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## Downhill all the way

Photo by SUE SPILLANE

What else do you do over Christmas vacation but find some place with a decent slope and get in some serious sledding? Fortunately for Kara and Kelly

Anderson of Northville, the hills near Amerman Elementary School provided enough snow cover for them to enjoy an afternoon of outdoor recreation Tuesday.

## Water rate increase envisioned for '96

By ROBERT JACKSON  
Staff Writer

Northville water and sewer rates could be on the way up sometime in January, city officials say.

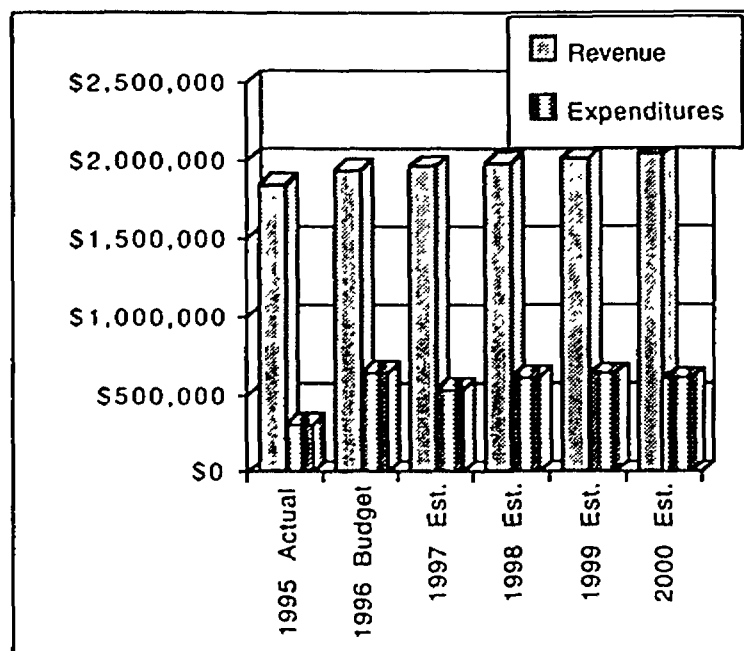
The City Council has set a public hearing for 7:30 p.m., Jan. 8, to discuss the possible rate hikes. According to Assistant City Manager Nickle Bateson, the last rate increase occurred in October 1994, and boosted the cost of water and sewer services by about 14 percent.

The primary reason for the last increase, Bateson explained, was to improve the financial standing of the water and sewer fund.

"A high water loss percent was identified as the primary negative factor that impacted the funds," she added.

The increase was intended to get the fund into an acceptable financial condition and make up for rate increases that had not been put into effect, according to Bateson. It was also intended that the rate increase at that time would keep any future rate increases to a moderate level.

Bateson's proposed rate



City officials say a surplus is needed in the water and sewer fund to cover debt service, maintenance and other costs.

increase, if approved, would take effect Jan. 15. The cost to residents would be:

• Water - \$1.96 per unit, which would represent an increase of 8

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## City unveils procedures to handle snow, ice control

By ROBERT JACKSON  
Staff Writer

The salt trucks have been out quite a bit within the past month, and with harsh winter weather already setting in, the city of Northville has implemented its snow and ice control procedures.

Department of Public Works Director Jim Gallogly said, in a

report to city officials, that his goal this winter is to provide residents with a better understanding of the seasonal policy and how the department plans to tackle the winter elements this year.

"It's important to communicate the standard procedures the DPW employs when removing snow and ice from city streets," Gallogly

said.

Gallogly explained that the snow and ice removal will be performed following a priority pattern designed to provide service to the greatest number of motorists where the need is the most crucial. With that in mind, he said, the department has set priorities for

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By RANDY COBLE  
Staff Writer

Area citizens opened their hearts wide this holiday season, giving generously to support the 1995 Toys for Tots program.

That's one way to say it. Another way to look at it is that thousands of kids, some of them right here in Northville and Novi, had a brighter Christmas because a lot of folks cared enough to make a difference.

"My heart is really big now because I know we've helped a lot of children this year," local Toys for Tots co-chair Rebecca Yarbrough said this week of the program's stellar success.

Toys for Tots is a national organization which each year collects millions of toys for needy children who otherwise would receive no presents at all on Christmas morning. In our area the work is done by the Novi/Northville Coalition for Toys for Tots, chaired by Yarbrough, part of Northville's American Legion Post 147, and Ed Sytsma, a member of Novi Post 19.

This is the second year of the local group's existence and 1994's success made them set their sights high this year.

The Coalition sought to collect 5,000 toys from caring people in its coverage area, which consists

"I know we've helped a lot of children this year."

-Rebecca Yarbrough  
Toys for Tots co-chair

of Northville, Novi, Livonia, Plymouth, Wixom, New Hudson, South Lyon, Milford, White Lake, Highland, Farmington and Farmington Hills.

They received more than 6,000 toys, almost double last year's take. It was a result that led

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## Ice rink planned for winter months

Northville residents will be able once again to enjoy ice skating outdoors during the winter months.

The Northville Parks and Recreation Commission and the Northville City Council have approved the temporary construction of an outdoor community ice rink at Ford Field in downtown Northville.

The Parks and Recreation Commission agreed to the project in early December, and will subsidize the utilities at Ford Field during the skating season, according to Recreation Director Traci Johnson Sincok.

The Northville Action Council will organize the skating rink's

construction, along with the volunteer supervision and rink maintenance.

Browning-Ferris Industries has agreed to donate a plastic liner for the rink, to prevent the water runoff problems that were experienced last year.

The water used to flood the rinks will be pumped from the Rouge River, according to Sincok.

The proposed hours of operation are Monday-Friday from 3 to 10 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday from noon to 10 p.m.

Ford Field is located off Main between Griswold and Hutton.

For more information contact the Parks and Recreation Department at 349-0203.

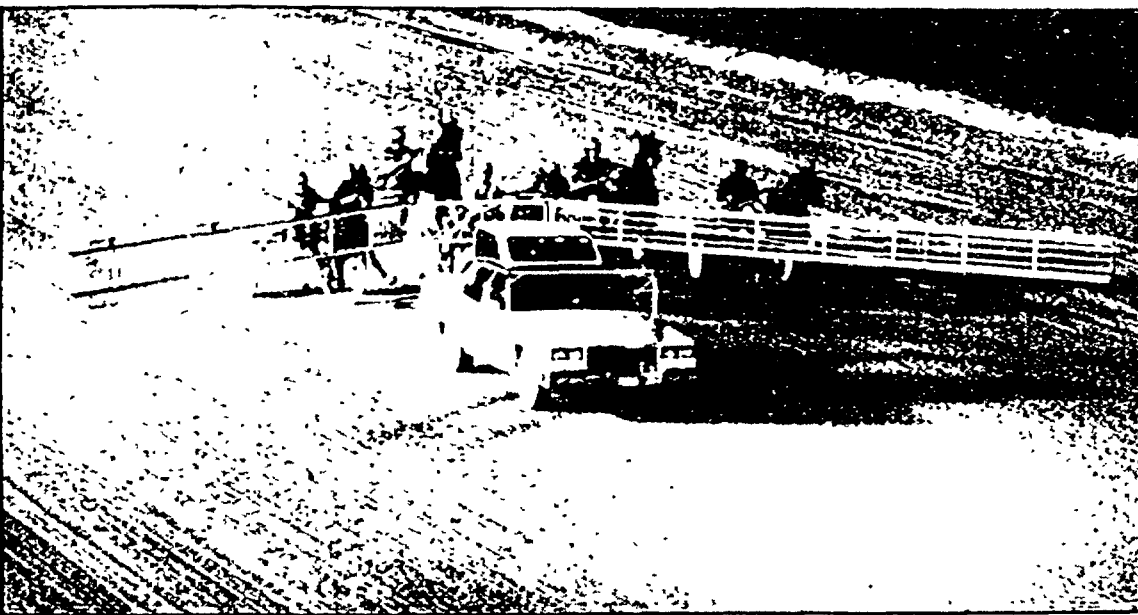


Photo by HAL GOULD

The state Racing Commission has announced 120 dates for the upcoming Downs' season.

## Racing dates announced for season

By ROBERT JACKSON  
Staff Writer

There are 120 racing dates scheduled for the 1996 horse racing season at Northville Downs, according to the office of the State Racing Commission.

Racing Commissioner Nelson Westrin said that the issuance of 578 standardbred racing dates and 30 mixed breed racing dates, combined with the recently issued 100 thoroughbred dates, will total 708 dates at the state's eight licensed racetracks.

What that means is that racing at Northville Downs

will represent about 16 percent of the total racing done in the state of Michigan next season.

"It's disturbing to see the number of race dates requested by Michigan racetrack owners continue to decrease," Westrin said. "Less dates means less racing opportunities, reduced wagering, reduced purses, and a reduction in the number and quality of horses available for racing."

The 1996 season at the Downs will begin January 4 and run for 63 dates, until March 31. The Jackson

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## Settlement of long-standing suit possible

By RANDY COBLE  
Staff Writer

They're making a list and checking it twice, hoping it will all lead to the settlement of a prolonged lawsuit against Northville Township, attorneys for both sides said this week.

A deal would end two years of

wrangling between township officials and would-be developers over a 33-acre parcel of land off Haggerty Road between Seven and Eight Mile.

It all began when a consortium proposed building a 29-lot subdivision and a 152,000 square foot Home Quarters store on it, a plan

the board of trustees rejected in March 1994.

The proposal made use of the then-new, now-controversial Haggerty Planned Unit Development (HPUD) option.

The HPUD is a provision in local ordinance which allows township

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## Official resigns township position

By RANDY COBLE  
Staff Writer

It's a safe bet that "Merry Christmas" probably wasn't the last thing they said to each other.

Northville Township saw yet another unpleasant departure of a municipal administrator last week. Chief Building Official Mick Kruszewski on Friday added himself to the list of those who've left the township under less than friendly circumstances.

Kruszewski attributed his resignation to unfair flak from members of the township board of trustees and Manager Tamara Hanlin, who accepted his Dec. 22 resignation just after the employee Christmas party. She also told Kruszewski, who offered two weeks' notice, to clear out his desk by the end of the day.

That move was the best one for all concerned, Hanlin said, given the fact that holiday and scheduled vacation days would have brought Kruszewski back to work for only four days of the 14.

"I just didn't see any point in having him come back. I do join everyone here in wishing him all the best, though," Hanlin said.

"I left on my own terms. That's what was important," Kruszewski said of his early release.

He will be paid for the two weeks but will not receive any further compensation. No decision has been made about who will take over for Kruszewski, Hanlin said.

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## Community Calendar

Got an event you want people to know about? We'll be glad to include it in the Community Calendar. Just submit items to the newspaper office, 104 W. Main, Northville 48167, by mail or in person; or fax announcements to 349-1050. The deadline is 4 p.m. Monday for that Thursday's calendar.

### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 28

**TOPS:** Take Off Pounds Sensibly for all ages meets at 9 a.m. at the Northville Area Senior Citizens Center, 215 W. Cady. For more information call 344-9205.

**NEW LIFE BIBLE STUDY:** A neighborhood nondenominational Bible study offers two different classes this year, "Discovering New Life," and "Healing Joy and Hope." Classes run from 9:30-11:30 a.m. at the First United Methodist Church of Northville on Eight Mile at Taft. Baby sitting is provided. Newcomers are welcome any time. For more information call Sybil at 349-0006 or Judy 348-1761.

**SENIOR PINOCHLE:** Area seniors are invited to play pinochle today from 12:30-4:30 p.m. at the Senior Center, 215 W. Cady in the Scout Building.

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 29

**OES:** The Orient Chapter, No. 77, Order of the Eastern Star, meets at 7:30 p.m. at the Masonic Temple.

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31

**SINGLE PLACE SUNDAY MORNING GATHERING:** Single Place will meet from 10-10:45 a.m. in the library lounge at First Presbyterian Church, 200 E. Main. The gathering is open to single adults, regardless of church affiliation, for fellowship and learning. For more information call 349-0911.

**RAISING KIDS ALONE:** This support group for single parents meets at 11 a.m. in room 10 of the First United Methodist Church of Northville, 777 W. Eight Mile. The public is welcome. The facilitator is Carol Haveranek, MALLP, educator and psychologist.

**SINGLE PLACE BRUNCH:** Single Place will meet at 12:30 p.m. for brunch at Northville Crossing Restaurant, 18900 Northville Rd. The group is organized for the purpose of providing friendship, caring and sharing for all single adults. Everyone is welcome; just come in and ask for Single Place.

**CLOSING:** The public library is closed today.

### MONDAY, JANUARY 1

**NEW YEAR'S DAY:** City hall, township offices and the library are closed. Happy New Year!

### TUESDAY, JANUARY 2

**NEW YEAR'S HOLIDAY:** City hall is closed today.

**NYA ADVISORY COUNCIL:** The Northville Youth Assistance Advisory Council meets at 8:30 a.m. in Northville High School.

**SENIOR VOLLEYBALL:** Area seniors are invited to play volleyball and other indoor sports at 9:30 a.m. at the Northville Community Center, 303 W. Main. For more information call the center at 349-0203 or Karl

Peters at 349-4140.

**NORTHVILLE ROTARY:** The Northville Rotary Club meets at noon in the Boll Fellowship Hall at the First Presbyterian Church of Northville, 200 E. Main.

**VFW:** Veterans of Foreign Wars Northville Post 4012 meets at 8 p.m. at the post's home building, 438 S. Main.

**CITY PLANNERS:** The Northville City Planning Commission meets at 8 p.m. at Northville City Hall, 215 W. Main.

**EAGLES AUXILIARY:** The auxiliary of Fraternal Order of Eagles No. 2504 meets at 8 p.m. at 113 S. Center.

### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3

**KIWANIS EARLY BIRDS:** The Kiwanis Club of Northville-Early Birds meets at 7 a.m. at the Northville Senior Citizens Center, 215 W. Cady.

**SENIOR BRIDGE GROUP:** Area seniors are invited to play bridge today from 12:15-3:30 p.m. at the Senior Center, 215 Cady in the Scout Building.

**CIVIL AIR PATROL:** Civil Air Patrol, Mustang Cadet Squadron, meets at 7 p.m. at the Northville VFW Post 4012, 438 S. Main. Everyone over the age of 13 is encouraged to view the activities.

**TOUGH LOVE:** Tough Love, a parent support group, meets from 7:30-9:30 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church, 200 E. Main. Parents share their experiences and offer suggestions and support.

**SINGLE PLACE:** Single Place meets at 7:30 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church, 200 E. Main. Donation is \$4. For more information, call 349-0911.

**NORTH-WEST LIONESS CLUB:** The North-West Lioness Club meets at 7:30 p.m. at the VFW Hall, 438 S. Main. New members are welcome.

**CITY BZA:** The Board of Zoning Appeals of the City of Northville meets at 8 p.m. at Northville City Hall, 215 W. Main.

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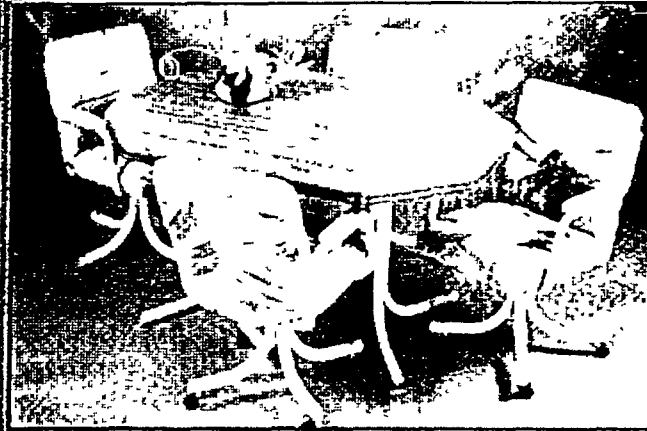
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**MILL RACE QUESTERS:** The Mill Race Questers meet at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Diane DeVincent. The program will be on depression glass and presented by Sharon Loftis. For membership information call Lori Long at (313)420-0267.

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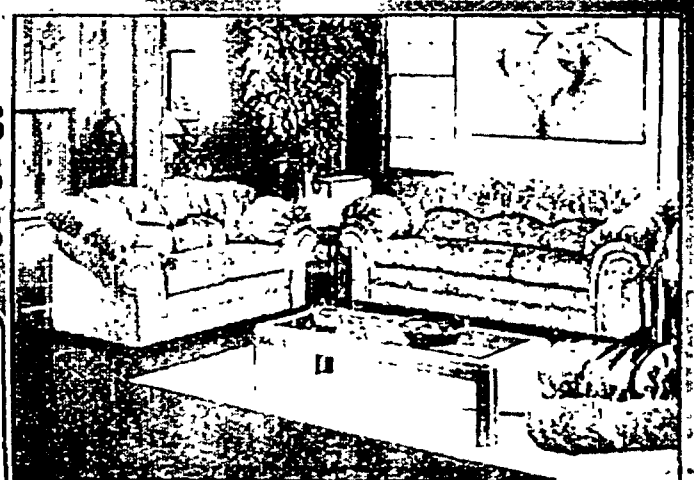


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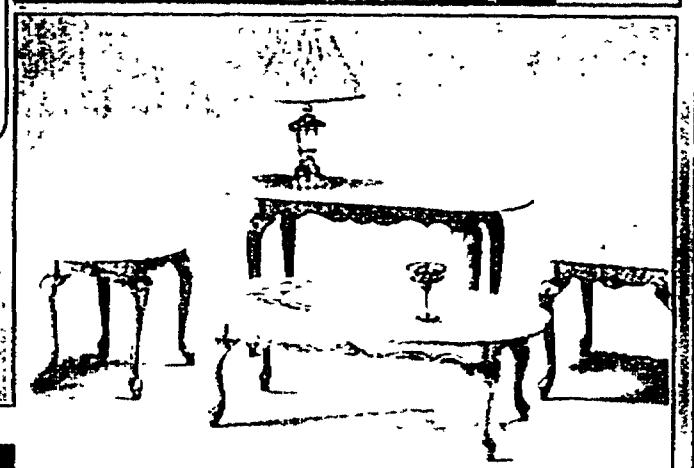
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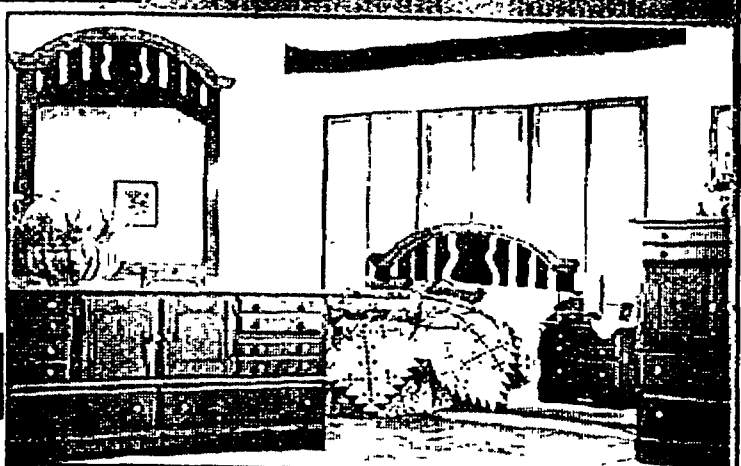
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# Prison escapee nabbed allegedly while shoplifting

He might have stolen the champagne to celebrate an "early release," but a prison escapee's love of the bubbly - or more specifically his neglecting to pay for it - has landed him back behind bars.

Northville Township police arrested Ronald Gary White, who escaped from the Michigan prison system last month, at Meijer in the early hours of Dec. 20. Store loss prevention detectives told the arresting officers that White, 29, was seen shoplifting.

The Detroit resident took four

bottles of liquor, including two bottles of champagne, and hid them inside his pants, then tried to leave Meijer without paying for them, detectives said. When they stopped him just outside the store White allegedly gave the bottles back but refused to accompany the detectives back inside.

In fact, they told police, he resisted their citizen's arrest, kicking and biting one man. A check of the local law enforcement computer information network revealed the reason for White's alleged

desire to avoid capture.

Besides the felony arrest warrant for his escape from a Department of Corrections (DOC) facility in Detroit,

White is wanted on misdemeanor warrants for possession for narcotics, disorderly conduct and entering a dwelling without permission.

Township police released him to a DOC officer on Dec. 21. White will be in 35th District Court on Jan. 9 to answer charges of larceny and assault and battery.

# Car nudging episode touches off incident between female motorist and angry man

Someone somewhere is likely nursing a broken bone or two after lending a hand, so to speak, in an argument over a minor traffic altercation.

A Plymouth resident told Northville Township police on Dec. 22 that a man punched out the passenger-side window of her car after she accidentally rolled back into his car while stopped at Six Mile and Beck roads.

The woman, 30, said she was driving south on Beck near Six Mile in her Dodge Dakota pickup at about 3:15 p.m. that day. Before reaching the intersection's stop sign, she told police, she

passed a Ford Explorer.

At the stop sign, the woman said she inadvertently let the Dakota, which has a manual transmission, roll backwards a foot or two.

It struck the front bumper of the Explorer but caused no damage, she said.

Despite that, the woman continued, the Explorer followed her, passing and then stopping in front of her. A woman got out of the driver's side, she said, and began yelling at her.

Her male companion then got out of the passenger's side and struck the window with his fist, causing the glass to shatter and strike her two sons in the car. The boys, ages 2 and 3, suffered small cuts.

The two then got back into the Explorer and took headed south on Beck, the woman said. No record of the license plate number she supplied to police was found on the area's local law enforcement computer network.



## Getting in on the act

Photo by ROBERT JACKSON

Santa Claus made a pre-Christmas visit to Northville Civic Concern Friday, to take part in the monthly distribution program. The program helps needy

Northville families by distributing canned goods and other necessities. With Santa is elf Ray Reaume and Civic Concern Director Marlene Kunz.

## Ski schools offered in Oakland parks

Oakland County Parks is again offering the Observer and Eccentric Cross-Country Ski Schools.

Ski school dates are set for Jan. 13 and Feb. 3 and 10, weather permitting. Lesson sites are Addison Oaks County Park near Oxford and Independence Oaks County Park near Clarkston.

Additionally, ski schools are set for Jan. 20 (Addison Oaks only) and Jan. 27 (Independence Oaks only).

Class times are 10 a.m. to noon and 1 to 3 p.m. each day. Lessons, taught by qualified ski instructors, feature direction on the proper use

of equipment, effective skiing fundamentals/maneuvers and proper cold-weather dressing.

The cost is \$7 for lesson or \$13 for lesson and ski equipment rental (half day of open skiing is included); vehicle entry fee is included.

Oakland County Parks also offer cross-country skiing at Orion Oaks in Orion Township and its four golf courses Glen Oaks in Farmington Hills, Red Oaks in Madison Heights, Springfield Oaks in Davisburg and White Lake Oaks in White Lake Township. No trail grooming operations take

place at these sites.

Addison Oaks County Park is on West Romeo Road, nine miles north of Rochester. Independence Oaks County Park is on Sashabaw Road, two and a half miles north of I-75.

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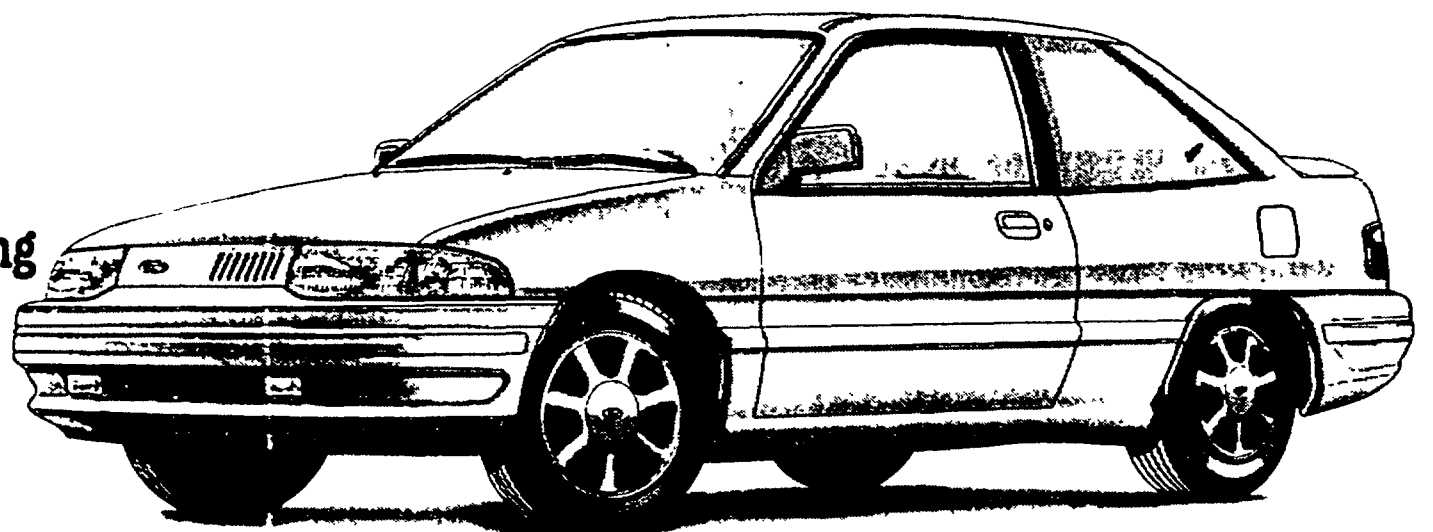
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## Police News

# Motorist crashes car, comes to stop in golf club lot

If Santa handled his vehicle the way a Howell man did Dec. 20, the elves must be doing some major body repair to the sleigh right about now.

Northville Township police arrested the 48-year-old Howell resident after his 1986 Pontiac Fiero crashed into a curb, fire hydrant and tree that Wednesday evening. Officers found the Fiero, which came to rest in the parking lot of Meadowbrook Country Club on Eight Mile, abandoned but with fresh blood stains on the seats. It had extensive damage, police said.

The man was soon found inside the Meadowbrook building, being treated for injuries sustained in the crash. He said he'd come to town to have dinner at a local restaurant and admitted to drinking two glasses of wine, the reporting officer said, but claimed that he'd lost control of the Fiero because he was "unfamiliar" with it.

He was ticketed for reckless driving and given a court hearing date of Jan. 10.

**ROAD ALTERCATION:** A Mt. Pleasant man had anything but a pleasing time during his brief visit

to Northville Township on Dec. 17.

The man, 24, told police that a man followed him off of the I-96 expressway after he decided to stop at Meijer at about 3:15 that morning. The man, who drove a Geo Metro, pulled up behind him and began yelling at the Mt. Pleasant resident for allegedly cutting him off on the freeway.

"I'm going to break your neck," the man allegedly said. After unsuccessfully trying to kick and punch the Mt. Pleasant man, the Geo driver put a set of keys in his hand and told the man he'd put them up the Mt. Pleasant man's nose. He did manage to force one of the keys partially up the man's nostril, police said, but left the area hurriedly when told that officers were on the way.

**SHOPLIFTING SUSPECTED:** She may have just been trying to hurry home and wrap her gifts but a Detroit woman allegedly didn't pay for them, leading to her arrest by township police at Meijer on Dec. 23.

Store detectives told police they saw the woman, 41, put clothes and two VCRs valued at \$590 into a shopping cart and then leave

Meijer without trying to pay for them. A computer check revealed an outstanding felony warrant for her arrest for retail fraud and two misdemeanor driving warrants, all of which allegedly took place in Shelby Township.

The woman was given a Jan. 12 court date for her Meijer larceny charge and then released to Shelby Township officers later that day.

**SHADOW STOLEN:** A Jamestown Court man's car was stolen during the night of Jan. 22-23. The man, 47, said he parked his 1989 Dodge Shadow outside of his home and in the morning it was gone. The car is valued at \$5,000.

**CREDIT CARD FRAUDS:** Two people were recently the victims of credit card scam artists.

A Northville Township woman on Dec. 19 told police that someone had illegally charged \$731 worth of 900-line telephone calls to her Mastercard from Nov. 26 to Dec. 8. Three days later, on Dec. 22, a South Lyon woman told township officers that someone used her Visa card at Meijer on

Dec. 12.

She'd lost the card the day before in Livonia, the woman said.

**BACKYARD DISCOVERY:** Three Northville teenagers, thinking they had successfully eluded police, found that success short lived when they ran into another city patrol officer Dec. 22.

The three were part of a larger group that attempted to flee police after officers responded to a complaint of a loud party at 270 S. Center Street.

The teens, ranging in age from 16- to 18-years-old, attempted to hide in the backyard of a neighboring residence, but were discovered by an alert Northville police officer, who had responded to a call for backup.

The three were given preliminary breath tests, and were then cited for consumption of alcohol by

minors under the age of 21. They were transported to the Northville Police Station, where they were turned over to the custody of their parents.

An 18-year-old Northville teen was also cited for violating the city's host party ordinance, according to police officials.

**WHEEL WRANGLER:** A Northville resident reported that the wheel covers on her automobile had been stolen by an unknown suspect Dec. 22.

The woman told police that her 1989 Oldsmobile Cutlass Supreme had been parked in the driveway at her home on Springfield Court, and that she had heard a "loud clanging noise" at about 1 a.m.

When she went out to her vehicle the next morning, she noticed the wheel covers were missing, according to police.

No suspects or leads have been identified. The estimated cost of the wheel covers is listed at \$100.

**CELLULAR SUSPECT SOUGHT:** A 34-year-old Northville man reported his cellular phone stolen Dec. 19.

The man had been playing pool at the Wagon Wheel Lounge, 212 S. Main Street, and had left his NEC cellular phone on a nearby table. When the man finished his game he went back to the table and noticed that the phone was missing.

Police have no leads or suspects. The cost of the phone is estimated at \$250.

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# Push to reform courts under way in Lansing

## Plan could feature 1 court, 3 divisions

By TIM RICHARD  
Staff Writer

Michigan would have a unified trial court system under a plan pushed by Rep. Michael Nye, chair of the House Judiciary Committee. Nye's plan asks voters to approve two state constitutional amendments: one to abolish probate court, the other to raise the sales tax another penny and abolish the fuel tax.

Full debate hasn't begun on court reorganization, either Nye's plan or any other. But 1996 seems certain to be the year when things will come to a head. Gov. John Engler is blocking the addition of any new judgeships - vigorously sought in the Oakland and western Wayne suburbs - until a better deployment of existing judges is achieved. County road commissions and drivers want more money for roads.

Nye, R-Litchfield, has his plan on the front burner. Here are questions and answers based on his article in the November Michigan Bar Journal:

**Q. Michigan today has four trial courts - circuit, probate, district and Detroit Recorder's, plus a few leftover municipal courts. All are elected separately. How would your plan change that?**

**A. There would be one court of justice with three divisions:**

1. Circuit court - major civil cases, divorce without children, estates and wills, criminal cases (both adults and children), mortgage and land contract foreclo-

sures.

2. Family court - divorce with children, adoptions, juvenile matters, abuse, guardianship, paternity.

3. District - minor civil suits, landlord-tenant relations, preliminary exams, civil infractions.

All three could handle name changes, marriages and equity cases.

All judges would be elected to the same bench and be paid the same salary.

**Q. What kinds of electoral units are you thinking about? Would you have a unit with the Detroit-Wayne County problem?**

**A. Each county would be called a unit. Exceptions:**

Detroit would be a single unit, and the rest of Wayne County another unit.

Small, northern counties would be clustered in regional units.

No out-of-unit judge would handle a case unless all of the judges in the unit had some kind of conflict.

**Q. Suppose a unit had a glut of one type of case in a division - say, landlord-tenant.**

**A. Judges from all divisions in the unit would formulate a procedure to handle case overload. The old jurisdictional barriers are gone.**

**Q. Who would pay the judges, and what would happen to court revenues?**

**A. All judges would be state employees.**

Each unit retains all revenue it

generates except the crime victims fee, community dispute fee and restitution. The total is expected to add up to \$50 million a year based on 1993-94 figures.

**Q. You are recommending another penny increase in the sales tax that voters would be asked to approve. Why?**

**A. The state would pick up the additional cost of judges' salaries out of the general fund. The state would also have to replace funds for libraries that come from court fines.**

At the same time, I would recommend the total elimination of the gas tax (supporting roads and public transportation). That revenue, the library revenues and other lost revenue could be replaced with a 1-cent increase in the sales and use tax.

The sales tax increase would generate \$1.1 billion.

**Q. What is your formula for distributing that \$1.1 billion from the sales and use tax?**

**A. Roads would get 93 percent or \$1.02 billion. That is the equivalent of 22.3 cents of the fuel tax - 15 cents we're levying currently plus an extra 7.7 cents.**

Libraries would get 5 percent (\$55 million); secondary road patrols, 1 percent (\$11 million); highway safety and justice training, 1 percent (\$11 million).

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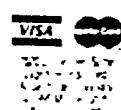
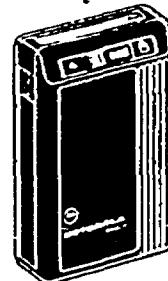
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# BACKWARD GLANCE

... at  
Northville's past  
by Randy Coble

A lot of people I meet admire my jacket. It's this big military woolen greatcoat that stretches nearly to my ankles and keeps me warm even in blizzards. It looks expensive and it should be because it's top quality and was brand new when I bought it.

It wasn't though, that's the best part of it. Yours truly shelled out just \$30 for my beloved garb one weekend a few years ago when I happened on it in an Army-Navy store in Champaign, Ill.

The moral of the story is that life sometimes just drops a gift we'll love all of our lives right into our laps. I think life has done that to generations of Northville residents in the form of our downtown, the subject of this week's ABG.

If you've ever lived in a place that lacks one, you know what I mean. Having lived in a few, I can tell you why all the rage in community development now is the Main Street U.S.A. concept. Need proof?

Look next door at Novi — they have no real "downtown" but are trying feverishly to develop a 1990s version of one.

Why? I think it's because it's a unifying force. Everyone knows what you mean when you talk about the clock or the bandshell or the Ford plant or the well.

Northville's downtown ties us into each other and into our community and its rich history.

That's why I plan to spend some time in ABG in coming weeks looking at this treasure of ours.

As always, I welcome your memories about it anytime at 349-1700. I'll see if I can prime the pump, though, with the work of one James Ritchie.

As I've touched on before in this space, Jim Ritchie loves his town and shows it.

When I began this column by recalling how I'd seen Northville change in the 15 years I've been here he's been generous enough to take me back more than five decades, sharing his memories of times and places past.

Here's a few to start things off:  
• I recalled when the Marquis used to show movies. Jim remembered when it was the P&A Theatre managed by a Mrs. Doeksen and was the spot for first run hit films and he told me about the fun of seeing such classics as *The Blob*, *Time Machine*, *Godzilla*, *The Thing* and *War of the Worlds* there.

• When I was a kid the Great Harvest Bread Company next door was an old five and dime. Before that, though, Jim noted, it was an A&P. The dime store moved there from its original site



Northville's current downtown is incomparably more beautiful than in past years, yet many remember with fondness the way the old town used to look.

further west on Main Street where Morrison's Antiques is now.

• The soda fountain at the Northville Drug Co. I remember was the second in a series, he informed me, the original being replaced in the late '50s or early '60s.

• The bowling alley I remember where the towering Main Centre is now was owned by Angelo "Angie" Gadioli, Jim noted. It started out with six lanes which were manned by pin boys. When automatic pinsetters came into being, the alley expanded to 12 and later 20 lanes. Right next door was Nick Zander's 20th Century Barber Shop.

• Before MAGS there were houses, an apartment building and a Marr-Taylor (later John Mach) Ford dealership, our historian recalled.

He can also remember when the town library was in the building that now sits in Mill Race Village.

• I remembered when the water tower was gray. Jim set me straight, telling me how he watched it being built from his junior high class room, painted with the word "Northville" on the east and west sides.

He also saw the high school, which I witnessed being expanded, constructed in 1958-59. More next week. Stay tuned.

## Mill Race Matters

The Northville Historical Society offices at Mill Race Village will be closed for the holiday week. Individuals are still monitoring telephone calls, although recently the organization has experienced problems with its telephone answering system.

The office reopens on Tuesday, Jan. 2. Office hours are ordinarily Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The Historical Society once again seeks an office manager to work 20 hours per week staffing its office. This responsibility is the organization's only paid position. Applicants must be available Monday through Friday during the morning hours.

Skills required include computer experience, some general office background, bookkeeping, and typing, communication and telephone. The salary remains fairly typical for general office, but may be adjusted based on qualifications.

Membership renewals are now due. Current members should by now have received renewal forms with the forth *Mill Race Quarterly* of 1995. Those wishing to join or rejoin who did not receive renewal forms should contact the office at 348-1845. Membership is open to all parties interested in community history and/or the preservation of Mill Race Village.

The annual membership meeting will be held on Thursday, Jan. 18. New board members and officers will be presented to the membership at that time. Long-time members will recall that previously this meeting was held in May, but changes in the funding year have resulted in a switch to this January event. Next week's column will include additional details.

During the holiday period this column traditionally reminisces about the creation and establishment of Mill Race Village. This week, Wash Oak School and Yerkes House are highlighted.

Wash Oak School was constructed in 1873 to replace an earlier structure which burnt. It stood originally on the Washtenaw-Oakland County border, thus the name Wash Oak, and served as a one-room school house to children from farm areas. The school operated from 1873 to 1965 when the state changed laws governing education.

The building originally had no water source, forcing the teacher to carry in drinking water each morning from a farm some distance away. The older boys had responsibility for keeping the fire going during the day while older girls assisted in the care of younger students. Children who attended this building ranged in age from four to 17.

After the school closed it became private property and was being converted to a private residence when damaged by vandalism and fire. The owners donated the building for use at the newly created Mill Race Village. Historical Society volunteers restored the structure while students from John Glenn High School constructed the desks currently used.

Today, the building serves as an educational tool so that elementary age school children can experience 19th century educational styles.

Yerkes House stood originally on the south side of Cady street just to the west of First Presbyterian Church (a parking lot today). Originally constructed just after the Civil War, it served first as the residence of William and Sallie (Cady) Yerkes. The couple remained, childless. William served as a judge, a lawyer and Northville's first village president.

The home stood on property given to the couple by Sallie's father at the time of his death in 1860. Sallie, or Sarah as she was known, was the only child of Daniel and Eliza (Elsworth) who lived to adulthood.

Daniel fathered at least 12 children by his three wives. Eliza, his second wife, died in 1847 and is buried with him at Cady Street cemetery. The street got its name because it led from his farm which encompassed the land which now holds Northville Downs.

Yerkes House became Mill Race Village's fourth building when Downs' owners opted to expand the Downs parking lot in the 1970s. The next additions to the village, the gazebo and the Cottage House, will be discussed next week.

—Diane Rockall

## CALENDAR

**Monday, Jan 1**  
Happy New Year  
**Tuesday, Jan 2**  
Village Office Reopens ..... Cady, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
Stone Gang ..... Village, 9 a.m. to noon  
**Wednesday, Jan 3**  
Archives Committee ..... Cady, 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

# Officials steer clear of higher speed limits

By TIM RICHARD  
Staff Writer

A state House Republican task force dodged the question of raising freeway speed limits when it issued a list of traffic safety recommendations.

Instead it opted for the Michigan Legislature's popular solution to many problems — tougher punishments.

"Congress may soon allow states to set speed limits on federal interstate highways," the panel noted. "Before proceeding, the Michigan Legislature should give careful consideration of the consequences of raising those speed limits."

The GOP panel was chaired by Rep. Frank Fitzgerald of Grand Lodge.

Among its eight members were Reps. Dan Gustafson of Williamston and James Ryan of Redford Township. Its report was

Issued in November.

The Senate has voted on a bill to raise speed limits to a uniform 70. Currently, the limits are 65 on rural interstates and 55 in urban areas.

One recommendation has already been enacted: Gustafson's bill to set up a tiered system of driver's licensing for youngsters and to require more training and supervision before they take to the road.

At the same time, however, the panel proposed easing up on training.

It wants to "eliminate the mandate that public schools provide driver's education" but "encourage school districts to continue providing driver's education" with more state funding.

New and more severe punishments were proposed for drunk drivers, particularly repeat offend-

ers. One would be police confiscation of license plates at the time of arrest if a person has a previous conviction or is driving on a suspended or revoked license.

No new programs were recommended for truckers. But the panel noted that truck driver fatigue has been identified nationally as "the primary issue affecting truck safety" and called for more research.

It asked for the state Department of Education to certify all truck driver schools.

"Retain Michigan's motorcycle helmet law," the group said. "Encourage the use of bicycle helmets by all cyclists, especially those under age 16."

In 1994, Michigan recorded 1,419 traffic deaths.

There were nearly 400,000 crashes and more than 142,000

injuries.

Police made more than 55,000 arrests for drunken driving.

Reviewing past laws, the panel said, "Since 1975, the Legislature has reduced the blood alcohol level at which a driver is presumed drunk, mandated seat belt use for persons under age 16 and for adult front seat passengers, instituted zero alcohol tolerance for drivers under the drinking age, approved a tough set of civil infraction laws in the motor vehicle code, and streamlined the system for arresting, prosecuting and punishing drunken drivers."

In meetings last spring and summer in Warren, Lansing, Flint, Grand Rapids and Traverse City, the panel heard suggestions that the blood alcohol content levels for drunk driving be lowered, but called for "further studies."

## Correction

An error appeared in last week's issue of *The Northville Record*.

In Township Briefs, it was stated that the Northville Township Board of Trustees in November voted 6-0 (Supervisor Karen Baja

was absent) against the reappointment of Chris Schultz to the planning commission and then this month voted 6-1 in favor of the reappointment.

The November vote was actually a 3-3 split. We regret the error.

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# Huron-Clinton directors OK family aquatic park concept

By TIM RICHARD  
Staff Writer

Users of Indian Springs Metropark in 1999 will have water-slides and a "lazy river" to tube.

The Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority board approved the concept for a "family aquatic park" north of White Lake Road in White Lake and Springfield townships of northern Oakland County.

The HCMA board acted Dec. 14 just after approving a 1996 annual operating budget of \$42 million, up 2 percent over 1995. It is funding the \$9 million to \$10 million project by banking \$3.1 million this year.

"We hope to have it open in 1999," said Dan Duncan, chief planner for the five-county authority.

"There will be a leisure pool, several sizes of water slides and a 'lazy river' - a stream about 15 feet wide with a pumped current to make a flow. You can ride it in an inner tube.

"Three will be water drops and waterfalls. It will cover six to eight acres (of 2,500 acres in the entire park).

"We'll meet with Springfield and White Lake townships for site plan reviews and electrical inspections," Duncan said.

This year HCMA will work on engineering plans and infrastructure, such as roads. Power lines

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already are nearby.

HCMA covers the counties of Wayne, Oakland, Livingston, Washtenaw and Macomb. It operates 13 day-use metroparks, mostly of several thousand acres and all in the valleys of the Huron and Clinton rivers.

Founded in 1939, HCMA gets half its revenue from a property tax of 0.224 mill (22.4 cents per \$1,000 of taxable value) and one-fourth from vehicle admissions and fees for boat launching and golf. Smaller amounts come from grants and investments.

"All authority user fees will be unchanged from 1995," controller David Wahl said. The vehicle admission fee is \$15 for the year.

The board approved the budget without comment on a 7-0 vote, with Macomb's commissioner, Thomas Welsh, absent.

The budget calls for a hiring freeze and a "record high" capital investment of \$10 million, Wahl said. In 1996 HCMA will be in the fourth year of a five-year plan in which unspent funds are carried over to the next year to finance

major capital projects.

Among major projects for 1996, besides the Indian Springs aquatic park:

- Kensington, near Brighton - hike-bike trail widening and resurfacing - \$210,000.
- Willow, in southern Wayne County - repairs to the leaking pool - \$155,000.
- Metro Beach, on Lake St. Clair - reconstruction of the boat ramp - \$130,000. (This does not cover a disputed plan to install a new small boat launch directly on the lake.)

• Wolcott Mill in central Macomb County - land acquisition - much of the available \$1.1 million.

• Stony Creek, northeast of Rochester - nature center road (\$420,000), nature center bridge (\$620,000) and picnic area play structures (\$60,000).

• Huron Meadows, south of Brighton - various amounts for the Sunset Ridge comfort station, Maltby Road improvement cost share.

• Golf courses throughout the system - \$700,000. Detroit Audubon Society and

east side bird watchers continued to protest HCMA's proposed launch for under-16-foot boats directly onto Lake St. Clair. The current launch is upstream on the Black River and would continue to serve larger boats.

"Point Rosa (wetlands next to the proposed launch site) is a living museum. It's the last, accessible, high-quality wetlands on Lake St. Clair," said spokesman Mike Mennotti.

Some 275 species of birds - including the peregrine falcon, least bittern and bald eagle - have been spotted there, said Mennotti. The common loon, a threatened species, stops overnight during migrations.

"In the prime boating season only 3 percent of park use is for boating; 3 percent is for fishing; 37 percent walking; and 12 percent bird-watching," Mennotti said. He urged the HCMA board to make Metro Beach a bird-watcher's equivalent to Ontario's Point Pelee.

HCMA's chief planner Dan Duncan called "not accurate" the charge that marshes would be destroyed. "The authority is very conscious of wetlands and marshes."

Duncan said HCMA's proposals under review by the state departments of Natural Resources and Environmental Quality and may be modified at their request.

## Library Lines

**MAGAZINE GIVEAWAY:** Many of our older magazines are available free to the public. Stop by the library to see some of the treasures which await.

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## Obituaries

### WINIFRED J. NICKELS

Winifred J. Nickels, 81, died Dec. 24 in Plymouth Court, Plymouth. Mrs. Nickels moved to Northville in 1970 from Livonia. She was a homemaker.

Visitation for Mrs. Nickels will be held Thursday, Dec. 28, from 4 to 9 p.m. and Friday, Dec. 29, from 3 to 9 p.m. at the Northrop-Sassaman Funeral Home, 19091 Northville Road, Northville.

Services will be Saturday at 11 a.m. at the funeral home.

The Rev. Anne Schaefer will officiate. Interment will be in Rural Hill Cemetery.

Surviving Mrs. Nickels are her husband William E. Nickels of Northville; her son David G. Nickels of Northville; her son Robert E. (Carol) Nickels of Marietta, Ga.; her daughter Nancy (Ray) Dedmon of Livonia; her son Jac (Alyce) Nickels of Ashland, Ore.; her grandchildren Tracy Cotter, Robbie Kimbrough and Daniel Nickels; and one great-grandchild Brandon Cotter.

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# Waste collection changes considered

## Committee to help with decision

By ROBERT JACKSON  
Staff Writer

The City of Northville may be changing its solid waste collection program in the next few months.

According to Department of Public Works Director Jim Gallogly, the city's contract with vendor Painter and Ruthenberg for solid waste services is set to expire and city officials are reviewing the current program and considering possible changes.

The current contract with Painter and Ruthenberg provides city residents and businesses with trash, garbage, and yard waste collection, along with a limited recycling program.

The contract was set to expire in February, but the city council voted to extend the contract for one year for businesses and 50 days for residents. The extension will allow Gallogly to form a committee of residents and business owners to study possible changes in the program.

"The current program is a good one. It's efficient and offers residents and businesses a lot of options," Gallogly told city council members. "The drawback for resi-

dents is that it's somewhat confusing, and we receive plenty of calls on a weekly basis from residents whose trash hasn't been picked up because they haven't followed the instructions on bagging and stickers.

"Residents are concerned that the current 'tag and bag' program is too complicated and costly," Gallogly said.

The current program will cost \$477,490 for fiscal 1995/96, according to Gallogly.

"This is a significant expenditure for a community the size of Northville," he said. "It is important that program costs be carefully studied to ease this burden on city residents and businesses, while at the same time provide the service this community has grown to expect."

The complaints prompted Gallogly to send residents and businesses a survey to see how the trash program was really working. The results of that survey were presented to the city council last week, and served as the basis for Gallogly's "Solid Waste Management Initiative."

The initiative cites several pro-

gram options:

- Continue with the existing program - Under the existing contract with Painter and Ruthenberg, the city has the option of extending the current program using established bid prices for the fiscal year. The bid prices raise the residential cost by 4.5 percent and the commercial cost by 4.8 percent, according to Gallogly.

- With landfill costs down from 1991, when the existing contract was bid, and with residential participation down, it is only prudent to try and negotiate the fifth year bid prices down as the contractor's costs must be lower," Gallogly said.

- Enhancement of current programs - Gallogly said that even though the current program meets with basic needs for the community, much could be added to the program to meet the increased needs of residents.

