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A look at 1999

From controversial lawsuits and investigations, to the return of the downtown clock, the year 1999 was, indeed, a memorable one



Welcome home

The city's Main Street clock returned to its roost in November after it was missing for four months. The original clock, in place since 1982, was damaged beyond repair when a Livonia woman who was "lost" drove into the clock at 40 mph. The second clock was built to match the first and cost about \$17,500 to replace.

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1999 NEWSMAKER OF THE YEAR: NORTHVILLE HIGH SCHOOL



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

An electrician works on interior wiring during construction of the new Northville High School

Construction and controversy

Amidst lawsuits and delays, school still hopes to open in August

By MELANIE PLENDIA
Staff Writer

Despite continuing lawsuits, contracting mistakes, and weather delays this year, progress on the building of the new Northville High School on Six Mile Road east of Beck Road has been steady. The district is still lagging a bit behind schedule but projects have remained under budget.

The loss was due to time spent on preliminary approval of the building foundations by Wayne County fire marshals. Additionally, once they had approval, it took several more weeks to get contractors back to the site.

Further, disputes between the

township and Woods of Edenderry and school district also slowed progress at the start. However, despite WOE's pending appeal, both seem to want to try to be good neighbors. Residents continue to donate thousands of dollars worth of trees which have been placed at the perimeter of their properties and the new high school.

Overall, with less than 20 projects, including completion of the new high school, remaining Asst. Superintendent Dave Boltho is confident the target date of August 2000 for completion is still viable.

Completed projects include new windows and a media center for Amerman Elementary,

Thornton Creek Elementary received new playground equipment, Moraine Elementary donned a new roof, Silver Springs Elementary got additional parking, Winchester Elementary replaced and added new sidewalks and Meads Mill Middle School had their roof replaced. Additionally a slew of other renovations were done at the current High School, which will be the future middle school, Hillside.

In August the district will see many changes. Bryant Center in Livonia will move to Cooke Middle School, Cooke will move to Hillside and Northville High School will move into the new high school.

For Northville, the year brought plenty of changes



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Laura Williams, owner of Northville's Pamplemousse, was a strong proponent of A-frame signs downtown.

CITY CHANGES SIGN AMENDMENT DOWNTOWN

Changes to the city of Northville's sign ordinance drew a large amount of attention this year - particularly changes to A-frame sign rules.

The ordinance changes develop new regulations for signs in the central business district area and applies to bracket signs and free-standing signs along with the A-frame signs.

With the changes, businesses are allotted a certain amount of signage based on the size of their storefront. Businesses then may "spend" the square footage on any two of the five types of signs the city permits including: freestanding signs; projecting signs; awning signs; wall signs; sidewalk signs.

Early proposals recommended A-frame signs be banned after 2000. The proposal angered business owners enough to pack the council chambers and speak out against the proposal. Northville City Council decided to allow the signs, but drew up strict guidelines and regulations for the signs that must be followed in order to avoid fines.

City of Northville 1999

CENTER STREET CONSTRUCTION CONTINUES

The second half of a two-year project to replace Center Street between Seven Mile Road and Eight Mile Road was completed.

Work on the \$1.3 million project started in March and was completed in July. The project was done in two phases: the first phase included ripping up the west side of the road then replacing the eight-inch water main along the road with a 12-inch pipe; the second phase included tearing up the east side of the road and replacing it.

Construction only allowed one lane to be open at a time, which allowed travelers to get into town.

"We want to get people to the businesses downtown, but once they get there they're going to have to find their own way out," said Jim Gallogly, city of Northville public works director.

NORTHVILLE LANDMARKS UNDERGO CHANGES

The city of Northville's three historic landmarks all went through changes this year, some planned and some not.

For instance, the city's Main Street clock returned to its roost in November after it was missing for four months. The original clock, in place since 1982, was damaged beyond repair when a Livonia woman who was "lost" drove into the clock at 40 mph. The second clock was built to match the first and cost about \$17,500 to replace.

Additionally, the historic waterwheel once again started turning in October after three years of laying dormant. The waterwheel is

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Local grocers ready for last minute rush by Y2K shoppers

By B.J. HAMMERSTEIN
Staff Writer

Last minute Y2K worriers, don't fret too much, local grocery stores still have the goods.

Chris Andrews, president of Centre Street Market, Inc., said if it weren't for the news, he wouldn't be hearing too much about the Y2K bug.

But since it's here, Andrews said his store has been running as smoothly as usual, with some people picking up extra supplies.

"Personally, I don't think anything out of the ordinary is going to happen," Andrews said.

But, with his store not being open on New Year's Day, Andrews did suggest people buy groceries and other supplies as if they were preparing for a holiday.

Over at the Meijer on Eight Mile Road and Haggerty, hard-line team leader Greg Banman said there hasn't been a mad rush to pick up supplies to last for weeks, but more of a regrouping after the Christmas rush.

And with the 24-hour superstore experiencing its first New Year's Eve shutdown - Meijer will be closed from 9 p.m. Dec. 31 through 6 a.m. on Jan. 1 - Banman said bottle water sales have been up.

"I don't foresee any problems."

Banman said.

"There has been nothing out of the ordinary, but it is still a little too early to tell."

At the Hillers on Five Mile Road and Haggerty Road, Assistant Manager Mike Iagnemma also said it is too early to tell how shoppers will react to the Y2K computer bug.

"There has been a lot of extra water purchased by consumers and some extra canned goods," Iagnemma said.

"We have also ordered lots of extra bottled water and canned goods."

The Hillers will be closing down at 8 p.m. on New Year's Eve and will hopefully be up and running on New Year's Day from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Iagnemma added everyone has been aware of Y2K for a long time, and that grocery suppliers and other service industry professionals are prepared.

"It won't hurt to have extra bottled water or be a little extra prepared," Iagnemma said.

"Even if there is a power outage, with the technology we have today, how long would it really take to fix it?"

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Are you Y2K ready?

City, township say they're prepared for turn of new year

BY ANDREW DIETDERICH
Staff Writer

Whether you think something will happen at the stroke of midnight New Year's Eve or not, one thing is certain - area municipalities are as ready as possible.

The city of Northville and Northville Township have put contingency plans in place for the minute the century turns to handle what, if anything, happens.

The plans include having staff on hand New Year's Eve in case of emergency.

"Our plan was to prepare for the worst and hope for the best," said Nicolette Bateson, city of Northville assistant city manager and finance director.

About 12 city workers will be on hand midnight New Year's Eve to check systems and monitor activity in the city. Most of the workers will be from the Northville Fire Department, Bateson said.

Additionally, all of the equipment in the city that needs to be Y2K compliant has been tested and upgraded as needed.

