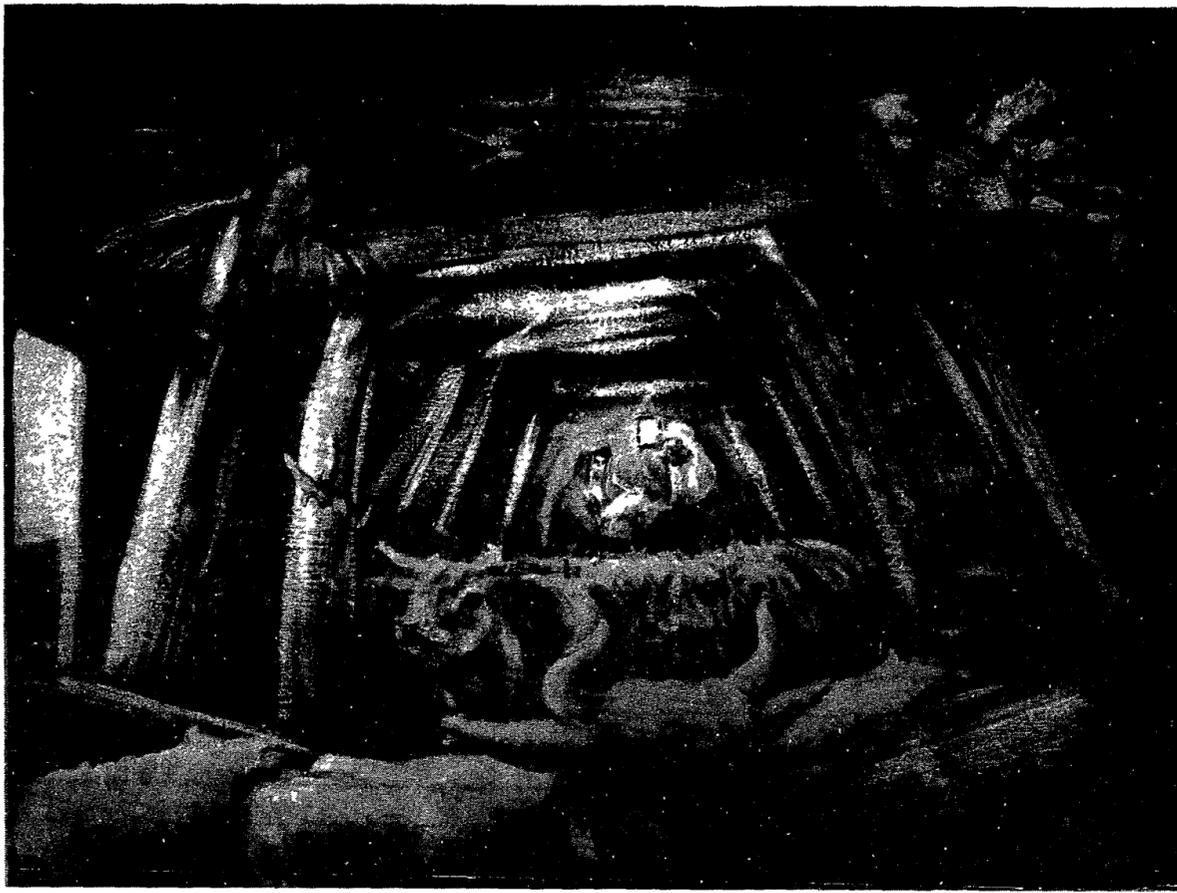
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And, of course, Northville will feel the loss of summer dates sharply. That's why Carlo is suing and why the city of Northville and the track landlords, the Northville Driving Club, who also stand to lose revenue, are joining in the legal action.

Carlo would like to spend some \$4 million in further improvements of the local track by adding to the enclosed grandstand facilities.

But he questions the advisability of such a move without a schedule that includes the more lucrative summer dates. And what lending institution would want to help a track expand that's confined strictly to winter racing, he asks.

The suit brought against the racing commissioner is awaiting action in the state court of appeals. Northville's 83-night meet starts January 1. Carlo hopes that it will be cut short of its scheduled run through April 8 and that part of the 82 and 83-night summer meets awarded to Hazel Park and Wolverine, respectively, will be given to Northville in the summertime.



'Whole World Came Awake'

The Christmas story of the birth of Jesus has been told with brush and paint by artist John N. Wortman of Novi.

He has donated his painting, "The Nativity," to the First Presbyterian Church of Northville. As he did so recently he wrote the Reverend Lloyd Brasure how the painting was conceived:

"...Taking a familiar subject that exists differently in the mind of every person can be offensive to the viewer. How to avoid this. Well, to start—take the story as it is written.

"Bethlehem is, or in this case was, a hilly town. Let us suppose

that the stable was down the hill behind the inn. The manger was a bin loaded with hay and feed for the animals. The floor of the stable certainly was no place for anyone to rest.

"The air was pungent with the odor of animals. The rafters were alive with pigeons. The night had been quiet. Then there was the sound of a newborn.

"The sky through the doorway became light. The animals became restless. The birds fluttered. The whole room came awake.

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are the present levels paid, \$9,812 to start, to a top of \$13,331 in three years.

Other provisions in the contract are —

- four step grievance procedure;
- seniority after 12 months;
- layoffs by seniority;
- promotions by competitive exam;

- time and a half for any more than eight hours worked in one day;
- double time for holidays;
- no strike, no lock-out clauses; and

— uniform allowance of \$300 per year with one year of seniority, the initial uniform supplied at the expense of the township.

The township will continue

to supply false arrest insurance as it now does, paying the premiums, and police officers will have the same sick leave, personal business, funeral leave and holidays as do other township employees.

Court time will not be compensated unless the officer is working on an overtime basis in which case the township will pay time and a half.

Uniform allowance will be reimbursed quarterly with any sums remaining in the officers fund after January 1 being paid to the officer in cash.

Although township board members did not comment on any parts of the contract, it was approved by a 6-0 vote, Treasurer Joseph Straub absent because of illness.

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First Presbyterian Church of Northville will have three Christmas Eve services this year.