"For example, the items residents are permitted to recycle are relatively limited," he explained. "It would be nice to add Styrofoam, cereal type boxes, junk mail, magazines, and aerosol cans."

Those enhancements could be

considered, Gallogly added, but the associated costs would also have to be considered, as Northville already pays more than \$50 per year per resident for solid waste services.

- Franchise system - In a franchise system, all solid waste services would be bid out and awarded to one hauler similar to the city's current contracted program, according to Gallogly. The difference would be that the hauler would invoice residents directly.

- Competitive bidding of all solid waste services should give the residents the best price, but the service and payment for the service would be done directly by the hauler," Gallogly said. "Under the franchise option, the city's administrative burden would be drastically reduced and limited to program design and evaluation."

- Hauler Licensing System - This is the program that Gallogly wants the committee to take a good look at. The system would force the city, by ordinance, to require any hauler conducting business within the city limits to comply with a specific set of rules and regulations, Gallogly explained. Collection would be provided under a subscription-based plan and qualified haulers would compete for individual cus-

tomers.

"The licensed hauler would, at a minimum, offer service equal to our existing program, but would be encouraged to offer optional service, which could be charged to residents at market rates," he said.

With this system the city would be responsible for establishing the rules and regulations that haulers would be required to follow when working in the city.

"This gives the citizens the freedom of choice in selecting their own service provider based on their own individual needs," Gallogly said.

"It reduces the current city administrative burden as citizens deal directly with the hauler of their choice, and it encourages waste reduction since each individual household would be responsible for paying for their own service based on the amount of waste it produces."

According to Gallogly, the 50 day extension of the current residential program will allow time for the Solid Waste Advisory Committee to begin studying the options, and work with city administrators on implementation of a new franchise system or hauler licensing system by the April 1, 1996, deadline.

## Leaf pickup time frame extended

Northville Township solid waste customers will be treated to a leaf pickup grace period this year.

Normally the township picks up yard waste, including fallen leaves, from customers' curbs from April 1 through Nov. 30. This year's weather ran remarkably warm until late into the year, however, keeping a lot of those leaves on the trees a lot longer.

The result is that there's a gaggle of township homeowners with leaves that still need to be picked up.

"I'm shoveling snow myself but we've gotten quite a few calls asking about this," Public Services Director Bill Anderson's said.

To accommodate those folks - and just to keep in the spirit of the season - Public Services will offer a special, extended leaf pickup period. Township solid waste customers can put their leaves on the curb for collection from Dec. 26 through Jan. 12, 1996. That's the same time that Christmas trees will be picked up.

Be sure that leaves and any other yard waste is left in plain view: the crews can't use X-ray vision to see bags beneath the snow. If you have any questions call the Department of Public Services at 348-5820.

## Guess of 20,640 lights is only 17 off the mark

Ever wonder how many red Christmas lights are on that 50-foot walnut tree visible far and wide in the vicinity of Eight Mile Road and Novi Road?

The tree, subject of a contest to guess the number of lights displayed on it, belongs to Brickscape Gardens Christmas Shoppe on Old Novi Road just north of Eight Mile.

The actual number, held in the bank vault of the NBD Bank at Eight Mile and Haggerty Roads since the contest began on Nov. 3, was delivered by bank branch manager Milton Harrison to a Dec. 23 ceremony at Brickscape.

And in the hermetically sealed envelope was the total, 20,623, as announced by Brickscape owner Joe DiRado.

The winner of the first prize, a \$2,500 brick patio, path or driveway from Brickscape Gardens, was Elaine Wolfe with a guess of 20,640.

Wolfe, a Northville resident,

developed a formula for guessing the number of lights. She personally measured the circumference of the trunk of the tree, counted the number of limbs and drew a sketch of the tree to calculate her guess.

She said she and her husband, Jim, had been planning to have a new driveway put in at their house on Carrington.

Second prize - a ski weekend for two at Park Place Hotel in Traverse City - was won by Marilyn Edick with a guess of 20,500, suggested by her 13-year-old son, Tim.

Edick, a skier, works with the Northville Schools system and lives in Northville.

Third prize - a \$250 shopping spree in the Christmas Store at Brickscape Gardens - was won by Marge Lenheiser of Blue Heron East, with a guess of 20,195.

Lenheiser, a 37-year-old Northville resident, said she had heard on the radio that Domino's

Farms had 37,000 lights on its display, so she bought five guesses for one dollar each, started with 20,195 and went up from there.

The contest raised \$236 for Northville Civic Concern and \$220 for Novi Youth Assistance.

Geri the Clown and her duck, Quackers, entertained the children at the Saturday announcement program, as did the Northville High School Singers.

Northville Civic Concern is a volunteer committee for collecting and distributing commodities, cash donations, toiletries, diapers and baby products to the needy through many local agencies in Northville and Novi.

Novi Youth Assistance operates out of Novi Civic Center. It is dedicated "to providing an alternative to police, school and court involvement in the life of a young person" and to "positive growth experiences for families and youth that will help promote healthy living

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For further information on the

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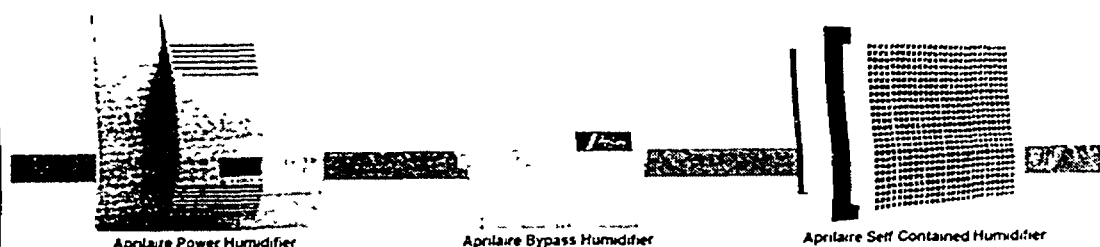
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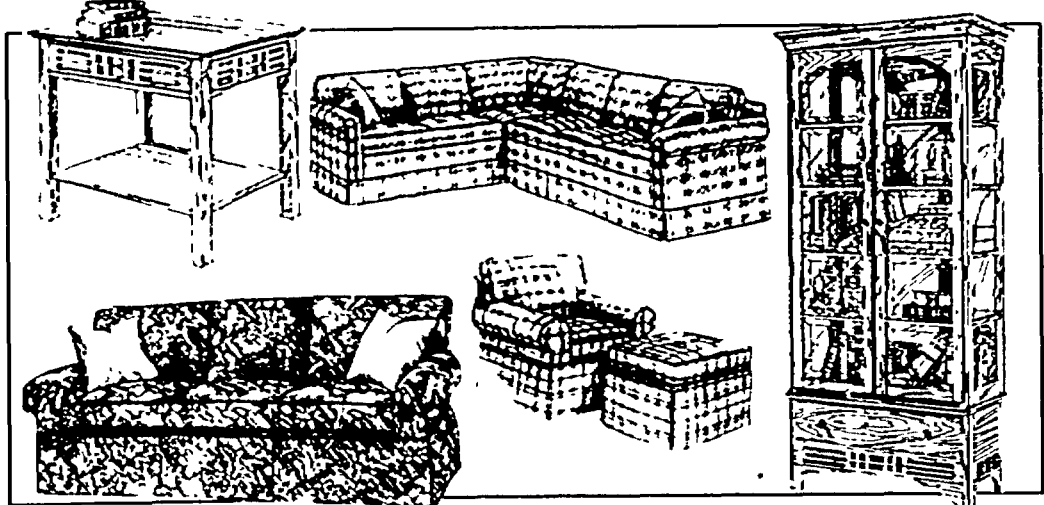
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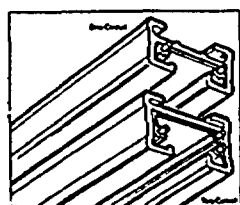
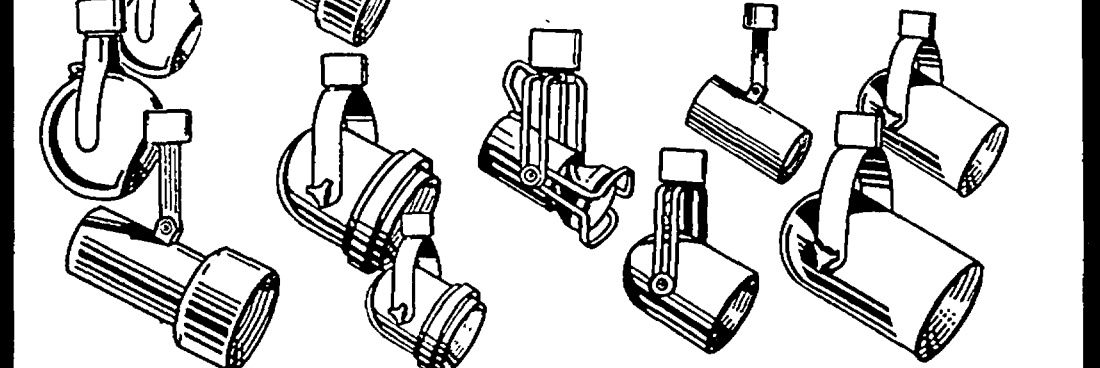
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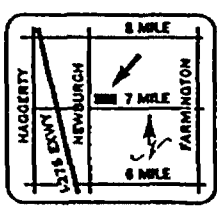


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# City unveils priorities for ice, snow control

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to be plowed, and to control ice.

- Priority one: Major streets such as Main Center, Randolph, 1st and 2nd.
- Priority two: Local streets such as Sleepy Hollow and Sharp.
- Priority three: Backing lots.
- Priority four: Streets at the intersection of the 1st and 2nd.
- Priority five: Alleys.

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to do so," he said. "The attack plan in our snow removal and ice control efforts will obviously vary quite considerably depending on the storm event."

A steel storm would be primarily an ice control operation involving salt spreading according to Gallego. A less than four inch snowfall would find the salt spreaders and plow trucks concentrating on number one and two priority streets.

Gallego is also asking city residents and businesses to remember to clear their sidewalks within 24 hours of a snow or ice event. He

## SNOW REMOVAL PRIORITY SCALE

- Priority 1—Major streets such as Main, Center, Randolph, and Tait Road.
- Priority 2—Local streets with steep grades and sharp curves.
- Priority 3—Parking lots and the remainder (filler) of the local residential streets.
- Priority 4—Alleys.

also stated that in clearing city streets and roads snow plow trucks will be depositing snow at the end of driveways.

"This is the reality of snow plowing and it cannot be helped," he explained. "If we want our roads to be plowed, the snow must be pushed to the side of the road."

"Sometimes there may be new technology that can be applied to solve this problem but until then we ask for the residents' understanding," he added.

# Township building official steps down from post

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state law requires every official to have a chief of staff. Gallego is responsible for the township's building department. He is responsible for the township's building department. He is responsible for the township's building department.

She declined comment on the official's resignation. She declined comment on the official's resignation.

other officials, which was harsh. "I've been working in the government sector for 21 years, seven of those with Northville Township and I've never before been subject to what's going on here," Kruszenski said. "I've been working for a bunch of politicians (since the current board was elected) and it's been like the opposite ends of a magnet colliding."

While he would not discuss specifics, Kruszenski accused Hanlin and some members of the board of "interfering with the administrators here who are doing their jobs. I was hired to do my best job and I couldn't do it because of all this. My conscience just couldn't stand for it anymore."

Kruszenski was one of those affected by Hanlin's "reorganization" plan approved this summer by the board. The plan called for placing him and the township building department under the

## Township Briefs

**PITCHING IN** Northville Township employees did their bit to remember the reason for the season last week.

Each Friday, the township's 65 full and part time workers have the chance to wear casual clothes to work in exchange for a \$1 donation. The money collected is then donated to a worthy cause each December as Christmas approaches.

This year's take about \$250, went to Northville Civic Center, a community based organization which helps out more than 40 needy local families with food, clothing and other aid.

Employee Debbie Wilhelm, who handles the project each year said township employees were pleased at the chance to offer assistance.

"There's a great need out there and Northville Civic Center is a great way to help deal with it. We're glad to get to help," she said.

**FIRE STATION TO COME DOWN:** It's out with the old - and hopefully someday in the with new - for the Northville Fire Fire department.

Director of Public Safety Chip Snider recently informed the township board of trustees that long troubled Fire Station No. 3 on Sheldon Road between Five and Six Mile, will soon be torn down.

The station which is in bad condition and used only for storage, has been an eyesore and the target of vandals and petty thieves for years. Damage to firefighting rigs and equipment has cost tens of thousands of dollars all covered by insurance.

Wayne County has recently begun its long awaited demolition of buildings and tunnels that exist on the 863 acres it owns near the station. That, Snider said, will eventually include Fire Station No. 3.

Northville Township wants a chunk of land in the area for a new station as soon as is feasible.

The third station is considered vital in providing all of the township with adequate fire protection particularly as the community continues to grow in coming decades. Fire Stations One and Two are located near Six Mile and Winchester and Seven Mile and Beck, respectively.

# Holidays affected refuse service

The City of Northville is reminding all residents that the Painter and Rubenstein company, which contracts with the city for trash pickup, will not operate New Years Day, Jan. 1.

During the two weeks of the holiday season trash collection day will occur one day after the normal collection day meaning the company will be collecting trash from Tuesday through Saturday of each week.

For any questions regarding your trash pickup contact city hall at 349-1300.

# Program collections top 6,000

Yartrough to say "the whole drive went wonderfully well. It surpassed my expectations."

"It's really, really great to see," she continued. "We had stores calling us with donations on Christmas Eve and people who told their friends that they didn't want any gifts this year - just donate to Toys for Tots instead."

More than 2,000 of those toys went to kids in those communities she added, while the rest were either sent to needy children in other areas or stockpiled for next year.

Besides the toys themselves, the program - "100 Club" - which includes people and businesses that donate \$100 to Toys for Tots for gift purchases saw 17 members this year, Yartrough said.

"We did just really like to thank everyone in all our communities from the bottom of our hearts," Yartrough said.

Toys for Tots began in 1947 with a Marine colonel named Bill Hendricks. He met a needy child in Los Angeles and wanted to make sure the boy had a toy for Christmas.

He found many agencies and organizations that provided food, clothing and other staples but no one was specifically set up to distribute toys to poor kids.

That changed when Hendricks founded Toys for Tots. In the half century since his organization has provided Christmas toys to an estimated 100 million children.

# Utility rate increases eyed for next month

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cents or 4.1 percent. Sewer \$4.50 per unit, water \$2.50 per unit, increase of 3.5 percent or 1 percent.

Service charge 64.50 monthly which represents an increase of 8 percent or 2 percent. Bateson said the city has several key factors in the proposed rate hike.

Wayne County and the City of Detroit both have cases that affect the city of Northville. Detroit imposed a rate increase of 3.8 percent for water purchased by Northville as of July 1.

Wayne County imposed a rate increase of 6.44 percent for sewage disposal charges as of July 1.

Other factors in the hike include:

- Annual debt service payments amounted to \$211,684 for fiscal year 1996.
- The five year capital improvement plan for the water and sewer lines was increased.

This plan identifies \$1.5 million of proposed projects through fiscal year 2003.

"The water main breaks that occurred in the past six months, which is identified additional problem areas."

Bateson explained that it was the increased amount that these areas required that caused the proposed water rate increase.

Bateson said the city should also grow to a rate of \$200,000 to \$700,000 in work.

"This is especially important based on the age of the water and sewer system and the related likelihood of significant, unforeseen repairs and eventual replacement."

-Mike Salomon  
Assistant City Manager

ing capital in the water and sewer line.

"The purpose of maintaining working capital would be for cash flow and emergency expenditure purposes," Bateson said.

"This is especially important based on the age of the water and sewer system and the related likelihood of significant unforeseen repairs and eventual replacement."

# OCC class outlets set up at new locales

South Lyon and Novi can take Oakland Community College classes near home for the first time this winter.

"These new classes are part of OCC's larger outreach effort. A sign of our commitment to taking the college out into the community," said Carol Brown, dean of academic and student services at OCC's Orchard Ridge Campus.

Three courses will be held in South Lyon High School, 1000 N. Lafayette.

• Speech 129 Interpersonal communications - Thursdays from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.

• English 151 composition I -

Tuesdays from 3 to 6 p.m.  
• Business 200 desktop publishing - Wednesdays from 6 to 9 p.m.

Students may register at the high school on Wednesday, Jan. 3, from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. and from 6 to 8 p.m.

OCC will offer English 221, business writing at Walsh College's Novi Campus, 41700 Gardenbrook in the Novi Campus Office Center, north of I-16.

The class will meet Tuesdays from 9 a.m. to noon.

Students may register at the Novi site from 1 to 4 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 4.

# Art lecture series set to start in January

The Northville Arts Commission will present the first in a series of three art lectures by noted artist Michael Farrell on Thursday, Jan. 11.

The second lecture in the series entitled "As America in 1915" is scheduled for Feb. 15 and the third and final lecture will be presented on March 21.

Jan. 11 presentation entitled "National American Art" features

three woodland Indian objects of ritual and everyday use that establishes these works of art as the first exponent of the American Indian.

Michael Farrell is associate professor of art history at the University of Windsor, adjunct curator at the Detroit Institute of Art and instructor at the Art House of Detroit.

Only season tickets are available in advance of the season and are \$24 per series (\$8.50 at the door). Lectures take place in the Northville High School forum at 774 North Center Street in Northville at 7:30 p.m.

Tickets may be obtained by calling Joann Dayton at (810) 347-9664 or Pat Dorrian Sandbothe at (810) 348-8719.

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# End possible for unsettled suit

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## Details of retail proposal examined

officials to approve a proposal that doesn't fit Haggerty area zoning, now almost exclusively office-oriented, in exchange for developer concessions.

The trustees unanimously decided that the minuses outweighed the pluses and deep-sixed the offer.

One of their key concerns was in allowing Home Quarters right next door to Home Depot, which sits at the corner of Seven Mile and Haggerty.

Despite the reassurances of HQ officials, trustees voiced fears that one or the other would go out of business and that Northville home improvement businesses would suffer in any case.

The denial led Abi Raji, the Fraser resident who owns the land, to file suit in April 1994.

In his court action Raji claimed that the township was guilty of "regulatory taking," which occurs when a governmental body or agency's action illegally prevents a property owner from doing what he wants with his land.

The case has proceeded through the slow channels of the Wayne County Circuit Court ever since. The board in January 1995, after a closed session with the municipality's attorneys, approved a resolution setting forth the terms under which Northville Township would be willing to settle the suit.

But no settlement — or consent judgment, as it's called — was ever worked out, as the matter went into hibernation for 10 months. Things moved from neutral to overdrive this month, however, when Raji attorney Ernie Essad tried to win speedy trustee support for a consent judgment that included a conceptual site plan for the parcel.

That proposal calls for a 24-lot subdivision to share space with 140,000 square feet of commercial shopping space. Three major — and so far unidentified — retail stores will anchor the shopping area and a Ruby Tuesday restaurant is also planned.

Essad, who used to be the township's municipal attorney, explained that Raji was asking for quick action in order to avoid losing financial backing and prospective tenants. That was an argument which didn't wash with the board, however, at a Dec. 14 meeting.

"I feel somewhat pressured," Supervisor Karen Baja said. "We're being asked to approve something to keep up with a developer's schedule but it's been almost a whole year without any action being taken. There hasn't even been a concept (site) plan submitted."

"I'm not in the habit of approving things before I've seen it," Trustee Gini Britton told Essad.

The trustees maintained their refusal despite the lawyer's attempts to paint the move as "an interim step," noting that the board would still have to approve many aspects of the plan, including a final site plan.

"We're not talking about storing nuclear waste here," Essad said.

By the end of the exchange, both sides were asking why the matter was being discussed in a public meeting in the first place.

The board under state law can hold non-public, "closed sessions" for a few specific purposes.

Pending litigation is one of them and everyone agreed to exercise that option on Dec. 20.

That night the board, after a closed session discussion of the issue and an examination of a concept plan, publicly supported a settlement offer.

On a 6-0 vote (Trustee Gini Britton was absent), the board voted in favor of a proposed consent judgment to end the suit, one that included conceptual approval for the development scheme.

The board split 3-3, however, on whether or not to waive a key provision of the HPUD ordinance for the Raji parcel. The HPUD requires

all plans to reserve a minimum of 60 percent of their total area for residential, open space or recreational use.

The current Raji plan's percentage stands at about 58 percent and the board refused to overlook the 2-percent difference.

"It's not a big variation," Essad said at the Dec. 14 meeting, an opinion not shared by some on the board.

"There's no negotiation on the 60-40," Clerk Sue Hillebrand said. "I expect the plan to conform to it. It's not the board's role to arbitrate every plan before the rules that are in place."

The end result is that Raji can end the suit if he wants to by agreeing to the consent judgment and submitting a plan that meets the 60 percent requirement. Such a plan would not have to go before the township planning commission but would go directly before the board.

Another option the owner has is to simply drop the HPUD proposal altogether and construct office buildings as normal zoning allows.

Township officials say that's not likely, however, as a compromise over the disputed elements of the HPUD-based proposal could be concluded rather easily.

## Recreation Briefs

**WINTER BROCHURE:** Look for the Northville Parks and Recreation winter activities brochure to be delivered this week. If you do not receive a brochure we will have extras available in the office and in the lobby of the Northville Community Center, 303 W. Main.

**NEW ATTITUDE AEROBICS & STEP BENCH:** New Attitude Aerobics is offering aerobics and step bench classes at the Northville Community Center continuously throughout the year. Classes are held daily.

For information regarding specific days and times call New Attitude Aerobics at 348-3120 or the Recreation Office at 349-0203.

**SCUBA:** Northville Parks and Recreation will be offering SCUBA instruction through Don's Dive Shop at the Northville High School pool. Classes are Mondays and/or Wednesdays from 6 to 10 p.m. and run for three or six weeks.

The fee is \$78 (non-resident fees apply). The class fee does not include equipment rental, handbook (approximately \$110), and open water training (approximately \$135). You must be a good swimmer to enroll in this class. Register at the Community Center, 303 W. Main Street.

**ADULT VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE:** Northville Parks and Recreation is offering a winter volleyball league for adults. Competitive leagues will be offered on Monday evenings and intermediate leagues on Wednesday evenings beginning in September.

The fee is \$160 per team. The non-residents' fee is \$15 per player. Applications are available in the Recreation Office, 303 W. Main Street.

The registration deadline is as soon as the league is filled. For more information contact the Recreation Department at 349-0203.

**WINTER REGISTRATION:** Winter registration for Northville Parks and Recreation programs will begin on Thursday, Jan. 4, 1996, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the Community Center, 303 W. Main Street.

After this date you may register during regular business hours, Monday-Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Northville Parks and Recreation accepts cash, personal checks, and Mastercard/Visa.

### NOTICE CITY OF NOVI REQUEST FOR SPECIAL USE PERMIT TUP95-034

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Scott Morrison, is requesting a temporary use permit to allow placement of a temporary construction trailer for Chrysler Plymouth/Jeep Eagle dealership, at 24315 Haggerty Road, for the period of January 2, 1996, through May 31, 1996.

A public hearing can be requested by any property owner of a structure located within 300 feet of the boundary of the property being considered for temporary use permit.

This request will be considered at 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 3, 1996, at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 Ten Mile Road. All written comments should be directed to the City of Novi Building Official and must be received prior to January 3, 1996 (12-28-95 NR, NN)

### CITY OF NOVI NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that there are upcoming vacancies on the Zoning Board of Appeals, Beautification Commission, Computer Advisory Committee, Economic Development Corporation, Election Commission, Housing and Community Development Advisory Committee, Board of Review, Construction Board of Appeals, Historical Commission, Planning Commission.

The Novi City Council has scheduled Thursday, January 11, 1996 as a special meeting to interview all candidates. Applications received by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, January 5, 1996 will be scheduled for an interview. All applications received after that date will be placed on the next interview session.

Applications are available from the offices of the City Clerk by calling 347-0456.

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### NOTICE CITY OF NOVI REQUEST FOR SPECIAL USE PERMIT TUP95-033

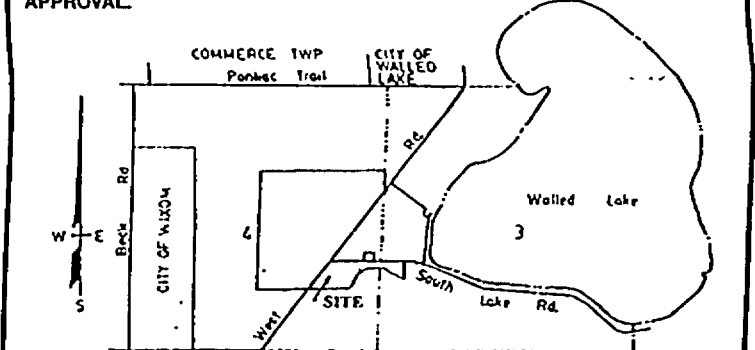
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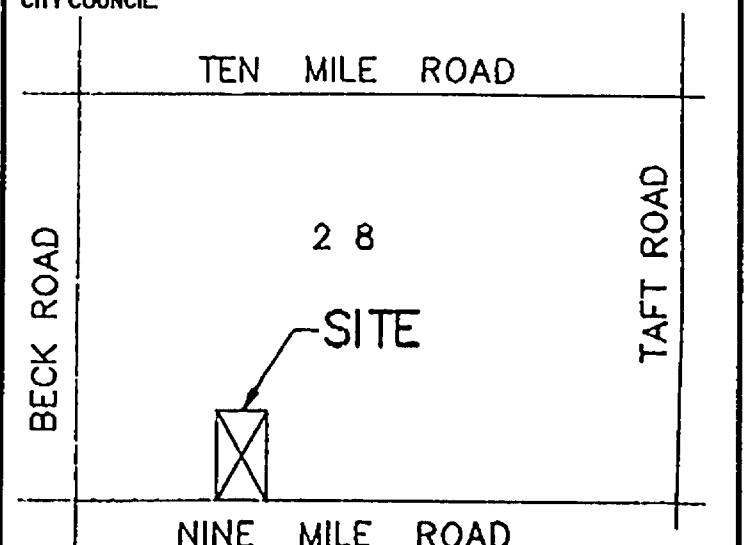
All interested persons are invited to attend. Verbal comments will be heard at the hearing and any written comments may be sent to the Department of Community Development, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375 until 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, January 3, 1996.

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All interested persons are invited to attend. Verbal comments will be heard at the hearing and any written comments may be sent to the Department of Community Development, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375 until 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, January 3, 1996.

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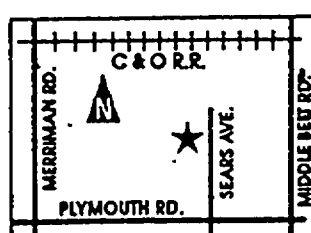
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# Couple of good guys have big plans for future

Before we get into the meat of this week's fun-filled frolic through Northville, there is one little Christmas item I'd like to mention.

Actually it's an announcement of sorts, one that I just couldn't pass up when I got the news. My good friend Charles Marshall, who provides me with at least six coffees each day at Caffé Bravo, won't be a bachelor much longer.

That's because he presented his girlfriend, Melanie, with a beautiful diamond engagement ring on Christmas day.

No big deal, you are probably saying to yourself, lots of people get engaged during the holiday season.

The reason I mention this wonderful event is twofold - first, I've grown fond of Charles and Mel since they took over the coffee shop, and second, because of that fondness I, and quite a few regular customers, have been badgering Charles for months to "get on with it" and ask Melanie "the question."

So on Christmas day, Charles bent to one knee and asked for Mel's hand.

She accepted, of course, and although the couple haven't officially set a date, they report the event will happen within the next year.

Congrats, Charles and Mel, keep me posted on the upcoming nuptials!

And while we're on the topic of weddings, Northville Township reporter Randy Coble is slated to tie the knot on ... oops, I should say tie the knot, this Saturday. Yours truly will be in attendance.

Randy's bride to be, Carolyn, said it's

## NORTHVILLE TALK OF THE WEEK

By Robert Jackson



my job to make sure he doesn't get "cold feet" - and if everything goes as planned, I'll have plenty to talk about in the new year's first column.

Congrats to Randy and Carolyn, on the biggest day of their lives.

**ALRIGHTY THEN:** Since this is the last newspaper of the year, I thought we might want to take a few moments and reflect on all of the people we've met in our travels during 1995.

It's also that time of year when I recap all of the high- and low-lights of our chatty little column.

So, I guess we'll just jump right in with the first ever **Best of Talk of the Week, 1995 Awards.**

Randy, the ballots please.

**Best Imitation of a Public Official** - This award has to go to none other than **Chuck Keys**. Chuck has been the butt of many jokes in the column the past seven months. He was the recipient of a pie in the face from Soupy Sales, was arrested by Police Detective Dave Fendeleit, and

was even an integral member of the CCODA Obsessive Support Group.

All in all, Chuck took the good-natured ribbing in stride, which is why he is my No. 1 pick in this category. Runner-up goes to the entire Board of Trustees of Northville Township.

**Most talked of Talk of the Week column** - There is a tie in this category. We got the most response from the "mother of all columns," the Victorian Festival Talk of the Week, and the installment in which we visited with Soupy Sales.

Both columns elicited the most reader response with lots of people phoning in their opinions and stopping me along my travels to tell me how much they enjoyed, or hated, both columns.

Runner up goes to the **Paul Follno** stolen election sign column (some people actually believed that Chuck Keys was arrested for stealing the signs), and the column in which I asked readers to rate the column, and some people mistakenly believed that I was going to cancel the weekly offering (man you want to talk about some upset folks).

**Most talked about item from a guest columnist** - This too, was a close one.

We've had a few guests provide topics of conversation in the column - From **Scott Dandel's** post-nuptial observations to **Randy Coble's** quest for a Harley Davidson (Randy's contributed quite a bit to our weekly offering) - but the one that got the most calls was **Angle Banks'** recent essay on prejudice.

Angle managed to provide a glimpse of what it is like being a special education student, and I got quite a few phone calls thanking the newspaper for publishing the essay.

Runner-up in this category ends up in the hands of Randy Coble, who admitted to all that he was going to beg for a small donation from the Sultan of Brunei.

**Worst tennis player on the face of the earth** - This award goes to **Northville Mayor Chris Johnson**, who purposely lost me a steak dinner when he settled for a "politically correct" tie in his match with **Township Supervisor Karen Baja**. Runner up in this category, of course, goes to **Karen Baja**.

**Most upsetting Talk of the Week** - There is absolutely no contest on this one. The most upsetting column belongs to that **sweet old lady**, whose identity I still have yet to figure out, that left me wracking my brains at the corner of Main and Center Streets.

Whoever you are, won't you please give me a call and put me out of my misery? Nothing came even close as far as irritating me the most so there is no runner up in this category.

**Most obnoxious kids featured in a column** - This award goes to the group of teens I talked with at a **Northville High School** football game. You remember, the ones who bluntly informed me that this column "sucked." They also wanted to rename the column "Reclining Minds."

There are no runners-up in this category, as the rest of the kids I mentioned

in the column weren't newspaper critics.

**Most mentioned in Talk of the Week** - Speaking of kids, our youth in Northville and Northville Township received the "lions share" of attention, on a weekly basis. In all, we mentioned more than 250 kids the past seven months (it's probably much more than that, I just got tired of counting all of the items).

We had kids receiving awards, kids helping their community, and kids just being kids.

The columns I most enjoyed writing featured kids, and I'm looking forward to publicizing more of their achievements in the future. Again, there is no runner up in this category.

**BEFORE I GO**, I'd like to close this week's column by thanking all of you who took the time to call with suggestions and input, write letters, and stop by the office to let me know what you thought of the column.

I have sincerely enjoyed rewarding people who give a tremendous amount of time to the community, honoring kids for all they do, and all that they are, and most of all, being able to provide a little bit of light humor to the newspaper.

Believe me, *Talk of the Week* is the most favorite part of my job, and it has given me tremendous insight into the community.

To all who made my job easy and enjoyable, thanks. I hope I can keep you informed and entertained throughout 1996.

## Hunger program distributes tons of food

The recently completed salmon distribution program operated as part of the Sportsmen Against Hunger program was extremely successful.

A total of 160,960 pounds - more than 80 tons - of salmon fillets were distributed to the state's needy by the Food Bank Council of Michigan and the Michigan Department of Corrections. This amounts to approximately 500,000 meals at three meals per pound, with a value of \$1,125,110 at the market price of \$6.99 per pound.

"This year's harvest of salmon and movement into the Sportsmen Against Hunger program greatly exceeded our expectations," said Todd Grischke, Michigan United Conservation Clubs (MUCC) fisheries biologist and coordinator of the program.

For the past nine years salmon and eggs have been collected at six weirs on Lake Michigan tributaries by Tempotech Industries of Hart under contract with the Michigan

Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and processed at the company's facilities. The DNR would take its share of the eggs for raising salmon at its hatcheries. Then Tempotech would sell the salmon and process the surplus eggs for caviar and fish bait.

Salmon die after spawning, and failure to use the excess fish would require the burial of tons of fish in landfills.

This year, however, with no contract in place, the DNR asked MUCC to become involved. MUCC agreed to coordinate the movement of excess fish from the weirs to the state's food bank. Department of Corrections labor also was used.

The Food Bank Council and the

Department of Corrections are pleased with the results.

"The program really made a nice addition to the diet of Michigan's people," said Jane Marshall, food bank council executive director. "Salmon is a good protein source."

The Sportsmen Against Hunger program is a cooperative effort between MUCC, Safari Club International, Michigan Bow Hunters, the United Methodist Men's Group, the DNR, and Ted Nugent's

World Bow Hunters.

"MUCC got involved in the program for the sole purpose of getting fish into the hands of the needy," Grischke said.

"We are very pleased with the outcome."

The contract for the 1996 distribution is unknown, Grischke added.

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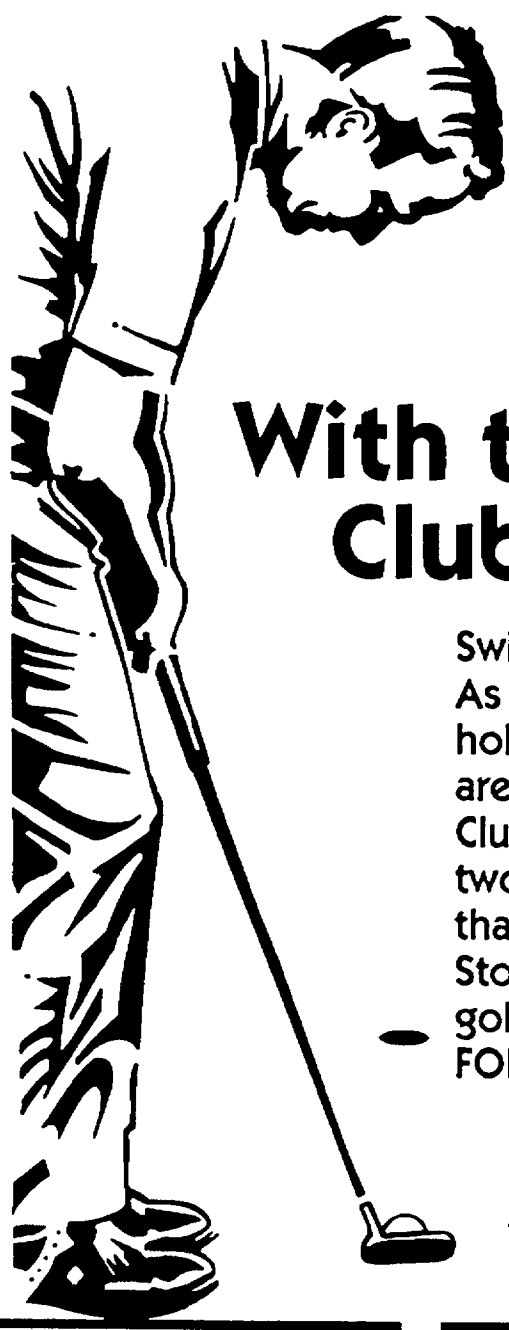
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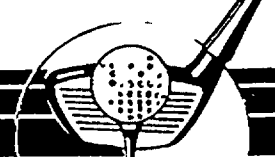
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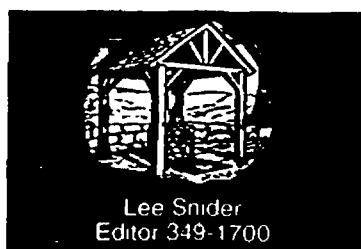
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## Our Opinion

### Downs' contribution under appreciated

If it wasn't obvious before to what extent Northville Downs has contributed to this community over the more than half century of the track's existence, it should be glaringly apparent now.

A series of articles appearing in last week's *Northville Record* attempted to place in perspective the race track's relevance to the city. What we found is that since Northville Downs opened in 1944 the city has collected some \$23.5 million more from the track than it has spent in the provision of public safety and other services.

In a city whose current annual budget barely tops the \$4 million mark, that's a lot of much-needed revenue.

City officials, prior to City Manager Gary Word's tenure, wildly inflated the costs of track-related expenses in reports they filed with the state, but that wasn't a serious deception. There's evidence that the state knowingly allowed cities to exaggerate costs on disclosure documents, and reckless estimating was apparently routine in all municipalities that play host to race tracks. Evidently, it took the hard-line approach of a fiscal conservative like John Engler to put an end to such practices.

What's really troublesome about recent developments concerning the track is the apparent ingratitude of people who have hastened to make contingency plans in the event the venerable institution folds.

It's common knowledge that many residents wish the track would pack up and take its clientele with it but there's more than mere grumbling going on here. Some time ago the city commissioned planning consultant Don Wortman to complete a study proposing possible alternative uses of



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the 50-acre track site. As councilman Chuck Keys, a vocal supporter of the track, has rightly pointed out, it's more than a little presumptuous to talk about building houses and offices on land that is neither up for sale nor the city's property to begin with.

There is wisdom, of course, in planning for a rainy day but it is difficult to avoid the conclusion that someone in Northville officialdom would be less than disappointed if horse racing lost its viability as an entertainment industry. Wortman's study suggests a lack of appreciation of the Downs' revenue picture by underestimating the amount of money the city gets in track-generated dollars each year.

The track pays property and personal taxes to the city, and the state returns hundreds of thousands of dollars to the city in shared pari-mutuel money. Yet the report only factors in the real estate taxes, resulting in a distorted assessment of the race track's real monetary value.

We're encouraged that Wortman has undertaken a second study and that race track representatives have been asked to participate.

For over half a century, Northville Downs' contribution to this community has been considerable. At a time when the track faces an uncertain future, it is incumbent upon a grateful community to offer support, not replacement alternatives.

## In the news in 1995 ...

It's time again for those endless retrospectives that won't let you forget anything that happened in the year just passed.



Lee Snider

Actually, though I'm a little skeptical about the practice of dividing history into artificial segments, I'm just as interested as anyone in a look back at the events of the previous 12-months.

Enter our annual Year in Review special sections, found this week inside your *Northville Record* and *Novi News* editions.

As always, a lot happened in our communities this year ... development plans, elections,

graduation, festivals.

And, though I feel a little funny taking pride in this, it's one mark of the community that there were no homicides to report in either Northville or Novi. Sad commentary, perhaps, when the absence of killing becomes something noteworthy but, unfortunately, that's the way it is in today's climate.

Highlights of the year in Northville include the reelection of Mayor Chris Johnson, important legislation to help Michigan race tracks compete for the wagering buck, another great Victorian weekend and interactive cable TV.

In Northville Township, unique and far-reaching development proposals dominated the headlines, capped off by a controversial concept involving the unusual pairing of a huge church and an upscale retail complex.

Northville students continued their fine performance

on the Michigan Education Assessment Program tests, but a high incidence of drug abuse at the high school remained a concern.

The Novi Community School District scored a long-range victory by gaining voter approval for a \$33.4 million bond request. The money raised from the sale of the bonds will be used to construct a new middle school and renovate existing buildings.

Novi planners continued making progress toward retrofitting the city with a downtown main street, but the city took time from its face-paced schedule to pause and mourn the death of popular councilman Tim Pope.

Though ours are relatively safe places in which to live and work, we are not insulated from lawlessness. In Northville Township, thieves and domestic abusers kept detectives busy, while an armed robbery at a shoe store in Novi - unusual even in that community where there are so many businesses - continues to elude investigators at the time of this writing.

People in the newspaper business are often criticized for exploiting the misfortune of others, but the best among us feel a special responsibility as chroniclers of everyday life. And the real attraction of community journalism is that there is an immediate link between the news and the people who make it.

I sometimes worry that our attempts to be pointed and dramatic in our articles may obscure the genuine affection we on staff at the *Record* and *News* feel toward our communities. It's tricky remaining detached enough to be objective yet involved enough to be caring, but it's a fine-line balance that's definitely worth pursuing.

Lee Snider is the editor of *The Northville Record* and *The Novi News*.

## Moments

By Bryan Mitchell



### Sea Star

The Living Science Foundation visited Orchard Hills Elementary School last week.

## Baja does best insisting developer keep his word

Kudos to Northville Township Supervisor Karen Baja for looking out for the community's best interests where details of the Ward Church plan are concerned.

The township board of trustees approved the concept earlier this year, calling for Ward, a shopping center and open space or recreational land to be built on a 140-acre parcel at the corner of Six Mile and Haggerty.

To gain township approval, Farmington Hills-based developer Grand/Sakwa Properties promised a number of amenities, including recreational facilities such as tennis courts, ball diamonds or soccer fields that would eventually be deeded to the township for public use. Everybody was happy until recently when problems developed.

To begin with, township officials say that Grand/Sakwa has been trying to back away from its commitment, scaling down the recreational facilities and claiming that both sides agreed to an

expense cap of \$50,000 for the project.

Second, soil testing of the five acres the company picked for what it did offer to build - two tennis courts and a "nature trail" - shows that much of the land is unbuildable, being either state-protected wetlands or situated on peat that's too soft to support even a soccer field.

The Parks & Rec Commission this month, at Baja's suggestion, decided to ask township officials to make sure that the developer doesn't get off too easily.

The commission requested that the company look into either finding an alternate parcel on the land or paying the cost of removing the peat and putting good soil in its place.

We're supportive of Grand/Sakwa and development in general but as the supervisor correctly pointed out the firm isn't doing anything out of the goodness of its heart. This is a business deal and both sides should treat it that way.

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Walter Payton and I have a lot in common.

Oh, sure, he's a multi-millionaire and one of the best guys to ever play football and I'm none of the above, but we're still sort of alike. We've both been smart enough to change our ways when it was time to do so: leaving pro ball in his case, getting married in mine.

Yes, friends and neighbors, you read that right: Ranbo walks the aisle - or the last mile, for all you cynics out there - this very Saturday. I've been fortunate enough to have won the hand of the beautiful, lovely, sweet, smart, sensitive, warm, passionate, tough, talented and bewitching Carolyn MacDermald and we all is agittin' hitched come Dec. 30.

In answer to everyone's question, no, I, James Randall Coble am NOT nervous. In point of fact, I'm pumped up about the whole deal because I happen to be desperately, helplessly, hopelessly, impossibly, incurably, irresolvably, unqualifiably in love.

Well, it's official. When I take two minutes to track down a pack of adverbs like that we can conclude that Randy has become exactly like all those saps he's had such a good time making fun of for lo these many years. What's even worse is that I don't mind: capital P, capital A, capital ETHIC.

What can I do, though? Happiness lies in my beloved bride's soft blue (see, boss, I remembered) eyes and

Mama Coble didn't raise no fool.

Oh, there I go being all touchy-feely again. Forgive me, Walter. I'll dig myself out of the hole with a sports metaphor.

Like me, Payton was lucky. Unlike a lot of athletes, he left football on his own terms - no blown-out knee some Sunday afternoon or an ego-crushing cut in training camp.

Instead, he saw that life was going to change and he embraced it, playing his final games amid the goodbye cheers of the fans that he'd given so much pleasure to over the years. In the end he found that life after the gridiron could be just as - or even more - worthwhile as what had come before.

I've had a helluva good time as a single guy and I'll always look back and grin at all the times I have had in that most glorious of games. However, the old Skipper up there calls us to change in life now and again, so I'm ready to hang it up and take on an even more exciting and fulfilling challenge.

Love is one of those things that can't really be explained or defined but must be experienced to be fully understood. If you've been there you know what I mean. If you don't I can't help you. All I can tell you is that I've found my partner, the somebody who's always going to be there to back me up no matter what. There are no comebacks from that. The nice part is that I don't want there to be any.

Raise my number to the rafters, troops, and when you speak of me, speak well. I'm officially retired.

Randy Coble is a hunka, hunka burnin' love as well as a staff writer for *The Northville Record*.



## Letters

# Don't rush to judgment on OLV plan

Your recent editorial was a first step in bringing some reason to an emotional situation. Thank you for your even handed treatment of the controversy surrounding Our Lady of Victory's expansion plans. As a member of the parish, but not a neighbor, I have listened and watched the situation with interest and would like to offer my observations.

Most times we have very little direct control concerning the environment which surrounds one's home after the immediate area is considered. For example, my home is within "earshot" of the State Police headquarters on Seven Mile Road. On a regular basis, I hear gunshots as the officers take target practice on the ground of the headquarters. They are preparing to defend themselves and others in the community from people who have chosen to reject morals.

I would much rather hear the sounds of children playing on a playground or people coming and going to church functions than the repetitive gun fire I hear when I open my windows on a warm day or as I walk through-out my neighborhood. But, we were not given a choice and the target range is a fact of life in my formerly tranquil neighborhood in Northville.

Under Father Porcari's leadership and the guidance of his staff, Our Lady of Victory has become a thriving faith community actively reaching out to others through Christian service.

Education in a Christian environment has become ever more important as morals and values are subjected to increasing degradation through mass media and consequent peer pressure. This fact is recognized by a growing number of young families who seek to educate their chil-

dren at Our Lady of Victory as one way to counter this trend. The facilities must grow to accommodate this need.

Furthermore, throughout the Northville community, schools are integral parts as many of the most sought after neighborhoods: Winchester Elementary, Meads Mill Middle School, Silver Spring Elementary, Fairlane Christian, and St. Paul's Lutheran are all located within residential neighborhoods or are surrounded by homes.

Thornton Creek, the newest district public school, was situated in an area where home prices start in the \$300,000 range. When families with children of school age look for homes, I believe it's common and desirable to locate near a school. This close proximity can actually enhance a home's value for the right buyers.

While I can empathize with the concerns of neighbors, your statement that plans are in their earliest, most preliminary stages was accurate. I urge all parties to withhold a rush to judgment and as they do so truly listen to one another so as to ensure a positive outcome for the entire Northville community.

Carolyn Brown

## Why not move historic house?

To the Editor:

With her holiday card a friend has sent letters to the editor, clipped from the Record of Oct. 12, 1995, and Oct. 26, 1995, written by Margie A. Davis, regarding OLV church plans to remove the "old Schrader House" at Orchard Dr. and Main Street.

Forgive me for thinking of it as the old Harper house since it was

constructed for the George Harper family, c 1925. (The Nelson Schraders were the third owners.) Thomas Moss was the architect and he worked closely with my parents, George and Helen Harper, in the design of the house and surrounding two and a half acre wooded site.

Pencil Points, a national architectural magazine, published an illustrated article citing the house as "One of the finest examples of Dutch Colonial design in America."

If it isn't too late, may I suggest the house and ground be designated "Historical" and possibly moved to Mill Race Village.

The surviving Harpers have pleasant memories of growing up in the Harper House.

Jim Harper

## Curmudgeon is on the mend

To the Editor:

Recently, I have been placed on long term disability after 30 years of enjoyable college teaching at Schoolcraft College. Naturally, this sudden change in my lifestyle is difficult because I miss all my friends in Northville, South Lyon, Plymouth, and a multitude of great professionals on our campus.

You might be curious about my activities. I am publishing satires in many newspapers, reading on legal issues, and trying to rehabilitate my heart with a vigorous program of exercise. I am the motel manager at my home where five young adults come and go, leech from Big Daddy's generosity, and babysit with my grandson who, at the age of two, makes the terrible-two period of his life look like a circus clown performing tricks just like our

representatives in Washington.

If I recover from my disabilities, Santa VanderMolen will return to the campus in a few years. I am gradually losing weight so in the new future I hope my friends will remember my date of birth before they joke about my girth.

Santa is currently residing at the North Pole near Muskegon. He drives his sleigh very carefully due to a plethora of phobias which prevent him from driving on the highway so he wants you to know he would love to visit the campus and his favorite eating establishments in Northville, but it will be a while before Santa can bring his gift of entertainment back to the campus.