"About 3 percent of the equipment tested had to be replaced or upgraded," Bateson said.

The majority of equipment that needed to be upgraded or replaced was done at no cost to the city.

"We received statements and verification from the manufacturers of all specific equipment and systems that they are

Y2K ready," Bateson said.

The city of Northville has put together an emergency preparedness package that includes information from the American Red Cross that includes information on putting together a supplies kit, a disaster plan, and a preparedness checklist. The packets are available at the library, the Northville Parks and Recreation lobby, the police station and The Northville Record lobby.

A committee of Northville Township officials started work last January on putting together the township's contingency plan.

As part of the plan, there will be three patrol cars and two dispatchers on duty. The department also will upgrade to storm readiness stand-by for the fire department and fire station no. 2 will house four paid-on call firefighters.

Additionally, two water and sewer personnel will be on duty at the command post from 10 p.m. until 2 a.m. with the remainder of the staff on call at their homes.

Equipment in the township was checked for Y2K compliance with the largest item to be fixed a recorder in the police station.

"It's anyone's guess what's going to happen that night," said Thelma Kubitsky, township finance director, when she presented the report in September.

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Northville kids tell us what the next century will be like

By MELANIE PLEND
Staff Writer

Imagine flying to an underwater home in a hover craft, vacationing in the tropical gasses of Jupiter with an imaginary friend or buying "jewels" for the low, low price of \$1.

The unimaginable stuffy adults is what Silver Springs Elementary students see for our future. A few of the students shared their vision of the future last week with *The Northville Record*.

"I think people will be able to fly up to the clouds where their imaginary friends would come alive so they could play with them," said seven-year-old Britney Snively.

Not bound by earthly conventions, or gravity, the students have conjured a future of infinite possibilities with visions as unique as they are.

Bobby Kruse, 8, had a practical take on the future, although he does plan to summer on the rings of Saturn. However, he was a little dismayed when Snively told him there was no way he could drive his car as the rings are gaseous and he would fall right through. After further consideration he decided he would like falling through the rings of Saturn better than his original plans.

As for the rest of the year Kruse said he would spend it living quite comfortably in his underwater house. Kruse said he'd prefer to live underwater because, he said simply, "I like to



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Future guesser Stephanie Curran draws what the world will be like.

swim." And he had no trouble envisioning life for land faring folk either.

"People would drive in cars that had wings called 'Thingamajigs' and they'd have wings because it's made by Chrysler," he said. Kruse also had a plan for how

he was going to get his thingamajig into his underwater garage.

"Well, it can fly or drive. But when it goes underwater it'll have to go through this underwater transformer thing. Oh and it can become invisible," he said.

Sue Ann Shiah, 7, had a similar impression of transportation

in the future. She said people would have capsules they could get into and zip like lightning to wherever they wanted to go. She said personally she is looking forward to visiting other galaxies or Kansas in this manner.

Shiah said the face of our planet will be different also. She predicts in the future all of the states will break apart and become their own islands.

There is a colorful future in store for seven-year-old Stephanie Curran.

"People will have wings that are yellow, 'cause it's pretty, and houses will be made out of red bread and the sky will be any color we want 'cause we can throw paint up in the air and it'll stick," she said.

Curran also had good news for future shoppers.

"Cars will come filled with jewels and they will only cost a nickel," she said.

Curran also believes people will have robots to do all of their work and teachers only teach the song syllings of Britney Spears.

Kruse said none of this would matter, he said he heard from an unnamed but reliable source the sun was probably going to blow up anyway.

However, luckily Snively a bit of put him at ease with a quick reason.

"Don't worry that won't be for like another billion trillion years. We won't be alive anyway. So who cares."

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Library Lines

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Baby makes three

Parenting program an eye opener for teens

By MELANIE PLENDA
Staff Writer

Northville High School Parenting Decision students turned in their pencils for pacifiers when they recently participated in an assignment that forced them to become parents for a week.

The NHS Parenting Decisions class, after venturing into the subjects of human growth, development, and reproduction, embarked on the final frontier - parenthood.

This simulation was designed to give students some idea of the time involved in caring for an infant. Students were required to bring a stuffed animal or doll to class that was approximately the size of a newborn. They then had to carry the "baby" from 4 p.m. to 7:15 a.m., the following day.

During the care period, students had to stop whatever they were doing to care for their infants. This ostensibly interrupted many after school activities and prime sleeping time.

At 4 p.m. they began by "feeding" the baby for 15 minutes. They were allowed to visit with other people or watch television but could not do anything that required the use of their hands.

"I work downtown and I have cheerleading, and I know now I wouldn't be able to do either of those very well if I had a kid," said Tenth grader Cheryl Gaitly.

At 6:12 p.m., their "baby" would be crying. So the student would have to stop what he or she was doing to rock it back to sleep. This meant students had to walk around the room for eight minutes without sitting. Once that was done another feeding came around 45 minutes later, this time for 24 minutes.

"I'm definitely getting a nanny," said senior Matt Menghini.

From 7:54-8:45 p.m., students had quality time with their babies. However, this meant they could not talk on the telephone, read or be involved in any activity that



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Northville High School student Matt Menghini, left, and a fellow classmate drop off their "babies" at 7:15 a.m. to Carla Tibbelle's room. The exercise is part of the school's parenting program.

required them to use their hands.

It wasn't until midnight that the real fun began for everyone. That is when students were required to wake up for the babies night feeding. Students were required to walk to their kitchens and rock their baby for 20 minutes. After the 20 minute feeding they had to call Tibbelle and leave her a message.

Since both of her sections are participating in this project at the same time, Tibbelle and her husband received calls to their machine every three minutes until 4:00 a.m. The ringing got so bad they resorted to putting the phone in their car so they could get some sleep, Tibbelle said.

The phone message senior Steve Barnum left was indicative of the types of messages the students

were leaving.

"I'm never having kids," he said. At last the students could sleep, but not for long as their assignment required they get up for school at 5 a.m. to get the baby ready for day care.

"My kids are horrible. They need you all the time because they can't do anything for themselves," Gaitly said.

This is the tenth year for the project and despite the work involved Tibbelle said it's worth it.

"I'm absolutely positive they don't realize how much work kids are. They think they are cute, adorable, but they also throw up and all that other good stuff," she said.

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Northville Police Log

Northville man's truck impounded for wrong plates

A 20-year-old Northville man had his car impounded by the city of Northville Police Department for having improper plates.
The incident happened Dec. 22 at 8:51 p.m.
According to a city of Northville Police report, police witnessed the man driving a 1983 GMC truck but knew the vehicle was different than what the man had driven in the past. As a result the man was stopped and his record checked and the plate came back to a 1987

Ford van.
According to the report, the man said he thought the plate had been transferred three months ago.
The man was cited for improper plates and the truck was impounded. He was able to get his truck out of the pound five days later when he produced the proper paperwork.