The first two, at 7 and 9 p.m., will be candlelight services with each family receiving a candle to symbolically light their way home. The Bell Ringers will participate in both services.

The traditional music service by the Chancel Choir, singing the "Messiah," will be at 11 p.m. The community is invited to share in these services, the Reverend Lloyd G. Brasure, pastor, said.

Epiphany Lutheran Church will have Christmas Eve worship services at 10:30 p.m. This will be a traditional candlelight communion service with all baptized Christians invited to share the sacrament, the Reverend Frederick Prezioso, pastor, explained.

First Baptist Church of Northville will hold its annual Christmas Eve service at 7:30 tonight. There will be carol singing, special Christmas music and a Christmas message given by the pastor, the Reverend Cedric Whitcomb.

The community is invited to attend the service, the pastor added.

Church of the Holy Family in Novi has four Masses planned for Christmas Eve and Christmas Day, the Reverend Father Kevin O'Brien said.

Children's Mass on Christmas Eve will be at 5:45 p.m. with carols beginning at 11:30 p.m. and the Midnight Mass following.

Christmas Day Masses will be at 9 and 10:30 a.m.

Holy Cross Episcopal in Novi begins its Christmas Eve Children's Service at 4 p.m. today with the blessing of the crib.

Children of the Church School, under the direction of Mrs. Ruth Ann Zimmer, will present, in pageant form, the Birth of Our Lord, the Reverend Leslie Harding, pastor, said.

Each child is asked to bring a "white gift" of a canned fruit or vegetable to be offered at the service. These will be given to support the Novi-Northville FISH cupboard.

At 11:30 p.m., the midnight services with Holy Eucharist begin. On Christmas Day, the Holy Eucharist service is at 10 a.m.

Sword of the Spirit Lutheran Church will have its candlelight worship service at 7:30 p.m. on Christmas Eve. On Christmas Day, the worship service with communion will be at 10 a.m.

Postpone Millage

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employee.

"And the deficit is much lower at this time than when the first ad hoc committee made its report. There are alternatives to repaying the deficit," he said.

Originally, the layoffs were scheduled to go into effect January 15, including the six member police department and two clerical staff members.

Had the layoff date not been extended to April 15, township employees would not have been eligible for unemployment compensation under a new law which requires municipal and school employees to be covered beginning January 1.

Numerous fiscal controls, adopted earlier this month by

the township board following a recommendation of the original ad hoc committee of the board, will remain in effect, trustees said Thursday.

Although Rosenberg did not elaborate on the predicted budget deficit, he had announced last week that it appeared to be less than \$18,000 instead of \$55,000 as it was first thought.

Mailboxes Snowed In

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same subdivision and had to be pulled out each time by a wrecker."

"Regulations read that mailboxes must be kept free from snow, as well as the approaches to them," Lahring said, explaining that carriers are not required to dismount to make deliveries to snowbound mailboxes.

Mail which is undeliverable because of snow around the boxes is returned to the post office and residents must then pick it up there—and Lahring indicated he has had some complaints, despite the fact his workers are doing the best job they can.

And, Lahring pointed out, the snowbound mailboxes have slowed down mail carriers to the point, "if we had five hours of road time on a route, now we're on the road in some cases 8 to 9 hours.

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Mustang Comeback Nets Overtime Victory

Christmas came early for the Mustang basketball players when they weathered the 29 point effort of 6-6 center Mark Gisse and then gathered in a 76-72 overtime victory over Waterford Mott Friday.

Leading 70-68 in regulation play, the Mustangs watched Mott's Howard Elmy drive up the lane and score throwing the game into a three minute overtime.

Senior Doug Crisan added a quick point in the extra period on a freethrow, then watched as senior center Tom Eis won a battle under the offensive boards, upped the ball to score — and was fouled in the process. He added the extra point to increase the Mustang lead to 74-70.

But Mott came back with a two-pointer with 1:14 remaining. The Mustangs put on a stall for close to a minute before Al Benedict was fouled and then put in both ends of a one-on-one freethrow situation to wrap up the victory 76-72.

It was quickly apparent after the game began that the Mustang team — and fans — had taken the 1-4 Mott Corsairs just a little too lightly. Big spark-plug for Mott was Mark Gisse, their 6-6 center who played like a seven-footer rarely missing a basket. He shot close to 80 percent for the night.

Meanwhile, for the Mustangs, it was a cold night despite accumulating 40 points in the first half. Northville opened up an early lead of 14-9 and closed out the initial period leading 21-17.

With the Mustangs leading 40-33 with only two minutes remaining in the first half, Mott, behind the redhot shooting of Gisse, scored twelve straight points to take the lead 45-40 with five seconds remaining.

The Corsairs opened that lead up to 49-41 in the third period before Northville's Doug Crisan scored four points, and his teammates four more to cut the lead to 51-49. Mustangs tied it up with 4:09 left in the third quarter on Crisan's hook shot.

But the Corsairs pulled away to a 57-51 lead only to see

Northville rebound on the shooting of Eis to tie up the game 57-57. The third quarter ended 58-57 in favor of Mott.

The final quarter was nip-and-tuck with neither team having more than a two point lead, despite the fact Gisse fouled out with 4:03 remaining. Crisan had a chance to put the game on ice at the 11 second mark with the Mustangs leading 69-68. He made the first charity toss on a one-on-one situation, but missed the second — allowing Mott to bring the ball downcourt to score and send the match into overtime.

"I think the turning point was the move Tom made on Gisse to foul him out," praised a relieved coach Walt Koepke after the victory. "He drove to his right over the top, was fouled — and he made the basket too. That three-pointer was big."

"We felt pretty confident when Geiss went to the bench and then we let down making some definite defensive mistakes."

"Both Leu and Campbell played well at both ends up the floor. They both scored 14 points and came up with key steals late in the game. Crisan got 12 points and made some key baskets and key freethrows. Boland only had three baskets, but they all seemed to be at crucial points."

Koepke had special praise for co-captain Tom Eis who picked up 26 points and 26 rebounds. "Tom just played a great game," said the coach.