Meanwhile, Santa would like to remind his students to keep up with the shenanigans of hornswoggling politicians by reading his editorials in this excellent newspaper. Watch the BIG EYE with the wisdom of Solomon because the reporters for this giant octopus are slithering into the minds of Big Eye junkies by presenting political correctness illusions.

All of my good friends at the Wagon Wheel and the Dandy Gander should enjoy a happy new year without drinking too much beer. Instead they should pretend they never puffed on the hemp plant just like our President and give deference to the egomaniacs who march in the new liberalism parade by crawling on their hands and knees when the band plays the merry tune of the tax and spend reactionaries in our Congress.

It might be wise if we would tar and feather such hornswogglers, place them on a diet of lower taxes, and remind them Christmas comes just once a year.

Larry D. VanderMolen, Ph.D.

# A good lawmaker gets badmouthed

If being called nasty names could hurt, state Rep. Deborah Whyman would be covered by a dung heap.

The second-term Republican from Canton Township is taking verbal abuse such as one rarely sees in the polite corridors of the State Capitol.

"She's a racist," Rep. Ed Vaughn, D-Detroit, told the *Michigan Chronicle*. "If she's not a racist, she certainly appears to be one."

She's trying to position herself as a force for "the racist far right. She's a participant in the dumbing down of America. She plays to dumb folks and blames the victims," Vaughn went on.

"The only plausible explanation for this rather astonishing proposal is race," said Robert Sedlar, a Wayne State University law professor.

"The minute we get any inkling that they're trying to take our court away, we'll use every legal resource to fight it," said Recorder's Judge Kuyam Worthly.

"I'm sick of these people coming into Detroit and telling us that we can't think for ourselves," said Geraldine Block, a retired Detroit teacher who uses the mail and talk radio to bash Whyman.

Now, Whyman votes with evangelicals like Alan Cropsey, Harold Voorhees and Jack Horton on school and abortion questions. But racist? Her desk is next to my press box

station, we chat a good bit, and I've yet to hear her whisper a racist comment.

In fact, those who make snide references to "these People" and "they" are the ones we should suspect of prejudging people on the basis of race.

A lady who's never shrill and who does her homework, Whyman is the sponsor of House Bill 4952 to consolidate Detroit Recorder's Court (with its criminal jurisdiction) into Wayne Circuit Court. If enacted, HB 4952 would correct one flaw in a pattern of flawed state laws - the tendency for Lansing to write one bill for Detroit and one for the rest of the state.

In the other 82 counties, circuit court handles all criminal cases, as well as divorces and civil suits worth more than \$10,000. Only Detroit has a separate criminal court.

Ann Arbor doesn't have a separate court from Washtenaw County; Flint isn't separate from Genesee County; ditto with the city of Saginaw and Saginaw County; ditto with Bay City and Bay County; ditto with Kalamazoo and Kalamazoo County; ditto with Grand Rapids and Kent County; ditto with Muskegon and Muskegon County; ditto with Midland and Midland County.

The Legislature made a big fat mistake when it created a separate court for Detroit, just as it erred when it created a separate class of school district for Detroit, and separate income tax provisions for Detroit, and separate dozens of other things for Detroit.

Detroit isn't unique. It's a city with about half the county's population. It has a large minority population. It's an old city. But it absolutely isn't unique, no way.

In the last decade, the Supreme Court has shifted jurisdiction of suburban criminal

cases out of Wayne Circuit Court and into Detroit Recorder's Court. A handful of circuit judges have been rotated onto the Recorder's bench to help out. But essentially we have an unfair situation.

If I were a black Detroit, I would raise an eyebrow if my neighbors were judged solely by white suburbanites. And Whyman's constituents raise an eyebrow at having their criminal cases judged in Detroit Recorder's Court. Suburbanites have feelings, too, you know.

Since Whyman's bill hit the Judiciary Committee - with a ton of co-sponsors - the Supreme Court has changed the rules and ordered suburban Wayne County criminal cases back into circuit court. So is HB 4952 even necessary? Absolutely, because the Supreme Court could change the rules again.

In my estimation, Whyman's bill has a single shortcoming that could be remedied easily. It should provide for electing circuit judges from three districts - one for the east side suburbs, the second for Detroit, Highland Park and Hamtramck, the third for the western and downriver suburbs.

Black Detroiters don't want to see their voting strength diluted by a countywide election.

We all appreciate that view. Whyman's research shows that fair numbers of blacks have been elected to Wayne Probate Court and to countywide posts (Clerk Teola Hunter, former Sheriff and Executive William Lucas). But she tells me she would have no problem with the idea of election districts.

It's too bad she has had to take all that abuse.

Tim Richard reports on the local implications of state and regional events.



Tim Richard

# Don't be deceived by strength of frozen ponds

Due to unseasonably cold weather in Michigan during the past few weeks, many bodies of water are now covered with ice, but this ice may not be thick enough to support a person's weight. Those planning to go out on the ice are advised to use caution.

The unusually cold November and early December weather was accompanied by heavy snowfall in many areas of the state, creating ice-covered bodies of water with slushy snow on top. Heavy snow cover insulates ice and prevents it from freezing as evenly and as quickly as it would without the snow cover. Snow cover is also deceptive and makes it difficult to evaluate the ice.

Specific bodies of water can also pose a safety consideration. In Saginaw Bay, for example, pressure cracks in the ice have been reported in recent weeks. Pressure cracks are common hazards on ice cover along the bays of the Great Lakes.

Wind and wave action in the open waters far offshore cause movement of the ice which results in large cracks, some of which run for miles across the

ice. Combined with windy conditions, pressure cracks can set large "sheets" of ice adrift, along with any anglers who may be on them.

In addition, ships moving through Saginaw Bay break the surrounding ice and create areas of open water, making adjacent ice sheets unstable.

Many ice anglers ask the question, "How thick is the ice?" when evaluating whether or not to venture out. Relying simply on the thickness of the ice is dangerous because the quality of ice varies greatly from one body of water to another. Recent weather conditions can affect how solidly the ice freezes, or whether it has been weakened by repeated thawing and freezing. The size of the body of water is also important: ice will form far more rapidly on a small, shallow farm pond than it will on a river, deep inland lake, or bay of the Great Lakes.

Here are some useful tips and safety guidelines for walking or fishing on ice:

Before venturing out on the ice, check with local sources such as bait and tackle shops for

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the most up-to-date information on ice conditions.

Don't go out alone. Let someone know where your group will be and when you plan to return.

Be especially cautious early and late in the winter season when ice thickness is unpredictable due to temperature fluctuations.

Be especially wary of river ice, as it can be highly variable in thickness due to the erosive action of the underlying river current. Also avoid ice formed over flowing water near shore, around inlets and outlets of streams, or on lakes with springs.

Avoid aeration devices, such as warmwater bubblers used near marinas.

Stay away from structures, docks or piling in the ice.

Wear a personal flotation device. Also, carry a couple of large nails and a length of nylon

rope. If you should go through the ice, the nails could help provide a grip on the slippery surface and aid in getting out.

If you do break through the ice, try not to panic. Remember to turn toward the direction you came from - toward the ice that supported you. Use the nails or your hands to gain a hold on the unbroken surface of the ice and advance by kicking your feet.

Once you are out of the water and are lying on the ice, don't stand. Roll away from the point where you broke through until you are on solid ice.

If you see someone fall through the ice, do not run toward the person. Carefully extend a rope, ladder, pole or line to the victim.

Children should always be supervised when on ice.

Respecting ice covered waters and taking these simple safety precautions can help to prevent ice-related accidents.

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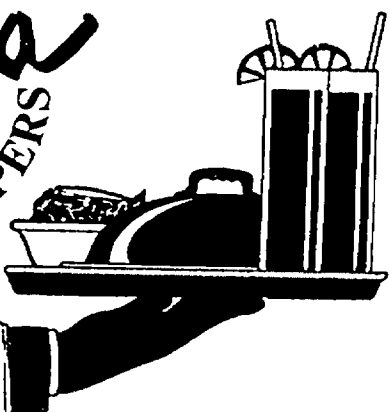
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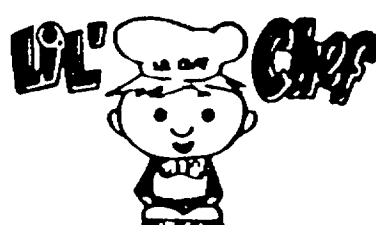
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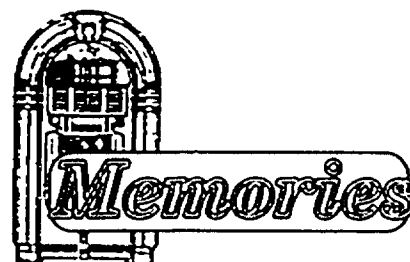
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# Laws would stiffen juvenile crime penalties

By TIM RICHARD  
Staff Writer

Juveniles who commit violent crimes could face adult sentences and a tough youth prison under a package of bills passed by the Michigan Senate and sent to the House.

Most had unanimous bipartisan support. Democrats balked at a few bills involving privatization of prison operations.

"Punishments should fit the type of crimes," said Sen. Michael Bouchard, R-Birmingham, a former police officer and current chair of the Legislature's Law Enforcement Caucus.

Bouchard recalled how "Young Boys Inc." deliberately recruited juveniles "for drugs and violence with the full knowledge that, if they were caught, punishments would be light." The bills affect

youngsters ages 14-16.

The chief architect of the 16-bill package was Judiciary Committee chair William VanRegenmorter, R-Jenison.

"There are two groups of crimes," VanRegenmorter said.

"Group A is three crimes - first and second degree murder and first-degree rape. The juvenile can be sentenced like an adult.

"Group B is seven other violent crimes. The bills presume that the public interest is best served by giving the juvenile an adult prison term. If the judge can show by the preponderance of evidence that it's better to sentence him to the juve-

nile system, the judge may do so.

"Some juveniles are so dangerous that they have to be put away," said VanRegenmorter, citing stories of increasingly violent juvenile crimes.

Democrats Gary Peters of Bloomfield Township, Alma Wheeler Smith of Salem and Joe Young Jr. of Detroit objected to parts of specific bills.

Peters criticized building a prison for 724 juveniles. "Research shows that large institutions don't have programs and don't reduce recidivism. This bill raises the cap (on prison population) from 450 to 1,000. If you put them all in one

big warehouse, you're getting a poor return for your money."

Peters said there's room for privatizing prison food service but disliked giving prison administration - including awarding of merits and extending of sentences - to a private company.

Sen. Robert Geake, R-Northville, said a Pennsylvania institution for tough delinquents had a population of more than 800 and produced good results.

"A blanket statement - that large institutions don't rehabilitate - just isn't borne out by the facts. This is new, very experimental. There's no reason not to privatize.

Let's give this a try."

Added Bouchard: "I support privatization. Corrections is the fastest growing part of the budget."

That bill (SB 681), to provide for a special youth correctional facility, passed 25-11, with only Democrats dissenting.

Peters voted for the juvenile sentencing bill, which passed 35-0, but said more than tough sentences are needed. "Tough sentence are fine, but we need to deal with root causes. I spend most of the summer riding with police, raiding a crack house where four young children sat in a roach-infested house watching TV. The

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-Sen. William VanRegenmorter  
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adults were high or passed out. The kids were sent to Children's Village."


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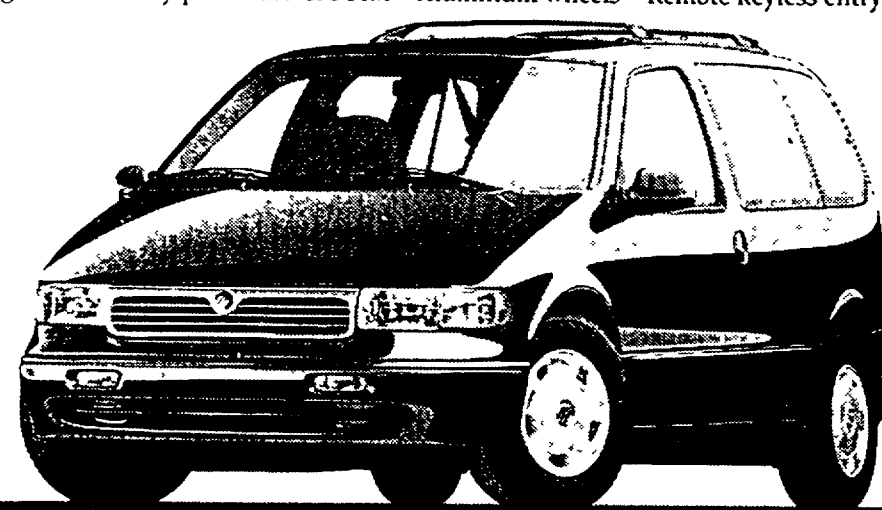
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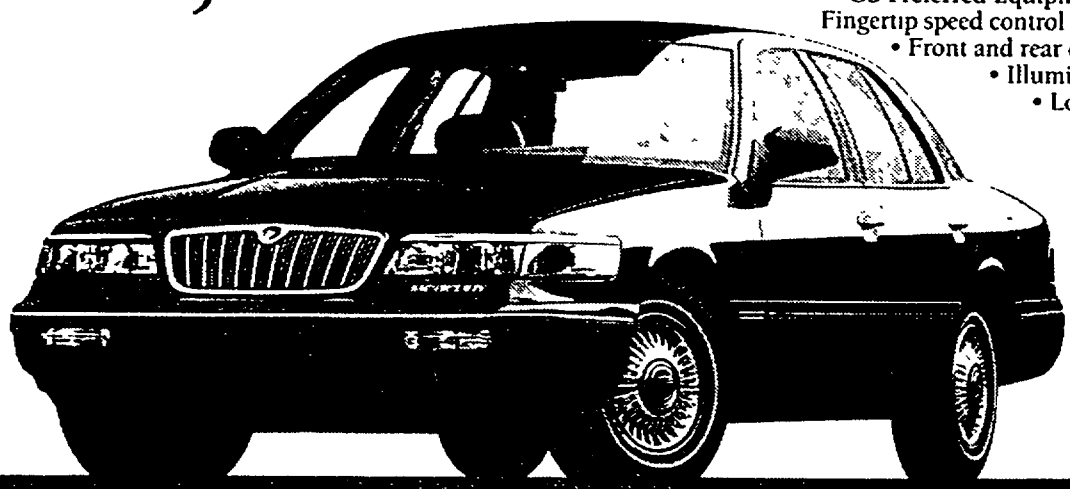
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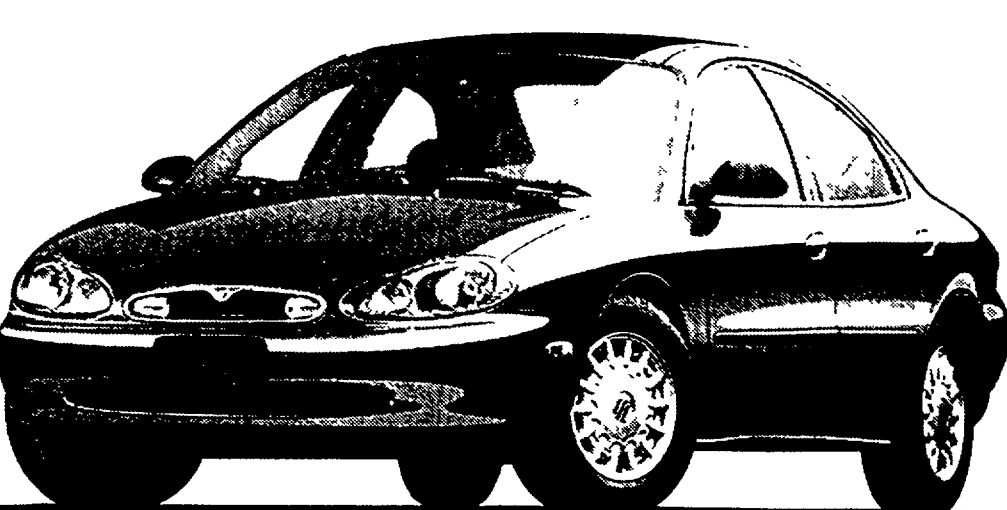
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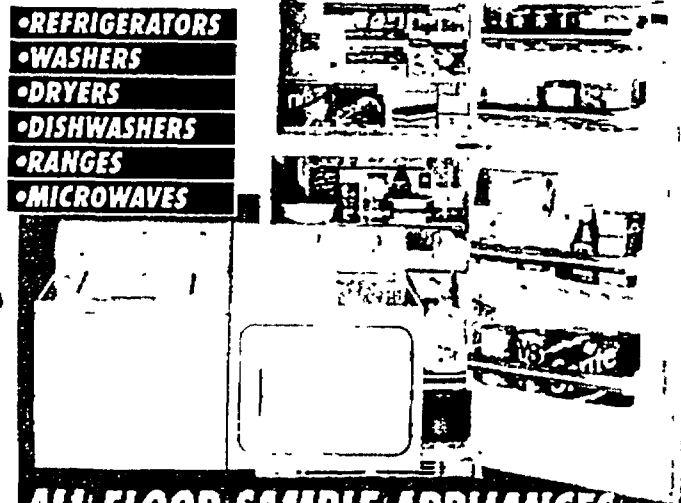
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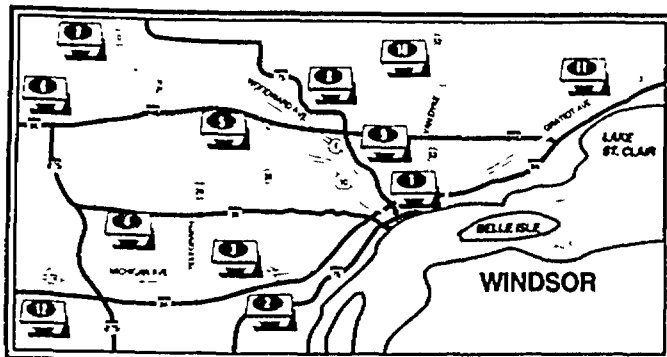
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THURSDAY  
December 28, 1995

## Don't let New Year's become an ARRESTING DEVELOPMENT



## Toast...but don't tie one on during the celebration

By CAROL WORKENS  
Staff Writer

Not everyone will be toasting the New Year with alcoholic beverages. But for those that do, moderation, food and a free ride home are things to remember to help ensure a safe evening.

The designated driver program which is sponsored by Miller Brewing Co., will be in effect on New Year's Eve just as it is every night of the year at Woolly Bullys in Northville Township, according to owner Mark Roman.

Customers who have taken on the responsibility to be the designated drivers wear yellow wrist bands and can order Shurps beer, non-alcoholic

drinks, pop, juice, coffee, tea, chips and peanuts free, as long as they are with at least one person who is drinking alcohol.

"It is a small investment to ensure that everyone gets home safe," Roman said.

Other places may charge for the first coffee or pop, but rebills are often free.

Depending on the policy of the establishment, those who imbibe to excess may have their car keys taken away or may be forced to take a cab, called and paid for by the business owner.

On occasion, the staff and owners of some establishments have been known to drive customers home if

necessary.

MADD has mailed to bars in Oakland, Wayne and Macomb counties Project LifeRide flyers which they are asking the establishments to post. Project LifeRide offers free cab rides home to those unable to drive safely. The toll free number between 9 p.m. and 5 a.m. on New Year's Eve is (1-800) 696-6233 for a free cab ride home.

To help ensure a safe New Year's Eve, area taverns and bars pay attention to the alcohol consumption of their customers.

And they are not afraid to tell a customer when they need to think about slowing down or stopping.

"Bartenders slow people down and

will give them soda for a while," said Nancy Town, day manager at Timbers Seafood and Grill in Novi. "Most people if they are that bad don't notice."

The customer is told to slow down for a while, according to Town, and is brought some appetizers, which they are not charged for.

"When someone is cut off, he or she is pointed out to the rest of the staff," Diane Kirby, day bartender at Mr. B's Farm in Novi said. "We work together as a group real well here."

At Woolly Bullys, the managers get involved on the floor to make evaluations about a person's sobriety or lack thereof.

Although New Year's Eve is a big night for champagne, most people

stick to their regular drinks, according to Town, with women choosing champagne more often than men.

At Woolly Bullys one of the most frequently ordered drinks is the Woolly Coffee.

"We keep the secret close to the vest," said Roman of the recipe, but he did hint that the mixture is similar to Spanish coffee with a few extra ingredients.

"Foo Foo" concoctions are specialty drinks that take a little longer to make and are usually asked for by non-regular drinkers, according to Kirby.

"The real drinkers will drink what they usually drink anyway," Kirby said.

### PROJECT LIFERIDE

For those who sip a little too much champagne, toast a few too many traditions, and continue to imbibe when they should be in bed on New Year's Eve, there's help.

For the 13th year, Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) will operate Project LifeRide, which offers those who have consumed more than the allowable limits of alcohol a safe ride home.

About 70 volunteers, staff and board members will be working on two shifts from 9 p.m. until 5 a.m. on New Year's Eve, routing calls to area cab companies that pick up the caller and give them a free ride home.

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The toll free number for a free cab ride home, (1-800) 696-6233, is only operational between 9 p.m. and 5 a.m. on New Year's Eve.

The program is sponsored by radio station WOMC 104.3, Nordhaus Research and American Telecom of Michigan Corp.

"In 1994 we provided 542 free cab rides to 1,115 people," said Elaine Best, MADD secretary. "The later it gets in the evening, about 1 a.m., the longer the wait for a cab."

Various area companies will provide food and non-alcoholic beverages to the volunteers who are manning the phones for the evening.

Anyone interested in working on New Year's Eve 1996 can call MADD at (810) 623-6233 after Jan. 5.

### FROM THE POLICE POINT OF VIEW

"A lot of it depends on your body weight and other things," said Northville Police Captain James Petres. "Your body will eliminate one drink per hour so if drinking is kept it down to that, most people should be OK."

Petres stresses that if you are the designated driver, don't drink. If you are drinking, call a cab or MADD at (1-800) 696-6233. They will provide a free cab ride home.

"Most people are aware of the problem and use a little common sense," he said. "It is not as big a problem as it used to be on New Year's Eve."

The alcohol level for driving a vehicle while impaired is .08 to .10. Above .10 is considered under the influence. A lower level of .01 is used for drivers of commercial vehicles.

Individuals who are pulled over and are found to have had too much to drink will be arrested, given a chemical test and jailed till sober. Penalties vary depending on the charge and previous convictions, according to Captain Petres, but everyone who is arrested has to appear in court.

### TIPS FOR SAFE DRINKING

Eat well to moderate the affects of alcohol.

—Diane Kirby  
Day bartender  
Mr. B's Farm

Don't start drinking on an empty stomach.

—Mark Roman  
Owner  
Woolly Bullys

Slow down for a while and eat appetizers.

—Nancy Town  
Day manager  
Timbers Seafood and Grill

Continue to eat appetizers that are high in starch throughout the evening such as potato skins, breads, cheeses, etc. They absorb alcohol.

—Mark Roman

Your body will eliminate one drink per hour so if drinking is kept to that pace, most people should be all right.

—Capt. James Petres  
Northville City Police

## In Our Town

## Designer to discuss renovation



Carol Workens

"Living Space and Design" renovation will be a Kathryn Pettler's topic at the Northville Women's Club.

Meeting at 1:30 p.m. on Friday Jan. 5 at the First Presbyterian Church in downtown Northville. Guests are invited to this meeting which is being chaired by Jennifer Paceo and Karen Poulos. If you are interested in attending contact a Northville Women's Club member.

Pettler will discuss renovation ideas with pictures from the Spring 1995 *Better Homes and Gardens* Kitchen and Bath Ideas magazine which featured Pettler's own home in this issue. Pettler is a space planner and interior designer with 17 years experience. A graduate of the School of Art, she has an extensive background in design as well as corporate planning and has

designed everything from pharmacies to law libraries. In 1990 she began the project of planning the kitchen renovation of her own 100 year old Queen Anne home in Northville. Planning and construction took over a year but resulted in the award winning design which was featured in last spring's magazine.

## Celebration is open to former members

A special service will be held at Redford Lutheran Church 22159 Grand Rav Avenue, Detroit, celebrating 75 years of grace. The event will take place January 21, 1996 at 10:30 a.m. This service of praise and thanksgiving will have the Reverend Carl E. Mehl, former Pastor of Redford Lutheran Church as guest speaker. Following the Holy Communion service a luncheon buffet will be held in the Messer Hall at 1 p.m. Preparations for guests will be by reservation. Reservations for the luncheon must be received by Jan. 18.

To make a reservation, call the church office at (313) 535-3733. There will be a program of enter-

tainment and reminiscing with present and former congregation members.

## Bridge club continues as profitable fund raiser

Marathon Bridge has been one of the Northville Mother's Club's popular fund raisers for many years. This year a group has found over 150 participants.

Participants pay a nominal fee to join a group. Each month from September to May, a couple takes turns playing with a different couple in their group. At the end of the season the scores are tabulated and cash prizes are awarded to the top three couples in each group. Funds raised in excess of expenses are used by Mothers Club to benefit the Northville public school children. Northville Parks and Recreation program and the drug program.

Currently there are eight groups which include four ladies day groups, three ladies evening groups and one couples evening group. Each group has 20 players. The first place winning couples for the 1994-1995 season were Colleen McCormick and Lonna Lemmon. Nancy Graybiel and

Carol Munerance. Betty Greenlee and Dorothy Harshorne. Leslie Ryder and Nancy Graybiel. Carolyn Ayres and Mary Ann DeMatia. Betty Kaler and Mary Pat Kaminski. Nancy Trabin and Karen Wesley and Leonard and Mary Pat Kaminski.

Marathon Bridge raised \$750 last year for public school children Northville Parks and Recreation program and the school's drug program.

Marathon Bridge group is open to participants first and then to the public.

New groups are formed each August. Anyone interested in joining a group for the 1996-97 school year should contact Phyllis Hecker at 349-0282.

Once all groups are full waiting lists for day, evening or couples are formed. When there is enough interest to start a new group of 20 individuals a new group would be formed.

If you have story ideas, accomplishments, awards, trips, etc. you would like to share with your neighbors and friends in Northville, call Carol Workens at 349-1700 or write The Northville Record, 104 W. Main Street, Northville, MI 48167.

## School News

## Cooke Middle School

Cooke students, PTSA, and staff extend our best wishes for the holidays to the community.

This month the choir program, under the direction of Mrs. Vicki Abodey, put our building into the holiday spirit with their choral program which was held on Dec. 12.

This program also marked the kick-off of the "Parents and Friends of the Performing Arts at Cooke" program. This program is designed to encourage families and businesses to make donations to enable the Cooke Choir to purchase performing ensembles (shirts, vests and ties in school colors) to be worn by choir members when publicly performing and at competitions. All levels of support are welcomed and are tax deductible.

If you would like to participate or need further information contact Mrs. Abodey at 477-4475. Your contributions will be "musical to our ears."

Upcoming Junior Enrichment Series programs at Cooke include: Jan. 24 Chemistry and the World We Live In. March 14 Shakespeare for Kids. March 19 Birds of Prey and May 21 Civil War Musicians of 1865.

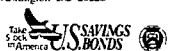
The following students were "Caught Being Good": Gaston Desira Travis Reeves Kelly Anderson Sarah Hardcastle Mike Melonia Tom Snyder and Doug Smith.

The following students are "Citizens of the Month": 6th Grade - Aaron Gallogly. Trace Evans and Laura Sheppard. 7th Grade - Lauren McCauland. Ashley Pysenko and Gina Apple. 8th Grade - Ellen Klein John Shandilis and Shawn Martin.

The next PTSA meeting will be held on Thursday, Jan. 4 at 9:30 a.m. in the Cooke Media Center.

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## CHURCH DIRECTORY

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<b>WALLED LAKE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH</b> 301 E. River Road (between Ford and American fork off Ford on 1st Rd) Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study 11:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study 11:30 a.m. Nursery Available All Welcome	<b>FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE</b> 200 E. Main St., Northville (between Grand River and 1st St.) Office: 349-0311 Rev. James Russell, Minister of Evangelism & Spirituality Rev. James Russell, Minister of Music & Church School
<b>ST. JOHN LUTHERAN FARMINGTON HILLS</b> 3225 Gil Road (between Grand River & Freedom) Worship of 8:30, 10:00 a.m. (Sunday) Church School 9:30 a.m. Pastor: David G. Givens (313) 474-0551	<b>OUR LADY OF VICTORY CATHOLIC CHURCH</b> 4500 W. 11 Mile (between 11 Mile & 12 Mile) Sunday 7:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Church School 9:30 a.m. Religious Education 349-2569
<b>GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH</b> 9 Mile & Macomb Road Wisconsin St. Lutheran (old) Sunday Worship 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. David A. Gundersen, Pastor 349-0566 9 Mile and Grand River & 1st St. West, Northville. Welcome Service	<b>FIRST APOSTOLIC LUTHERAN CHURCH</b> 25250 Grand River Rd. 11 Mile (between 11 Mile & 12 Mile) Sunday 7:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Also First and Third Sunday at 7:00 p.m. Pastor: David Givens Song Service: Last Sunday of month 7:30 p.m.
<b>FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST SCIENTIST</b> 1100 W. Ann Arbor Road Plymouth, Michigan Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Wednesday Meeting 7:30 p.m.	<b>ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN MISSOURI SYNOD</b> High & 1st Street, Northville Church School 9:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Sunday School 9:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Pastor: David Givens
<b>NORTHVILLE CHRISTIAN ASSEMBLY</b> 1150 S. 24th St. Sunday Worship 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Pastor: David Givens Pastor: David Givens Pastor: David Givens Pastor: David Givens	<b>FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE</b> 23450 Northville Road (off 11 Mile) Between 11 Mile & 12 Mile Sunday 7:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Pastor: David Givens
<b>NOVI UNITED METHODIST CHURCH</b> 41571 W. Van Meter Road Novi, Michigan 48240 Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m. Pastor: David Givens Pastor: David Givens Pastor: David Givens	<b>ORCHARD HILLS BAPTIST CHURCH, SBC</b> 23450 Northville Road (off 11 Mile) Between 11 Mile & 12 Mile Sunday 7:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Pastor: David Givens
<b>MEADOWBROOK CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH</b> 21355 Meadowbrook Rd. off of 8 Mile Morning Worship 10:30 a.m. Church School 9:30 a.m. Pastor: David Givens	<b>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH NOVI</b> 45201 11 Mile at 24th St. Home Church School 9:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Pastor: David Givens
<b>CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS EPISCOPAL</b> 10 Mile between Van & Back, Novi Phone 349-1153 Sunday 7:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Sunday 11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist 11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist & Nursery	<b>NEW HORIZON COMMUNITY CHURCH</b> Ministry of Gospel/Creative Theatrics Northville Campus Sunday Service 10:10-11:15 a.m. Music Ministry Pastor 305-8702 A new church with a fresh approach
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<b>ST. JAMES ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH NOVI</b> 45350 11 Mile 8 Mile & 11 Mile Sunday 7:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Pastor: David Givens	<b>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE</b> 2171 W. Main St. Sunday Worship 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Pastor: David Givens
<b>CHURCH OF THE HOLY FAMILY</b> 24200 Woodchuck Rd. off 11 Mile Between 11 Mile & 12 Mile Sunday 7:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Pastor: David Givens	<b>FIRST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE</b> 21200 Woodchuck Rd. off 11 Mile Between 11 Mile & 12 Mile Sunday 7:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Pastor: David Givens
<b>VICTORY LUTHERAN CHURCH (MISSOURI SYNOD) NOVI/MEADOWS SCHOOL</b> On 24th St. near 11 Mile Road Sunday 7:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Pastor: David Givens	<b>SPIRIT OF CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH E.C.A.</b> Ten Mile between Hagerty and 11 Mile Sunday 7:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Pastor: David Givens
<b>NEW LIFE LUTHERAN CHURCH-ELCA</b> Sunday worship 8 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Youth & Adult Education 9 a.m. at the Masonic Temple on the square in downtown Northville Pastor: David Givens	<b>For information regarding rates for church listings call The Northville Record or Novi News 349-1700</b>

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## On Campus

Northville residents **CORBIN C. BATES** and **MARY LOUISE LYNCH** were honored at the Washtenaw Community College Winter Honors Convocation on Dec. 7.

The students earned a grade point average of 3.7 or better and accumulated at least 15 credit hours while attending WCC part-time. The students earned the honors while enrolled for three consecutive semesters between January 1994 and May 1995.

Albion College junior **JEFFREY M. SCHRODER** has been elected to the Student Senate at Albion College. Majoring in economics and management and political science, Schroder is the son of Michael and Annie Schroder of Northville and a graduate of Northville High School.

The Senate is the official voice of the students and the disbursing officer of the students' activity fee. Much of the Senate's work is done in four standing committees: Campus Relations, Faculty and Academic Affairs, Financial Affairs and Student Affairs.

Albion College is a private, co-educational, liberal arts college located in the southeastern part of the same name.

Albion College junior **STEVEN J. QUARTERMAN** serves as the promotions director for the college's radio station, WLBN.

WLBN is managed and run by students and is available to the college dormitories only. WLBN disc jockeys are on the air from noon to 2 a.m. Monday through Saturday.

Quarterman is majoring in biology. He is the son of William and Gilberta Quarterman of Northville.

Albion College student **KRISTINE ARNOLD** participated in Emerging Leaders, a seminar sponsored by the Sleight Leadership Program, during the 1995 fall semester.

Arnold, a junior majoring in biology, is the daughter of Eric and Susan Arnold of Northville and a graduate of Northville High School.

Emerging Leaders is a seminar for first-year students, designed to provide an understanding of campus and local communities and develop leadership skills.

Issues discussed in the seminar include student activism, leadership styles and preference, situation leadership, community service and decision making.

The Sleight Leadership Program was founded by Albion College alumni Norman, Justin, and Marjorie Sleight and Alethea Sleight.

Who's Who Among American High School Students is the largest high school recognition publication in the country. Selection is made by high school principals, guidance counselors, churches, youth groups, and educational organizations and is based on the student's academic achievement and involvement in activities. Students have a grade point average of B or better.

Students selected from Northville are: Nicole V. Accioli, Angela Barber, Breanna Bartholomew, Kevin D. Becker, Jamie B. Belanger, Natasha Berlin, Michael T. Carolan, Michael Clancy, Lisa A. Cousineau, Carolyn E. Dalziel, Nikole Ebel, Charles D. Fan, Jaime J. Farah, Lindsay Ferguson, Jodi Fischer, Karoline Formella, Michelle D. Good, Patrick M. Gordon, Angle Groves, Kara L. Guminski, Tari Hafce, Amanda Hallberg, Jill Heathcock, Kevin Helms, Kyle E. Hitchcock, Rhanna R. Horan, Kelly Hoskin, Katherine Johnson, Matthew R. Jones and Colleen Klinger.

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## Singles

**SINGLE PLACE**, an adult ministry for single people, meets at the First Presbyterian Church of Northville Sunday at 9:45 a.m. for a Sunday morning gathering, followed by a worship service at 11 a.m. and brunch at Northville Crossing at 12:30 p.m.

On the sports scene, there is volleyball on Jan. 12 and 26 from 9 to 10:30 p.m. at the Northville Rec Center, 303 W. Main Street. The cost is \$4.

Bowling evenings will be Jan. 5 and 19 at 8:30 p.m. at Novi Bowl on Novi Road between Eight and Nine Mile roads.

The Single Place group will head off to the slopes Jan. 26 through 28. Call 349-0911 for cost and information.

A Divorce Recovery Workshop will begin on Jan. 11 and run through Feb. 22 from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. in the Library Lounge of the church. The cost is \$30. Scholarships are available. See Jim Russell for information.

Topics to be discussed include Networking, Stages of Grief, Legal Aspects of Divorce, Helping Children through Divorce, Church and Divorce, Passage of Divorce and Relationships Old and New.

On Wednesday at 6 p.m. the group will meet at Sundowner for dinner. On Jan. 3, Single Place presents Communication Skills with Luan Jackson at 7:30 p.m. Cost is \$4. On Jan. 6 a Chili Supper begins at 7 p.m.

"How to Argue and Win Every Time" will be David Blake's presentation on three Thursday evenings, Jan. 11, 18 and 25 at 7:30 p.m. The cost is \$28 for the series.

The Single Place New Year's Eve Party will be at Getzie's of Northville and includes cold cuts, hors d'oeuvres and sandwiches. A DJ will provide music for dancing. Reservations must be made by Dec. 30. Cost is \$20 if bought prior to Dec. 29. After Dec. 29, cost is \$23.

For further information about any of the Single Place programs or to register, call 349-0911.

**HOLY FAMILY SINGLES** is a group for separated, divorced, widowed or never-been-married persons. For more information, call the Church of the Holy Family, 349-8847.

All St. James singles are welcome to join a new activities group, **ST. JAMES SINGLES**. For more information, call the church at 347-7778.

**SINGLE POINT MINISTRIES** offers a unique opportunity to join more than 500 persons of varied backgrounds in a class about Jesus Christ.

The group meets at 10:45 a.m. each Sunday in Knox Hall of Ward Presbyterian Church, 17000 Farmington Road, on the corner of Six Mile in Livonia. The Rev. Paul Clough will lead with scripture messages relevant to single living.

"Talk It Over" is held on the second and fourth Fridays of each month in Knox Hall.

Those interested in subbing for a bowling league at Fleeta Lanes in Westland on Ford Road east of I-275 can call (810) 669-2259.

For further information about Single Point Ministries call (313) 422-1854.

**FARMINGTON SINGLE PROFESSIONALS** is a non-profit group for singles ages 25-40 who share common interests and want to form new friendships. Membership is not limited to the Farmington area. The group participates in over 200 activities per year.

A Ski-The-Soo Ski Trip is scheduled for Feb. 16 to 19. Reservation and deposit are due now. Downhill skiers will go to Searchmont. Cross country skiers will ski at Stokley's.

For more information about Farmington Single Professionals call the FSP hot line at (810) 851-9909.

**EXPRESSIONS**, an adult discussion group, meets from 7:30 to 11 p.m. on the second and fourth Fridays of each month at First Unitarian Universalist Church, 1917 Washtenaw in Ann Arbor. The program is not church-affiliated. The group is open to those ages 21 and older.

For more information, call (313) 930-6361. Admission is \$5.25 and includes refreshments.

Send Singles information to The Northville Record and The Novi News, 104 W. Main St., Northville, MI 48167.

# Politically active Cooke student takes first place in competition

By CAROL WORKENS  
Staff Writer

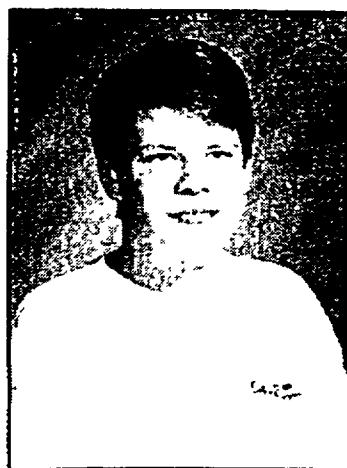
Adam Jones walked away with a first place finish at the statewide Michigan Interscholastic Forensic Association competition held in Ann Arbor on Dec. 16.

Adam, an eighth grade student at Cooke Middle School, chose as his subject in the oratory category emotional intelligence.

Another Cooke Middle School eighth grade student, Jennifer Simpson, received a fourth place award for her oratory on baseball and how the fans should support the players.

"I like to speak in public," Adam said of the reason he joined the Forensic club three years ago. "One day I would like to be in politics and I thought that would be a great way to go about it."

Students are responsible for the subject of their speech, which they



Adam Jones

gives on a weekly basis.

Forensic coach, Cheryl Gibbs, who is also an English teacher at

Cooke, helps students edit their work and make it more concise.

"All the different points (or subjects) have to be short and to the point and there have to be breaks between each point," he said. "There should be an opinion or topic followed by an example."

Jones wrote his oratory on emotional intelligence in October. An oratory is between five and eight minutes in length.

The club has about 10 students in grades six, seven and eight and meets after school.

Students Adam and Jennifer competed against those from Romeo and Detroit Country Day, whose forensic classes are part of the curriculum electives, the Grayling Schools and West Bloomfield Schools.

Other topics Adam has chosen include collecting autographs, responsibility, and informative

speeches on defeat as topics.

This is the third time Adam has competed at the Michigan Interscholastic Forensic Association competition. Last year he placed fifth.

Categories in the competition include oratory, story telling, dramatic interpretation, extemporaneous impromptu, informative, dual interpretation, multiple interpretation, prose interpretation and poetry interpretation.

Adam is the son of Northville residents Jim and Cheryl Jones.

Adam's other interests include collecting autographs of politicians and being involved in political campaigns, such as that of Bob Dole.

"Politicians can change the way things are done and hopefully make the world a better place," he said of his interest in politics, which began when he was in fifth grade.

## Hospital accredited for three years

The American Osteopathic Association's Bureau of Healthcare Facilities has again granted Botsford Hospital accreditation. As in the past, Botsford was accredited for the maximum three-year period.

The AOA accreditation is significant because it is required by many third-party payers for hospitals

to participate in their health plans. It also means that the hospital has fulfilled Medicare and Medicaid certification needed for reimbursement.

"Accreditation is a seal of approval," said Marilyn Kuncz, administrator of hospital services utilization and Botsford's accreditation coordinator. "It demon-

strates to our community that we have met and exceeded standards intended to serve as a measure of our organization's ability to provide a high quality of care."

The AOA accreditation survey was conducted in early May by a panel of three inspectors composed of an osteopathic physician, a hospital administrator and a nurse.

They reviewed the departments' procedures, policy manuals and records as well as the facilities themselves.

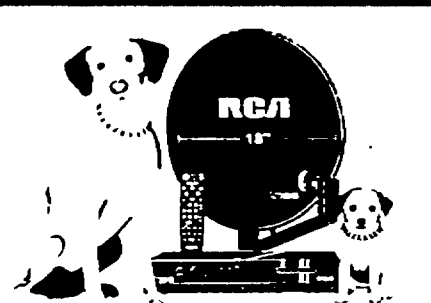
Botsford is a 336-bed osteopathic teaching hospital serving Farmington Hills and surrounding communities. It is affiliated with the Michigan State University College of Osteopathic Medicine.

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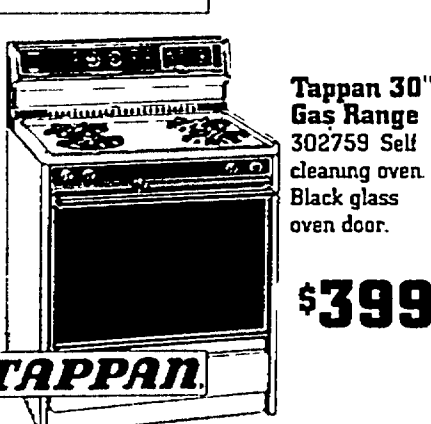


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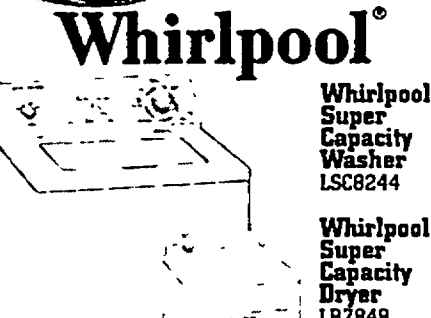
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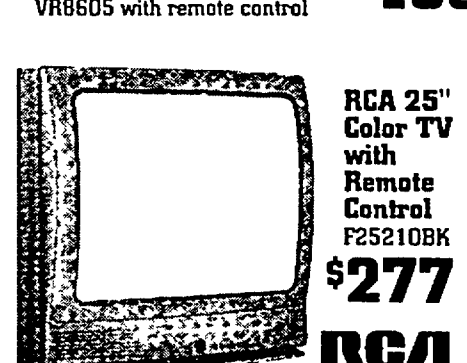
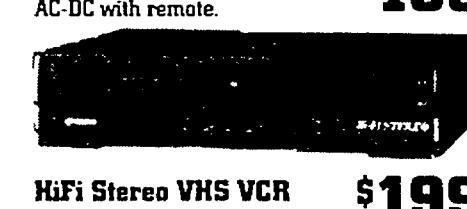
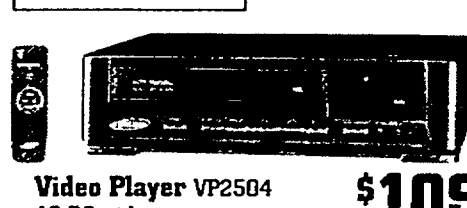
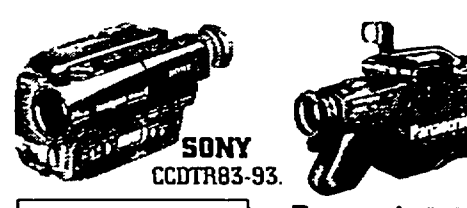
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# Unique Christmas ornaments good ways to personalize trees

By CAROL WORKENS  
Staff Writer

For Irene Waisanem of Northville Township, and her mother, Irene Bredzinski, finding a glass ornament with a raised flower at Bronner's in Frankenmuth was the beginning of one collection they have pursued for over five years.

"It caught my eye because it was so unusual because of the raised work in it," Waisanem said.

Hand painted, dated and signed, the pair discovered that the ornaments they have been collecting are made by B. Every, who lives in Northville.

"I've never met him, never talked to him," she said.

"We found out two years ago that he was from Northville," Bredzinski said.

Other ornaments on the Northville Township homeowner's Christmas tree include an ostrich, an alligator, a porpoise, a sea horse, an octopus, a turtle, a gold fish and a winged horse. Waisanem receives one each year from her mother, a tradition Bredzinski started 20 years ago.

"It doesn't seem like you can ever have enough ornaments," Waisanem said.

Waisanem also includes ornaments she has found while on vacation, like the silver glass ball



Irene Waisanem has a collection of ornaments that date all the way back to the 1960s.

Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

with a hand painted angel fish that she bought while on vacation on St. Thomas.

"Some are ornaments my mom had many, many years ago," Waisanem said. Such as the glass Christmas tree and Santa Claus ornaments which are about 30 years old.

Waisanem devotes one full day and two evenings to the Christmas decorating.

"It takes so long to put up," she said. "It takes one full day and two evenings to complete everything."

Since almost all the ornaments

are glass, Waisanem takes great care in packing them away each year.

"Everything on the tree gets wrapped in tissue paper and put in its own box," she said.

The tree goes up right after Thanksgiving and comes down New Year's Day.

"I figure with all this work we're going to enjoy it for a while," she said.

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## Church Notes

**SPIRIT OF CHRIST EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH**, 40700 West Ten Mile Road in Novi, has a new schedule of services. Contemporary, informal worship will be held each Saturday evening at 5:30 p.m. Sunday morning worship will take place at 10 a.m. Sunday Church School for all ages will resume on Sunday, Jan. 7, at 9 a.m. For more information, call the church at (810) 477-6296.

**CHURCH OF THE HOLY FAMILY**, 24505 Meadowbrook Road in Novi, will have their annual blood drive from 2 to 8 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 12. Call the church office to schedule an appointment, 349-8847.

A new Bible Study Group sponsored by the **OAKLAND BAPTIST ASSOCIATION** will meet on Thursdays from 7 to 8 p.m. at Novi Middle School, 25299 Taft Road, in rooms 302 and 304. Child care will be provided. For details, contact Scott Hanson and Edwin Hocutt at 437-1883.

The Parents Night Out sponsored by **FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE**, 777 West Eight Mile Road, was a tremendous success with nearly 70 children attending. The older children put on a Nativity play for the younger children. Everyone made Advent wreaths and gifts for others.

Those who contributed to the success of the evening were Beth Little, Tom Beagan, Doug Little, Grace Pollock, Marge Terakedis, Sharon Harper, Erin Bowdell, Kristin Pariseau, Monica Prasad, Kaydee Terakedis, Steve Chang, Julie Lyn Gibbons, Jenny Gibbons, Jenny Carmichael, Adam White, Julie Dolken, Jenna Laher, Colleen Doyle, Emily and Corey.

An Epiphany Parent's Night Out for children 2-years-old through fourth graders will be held from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 5. Children will learn about Epiphany, the Celebration of Light. The cost is \$4 per child with a \$10 limit per family. The registration deadline is Dec. 31.

A new Cancer Support Group for Women is being formed at the church. The first organizational meeting will be held Jan. 6 at 9:30 a.m. and the second will be on Jan. 11 at 7:30 p.m. Both meetings will be held at the church. Babysitting will be available on request. The group is open to all women who have been diagnosed with cancer. This support group will meet on a regular basis.

For details, call the church at 349-1144.