FLYING LOG DAMAGES WINDOW ON ALLEN DRIVE

A storm window on the front of a home located on Allen Drive was damaged after unknown person(s) through a log through it.
The incident happened between 11:55 p.m. Dec. 18 and 12:05 a.m. Dec. 19.
According to a city of Northville Police Department report, an unknown person(s) threw a log about one foot long through the window causing the window to break.
There are no suspects or witnesses.

WOMAN TURNS HARASSING CALLS OVER TO POLICE

A 44-year-old woman called city of Northville Police and Ameritech after receiving several harassing telephone calls.
The incident was reported Dec. 22.
According to a city of Northville Police report, the woman received 13 hang-up calls in the span of two days. On one of the calls the woman

heard children laughing in the background.
The woman tried to use the *69 feature on the telephone, which would call the number back, but the feature kept saying it was an unknown telephone number.
The Ameritech Anonymous Call Bureau has been contacted and should be able to tell where the calls came from originally.

GOLD BRACELET FOUND IN CITY PARKING LOT

A gold bracelet with diamonds has been found in a city of Northville parking lot. The incident happened Dec. 27 at 1 p.m.
According to a city of Northville Police report, the gold bracelet with diamonds was found in city parking lot no. 1. There was no report of the bracelet in the department's lost and found book.
More information may be obtained by calling the city of Northville Police Department at (248) 349-1234.

Area man to face fraud charges

BY ANDREW DIETDERICH
Staff Writer

A 42-year-old Canton man faces up to a \$5,000 fine and/or five years in prison after being charged with contractor fraud in Northville Township.
Roy Mason was arrested by township police Dec. 22 after he allegedly bilked a Northville Township resident out of \$4,000 in April for a deck he never built. He was charged with construction fraud and operating under false pretenses and arraigned in 35th district court.
"A Northville Township resident hired him to build a deck which he did not and defrauded the resident out of \$4,000," said Detective Michael Wildt, Northville Township Police Department.
Mason is being held in Wayne County Jail on a \$50,000 bond.
Wildt said the man was charged with a felony based on previous fraud charges filed against him for other construction fraud related deals.
Mason had felony warrants for his arrest out of Third Circuit Court and Novi, Wildt said.
"There were similar fraud complaints against the suspect in Canton and Plymouth," he said. "He did show a pattern of this type of behavior."
Wildt said he couldn't be certain if the Northville Township woman could have avoided getting ripped off, but offered several suggestions for prevention.
"You need to do your homework on whoever you hire to do work," Wildt said.
The Better Business Bureau offers several tips on hiring independent contractors including:
• Compare costs before making a financial commitment toward any home improvement project.
• Ask the contractor for local references and finds out if customers were actually satisfied with the contractor's work.
• Check with building and zoning authorities to determine what permits are needed for a project.
• Include all terms, conditions, warranties and oral promises concerning the project in a written contract.
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• Don't submit to high pressure sales tactics by a contractor or sales representative.
• Don't sign a completion certificate for the job before it has been inspected and properly completed as agreed to in the contract.
• Don't pay for the entire job in advance or pay cash to the salesperson or contractor.
• Contact the local or state government consumer affairs office and/or local Better Business Bureau if you are unable to resolve a dispute with your contractor.
The number of the Better Business Bureau locally is (248) 644-9100.
Andrew Dietderich may be reached via e-mail at adietderich@ht.homecomm.net.

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School 'Reflections' program keeps kids excited about the arts

By MELANIE PLENDI
Staff Writer

Creativity is the fuel behind all things according to performance artist and Northville Resident Lauren Chiasson.

She and Amerman Elementary School parent Terry Allman recently went to the school to rap the wonders of art and discovery.

"It's about making art fun and getting them juiced up about it. That brings the creativity out," Chiasson said.

Allman and Chiasson, clad in black with painted faces, went to each classroom to rap about "making dreams reality" through paints and pencils. Students looked on as the two rhymed the reasons for participating in the Reflections program.

"Have fun as the artist inside you comes alive. Let the artist rule," they rapped.

Chiasson, whose daughter, Leah Zawadzki attends Amerman, said she heard about the program through the PTA. Since she has made art her life she decided to help promote the Reflections pro-

gram and creativity to the children.

"It's very key that we tap into children's creative energy early," she said. "Ultimately it helps them to do better in school, the benefits are limitless."

The Reflections program at Amerman is sponsored by the PTA and is part of a larger state wide competition. Winners from each school will be chosen to compete at the state level, in a variety of areas, for an award of recognition.

All participants are encouraged to obtain a full list of rules from their school office.

All new, original, unassisted pieces of art inspired by the theme "Anything is Possible," will be accepted into the competition. Amerman entries will be displayed throughout the month of January in the school. A reception will be held for all participants at Amerman Jan. 17.

The show will be judged in two divisions: primary (grades K-12) and (grades 3-5). Judging criteria is based on artistic merit, creative ability, and interpretation of the

theme. Students may enter in more than one category but the entries may not have any outside input, corrections or editing.

In the category of literature fiction, nonfiction, poetry, prose, drama, short stories, or song lyrics are accepted. Original music composition, voice or instrumental, on audio cassette or CD will be accepted for the music category. For photography, judges will accept photos taken by the student, which include prints, retouched prints, collage, or photograph.

Additionally, two dimensional works such as painting, drawing, collage, printmaking, and needlework are acceptable for the Visual Arts category.

Entries are due Jan. 10, 2000. More information can be obtained by calling Sally Cotrone at (348) 347-9835 or via e-mail at slorimer@ameritech.net.



Photo by LOUIS POULOS

Terry Allman, left, and Lauren Chiasson work to get students excited and interested in the arts.

Melanie Plendi may be reached via e-mail at mplendi@tl.homecom.net

CITY OF NOVI NOTICE OF ADOPTION ORDINANCE NO. 99-124.12

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Novi City Council has adopted Ordinance No. 99-124.12 — AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SUBPART 11-194(b)(19) OF THE NOVI CODE OF ORDINANCES, TO CROSS REFERENCE THE REQUIREMENT FOR SECONDARY ACCESS WITH SECTION 15-25.

The provisions of the ordinance shall become effective fifteen (15) days after its adoption. The Ordinance was adopted by the City Council on Monday, December 20, 1999. A complete copy of the Ordinance is available for public use and inspection at the office of the City Clerk, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, during the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. prevailing local time.