Earlier in the week, Northville took the measure of the Brighton Bulldogs 84-54.

Brighton was actually leading 18-16 at the end of the first quarter, but Northville came back to lead 41-35 at the half. Deciding the game was the third quarter where Brighton fell apart and Northville outscored the Bulldogs 25-8 for a 66-43 lead.

Mustangs shot 45 percent from the floor hitting 31 of 68 while at the freethrow line 22 of 33 went through the hoop.

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Captain Tom Eis yields ground to fellow Mustang John Boland as rebounding aided Friday's overtime win

Ends Long Drought

Novi Offensive Attack Topples South Lyon

A drought stretching back to mid-season last year came to an end here Friday night as the Wildcats of Novi teed off on arch-rival South Lyon, 80-60.

Not only did the oasis end a long losing streak, it was the biggest victory margin in recent memory.

And if that wasn't enough to pry smiles from the faces of the Wildcats and their coach, the fact that the Lions had twice knocked off the Wildcats last season made Friday's one-sided affair even more enjoyable.

Coach Bill Thomas' five, minus the likes of Tony Kern and Ed Segars, simply was no match for the Wildcats who ran and passed and shot like they did in the last half of the game earlier this season at Dexter.

"It was great... a real team effort," said Novi Coach Ron Flutur. "These kids really deserved it, and we

really needed a win. They were starting to lose their confidence.

"What they did out there is what they can do any time they want to. The potential is there, and there's no need to take the back seat from anyone."

Flutur praised his regulars and gave a special nod to his bench.

Regular substitution kept local cagers fresh and alert, "and I think it made a difference out there," said the coach. "Say something nice about all of them; everyone did a great job."

The zone press worked beautifully, and Novi's rebounding and free throw performance picked up significantly over past games. The Wildcats netted 31 of their 68 shots from the floor and had 18 for 36 from the charity line.

Bill Barr, who took scoring

honors for the night, got rolling in the first quarter, potting four two-pointers. He added two more in each of the second and third periods, and one in the final when he and the other regulars spent much of the time watching the bench perform.

Slick passing and key rebounding by Pat McAllen aided the cause. McAllen, who surprises everyone the way he moves with an injured leg encased in bandages, also drew some important fouls.

Bill Giorgio, who continues to fire those important outside two-pointers game after game, found the holes in the press, forcing South Lyon players to sag off under the basket. And Andy McComas, who was third high in scoring behind Giorgio, played an outstanding defensive game.

Gary Ford, Novi's most consistent cager, played his usual steady game. He had nine points

The Wildcats blistered the hoop with 21 points in the first quarter — their best single-quarter effort in many moons. But when the fourth quarter rolled around, with both coaches giving their substitutes game time, that record was eclipsed. Novi flipped in 23 points in the period.

South Lyon's best quarter also was the fourth. The Lions fired 20 points — all of them by second and third stringers. In each of the first two quarters, Coach Thomas' players scored 13 points.

After its 21-point barrage in the opening quarter, Novi added 16 more in the second period to lead at the intermission, 37-26, and then came up with 20 more in the third quarter.

	FG	FT	TP
South Lyon	2	13	5
Hock	1	2	4
Stephens	3	24	8
Jorae	5	0	10
Burton	3	3	9
Wallace	0	34	3
Zdravkovich	2	0	4
Bedington	1	2	4
Read	1	0	2
McIntyre	0	12	1
McCarthy	1	4	6
Heitzen	2	0	4
Givens	2	0	4
TOTAL	21	18	32
Novi	FG	FT	TP
Giorgio	7	0	14
McAllen	2	4	8
McComas	4	4	12
Bannatz	1	0	2
Barr	9	3	21
Ford	4	1	9
Collins	1	1	3
Parsons	1	4	6
Durocher	1	1	3
White	1	0	2
TOTAL	31	18	35

Weather Late Rally

A late rally by South Lyon almost erased Novi's 17 point lead Friday, but the local Jayvee squad held on to win 54-51.

Novi appeared to crumble when John Pisha fouled out. The Wildcats lost the boards and the guards lost their poise, explained Coach Brian Howard.

Nevertheless, Howard, like Varsity Coach Ron Flutur, was elated with the results.

Craig Pelchat led both teams in scoring with 19 points, followed by Ken Snew, who moved down to the JV level this past week to get in more playing time, with 12 points.

Tom Male was high for South Lyon with 17.

Novi took a 16-12 first quarter lead and then stretched it to 14 in the second to take control 34-20 at the intermission. At the three quarter mark it was 48-35.



DUAL THREAT—Bill Barr (white shirt under basket) not only flipped in the most points in Friday's game at Novi but his rebounding was a big factor in the Wildcats victory of South Lyon.