**NEW LIFE LUTHERAN CHURCH**, a forming congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, celebrates at 10 a.m. in the fellowship hall of the Masonic Temple, 730 Penniman, on the park square in downtown Plymouth.

For more information about Sunday services or the mission, contact Pastor-Developer Ken Roberts at (313) 459-8181.

Post-Abortion Counseling and Education (P.A.C.E.) meets at **FIRST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE**, 21260 Haggerty Road, on Thursdays from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. in Room 220.

The support group is personal and confidential. There is no cost to participants.

For more information, call Judi Ellsworth at (313) 455-5255, or Dawn Downs at (313) 722-2839, or call the church at (810) 348-7600.

The next religious education class at **OUR LADY OF VICTORY CHURCH**, 770 Thayer Boulevard in Northville, will meet on Jan. 8 and 9. For more information, call the church at 349-2621.

The Adult Seminar Program at **NOVI UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**, 41671 West Ten Mile Road in Novi, has begun a new study group which meets on Sunday mornings at 9:15 a.m. The group will discuss the truths which are the foundation to the Christian faith. Parishioners interested in participating may attend whenever they are able.

For more information, call the church at 349-2652.

**VICTORY LUTHERAN CHURCH**, holds Sunday worship and school from 10 a.m. until 11:15 a.m. at the Novi Meadows School cafeteria, located on Taft Road between Ten Mile Road and Grand River.

For more information, call 349-2669.

Send church information to *The Northville Record* and *The Novi News*, 104 W. Main St., Northville, MI 48167.



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This delicate glass ornament was purchased in Frankenmuth, Mich., but was made by a Northville resident.

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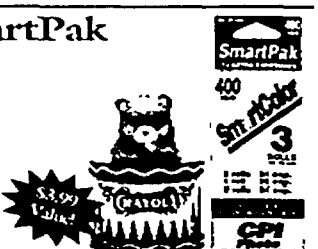
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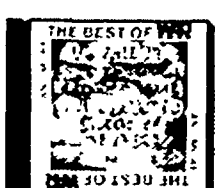
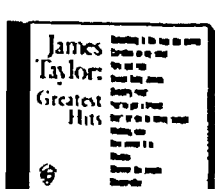
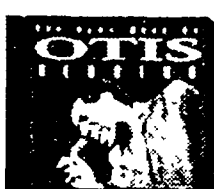
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Kaho Fujikawa (left) and Trevor Williams were two of 90 students who participated in the International Christmas Program at the Novi-Northville Montessori Center.

## School program is rich in culture

Family and friends of students at the Novi-Northville Montessori Center attended that school's International Christmas Program on Dec. 15.

Many of the 90 students in grades preschool through kindergarten dressed in international costumes for the annual program which was held at the First United Methodist Church at Eight Mile and Taft roads.

Students enrolled in French classes sang Christmas carols in English and French.

Other students greeted family and guests in English, French, Japanese, Indian, Spanish and German.

Families of the students, who represent the foreign countries of Japan, Korea, China, India, Russia, Germany, Iran and England, brought festive cookies representing their country of origin.

Geetha Rao, director of the Novi Northville Montessori Center, began the International Christmas program 18 years ago.



Photo by AL WARD

Senomta Alexandra Preston dressed in her international costume for the Montessori Center's Christmas program.

### In town

Submit items for the entertainment listings to The Northville Record/Novi News, 104 W. Main, Northville, MI 48167; or fax to 349-1050.

### AUDITIONS

**RIDGEDALE PLAYHOUSE:** Auditions for *A Little Night Music* will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 8. Performance dates are March 8 through 24. Ten women and seven men ages 18 and up are needed.

One role requires a 13-year old girl. Several roles do not require singing. All auditioners for singing roles are required to prepare a song. Please bring sheet music for the musical director, Joan Bowes. The director is Gene Ewald, assisted by Sue Masters.

Ridgedale Playhouse is located at 205 West Long Lake, 1/4 mile west of Livernois in Troy.

For more information, call Gene Ewald at (810) 879-7402 or Joan Bowes at (810) 559-3294.

**NEW HORIZON COMMUNITY CHURCH:** The church is looking for actors and actresses to occasionally participate in Sunday morning dramas and skits based on topical issues.

Scripts are provided and minimal rehearsal time is needed. All creative input is welcome.

A local community church featuring a contemporary format, the church meets at the Novi Town Center General Cinema Theaters in Novi. Those interested should call Ann Marie Frey, (810) 348-3563.

### SPECIAL EVENTS

**BRIDAL SHOW:** A Winter Bridal Show will be held at 12:30 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 7, at Sheraton Oaks Inn, 27000 Sheraton Drive in Novi. Among those featuring fashions will be Elizabeth's Bridal Manor of Northville.

The latest in bridal gowns, bridesmaid dresses, tuxedos, as well as information and advice on planning a successful wedding will be available.

Tickets are \$6 in advance or \$7 at the door. For more information, call (810) 790-5500.

**PERFORMER'S SHOWCASE:** The public is invited to attend the Performer's Showcase performances which are held prior to select city council meetings in the Novi Civic Center at 7:30 p.m. On occasion, performances may be taped by Time Warner and cablecast to residents.

Musicians, actors, poets, dancers, etc., are invited to submit

application forms and audition tapes, if available, to the Novi Arts Council.

For further information, contact the arts council, 347-0400.

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### ART

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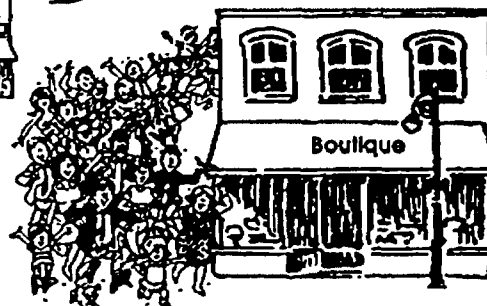
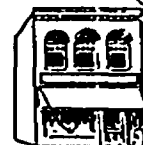
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# RECORD MOVIES

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## Bullock stars in 'Two If By Sea'

Sandra Bullock has vaulted to the forefront of in-demand leading actresses in just over a year by starring in three hit films — steering her way through a high-way of hazards in the smash action thriller "Speed," inadvertently falling for two brothers in the hit romantic comedy "While You Were Sleeping," and expertly traversing her way through the on-line world of interactive espionage in the contemporary thriller "The Net."

Denis Leary made his reputation for insightful, comedic commentary by writing and performing his award-winning one-man show, "No Cure for Cancer." He sealed that position with a series of star-making spots on MTV and then on screen with memorable roles in films like "The Ref" which showcased his trademark trenchant humor.

In "Two If By Sea," Bullock and Leary are paired as a blue-collar couple who are stuck spending a weekend on a blue-blood island. Co-written by Leary and bearing his unmistakable witty, hard-edged perspective, this romantic comedy finds Bullock and Leary as longtime partners in love and on the rocks whose relationship

has come to a crossroads...at exactly the wrong moment.

Part-time plasterer and sometime petty thief Frank O'Brien (Leary) has been commissioned by his dimwit cousin to pull a simple job: just steal a valuable painting and deliver it to a buyer on an upscale New England island. Roz (Bullock), his had-it-to-here girlfriend who dreams of a more stable — and law abiding — life, has made him vow that this is the last scam they'll ever be a part of. As they take up temporary residence in a sumptuous, unoccupied beach house on the posh island, two teams of pursuers are hot on their retail trail.

The FBI, led by O'Malley (Yaphet Kotto), who still nurtures an obsession with collaring famous art thief Phil the Shill (even though Phil was pronounced dead more than a decade ago);

And a motley crew of half-wit would-be criminals, led by Frank's cousin, Beano (Wayne Robson), the "mastermind" behind the caper who's discovered the painting is far more valuable than he thought.

Meanwhile, with two days to fill until the deal goes down, Frank and Roz are

trying frantically — and ineptly — to hobo among the yacht-and-caviar crowd. Enjoying the culture and opportunities that she's always wanted, Roz begins to feel the itch of her seven-year relationship with Frank, especially when neighbor Evan Marsh (Stephen Dillane), a connoisseur of women and fine art, sets his sights on her as his next acquisition. As Roz grows accustomed to having more than she's ever had, Frank just doesn't get it...as usual. Pushed to her breaking point, she lets him know that he's got to change or risk losing her forever.

With their ongoing battle of sharp-edged banter and with their working-class attitude clearly out of place among the upper-crust islanders, Frank and Roz have to spend a riotous weekend just trying to fit in...and get along.

The cast of "Two If By Sea" also includes Mike Starr, Michael Badalucco and Lenny Clarke as cousin Beano's incompetent gang of wise-cracking hooligans and newcomer Jonathan Tucker as a lonely 13-year-old island resident with a video camera and a tape library full of his neighbors' secrets.

"Two If By Sea" is a Morgan Creek production directed by Australian Bill Bennett, produced by James G. Robinson and executive produced by Gary Barber and Bill Todman, Jr. The romantic comedy is written by Leary and Mike Armstrong from a story by Leary, Armstrong and Ann Lembeck.

The behind-the-camera talent includes director of photography Andrew Lesnie, A.C.S., production designer David Chapman, editor Bruce Green, A.C.E. and costume designer Olga Dimitrov. The music for the film was composed by Nick Glenie-Smith and Paddy Moloney from the legendary Irish music band The Chieftains. "Two If By Sea" is distributed domestically by Warner Bros. through its ongoing distribution agreement with Morgan Creek Productions.

Unlike most romantic comedies which explore new relationships, "Two If By Sea" is the story of what happens in a long-term relationship when one of the partners begins to question where the relationship has been...and where it's going.

This is a film about keeping promises and making commitments, about love and

the way things are different between the sexes," comments actor/screenwriter Denis Leary.

"It's also a story about just how ridiculous a relationship can become after a period of time," adds Leary's writing partner, Mike Armstrong, "and that is something that we think everybody can relate to."

Australian director Bill Bennett, who makes his Hollywood debut with "Two If By Sea," was initially drawn to the film's edgy humor, but ultimately, it was the love story at the heart of the picture that convinced him to commit to the project. "The script grabbed me right from the first page," says Bennett. "Here are these two people in this car, fighting about the most trivial, mundane things. Then you realize they're in the middle of a huge, high-speed police chase. That total contradiction was the thing that really intrigued me."

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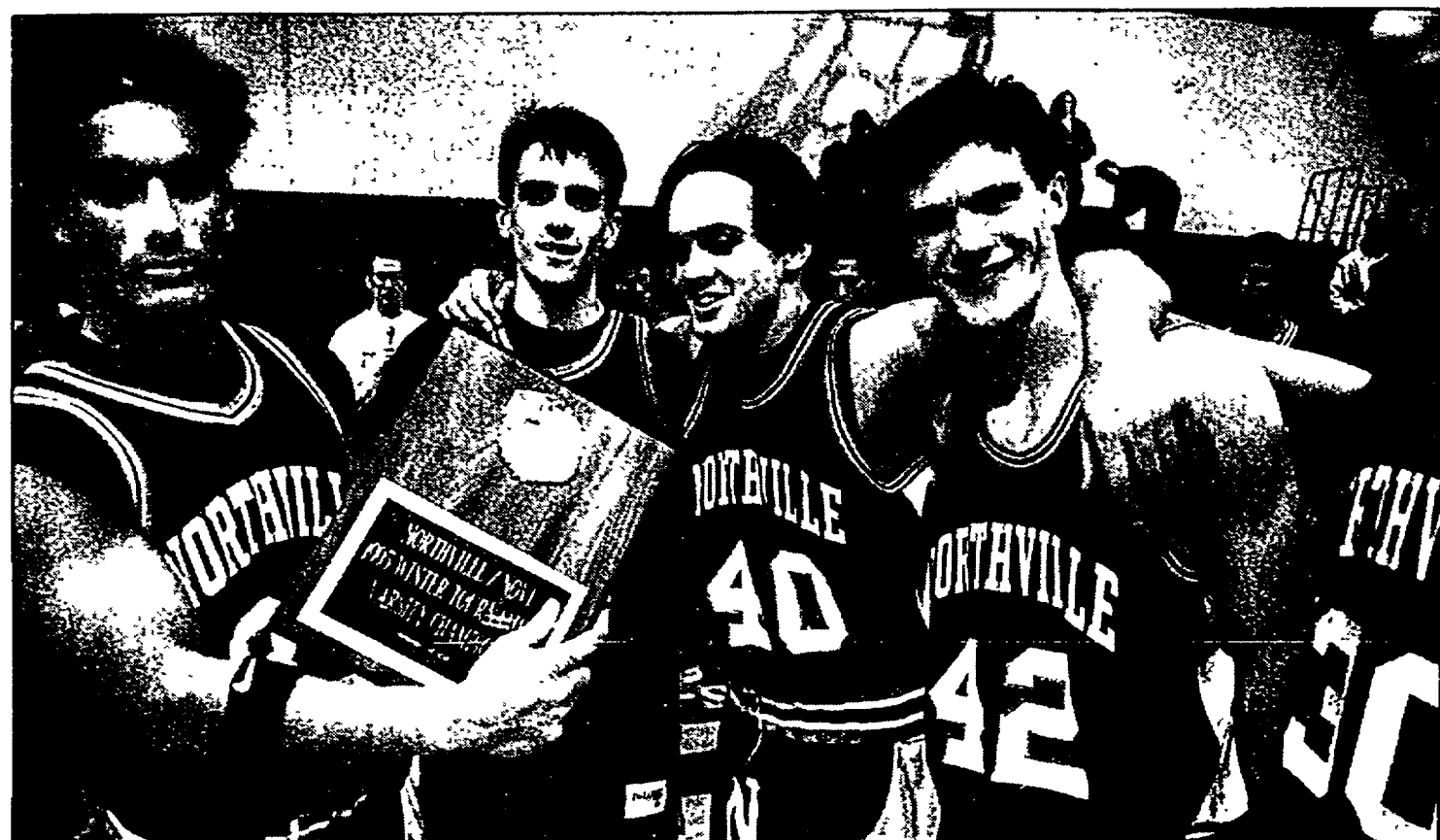


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The victorious Mustangs whoop it up after their win in the Northville/Novi Winter Basketball Tournament on Dec. 20. Key contributors in the victory were, from left, Aneil Kersey, Mark Sander, Garrett Carter, Kyle Hitchcock and Ben Szostek.

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### Undefeated Mustangs crowned at tourney

By SCOTT DANIEL  
Sports Editor

It wasn't a masterpiece. But the Mustang basketball team played well enough Dec. 20 to beat Dearborn Divine Child 56-52. In the process, Northville won its own Christmas Basketball Tournament.

"It was a great win for us," coach Tim Turner said, "against a quality catholic league team."

Mark Sander led all scorers with 26 points and Ben Szostek added

17. The Mustangs are now 5-0 on the year and will resume action a week from tomorrow on the road at Plymouth Salem.

As for last week's tournament championship, the third quarter was the decisive one for Northville. Down 21-19 at halftime, the Mustangs fought back.

Divine Child clung to a three-point lead until late in the quarter. Guard Andy Kisabeth split a pair of free throws with 2:45 on the clock to give the Falcons a 27-24

lead.

Aneil Kersey cut that lead to one at the 2:27 mark with a jump shot from the left wing. Szostek then gave Northville the lead, 28-27, with a steal and a basket seconds later.

After trading baskets, Sander swished a three-pointer to put the Mustangs on top 33-31. John Melnes put Northville up by four seconds later with a lay up.

The Mustangs went on to a 37-34 lead by the end of the third

quarter.

"I thought we had a spurt there in the third quarter that turned the game around," Turner said.

Another key factor in that frame was the play of Garrett Carter. The senior got Divine Child big man John Foley in foul trouble by making aggressive drives to the basket.

His efforts didn't go unnoticed by his coach.

"He's the inspirational leader of this team in the locker room and

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## Squad escapes with 'V' in opener

By SCOTT DANIEL  
Sports Editor

If you were grading Northville High on its 60-53 win over North Farmington Dec. 19, a "C" would've been more than appropriate.

In fact, you might say the Mustangs deserved an "F" in every category except winning the ball game. Sloppy execution on both ends of the floor marked the opening game of the Northville Christmas Basketball Tournament for the host team.

What troubled coach Tim Turner most was a lack of enthusiasm.

"We were flat," he said. "The effort wasn't there tonight for whatever reason."

Playing the up-tempo style that Turner likes requires a bit more spark.

"We've got to get more excited about playing," the coach commented. "You can't play our style by standing around. We were a step slow on everything."

Northville moved to 4-0 on the season and earned the right to play Dearborn Divine Child in the final (see related story).

It certainly didn't appear early on that the Mustangs would have as much trouble as they did with the winless Raiders.

Fresh off a 104-point performance against Brighton, Northville came out firing again in the first quarter.

Ben Szostek, who finished the game with 17 points, got things started with a tip-in at 7:40. Bas-

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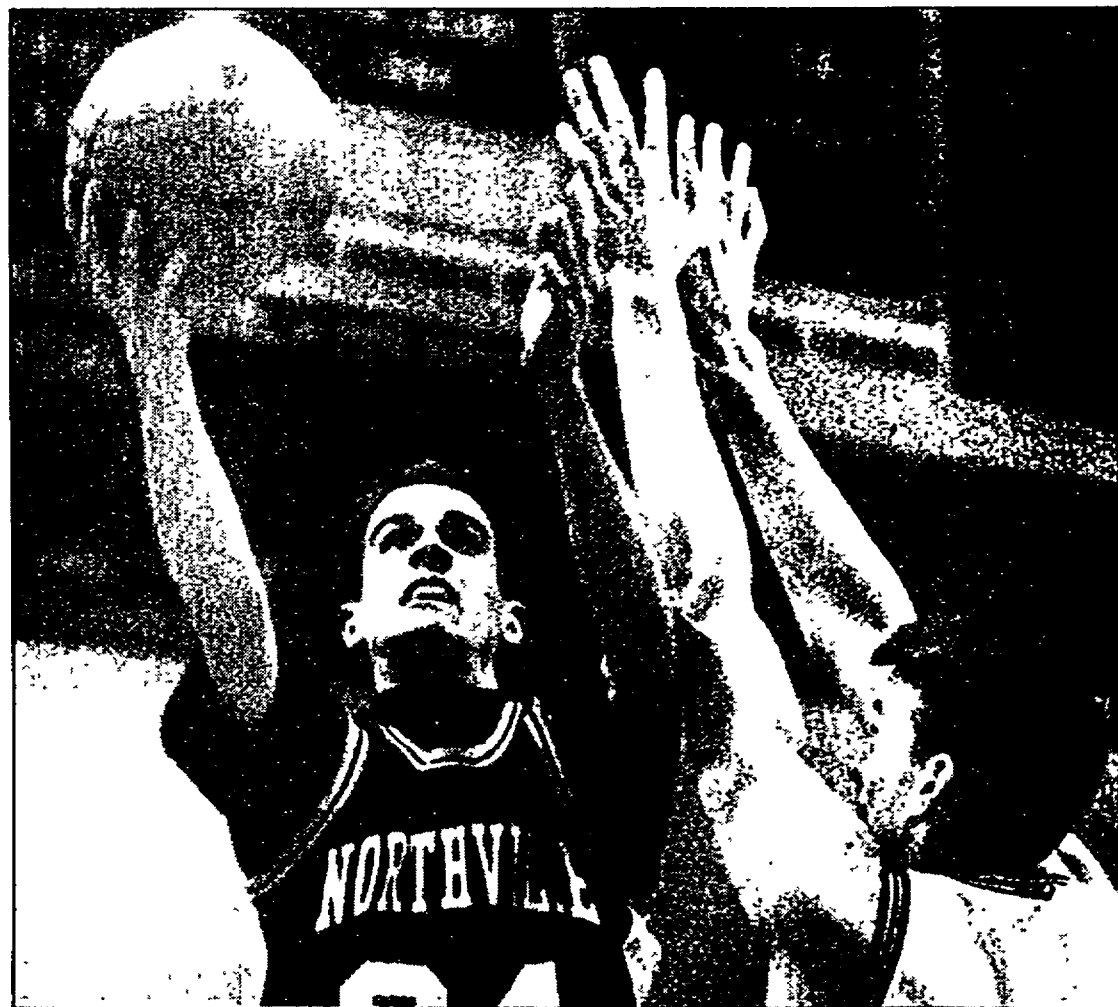


Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

Mark Sander scored a game high 26 points in the Mustangs' winter tournament victory, but the series wasn't easy. Northville first had to eke out a tough win against North Farmington.



Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

Varsity cheerleader Katie Bondy kicks up some enthusiasm during the Northville/Novi winter basketball tournament.

## Grapplers split pair in dual-meet contest

It was a mixed bag of results for the Mustang wrestling team Dec. 20, as the squad split meets against Berkley and Oxford high schools.

In the first match-up, the Mustangs fell to Berkley, 57-21. Coach Garnett Potter said he was missing five regulars due to the holiday vacation schedule, and had to dig deep into his roster to fill the void.

Considering the problems the personnel drain presented, the team didn't do badly, he said.

"We had four winners," according to Potter. "We're still kind of rebuilding."

Sam Saran, at 112 pounds, was one of the Mustang victors at the match, pinning opponent Mike Topper in 1:12.

James Kyle, at 125 pounds, also pinned his foe, Robin Goodman, in 1:13.

Other winners were Mike Scappaticci, at 152 pounds, and Brian Gridder at 171 pounds. Scappaticci bested his competition, 8-1, while Gridder won on a void.

The Mustang fortunes took a turn for the better in the second match, as the team handled Oxford, 48-27.

Sam Saran, wrestling again in the 112 pound class, rose to the occasion for the second time in the

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Results of the dual meet at Berkley High School Dec. 20.

Berkley 57 - NHS 21  
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evening, pinning Dion Koller in 1:45. Sam's brother Anant, at 119 pounds, made it a Saran sweep, dispatching his opposition 6-5.

In what Potter describes as a "great match," 125-pounder Eric Staple took care of Quinn Minard, 8-6, while 130-pound grappler James Kyle made short shrift of Seth Johnson, closing out the match in just 0:26.

Mike Scappaticci, this time in the 168-pound class, scored a pin in 1:53.

Brian Giles won his first match as a varsity wrestler, requiring only 0:27 to pin his opponent.

Brian Gridder and Jason Brody got voids.

The Mustang junior varsity squad competes in tournament plan today, while the next dual meet for the varsity team is set for Thursday, Jan. 4.

## Talented gymnast team sets sights even higher

By SCOTT DANIEL  
Sports Editor

As first years go, the Northville/Novi gymnastics squad had quite a doozie.

The combined team finished second in the Western Lakes Activities Association, won a state regional and finished fifth overall in Class A.

For most teams, that would be a hard act to follow. But coach Barb Winn thinks 1996 will be an even better year.

"I think we'll be even stronger than last year," she said.

With all but one of her gymnasts returning, Winn has a right to feel that way. She

said she'd be surprised if the combined team didn't place at least fifth again in the state.

"We should be able to hold that position," Winn said.

A total of 10 gymnasts, five from Northville and five from Novi, are on this year's squad. The Mustangs have a very young team this winter, but it shouldn't detract from a talented lineup.

"Last year we were a freshman team," Winn said, "and we finished fifth. With gymnastics, (youth) doesn't hurt. (Success) depends on your background in gymnastics."

Northville/Novi's most experienced gymnast is Mary Essary. A junior, she finished eighth in the state last winter in the uneven bars.

"She's good at all four events," Winn said. "But she's strongest on the uneven bars."

Essary is the oldest member of the team. A host of sophomores will provide Northville/Novi with a good measure of depth.

Erica Winn is one of the top returners to the team. She finished eighth in the state on the vault a year ago.

"We have a lot of depth," Winn said of

her team. "We probably have eight kids with a lot of (club gymnastics) background."

Essary and Winn are from Northville. Novi's Stacey Williamson is one to watch for as well.

"The beam is her strength," said coach Winn.

Gina Spinazze is from Northville. She finished as the WLAA's champion in the floor routine.

The combined team will get a boost from newcomer Danean Pazdan. She's a sophomore who's particularly strong on the balance beam.

"She stayed in club gymnastics as a freshman," Winn said. "She's another good all-arounder."

Like Pazdan, Dana Ghedotte is strong in all four gymnastics events, the uneven bars, floor routine, vault and balance beam. Winn said Ghedotte excels on the bars.

Stephanie Manza, from Novi, is strong on the balance beam. Like the rest of the sophomores, she should score highly for the team.

A pair of freshmen round out the roster. Nicole Pelletier comes to the team with a

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# Mustangs take holiday classic

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on the floor," Turner said. "He's the one that gets us going."

Getting the 6-foot-10 Foley in foul trouble and on the bench allowed Northville's offense more operating ease, especially near the basket.

"That helped," Turner said. "No question."

Northville maintained at least a three-point lead throughout the fourth quarter. Sander had a big role in keeping that lead for the Mustangs.

He sank 10 of 12 free throws in the fourth quarter. Sander made

13 of 16 from the line in the game.

"Mark's a good solid player," Turner said. "We have to have Mark and Ben involved offensively."

Despite the win, Turner said his team needs to execute better offensively.

"With our style," he explained, "we need to get into the 70s."

Of course the Falcons had something to do with keeping Northville under that mark.

"Divine Child plays great man-to-man defense," said Turner. "They're good at taking you out of what you're trying to do."

# North Farmington tough foe in opener

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kets by Garrett Carter, Kyle Hitchcock, Mark Sander and Jeff Arenz made it 12-4 with 2:55 left in the quarter.

The Mustangs went on to take an 18-7 advantage by the end of the frame. Turner wasn't happy with offensive execution - even with the 11-point margin.

"Run the (fast) break for goodness sake," he told the team during a timeout at 2:37 of the quarter.

Despite his pleading, Northville's offense really got bogged down in the second. It allowed the Raiders to get back into the game.

North Farmington went on a 9-0 run to start the second. Tim Dolan led the way with a three-pointer and Brad Rivers added a steal and layup to cut the lead to 18-16 at the 5:20 mark.

Szostek finally got his team off dead center in the quarter with a basket at 4:36. But North Farmington continued fighting and trailed by just 25-24 at the half.

The Raiders' Jeff Trzos was a

force in leading the comeback. He had eight points in the half.

Northville finally got its act together in the third period. The Mustangs powered up the offense and scored 24 points to North Farmington's 14.

Szostek led the charge with nine points in the quarter. Mark Sander added five and Jeff Arenz added four.

The Mustangs weren't content to live with prosperity, though. North Farmington came back again and actually cut the lead to 56-50 with 3:52 to go.

Good free throw shooting by Northville stopped the rally. Anell Kersey hit a pair with 52 seconds left and Hitchcock hit one of two to put the game out of reach.

Besides Szostek's 17, Sander had 13 and Arenz seven for Northville. Dolan led North Farmington with 20 points, including four three-pointers.

Turner gave the Raiders credit for a good game.

"They got all the loose balls," he said. "We got nothing out of our (defensive) press. That's all effort."

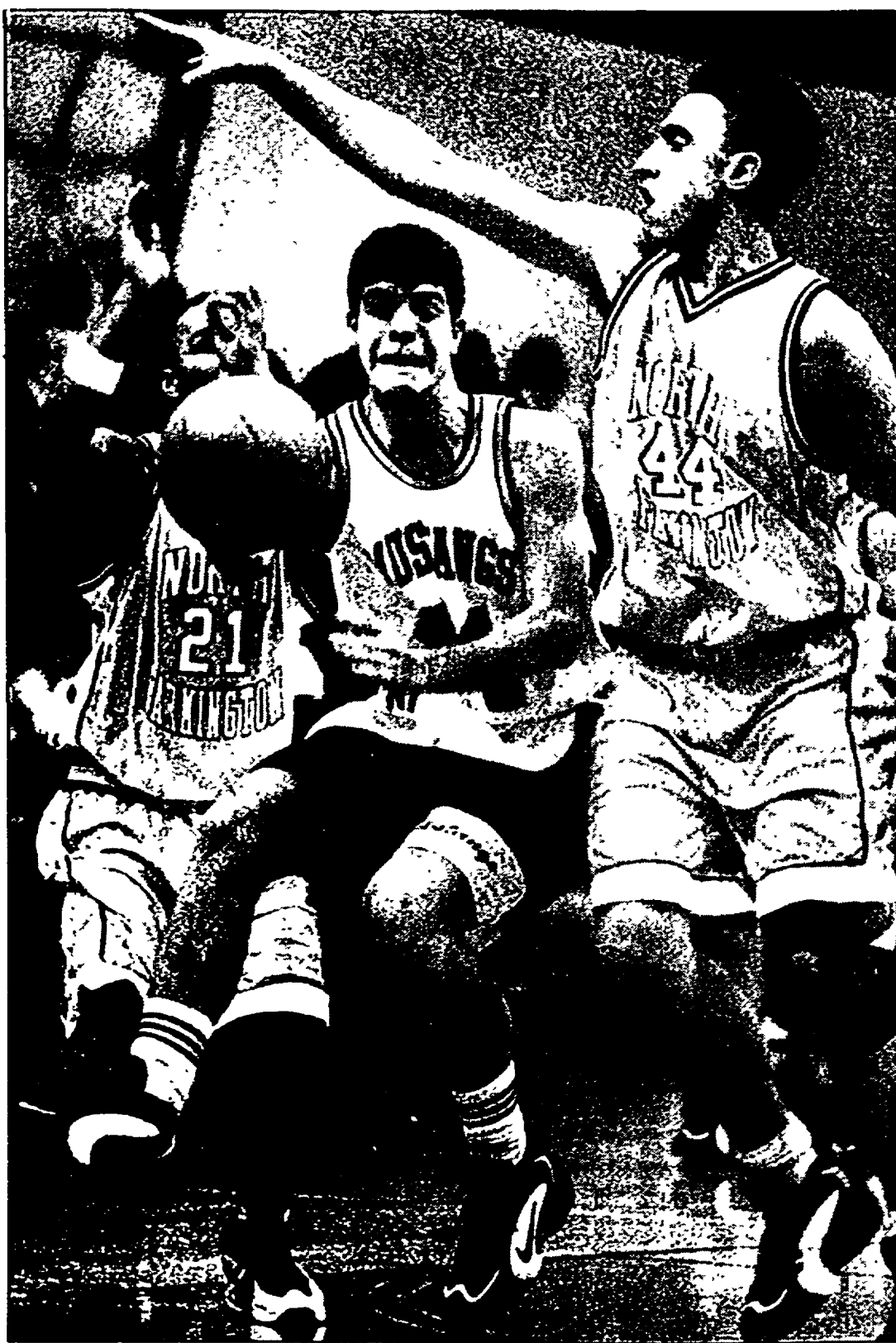


Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

Northville's John Woodsum dishes the ball off under the hoop against North Farmington.

# Gymnasts see gold this year

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solid club gymnastics' background. She's a good vaulter, Winn said.

Liz Bucrek has less experience than Pelletier, but should contribute as well. She's from Novi.

Besides state competition, Winn said her team should compete for the WLAA title.

"Every meet depends on who has a healthy team," she said. "But I would guess that we're one of the favorites."

The coach listed Canton, Salem and Hartland as other top contenders. The WLAA was a seven-team gymnastics conference last year, but increased to eight with the addition of Hartland.

# Foul shots sink 'Cats in tourney

By SCOTT DANIEL  
Sports Editor

When you're going up against a more physically gifted team, it pays to make your free throws.

Playing in the opening round of the Northville Christmas Basketball Tournament last week against Dearborn Divine Child, Novi High didn't.

The Wildcats sank just 5 of 12 from the charity stripe in the fourth quarter and lost 47-37. Coach Pat Schluter said a good effort was wasted because of the poor foul shooting.

"We missed free throws," he said. "That was the difference."

"We knew everything they were going to do. We just missed free throws."

Novi trailed the entire game. But the Wildcats outscored Divine Child by five in the third quarter and cut the lead to 34-28 with just seconds gone by in the fourth.

Novi had a chance to tie or go ahead in the first four minutes of the final frame, but couldn't make its free throws.

"We were down by six and went one for nine from the line," Schluter said. "That killed us."

Dearborn expanded its lead to 38-29 during that stretch, and the game was, essentially, over. Novi never got the lead under seven the rest of the way.

"No excuses," Schluter said. "We had a chance to win."

It was the Wildcats' first loss of the season against three wins. Novi started off in the hole Dec. 19 and never climbed out. Divine Child big-man John Foley saw to that, dominating the game early.

Poor foul shooting shot Novi's momentum in the fourth quarter.

Foley finished with 17 for the winners and Wiggins added 14. Lyskawa had nine for Novi and Kearney added eight.

# Athletes should avoid the many nutrition myths

The following article on nutrition is reprinted from the Michigan High School Athletic Association February 1995 Bulletin:

Serious athletes are always looking for ways to improve their performance. Unfortunately, many athletes want to improve themselves so much that they will try almost anything.

They may be fooled by foods, drugs, or nutrients that promise miraculous improvement. Athletes may also listen to inaccurate advice and may avoid eating some foods that really are nutritious. Athletes should beware of the following sports nutrition myths.

## MUSCLE-BUILDING MYTHS

• The more protein and protein supplements you eat, the more muscle you will have.

This is incorrect. There is no evidence that excess protein will lead to more or stronger muscles. In fact, excess protein is stored by the body as fat.

• Steroids are the best way to

develop massive muscles.

This is incorrect. Steroids can be dangerous. While steroids are powerful drugs that help build muscle, they have many risky side effects. Taking steroids can stunt your growth, cause acne, deepen your voice, and alter your sex organs. You can build muscle with diet and exercise. Although it takes a little longer, you're not risking your health.

## QUICK-ENERGY MYTHS

• Eating honey, sugar, soft drinks, or any sweets just before competition will provide a quick burst of energy.

Wrong. Sugary foods eaten just before competition do not improve your speed or strength. That's because it takes the body one to four hours to digest food. So foods eaten just before an event are in your stomach when you compete. Most of the energy used in competition or practice comes from food eaten days before the event that has been stored in your muscles.

• Vitamin supplements will give

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you more energy.

This, too, is incorrect. None of the 14 known vitamins supplies energy. Some vitamins help the body use energy. However, these vitamins are easily supplied by an athlete's normal diet. Megadoses of vitamins won't give you more energy or improve your endurance.

If you consume more vitamin C or B than your body needs, they are simply flushed out in your urine. If you consume more vitamin A and D than you need, they are stored in your body as fat. Too much of these vitamins can be poisonous.

## PERFORMANCE MYTHS

• Water during exercise causes upset stomach and slows you down.

Wrong again. There is no evi-

dence that drinking water during exercise causes upset stomach or any other problems. In fact, drinking fluids during exercise is very important. Drinking a half cup of fluid such as cool water every 10-15 minutes during exercise helps replace body fluids lost such as sweat.

• Drinking milk causes cotton mouth

Cotton mouth is dry mouth due to lack of saliva. It seems to be the

result of emotional stress and loss of body fluids, not drinking milk.

• Muscle cramps are caused by inadequate salt intake.

This is incorrect. Cramps are caused by severe losses of water through sweating. Drinking water before, during and after exercise can prevent these water losses. Salt tablets can aggravate this condition by increasing the body's need for water.

Athletic success is not a miracle. It is the result of talent, hard training, and plenty of preparation before competition. Athletes who look for miracles instead of following a sensible diet and training program can hurt their bodies and their performance.

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# HEALTH MATTERS

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## Be specific with weight loss goal

By CAROLINE SMITH  
Special Writer

Resolutions are a beginning of a journey. As with any journey, we go forth with much anticipation and excitement, hoping for clear skies and calm seas to carry us to our destination.

Setting goals is the first step providing us with the road map we need to get us where we want to be. Goals should be set in small steps so that success can build on success. Also, the more specific our goals are, the more defined the path helping us to keep our resolutions in sight and achievable. To do this, our goals need to be measurable and time-dated. Instead of saying, "I want to lose weight" - a vague goal - decide specifically on how much weight such as ten pounds. Additionally, this initial statement means you theoretically have as much time as you want - ten weeks, ten months, ten years! Instead, "I will lose one pound a week over ten weeks" is more specific, time-dated and will serve as an attainable goal and help keep you on track.

Frequently evaluate if a particular approach is or is not helpful but remember to be flexible. Circumstances change and evolve over time. Adaptability is one of the most helpful assets you can have

that will keep you on your course. If you did not lose weight this week, study and define the problem. The problem may be, "Every time I go out to eat, I overeat." List all the things you can do about it such as: order smaller portions, share your meal, eat slower, eat with individuals who have similar goals, etc. Then take action and reevaluate if it's working for you.

Observe others, read, and research until you find approaches that will help you maintain your resolution. Evaluate all the pros and cons of the change and anticipate problems. Maybe your goal was unrealistic, or there may be an obstacle you must deal with first. Possibly losing one pound a week beginning with the holidays may be unrealistic.

Too much change all at once is not good or effective. Select the change which is most essential and say no to the rest. Also, prioritize and regulate the amount of change you are already working on. Are you changing jobs, quitting smoking, and trying to lose weight? Select one and really focus your energies and beliefs in it.

Reward behavior instead of results. A goal such as weight loss can be a reward in and of itself but to keep the wind in your sails, you should also reward the behavior

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change. For example, weight loss can be a very slow process. If you wait until you achieve your goal, you might have a very long wait and become discouraged during the process. Holding off and not rewarding yourself may serve as a reminder that you have not succeeded or are not making good progress. A more positive motivating approach is to reward yourself for positive behaviors such as faithfully following your special meal plan for one week or exercising three times a week for the last two weeks. Be creative. Make a list of all possible rewards you could give yourself such as a new book or tickets to a favorite event.

Zig Ziglar, a leading motivation expert, compares motivation to a fire. When the flames die down to glowing embers, you must stimulate the embers to get the fire going again. You may need some exterior stimulation to get you excited again. Make a list of people, places, and experiences that motivate and energize you as well as books, lectures, and magazine arti-

cles. Think about getting yourself energized on a regular basis, not when you are so far down it's really difficult to get back up again. Keep the wind in your sails and your fire burning. Above all, focus on the outcome, visualize it, believe in it. A mental image and a belief that you can do it are powerful motivational tools.

And, remember to enjoy the journey and have fun with the process - let it be its own reward and every day will be a positive reinforcer. The power is in the moment - Happy Resolutions!

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## Multiple births on the rise, stats report

If you are pregnant with "multiples" (twins, triplets or more), you are not alone.

In 1992, nearly 100,000 such infants were born in the United States, including more than 95,000 twins, 3,555 triplets, 310 quadruplets and 26 quintuplets. Multiples comprise less than 3 percent of all U.S. births, but their numbers have been growing in recent years.

Why are multiples on the rise? First, such births naturally occur more frequently among older mothers, and there is a trend in the United States toward postponing childbirth. Second, because so many women are waiting longer to have children, they frequently experience problems conceiving and seek the help of infertility specialists. Many of the treatments for infertility result in multiple births, adding to the natural incidence due to older maternal age and genetic factors.

What are the risks for infants of multiple births? These infants are much more likely to be born early and to be small, both factors that can increase a baby's risk of dying during infancy, or if it survives, subsequent handicap and disability.

Compared to singleton infants, twins are five times and triplets 10 times more likely to be born prematurely (before 37 completed weeks gestation), and twins are 10 times and triplets 19 times more likely to weigh less than 5.5 pounds at birth.

The most important step you can take to ensure a healthy birth is to go for prenatal care as soon as you think you might be pregnant, whether you suspect you're carrying one baby or several. This is especially important for women who have been receiving infertility treatments or those with a family history of multiple births.

Because multiples are much more likely to be born prematurely, it is important to reduce factors known to increase this risk, such as excessive standing. When you are pregnant, particularly with multiples, gravity pulls your full uterus down into the bony pelvis, blocking the blood return to your heart.

After a short time, the uterus begins to contract in an effort to lift itself off the pelvis and relieve the blocked blood flow. These contractions can lead to premature labor and birth. So whenever you have a chance, sit instead of stand.

Better yet, lie down whenever possible on your left side to improve blood return to your heart. Other activities to avoid that can set off premature contractions include bending and lifting heavy objects, especially if you don't use proper body mechanics.

Because premature contractions also can be

caused by hormones released during stressful situations, try to limit stressors such as deadlines, driving (particularly after 24-28 weeks gestation), arguments and conflicts. Also, don't smoke or drink alcohol if you are pregnant - these are toxins to your unborn baby.

Just as crucial to avoid stressors and toxins it is important to embrace a healthy diet during pregnancy, as this is the most positive and direct way to help babies grow before they are born. So start eating plenty of fresh fruits and vegetables; whole grain breads, cereals and pasta; dairy products such as milk, yogurt and cheese; and iron-rich meats and poultry.

You should gain weight steadily during pregnancy, particularly if you're carrying multiples. A good rule of thumb is 24 pounds by 24 weeks for twins and 36 pounds by 24 weeks for triplets.

After 24 weeks you should continue to gain as much as you can. At this stage of pregnancy, most women find it difficult to even sit down for any period, so instead of three big meals, eat several small ones or snack throughout the day.

The goal is to have healthy babies of good birth weight, and your daily diet is the key.

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### Health Notes

#### IMMUNIZATIONS

The Oakland County Health Division will be offering an immunization clinic for Farmington and surrounding areas at the Clarenceville United Methodist Church, 20300 Middlebelt Road (south of Eight Mile Road), Livonia, on Wednesday, Jan. 10, from 9 a.m. to noon.

Immunizations for measles, German measles, mumps, polio, diphtheria, tetanus, whooping cough and Haemophilus influenzae Type B (HIB) will be available. A parent or legal guardian must accompany a child under 18 years of age. Please bring any previous records of immunizations, including notices which might have been sent home from the child's school pertaining to immunizations.

For further information, call 424-7046.

#### WEIGHT MANAGEMENT CLASS

How many times have you gone on a diet only to gain the pounds back? Diets often don't work, but learning a new way of eating does. St. Mary Hospital's weight management class, LifeSteps, can help you achieve your weight loss goal. With LifeSteps, you'll lose weight and learn how to keep those pounds off.

Taught by registered dietitian Linda DeVore, R.D., day and evening classes are available. The day class begins at 11 a.m. on Jan. 16. A complimentary orientation for the LifeSteps class will be held on Jan. 9 at 11 a.m. The evening class begins at 7 p.m. on Jan. 17. The orientation for the evening class begins at 7 p.m. on Jan. 10.

Come and find out about the program before you commit yourself to a weight loss plan. At the

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Classes will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays, Jan. 16 through Feb. 8. Registration is required. For more information or to register, call (313) 591-2922.

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North Oakland: 858-1311 or 858-4001

South Oakland: 424-7066 or 424-7067

#### BREASTFEEDING BASICS

This workshop covers the "how to's" of breastfeeding - how to start and maintain successful breastfeeding, as well as answering the questions and concerns of women who are already breastfeeding.

Classes are held at the Health Development Network at Botsford in Novi. For more information and to register, call (810) 477-6100.

#### CHOLESTEROL AND VISION SCREENINGS

Total cholesterol screening is conducted by the fingerstick method from 1-4 p.m. on the third Monday of each month at the Botsford Center for Health Improvement-Health Development Network, 39750 Grand River Ave., Novi. There is a \$5 fee. For more information, call (810) 477-6100.

#### WATER AEROBICS

A 50-minute intermediate water exercise class for postnatal and post-physical therapy patients is conducted as a six-week course at the Botsford Center for Health Improvement-TRACC, 39750 Grand River Ave., Novi. There is a \$35 fee and registration is required.

For more information and to register, call (810) 477-6100.

#### FREE BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS

Providence Hospital and Medical Centers is offering free blood pressure checks the first Thursday of every month.

This free service is available at Providence Medical Center-Providence Park at the corner of Grand River Avenue and Beck Road from 1-3 p.m. in the Cardiology Department. Call

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Botsford General Hospital is offering the following winter classes, Dec.-Feb. 1996:

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• Aerobic Weight Training for Women (810) 473-5600.

• E-Z Yoga (810) 473-5600.

• Intermediate Water Aerobics (810) 473-5600.

• Kinetics Programs I and II (810) 473-5600.

• ABC of Weight Loss (810) 477-6100.

• Nutritional Tune-Up (810) 477-6100.

• Constipation and Diarrhea (810) 471-8020.

• Diabetes-Cize (810) 477-6100.

• Making the Most of Medicare. Call (810) 471-8028 after Dec. 15.

• Women in the '90s (810) 442-7986.

• Attitudinal Healing (810) 477-6100.

• Do You Know What Your Health Risks Are? (810) 477-6100.

• Weight on the Run (810) 473-5600.

• Diabetes and You (810) 477-6100.

• Stress Management: Trying to Keep It Together (313) 537-1110.

• Cholesterol Connection (810) 477-6100.

• Positive Living Workshop (810) 477-6100.

• PowerStop (810) 477-6100.

• Asthma: Managing Asthma and Staying Healthy (M.A.S.H.) - (810) 477-6100.

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• Foot Screenings (810) 473-1320.

### CITY OF NOVI 1996 MEETING SCHEDULE

#### REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

January 8th and 22nd  
February 5th and 26th  
March 4th and 18th  
April 8th and 22nd  
May 6th and 13th  
June 3rd and 17th  
July 1st and 15th  
August 12th and 26th  
September 9th and 23rd  
October 7th and 21st  
November 4th and 18th  
December 2nd and 16th

Regular Council Meetings are held at 7:30 p.m., in the Novi Civic Center Council Chambers, 45175 West Ten Mile Road.

PLANNING COMMISSION 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month at 7:30 p.m. - Council Chambers.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - 1st Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. - Council Chambers.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION - 2nd Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. - Council Chambers.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION - 2nd Thursday of each month, 7:30 p.m. - Council Chambers.

HISTORICAL COMMISSION - 2nd Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. - Mayor's Conference Room.

LIBRARY BOARD - 2nd Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the Public Library, 45245 West Ten Mile Road.

HAZARDOUS CHEMICALS APPEAL BOARD - 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. - Civic Center (If Needed).

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### CITY OF NOVI NOTICE OF CHANGE IN PRECINCT LOCATIONS

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE of the new precinct boundary changes which will be in effect beginning with the March 17, 1996 Presidential Preference Primary Election. Please note that there have been changes in all precincts and polling locations. A new voter registration card will be mailed to each registered voter. Please note on the card your new precinct.

The following are the new precinct boundaries and polling locations.