(12-30-99 NR/NN 9441118)

TONNI L. BARTHOLOMEW, CITY CLERK

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE ADVERTISEMENT FOR PROPOSAL REQUEST FOR STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS TO ASSIST IN IMPLEMENTATION OF STORM WATER MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

The Charter Township of Northville is seeking qualifications for professional services to assist in the implementation of a Storm Water Management Program. The program is part of the Rouge River National Wet Weather Demonstration Project being administered by Wayne County and is eligible for partial federal funding through the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S.E.P.A.).

In its continuing efforts to support Rouge River watershed management, the Charter Township of Northville is seeking proposals for professional services relative to coverage under the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) Storm Water General Permit No. MIG610025, to assist in the development and implementation of the following tasks:

1. Development and implementation of an Illicit Discharge Elimination Program to improve the water quality of the Rouge River and protect the environment. The principal areas in which the Township would like to focus are as follows:

- a. Illicit Discharge Elimination Plan
- b. Inventory and maintenance of existing storm water system
- c. Capital improvement of existing storm water systems
- d. Existing ordinances for storm water basin design, landscaping planting and ongoing maintenance
- e. Existing storm water retention and detention basin standards
- f. Storm water pollution prevention initiative
- g. Water quality sampling and analysis

2. Development of a Public Education Program for storm water management. The principal areas in which the Township would like to focus are as follows:

- a. Public Education Plan
- b. Township staff training of retention/detention basin and open space inspection/implementation
- c. Riparian slope stabilization education
- d. Property transfer procedures for developers to property owner/managers

3. Participation in Subwatershed Management Planning. The principal areas in which the Township would like to focus are as follows:

- a. Subwatershed Management Plan
- b. Public Participation Plan

The above described tasks are related to the Rouge River National Wet Weather Demonstration project being administered by Wayne County Department of Environment (W.C.D.O.E.) and funded in part through the U.S.E.P.A. All of the grants have not yet been received from U.S.E.P.A. It is anticipated that a requirement of receiving funding of these tasks will be to attempt to achieve the goal of awarding 30% of the dollar value of contracts to disadvantaged business enterprises (DBEs). It is expected that the goal will involve achieving a 20% goal of minority-owned and a 10% goal of women-owned participating totaling 30%. Proposers are requested to indicate in their proposal documents their willingness and ability to achieve this goal.

Request for Statement of Qualifications must be submitted by: January 21, 2000, 4:30 p.m. Send all sealed proposals to:

Charter Township of Northville
Sue Hillebrand, Clerk
41600 Six Mile Road,
Northville, MI 48167

The proposals should clearly state, the following:

"Proposal: Professional Services for the Charter Township of Northville Storm Water Management Program"

The scope of services shall also include, but not be limited to, representing the Township in meetings concerning this program, serving as liaison with the MDEQ, W.C.D.O.E., the Rouge River Office (RPO) and other communities involved with this program, preparing and submitting reports and information to the various agencies involved, inform the Township Board of items they need to know about, provide other services required for this program as identified by W.C.D.O.E. and the RPO, and assist in management of grant funding available through Wayne County/RPO relative to storm water related activities.

Any firm desiring to be considered for this program and having the capabilities for this work shall submit five (5) copies of their Statement of Qualifications. Proposals received will be reviewed by a committee comprised of Northville Township staff based on the following factors:

1. Familiarity with Northville Township drainage requirements, the MDEQ storm water general permit, Wayne County, the RPO and MDEQ requirements and standards for these types of projects and the Middle One and Upper Subwatersheds tributary to the Rouge River.
2. Prior experience on other similar projects as well as qualifications and experience of the project manager and key personnel who will be assigned to the Northville Township project.
3. Familiarity and past experience with the Township on previous projects and reputation for professional integrity and competence.
4. Ability to meet the time schedule based on current workload and utilization of MBE, WBE and DBE participants.

A copy of the MDEQ Storm Water General Permit and other related information are available for review to interested firms at the Northville Township Department of Public Services, 16225 Beck Road, Northville, MI 48167.

The consultant(s) will be selected solely on evaluation of the initial proposals. Proposals shall not include price information. Costs for these engineering services will be negotiated with the selected firm(s).

Northville Township will not discriminate against any individual or group because of race, sex, religion, age, national origin, marital status or handicap.

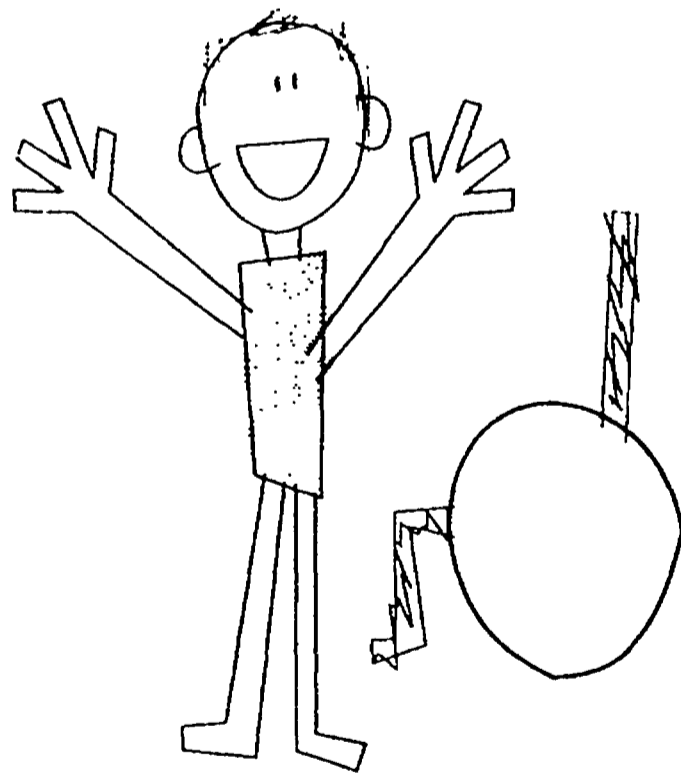
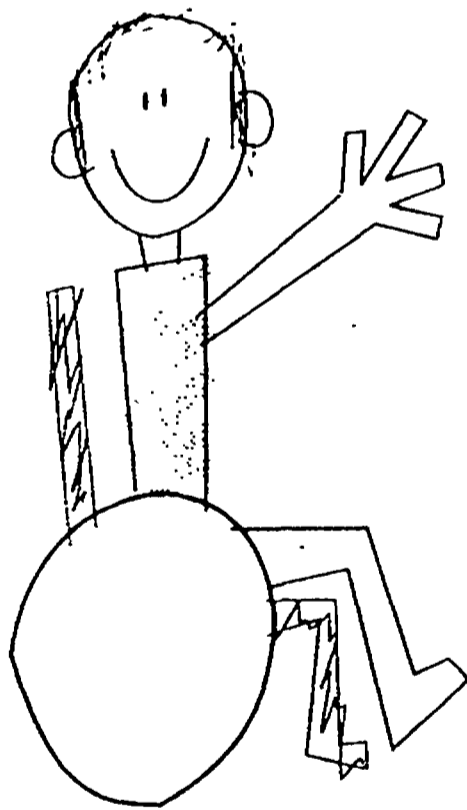
Northville Township reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, to waive any defects or irregularities in proposals and to accept any proposal which is deemed most advantageous to the said township's interest.