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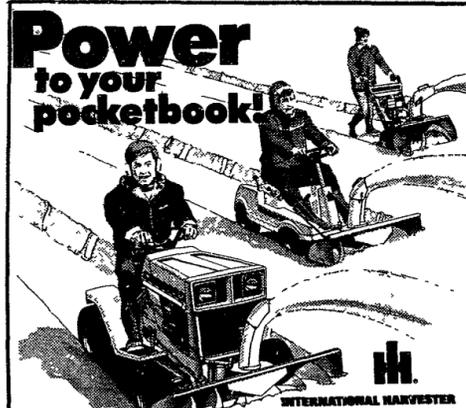
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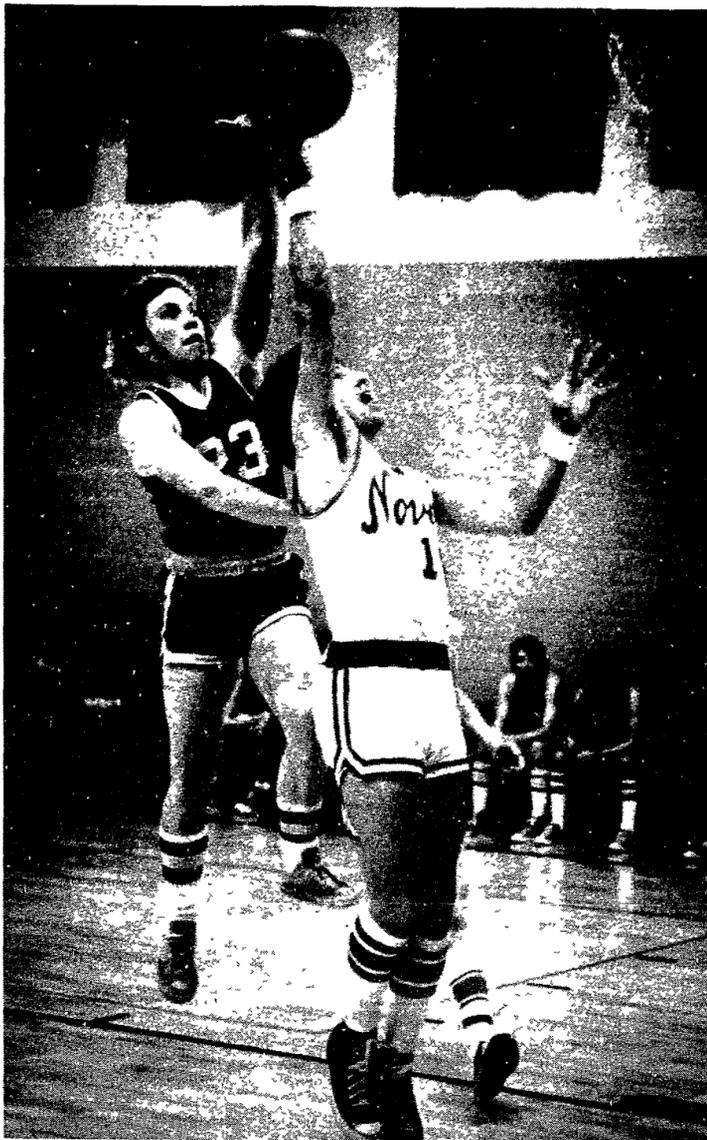
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TWO POINTS—Bill Giorgio (foreground) lays up one of his few inside shots against South Lyon. A constant scoring threat, the driving Novi cager picked up most of his seven baskets from outside.

Community Education Sets Winter Classes

A number of class offerings will be provided by the Novi Community Education Center during the winter term.

Among them are a number of new course offerings ranging in special interest courses from Batik to Fondue I to Metric System Workshop.

New adult recreation courses are ice skating and modern dancing while new youth recreation classes are

modern dance and snowmobile safety.

New "Super Saturday" classes include ballet, basic radio, decoupage, "I can't believe I wrote the whole thing", join the band, French, photography, theatre workshop and "twinkling toes".

Special interest youth classes are in "tacos, enchiladas and tamales" and elementary crafts.

New high school completion programs include algebra and general math while the Eastern Michigan college extension course of "politics in education" will be provided.

The following activities will be provided under the direction of the parks and recreation commission of the city of Novi in cooperation with the Novi Community Schools: community band, 4th-5th grade basketball (both

boys and girls classes), men's open gym, women's open gym, bowling for 7-18 year-olds, and senior citizens'.

Adult leagues include basketball and volleyball with men's and women's leagues.

Winter term begins the week of January 20. Registration will take place January 6-10. According to Milan Obrenovich, director of the programs, "it is anticipated, in keeping with the community school concept that these and similar activities will be expanded to meet community needs and desires."

He adds that in order to better assess community needs and desires, a Community Education Council will be formed in the near future.

For more information on class offerings call 349-5126. Brochures are currently being mailed to residents.



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By Dick Bingham

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Eye Vacation Scrimmages

'Cat Grapplers Stay Unbeaten

Novi's varsity wrestling team was undefeated and riding high on the best season start in history going into the holiday recess.

"It's just about opposite of what we were at this time last year," beamed Coach Russ Gardner as his wrestlers nailed down its second Southeastern Conference victory Thursday.

Going into Saturday's schedule participation in the Monroe Jefferson tournament, the Wildcats were 2-0 in the league and undefeated in all other dual meets.

Although it's still too early to count chickens, Gardner's in a pretty good position to suggest his squad has a good crack at the Southeastern title. "Right now it looks like Chelsea, Dexter, maybe South Lyon, or us. South Lyon lost to Chelsea in its last time out but they really impressed me in losing only 34-20 to a real powerhouse."

Despite the holiday recess, Gardner intends to keep his charges in shape by scrapping with Plymouth Salem, Walled Lake Western and Plymouth Canton in a trio of scrimmages prior to resumption of the regular schedule against Ypsilanti Lincoln here January 9.

"Those scrimmages should keep us on our toes," said Gardner. The scrimmage at Western is a half-time wrestling demonstration, "and I'll be taking some of my top guys over for a workout. It should be an interesting one to watch."

Prior to last week's 41-18 triumph over the Bulldogs of Brighton, Novi wrestled Clarenceville to a 24-24 tie in a real heartbreaker.

Al Jones, the outstanding 138-pounder who has been tearing up his opponents all season gave Clyde Jokiheni a real workover and produced what fans thought was a pin in the second period. When the referee failed to signal it, the crowd roared its disapproval.

Later the official insisted he simply had not seen the pin and therefore could not call it.

"Jones scored a 6-4 victory anyway, but the pin would have given us a victory instead of the tie," said Gardner. "Naturally, it was disappointing — to me and to Jones."

"Al's doing such a tremendous job for us this season, it hurts when something like that happens. With his pin over Larry Schultz of Brighton at 5:57 of the third period, he's really going strong and still undefeated in dual meets."

"If I had 12 guys wrestlers like Al and Mark Mills and Doug Maier and some of the others we'd win everything. They've got guts and that's what it takes."

"Mark was bleeding from the mouth with a chipped tooth and just wouldn't quit. Finally, he worked a pin over Scott Griffin in 5:06 of the third period. Against Kevin Respecki of Clarenceville he scored a 5-0 win, so now he's 4 and 1 for the season."

Although he lost his match with Brighton's Roy Tinsley, Paul Bosco deserves a share of the victory.

The 185-pounder cut a finger while pushing a girl's car

from a snowbank. It required 10 stitches to close the wound.