PRECINCT	BOUNDARY	POLLING LOCATION
1	East side of Meadowbrook from Eight Mile to Nine Mile, South side of Nine Mile from Novi to Haggerty; West side of Haggerty from Nine Mile to Eight Mile, North side of Eight Mile from Haggerty to Meadowbrook	Good Shepherd Lutheran Church 41415 Nine Mile Road
2	East side of Novi from Eight Mile to Nine Mile, South side of Nine Mile from Novi to Meadowbrook; West side of Meadowbrook from Nine Mile to Eight Mile, North side of Eight Mile from Meadowbrook to Novi	Meadowbrook Congregational Church 21333 Meadowbrook
3	East side of Meadowbrook from Nine Mile to Village Lake, South side of Village Lake thru to Village Wood from Meadowbrook to Haggerty; West side of Haggerty from Village Wood to Nine Mile, North side of Nine Mile from Haggerty to Meadowbrook	Village Oaks Elementary School 23333 Willowbrook Drive
4	East side of Meadowbrook from Village Lake to Ten Mile, South side of Ten Mile from Meadowbrook to Haggerty; West side of Haggerty from Ten Mile to Village Wood, North side of Village Wood thru to Village Lake from Haggerty to Meadowbrook	First United Methodist Church 41611 Ten Mile Road
5	East side of Novi from Nine Mile to Ten Mile, South side of Ten Mile from Novi Road to Meadowbrook, West side of Meadowbrook from Ten Mile to Nine Mile, North side of Nine Mile from Meadowbrook to Novi	Orchard Hills Elementary School 41900 Quince
6	East side of Novi from Ten Mile to Grand River, South side of Grand River from Novi to Haggerty; West side of Haggerty from Grand River to Ten Mile, North side of Ten Mile from Haggerty to Novi	Holy Family Catholic Church 24505 Meadowbrook Road
7	East side of Novi from Grand River to Thirteen Mile, South side of Thirteen Mile from Novi to Haggerty; West side of Haggerty from Thirteen Mile to Grand River, North side of Grand River from Haggerty to Novi	Fire Station Number 1 42973 Grand River Avenue
8	East side of Decker from Thirteen Mile to Fourteen Mile, South side of Fourteen Mile from Decker to Haggerty; West side of Haggerty from Fourteen Mile to Thirteen Mile, North side of Thirteen Mile from Haggerty to Decker	Hickory Woods Elementary School 30653 Decker Road
9	East side of Decker from End of City Limits (Near to Pontiac Trail) to Pontiac Trail, South side of Pontiac Trail from Decker to West Road, West side of West Road from Pontiac Trail to City Limits (Near to Beck Road)	Novi Village by the Lake 43182 West Road
10	City Limits from Twelve Mile to West Road, South side of West Road from City Limits to Pontiac Trail (City Limits), Pontiac Trail (City Limits) from West Road to Walled Lake, Along Walled Lake from Pontiac Trail (City Limits) to Fourteen Mile, South side of Fourteen Mile from Walled Lake to Decker; West side of Decker from Fourteen Mile to Thirteen Mile, North side of Thirteen Mile from Decker to Novi; West side of Novi from Thirteen Mile to Twelve Mile, North side of Twelve Mile from Novi to City Limits (Near to Beck Road)	Peachwalk Apartments - Club House 31100 Peachwalk
11	East side of Taft from Ten Mile to Twelve Mile, South side of Twelve Mile from Taft to Novi, West side of Novi from Twelve Mile to Ten Mile, North side of Ten Mile from Novi to Taft	Novi Christian School 43301 Eleven Mile Road
12	East side of Beck from Ten Mile to Twelve Mile, South side of Twelve Mile from Beck to Taft, West side of Taft from Twelve Mile to Ten Mile, North side of Ten Mile from Taft to Beck	Novi Middle School 25299 Taft Road
13	East side of Beck from Nine Mile to Ten Mile, South side of Ten Mile from Beck to Taft, West side of Taft from Ten Mile to Nine Mile, North side of Nine Mile from Taft to Beck	Faith Presbyterian Church 41400 West Ten Mile Road
14	East side of Beck from City Limits (Near to Stratford) to Nine Mile, South side of Nine Mile from Beck to Novi, West side of Novi from Nine Mile to City Limits (Near to Oakway Drive), City Limits from Novi to Beck	Novi High School 24062 Taft Road
15	East side of Taft from Nine Mile to Ten Mile, South side of Ten Mile from Taft to Novi, West side of Novi from Ten Mile to Nine Mile, North side of Nine Mile from Novi to Taft	Novi Civic Center 45175 West Ten Mile Road
16	East side of Napier from Eight Mile to Ten Mile, South side of Ten Mile from Napier to Beck, West side of Beck from Ten Mile to Eight Mile, North side of Eight Mile from Beck to Napier	Thornon Creek Elementary School 46180 West Nine Mile Road
17	East side of Napier from Ten Mile to Twelve Mile, South side of Twelve Mile from Napier to Beck; West side of Beck from Twelve Mile to Ten Mile, North of Ten Mile from Beck to Napier	Church of the Holy Cross 46200 West Ten Mile Road

Any questions regarding precinct location or other election matters should be directed to the office of the City Clerk at 347 0456.

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**REAL ESTATE**

**Use caution before  
accepting a short payoff**

By James M. Woodard  
Copley News Service

How can you sell your house when the existing mortgage balance is greater than the property's value? That's a puzzling question that faces an increasing number of families across the country.

"We have at least two or three cases every month where one of our borrowers requests a 'short payoff' of the mortgage loan on his home," said Mike Costello, loan representative for California Federal Bank.

He's referring to cases where the

value of a home has lowered to the point where the current mortgage balance is greater than the property's market value.

A short payoff of the mortgage is when the lender agrees to a payoff amount that is less than its amortized balance. A short-sale is a sale transaction of the property for an amount less than the mortgage balance.

"We try to work with borrowers who find themselves in this situation, especially if they are hardship cases," Costello said. "We have

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**HOME DESIGNS**



**Modern and country charm  
merge style with the Linda Lee**

By James McAlexander  
Copley News Service

Country charm and modern living are merged in the impressive design of the Linda Lee.

This two-story beauty can fit a variety of lifestyles. With three bedrooms comprising the entire second floor, this plan is perfect for a family with older children still at home that need a certain amount of privacy, or empty nesters who can employ the upper floor to accommodate visiting friends and relatives.

A covered porch, aside from its eye-catching curb appeal, lets guests shake off the rain before entering and provides a good vantage point to sit and enjoy balmy summer evenings.

Once inside, it is evident that the application of available space was well conceived. The stairway to the upper floor is centrally located, allowing free traffic flow throughout the house.

To the left of the entry, the huge vaulted master suite sits in regal isolation. A large window facing the front provides plenty of sunlight and a great view. Other amenities include a capacious walk-in closet with enough shelves to hold a multitude of accessories, a large bathroom with a custom shower, twin basins, separate toilet and linen storage. There also is private access to a side deck where an optional spa can help melt away the cares of the day.

The vaulted living room is the focal point of family life. Here the clan can gather for warmth and conversation in front of the gas fireplace or be entertained by the television/stereo built in under the staircase.

The U-shape kitchen, with built-in dishwasher, raised eating bar and corner pantry

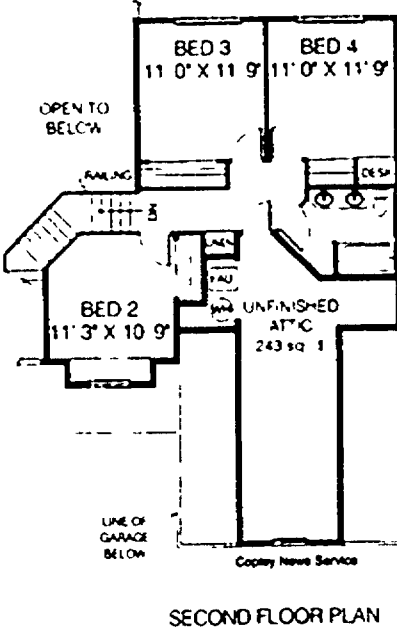
make this a cook's delight. More formal occasions can be enjoyed in the front dining room that also features a comfortable window seat.

A handy utility room, accessible to the garage, and a half bath complete the first-floor design.

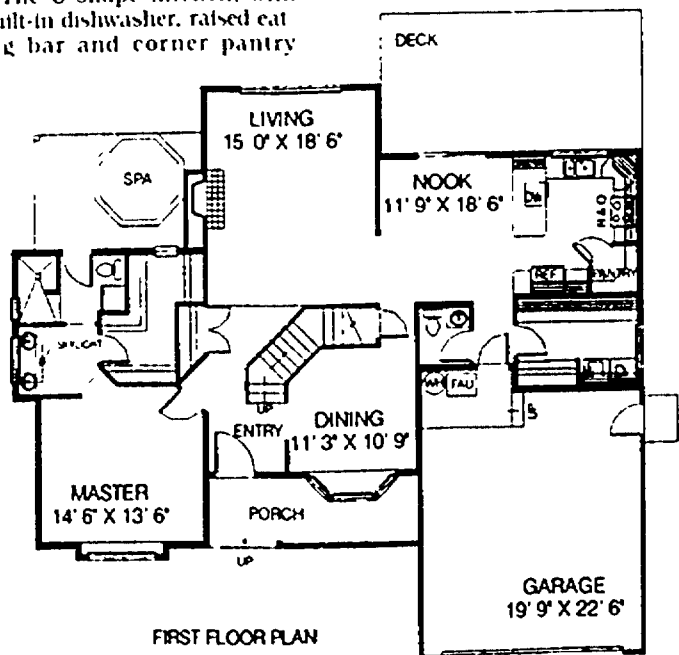
The top floor has two bedrooms at the back, each with ample closet space. One includes a built-in desk, the other features a vaulted ceiling, large closet and a delightful window seat where an afternoon can be pleasantly spent with a good book.

A full bathroom serves the second story.

For a study plan of the Linda Lee (104 05) send \$9 to Landmark Designs, c/o HomeTown Newspapers, 323 E. Grand River Ave., Howell, MI 48843 (Be sure to specify plan name and number when ordering).

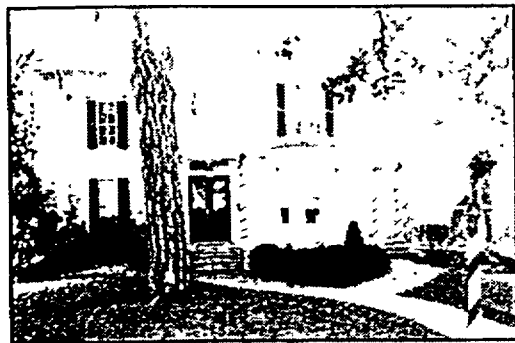


SECOND FLOOR PLAN



FIRST FLOOR PLAN

**OVERALL DIMENSIONS: 56'-0" X 50'-0"**  
**LIVING AREA: 2,104 square feet**  
**GARAGE: 450 square feet**



**VERY  
INTERESTING**



Cindy Lehrer stands in the dining room of her house in Milford.

Photos by SCOTT BENEDICT

Since moving in

two years ago,

the Lehrers have

of Milford has

learned one very

important thing

about their home.

It attracts a

great deal of

attention.

By Jane Benskey  
Special Writer

Whether it's a person stopping to comment, someone snapping photos, or, believe it or not, even someone peeking through their windows, the Lehrers now know that their home is a source of curiosity.

Indeed, the house, located on Commerce Road, just a 1/4 mile east of downtown Milford, is a wondrous example of the beautiful architecture and superlative craftsmanship that abounded in the 1800's.

Built in 1869, the house is a classic example of the Italianate style of architecture that was popular in the 1850's and 1860's. Exterior details such as the hip roof, the ornate brackets, the pilasters and the exterior balconies are all indicative of the Italianate style.

Local historian Barbara Young calls the home, "a jewel of the Italianate architecture." Noting that there are several types of Italianate style, Young said she believes the house is indicative of the Italianate Villa style.

The house was built by Phillip F. Wells, who, along with his brother, Daniel W., established Wells Foundry, a successful Milford company that manufactured farming implements such as cultivators.

Like many of those who have passed by the house and marveled at its aristocratic beauty,

Cindy Lehrer, 45, had always taken notice of the house on her trips into Milford from her former home on Duck Lake in Highland.

One day after noticing a "For Sale" sign on the front lawn, Lehrer called the real estate company from a pay phone to inquire about the house.

A half hour later, Lehrer and her daughter, Natalie, walked through the house. And she "fell in love with it."

After convincing her husband Bill, 48, a production manager for Ford Motor Co., to look at the house he, too, was hooked. The Lehrers soon became the 13th family to live in the grand old home.

Interestingly enough, the Lehrers weren't in the market for an older home at the time, but rather were planning on building a new home in Milford.

A interior design major in college, Lehrer was especially impressed that all of the restoration work by previous owners managed to maintain the integrity of the home's original character.

While speculating that there may have been a time that the house fell into decline — it has been foreclosed on twice in its 120 year history — Lehrer believes that each family brought something special to the house.

Because of the size of the home, Lehrer says

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**Taking care of houseplants**

By C.Z. Guest  
Copley News Service

**GARDENING**

**Q: How often should houseplants be misted, syringed or washed under a spigot?**

A: Heavy-leaf or fuzzy-leaf plants such as gloxinias, African violets and streptocarpus (cape primrose) are prone to getting water marks on their leaves, so avoid misting or syringing — simply use a watering can and dust the leaves with a small, soft paint brush. Glossy-leaf plants, however, do splendidly with monthly sponging or syringing. Never use a spigot, as it can drown any plant. Always use lukewarm water to water your fuzzy plants.

**Q: How can I prevent pests from getting a start on my houseplants?**

A: Make it a habit to inspect all plants weekly. Plants that are infested with bugs must be segregated until bug-free. Pick off all dead flowers and leaves — these are great hiding places for pests. Sponge with soap and lukewarm water at monthly intervals to check for such deadly pests as red spider, mealybugs and scale. Segregate any new plants initially and promptly throw out all plants that simply cannot be saved.

**Q: How does one go about getting the tiny, sticky, hair-like seeds of the African violets or Calceolaria from their packets into the dirt of starter pots? I'm all thumbs.**

A: Tear open the packet and use a pair of tweezers to pull out the seeds gently. This is the surest way not to lose any.

**Q: The new leaves on my potted plants sometimes turn a light green and stay small. What can I do to stop this?**

A: This is probably due to lack of food. Nutrients can be dissolved by too much water or poor drainage. Although plants need water to survive, the roots need air, too. If the soil is kept too wet, the air spaces fill up with water and the weakened roots can easily die.

Plants with diseased roots do not absorb as much water, so the soil stays wet and the plants can't get the nutrients they need to thrive. Discard severely wilted plants and those without white root tips. Do not water less severely affected plants until the soil is barely moist. To prevent

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**Houseplant habits**

■ Houseplants with fuzzy leaves (African violets, gloxinias, cape primrose) develop water marks on their leaves if they are misted. Dust them with a soft brush. Glossy-leaved plants love to have a monthly sponging or syringing.

■ Most houseplants need light soil with good drainage, and plants in plastic pots need less water than those in clay pots. Avoid hot or cold drafts and keep night temperatures cool, if possible. Use a well-balanced fertilizer.

■ Ivies, bromeliads, ferns, snake plants, philodendrons, aspidistra, large-leaved begonias and most tropical plants will grow well without much sun.

■ Spider plant, grape ivy, cast-iron plant, dracaena, philodendron, piggyback plant, ferns, ponytail, snake plant, jade plant, lipstick vine, wandering Jew and wax plant can thrive without much attention.

■ Primulas, African violets, aloe, cactuses, cineraria, fuchsias, geraniums, gerbera, gloxinias, impatiens, kalanchoes and wax begonias will grow easily from seed.



Primula

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# Waterproofing the basement and foundation

By Gene Gary  
Copley News Service

## HERE'S HOW

**Q.** During the rainy season we have a constant problem with water collecting in the basement. The foundation is poured concrete and the water seems to come right through the walls. Do you know how we might be able to keep the water out?

**A.** First inspect the drainage around your house. The ground should slope away from the foundation walls, at least six inches for every 10 feet away from the house. Downspouts from the gutter system should extend at least 6 feet from the walls. Walkways also should slope away from the house.

Avoid plantings next to your foundation. You want to direct any runoff away from the house, so water won't collect and settle in the area of your foundation walls.

If dampness continues, additional measures will be required. Ideally, in areas where water problems are likely to be severe, the basement wall should be protected with a footing tile and a waterproof membrane on the outside of the wall.

After a house has been constructed, leakage and seepage can be reduced or eliminated by the same techniques recommended for new construction. However, most of these methods are expensive since they require excavating down to the footing, so that the exposed foundation walls can be coated with masonry waterproofing.

In addition, footing drains are installed to collect subsurface water and carry it away from the house. This is usually a job for a professional.

Fortunately, there are other options. Interior waterproofing, if applied correctly, will be effective in all but the most severe cases.

There are a variety of interior waterproof coatings available. They include epoxy paints, which are either water- or petroleum-based,

and are mixed from two components prior to use. Epoxy paints, especially water-based, are among the best overall performers. Ready-mixed, cement-based coatings, are based on synthetic resins and portland cement mixed in a solvent.

Another option is cement-based dry powders, which are mixed with water or with prepackaged liquids before application.

If water in your basement leaks in jets or streams, these coatings are not an appropriate solution. However, they are effective in preventing the penetration of water vapor and liquid water under low hydrostatic pressure. These coatings should be applied up to the grade-level only, to allow evaporation of any trapped moisture within the wall.

Preparation is important. The walls should be oil and dirt free and all flaking paint should be sanded and removed. Some of these products will specify paint-free walls.

Prior to application of a waterproof coating, thoroughly inspect your basement walls. If you find cracks and leaks, plug the smaller ones (1/8 inch or less) with a quality exterior caulk. Some caulks, asphalt for example, will even stick to damp surfaces. Plug larger cracks with hydraulic cement, a special mix available at most home centers.

Many leaks occur at the joint between the foundation wall and the footing (and up to the floor level). These can usually be eliminated by building a cove of hydraulic cement along the intersection of the wall and the floor. The cove should be keyed into a notch approximately 2 inches wide and 1 inch deep that has been cut into the basement floor near the wall.

Call a masonry supply store, a well-stocked home center, lumberyard or hardware store in your area for advice on these materials. There are many different brands on the market,

readily available to the home owner.

**Q.** We have a gas water heater. Could this have any effect on our cold water? The cold water runs quite warm at the beginning. We have to run it quite a while before it becomes pleasant enough to drink.

**A.** The heater may be overheating the water so that it backs up into the water main. If so, a closer control on the water heater or a check valve is advisable. Gas water heaters have thermostats and the temperature can be lowered to prevent overheating.

Another cause might be the proximity of the hot- and cold-water pipes, so that when the cold water stands still it picks up heat from a nearby hot-water pipe. Insulation on the hot-water pipe would overcome this.

**Q.** We had a flood in our kitchen that left water standing on a section of the ceramic tile. This caused bleaching of the grout between the tiles in this area.

We still have the color-mixed grout the tile installer left us. Please advise on the best way to restore this section of tile so it matches the rest of the room. We are hoping that we will not have to remove the tiles and start all over again.

**A.** If the grouting is in good condition (not crumbling and causing the tiles to become loose), your solution is fairly simple. You can put a new surface coat over the existing grout.

Purchase a grout saw from a local tile dealer. This is an instrument you can use between the tiles to remove about half of the existing grout. Simply mix your grout and reapply the new grout over the remaining older grout.

Send inquiries to *Here's How*, Copley News Service, P.O. Box 190, San Diego, CA 92112-0190. Only questions of general interest can be answered in the column.

## Leaky basement repair

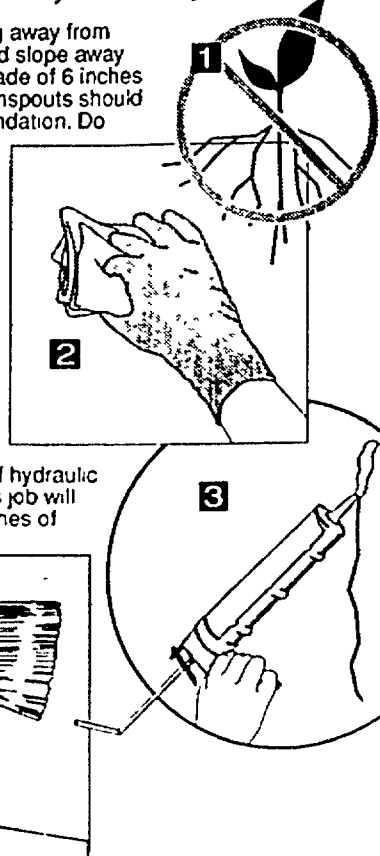
Basements with severe leaks usually require the attention of a professional, but seepage, moisture or slow leaks may be repaired by the do-it-yourselfer.

■ Be sure that water is draining away from the house properly. Ground should slope away from the house at a downward grade of 6 inches for every 10 feet of distance. Downspouts should empty at least 6 feet from the foundation. Do not allow plantings up next to the foundation.

■ Prepare a leaky basement wall by removing oil, dirt and old, flaking paint. Seal small cracks with caulk, and fill larger ones with hydraulic cement.

■ Epoxy paints are among the best basement sealers. Cement-based coatings and cement-based dry powders are other options. None of these will stop heavy water flows.

■ Leakage at the basement wall and floor intersection can be best repaired by pouring a cove of hydraulic cement all along the junction. This job will require removal of a couple of inches of cement from the wall and a professional may better handle this task.



SOURCE "Fix it Yourself, Brick, Stone & Concrete," Popular Mechanics

Copley News Service Dan Clifford

# VERY INTERESTING: Milford house always has visitors

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she eventually decided to resign from her position as an office administrator at an ophthalmologist's office.

The home is quite large at 4,000 square feet. It features five bedrooms, two and a half bathrooms, a parlor, a library, a formal dining room, plus two family rooms, all set on a one acre ravine lot.

Instead of "managing her home from the office," Lehrer wanted to be able to devote more time to her home, as well as finish up a business administration degree at Madonna College.

Perhaps the most interesting visit Lehrer has had since moving into their home was that of a young woman asking to take photos of the house. It seems the woman had lived in the house as a child some thirty years ago and couldn't resist a visit while she was back in town.

The woman later sent a thank you note and included some photos taken of the house during the time she lived there. The woman wrote that it "warmed her heart" to see how well the house was being

maintained.

In a home where each room is as lovely as the next, it's hard to single anyone out for mention, but particularly outstanding are the foyer, the parlor and the dining room.

The wide, open staircase that rises to a huge hallway above, the original wide-plank hardwood floors, the soaring 10-foot ceiling and the intricate carved moldings all conjure up the grandeur of another time. Other features of interest include a transom window over the front double doors, a bay window in the parlor, and French doors that lead out to a side porch. Lehrer notes that many of the windows in the home still have the original glass.

In fact, Lehrer said one of her most treasured artifacts of the home is a piece of windowpane on which the daughter of P.W. Wells etched her initials with her diamond engagement ring.

Mindful of the era of her home, Cindy Lehrer has drawn on her design background to decorate the home using elegant, yet understated furnishings and

carpets and cherished heirlooms, all of which permit the architectural details to take center stage.

The formal dining room is especially stunning. On a recent afternoon the large Country French dining room table was completely set with china, crystal and silver, as if in anticipation of an elegant dinner party later that evening.

Asked if she were expecting guests, Lehrer replied that her dining room table was always set.

"I like to leave my china displayed ... I think when you have some pretty things and you don't use them that much it's kind of nice to leave them out," Lehrer said.

The kitchen is where the house begins what Lehrer calls "the new house." She explains that years ago the kitchen was rebuilt following a fire. Beams from an old portion of the house were used for the kitchen's very distinctive exposed wood and beamed ceiling.

Also in the kitchen is a second staircase that leads up to the

rear of the second floor.

Upstairs there are four bedrooms and two full bathrooms. The master bedroom and another bedroom each have French doors that open out to a shared balcony.

At this time just the Lehrer's 18-year-old son Bob, a senior at Milford High School, lives at home. Although the Lehrer's two other children — Bill, 25, a system's engineer and Natalie, 21, a senior nursing student at University of Michigan — live elsewhere, they each have a room for their visits back home.

A fifth bedroom off the foyer serves as a guest room.

Like the kitchen, the family room is also a newer part of the house. Added on in the 1960s, the spacious family room fea-

tures a massive field-stone fireplace with a raised hearth. A bank of windows at the rear of the room affords a wonderful view down into a ravine and wooded lot that seems to belie the home's downtown location.

Below is a second family room, accessible by a spiral staircase off the upper family room. Floor-to-ceiling windows bring considerable light into the room and French doors open out to a patio area. A large, unusual fireplace fronted with large copper panels adds warmth to the room. Although the Lehrer's put a great deal of time and effort into maintaining and preserving their home, it's clear that this grand old place is thriving under their loving attention.

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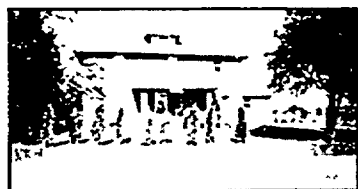
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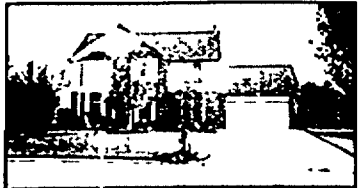
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# Glass vase holds its value

By Anne McCollam  
Copley News Service

Q. Enclosed is a photo of a glass vase that was a wedding present to my folks in 1926. The height is 9 inches and it is in perfect condition. The vase is a deep sea green and is decorated with hand-painted flowers. "Made in Czechoslovakia" is marked on the bottom. What is it worth?

A. Objects with this mark were made after 1918, when the Czechs and the Slovaks formed the country Czechoslovakia. The glass houses of Czechoslovakia trace their origins to the Bohemian Glass of the 13th and 14th centuries.

Much of the glass produced between World War I and World War II was of a high quality. Your vase was made circa 1926. It would probably be worth \$150 to \$160.

Q. My mother gave me her earthenware pitcher. It is 8 inches tall and decorated with scenes of American historical events. The words "The Rowland Marsellus Co. — Staffordshire, England — Rd. No. 527015" are on the bottom. I would appreciate any information you can give me.

A. Your pitcher was made by British Anchor Pottery in Longton, Staffordshire, England. Rowland & Marsellus Co. was the U.S. importer. The registry number shows that the design of this pitcher was registered in 1908. The value of your pitcher would probably be \$125 to \$150.

Q. I have a silver-plated spoon holder with this mark on the bottom. It has been in our family for more than 100 years. Could you please tell me who made it and what it is worth?

A. Your spoon holder was made by E.G. Webster

& Son located in Brooklyn, N.Y. They were in business from 1886 until 1928 when they became part of International Silver Co.

The number is a model number. Your spoon holder was made in the late 1800s. It would probably be worth \$75 to \$100 in good condition.

Q. In 1944 we gave our mother a pair of figurines of tigers. They have a golden bronze glaze and are 8 inches high including the base. Each is marked "Royal Haeger — R-313." Could you tell me what they are worth?

A. Haeger Pottery located in Dundee and Macomb, Ill., made your figurines. It has been in business from 1871 to the present. The "Royal Haeger" line was introduced in 1938.

Royal Arden Hickman was the chief designer of this line from 1938 to 1944. The first piece designed by Hickman was numbered "R-1." Numbers were given to designs in chronological order. The value of your figurines would probably be \$225 to \$250.

Q. Could you please tell me the value of my Coca-Cola belt buckle? It is decorated with three partially clothed females holding up the world and a fourth female sitting on top of it.

On the front is the Coca-Cola logo and the words "Feel on Top of the World."

Marked on the back is "Tiffany Studio — New York — A Coca-Cola Creation — Atlanta — Ga." Is this belt buckle rare?

A. Not only is it not rare, it isn't even a reproduction. This belt buckle is not a legitimate Coca-Cola collectible. Coca-Cola Co. never made this type of buckle, nor was this mark used on authentic products. This is called a fantasy item.

Collectors need to be aware that these fantasy objects exist. The buckle was made around 1978. It would probably be worth \$5 to \$10.

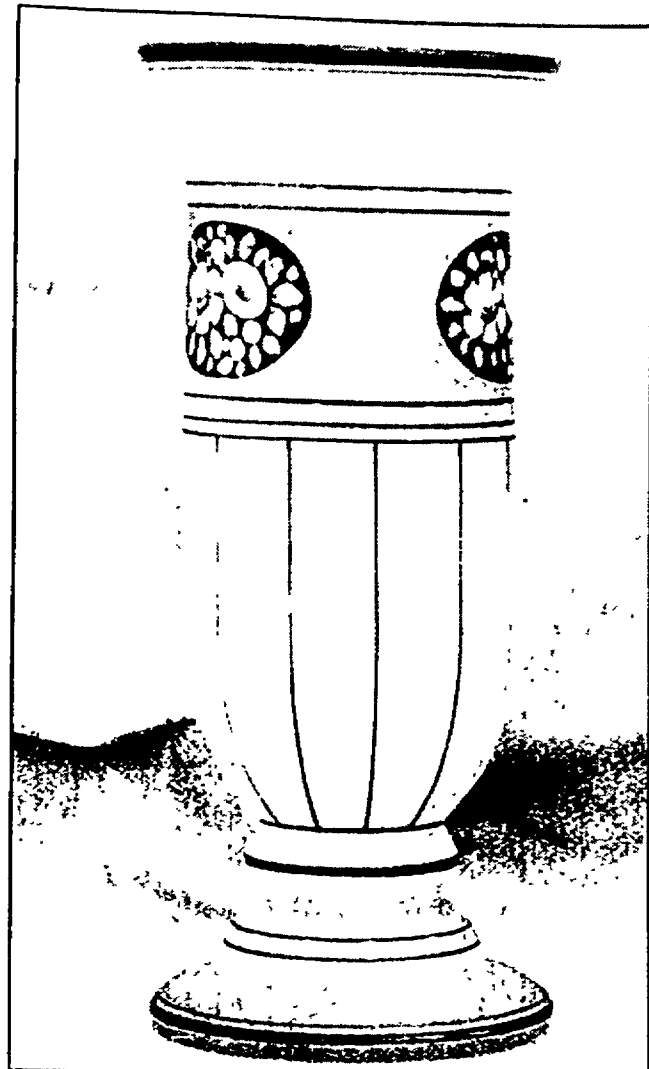
## BOOK REVIEW

The goal of author Gerald DeBolt in his book "DeBolt's Dictionary of American Pottery Marks, Whiteware & Porcelain" (Collector Books, a division of Schroeder Publishing Co. Inc.) is to help identify manufacturers, locations and age from marks. DeBolt clearly defines the term whiteware. He explains how decorating can be a useful dating tool.

Hundreds of marks are illustrated, along with dates and descriptions. A reprint of the American marks in W. Percival Jervis' 1897 "A Book of Pottery Marks" is included, along with Flow Blue and Tea Leaf marks. This book enables both the seasoned and the novice collector to successfully identify American marks from A to Z efficiently and quickly.

"DeBolt's Dictionary of American Pottery Marks, Whiteware & Porcelain" is available in antique shops and bookstores.

Address your questions to Anne McCollam, P.O. Box 490, Notre Dame, IN 46556. For a personal response, include picture(s), a detailed description, a stamped, self-addressed envelope and \$5 per item (one item at a time).



This glass vase was made circa 1926 and is probably worth \$150 to \$160.

## Use caution before accepting a short payoff; readers write

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recently seen an increase in the number of these cases. And that's not really surprising when you consider residential prices in our area have been declining since 1990. Some (prices) are now 20 to 40 percent less than they were five years ago."

Costello noted that a problem surfaces when a Realtor lists or sells a home for a price less than the amount of the mortgage balance and assures the owner that the lender will accept a short payoff of the loan. That's not necessarily true. It's at the discretion of the lender.

Another problem is created by the increasing number of companies promoting short-sale services for homeowners. They often claim

in promotional materials that if a consumer transfers their property's title, any foreclosure information will not affect the individual's credit report.

"The issue of property ownership is entirely separate from the issue of a mortgage loan, and title transfer does not negate a contract with the mortgage lender to pay for the property," said a report from the real estate research firm of TRW REDI Property Data.

"To avoid negative information from being reported by the lender, homeowners considering a short-sale must be certain the lender releases the consumer from liability for the loan," the report said. "Involve the mortgage lender early in the process and work with your lender to negotiate the best outcome."

The key is for the seller to become involved in one-on-one communications with his lender. Don't rely on suggestions or offers from outsiders. In many cases, they are trying to make money by capitalizing on the seller's situation.

Many professional Realtors who list such houses will go with the owner when discussing possibilities with the mortgage lender. After that meeting, the Realtor is in a better position to map out an effective marketing plan.

Residential property short-sales seem to be particularly concentrated in communities that can be characterized as affordable, and catering to the first-time buyer market. TRW REDI noted. The frequency of short-sales has been highest among homes valued at

less than \$125,000.

Short-sale figures vary from region to region. In Southern California, for example, there have been about 80 such transactions per month in recent months, according to TRW REDI.

This figure covers only the activity of companies that specialize in handling short-sales on behalf of homeowners. But such activity is believed to comprise the majority of short-sales transactions.

I've had some interesting input for this column via cyberspace. The responses were to my invitation on several on-line forums for people to express their views on real estate topics.

From Stanley Koza:  
"A lot of people complain that real estate agents are sleazy and

out to tell you anything to make a sale. But in many cases, potential purchasers bring it on themselves.

"They don't ask the right questions when looking for a good broker. They should ask questions like: How long have you been in the business? What did you do before getting into real estate? How do you support your opinion of my property's current market value?"

"A lot of agents are in real estate because they are in a position to sell you something — anything. Let your prospective agent know your desires and intentions, and ask some key question to determine his or her real capabilities."

From Peter Wanner in Canada:  
"I'm not in real estate, but the topic that seems to come up most

often in my coffee discussion group relates to the number of people that are in the business.

"The really hurtful part is the number of part-time agents (men and women) that don't need the money as much as they need to get out and about. These part-timers seem to be a huge headache for people trying to make a living as real estate professionals."

"That's my two cents worth, in Canadian money (\$0.0144 U.S.)."

Questions may be used in future columns; personal responses should not be expected. Send inquiries to James M. Woodard, Copley News Service, P.O. Box 190, San Diego, CA 92112-0190.

## House plant questions and answers for the winter months

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the problem, pot plants in a light soil with good drainage.

Q: What kind of houseplants do well with hardly any direct sun?

A: That depends upon the temperature you maintain. Hot, dry rooms will kill anything, but if the temperature is moderate and you have fair humidity, you can grow ferns, ivy, aspidistra, snake plants, philodendrons, many large-leaf begonias as well as tropical foliage plants and bromeliads. Keep your night temperature down to 55 degrees if possible, and your plants will stay vigorous. Remember that hot or cold drafts will make plants lose leaves and buds.

Q: Are there any houseplants a beginning gardener can raise from seed?

A: Raising houseplants from seed is a rewarding hobby. With very little expense and a small amount of time, you can have all sorts of delightful varieties of plants in every size, shape, color and fragrance. African violets, aloe, cactus, cineraria, fuchsias, geraniums, gerbera, gloxinias, impatiens, kalanchoes, primulas, begonias and other flowering plants can all be

started from seed. Be sure to use plant markers to keep the names straight.

Q: Are there any common houseplants that bloom in winter?

A: African violets, wax begonias and shrimp plants give constant bloom. Paper-white narcissus and French-Roman hyacinths can be started for succession and are long-lasting. Also, try scented geraniums, amaryllis, jasmynes, azaleas and chrysanthemums. If there is sun, tree-form geraniums and lantanas make a handsome grouping. For most flowering plants, sunshine is the key. Of course, many lovely pre-potted bulbs available at garden centers are especially cultivated to bloom at Christmastime, such as amaryllis, narcissus, hyacinth and crocus. These fragrant bulbs will last several weeks and require only a little watering.

Q: What are the best containers for all types of houseplants?

A: Most plants grow well in both clay and plastic pots as long as cultural care is satisfactory. Plants in plastic pots need less water than those in clay. During the hot, sultry months (July and August) plants potted in clay dry out fast, especially if they're sitting in direct sun. They may need two daily waterings — morning and evening to survive wilting and heat stress. Whatever type of container you

use, be sure there are drainage holes in the bottom.

Q: What houseplants need the least attention? I'd like to have the green of plants in my home, but I don't want to spend a lot of time caring for them.

A: The following plants grow easily indoors: spider plant, grape ivy, cast-iron plant, dracaena, philodendron, piggyback

plant, ferns, ponytail, snake plant, jade plant, lipstick vine, wandering Jew and wax plant.

C.Z. Guest, author of "5 Seasons of Gardening" (Little, Brown & Co.), is an authority on gardens, flowers and plants. Send questions to C.Z. Guest, c/o Copley News Service, P.O. Box 190, San Diego, CA 92112-0190.

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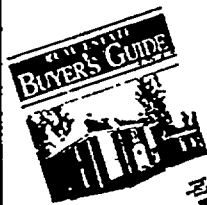
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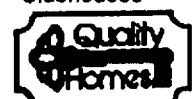
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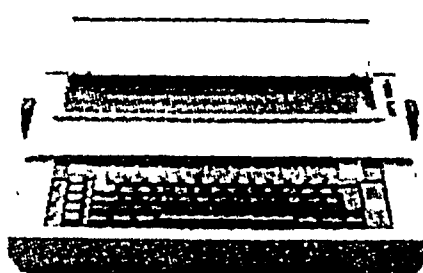


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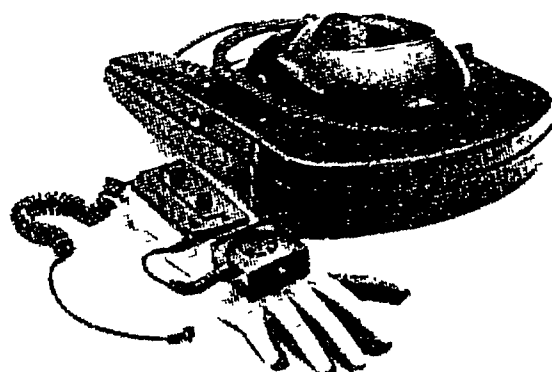
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# Gallery brings art to Northville

By SCOTT DANIEL  
Staff Writer

The city of Northville is known for many things - quaint shops, quiet streets, apple cider and fine dining.

But art? Time was you had to drive to Ann Arbor or Bloomfield Hills for a viewing of an original painting, unique jewelry or hand crafted glass.

Not any more. Dancing Eye Gallery sits in the middle of downtown and features a bit of everything for the sophisticated in you. According to owner Theresa Schierloh, the city is the perfect place for her shop.

"I just felt I had something Northville needed," she said. "I like Northville a lot."

Schierloh brings a wealth of knowledge to the community.

She studied art at Eastern Michigan University where she received both a bachelor's and master's degrees in the discipline. During that time, Schierloh worked at the Sell/Shevel Gallery in Ann Arbor.

"I learned more working at the gallery than at school," said Schierloh, who is an accomplished photographer herself.

After graduating from EMU, she decided to start her own gallery. She said she likes working with patrons and helping artists display and sell their works.

"Artists have a hard time selling it themselves," Schierloh said. "I really enjoy doing it. I feel very comfortable with it."

The Ann Arbor resident said she also wanted the chance to be her own boss.

"I saw a lot of people with their own business," said Schierloh. "I knew I could do it myself."

Dancing Eye Gallery, located at 150 North Center Street, opened on Oct. 1. Business has improved since then. Schierloh said being directly connected to the Tuscan Cafe has helped.

"It's a nice co-existence," she added. "We're both bringing business to each other."

Schierloh did some major renovations before opening.

Her portion of the building was previously a law office. Carpeting and wallpaper were ripped out and replaced with a hardwood floor and a good paint job. Other touches, such as a raised ceiling, helped complete the gallery.

"We wanted it to have an antique theme and a real rustic look," Schierloh said. "I wanted to keep it ... comfortable."

The gallery's look does change from day to day, however. That's because when pieces are sold, the business owner takes the time to adjust her displays.

"Tastefully done," is what one patron remarked after a recent visit.

Tasteful is a good word for the works at Dancing Eye Gallery.

Start with the paintings of Nancy Wolfe. About a half dozen of the Ann Arbor artist's vividly colored abstracts are on display through the end of January.



Photo by BRYAN MITCHELL

Theresa Schierloh, owner of Dancing Eye Gallery, said she has learned more about art running her store than in art school.

Schierloh said she will have a featured artist, usually local, every month. A photography show will go on display after Wolfe.

Hand-blown glass and paperweights are two main staples of Dancing Eye.

The gallery routinely shows the work of Nico Leo, a Birmingham glass artist. Schierloh described his pieces as functional and decorative.

Paperweights of shapes and styles are brought in from Kansas.

Hand-painted dishes are also available.

One of the gallery's better selling items is jewelry. Rings, ear rings and bracelets are common.

"I have an eclectic mix," Schierloh said.

The Dancing Eye Gallery is open Tuesday through Thursday 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., Friday and Saturday 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 4 p.m.

For more information, call 449-7086.

## Business Briefs

**LINDA BRAND** of CENTURY 21 WEST in Novi recently earned the designation of Associate Broker. Brand, a Walled Lake resident, works primarily in Novi, Walled Lake and the surrounding areas. She has been particularly successful listing and selling lakefront homes. The telephone number of Century 21 West in Novi is (810) 349 6800.

Northville resident **MICHAEL MORRIS**, the president and chief executive officer of **CONSUMERS POWER COMPANY**, has been promoted to the additional position of Executive Vice President of Consumers Power's parent holding company, CMS Energy Corporation. CMS Energy's Board of Directors indicated its intent to elect Morris to the Board in February 1996.

Farmington Hills-based **JERVIS B. WEBB COMPANY** recently announced **DARRYL JOHNSON** as its quality achiever for December. A Detroit resident, Johnson has worked for the company for five years and is currently employed as a project manager. He is responsible for technical administration of work under contract. This includes coordinating the efforts of the Project Team members in transmittal of all documents and drawings, chairing meetings, developing schedules and general management control of the project from the design stage through customer acceptance of the system.

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**A. LANDIS** to its engineering staff. A civil engineering graduate of Michigan State University, Landis will be part of the FPS environmental engineering design team in Novi.

Northville resident **JUNE CLARK** was recently appointed to the position of Relocation Director and Business Development for **PRUDENTIAL VILLAGE REALTORS** with offices in Novi and Northville. Clark is an eight-year veteran in relocation and was most recently employed by Century 21.



Darryl Johnson

**ELECTRONIC REALTY ASSOCIATES**, which serves Novi and Northville, recently went on-line. Called ERA Online, consumers can now check for information on the company's some 40,000 broker listings through out the world. ERA Online can be found on the World Wide Web at: <http://www.teamera.com>.

Opening for business this week was the **CHESAPEAKE BAGEL BAKERY**, 250 N. Center in downtown Northville.

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Linda Brand

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Chesapeake include the pizza bagel and the eggwich.

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The 2,000-square-foot eatery features 40 seats and booths, and even has a drive-through window.

Co-owner **TROY CONNER** says baking is done on the premises. In addition to Conner, the other owners are **JOE ANTHONY**, **RANDY FLINN** and **GREG CHEESEMAN**.

Duff and Phelps Credit Rating Co. has reaffirmed its AAA claims paying ability ratings for **LUTHERAN BROTHERHOOD** and its wholly owned subsidiary, Lutheran Brotherhood Variable Insurance Products Company. The company is represented by **HAROLD HYLAND**, **DOUGLAS TEUBERT**, **CHARLES YOUNG** in Novi and Northville.

**TODD KNICKERBOCKER**, the Northville representative for **EDWARD D. JONES** investment brokers, recently joined the firm's other top salespeople at the company's annual Managing Partners Conference in St. Louis.

Each year, the company invites the top 6 percent of its sales force to the conference to recognize their efforts and afford them a chance to discuss issues and share ideas.

This year's meeting included a presentation by best-seller author **Harry S. Dent Jr.**, a seminar leader, manager and consultant.

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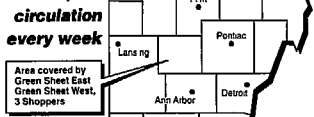
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Detailed oriented person for Electrical Wiring and Assembly. Solder, machining skills and computer literacy a plus. Excellent team working environment. Benefits include, six weeks of vacation after six years of service. Send resume to PROMESS, INC., P.O. Box 748, Brighton, MI 48116.

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Surgical instrument repair. Buffing, light machining, sharpening, brazing & sand blasting experience helpful. Will train. Starting at \$9, plus excellent benefits. Send resume to SIRS Repairs P.O. Box 429, Milford MI 48361.

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## MOUNT BRIGHTON

Taking applications for part-time or full time. Char. lift operators, cashiers, food service, rental, janitorial & lounge personnel. Apply in person. Bring social security card & driver's license or birth certificate. (810)229-9581.

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people who:

- Are enthusiastic and creative who enjoys working in a friendly and professional environment.
- Are interested in home furnishings and interior design but may not necessarily have previous sales experience.
- Understand the importance of outstanding customer service.

## We offer these advantages:

- Excellent compensation with advancement opportunities.
- Comprehensive benefits package including medical coverage, retirement plan, employee discounts and more.
- Attractive retail work schedule.
- You'll be part of a proven national program developed and supported by the La-Z-Boy Chair Company one of America's largest furniture manufacturers.

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Mechanic needed for gravel plants. Exp. a must. Trailer brake & suspension exp. preferred. Must have tools. Good pay and benefits. Work year round. Call after 3pm. (810)624-5807.

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Full time for Ann Arbor Plumbing Supply Co. Must have CDL-B license. Good benefit package. Contact: (313)668-8200.

## URETHANE CASTERS

to hand mix liquid plastic & pour into molds to form parts. Will train. \$7 an hour to start. Medical & paid holidays after 90 days. Unilex Inc., Brighton, MI 48116 7830 Lochin Drive, contact Dave Parks at (810)486-6000.

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We are looking for Security Officers, Public Relations Officers, and experienced Supervisors to fill vacancies located within the Metropolitan Community.