For additional information or any questions contact Mr. Brad Sharp, Storm Water General Permit Manager, at (248) 374-2404.

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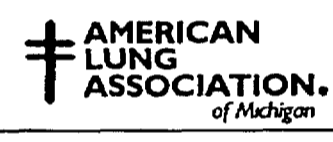


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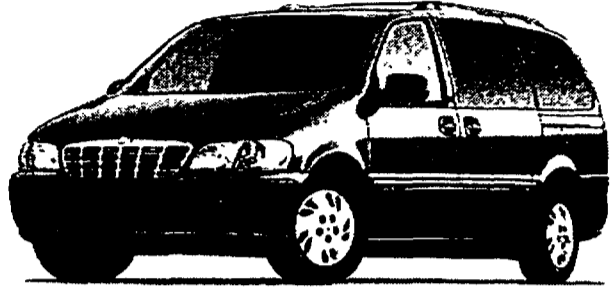
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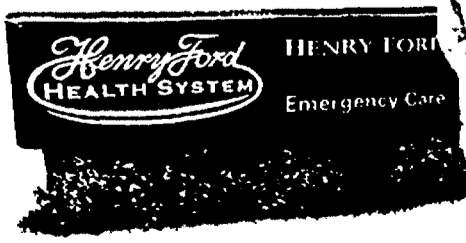
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Growth tops list of important stories in Northville Twp.

TOWNSHIP ACQUIRES LAND FOR PARKS, RECREATION

The township continued its quest to soak up 235 acres of land for mostly recreational purposes.

The township closed in July on 60 acres of land known as the Phoenix property on Five Mile Road west of Beck and Scott Correctional Facility for \$1.37 million. The acquisition will expand community park.

Other acquisitions included the purchase of 15 acres on the northeast corner of Five Mile Road and Sheldon Road and the Clarke property of 56 acres on the northeast corner of Six Mile Road and Napier Road.

The acquisitions were mostly paid for by a four-year .75 mill levy voters approved last year. Other organizations and businesses donated money to help offset costs.

Work on master plans for the newly acquired property is underway.

TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES MULL WTUA EXPANSION

One of the most important items to come before Northville Township this year was discussion on how to treat waste in the future.

With more waste coming out of the township than ever, the Western Township Utilities Association studied its options with what to do and came up with two: contribute to the expansion of the Ypsilanti plant where much of the township's waste goes; or build its own plant.

"This certainly is one of the most important decisions concerning Northville Township within the next five to 15 years," said Karen Woodside, Northville Township supervisor.

As of late December, no decisions have been made on whether or not to expand or build a new plant.

TOWNSHIP TO HAVE FULL-TIME MANAGEMENT

The Northville Township board of trustees decided in the middle of December to have a full-time superintendent/part-time supervisor form of government.

The decision was made after the Northville Township Management Study Committee conducted a two-year study of what form of government would be best suited for the township. With the form the board decided with, a full-time superintendent will be sought, interviewed and hired by the board. The part-time supervisor will be elected and stick mostly to policy making and community representation.

Additionally, township officials are working on an ordinance that would give the authority to the superintendent to carry out his or her responsibilities.

SIX MILE ROAD GETS PAVED

Traffic recently returned to normal conditions on Six Mile Road between Sheldon Road and Beck Roads after being shut down for a number of weeks because of paving that section of the road.

The \$1.4 million project made the road a two-lane asphalt road instead of dirt. The project was

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started in October and could have lasted until next spring, however weather cooperated and allowed for the project to be completed earlier.

The section of road between Beck Road and Ridge Road has been hinted as a project for the next couple of years, one official said.

DETROIT EDISON TAKES HEAT FOR POWER LOSS

Detroit Edison officials were heavily criticized in August after some Northville Township residents lost power three July weekends in a row.

Officials answered the residents at a township board meeting and explained the outages were caused by animals on the power lines, fallen tree limbs and storms were the causes of the outages that lasted between five and 48 hours.

Edison officials fixed the problems by installing animal and lightning guards and rerouting fuses so they don't blow as easily.

FIRE DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY ON THE RISE

The Northville Township Fire Department was more busy in 1999 than it ever has been.

From 1997 to 1998, the number of runs in the township increased 24 percent to 1,736 runs. With one week to go in 1999, the department had made 2,074 runs, said Chief Bill Zmenda, a 19 percent increase from last year.

Zmenda said to expect increases to continue. "I don't think we'll see increases less than 10 percent annually through at least 2010," he said.

The department is coping with the increases by adding equipment. For example, the department took delivery in November of a \$500,000 ladder truck that "represents the future of Northville Township," Zmenda said.

DANGEROUS CSX TRACKS UNDERGO VITAL REPAIRS

A problem with the railroad tracks apparently slipped through company inspections of the track but not a local resident.

Joe Macura, local resident, called the Record with concerns the tracks at Seven Mile Road and Northville Road were dangerous. The former railworker showed how the base of the tracks had eroded away and bounced wildly whenever a train went over them. The same problem caused a derailment last year in Northville Township and resulted in a chemical spill.

The Record contacted CSX who at first said the erosion was typical and not a concern.

CSX then allegedly reinvestigated the tracks and determined repairs were needed. They were performed in October.

1999's most memorable story started innocently enough. An 'anonymous' phone call alleging wrongdoing was followed by a lengthy investigation, and then the story unraveled, leaving Northville residents asking...

Why?