Because he missed the team bus while getting medical attention, he drove to Brighton and insisted on competing.

A forfeit would have given the Bulldogs everything. So Bosco took a 11-2 licking instead, saving Novi three points.

Gardner juggled the lineup against Clarenceville, moving Bosco up to the heavyweight division where he defeated Ed Harold 4-1. Jim Auten, who fought at the 185-pound level in that contest, lost out to Mike Washburn, 5-0.

Doug Maier, Novi's 155-pounder who is still undefeated in dual meets, worked a major surprise when he came up against Clarenceville's powerful Joe Moody.

Moody twice beat Maier last season in regular competition and also took him in the state regionals.

This time out, however, Maier turned the tide and came up with a 3-2 victory. Two days later Maier picked up his sixth pin of the season, downing Joe Truhn of Brighton in 5:55 of the third period.

Co-captain of the team, Maier also is undefeated in dual meets.

Here's other results, first against Brighton and then against Clarenceville.

Brighton
98 — Mark McKinney, undefeated in dual meets,

pinned Andy Richmond in 49 seconds of the first period.

105 — Scott Spielman tied Joe Campbell, one of the best wrestlers around, 5-5 in an excellent performance.

112 — Randy Weaver was pinned by Steve Schulman in 3:15 of the second period.

119 — Tony McCarty, a freshman who just broke into the varsity ranks, whipped Marve McDaniels 7-2.

126 — Co-captain Bob Sasena, defending league champ who is 9-0 for the season, defeated Steve Robschied 6-3.

132 — Kevin Sheppard beat Curt Richmond, 4-2. Richmond defeated Sheppard last season.

167 — Mike Mulligan pinned Tim McMachen in 2 minutes of the first period.

Heavyweight — Jim Auten was pinned by senior Don Sanch in 2:37 of the second period.

Clarenceville
98 — McKinney pinned Eric Black in 1:58 of the first period.

105 — Spielman pinned Mike Crilly in 5:14 of the third period.

112 — Weaver was pinned by Jeff Heildelberg in 5:31 of the third period.

119 — McCarty lost to Greg Robertson 7-1.

126 — Sasena defeated Mark Desjarlais 11-3.

132 — Sheppard was beaten by Matt Scott 7-4.

167 — Mulligan was pinned by Mitch Leutorich in 5:24 of the third period.

Win in Overtime

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Eis was again the dominating factor pushing in 19 points and grabbing 12 rebounds. He dominated both the offensive and defensive backboards and scored seven of ten charity attempts.

Another big factor was the play of Mike Campbell who scored 24 points to lead both teams. Scott Leu and Doug Crisan added solid support to the cause with 10 points each.

Northville Statistics

Northville (vs Brighton)				Shaghnessy				Northville (vs Mott)			
	FG	FT	TP		FG	FT	TP		FG	FT	TP
Leu	3	4	10					Leu	5	4	14
Campbell	11	23	24					Campbell	4	6	14
Eis	6	7	19					Eis	8	10	26
Crisan	4	2	10					Boland	5	2	12
Boland	3	0	6					Boland	3	0	6
Benedict	2	1	3					Benedict	1	2	4
Armada	1	1	3					Nelson	0	0	2
Nelson	0	1	2					Conder	1	0	2
Conder	1	0	2						26	24	76

Mustang of the Week



TOM EIS

Tom Eis was named the Mustang of the Week for his superlative play in games against Brighton and Waterford Mott. Against Brighton, the 6-4 senior center scored 19 points and grabbed 12 rebounds, dominating both the offensive and defensive boards. The co-captain was the leading scorer against Mott picking up 26 points, as well as 26 rebounds. Eis played well defensively against the taller Mott center, eventually succeeding in fouling him out — which received the praise of coach Walt Koepeke as the turning point of the game.

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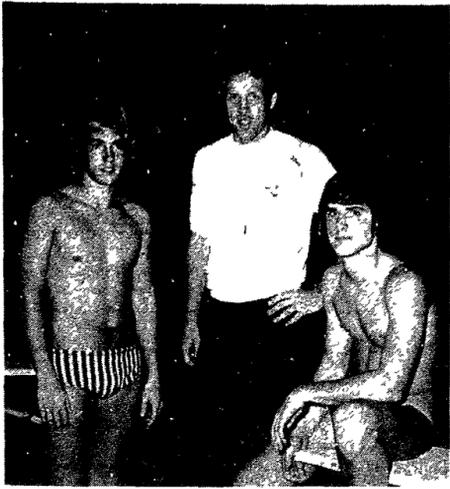
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IN THE SWIM—Adding depth to the Western Michigan University swim team are Northville graduates Kevin Kelly (left) and Bill Witek who are shown with coach Dave Diget. Witek is a sophomore freestyler and individual medley swimmer who lettered as a freshman. Kelly won the Michigan Class B freestyle crown and took part in a winning relay in 1973 when Northville captured the state team championship.

Success

Swimmers Sink Salem, Riverside

Success was the name of the game last week as Northville's swim speedsters racked up a pair of victories beating Plymouth Salem 100-76 and then sinking Dearborn Heights Riverside 93-79.

Versus Plymouth Salem, "the major factor in our favor was the depth of the team, as we only took six firsts in 11 events," said coach Ben Lauber.

Double winners for the Mustangs were Ed Erdos in the 100 yard freestyle and 400 yard free relay, and Art Greenlee in the 100 yard breaststroke and the 200 yard medley relay.

Other members on the winning 200 yard medley relay team were Mike Swayze, Randy Roggenbuck, and Mike Chaffin. Brian Kramer grabbed a victory in the 200 yard individual medley while Dean Alli took top spot in the 500 yard freestyle event.

Mustangs also claimed the 400 freestyle relay behind the swimming of Mike Chaffin, Jeff Guider, Ed Erdos, and Steve Luckett.

"This is the first time we've gone into a meet and had all three of our divers defeated," observed Lauber. "The other team just did really well."

"We had to get up for Salem and then Riverside and it made for a tough week," added the coach.

Against Riverside, Mustangs were only able to win four of 11 events, but team depth was the turning point.