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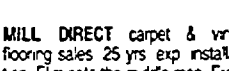
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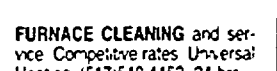
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monthly Use Tax \$21.54</li> <li>• Total Monthly Payment \$422.54</li> <li>• Refundable Security Deposit \$425</li> <li>• Customer Cash Down \$1294.21</li> <li>• Tax on Resale Along w/ Down Pay \$257.28</li> <li>• Customer Pays \$2389.21</li> <li>• RCL and Dealer Cash \$3000</li> <li>• Total Due at Inception \$13,128.24</li> <li>• Total mileage allowed 24,000</li> <li>• Mileage penalty 15¢/mile</li> <li>• Closed End Lease</li> <li>• 225 available at this price</li> <li>• 86 at similar savings</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monthly use tax \$30.96</li> <li>• Customer pays \$10,128.24</li> <li>• RCL and Dealer Cash \$3000</li> <li>• Total Due at Inception \$13,128.24</li> <li>• Total mileage allowed 24,000</li> <li>• Mileage penalty 15¢/mile</li> <li>• Closed End Lease</li> <li>• 225 available at this price</li> <li>• 86 at similar savings</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monthly Use Tax \$21.54</li> <li>• Total Monthly Payment \$422.54</li> <li>• Refundable Security Deposit \$425</li> <li>• Customer Cash Down \$1319.95</li> <li>• Tax on Resale Along w/ Down Pay \$257.28</li> <li>• Customer Pays \$2389.21</li> <li>• RCL and Dealer Cash \$3000</li> <li>• Total Due at Inception \$13,128.24</li> <li>• Total mileage allowed 24,000</li> <li>• Mileage penalty 15¢/mile</li> <li>• Closed End Lease</li> <li>• 225 available at this price</li> <li>• 86 at similar savings</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monthly use tax \$30.97</li> <li>• Customer Pays \$10,180.95</li> <li>• Customer Pays \$2389.21</li> <li>• RCL and Dealer Cash \$3000</li> <li>• Total Due at Inception \$13,128.24</li> <li>• Total mileage allowed 24,000</li> <li>• Mileage penalty 15¢/mile</li> <li>• Closed End Lease</li> <li>• 225 available at this price</li> <li>• 86 at similar savings</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monthly Use Tax \$21.54</li> <li>• Total Monthly Payment \$422.54</li> <li>• Refundable Security Deposit \$425</li> <li>• Customer Cash Down \$1094.65</li> <li>• Tax on Resale w/ Down Payment \$257.28</li> <li>• Customer Pays \$2272.67</li> <li>• RCL and Dealer Cash \$3500</li> <li>• Total Due at Inception \$13,350.24</li> <li>• Total mileage allowed 24,000</li> <li>• Mileage penalty 15¢/mile</li> <li>• Closed End Lease</li> <li>• 21 available at this price</li> <li>• 44 at similar savings</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monthly use tax \$31.48</li> <li>• Customer Pays \$9450.24</li> <li>• RCL and Dealer Cash \$3500</li> <li>• Total Due at Inception \$13,350.24</li> <li>• Total mileage allowed 24,000</li> <li>• Mileage penalty 15¢/mile</li> <li>• Closed End Lease</li> <li>• 21 available at this price</li> <li>• 44 at similar savings</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monthly Use Tax \$20.51</li> <li>• Total Monthly Payment \$342.51</li> <li>• Refundable Security Deposit \$425</li> <li>• Customer Cash Down \$1344</li> <li>• Tax on Resale w/ Down Payment \$257.28</li> <li>• Customer Pays \$1857.33</li> <li>• RCL and Dealer Cash \$1000</li> <li>• Total Due at Inception \$9462.98</li> <li>• Total mileage allowed 30,000</li> <li>• Mileage penalty 17¢/mile</li> <li>• Closed End Lease</li> <li>• 47 available at this price</li> <li>• 48 at similar savings</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monthly use tax \$32.68</li> <li>• Customer Pays \$8620.98</li> <li>• RCL and Dealer Cash \$1000</li> <li>• Total Due at Inception \$9462.98</li> <li>• Total mileage allowed 30,000</li> <li>• Mileage penalty 17¢/mile</li> <li>• Closed End Lease</li> <li>• 47 available at this price</li> <li>• 48 at similar savings</li> </ul>

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1996 VILLAGER GS		1996 SABLE GS 4 DOOR		1996 SABLE GS 4 DOOR		1996 MYSTIQUE GS	
Pkg 691A Air, Rear Defrost, Dual Power Mirrors, 7 Passenger Seating, Speed Control, Power Windows/Locks 3.0 Fuel Injection, 4 Speed Auto		Pkg 451A Speed Control, AM/FM Stereo, Cassette, Power Locks, Power Driver's Seat, Aluminum Wheels, Light Group, 3.0L 6 Cylinder		Pkg Speed Control AM/FM Cassette Power Locks, Power Driver Seat Aluminum Wheels, 3.0L 6 Cylinder Engine		Pkg 371A, Rear Window Defrost, Heated Mirrors, Power Antenna, Air Conditioning, AM/FM Cassette, Power Windows & Locks, Speed Control, 2.8 L Cylinder Engine Automatic	
<b>RETAIL LEASE 24 MONTHS</b> <b>\$268<sup>33**</sup></b>	<b>RED CARPET LEASE ADVANCE PAYMENT PROGRAM 24 MONTHS</b> <b>\$6573<sup>92**</sup></b>	<b>RETAIL LEASE 24 MONTHS</b> <b>\$296<sup>82**</sup></b>	<b>RED CARPET LEASE ADVANCE PAYMENT PROGRAM 24 MONTHS</b> <b>\$7283<sup>68**</sup></b>	<b>RETAIL LEASE 24 MONTHS</b> <b>\$320<sup>15**</sup></b>	<b>RED CARPET LEASE ADVANCE PAYMENT PROGRAM 24 MONTHS</b> <b>\$7783<sup>68**</sup></b>	<b>RETAIL LEASE 24 MONTHS</b> <b>\$247<sup>26**</sup></b>	<b>RED CARPET LEASE ADVANCE PAYMENT PROGRAM 24 MONTHS</b> <b>\$6174<sup>72**</sup></b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Monthly Use Tax \$16.12</li> <li>Total Monthly Payment \$264.43</li> <li>Refundable Security Deposit \$300</li> <li>Customer Cash Down \$1,300</li> <li>Tax on Resale &amp; Down Payment \$120</li> <li>Customer Pays \$1,724.43</li> <li>RCL and Dealer Cash \$1,000</li> <li>Total due at inception \$2800.24</li> <li>Total mileage allowed 30,000</li> <li>Mileage penalty 11¢/mile</li> <li>Closed End Lease</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Monthly use tax \$18.93</li> <li>Customer Pays \$7008.24</li> <li>RCL and Dealer Cash \$1,000</li> <li>Total due at inception \$2800.24</li> <li>Total mileage allowed 30,000</li> <li>Mileage penalty 11¢/mile</li> <li>Closed End Lease</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Monthly Use Tax \$17.81</li> <li>Total Monthly Payment \$174.63</li> <li>Refundable Security Deposit \$325</li> <li>Customer Cash Down \$1,000</li> <li>Tax on Resale &amp; Down Payment \$90</li> <li>Customer Pays \$1,775.53</li> <li>RCL and Dealer Cash \$1,000</li> <li>Total due at inception \$2229.63</li> <li>Total mileage allowed 30,000</li> <li>Mileage penalty 11¢/mile</li> <li>Closed End Lease</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Monthly use tax \$19.48</li> <li>Customer Pays \$7750.72</li> <li>RCL and Dealer Cash \$500</li> <li>Total due at inception \$2825.72</li> <li>Total mileage allowed 30,000</li> <li>Mileage penalty 11¢/mile</li> <li>Closed End Lease</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Monthly Use Tax \$19.21</li> <li>Total Monthly Payment \$336.36</li> <li>Refundable Security Deposit \$300</li> <li>Customer Cash Down \$1,300</li> <li>Tax on Down Payment \$90</li> <li>Customer Pays \$1747.36</li> <li>Total of Payments without tax \$1681.92</li> <li>Total Mileage Allowed 30,000</li> <li>Mileage Penalty over 30,000 11¢/mile</li> <li>Closed End Lease</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Monthly use tax \$19.44</li> <li>Total due at inception \$8250.72</li> <li>Total mileage allowed 30,000</li> <li>Mileage penalty 11¢/mile</li> <li>Closed End Lease</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Monthly Use Tax \$14.84</li> <li>Total Monthly Payment \$262.12</li> <li>Refundable Security Deposit \$275</li> <li>Customer Cash Down \$600</li> <li>Tax on Down Payment \$100</li> <li>Customer Pays \$1,537.10</li> <li>Total of Payments without Tax \$1534.24</li> <li>Total Mileage Allowed 30,000</li> <li>Mileage Penalty 11¢/mile</li> <li>Closed End Lease</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Monthly use tax \$15.44</li> <li>Total due at inception \$8544.48</li> <li>Total mileage allowed 30,000</li> <li>Mileage penalty 11¢/mile</li> <li>Closed End Lease</li> </ul>
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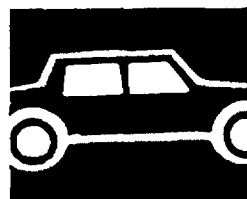
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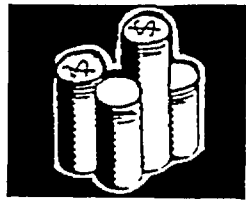
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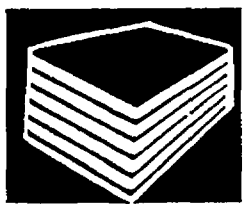
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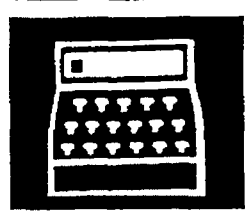
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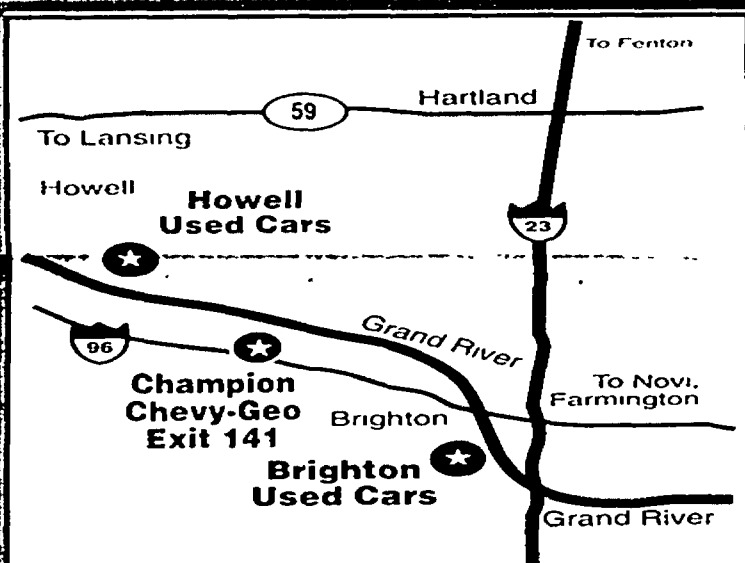
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'92 GRAND AM SE Auto A/C great buy	\$7,995	\$169/mo
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'93 GMC SLE SIERRA 1/2 TON V6 5500 A/C w/cap	\$14,995	\$279/mo
'91 S-10 P.U. 5 speed good miles won't last	\$5995	\$159/mo
'92 S-10 BLAZER 4X4 all the toys	\$10,995	\$189/mo
'92 TEMPO 2 DR. 5 speed air 40000 miles	\$5995	\$199/mo
'94 GRAND AM GT 2 DR. Auto loaded	\$11,995	\$209/mo
'93 T-BIRD LX Teal in color great buy	\$9995	\$199/mo
'94 CHEVY S-10 BLAZER 4 DR. Tahoe pkg. Vortec V6 0 DOWN	\$2995	\$299/mo
'93 CHEVY CORSCICA 4 DR. V6 auto, 111 cruise	\$9295	\$174/mo
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'93 DODGE SPIRIT 4 dr. power equipment	\$9995	\$189/mo
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'93 CHEVY S-10 Auto air stereo 4 door	\$5995	\$99/mo
'92 GEO STORM Auto air stereo 4 door	\$5995	\$119/mo
'92 FORD TEMPO Auto air stereo 4 door	\$5995	\$119/mo
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'89 OLDSMOBILE DELTA 88 Auto air stereo	\$2995	\$88/mo
'93 PLYMOUTH ACCLAIM Auto air stereo	\$6995	\$119/mo
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'93 CHEVY CAVALIER Auto air stereo	\$7995	\$129/mo
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'93 FORD RANGER SPLASH 4 dr. auto air stereo	\$7995	\$129/mo
'93 OLDS ACHIEVA Auto air stereo	\$7995	\$129/mo
'91 CHEVY ASTRO 4 dr. auto air stereo	\$6995	\$139/mo
'94 CHEVY S-10 4 dr. auto air stereo	\$7995	\$149/mo

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'94 PONTIAC SUNBIRD Auto air stereo	\$8995	\$159/mo
'94 CHEVY CORSCICA LT Auto air stereo	\$8995	\$159/mo
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'94 CHEVY C-1500 12 Ton pickup	\$9995	\$179/mo
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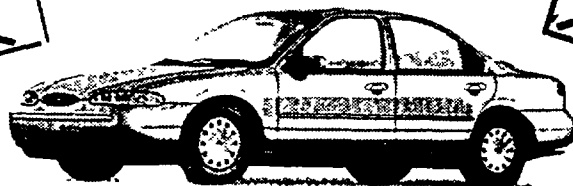
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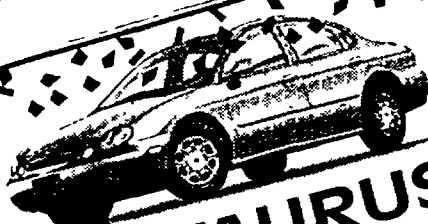
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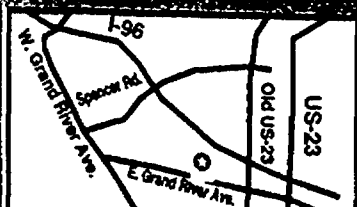
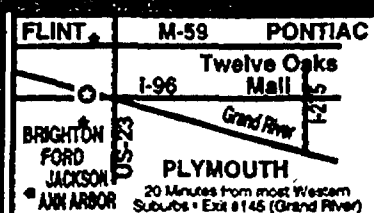
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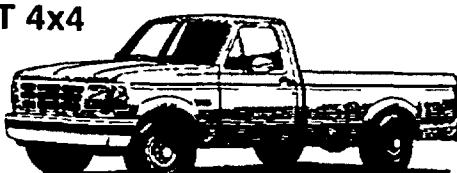




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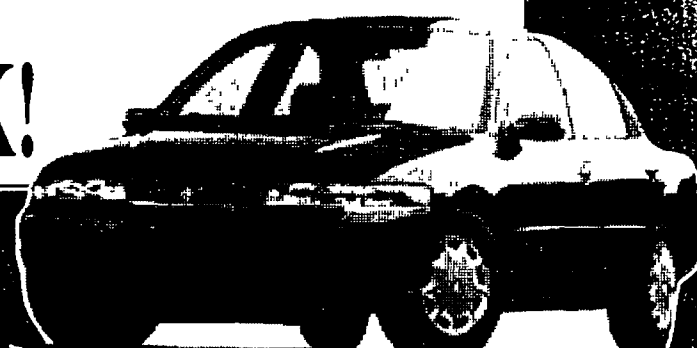
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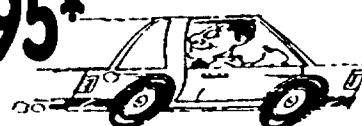
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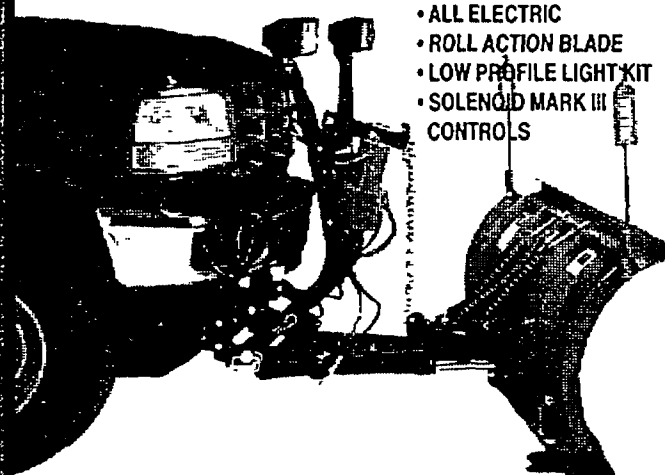
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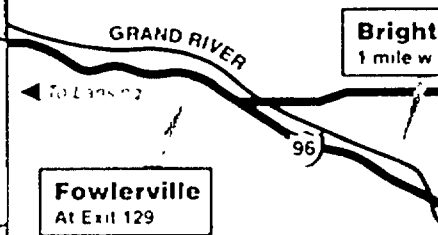


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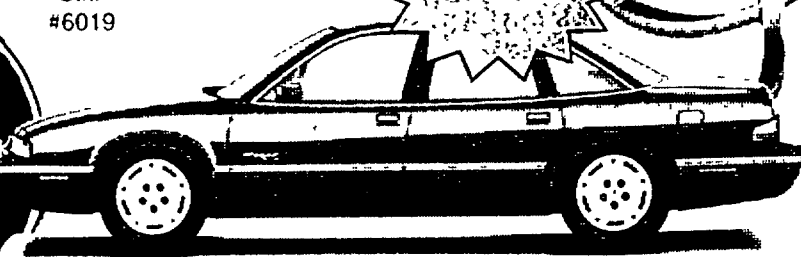
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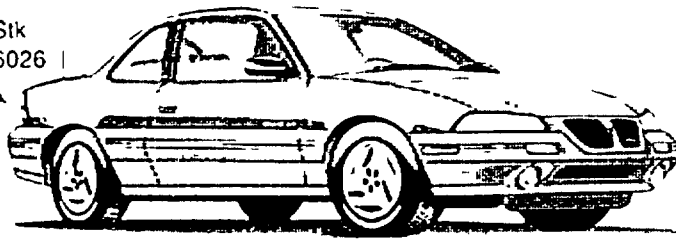
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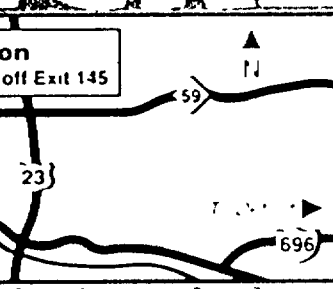
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# THE YEAR IN REVIEW

## A word about Year In Review:

To Our Readers:

We have been publishing "Year in Review" (YIR) sections for more than 10 years now, and the project still has a special appeal for me.

A conscientious hometown newspaper must do many things. It must report the news of the community; it must provide leadership through well-reasoned editorials, it must provide a community forum . . . a "letters page" where residents can express their opinions on the issues and proposals that will shape the future.

But a good hometown com-

munity newspaper is also a historian . . . a chronicler . . . the medium where future generations will look to learn what life was like "way back before the turn of the century in 1995."

"Year in Review" helps us fulfill that responsibility to both current and future generations. As we go about the annual task of each year's YIR, we try to look at the year's events with an eye on the future. What happened in 1995 that will be important and interesting to future generations? Have we really recorded all of the year's most important events?

What will the historians of

the future want to know about life in 1995 and have we included that information in our YIR?

I like to think the YIRs are fairly complete. At the same time, I suspect that we have failed to include some events which seem unimportant today but will be regarded as being of extreme importance by our children's children.

In the meantime, I hope you enjoy reading our 1995 YIR.

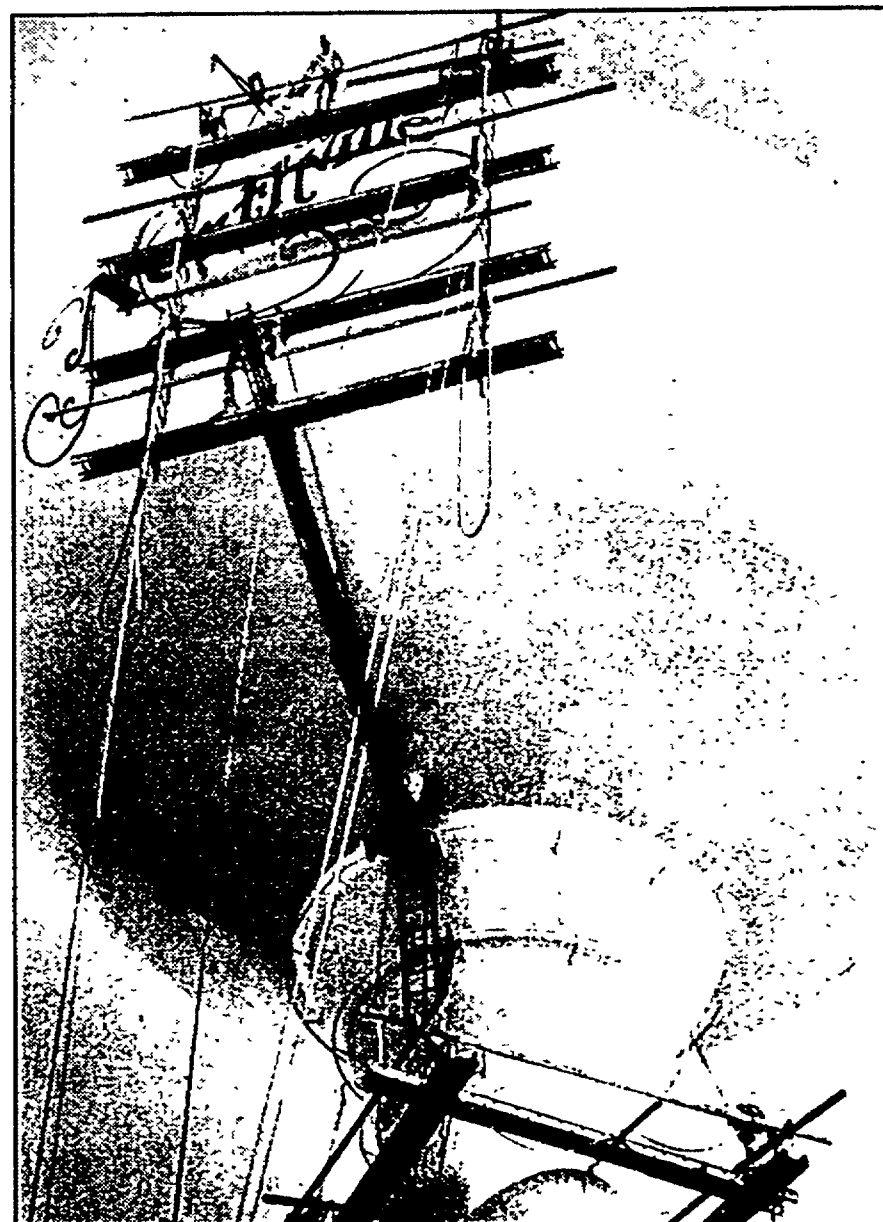
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Ashley Crawford demonstrates grace and form during ballet class at the Northville Recreation Center.

The Northville water tower got a facelift this year, receiving a fresh coat of paint and a script treatment of the city's name.



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# A vigorous campaign entices voters to the polls



By ROBERT JACKSON  
Staff Writer

A vigorous campaign for elective office capped an eventful year in the city in 1995. Also of great importance locally was the passage in December of legislation designed to bolster the state's pari-mutuel tracks, the district library building began to take shape at its soon-to-be new home behind city hall, while an innovative accord with an interactive cable TV provider was concluded. Longtime City Councilman Paul Folino relinquished his seat at the board table, and the success of the annual Victorian Festival in September proved that some things need never change.

## MAYOR GETS BACK IN

Northville voters turned out in near record numbers to cast ballots in the city elections this November.

When the votes were tallied, incumbent Mayor Chris Johnson had defeated longtime councilman Paul Folino by more than a 2 to 1 margin. Johnson garnered 1,037 votes, Folino 570.

In the city council race, incumbent Carolann Ayers led all candidates with 1,036 votes, and council newcomer Tom Swigart captured the other council seat with 921 votes. First time candidate Roxanne Casterline received 858 votes.

The turnout was the second highest in a decade with about 33 percent of registered voters taking part in the election.

## NORTHVILLE DOWNS

The state Legislature passed a bill that frees the city of Northville from its dependency on the state for a share of race track proceeds from Northville Downs.

The downside of the measure — sponsored by state Reps. Willis Bullard, R-Milford, and Gerald Law, R-Plymouth — is that the 4.5 percent pari-mutuel tax on live horse racing was eliminated, and simulcast wagering funding was reduced to 3.5 percent.

The legislation requires Northville Downs to pay all "breakage" from pari-mutuel and simulcast wagering directly to the city. Breakage is the money remaining after payouts for winning bets have been rounded down to the nearest 10 cents.

The bill is an effort to give Michigan race tracks a shot in the arm. The industry has been in decline over the past decade.

## INTERACTIVE CABLE

Northville residents won't have long to wait long before interactive cable service is on line.

Ameritech New Media Inc., the city's newest cable provider, began construction of its state-of-the-art, two-way video network this fall.

The engineering plans for the system, which will offer everything from cable entertainment to interactive shopping, are



Northville Mayor Chris Johnson tallies up the vote totals on election night, Nov. 7. Johnson won reelection to the mayor's post, while his defeated opponent Councilman Paul Folino, seen far left, vowed to remain active out of elective office.

being finalized and the work of constructing the network began in September.

The Northville City Council approved a franchise agreement with Ameritech at a special meeting July 11. It is the first time a phone company will provide interactive cable service to a community.

The construction schedule targets total activation of the system within 22 months, meaning initial activation will take place in April 1996. The rest of the coverage area could be activated by early 1997.

Northville Township also approved a cable franchise agreement with Ameritech in November.

## NEW LIBRARY

This year saw the Northville District Library, which city and township voters approved in 1994, finally get a home of its own for the first time. After decades of being located in someone else's building, ground was broken in June on a two-story, 26,000 square foot building that will sit next to city hall.

The new library is expected to open in the fall of 1996.

## OLV EXPANSION

Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church continued its fund-raising efforts to foot the bill for a \$3.5 million expansion facility it hopes to construct at Main and Orchard streets.

The building would be located in the heart of the residential area of Orchard Heights, and homeowners are concerned that the new facility and the church will overrun the neighborhood.

The controversy has been brewing for

months and has resulted in efforts by about 100 homeowners to band together in opposition.

The proposed building measures approximately 36,000 square feet and would face Orchard Street. The facility is meant to house students in grades K-8, and would include 18 classrooms with a maximum capacity of 35 students per classroom, according to church projections.

Approval of the expansion program would conflict with the current Northville master plan, which indicates that lots at Orchard and Main should be used as residential.

## FORD PLANT NAMED TO HISTORIC REGISTER

Another Northville building has been added to the National Register of Historic Places.

The building that once housed the Ford Valve Plant, 235 E. Main Street, received the nomination early this summer.

The building was officially listed on the historic register Aug. 1.

The old plant, now renovated and under the ownership of R&D Enterprises, is important both in the industrial history of southeastern Michigan and as a significant work by the American architect Albert Kahn.

The plant was an integral part of Henry Ford's village industry experiment. Ford purchased the property in 1919 and reasigned all existing company employees who lived in the Northville area to the new facility.

## 8TH ANNUAL VICTORIAN FESTIVAL

Even though the Northville Victorian Festival celebrated its eighth year, festivalgoers had plenty of new activities to enjoy.

That's because the community event, according to Northville Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Laurie Marrs, continues to strive for uniqueness.

This year, as in years past, there were new activities and entertainment for young and old to enjoy. For the children, the "Doggies of the Wild West" performed along Main Street throughout the weekend. The children's area also featured pony rides and other assorted activities.

## GOOD TIME PARTY STORE

The owner of a Northville party store who failed to meet city building codes for nine years was told he could face possible sanctions if he didn't comply immediately with the terms of his 1986 site plan.

Jim Roth, the owner of Good Time Party Store, faced possible revocation of his Temporary Certificate of Occupancy (TCO) or court action if he didn't address compliance issues voiced by city officials.

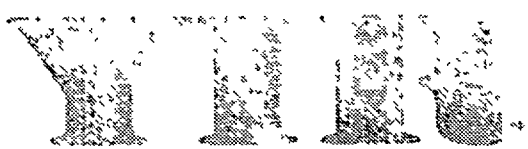
Frustrated city planning commission members met in July and August and decided to refer the issue back to the building department to enforce immediate compliance. Some planning commissioners, however, wanted to take more drastic measures.

"I think we are far beyond issuing tickets," Planning Commissioner Bill Taylor continued. "If we shut his business down it might get his attention."

Roth began taking corrective action on the deficiencies by the end of the year, according to city officials.



# Township continues to be developmental hotspot



## TOWNSHIP

By RANDY COBLE  
Staff Writer

Developers continued to pound on the doors in Northville Township this year, hoping to get in on the action in one of the metro area's most lucrative and fastest growing markets. Most of our highlights of 1995, however, involve legal and administrative issues, with a political controversy or two thrown in for good measure. As usually, there was no shortage of headlines out of the township this past year, but not all developments were of the negative variety.

### GREEN LIGHT FOR CHURCH DEVELOPMENT

The people of Ward Church have dreamed of building their new home in Northville Township for 11 years. Now, after more than 18 months of effort, their hope is rapidly becoming reality.

The Northville Township Board of Trustees in July gave conceptual approval to a sprawling development scheme for the 140 acres Ward owns at the northwest corner of Six Mile and Haggerty. It calls for the 240,000 square foot church to share the parcel with a 290,000 square foot shopping center and more than 4,500 parking spaces. More than half the site will be preserved as open space or developed for recreational use.

The proposal must still win final site plan approval, expected sometime early next year. If all goes as expected construction on the site will begin in the spring and be fully complete sometime in late 1997.

### WAYNE COUNTY LAND

After years of neglect and canceled plans, 1995 saw the beginning of a process that could end in the successful cleanup and development of the Wayne County parcel on the south end of town.

The land — 863-acres between Sheldon, Beck, Five and Six Mile roads — represents almost 10 percent of the township's total area. The site of the Wayne County Child Development Center and other facilities has sat vacant for decades and has been a haven for trespassers, vandals and drug and gang activity.

In August, Wayne County agreed to allocate money to tear down the abandoned buildings on the site. In November county officials entered into discussions with the township on what to do with the land.

The county wants to pursue specific uses of the site — residential, commercial and industrial as well as a possible golf course — and a multi-million-dollar environmental cleanup is also considered.

### FUND EQUITY SOARS

1995 saw the township board of trustees give a thumbs up to a budget that included a slew of badly needed capital improvements while still leaving the community's fund bal-



Sergeant John Sherman demonstrated the fine art of rappelling at the Public Safety Expo Day in Northville Township.

ance at more than three times what it was when the trustees took office.

The board has made it a priority to swell the fund balance from where it stood when its members were elected in late 1992: about \$200,000. The fund balance is the township's "rainy day" bank account reserved for emergencies and projects like renovations or large equipment purchases.

1995 saw the fund grow to the point where trustees could still leave about \$750,000 in it by the end of their terms after authorizing nearly \$1 million in expenditures for a variety of township projects and equipment buys delayed for years.

### REORGANIZATION

In a controversial move, the board of trustees voted in July to "reorganize" the township's governmental administration system.

The move, proposed by Manager Tamara Hanlin, eliminated the township planning department and the position of Director Carol Maise. All planning duties were turned over to McKenna Associates, the township's contracted planning consultant firm.

In September the board voted for the second phase of the plan, placing the building department, including Chief Building Official Mick Kruszewski, under the auspices of a new Department of Public Services headed by Director of Public Utilities Bill Anderson.

Hanlin claimed the plan would save money, increase the quality of services and remove the politics from a loosely run township organization. Critics disagreed, saying reorganization will increase costs and reduce service quality in both the planning and building departments.

### TOWNSHIP SCORES IN SUIT AGAINST STATE

Northville Township filed suit against the state of Michigan in May, alleging that the Department of Corrections violated a court order when it increased the population at the Western Wayne Correctional Facility on Five Mile in Plymouth Township. A Wayne County Circuit Court judge sided with the township, leading to a state petition to the Michigan Court of Appeals where the case remains.

It February state officials, in need of additional beds, opened talks with the board of trustees. The DOC wanted the board to agree to double-bunking at Western Wayne. Approval was needed because of a court order handed down after the township sued the state in the late 1980s.

The order demanded that state officials abide by the terms of a 1991 law which capped the population at Western Wayne unless Northville Township agreed to an influx of new inmates. The trustees asked for concessions but the state refused and in March the Legislature repealed the 1991 law. DOC then began double-bunking.

The Court of Appeals is expected to take up the matter this coming summer.

### MEADOWBROOK MEMBERSHIP DISPUTED

It was Supervisor Karen Baja's turn to take the heat in March. Four members of the board filed a complaint with the township ethics commission, claiming that Baja's acceptance of a membership worth tens of thousands of dollars to Meadowbrook Country Club on Eight Mile Road violated the official ethics policy she helped write three years ago.

The supervisor, however, claimed that she had not accepted the membership and criti-

cized the board and The Northville Record. She alleged that her statements to other board members, The Record and her own handwritten entry in the township's ethics disclosure log were not evidence of acceptance and claimed she once again was being unfairly attacked by her enemies.

The township ethics committee concluded in May that no violation of the policy had taken place, saying that no evidence existed to prove otherwise.

### UNION TROUBLES

The current board of trustees' problems with labor unions representing township employees continued in 1995.

Partially as a result of the board's "reorganization" vote, a group of township employees, including administrative department heads, in August voted to form a union and have the Teamsters act as their agent in collective bargaining talks. Formal contract negotiations have yet to begin.

That, however, is only one of the unions that the board has seen created since taking office in late 1992. During the trustees' tenure the township has also for the first time gone to binding arbitration with some of its unions.

In December the results of arbitration hearings with the five township members of the police Command Officers Association of Michigan (COAM) were announced.

### LOCAL POLITICO MAKES GOOD

Suzie Heintz got her first taste of politics as a concerned citizen in Northville Township. With time and effort she eventually became supervisor. This year, however, marked a new high for her as Heintz in February was elected to the chairpersonship of the state Republican Party by a landslide margin. She will coordinate GOP efforts to expand the party, transmit its message to the electorate and help win political seats at the local, county, state and federal levels.

### JOINT SERVICES PLAN FALLS FLAT

Officials from Northville City and Township, Plymouth City and Plymouth and Canton townships have for years explored the idea of creating a single, five-community system to handle key public safety tasks such as emergency radio dispatching; criminal, accident and other record keeping; and prisoner lockup functions — DLR, for short.

Last year saw Canton pull out of the talks, abandoning the joint notion in favor of its own internal DLR plan. In March the idea fell apart in the four remaining communities. Supervisor Karen Baja was on the committee of area officials which produced a report saying combined DLR would mean better service and millions of dollars in savings.

But the township board of trustees didn't buy that, voting to end further talks and replace the township's aging radio dispatch system. That soon led Northville City to follow suit, turning north to the City of Novi for talks on joint services.

### OIS IN THE SPOTLIGHT

The world headquarters of Optical Imag-

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# All in all, it was a very busy year for Northville Township

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ing Systems (OIS), located on Five Mile near Beck Road, made news for both good and bad reasons in 1995.

A fire broke out at the flat-panel computer manufacturer in March, causing relatively little damage and no injuries. It did, however, spark fears of a dangerous chemical leak, leading to the deployment of a special hazardous materials containment team at the scene. It turned out to be only a precaution, however, as no actual chemical spill occurred.

In June Gyula Horn, prime minister of the Republic of Hungary, paid a visit to OIS with Gov. John Engler to see the latest in computer imaging technology and find out how his nation's still developing free market could become a part of it.

Talk continued in 1995 about a possible second OIS plant to be built right next to the company's existing facility.

## COMPOST CENTER FINDS A HOME

Northville Township last year said "no thanks" to Browning-Ferris Industries' (BFI's) proposal to build a compost recycling center near Five Mile and Napier roads. A majority of the board of trustees

"It's kind of a masculine thing."

— Northville Township Director of Public Safety **Chip Snider**, in September describing "flame-outs," where classic muscle car owners gun their engines to see who has the longest line of flaming exhaust.

decided that the benefits BFI was prepared to offer didn't outweigh the potential for additional truck traffic, odor and other problems that could slow or stop development on the west end.

After more than a year and a half of searching, BFI in July settled on a new compost center site just over the border in Salem Township. The center, located near Six Mile and Napier, is actually closer to more homes in Northville Township than the first proposed site would have been.

Salem Township officials approved the center despite opposition from citizens and protests from Northville Township residents and officials.

## SUMP PUMP BATTLE

Homeowners in six Northville Township subdivisions could soon find themselves paying thousands of dollars as part of a mandated Special Assessment District (SAD)

that aims to eliminate sump pump discharges into the township's sewer system.

According to Director of Public Utilities Bill Anderson, Northville Commons 1-4 and Northville Colony Estates 1-2 contain hundreds of homes whose sump pumps are illegally hooked into sanitary sewer pipelines. The flow going into the sewers — which doesn't need to be sent for expensive sewer water treatment — costs township sewer customers tens of thousands of dollars a year, he claimed.

To correct the problem the board gave preliminary approval to Anderson's plan for a mandatory SAD to pay for new storm sewer leads that the sump pump flow would be directed into.

Critics of the plan say it's unfair because their sump pumps don't run and they shouldn't be required to pay for a lead they're not going to use. Others say the township itself should pay for the leads because officials approved the subdivisions

decades ago knowing that drainage problems would eventually come about.

A final decision to proceed with the SAD plan has yet to be addressed.

## CAR CRUISE CRACKDOWN AT WOOLY BULLY'S

Township officials decided to get tough with Wooly Bully's in September over the Seven Mile eatery's weekly classic car "cruises."

The events had been going on from April through October for the last two years but now township officials demanded that Wooly Bully's seek a permit for the cruises and take steps to alleviate noise problems from outside music speakers and car engines.

Wooly Bully's owner Mark Roman denied that the cruises have created any significant problem and accused township officials and The Northville Record of pursuing a non-issue. Wooly Bully's did agree to go before the township's zoning board of appeals in November, however, gaining permission to hold the cruises under new rules for April and May of 1996. After that the events will be evaluated again.

Meanwhile, Wooly Bully's in November pled guilty to a misdemeanor charge of violating the township's noise ordinance.



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# It was a year of stellar performances for Northville schools

## SCHOOLS

By ROBERT JACKSON

Staff Writer

Like school systems all across the state, the Northville district kept its fingers crossed and hoped that the still-untested state funding formula would prove equal to the task. A favorable audit showed that all's well to date, but reports by citizens' committees said the district will soon need major revenue infusions to keep pace with population growth. Meanwhile, Northville students, teachers, and administrators put in another stellar performance, winning a host of prestigious awards and faring well in nationwide academic competitions.

### LONG-RANGE PLANNING

The Northville Public School District took its first steps forward into the future by conducting the first of three community-wide dialogs in November.

District officials provided an overview of the district's planning activities followed by a presentation, entitled "Trends For the Year 2000 and Beyond," by facilitator Dr. William DeJong.

The trends presentation focused on the knowledge and skills students will need to compete in a global economy, identifying demographic and economic trends that will impact employment opportunities.

Bond, Enhancement and Technology committees, in August, recommended the district ask voters to approve the sale of more than \$50 million in revenue bonds to construct a new high school and convert the existing facility into a middle school. The school board in September opted to pass on a bond election, and hired DeJong to begin the consensus building process in hopes of developing a long-term plan.

### INSTRUCTIONAL DAY DUMPED

A pilot program that gave Northville High School teachers the opportunity to plan the educational future of students fell by the wayside after its first year.

The high school discontinued the instructional day schedule and returned to its regular Wednesday format at the start of the 1995-96 school year.

The return to the conventional format means that high school students begin classes at 7:30 a.m. on Wednesday and conclude the school day at 2:05 p.m. Under the revised Wednesday schedule, teachers held morning study sessions and the school day did not begin until 10:40 a.m.

### LONGRIDGE RECEIVES AWARD

Meads Middle School Principal David Longridge was named Michigan Principal of the year by the Michigan Association of Secondary School Principals.

Longridge received the award based on his willingness to take risks and help students anticipate and solve problems, according to Jack Bittle, executive director of



Oh, the sacrifices an elementary school principal has to endure. You might say Winchester Principal Kathy Morhous asked for trouble when she challenged pupils at her school to meet a reading goal in March. They did, and she ended up wearing a preparation of applesauce, marshmallows, oatmeal and food color.

MASSP. Bittle said Longridge continues to strive to improve the school's learning environment.

Longridge was also named Outstanding Secondary School Principal by the MASSP. Superintendent Leonard Rezmierski said Longridge's awards represent a great honor for him and for the district.

### MEADS MILL IN SPOTLIGHT

A Northville school made it into the spotlight for "breaking the mold" of traditional education.

Meads Mill Middle School was one of two middle schools in Michigan singled out for offering the state's most innovative learning environments at the inaugural Governor's Education Summit in September.

The summit brought together a variety of national education, business and political leaders to discuss how the latest policies and trends are shaping public education in the

state.

Meads Mill was among 28 schools and districts chosen to present "break-the-mold" policies, programs or services that improve education for students. The schools' methods of systemic change were presented as models for other schools and districts to follow.

### ABDUCTION ATTEMPTS

An incident involving two Cooke Middle School students in September had city and township police officers, as well as school district officials, more watchful for suspicious persons loitering around schools and bus stops.

According to a police report filed by Cooke Principal Jeff Radwanski, the incident came to light after a presentation to Cooke students by Township police officer Matt Mayes. Mayes had given a talk to sixth graders about safety and included descrip-

tions of threatening approaches by strangers. After the talk, a student told Mayes about an incident that had taken place the day before in which a man tried to lure her into his car.

The incident was the second within a matter of weeks involving students from Cooke Middle School.

### WETLANDS DISPUTE SETTLED

The school district settled a dispute over wetlands property with a Novi developer in August.

The district had been in deliberations for a few months with Cambridge Homes in an attempt to resolve a discrepancy in wetlands determination on property located on Six Mile Road between Sheldon and Beck in Northville Township.

The Department of Natural Resources had

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# No doubt about it — Northville Public School District is growing



Northville High School senior Christopher Gomersall had some parting shots to offer during commencement ceremonies June 9.

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originally designated 14.43 acres as wetland area, but a final determination by the DNR lowered that figure to 7.76 acres. Under the terms of the final agreement, approved July 10, Cambridge will pay the district \$166,750 within seven years or after the developer sells 50 percent of the lots in the final phase of the subdivision.

## DISTRICT GROWTH

There's no doubt about it. The Northville Public School District is experiencing rapid growth.

District officials presented the school board with student membership figures in October, and although the increase in student population will bring the district more state funding, too much growth too quickly could result in overcrowded schools — especially at the high school level.

The figures reflected a districtwide increase in students of about 5 percent. The elementary schools experienced 7 percent growth, while the middle schools grew by more than 4 percent over last year. The high school experienced the least amount of growth, increasing its student population by a little more than 2 percent. The average class size in the K-12 grades for the district is 24.7 students.

Over the past 10 years the school district's student population has grown by more than 29 percent.

## SUCCESSFUL AUDIT

Despite the changing complexities of funding for public schools, the Northville School District received a financial "clean bill of health" in September.

The good news was presented to school board trustees as members of the CPA firm of Plante & Moran outlined the completed audit for the 1994-95 school year.

"We can conclude that our financial records are in good shape, despite the challenges we have faced from the state," Board of Education Treasurer Joan Wadsworth said. "Our revenue picture has changed drastically, and will continue to change, so it's important to make careful projections and have contingency plans in place."

The audit went smoothly, according to Jim Bayson, management consultant for Plante & Moran, but district officials need to keep the general fund balance at a desired level. During the 1994-95 school year, the district's general fund revenue exceeded expenditures by approximately \$461,000, Bayson said. The surplus increased the fund equity to \$2 million.

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# Northville area had its share of calamity in 1995

## POLICE • FIRE

By RANDY COBLE

Staff Writer

Thankfully, the Northville community made it through another year without a homicide to report. But, unfortunately, the area had its share of violent crime, tragic accidents and close calls, including a fatality on the railroad tracks, serious domestic abuse cases and threats that authorities wisely chose not to take lightly. Here's a run-down of prominent stories from the 1995 police and fire blotter.

### WOMAN TORTURED

A nightmare came to Northville Township in February when a Detroit man savagely attacked his girlfriend, a township resident, in her home. Keenan Wells held the woman captive for nine hours, subjecting her to beatings, humiliation, death threats and torture.

The culmination of the woman's ordeal came when Wells attempted to burn his tattooed name from her genital area with a pair of heated scissor blades.

While he was charged with four felonies, three of which carried a maximum penalty of life imprisonment, Wells agreed to a plea bargain that saw him convicted only of assault. He was scheduled to be sentenced only to probation for that offense but failed to show up for the formal hearing this fall. A warrant was then issued for Wells' arrest but to date he remains at large.

### DOCTOR GUILTY OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

The specter of domestic violence arose again in October when Dr. Robert Dock, an obstetrician with offices in Northville City and Livonia, assaulted his ex-girlfriend, a township resident. Police alleged Dock forced his way into the woman's home and tied her up with handcuffs and surgical tape. He then tormented her for over two hours, threatening her with a baseball bat while questioning the woman about her new boyfriend.

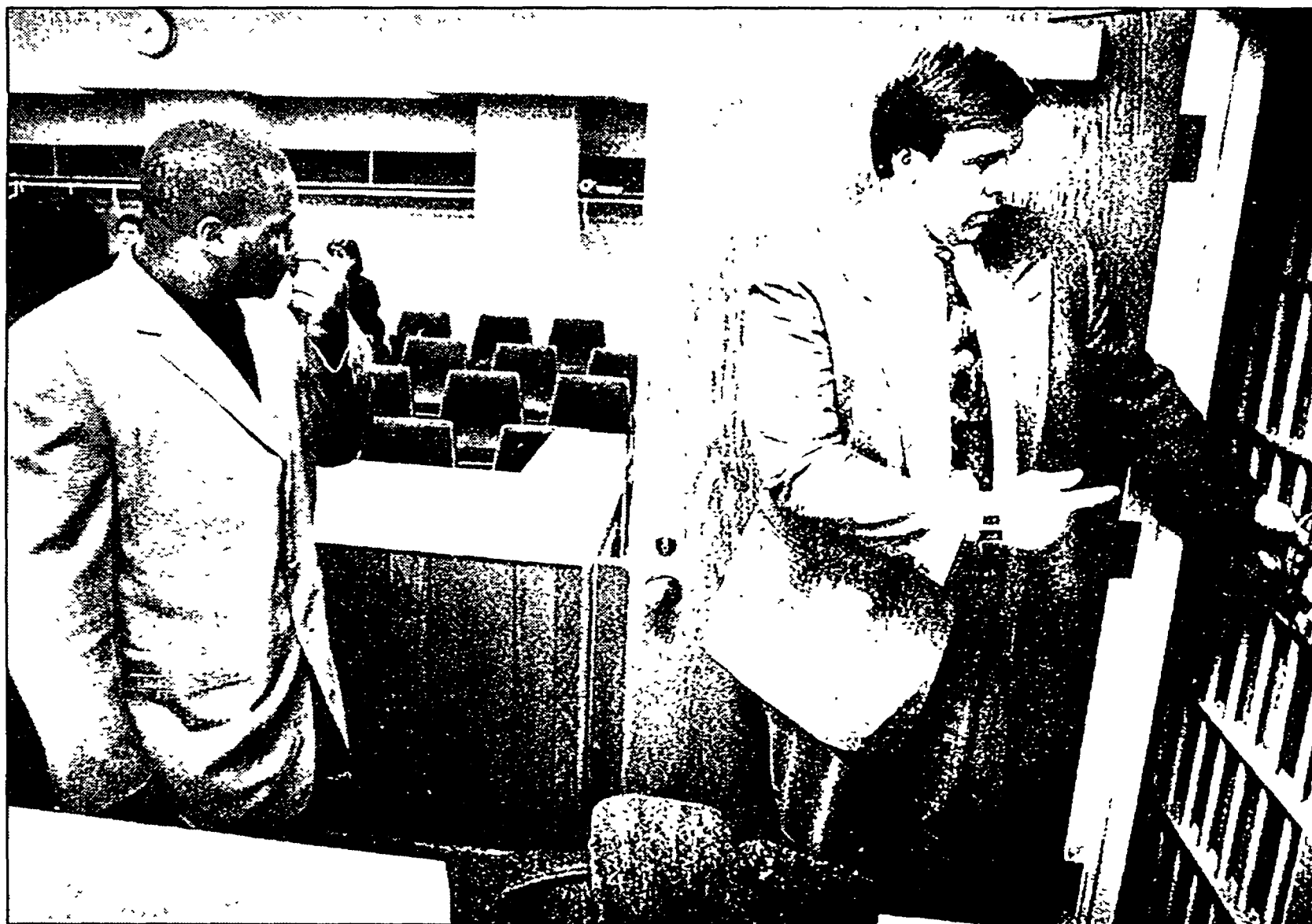
At one point, she told police, Dock kept repeating "now you know how O.J. felt."

Dock in November agreed to a plea bargain which reduced the charge against him from felonious assault to a misdemeanor domestic violence offense and a sentence of probation.

### TRAGEDY AVERTED IN FIRE

Disaster struck in January when a fire broke out in the Northville Forest apartments complex on Five Mile. The blaze, caused by a woman smoking in bed, caused no deaths or serious injuries thanks to the quick thinking and bravery of the first police officers and firefighters who arrived at the scene. One pulled the woman to safety from her burning apartment after she refused to leave on her own.

The fire was contained before spreading



Detective John Werth escorts domestic violence suspect Keenan Wells out of the courtroom following a hearing.

"He would sometimes be really cheery and happy and just, you know, la-la-la, real spunky like everything was fine. He thought it was funny."

—The Northville Township woman assaulted by Keenan Wells on Feb. 8, describing the suspect's demeanor during the 9-hour attack.

beyond the building it started in but still caused an estimated \$400,000 in property damage and lost personal belongings

### CHILD MOLESTATION FEARS

A twice-convicted sex offender is back in jail for violating his parole after his alleged advances on a 12-year-old girl, who was en route to Cooke Middle School, were reported to Novi police in September.

Darrin Redden, 28, of Commerce Township, was returned to the Western Wayne Correctional Facility for violating the terms of his parole. Novi police picked him up in a subdivision near Nine Mile and Taft the day after he approached the girl and asked if she "wanted to make some money." The girl fled to a friend's porch and Redden left without further incident.

In August, two 4-year-old Northville boys may have been the target of possible abductors, according to the Northville City police department.

An unknown suspect, driving a clean

white four-door Buick — possibly a LeSabre — attempted to coerce two boys into his car. They had been playing in the front yard of a home on Novi Street near Baseline Road.

The boy's parents, spotting the suspicious activity, yelled at the boys and began running toward the vehicle. When the suspect saw the parents approaching the vehicle he sped off at a high rate of speed, running a stop sign in the process.

### ELECTRONIC THREATS

A former Northville High School student got a visit from city police in November for allegedly sending threatening and harassing electronic mail messages to a current high school student.

According to a police report filed by the parents of the 15-year-old girl, the boy sent the threatening messages to the student on her high school e-mail account. The messages referred to a friend of the girl, who is also a Northville High School student and had apparently dated the boy during the

summer.

Investigators said the boy admitted sending the messages but claimed he was not serious and wouldn't carry out the threats. Northville High School administrators maintain the incident is an isolated one, and no additional security measures will be taken to monitor the school's computer network system.

### SUSPECT RATTLES TOWNSHIP HALL

The April 19 bombing of the Murrah Federal Building in Oklahoma City led government employees all over America to wonder just how safe they were in their places of employment. Northville Township employees saw that concern take a new turn nine days later.

Teenager DeAndre Siebert, angered by his mother's allegations of mistreatment by township police when she was arrested for shoplifting, threatened to shoot and kill several people in Township Hall. The Detroit resident was arrested minutes later on Six Mile Road after leaving the building.

The incident, especially since it came so soon after Oklahoma City, stirred strong emotions among township employees.

Siebert was found to have no weapon in his possession at the time of his arrest. He plead guilty to a misdemeanor charge and was sentenced to probation.

### MAN KILLED BY TRAIN

Northville Township police in March

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# The wait is over for funds to improve 911 services

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found the body of a Detroit man near the CSX railroad tracks that lie just south of the intersection of Five Mile and Northville roads. They believe Robert Louis-Leon Bear, 51, was sleeping near a track tie heating element to keep warm when he was struck in the head and killed by the overhanging edge of a train.

Investigators were unable to say exactly how or why Beard, who had been a patient in Detroit's Sinai Hospital but left it five days before he died, ended up in Northville Township.

## NO NORTHVILLE SNIPER

Fears of a random sniper operating in the area surfaced in April after a township man said he was shot while driving on Eight Mile near Haggerty Road.

Kurt Edward Potysch, 36, suffered gunshot wounds to his arm, neck, ear and cheek. He told township police he didn't see who shot him as motored to a nearby Taco Bell restaurant for a late-night meal. He drove home before passing out from his injuries.