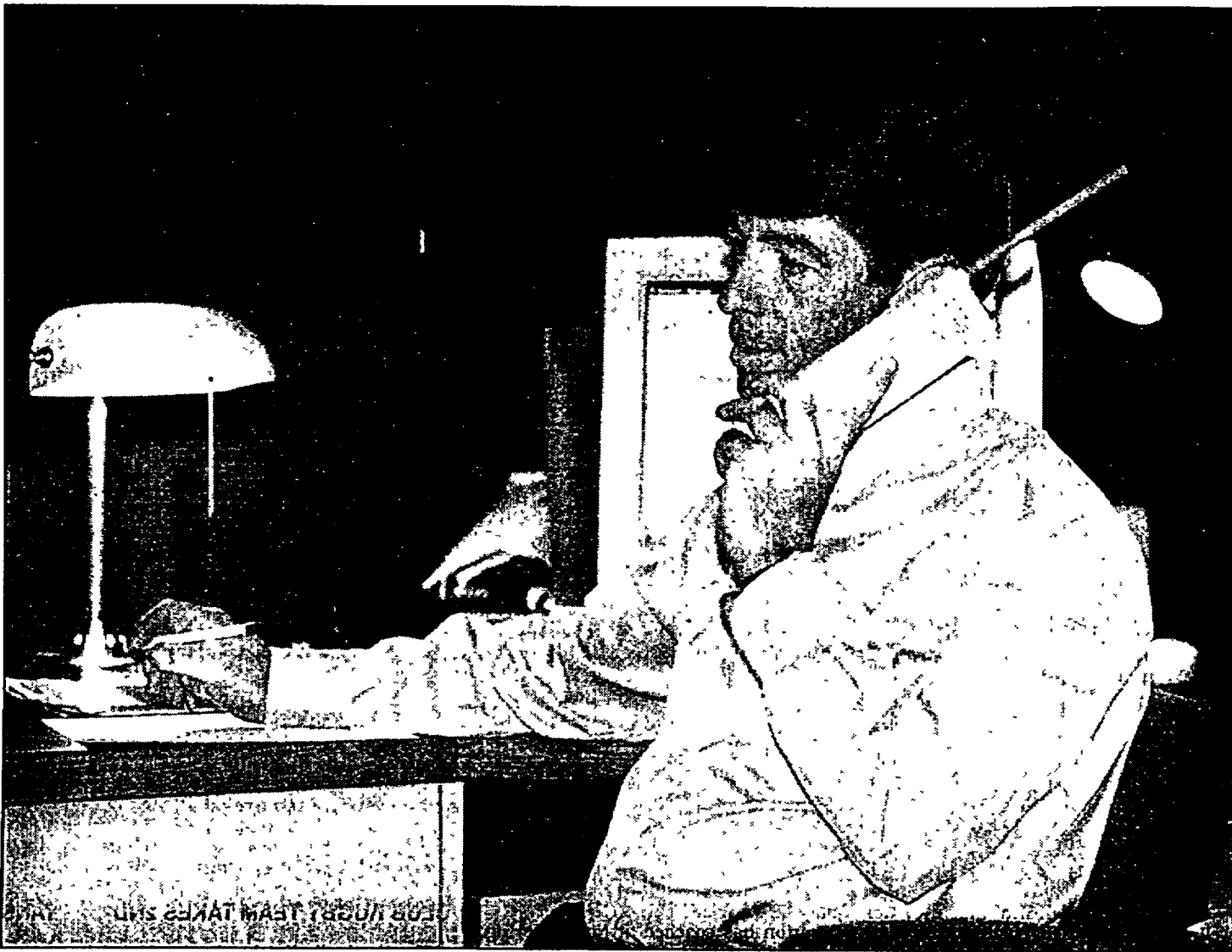


Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Jim Nield, sitting here in his Northville home was the target of a six-month-long investigation by the Wayne County Prosecutor's office. Nield was cleared of any wrongdoing but the investigation prompted a review by state Attorney General Jennifer Granholm, who gave the prosecutor's office a clean bill of health, in a written opinion in November.

Investigation led to plenty of questions, but few answers

By ANDREW DIETDERICH
Staff Writer

When The Northville Record typically does its year in review stories for the city of Northville and Northville Township, the stories are distinctly separated by headlines and white space.

However, this year in Northville Township was anything but typical.

The top three stories appear to be connected yet each merit a spot on the top 10 list of the top stories:

It seems as if before anything else happened in Northville Township, the lawsuit between the township and district was settled.

The township had brought a lawsuit against the Northville school district in 1998 over the building of the new high school in Northville Township.

Township officials wanted to ensure the district would follow local ordinance and building codes. However, state law mandates the district to follow state guidelines.

The township's case was

thrown out of court by a Third Circuit Court judge in April calling such matters legislative rather than judicial.

The township had planned to appeal, but under heavy pressure from community groups and after marathon meetings with school officials, the township board accepted a letter of understanding from the school. The letter included such provisions as type of lighting to be used and where the soccer field would be located.

The settlement may have marked the end of bickering between the two bodies, but it was just the beginning of a confusing year for Jim Nield.

Nield was one of the members of Families for a Better Northville, the group threatened to use a recall against township board of trustees if a settlement wasn't reached between the district and township. He also is the husband of Martha Nield, Northville School District board of education member.

Nield spent more than \$15,000 of his own money on mailers and

Dear Families:

Township elected officials continue to sue Schools regarding the construction of our new water. They are now proposing a \$413,000 fee to connect water. This takes money away from educating our kids and puts it into township coffers after voters just paid millage increases in 1998. The total cost is \$120,000 to date.

Dear Families:

It's time to take action. Join the Northville Rally on Thursday, 7:00 p.m. at Township Hall on 6 Mile Road.

OUR MESSAGE TO TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS

- Listen to the community.
- Stop suing our schools.
- Reduce the \$413,000 sewer/water connection fee.
- Reduce the \$120,000 in time manager.

The letters that initiated the six-month-long investigation of Jim Nield called for a rally of support by the community to get the township board of trustees to drop their litigation against the Northville Public School district and the new Northville High school.



File photo by JOHN HEIDER

Northville Township firefighters carry a hose during the department's response to last winter's fire at the Innsbrook Apartments. Nobody was critically injured in the blaze.

School district spent plenty of time battling lawsuits

ZAAS LAWSUIT THROWN OUT OF COURT

American Principal Stephen Anderson, Superintendent Leonard Rezmierski, and Northville Public Schools were vindicated this year when an \$11 million lawsuit against them was thrown out of court based on lack of evidence.

Among the 15 counts against the district, Northville resident Robin Zaas claimed her daughter, Stephanie, was being abused by classmates at school and nothing was being done to stop it. She further alleged, Anderson physically assaulted her when she went there to defend her daughter.

After six of the 15 counts were dropped and Rezmierski was dismissed from the case, it was thrown out of Federal Circuit court in Ann Arbor by Judge George Stech and Anderson and the district were officially cleared on all counts. After reviewing the case he found there was not

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enough evidence to support the claims made by Zaas.

Zaas' issues with the district began when her daughter's second grade teacher showed the class a book of her pregnancy. The book contained pictures of the teacher getting an ultrasound with her stomach exposed. Zaas objected to the book and its pictures and wanted it removed from the curriculum. Shortly after this Zaas claimed her daughter was being harassed on the playground, and requested her daughter be removed from the classroom and placed into another.

Anderson said he thoroughly investigated the claims of abuse discussing it with both Stephanie and her parents. Further, he removed the book from the curriculum once he realized it was causing a problem.