"The highlight of the meet was sweeping first second, and third in the diving and breaststroke," said Lauber.

In the diving, Joe Devereaux was first with 212 points while Mark Owens took second with 210 and Scott Knapp with 209.

Winning the 100 yard breaststroke event was Art Greenlee, followed by Brian Kramer and Mark Noller. Kramer also won the 200 individual medley.

Mike Swayze, Matt Sullivan, Randy Roggenbuck, and Mike Swayze composed the winning 200 yard medley relay.

According to Lauber one of the major factors in the win was that Northville only finished in last place twice in the 11 events. No points are given to last place finishers.

"Everything was just real close," added the coach. "It was just a matter of tenths of seconds. We felt it was one of the toughest teams we will be facing."

Local Wrestlers Find Mat Hard

It was a poor week for the Northville varsity grapplers as the Mustangs fell to South Lyon 46-9 and then were thrown by Plymouth Salem 35-14.

Dan Platte pinned Dave Centosanti in 5:34 at 112 pounds and Wally Armstrong at 138 pounds decided Dick McKinley 8-4 for Northville's only wins against South Lyon.

Against Plymouth Salem, the score after the first nine matches was 17-14, but the Mustangs could gather in no more points and lost 35-14.

At 105 pounds Mustanger Dave Bentley beat Bob Zalineni 14-8 followed by a 10-1 win by a teammate Dan Platte over Rick Saunders at 112 pounds.

Northville's Brent Ashby scored a 6-3 decision over Jeff Fidge at 132 pounds while Jim Sacklach tied Jerry Brink at 145 pounds 2-2. Rick Marcicki decided Floyd Vinson 8-3 at 155 pounds.

On the junior varsity side, Northville didn't have any more success, falling to South Lyon 33-27 and Salem 42-12.

Versus South Lyon 105 pounder Joe Petit pinned Carl Ehnis in 2:52 while Northville teammate Rick Bentley decided Paul Wickman 14-10 at 119 pounds. Ron Turner scored the only other Mustang victory at 138 pounds pinning Dick McKinley in 1:35.

Against Plymouth Salem, Rick Bentley pinned Russ Hubert in the first period at

119 pounds. Dennis Singleton decided Bob Dasher 6-4 and Marty Johnson squeaked by Doug Rowe at 167 pounds 5-4.

Speaking of the junior varsity effort, coach Gary Emerson said, "We did well considering the number of people we have who are novices. Salem has a school with as many freshmen as this whole school has students."

Freshmen Drop Pair

Mustang freshmen split a pair of games last week winning 59-42 over South Lyon, but then dropping a Thursday night affair to Pearson 40-35.

Against South Lyon, the beginning Mustangs jumped out to a quick commanding 24-8 first quarter lead. They continued their good play outscoring the Lions 8-2 in the second quarter.

With most of the first string out, the lead dropped to 47-30 at the end of the third quarter. The final quarter was even. Peter Wright was high scorer for Northville with 14 while John Horwath came up with eight. Mustangs shot 51 percent from the floor.

Against South Lyon, coach Darrel Schumacher blamed a cold second half for the loss.

Northville Sets Games

Northville Recreation Department's men's basketball league will be starting games January 2.

Registration is \$7 per person. The activity will last 12 weeks.

John Horwath scored 20 points during the game, but got 18 of them in the first half.

Northville was leading 15-8 at the first quarter mark but fell behind 23-22 at the half. The Mustangs retained a 30-27 third quarter lead, before their shooting fell off in the final period.

"The main problem was that they were pretty big," Schumacher said, speaking of the opposing team. "We just couldn't get the boards. We couldn't get in to get any easy shots."

Mustangs shot 32 percent from the floor hitting 16 of 50 and only put in three of twelve from the free throw line.

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The junior Mustangs found last week's games just a little rough, falling to Brighton 61-59 and losing to Waterford Mott 79-64.

Against Brighton, the Mustangs were down 17-16 at the end of the first period but fell behind 33-26 at the half. The Bulldogs outscored Northville 19-14 to take what appeared to be a commanding lead at the end of the third quarter. But behind the play of Tony Armada, who scored 12 points in the final stanza, Northville pulled to within two at the final buzzer.

Armada scored 30 points for the Mustangs while teammates Dave Brewer pushed through 12, and Mike Graham eight.

Against Waterford Mott, Mustangs once again had trouble getting their offense going, falling behind 15-12 in the first quarter and 35-28 at the half. The third quarter was pretty much even, with the Mustangs remaining behind 55-49.

In the fourth quarter, with the Mustangs behind 61-53 with 5:30 remaining, a pair of quick steals resulted in the Northville five narrowing the score to 61-59 with 5:02 remaining.

But Mott pulled away to outscore the Mustangs 16-5 in the final minutes to win the game.

Armada had his hottest night of the season pumping in 41 points. No other player was in double figures although Coach Omar Harrison noted that Dan Duey had a good

first half, but was taken to the hospital for stitches when he cut his head on one of the opposing player's chin. He still scored 7 points.

"We were down as many as 11 points but narrowed it down to two—but we just couldn't get that tiebreaking basket," commented Harrison.

Hamlet Food Mart

Claims Hockey Win, Tie

In recent Northville Hockey association action, Hamlet Food Mart gathered in a win and a tie while Bray's Bruins extended their record in league competition to 7-0-1.

In pee-wee action, Hamlet tied Northville's Haggerty Lumber 1-1.

The game was highlighted by outstanding goaltending on both sides — Hamlet's goalie Kurt Wolf and Haggerty's Jim VanGieson.

Hamlet scored first on a goal by Mike Shingler in the first period and Haggerty tied the game on a goal by Tom Allen who received an assist by Krammer.

Hamlet easily defeated Plymouth VFW 7-0 in the

other match. Gary Kucher paced the win with a three goal hat trick, while single goals were scored by Dave Ward, Rick Wisniewski, Jeff Nieuwkoop, and Dale Beckman.

Mike Shingler and Jim Wilson each received three credited assists while Scott Brayton accumulated two and Gary Kucher one.