Investigators could find no witnesses or evidence, however, and after questioning Potysch further said he admitted the shooting had actually taken place in Detroit but still claimed he didn't know who shot him or why.

## 'JUST FOR FUN' SATAN SHRINE

Township police discovered an elaborately built, camouflaged shelter in the woods off Northville Road between Six and Seven Mile in October. It contained signs of devil worship, including an altar, fake human and goat skulls, a book of Satanic writing and the words "Fortress of Evil" written all over the walls.

The bones and skeletons of real animals were also found sewn into the camouflage netting that hung around the shelter's exterior.

Southfield resident Jamie Ball, who admitted helping build the shelter, said the items were all just for fun. While those involved were trespassing and one man did



Northville Township Fire Chief Bill Zhmendak talks with one of the residents of the Northville Forest apartments complex after she was driven from her home during an early morning fire in January.

poach animals, Ball said, no Satan worship took place at the shelter.

The township fire department tore the structure down the day after it was found.

## 911 MONEY ARRIVES

After waiting for more than half a year, Northville police departments in July

received the first of their monthly share of a new telephone surcharge that will pay for improvements in 911 emergency services. The surcharge, assessed on a per-line basis to individual telephone users, was authorized by state and Wayne County officials last year and has been collected since January.

Months of delays prevented the police

departments from getting their shares of the money, which total about \$50,000 a year for the township and \$13,000 a year for the city. To date, however, Oakland County officials have not agreed to allow the surcharge levy, meaning no money will be received from phone users in the Oakland County portion of the city.

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A departing rider heads out in the early morning hours on the MS 150 mile bikeathon in July. The trek started in Northville, progressed to Lansing, then came back again.

## Athletics mean drama and fun for area residents

### SPORTS

By **SCOTT DANIEL**

Sports Editor

As always, athletics played an important part in Northville during the past 12 months.

From high school to recreational sports, 1995 provided some drama and fun for local residents. And, if nothing else, 1995 showed that Northville can produce top athletes.

So here's a glance back at the year that was in Northville athletics:

#### GOING FOR THE GOLD

Erin Sutton continued the community's excellence in ice skating.

The then 13-year-old St. Paul Lutheran seventh grader won a gold medal at the U. S. National championships in Rhode Island in February. She outdistanced a strong field with a superior long routine.

Sutton is the latest in a group of fine Northville skaters that includes Jerod Swallow. Like Swallow, Sutton has shown dedication to the sport over the years and actually began skating before the age of five.

Sutton qualified for nationals by winning her regional competition in October of 1994 in Cleveland.

#### MARATHON MAN

In October, Bill Courtney joined the ranks of fine Northville marathon runners.

The 32-year old finished third overall at the annual Detroit Free Press/Mazda International Marathon with a time of 2:20:42.

"The ecstasy hasn't sunk in yet," said Courtney. "It's an accomplishment that I'll be proud of for a long time."

By running a time of 2:20, Courtney qualified for the Olympic Trials in February. He said he isn't likely to make the Olympic team, but will be honored just to try.

#### NEW A-D

Northville High got a new athletic director in Larry Taylor.

The spot had been vacant most of the 1994-95 school year after Dennis Colligan was promoted to assistant vice principal. Taylor, who had worked as a physical education teacher and coach for more than a decade, was named in June.

"It's always been a goal of mine to be an athletic director," he said. "It just came a little sooner than I thought it would."

#### WORLD SERIES

The National Amateur Baseball Federation held its annual junior world series in Northville during early August.

The New York Bayside Americans ended up capturing the title for the third straight year. The Yanks won four of five games and beat the Lexington, Ky., Dixie Stars 4-2 in the final.

Jason Peacock was the star of that championship game. A right handed pitcher, he struck out seven and limited Dixie to four hits.

Northville competed in the series, too. The locals won just one of three games.

#### RUNNING AROUND

In July, Northville played host to the Road Runner Classic.

More than 1,600 runners wound their way through city streets for the 8-kilometer race. Saline's Kerry Barnett won the men's race in 24:20 and Laurel Park won her second straight classic on the ladies side.

Dozens and dozens of Northville residents ran in the race as well.

# '95 was a time of moderate successes for boys' teams

## SPORTS

By SCOTT DANIEL

Sports Editor

For Northville High boys' teams, 1995 was a year of mediocrity.

Only a handful of teams met with much success in the athletic arena while many others were either moderately successful or under .500.

Still, there were exciting games and players for Mustang supporters to cheer on. Garrett Carter, Anel Kersey, Brian Buser, Mike Bush and Jason Rice were among the very best in the area at their particular sports.

Here's a glance back at the teams and athletes who made 1995 what it was:

### FLYING HIGH

Without question, Northville High's most successful team during the past year was the tennis squad.

The netters kept their string of consecutive dual match wins alive at 52, won the Western Lakes Conference title for the fourth straight year, were regional champs and competed in the state final.

A strong lineup from top to bottom led the way.

Matt Schwagle, Dave Anderson, Ravi Mujumdar and Mike Bush were top singles players. Mujumdar and Bush were regional champs.

Vik and Arjun Srinivasan played top doubles. Rahit Jha and Ryan Steinhauer were conference champions at third doubles.

### GRAPPLE, GRAPPLE

The surprise team of the year. After a so-so regular season, the wrestling squad had a fine post-season.

The Mustangs stunned Farmington for the district title 38-30. Northville went on to the regional before being eliminated.

Nick Bowersox and Sam Saran made it all the way to the state final.

Bowersox, a heavyweight, finished fourth at the regional and won a match at the state final. Saran was second in the regional and made it to the finals as well.

Joe and Mike Scappaticci were other top wrestlers in '95.

### GRIDIRON GRIDLOCK

For the first time this decade, the Mustang football team had a losing season (4-5). Inexperience, a tough schedule and a weak defense led to the downturn in Mustang fortunes.

Northville faced state runner up South Lyon in the opener and was pummeled. The Mustangs also lost big to Canton and Farmington Hills Harrison. The Baseline Jug headed north after a loss to Novi in the final week of the season.

Anel Kersey was the focal point and produced for the most part. Other players like Eric Moore, Scott Vigh, and Tim Burke con-



Matt Schwagle helped the team reach an astonishing winning streak of 52 straight dual match victories.

tributed offensively.

Garrett Carter led the defense at linebacker.

### BLOCKED SHOT

After several fine seasons, the basketball squad slipped into mediocrity.

In coach Larry Taylor's last campaign, Northville wound up 11-10. A decent start was silenced with a poor finish.

The Mustangs entered the last two weeks of the season with a 10-7 record. But Northville lost two of three in the conference tournament and wound up seventh.

Baseline Rival Novi then ended the Mustangs' season, 58-46, in the opening round of the state tournament.

Brian Buser was the team's top player, averaging 15 points and six rebounds. Kersey, Ben Szostek and Anthony DeBenedet were also key players.

### DIAMOND NOTES

A good season was cut short for the baseball team.

Northville compiled a 14-6 record heading into the state playoffs. But Novi stunned the Mustangs with a 6-4 win in a pre-district game in early June.

Jason Rice was the top player and made all-state with a .462 batting average and 26 stolen bases. He later signed with Michigan

State University.

Kyle Hitchcock, Jason Wenzel and Dave McCulloch were other top players.

### TOP 10 NORTHVILLE MALE ATHLETES

- Bill Courney - Marathoner
- Kay Yoshida - Golfer
- Garrett Carter - Football player
- Joe Leo - Cross Country runner
- Jason Rice - Baseball player
- Anel Kersey - Football player
- Mike Bush - Tennis Player
- Nick Bowersox - Wrestler/ Football player
- Brian Buser - Basketball/Baseball player
- Dwight VanTuyl - Cross Country runner

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# They're like a rock

## SPORTS

By **SCOTT DANIEL**  
Sports Editor

Solid, rock-solid.

That's the best way to sum up the state of the girls' athletic program at Northville High School. While the Mustangs didn't win a ton of championships, most every team was competitive if not successful.

Teams that had been down also improved. Take the cross country team.

A team once without much talent or direction had both in 1995. Allison Murphy, Erin Tovey and Karen Loeffler emerged as solid runners and coach Chris Cronin proved more than capable.

What were Northville High's other top ladies squads in '95? Here's a look back at a few:

### VAULTING TO THE TOP

Gymnastics returned to the high school after a year long hiatus. Northville joined forces with Novi to field a very talented team.

The Mustangs, in fact, won their regional and wound up as the fifth best team in Class A. Erica Winn, Mary Essary and Stacey Williamson were just a few of the team's major contributors.

Winn placed eighth in the state in vault while Essary was eighth in the uneven bars.

### HOOP TIME

The Mustangs fielded their best team in years last fall.

Led by all-everything Samantha Leger, Northville won 16 games and made it to the district finals before losing to Salem. That loss was somewhat ironic considering the Mustangs beat Salem for third place in the WLAA just a week before.

Leger was the leader of the team. After a slow start, the senior dominated games with her slashing drives to the basket and solid all-around game.

Sophomore Lauren Metaj also emerged as a force. She was one of the area's best defenders and was also capable of big games offensively.

The team overcame the resignation of coach Gary Schwan after the third game of the season. Pete Wright, a former assistant in the early '90s, took over and made the game fun again for a talented group.

### LINKS MANIA

An excellent year for the golf team was highlighted at the Western Lakes conference tournament.

Northville finished second in the WLAA led by Lindsey Casterline. She wound up as



Lauren Poole does self-sacrificing lunge during a volleyball contest.

### TOP 10 NORTHVILLE FEMALE ATHLETES

- Samantha Leger – Basketball player
- Lindsey Casterline – Golfer
- Lauren Metaj – Basketball player
- Lisa Bernardo – Soccer player
- Erica Winn – Gymnast
- Erin Sutton – Ice Skater
- Sarah Gregerson – Volleyball player
- Amity Heckemeyer – Swimmer
- Allison Murphy – Cross Country runner
- Jenny Sheehan – Softball player

conference champion by shooting a round of 94 at Braeburn golf course in Salem Township.

The Mustangs went 11-1 in dual meets and were a perfect 7-0 in the WLAA. Other top golfers were Emily Baldwin, Monica Prasad, Kyley Mills and Heather Nix.

### SWIMMING UP STREAM

Northville turned in its usual fine season.

The Mustangs went 8-1 and won the Western Division title for the second straight year. Northville also finished second in the conference to Livonia Stevenson, which was the only squad to beat them in the dual meet season.

Amity Heckemeyer was probably the top swimmer. She was the only Mustang to score at the state final as she finished 11th in the 50-yard freestyle.

Other top swimmers included: Amy Kohl, Kristen Wamke, Jodie Brown, Katie Rompel, Alicia Doehler, and Andrea Moretti.

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# The people who made it a remarkable year

## PEOPLE

By CAROL WORKENS  
Staff Writer

Political leaders, outstanding educators, dedicated volunteers, exceptional athletes, prominent citizens — they were all in the news in 1995. Here is a brief recap of some of the newsmakers who helped make the year that just ended an interesting, compelling and remarkable one.

### NOTABLES

Ron Lowe took the oath as the new 35th District court judge Jan. 4 in his hometown district, realizing a goal he had been working toward for 20 years.

Peter Anthony served as the representative for Northville Moose Lodge No. 1190 during a statewide drug awareness conference in Lansing which was attended by 80 students representing other high schools in Michigan. Anthony was chosen by those student delegates to represent Michigan at the Lodge's international conference held in Niagara Falls in March.

Cooke Middle School Principal Jeff Radwanski was named science administrator of the year by the Michigan Science Teachers' Association for his support in ensuring that faculty members have adequate resources and tools to teach science.

Northville High School Special Education Teacher Cynthia Henderson received the Special Education Teacher of the Year Award from the Michigan Learning Disability Association in October.

Henderson has been with the Northville Public School District for 18 years, and has taught at the high school for 15 years.

Henderson received the award at a luncheon in Lansing.

Northville High School had five students selected as National Merit Scholar Semifinalists, with another 11 students receiving Commended Student status.

The five semifinalists were Andrew Song, Michael Clancy, Meredith Kremer, and John McCahon.

The Commended Students were: Kevin Becker, Amity Heckemeyer, Cathleen Holtschneider, David Hullman, Katherine Johnson, Matthew Minard, Kajal Parikh, Timothy Plath, Dana Rossiter, Derek South-



Energetic husband and wife volunteers William and Carole Jean Stockhausen were co-winners of the Northville Citizen of the Year Award.

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# Some Northville names worth remembering

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wick, and Ryan Winn.

Dominic Daniel DiComo started out life on a high note as the winner of The Northville Record's first baby of the year contest. Dominic's parents are Colleen and Daniel DiComo. He has two siblings, Audrey and Lauren.

Former city attorney and longtime community activist Phil Ogilvie died on Feb. 6 at age 75. He served as the city's attorney for 25 years, was a member of the Rotary Club, First Presbyterian Church, the Northville Area Development Corporation, and American Legion Post 147.

He was also one of the original trustees of Schoolcraft College and helped develop the probation department at the 35th District Court. In 1980 he was named Northville Citizen of the Year.

Karin Hardin won the WDIV-Channel 4 Outstanding Teacher of the Year Award for Wayne County. She is a sixth grade English and social studies teacher at Cooke Middle School.

Retired dentist and Northville resident Dr. Harvey Burch received the M. Auberlin Award from World Medical Relief Inc. for his volunteer efforts and association with the United Way affiliate since the 1960s.

Dorothy Gay and Dr. Mary E. Lapham were honored at The American Association of University Women, Northville-Novi Branch's annual Community Enrichment Award. The women were honored for making an impact in the community and for promoting equality for women, education and self-development, and positive societal change.

Gay was honored in the contemporary category, while Lapham, who died in 1936, was recognized in the historical classification.

William F. Stockhausen received the Distinguished Eagle Scout Award for achieving the rank of Eagle Scout, distinguishing himself in his primary career and establishing a record of voluntary service in the Northville community.

William, along with his wife Carole Jean, were also honored as Northville's Citizens of the Year for their continued work in giving back to the community through their volunteer efforts.

Bill Lenz, a sixth grade science teacher at Meads Mill Middle School, won the teacher of the year award from the Michigan Science Teachers' Association.

Norm Hannewald, a seventh grade science teacher at Meads Mill Middle School, won the teacher of the year award from the National Science Teachers' Association.

Each year Northville Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 4012 honors police officers and firefighters from both the city and township and a trooper from the Northville State Police Post for their dedication and hard

work.

Receiving the Officer of the Year awards in 1995 were: Officer Dustin Krueger, Northville city police; Tim Conklin, Northville city firefighter; Officer Kevin Bias, Northville Township police; Todd Lincoln, Northville Township firefighter; and Trooper Paula Lutz, Michigan State Police.

Meads Mill Middle School Principal Dave Longridge was named the Outstanding Middle School Principal of the Year, the Outstanding Secondary Principal of the Year and Principal of the Year in the state of Michigan.

1995 Northville High School Valedictorians were Nikole Ebel, Lindsay Ferguson, Jodi Fischer, Dave McCulloch, Vivek Mohta, Jennifer Sekerka, Katherine Smith and Michael Vartanin. Salutatorians were Laura Brown, Anthony DeBenedet, Katrina Heckemeyer, Melissa Petrosky and Karilyn Veres.

Laurie Marrs, the executive director of the Northville Community Chamber of Commerce, received the first ever Northville Rotarian of the Year Award from the Northville Rotary Club for her record of service.

Named to the All-Area Academic Team from Northville were Nikole Ebel, Vivek Mohta and Jodi Fischer.

## PEOPLE WE MET ALONG THE WAY

Noel Korowin, a 1990 graduate of Northville High School, made it to the pros—the Detroit Neon professional soccer team.

Jim Harris, a produce department manager at Meijer, was commended by Northville Township Fire Chief Bill Zhmendak for his willingness to help an elderly man whom he found slumped over the wheel of his car in full cardiac arrest. Harris performed CPR until paramedics arrived.

Jack and Nicky Hachigian and Bonnie St. Thomas came to the aid of neighbor Ron Mastej after he was diagnosed with leukemia. They organized a bone marrow drive for their friend.

Ronald and Linda Baca, along with Sue Hawthorne and a core group of other friends and coworkers, conducted a successful fund-raising campaign for Kathy Karney when she was diagnosed with leukemia and needed a bone marrow transplant.

Karney is doing well and is resuming normal activities, but is still being monitored by her doctors at William Beaumont and at Duke University hospitals.

There should be sufficient funds to cover the rest of the medical expenses and her medical insurance did pay a small portion of the transplant costs, according to Linda Baca.



Happy to be home is Fred the parrot, who was lost for nine days but was recovered by a Northville Township woman and reunited with his owner.

## The season of giving can't end with the New Year.



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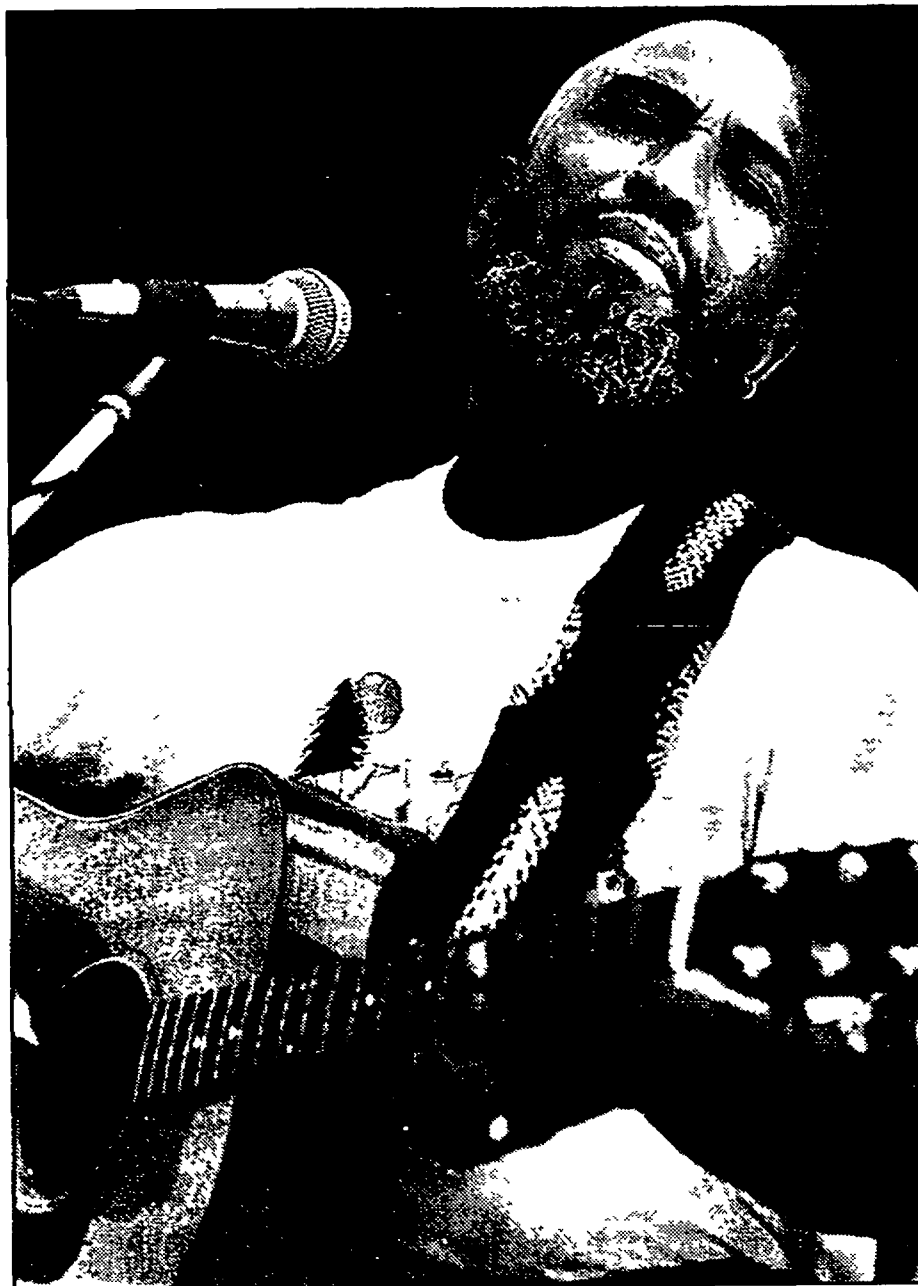
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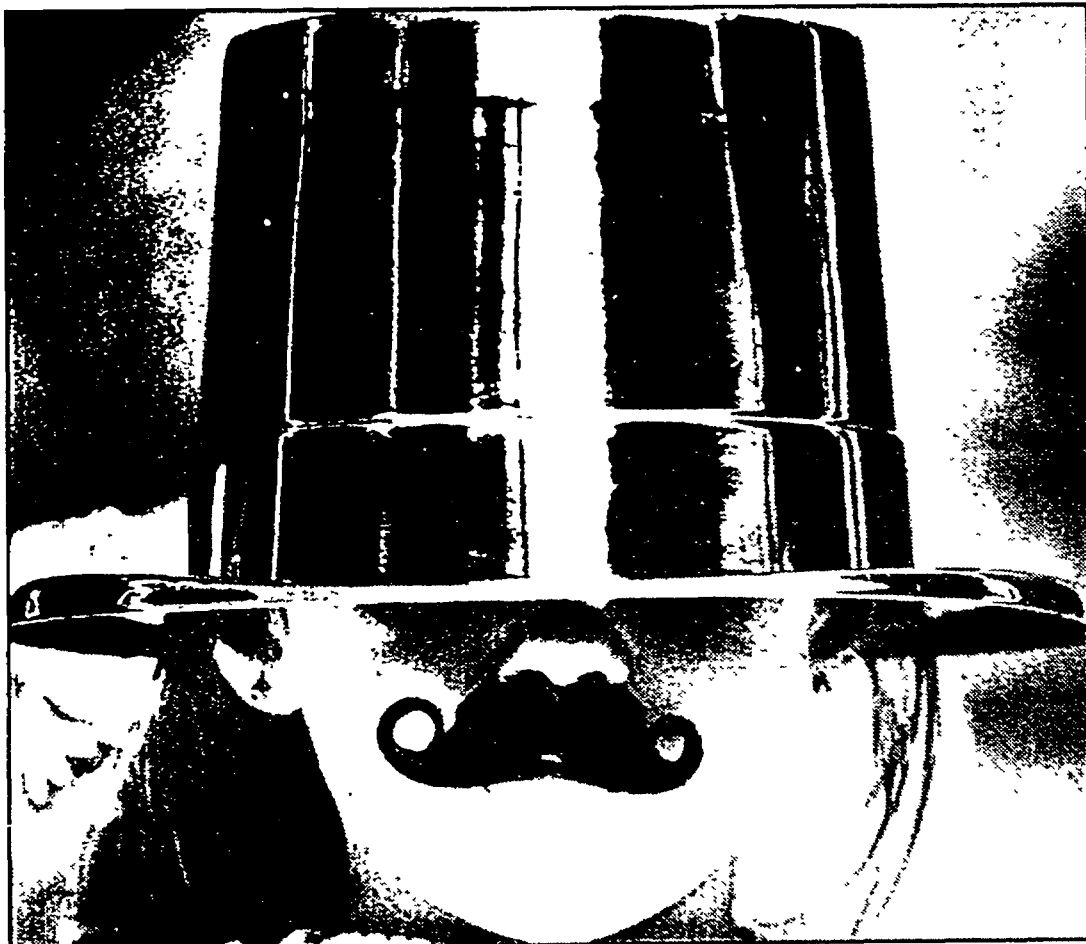
# IMAGES

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Bryan Mitchell

A spectacular fireworks display culminated a day-long series of special Independence Day events in Northville.



Josh White Jr. brought his silky smooth sounds to the Northville Folk & Bluegrass Festival July 30.



Four-year-old Megan Sklut of Novi was seen but couldn't see during the Dr. Rudy medicine show.



Human beings aren't the only ones who like cold, delicious treats as this pooch demonstrated on a hot August day.



Those miraculous and remarkable roundies were distributed – for medicinal purposes, of course – during Dr. Rudy's act, a perennial favorite with the the younger festivalgoers.

## Northville's most notable

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Orlo and John Maxfield fully restored a 1947 Funk airplane and flew away from the Experimental Aircraft Association Fly-In Convention in Oshkosh, Wis., with the Reserve Grand Champion Classic trophy.

Volker Poenisch founded Winchester Elementary School's first Chess Club and became its first coach with David Rabahy as the "self appointed assistant coach."

Clyde Ivans, 68, completed his third coast-to-coast bicycle tour of the United States, but does not consider himself a cyclist, just someone interested in physical fitness.

Northville High School homecoming queen this year was senior Amy Kohl who

was accompanied by not one, but two kings, seniors Jeff Nield and Dwayne Nawrocki.

Northville Township resident Cynthia Paterson reigned as Victorian Festival queen in September.

Dr. John Romanik was given the gift of life when he received a heart transplant in October.

### ADOPTIONS

Sasha, now Emily, Gardner from Russia was only 12 months old when adopted by Jan and Lee Gardner and brought to Northville this year.

Vietnamese children, 2-year-old Tori and 7-year-old Christian, were adopted by Northville residents Bob and Debi Lopez.

# Trivia Contest Winners

Congratulations to the following winners of the Northville Record/Novi News  
"Year in Review" Trivia Contest.

**First Place:** Sally Hermann of Novi

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**Second Place:** Katherine Purcell of Novi

(Prize Package #2) Lunch for two with Soupy Sales at Genitti's, 2-\$10 Gift Certificates at Santino's, 6 games of bowling at Novi Bowl, Free new patient consultation at Chiropractic First Health

**Third Place:** John Bueter of Northville

(Prize Package #3) 52" ceiling fan courtesy of Reid Lighting, \$25 Gift Certificate from Brickscape Gardens, Wooden "Welcome" plaque from Country Nook

## *Here are the correct answers:*

1. What was the "Shoe Tree?" Where was it located? (10 points) The "shoe tree" was a cottonwood tree where high school cross country team members and other locals threw their unwanted shoes. It was located on Nine Mile Road west of Beck Road.
2. Who replaced Novi city worker Mabel Ash in 1973? (5) 1995 retiree Gerry Stipp.
3. Over 600 people, mostly young children, signed a petition last April to save what piece of Novi property? (5) The Fuerst Farm at 10 Mile and Taft Roads.
4. What annual HomeTown Newspapers' publication spotlights (exclusively) women in business? (5) "Women In The Know"
5. Which Novi public building celebrated it's official dedication May 1st? (5) 52nd District Court
6. The Fifties Festival Grand River Car Cruise is open to cars built in \_\_\_\_ or earlier.  
(A) 1962 (B) 1974 (C) 1976 (D) 1980 (E) 1956? (5) (Pre-catalytic converter days.)
7. This Novi High School sports team won a state championship in 1995. Name the sport. Name the coach. (10) Lacrosse was the sport, the coach was Kelly Kroll.
8. What was the final score in the 1995 "Baseline Jug" game? (5) Novi 21 - Northville 14
9. Which issue (date?) of the Novi News featured the following headlines:  
"UFO lands at the mall" and "City welcomes sexy toy store with open arms." (5) It was an April Fool's spoof, published March 30, 1995
10. Who was the 1995 Victorian Festival Queen?  
(A) Laurie Mars (B) Margo Kramar (C) Cynthia Paterson? (5)
11. Who is the highest paid Northville public official?  
(A) Leonard Rezmierski (B) Chris Johnson (C) Rodney Cannon? (5)
12. Which famous comedian recently performed at Genitti's Hole-in-the-wall?  
(A) Tim Allen (B) Soupy Sales (C) Rodney Dangerfield? (5)
13. When did harness racing season start at Northville Downs?  
(A) July 4th (B) April 15 (C) October 16? (5)
14. Which 3 are downtown events sponsored by the Northville Chamber of Commerce.  
(A) Northville Chili Cook-off (B) Victorian Festival (C) Art In The Sun (D) Ford Field Polo Tournament  
(E) Flower Days? (15)
15. Where was the site of the 1995 Northville Farmer's Market? (5) Northville Downs parking lot
16. Where will the new Northville public library be located?  
(A) Fish Hatchery Park (B) behind City Hall (C) Mill Race Village? (5)
17. Which 3 acts performed at the Northville Folk and Bluegrass Festival in July.  
(A) Roy Acuff (B) Claudia Schmitt (C) Josh White, Jr. (D) Earl Scruggs (E) Lou Berryman (F) Nine Inch Nails? (15)

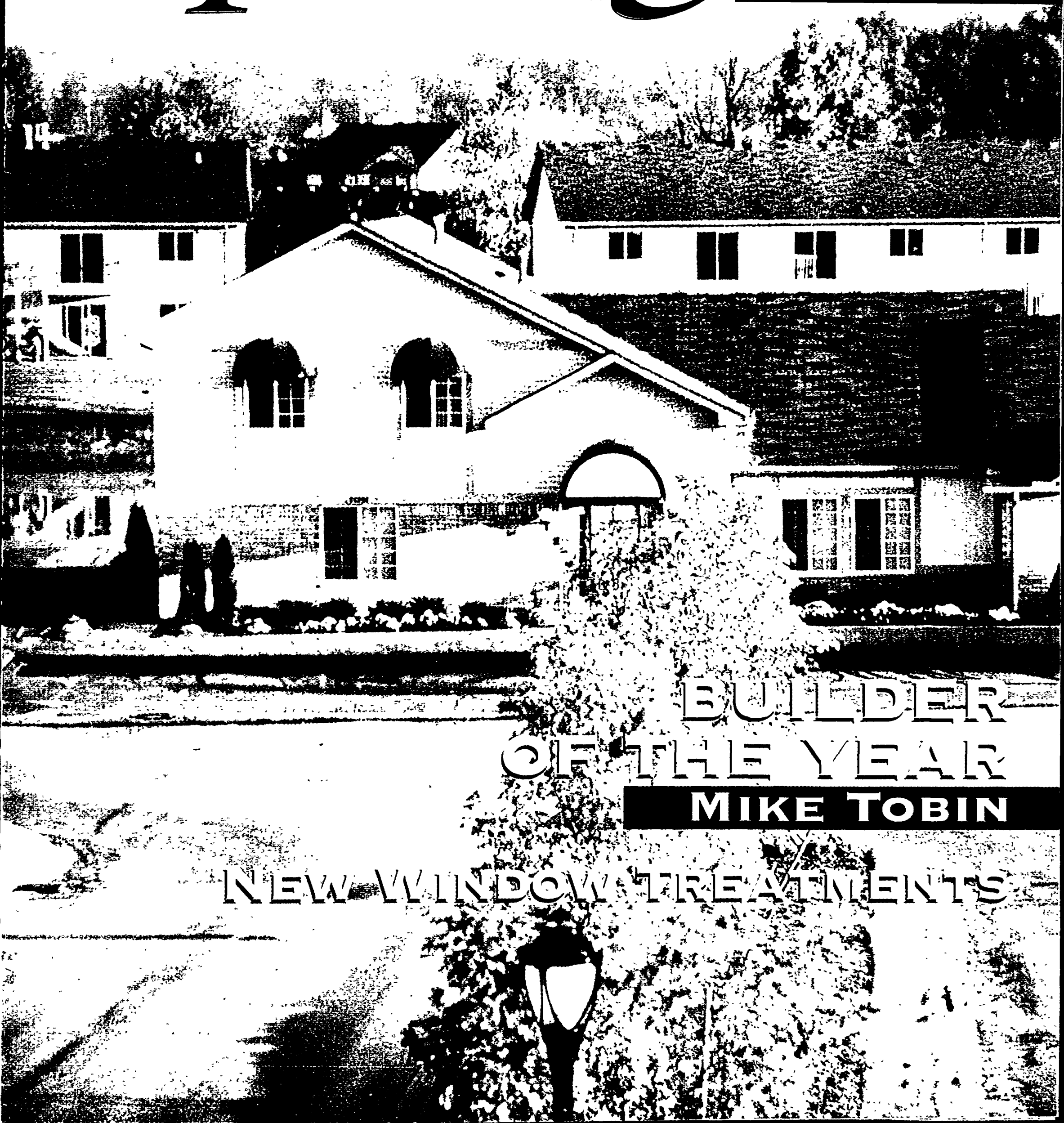


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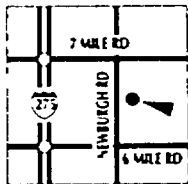
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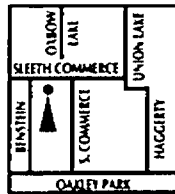
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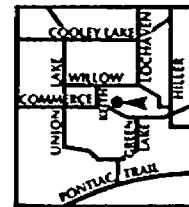
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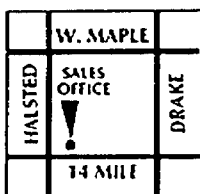
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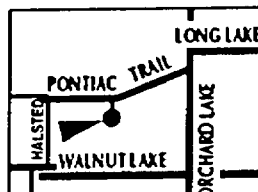
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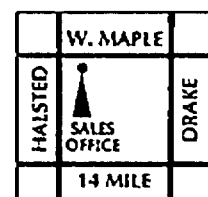
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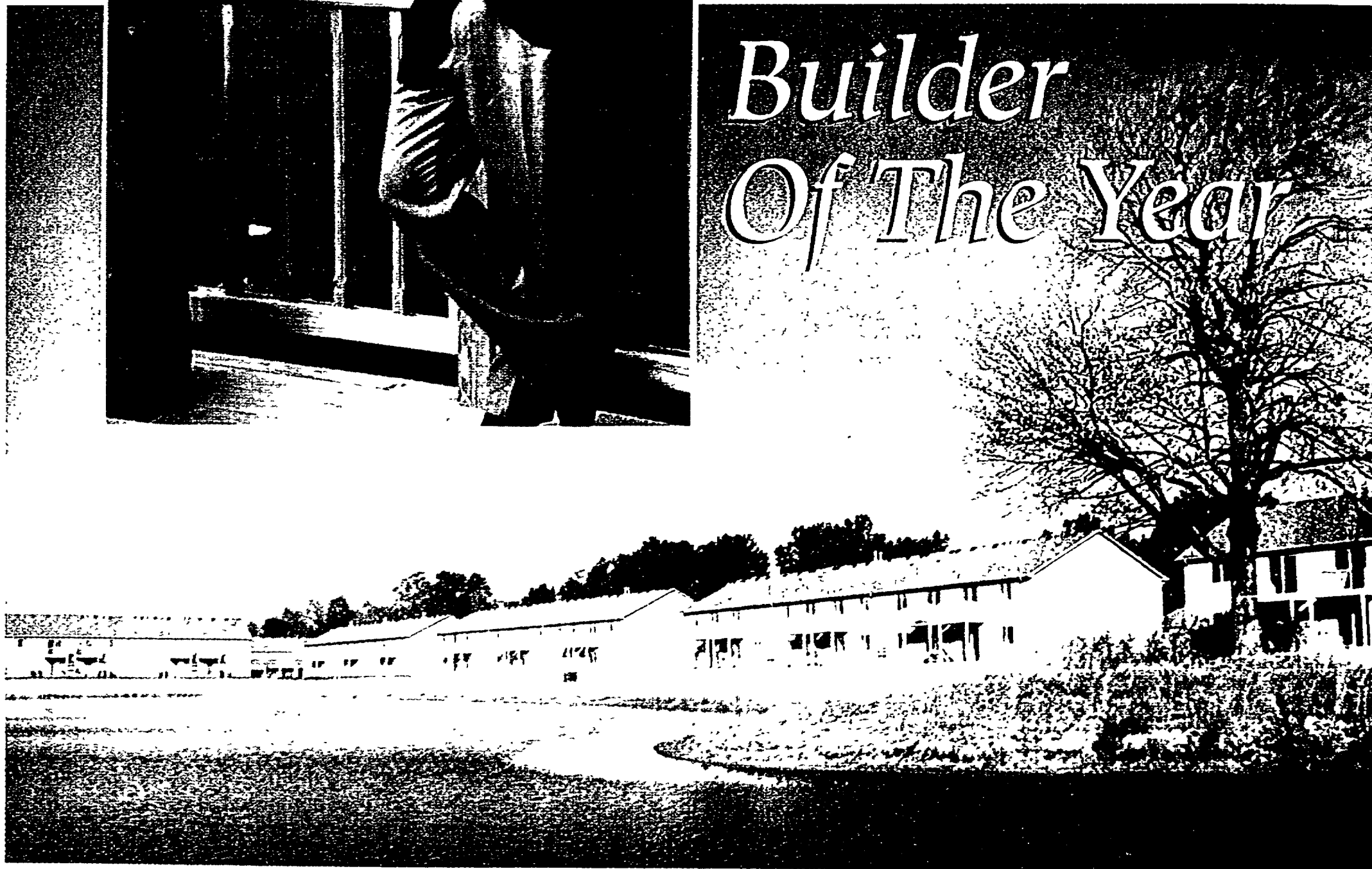


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# Mike Tobin

## Builder Of The Year



**"I** remember building homes in the \$40,000 range; I loved it. "I enjoyed working with the people and watching how happy they were to move into their new home.

"And today's no different - even though the homes cost more."

For Mike Tobin, a lifetime of home construction has been filled with the personal satisfaction of helping people fulfill their dreams of homeownership.

Learning the trade from his father, Tobin has seen the price of construction rise steadily over the past 50 years, but one thing has remained constant: the fun.

"I really do get a kick out of helping people get their first home," he said. "There's just something about the moment when they realize it's theirs."

Ironically, Tobin's family business

also includes extensive holdings in the apartment market, with new projects already on the drawing board for next year.

But when you talk to him, you can tell that his first love is the single-family, affordable home.

With the emphasis on affordable.

"From the beginning we were never interested in putting up \$500,000 homes," he said. "Instead, we concentrated on homes that would let more people into the market.

"Today, we're building homes in the \$145,000 price range - which is really the low end of the scale in this day and age.

"And things are going great," he said.

Indeed: For 1996, Tobin predicts a continued strong market across the board - including apartment rentals -

and plans to be positioned to take advantage of this growth.

But why not the upscale market?

"I really don't have the tolerance for custom building," he said. "It's just that when you're putting up a \$500,000 home, people are expecting a lot more than just quality."

Instead, Tobin said his goal is to concentrate on quality throughout his end of the market and "give the buyer a lot of value for his money."

"My goal is to develop the kinds of projects where savings we create can be passed on to our customers," he said.

"And a lot of those savings have come as a result of our experience in the business; experience, for example, that tells us what kinds of materials work best and what materials will cause problems.





"That's when we can save our customers money," he said.

Translated into real terms, Tobin said that his company's track record has been to be on the leading edge of improvements in home building; improvements that later became part of local building codes.

Likewise, his track record has also been based on his ability to stay on top of trends within the market - such as meeting the natural changes in lifestyles exhibited by his customers.

"I think we've been very successful in anticipating what our customers need as their lives change," he said.

"Older couples, for example, want ranch homes, because they don't want to climb stairs anymore.

"Younger couples, though, are looking for colonials," he said, "so they can get more house for the dollar on a smaller footprint."

Besides the generational differences in home needs, Tobin also recognizes the social changes that have manifested themselves in home ownership.

"I remember when my grandparents had this giant front porch and all the neighbors knew each other," he said.

**"I really do get a kick out of helping people get their first home," he said. "There's just something about the moment when they realize it's theirs."**

"Today, though, many communities mandate that a front porch can't be any larger than 5-by-5 feet.

"The result is that the 'porch' is now a deck in the back yard," he said, "and people want their privacy."

Regardless of the changes in life and lifestyle, though, Tobin and his family have been able to maintain a strong presence in the market - whether individual homes or apartments.

In fact, today the company boasts an impressive list of developments in Macomb, Oakland, Wayne and

Livingston counties - as well as in nearby Ohio. Among the projects of particular note are Rolling Oaks in Howell, Fox Chase in White Lake and Regency Club Apartments in Warren.

And then there is Pebble Creek Apartments: a 300-unit development under construction in Shelby Township that boasts a man-made lake in the midst of the 5-acre development, giving most apartments a lake view.

Other developments include Knorrwood Pines West, a 45-lot subdivision in Oakland Township, and Kimberly Meadows, a 77-lot sub in Canton Township.

"The market has been pretty stable over the past several years," he said, "and it's been pretty interesting, too.

"It used to be that when apartments were renting, homes weren't selling.

"But today that's not the case," he said. "If we put up an apartment building, we're renting right away; if we put up new homes, we're selling right away."

And in every case, Mike Tobin has fun.

*The Builder of the Year has been awarded to Mike Tobin by the Building Industry of Southeastern Michigan for his "service to the association and his contributions to the home building industry."*

# Cocooning In The '90s

By Craig Farrand

**I**t's a term that's come to define the growing phenomenon of staying at home instead of going out.

It means watching TV instead of going to the show; entertaining friends instead of gathering at a local watering hole; making gourmet dinners instead of eating out.

And, in today's "right-sized" economy, it's come to mean working at home instead of commuting to the office.

Regardless of its permutations, though, cocooning has become the by-word for Dan Treder and the people at Space Alternatives in Farmington Hills: his job is to make the cocoon more comfortable, efficient and enjoyable.

In short, Treder "plans space."

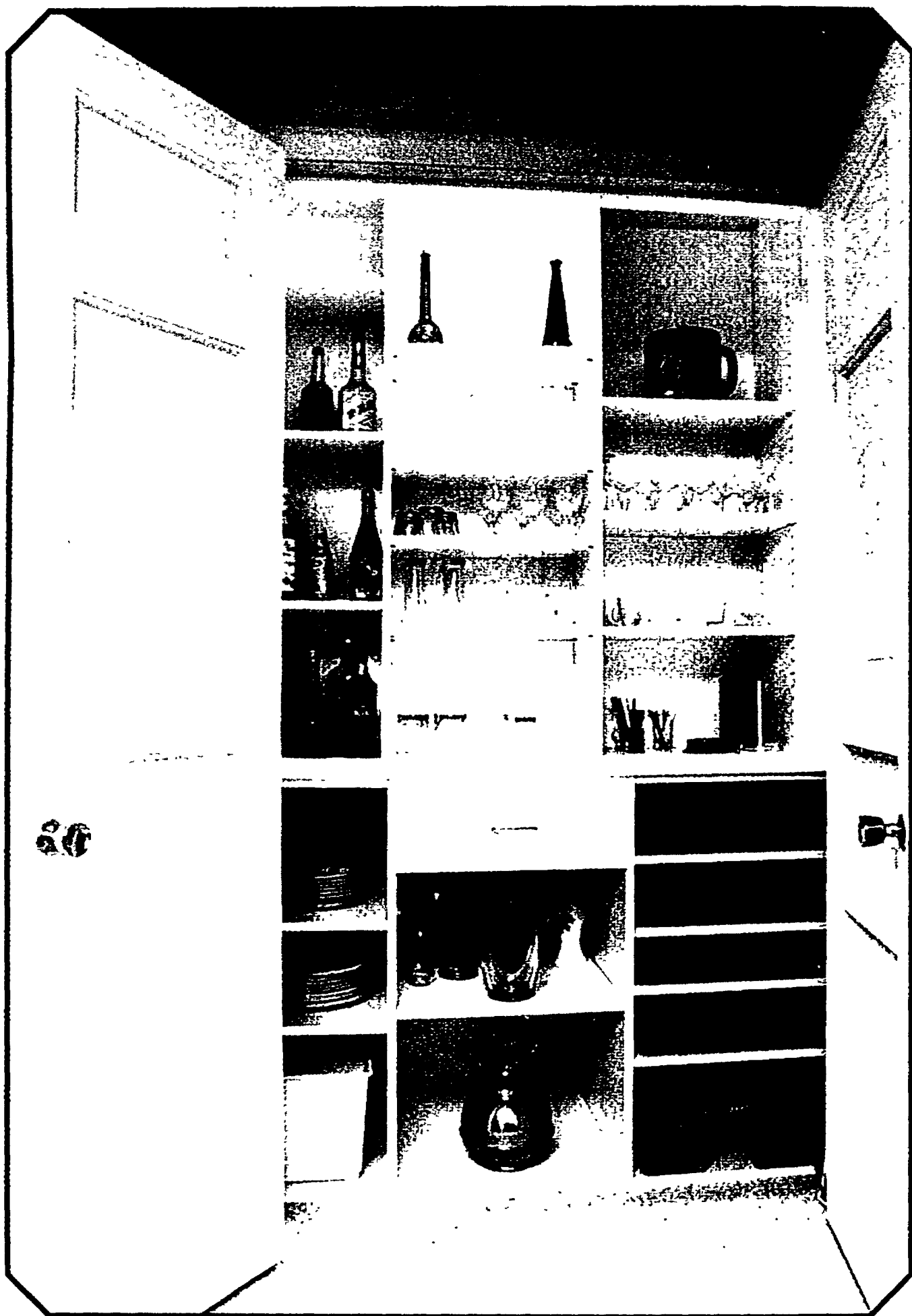
"What we do," he said, "is take an existing home - or even a home under construction - and look to make more usable space in closets, home offices, and entertainment areas.

"Ultimately this will help a homeowner feel more comfortable with the space around them.

"And then we design it, manufacture it and install it," he said.

Instead, Treder is making reality out of the needs and dreams of his clients. And he accomplishes this by first examining the client him - or her - self, and not the space around them.

"What we really do first," Treder said, "is an inventory of the homeowner's lifestyle.



Only after the customer inventory - which may list scuba gear as well as skiing equipment, or casual as well as formal wear, or golf clubs as well as batting gloves - does Treder begin to look at the space involved.

And only then does he take the next step: Design.

"Our designers go out to the home and meet with the homeowner to go over the inventory and available space," he said.

"After that, the designer then begins to sketch some solutions to the problem, such as creating a storage system for scuba gear, for example.

"Finally, we all agree on the price," he said, "and then move on to the next step--manufacturing."

Space Alternatives does its own manufacturing of cabinetry and stor-

age systems at its Farmington Hills facility. Able to match any existing decor, Treder's company can come up with any number of components - ranging from wall-to-wall entertainment centers to walk-in closet systems to home offices.

In each case, though, Treder said he is dealing with the same basic situation: The inescapable change in American lifestyles.

"People are quite simply spending more time at home than ever before," he said. "They're doing more entertaining, they do more work and they're doing more 'cocooning.'

"As a result, there's more focus on how to organize the home in a way that makes it more functional, more efficient and more comfortable."

"What people want now," he said,

"is to be able to drive up to their home and know that they'll feel comfortable and that things will be more organized when they walk through the door."

One of the most startling statistics to accompany the observations on a changing lifestyle is the fact that today's home sports three to four times more usable space than a home built 40 years ago.

Yesterday there were single door closets; today you can walk into them as if they're separate rooms. Yesterday there were TVs on four legs; today there are wall-to-wall and surround-sound home theaters.

Yesterday there were kitchen tables doubling as homework desks; today there are kitchen work stations doubling as household information centers. And yesterday, people drove to work; today they walk across the hall.

In fact, the home office - regardless of whether it's an extension of corporate America, or a business unto itself - has become an ever more prominent fixture in the home.

It's also one of the most challenging problems for Treder and his experts.

"We're now getting quite a few requests for home office designs each

month," Treder said. "And often it's not a matter of working with an entire room to make it over into an office."

"Instead, we're often being asked to convert an existing closet into an office than can be hidden away when it's not being used."

"Just close the door and it's gone," he said.

To accomplish this sleight of hand, Treder's staff actually measures each piece of equipment that's being used in the office setting: fax machines, computers, phones, printers.

They then design a module that

**"People are quite simply spending more time at home than ever before. They're doing more entertaining, they do more work and they're doing more 'cocooning'."**

**-Dan Treder**

rolls into place with everything operational - but that can slide into hiding when the job's done.

Similarly, the company deals often with requests for home entertainment systems that transcend the mere TV table.

"The best way to describe it is a wall-to-wall unit of built-in cabinetry that houses the entire entertainment center," he said: "TV, VCR, CD, stereo, everything."

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It's also his appreciation of what really makes a house a home.

"Up until the mid-'80s," he said, "nearly everyone was satisfied with their home's storage system - because there was nothing they could do about it anyway."

"But today, with people staying at home more and more - whether entertaining, cocooning or working - they also have decided to get control over their house, too."

"And that's meant changing their house to meet their needs," he said.

It's also meant calling Dan Treder and asking for help.

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# Storage in the Rafters

By Craig Farrand

**H**ow many times have you banged around in your garage, stumbling over snow shovels in the summer and golf clubs in the winter?

Well, if you're like Glenn Mercer, maybe one time too many.