Zaas, not satisfied with the results of his investigation, went to the school during lunch one afternoon. At which time she claimed Anderson bumped her with his chest and stomach against her.

Judge Stech found a pregnancy book, childhood teasing, and a playground confrontation, if true, were not sufficient reasons to sue the district.

Anderson counter sued for defamation of character saying Zaas damaged his reputation in the community. Zaas was ordered to pay Anderson \$150,000, write a letter of retraction, and was allowed to appeal only three of the 11 charges she alleged against him, in the Feb. 4 settlement.

SCHOOL DISTRICT STUDIES REDISTRICTING

In March the NPSD caused some consternation for students attending local elementary schools and their parents.

The boundary lines for Thornton Creek and Silver Springs Elementary school were moved a second time to accommodate growth in the area. Parents argued children who had been affected by the previous shuffle in 1998.

Asst. Superintendent Dave Bolitho made the recommendation based on specific criteria: the areas under consideration must have existing student enrollment or projected student enrollment to reduce projected overcrowding at Thornton Creek and to occupy the space available at Silver Springs; subdivisions could not be divided; students impacted by the change would attend middle school with a significant percentage of their

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1999 wasn't a banner year, but athletes still made news

By JASON SCHMITT
Sports Editor

There weren't any state titles, neither teamwise or individually in Northville sports for 1999.

If it were in any other city, that might be normal. But for a school and city which has come to enjoy state championships over the last few years, it's tough to understand.

But trophies aside, Northville's athletes thrilled sports fans throughout the entire year.

Here we take a look at the year's top headlines, starting with the gymnastic team's third-straight regional championship, and finishing with Brian Bilyk's state-qualifying performance at regionals.

So in no particular order, here are the sport's highlights from 1999.

GYMNASTS WIN REGIONAL TITLE, PLACE NINTH AT STATE TOURNEY

Unable to follow up a state title from 1998, the girl's gymnastics squad still managed to find their way into the top 10.

The team finished ninth at the state meet after winning their third-straight regional championship back on March 6.

WRESTLERS REACH SEMIFINALS

In 1998, the Northville wrestling team did what no team at the school had ever done before, reach the state finals.

More amazingly, the Mustangs came back in 1999 and did the same thing. The team reached the semifinals before losing to Rochester Adams 39-24. Adams went on to finish runnerup to Temperance Bedford.

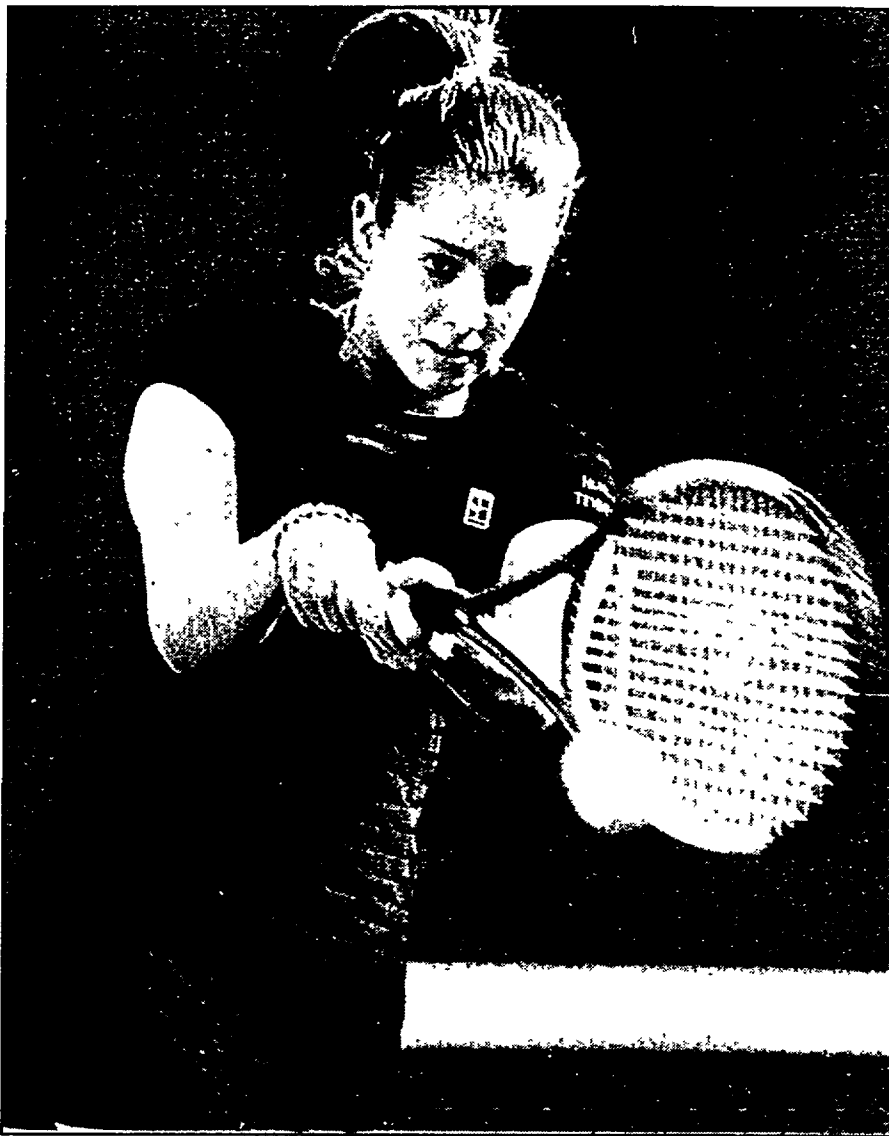
Individually, three 'Stangs placed at the state finals. Reggie Torrence took third, Anant Saran was fourth and Dan Scapaticci was sixth.

LADY GOLFERS PLACE SIXTH AT STATE GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP

Back in the first week in June, the Northville girl's golf team finished sixth at the state meet, the school's highest finish ever.

The Mustangs finished sixth out of the 12 teams at the Division II meet, finishing right behind Saline and just ahead of Grand Rapids Forest Hills Northern and Greenville. They shot a two-day total of 747, including a school-record round of 364 on day one.

"I told my little 'girdles' that they did well," an elated coach Trish Murray said. "It was the highest finish in school history, and I still know that in the back of



File photo by JOHN HEIDER

Carrie Woolfall was the second ranked tennis player for Northville High School.

their minds they're asking themselves what they can do next year."

A week earlier, the team won the regional title with a team score of 384.

NORTON MAKES LAST RUN AS COACH

Long-time Northville tennis mentor Dick Norton made one last run at the state tournament, leading his team to a 16th-place finish at the Division II state meet.