The shutout was the eighth of the season for goalie Kurt Wolf and his third in league play. Hamlet now has a season record of 15-3-2 and a first place league record of 4-0-2.

The mite team Bray's Bruins beat the Garden City Blackhawks 4-0 December 14. Jeff Temple got the shutout as Bray's goalie.

Scott Swienkowski scored a hat trick while John Storm picked up the other goal. Keith Sanders and Gary Erwin had two assists each while Ray Ruzzin and Eric Grudzien picked up one each.

Wrestlers

Undefeated

Going into the holiday vacation, three Novi junior varsity wrestlers were still undefeated.

The junior Wildcats are 4-1 for the season, having defeated Brighton 30-24 Thursday.

Undefeated wrestlers are Jeff Stevens at 98-pounds, Tom O'Brien at 126, and John Weaver at 138.

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Wildcat of the Week

BILL BARR

Bill Barr, the 6-2 senior who flipped in 21 points to take scoring laurels against arch-rival South Lyon Friday night, has been tapped for the Wildcat of the Week honors. Besides leading both teams in scoring, Barr came up with 13 important rebounds. He was 9 for 19 from the floor, 3 for 5 from the free throw line. Friday's effort, which played a key part in Novi's first win since last season, was his best since leading the Wildcats with 18 points in the heart-breaking loss at Dexter.

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Pastor David Funk of the Hiawatha Beach Bible Church, 6415 Buck Shore in Hamburg, announces that the film "From Time to Eternity" will be shown at the church from 9 to 12 p.m. on New Year's Eve.

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A Christmas play and The Christmas Cantata by John W. Peterson will be performed at the Tri-Lakes Baptist Church in Brighton this Sunday, December 29, beginning at 6 p.m.

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The First United Methodist Church of Brighton is now conducting introductory classes in Transactional Analysis. The class, taught by the Reverend Kearney Kirkby, meets on Monday nights at 7:30 p.m. at the church. Anyone is welcome to attend the classes, and there is no charge. Interested persons should call the church at 229-8561 or Mr. Kirkby at 229-7831 for further information.

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The Brighton Assembly of God invites the public to hear the Reverend Denny McIlroy at the Sunday morning worship service at 11 a.m. on December 29. Mr. McIlroy is presently teaching physical education at Central Bible College in Springfield, Missouri, and is serving as head basketball coach at the college. He was graduated from Central Bible College with a degree in Bible, and he holds a Master's degree in counseling from Goddard College in Vermont.

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The Salem Bible Church, 9481 West Six Mile Road in Salem, will have a Watchnight Service and prayer meeting on New Year's Eve from 8 to 12 p.m.

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The First Baptist Church of Northville will hold a "pin-pan" party for teens on Monday, December 30. Cars will leave the church at 2 p.m. for a bowling party and pancake supper.

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The First Baptist Church also announces it will hold a New Year's Eve service beginning at 8 p.m.

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The First United Methodist Church of Northville will have a paper drive this Friday and Saturday, December 27 and 28, from 8 a.m. until dark both days. Persons are asked to deposit old newspapers in the truck parked in the church parking lot.

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Leroy Lane has been named minister of music at the Highland Church of the Nazarene. Mr. Lane is director of bands at the Highlander middle school in Howell and director of the Livingston County Concert Band. A graduate of the University of Michigan School of Music, Mr. Lane teaches both vocal and instrumental music.

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Mr. Gordon Johns of Wixom last week was elected president of the Detroit Council of United Presbyterian Men.



Giving

Churches Full of Christmas Spirit

Christmas is a time of giving and sharing. Many local churches share their time and resources to assure that all members of their community have a merry Christmas. Above, residents at South Lyon's Washington Manor enjoy their annual Christmas party. The seniors were joined in their celebration by members of the First Methodist Church youth group for caroling. The party and the visitation of the Methodist young people are an annual event. Below,

members of the Jokers Motorcycle Club and the Reverend Guenther Branstner, pastor of the First United Methodist Church in Northville, are ready to deliver Christmas baskets to families in the area. The project is an annual one, with both groups delivering the baskets on Sunday evening. From left to right are Club President Jon Herzfeld, Vice-President Pete Sanderson, Sergeant at Arms John King, Secretary Mike Sanderson and Pastor Branstner.



A Christmas List

Gifts Kids Need Most

Editor's Note: The following "Children's Shopping List for Parents" was submitted by the Reverend Carl Welser of St. Paul's Lutheran Church of Hamburg. Mr. Welser distributed the list to his parishioners as suggestions for "what we could give our children at Christmas that will do the most for them and answer their greatest needs forever."

- + The certain knowledge of our eternal love, regardless of blame, demand or obligation.
- + A sense of humor which will keep a balance between the good and bad in life.
- + Discipline fairly dealt — and its meaning.
- + Generosity in what is shared as well as given.
- + The desire to work, and knowledge of its satisfying, lasting joy.
- + Love of justice for every man.
- + A passion for truth which is the foundation of every-good thing.
- + The power of faith, without which, life becomes a grinding, one-way street.
- + A sense of value and sensitivity to every person's need of self-respect, hope, courage, conviction and respect for others.
- + An awareness of:
 - The open, yet sheltering, sky —
 - The supportive rich earth —
 - The giant trees and tiny flowers in all their seasons —
 - The sun-warmed sands —
 - The blue, froth-crested waters —
 - The stars twinkling, down-along with animals, insects, bird song, rainbows, clouds, sunshine, twilight, sunsets, moonlight, and firelight.
- + A straight answer, even to a curved question.
- + An unexpected, undeserved hug and kiss.
- + A spur-of-the-moment compliment for little efforts as well as big.
- + A sense of inquisitive wonder.
- + Enthusiasm.
- + Long happy days and quiet, secure nights.
- + Memories of a happy, loving home.
- + Faith, vibrant and solid.