But the difference between you and Mercer is that he did something about it - and it's called the "Ceiling Closet Storage Cabinet," manufactured and sold by his son's company, StowItUp Products.

According to Mercer's son and company president, Todd, the cabinet truly was the product of his father's own garage experiences.

"Dad was always tinkering around in the garage," he said, "and I think it really was a case of him stumbling over his golf clubs one time too many.

"Eventually he came up with the idea of an overhead cabinet that could be swung down and then retracted out of the way.

"It took about three years to completely develop it," Todd said, "but we've now got it patented and we're

actively marketing it in the area."

The ceiling closet itself is a 6-foot-long by 2-foot-wide cabinet that is attached to a garage ceiling by a spring-loaded mechanism.

Pull it down and you have storage space for golf clubs, shovels and rakes and even fishing poles.

Give it a little boost, and the entire closet retracts to the ceiling - and out of the way.

Because of the unique design of the closet - it's open ended - even items longer than 6 feet can be stored with ease. But Todd says that early response to the idea has already prompted the design of new sizes.

"The next step is to make a wider version for the storage of lawn chairs and card tables," he said.

The addition of new sizes comes on the heels of at least one improvement already: A designer model that sports a melamine finish and enclosed hardware. (The basic model is wood construction with exposed hardware.)

Because it's so new on the market, the ceiling closet has made only a few

showings in the region - but Todd said its first exposure, at a Novi homeowners show, told the company it was on the right track.

"We stole the show," he said. "And immediately began taking orders for the cabinets."

Since then, the company has moved into a manufacturing site in Ann Arbor - where Todd and one other person does all the construction.

From there, the basic model can be shipped almost anywhere, while the custom version is limited to shipments in the Detroit area for now.

And installation?

"We provide all the hardware and complete instructions," Todd said. "And for the do-it-yourselfer with the right tools, it won't be any problem at all.

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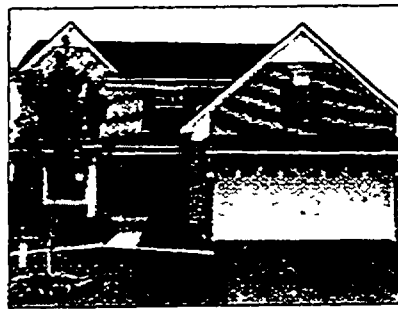
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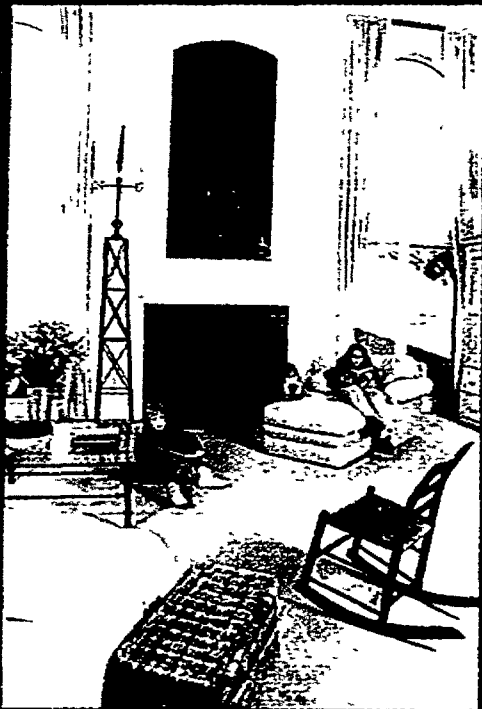
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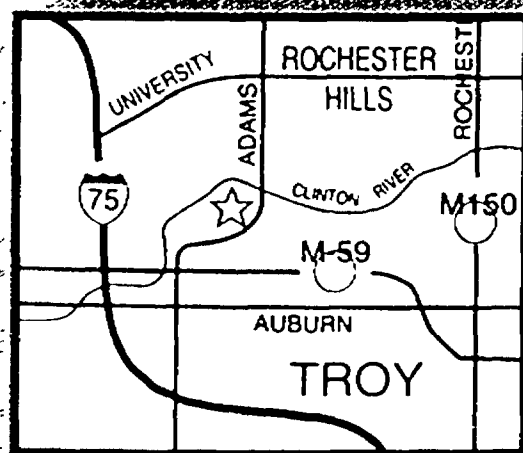
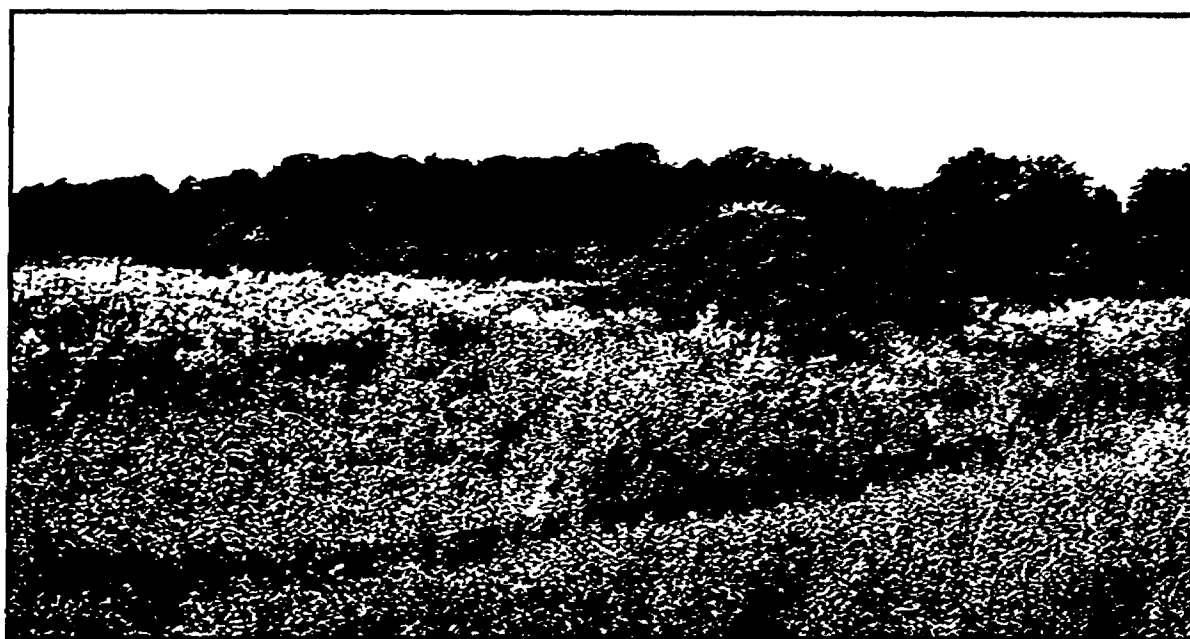
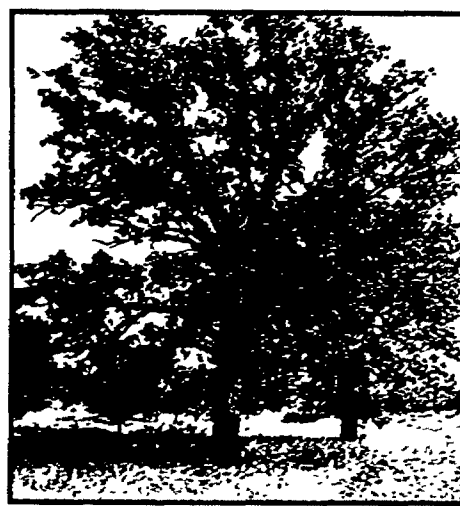




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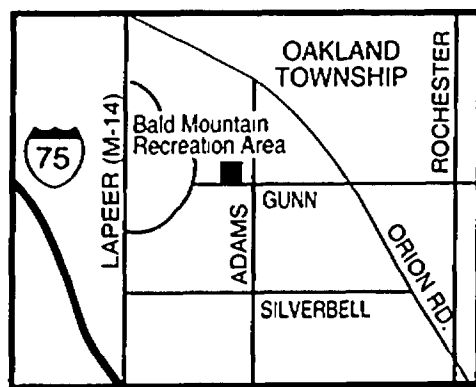


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# Renovate or Demolish?

by Craig Farrand

If you need something, call Mario. Although his company name is much longer than that phrase - Trio Disposal & Management - "call Mario" is probably more accurate.

As a one-man operation, Mario Facione is literally the right hand for builders and contractors throughout the region.

Need a dumpster for a new home worksite? Call Mario.

Need trucks to deliver fill to a development? Call Mario.

Need a home torn down to make room for new construction?

Yep, call Mario.

(In fact, even as he was being interviewed for this story on one line, his other phone rang several times with pleas for immediate assistance.)

"My basic line of work is providing containers that contractors use on jobsites," Facione said. "And then I take them away and recycle any material that can be salvaged."

"In addition, in the 'management' part of my company, I provide outside maintenance as a subcontractor to

other builders.

"For instance, I take on the smaller jobs, like putting up gutters, maybe some roofing," he said. "Whatever they need."

The key to Facione's success, in fact, is his willingness to do anything on virtually no notice at all: During the interview, one caller needed a truck to haul 60,000 yards of sand - immediately.

He got it.

"Usually, what happens is that a contractor's normal sub can't make it; maybe there was a conflict or a delay in getting jobs done," Facione said.

"Maybe they couldn't get anyone to install the windows when they showed up; maybe they need someone to hook up sewers - they call me and say 'geez, I had this guy lined up to do the work, but now he can't get here for two weeks.'"

"In any case, they call me in a pinch and ask for my help - and I, in turn, call in others who do the work," he said. "I'm a fireman."

For his work as a disposal and re-

cycling firm, Facione arranges to have all discarded materials taken from a jobsite and sorted for proper disposal.

In fact, much of Facione's dedication to proper recycling is prompted by ongoing threats from Washington for a clampdown on landfill uses.

"The feds have been talking about requiring separate containers on the jobsite for different materials," he said.

"But that would cost way too much."

"My solution is to take over the collection of the materials and then do all the recycling myself," he said.

Such a process means that every scrap of trash from a construction site gets the closest scrutiny for reuse:

- Wood is ground down for mulch and wood chips (cedar is separated) and sold to the highest bidder.
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"I separate, process and recycle everything for the residential contractor," Facione said. "Nothing is wasted."

Besides his "normal" disposal and sub-contracting work, Facione also performs residential demolition work - sans explosives.

"I knock them over," he said, "take everything - including the footings - offsite and leave the land vacant for the next contractor.

"But sometimes I do it for a homeowner who wants to rebuild on the same land.

"Maybe it's lakefront property or a community where he wants to stay," he said. "In any case, I take everything down and away and leave him with a fresh plot of land."

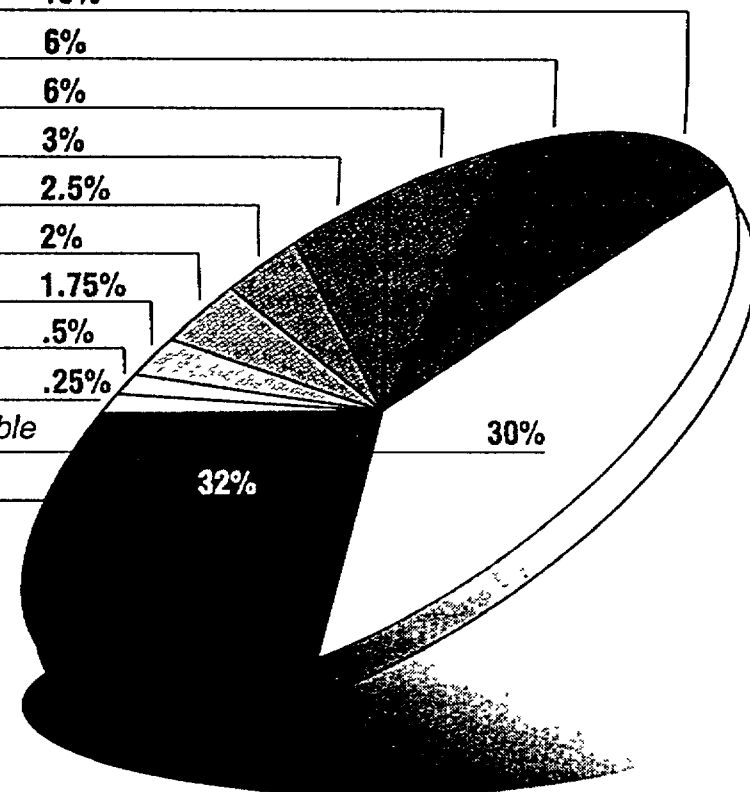
In 1994, Facione demolished 52 homes, and by mid-September was on a pace to match that figure.

Of those homes he's torn down, Facione has split his work between the actual homeowners and contractors who've hired him to make room for their own projects.

"A couple of times, when I was hired by a homeowner,"

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he said, "I tried to talk them out of it.

"I thought the house could be remodeled or renovated.

"But their minds were made up," he said.

And then the phone rang once again: Someone was calling Mario for help.

**For his work as a disposal and recycling firm, Facione arranges to have all discarded materials taken from a jobsite and sorted for proper disposal.**



# With Warm *Regards...*

by Anna Kenedi, ASID

**Q.** Our new bay window was installed and now we are faced with some choices: Should we stain, paint or varnish the wood? The other windows in our house are varnished but we would like to change our dark look for the current lighter style.

**A.** Congratulations, your choice of a bay window is always a nice addition to your space. It adds to the real value of your home as well. You have somewhat answered your question, since you dislike the dark finishes of woodwork throughout the house. Start out by doing this room in a lighter finish. Your bay window primarily needs to relate to this room only. When you have more time and money, start thinking about changing the doors and windows through the rest of the house. Traditional, contemporary or eclectic interiors with the lighter wood finish accented with a nice crown molding updates the room and gives continuity throughout the house. I have specified alot of these through my "housecalls" over the last couple of years.

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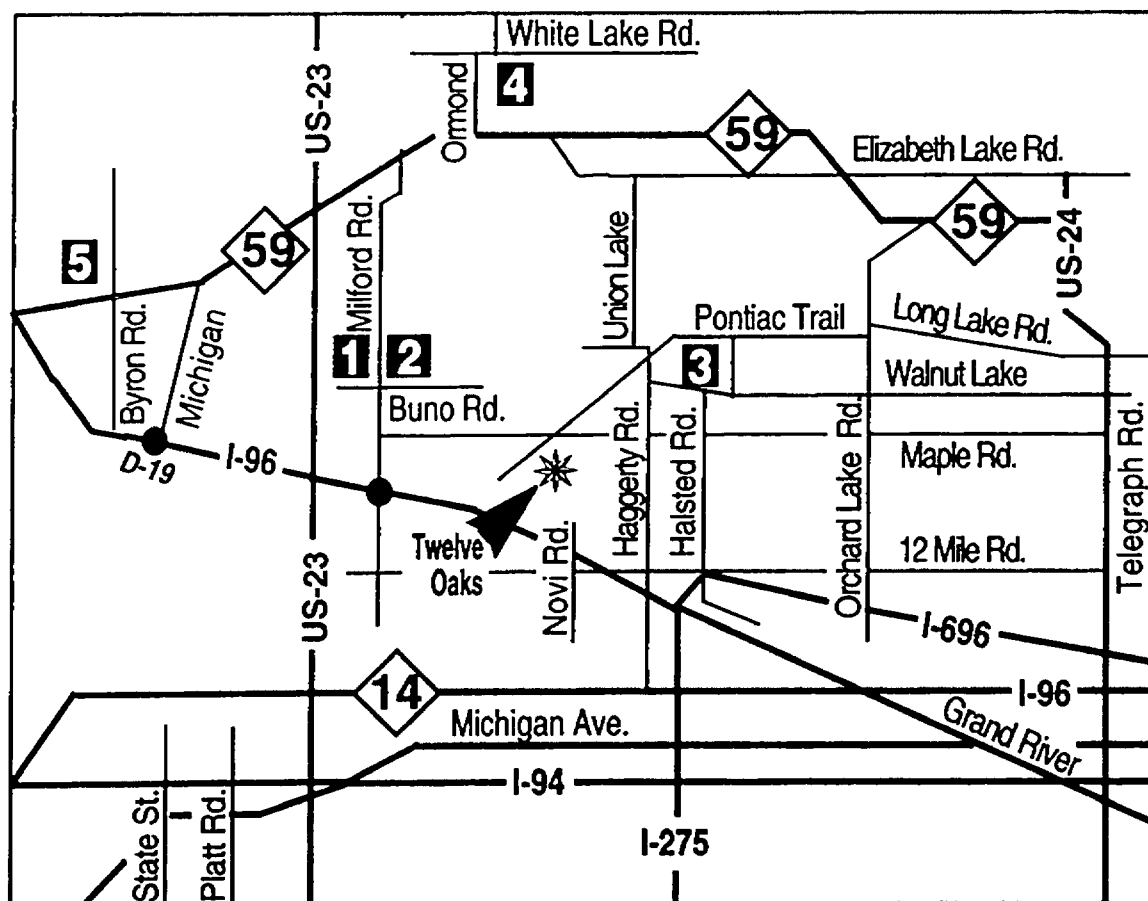
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**Q. My husband and I are going to start the new year off right by re-decorating our home! We have lived with the same boring, neutral tones for as long as I can remember and we are both ready to add some color and pizzazz to our home's interior. The only problem is that we are overwhelmed with all our options! Can you give us some advice on what we should take into consideration when selecting a color scheme?**

**Mrs. E. Jarrod, Clarkston**

A. Planning a color scheme for an entire house is more complicated than making changes in a single room since you must think about how the color flows from one area to the next. Color choices definitely affect a room's ambience as well as the perception of its size.

Here are some basic color facts to consider in selecting a color scheme that will suit your individual tastes and lifestyle.

- Pale colors make rooms seem larger, while bright or dark tones seem to bring the walls in closer. A long, narrow room will look more proportionate if one of the shorter

walls is painted with a color that contrasts the other three walls.

- If you have low ceilings, painting them white or at least a lighter tone than the wall color will make them appear higher. If you have high ceilings, a dark color will have the effect of lowering them.

- Reds, yellows and oranges are considered "warm" hues, and blues, greens and grays are referred to as "cool" colors. White, black, beige, taupe (and other variations of brown) are the "neutral" tones.

- Colors definitely evoke emotional responses. Yellow is seen as lively, blue is restful and soothing, red is arousing and passionate, pink is considered calming and the natural outdoor green hues are comforting. Orange is seen as a stimulating color, but its pastel versions (i.e. peach, terracotta) evoke more relaxed feelings.

- An effective color scheme should follow certain basic guidelines. The large surfaces of a room, such as walls, ceilings, floors and window treatments, should involve no more than three dominant colors. Selecting a print pattern with more than three colors is fine if only one or two stand out.



- The more traditional design schemes put the darkest tone on the floor, medium tones on the walls and the lightest colors on the ceiling. You should create some contrast in your window treatments and furniture so that the elements in the room don't all blend together.

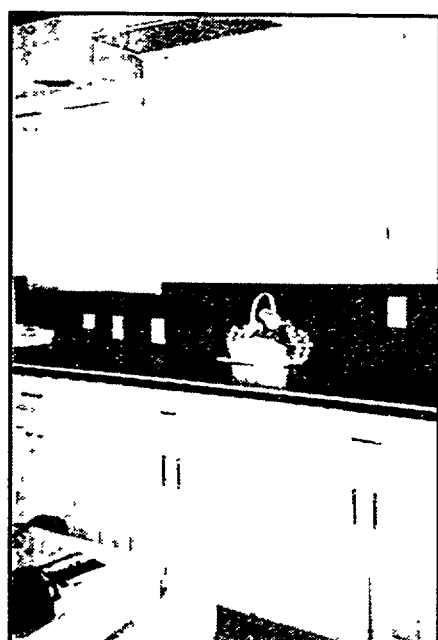
- Use the brighter, more intense colors on the smaller areas and for accents and accessories.

Since you are planning a makeover of your entire home, it may be helpful to envision an overall palette of colors that work well together and that can be used, in varying proportions, from

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room to room. By doing this, each room would still appear unique but the overall effect would be pleasant and appealing.

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*Ms. G. Peterson, Franklin*

A. If they are small, clean tears, you may be able to simply repaste the wallpaper. If some of the wallpaper is damaged or missing, you will want to tear...not cut...a patch from a spare roll of the same covering. Using the ragged edge of the patch will be less noticeable against the existing wallpaper than a patch that is cut with a knife or sharp scissors.

Tear away the damaged portion of the wallpaper by folding it back against itself. Rotate your wrist close to the wall; don't pull the paper outward. This approach tapers the torn edge of the paper, providing a smooth surface underneath the patch.

Now you are ready to apply the wallpaper patch. Coat the back with paste and press it against the area that you need to cover. Carefully slide it into position so that the pattern lines up. Smooth the patch by rolling it with a seam roller. Be sure to wipe up any excess wallpaper paste immediately using a damp sponge.

*Robert R. Jones is a national director for the National Association of Home Builders.*

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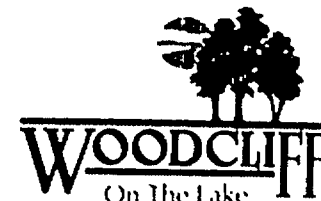
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# Window Treatments

By Craig Farrand

**D**on't call them blinds and shades. Don't even call them drapes and sheers. The phrase today is "window treatment" - and if you want to treat your windows right, you'd better talk to people like Katie Alexander.

In an era in which nearly every store - department, specialty and even corner - seems to offer pre-packaged and pre-measured blinds and curtains, it's not surprising that many homeowners feel all alone in deciding what might look right in a given room.

The usual option, of course, is to have an interior decorator - loaded with ideas and price tags - show up to completely design the look.

But today the homeowner has another ally.

"I've worked with interior designers," Alexander said, "but nearly all of my work is directly with the homeowner."

"And while I usually make the suggestions as to what might work in a given situation, I often work with people who saw something in a magazine and ask if I can do the same thing in their home."

"Then," she said, "my role is to make it work for them."

To make it "work," Alexander - under her own company name, Katie Alexander (headquartered in Lapeer and serving the tri-county area) - taps an impressive product line manufactured by Hunter Douglas: mini-blinds, pleated shades, wood blinds, duettes, silhouettes and vignettes (the last two of which carry registered trademarks by the company).

At the same time, she taps her own experience in dealing with a cross section of both usual and unusual applications - ranging from "typical" vertical blinds on a patio door to pleated shades on a trapezoidal window.

Although part of Alexander's business involves older homes going through the natural changeovers every homeowner makes, 90 percent of her business involves brand new construction - and brand new designs.

"In many of the new homes," she said, "the windows can't accommodate a stock blind; either it's an unusual size or unusual shape."

"In either case, it's up to me to offer the homeowner the kinds of options that will make their house look right."

"Fortunately, though, mini-blinds and verticals aren't the only options available any more," she said.

Indeed, today's homeowner can not only choose from typical horizontal and vertical blinds, but can now also add fabric and wood to create whole new looks.

For example, Hunter Douglas' duette line offer a pleated shade with a honeycomb look; its 'Silhouette' line features a sheer look that rolls into a headrail unlike a typical pull shade.

But the company's newest attraction - and Alexander's favorite - is the 'Vignette', which looks like a scalloped drape, but has 2-to-4-inch fabric rolls that retract like a shade.

"It's this kind of selection that gives me the options



needed to make any homeowner happy," Alexander said.

Besides the wide range of treatments, Alexander and her manufacturer also offer the kinds of amenities that any homeowner would love: they're dust repellent and Scotch Guarded - and have a lifetime warranty.

"That means they can get the look of elegance along with low maintenance," she said.

What homeowners also get with specialists like Alexander is low cost: Not only does she get her materials direct from the manufacturer, but because she has no overhead, her prices are lower than retail.

Also helping to keep her costs low is the fact that installation is provided by her husband.

"This is an all-family operation," she said, laughing.

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# Grand Openings

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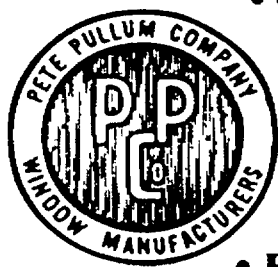
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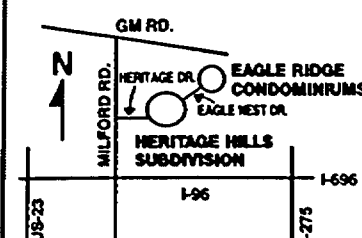


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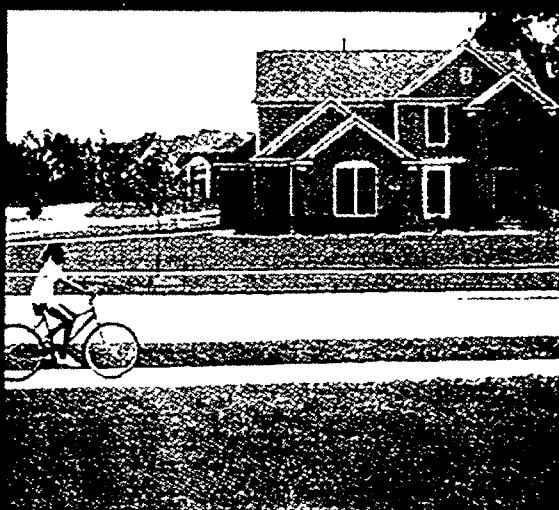


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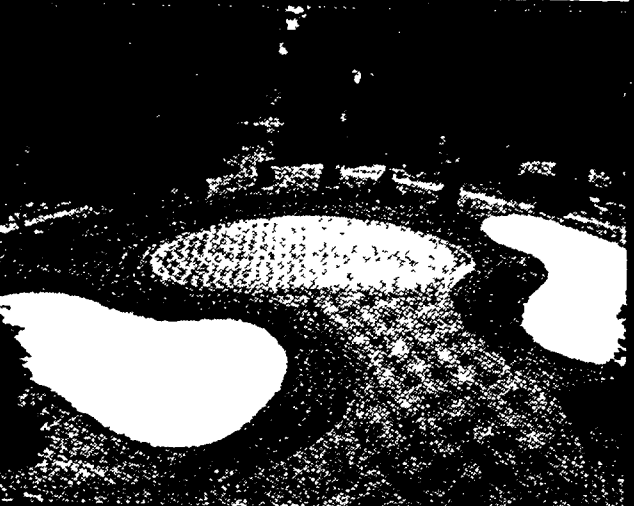
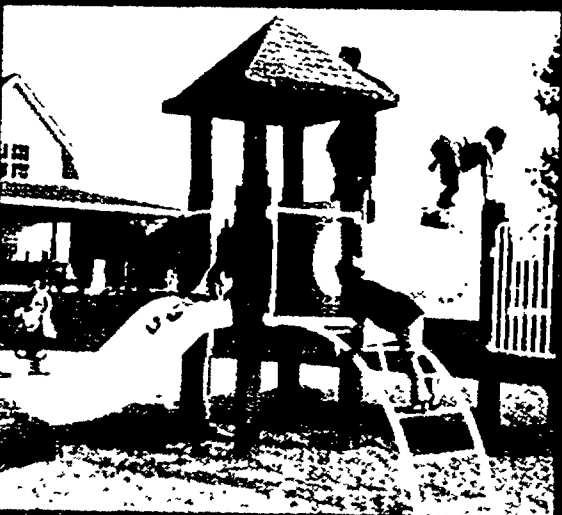
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### 13 - WAYNE

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(4635 Howe Rd., Howe & Annapolis)

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2 days per week/ Resident/Member -S44

Non resident/Non member-S54

Unlimited/ Resident/Member-S59

Non resident/Non member-S69

STEPS available on site

M/W 7:15 P.M. STEP II

T/TH 6:00 P.M. Low/Hi Impact

Jan. 8

Jan. 9

10 weeks

Y. Wyborny

C. Kelly

### 14 - GARDEN CITY

**Schoolcraft College-Radcliff Campus**

(1751 Radcliff, S. of Ford Rd., off of Wildwood)

(Register through Schoolcraft-313-462-4413, free use of pool, weight room, etc.)

NOTE: CLASSES ALSO RUNNING AT SCHOOLCRAFT-LIVONIA - SEE #19

No step rental fees, dyna-bands provided

**Mini-session:**

1 day per wk/\$16(Sat. only)

T/TH 5:50 P.M. Low Impact

T/TH 7:00 P.M. STEP II

Sat 9:00 A.M. Circuit

2 days/\$26

Low Impact

STEP II

Circuit

Jan. 9

Jan. 9

Jan. 6

4 weeks

S. Campbell

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S. Campbell

**Regular Session:**

1 day per wk/\$42(Sat. only)

T/TH 5:50 P.M. Low Impact

T/TH 7:00 P.M. STEP II

Sat 9:00 A.M. Circuit

2 days/\$74

Low Impact

STEP II

Circuit

Feb. 6

Feb. 6

Feb. 10

12 weeks

S. Campbell

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### 15 - WESTLAND

**Warren Road Light and Life Free Methodist Church**

(33445 Warren Rd., S.W. corner of Farmington & Warren Rds.)

1 day per wk/\$40

M/TH 6:00 P.M. Hi/Low Impact

2 days/\$54

Hi/Low Impact

Jan. 8

10 weeks

D. Sheehan

**St. Theodore's Catholic Church**

(8200 Wayne, bet. Warren & Joy Rds.)

1 day per wk/\$40

M/TH 6:00 P.M. Low/Hi Impact

2 days/\$54

Low/Hi Impact

Jan. 8

10 weeks

Staff

Sponsored by: Parks & Recreation Department

**Bailey Recreation Center**

(36651 Ford Rd., E. of Newburg, behind City Hall)

NO CLASSES: 2/3, 2/4, 3/13 P.M. only, 3/19 P.M. only; or 3/29 thru 3/31

1 day per wk/\$40

2 days/\$54

Unlimited/\$69

\*\* \$10.00 rental fee will be charged for the step classes

M/W 9:30 A.M. Hi/Low Impact

M/W 5:55 P.M. Low /Hi Impact

M/W 7:05 P.M. STEP I

T/TH 9:30 A.M. STEP II

T/TH 5:55 P.M. STEP II

T/TH 7:05 P.M. Hi/Low Impact

Fri 9:30 A.M. Body Sculpting

Jan. 8

Jan. 8

Jan. 8

Jan. 9

Jan. 9

Jan. 9

Jan. 12

K. Thomas

K. Treadwell-Smith

K. Treadwell-Smith

D. Davis

L. Bachman

T. Barackman

J. Goulet

### 16 - CANTON

**Children's World**

(211 N. Lilley, bet. Ford Rd. & Cherry Hill)

1 day per wk/\$40

M/W 6:30 P.M. Hi/Low Impact

2 days/\$54

Hi/Low Impact

Jan. 8

10 weeks

L. Prevost

**Warrior Training Center**

(6712 Canton Center Rd., 1/2 mile N. of Ford Rd.)

1 day per wk/\$40

M/TH 9:15 A.M. Low/Hi Impact

T/TH 6:30 P.M. Low Impact

Sat 8:30 A.M. Hi/Low Impact

2 days/\$54

Low/Hi Impact

Low Impact

Hi/Low Impact

Jan. 8

Jan. 9

Jan. 13

10 weeks

C. VanHoet

T. Kersten

L. Prevost

\* Babysitting available/\$1.50 per child/\$3.00 per family

### 17 - PLYMOUTH

Sponsored by: Plymouth Parks & Recreation

**Plymouth Cultural Center (525 Farmer)**

1 day per wk/\$40

M/W 6:00 P.M. Low/Hi Impact

T/TH 9:30 A.M. Low/Hi Impact

Sat 8:30 A.M. Body Sculpting

2 days/\$54

Low/Hi Impact

Low/Hi Impact

Body Sculpting

Unlimited/\$69

Jan. 8

Jan. 9

Jan. 13

10 weeks

T. Brandon

K. Black

S. King

\* Babysitting available/\$1.50 per child/\$3.00 per family

**Risen Christ Lutheran Church**

(46250 Ann Arbor Rd., N.E. corner of

Ann Arbor Rd. & McClumpha)

1 day per wk/\$40

M/W/F 9:30 A.M. STEP II

2 days/\$54

STEP II

Unlimited/\$69

Jan. 8

10 weeks

C. Grant

\* Babysitting available/\$1.50 per child/\$3.00 per family

STEP rental fee/\$10 or bring own step

### 18 - LIVONIA

**Holy Cross Lutheran Church**

(30650 Six Mile Rd., E. of Merriman)

1 day per wk/\$40

M/W/F 9:30 A.M. Hi/Low Impact

M/W 6:00 P.M. Low Impact

M/W 7:00 P.M. Hi/Low Impact

T/TH 9:00 A.M. Low/Hi Impact

T/TH 10:10 A.M. STEP I

TH 7:30 P.M. STEP I

2 days/\$54

Hi/Low Impact

Low Impact

Hi/Low Impact

Low/Hi Impact

STEP I

STEP I

Unlimited/\$69

Jan. 8

Jan. 8

Jan. 8

Jan. 9

Jan. 9

Jan. 11

10 weeks

P. Peitz

Staff

J. Strode

T. Brandon

L. Bachman

Staff

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**Faith Lutheran Church**

(30000 5 Mile Rd., W. of Middlebelt)

1 day per wk/\$40

M/W 9:15 A.M. Body Sculpting

2 days/\$54

Body Sculpting

Unlimited/\$69

Jan. 8

10 weeks

T. Brandon

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**SESSION I:**

1 day per wk/\$16 (Fri. or Sun. only)

M/W 6:00 P.M. Low Impact

M/W 7:05 P.M. Hi/Low Impact

M/W 8:10 P.M. STEP II

T/TH 4:45 P.M. STEP II

T/TH 5:50 P.M. Low Impact

T/TH 6:55 P.M. Hi/Low Impact

F 6:00 P.M. STEP I

SUN 1:10 P.M. Hi/Low Impact

2 days/\$26

Low Impact

Hi/Low Impact

STEP II

STEP II

Low Impact

Hi/Low Impact

STEP I

Hi/Low Impact

4 weeks

D. Davis

A. Werther

K. Smiley

N. Hier

L. Rebman

M. Hopson

Staff

J. Hesse

**SESSION II:**

1 day per wk/\$42(Fri. or Sun. only)

M/W 6:00 P.M. Low Impact

M/W 7:05 P.M. Hi/Low Impact

M/W 8:10 P.M. STEP II

T/TH 4:45 P.M. STEP II

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T/TH 6:55 P.M. Hi/Low Impact

F 6:00 P.M. STEP I

SUN 1:10 P.M. Hi/Low Impact

2 days/\$74

Low Impact

Hi/Low Impact

STEP II

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Hi/Low Impact

12 weeks

D. Davis

A. Werther

K. Smiley

N. Hier

L. Rebman

M. Hopson

Staff

J. Hesse

### 19 - FARMINGTON

**Piemontese**

(38500 W. Nine Mile Rd., E. of Haggerty)

1 day per wk/\$40

**Early Bird!!**

T/TH	6:00 A.M.	STEP II	Jan. 9	J. Hirschauer
T/TH	8:25 A.M.	STEP II	Jan. 9	S. Kambouris
* T/TH	9:35 A.M.	Low/Hi Impact	Jan. 9	N. Nuccitelli
T/TH	6:00 P.M.	Hi/Low Impact	Jan. 9	I. Lokar
T/TH	7:05 P.M.	STEP II	Jan. 9	L. Gignac
Sat	8:30 A.M.	Hi/Low Impact	Jan. 13	L. Burke
Sat	9:35 A.M.	STEP II	Jan. 13	P. Kerwan

\* Babysitting available/\$1.50 per child/\$3.00 per family

**Sponsored by: Farmington Hills Recreation Center****Farmington Hills Activities Center**

(28600 11 Mile Rd., Gate 4, Door C.) 10 weeks

1 day per wk/\$40 2 days/\$54 Unlimited/\$69

\*\* \$10.00 rental fee will be charged for the step classes or bring own step

* M/W/F	9:30 A.M.	STEP II	Jan. 8	Staff
M/W	7:00 P.M.	Hi/Low Impact	Jan. 8	S. Williams
* T/TH	9:30 A.M.	Hi/Low Impact	Jan. 9	J. Stec
T/TH	6:30 P.M.	STEP II	Jan. 9	P. Kerwan
Sat	9:00 A.M.	Hi/Low Impact	Jan. 13	J. Stec

\* Babysitting available/\$1.50 per child/\$3.00 per family

**Faith Covenant Church (14 Mile and Drake)**

Call 574-9214 for more information 10 weeks

1 day per wk/\$40 2 days/\$54 Unlimited/\$69

* M/W/F	9:20 A.M.	Low/Hi Impact	Jan. 8	P. Carlson
* M/W/F	10:30 A.M.	Low/Hi Impact	Jan. 8	P. Carlson
* T/TH	9:45 A.M.	Body Sculpting	Jan. 9	S. Flanagan
T/TH	6:45 P.M.	Low/Hi Impact	Jan. 9	K. Roberts
Sat	8:00 A.M.	STEP I	Jan. 13	S. Flanagan

\* Babysitting \$1.50 per child/\$3.00 per family

\*\* \$10.00 rental fee will be charged for step classes

**Sponsored by: Farmington Community Education**

(Register through Farmington Community Education - 810-489-3333)

Session I: 3 weeks

1 day per wk/\$11 2 days/\$17 Unlimited/\$21

**East Middle School Gym**

(25000 Middlebelt, bet. 10 & 11 Mile)

M/W	6:45 P.M.	Hi/Low Impact	Jan. 2	J. Goulet
T/TH	6:00 P.M.	Low Impact	Jan. 3	Staff
T/TH	7:00 P.M.	Hi/Low Impact	Jan. 3	Staff

**Farmington Community School**

(30415 Shiawassee, bet. Tuck & Orchard Lake)

* M/W	9:00 A.M.	Low Impact	Jan. 2	J.T. Vardya
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**Warner Middle School**

(30303 W. 14 Mile, bet. N. W. & Middlebelt)

T/TH	7:00 P.M.	Body Sculpting	Jan. 3	L. Potocki
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Session II: 12 weeks

1 day per wk/\$48 2 days/\$65 Unlimited/\$83

**East Middle School Gym**

(25000 Middlebelt, bet. 10 & 11 Mile)

NO CLASS: Jan. 31st in addition to above dates

M/W	6:45 P.M.	Hi/Low Impact	Jan. 29	J. Goulet
T/TH	6:00 P.M.	Low Impact	Jan. 30	Staff
T/TH	7:00 P.M.	Hi/Low Impact	Jan. 30	Staff

**Farmington Community School**

(30415 Shiawassee, bet. Tuck & Orchard Lake)

* M/W	9:00 A.M.	Low Impact	Jan. 29	J.T. Vardya
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**Warner Middle School**

(30303 W. 14 Mile, bet. N. W. & Middlebelt)

T/TH	7:00 P.M.	Body Sculpting	Jan. 30	L. Potocki
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**20 - NOVI****Novi Civic Center**

(45175 W. 10 Mile Rd., bet. Novi & Taft)

10 weeks

(Non-resident fee 20%)

NO CLASSES: Jan. 15th; Jan. 20th; or Feb. 19th

Please bring a mat or towel to classes

1 day per wk/\$40 2 days/\$54 Unlimited/\$69

\*\* \$10.00 rental fee will be charged for the step classes or bring own step

* M/W	9:00 A.M.	Low Impact	Jan. 8	G. Morad
* M/W/F	10:15 A.M.	STEP II	Jan. 8	L. Gignac
* M/W	6:00 P.M.	Hi/Low Impact	Jan. 8	L. Burke
M/W	7:00 P.M.	STEP II	Jan. 8	B. Kabodian
* T/TH	9:00 A.M.	Low Impact	Jan. 9	Brown/Vardya
* T/TH	10:15 A.M.	Body Sculpting	Jan. 9	L. Potocki
* F	9:00 A.M.	Low Impact	Jan. 12	A. Werther
Sat	8:00 A.M.	STEP II	Jan. 13	B. Kabodian

\* Babysitting \$1.50 per child/\$3.00 per family

**Novi High School (24062 Taft, S.E. corner of 10 mile & Taft)**

Classes will be held in the fieldhouse

(Register through Novi Comm. Ed. - 810-344-8330)

NO CLASSES: Feb. 12th through Feb. 15th

1 day per wk/\$32 2 days/\$44 Unlimited/\$56

Session I: 8 weeks

M/TW/TH	7:00 P.M.	Hi/Low Impact	Jan. 15	T. Snurka
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Session II:

MTW/TH	7:00 P.M.	Hi/Low Impact	Mar. 18	T. Snurka
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**21 - SOUTH LYON****Dynamic Fitness**

(22886 Pontiac Trail, in King Plaza)

10 weeks

1 day per wk/\$40 2 days/\$54

T/TH	9:30 A.M.	STEP	Jan. 9	P. Mason
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Sat	8:30 A.M.	STEP	Jan. 13	P. Mason
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1 day per wk/\$40 2 days/\$54

T/TH	7:30 P.M.	Low Impact	Jan. 9	P. Mason
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**Dolsen Elementary School**

(56775 Rice St. S. of Gr. River, E. of Milford Rd.)

1 day per wk/\$40 2 days/\$54

M/W	6:30 P.M.	STEP	Jan. 8	P. Mason
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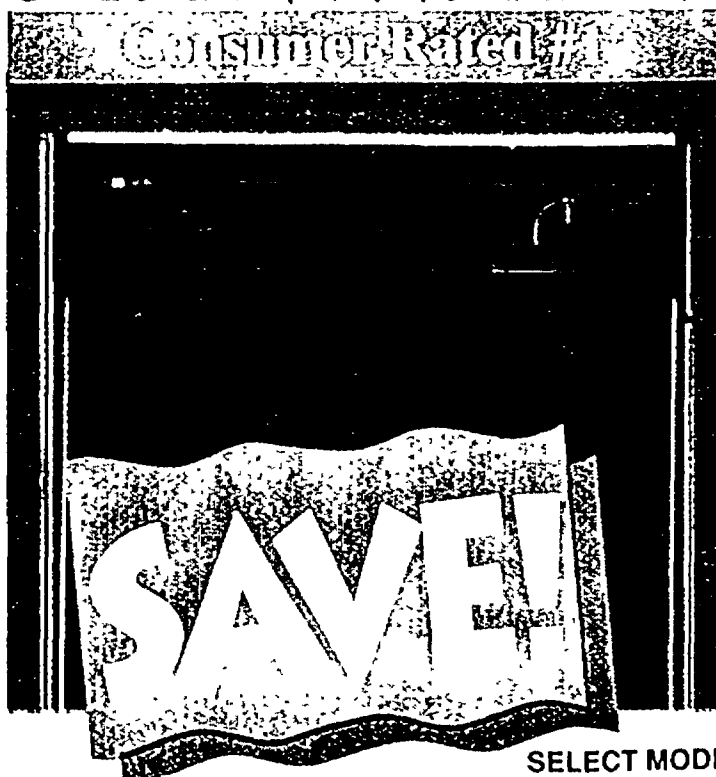
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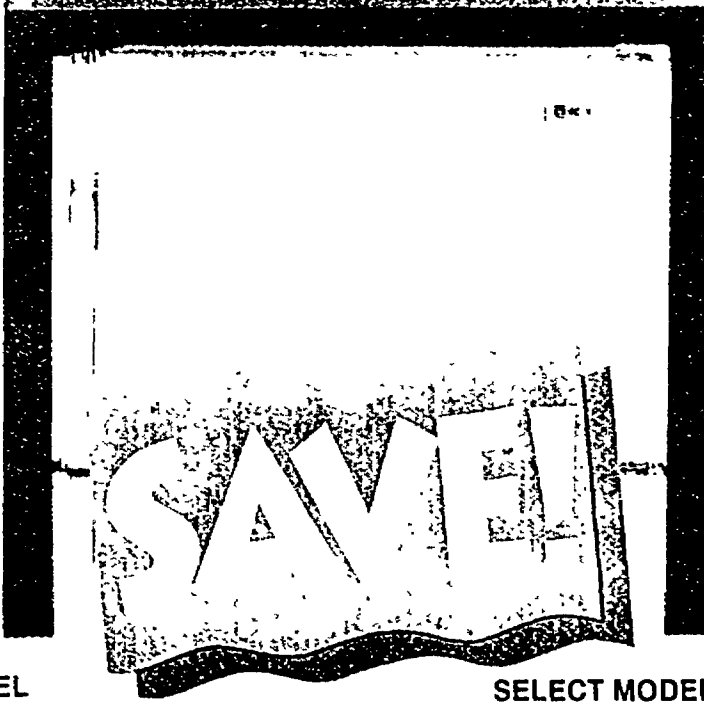


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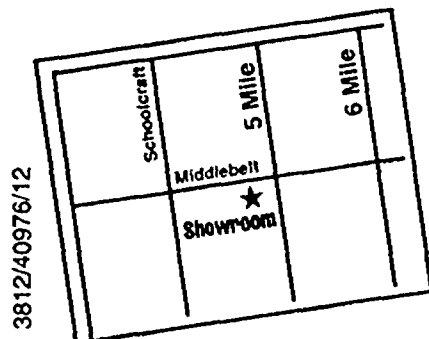
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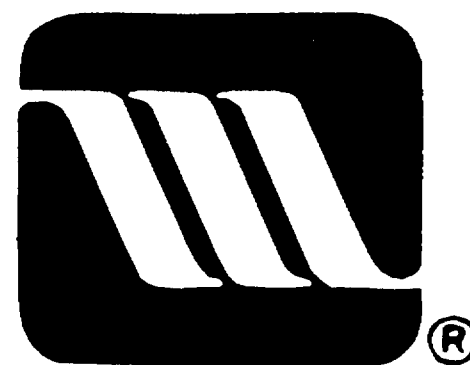
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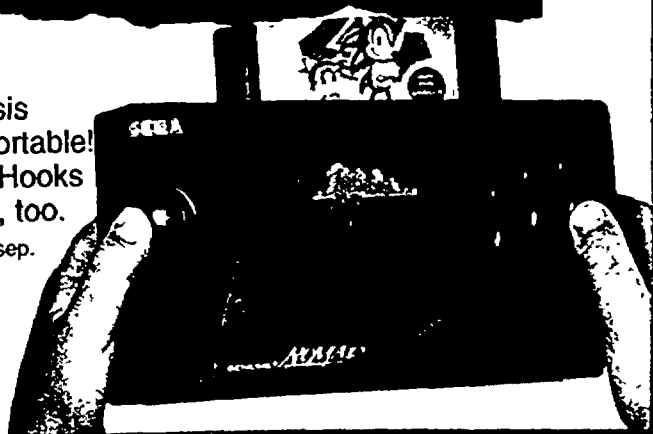
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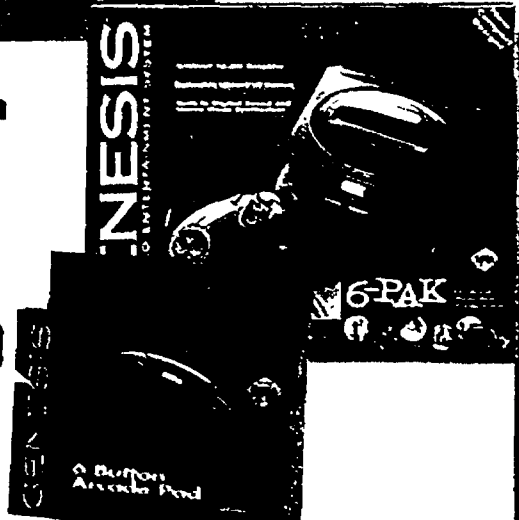
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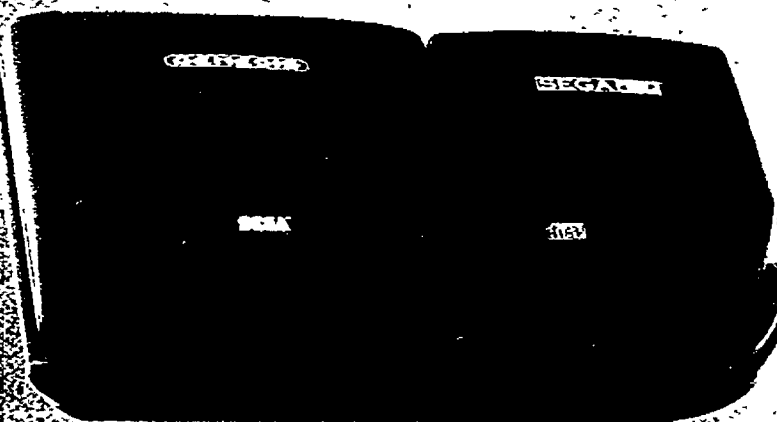
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