—Rosalyn Hart Finch—

Church Sets Film

The Reverend T. D. Bowditch of the Brighton Wesleyan Church announces that the film "God Loves People" will be shown at the church on New Year's Eve at 9 p.m. In the film, Redd Harper, songwriter, singer, and actor, portrays a Midwestern farmer in a community where mistrust and prejudice confront Christian love and honesty. New Year's Eve Family Night at the church also features a musical presentation by "The Becomers", a nine-member Gospel group. A fellowship meeting will be held at 10:30 p.m.

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Wayne and Oakland Agencies Need Help

Cardinal John F. Dearden of the Catholic Archdiocese of Detroit requested last week that all persons aid the efforts of local Catholic Social Services Agencies in providing food to needy families during the holiday season and throughout the year.

Cardinal Dearden reported

that because of unemployment conditions in the six-county area, including Wayne and Oakland Counties, all resources available to local agencies have been exhausted.

Individuals or volunteer groups are urged to donate funds and nonperishable foods to local agencies.

Local agencies will clear the names of families to avoid duplication of effort and to insure confidentiality. Agencies will also coordinate services for families or groups wishing to adopt a specific family. To make donations or for further information, persons are asked to call Eunice Bowen in Wayne County at 883-2100. In Oakland County, persons may contact George Walsh at 332-8375.

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CHURCH OF CHRIST 4026 Rickett Rd., Brighton Sunday School 9:10 a m Worship Services 10:11 a m and 6 p m Sunday School 11:12 a m Wed Bible Study 7:30 p m Nursery — Doug Tackett, Minister	NEW HUDSON ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH 56405 Grand River (upstairs) Sunday School, 10 a m Sunday Worship 11 a m, 7 p m Wednesday Service 7 p m Stanley G. Hicks, Pastor	FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 400 East Grand River, Brighton Rev Kearney Kirkby Church School 9:30 a m Church Service 11 a m	ST GEORGE LUTHERAN 803 West Main Street, Brighton Rev Richard A Anderson Family Worship Study 9 a m, 10:45 a m Traditional Worship Service 11 a m.
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MANGER SCENE — Each year, sixth graders in Mrs. Shirley Talmadge's art class at Cooke Annex create a manger scene and this year the manger figures were done

out of wire sculpture. Among those working on the figures were Scott Nair (foreground) and (left to right) Scott Armstrong, Kelly Fisher, Jimmy Code and Peggy Reid.

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Wixom Newsbeat

Holiday Season Rush Has Arrived

By NANCY DINGELDEY

If I had half a brain I'd be one of those clever people who

do their Christmas shopping in mid-September instead of one week before Christmas. But since I am a past master of the procrastinators' club I can only battle my way into and out of crammed shopping center parking lots, wait in lines and consider myself lucky if I find one right size out of 10.

But it seems I am not the only procrastinator in the world and I somehow think I enjoy the last minute rush. Somehow the mood doesn't possess me in September. And sometimes I think the stores even like people like me. Granted I never find a bargain but you can't win 'em all.

There must be homes that have a gay time decorating...I wish I could say ours was one of them. I must add that last year I took a few more pains putting everything away but even that didn't help when six little hands got to pawing through the boxes as they were dragged down from the attic. The house may have had some semblance of cleanliness prior to the big activity...not so afterwards. Bits and pieces of garland tinsel, the inevitable broken ornament or two and a pile of burned out light bulbs littered the floor. The clean-up campaign is always left up to mother along with stowing the boxes for a couple of weeks until it's time to pack all the glitter away for another year. It's hardly a "ho-hum" time of year and if everything went

along in our house strictly by plan it would indeed be dull.

Last Monday night at Wixom Elementary wasn't dull. In the multi-purpose room, parents were entertained by the fifth and sixth grade chorus and instrument, students. Selections ranged from marches to the familiar Christmas carols. To end the evening, the audience joined the orchestra in singing one of the old favorites.

Meanwhile, at the other end of the school the Planning Commission was having another in a series of meetings on input into the new Master Plan. A good crowd of people turned out to voice their opinions...both pro and con. It is more than likely that another such meeting will be held to allow more residents their say in the matter.

It's that time of year when most news has come to a screeching halt. People are busying themselves for the few days that remain before Christmas Day finally arrives... last minute baking, buying or decorating. But in

between all this scurrying, take a few minutes to sit and gaze at the beauty of the twinkling lights and the gaily wrapped presents beneath the tree...relax and enjoy. It's such a special time of year.

From our home to yours, may the blessings and joy that only Christmas brings surround all those you hold dear... indeed, a very Merry Christmas to all.

PARSON to PERSON

Cedric Whitcomb, Pastor

"Hark," the Herald Angels Sing" is a song that fills the air this time of year. This carol originally sang, "Hark, how all the welkin rings, glory to the King of Kings." Throughout the years author, Wesley himself, changed the words and dropped and added stanzas until we know this Christmas carol as we do today.

"Welkin" is an archaic word for "heavens" or "sky" and so we see that Wesley begins his hymn with the song of the angels on this first Christmas morning. The entire carol reminds us of the purpose of Christ's coming — peace on earth, God and sinners reconciled — all of His purpose for lives is composed into this song.

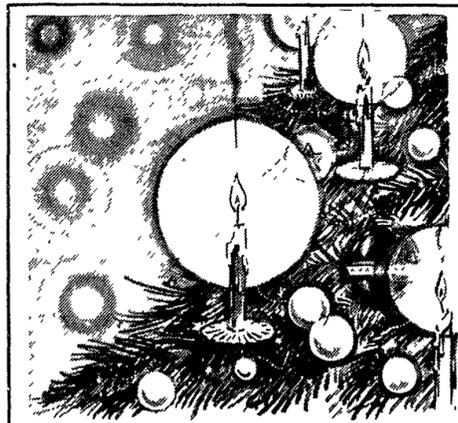
The hymn reminds us of two of Christ's names, given by Hebrew prophets long before His birth. Isaiah 9:6 tells us that His name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The Everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace." Malachi 4:2 speaks also of the coming of Christ, "But unto you that hear my name shall the Sun of righteousness arise with healing in his wings." Wesley adds to his own commentary about this figure of Christ the Sun. The physical sun is not only our source of light; it is the origin of life itself. Jesus Christ is the source of all our spiritual light and life.

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