Norton has coached at Northville High School for 25 years, beginning in the mid 1960s. He took a six year hiatus while

serving as the assistant principal, but returned to coaching the Mustangs.

Norton retired with a 243-75-4 record in his 25 seasons at Northville. He won 12 division and conference titles in his time. His teams won two regional championships and qualified for nine state tournaments. His best team finish was third place at the Class B state meet in 1967.

CLUB RUGBY TEAM TAKES 2ND

The Northville Knights Rugby Club fell one game short of capturing the Michigan



File photo by JOHN HEIDER

Northville High School's top wrestler Reggie Torrence, left, works against Novi High School grappler Brent Frey in an early 1999 wrestling match.

Youth Rugby Association's (M.Y.R.A.) "U19" (under age 19) State High school Rugby Championship in late May.

The Knights lost to Grand Rapids Catholic Central 31-10 in the championship game, a day after topping Grand Haven in the semi-finals, 15-7.

Despite the finals loss, coaches from the four teams voted Northville's captain Eric Foster as the championship tournament's Most Valuable Player.

LADY NETTERS 11TH AT STATES

Looking to regain the magic which placed them fourth at the 1997 state finals, the Northville tennis team came up short, finishing 11th at the 1999 championships.

The Mustang's best finish came from Kerry Woolfall at second singles. The junior made it all the way to the semifinals before losing to eventual state champion Ashley Smith of Portage Northern 1-6, 1-6.

The team won both regional and conference championships in the weeks prior to the finals.

TANSKI WINS REGIONAL TITLE

Now a junior, Mary Tanski won the regional shot put title with a throw of 34-

feet, three inches. Unfortunately, she was the only Mustang to advance to the state finals two weeks later.

Tanski was seeded second coming in, but beat out Brighton's top thrower to win it. She led Northville in total points this season, combining total dual meet and invitational points.

KOWALSKI FINISHES 7TH AT STATE SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIP

Finishing in the second-fastest time in school history, Mark Kowalski placed seventh in the 100 breaststroke at the state finals back in March.

Kowalski's time in the race 1 minute, 0.17 seconds was the second-fastest time in Northville High School history. The school record is :59.04.

BILYK QUALIFIES FOR STATE FINALS

Following in the footsteps of Kevin Arbuckle of a year ago, Brian Bilyk qualified for the state meet after finishing ninth overall at the regional cross country meet this past fall.

He ran the race in a personal-best time of 16 minutes, 42 seconds and qualified for the state meet at the Michigan International Speedway. He went on to take 59th place at the state finals.

1999 brought plenty of change to Northville's historic downtown

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located on the former Ford plant on the curve where Northville Road turns into Main Street. The wheel was installed in 1936 by Henry Ford, who used it "more for show," said Bob Russell, who started a committee to get the wheel turning.

Getting the wheel going took longer than expected after delays were encountered with trying to find the right parts. But \$10,000 later the wheel started turning.

The structure around Northville's well, also located on the corner of Northville Road and Main Street, was replaced by the Northville Rotary Club.

The previous shelter was constructed of split railroad ties and the new was made of cedar.

"We thought the old shed did not give the true image Northville should had," said Mel Newdigger, former president of the Northville Rotary Club.

PHOENIX DEVELOPMENT DISCUSSED BY COUNCIL

Both the Northville planning commission and Northville City Council spent a large amount of time on a new condominium unit coming to town.

The project, currently going

through its final approval process, will be located at the intersection of Base Line Road and Old Novi Road and built by Phoenix Land Development. The 38-unit \$9 million development, tentatively called River Place, will be built where the former Warren Products factory stands across the street from Parmenter's Cider Mill.

The project went through numerous changes and forced city officials to more closely examine the planned unit development application process.

"We're very excited," said Steve Schafer, secretary and treasurer of Farmington Hills-based Phoenix Land Development.

DDA PLANS FOR CADY CORRIDOR DEVELOPMENT

The Northville City Council, planning commission and downtown development authority were forced to deal with developer interest in the Cady corridor this year.

At least three developers expressed interest in the area to build on forcing the government entities to discuss what they envision for the area. It came to a head in early December when the three groups held a joint meeting to discuss the corridor.

Discussion at the meeting mainly centered around expanding the

DDA boundaries to include such areas as the Post Office and Northville Downs. That would allow more tax money to be used directly for projects within its boundaries.

Discussion will continue on both issues in 2000.

"It just seems natural to include some of these other areas in the district," said Chris Johnson, Northville mayor.

THE GOLD COAST FIASCO

What at first appeared as a sole bad business deal in Northville soon turned out to be much worse.

Gold Coast Spas, formerly located in the Main Centre, first duped a Northville couple out of \$10,000 for two spas that never worked and refused to give them their money back. Then the company disappeared over one April weekend leaving what turned out to be a trail of sales carnage stretching from Detroit to Northville.

Northville Township police still have a warrant out for the arrest of Steve Newton, owner of Gold Coast Spas, stemming from another bad business deal in the township. He faces being charged with operating under false pretenses, up to a five-year felony and/or a \$10,000 fine, larceny by conversion, up to a five-year felony and/or \$2,500 fine and contractor fraud, between a six-month to three-year felony and/or a \$100 to \$5,000 fine.

FORD FIELD RECEIVES STATE GRANT FUNDING

Construction could start as soon as next spring on improvements to Ford Field because of almost \$350,000 received in a state grant in November.

"I don't have any idea of when these improvements would have taken place if we hadn't received this grant," said Traci Sincoc, director of Northville Parks and Recreation.

The Northville Parks and Recreation department will receive the improvements to Ford Field grant from the Michigan Department of Natural



File photo by JOHN HEIDER

The Victorian Costume Ball underwent a few changes this year and included a marriage ceremony, with Northville Mayor Chris Johnson presiding.

Resources to fund the majority of about \$463,000 worth of improvements planned for the park.

Plans include: providing better access to the Rouge River; more fishing locations; improved baseball and soccer field; improved parking and storm water drainage.

DOWNTOWN LANDSCAPE IMPROVEMENTS MADE

It seemed at times during this summer the only thing missing from downtown Northville were signs that read "Please excuse our dust while we remodel."

About \$127,000 was spent by the Northville DDA on landscaping in the downtown area.

The project encompassed replacement of the landscaping around the bandshell, the city park at main Hutton streets and replacement of tree islands along the sidewalk downtown.

Additionally, new planters and trash receptacles were put in place. The project was finished just in time for the Victorian festival.

CHILD TERRORIST ARRESTED

A 28-year-old Livonia man was arrested for indecent exposure in July after terrorizing children in the Northville area.

Kenneth Stefanski was arrested July 10 after police interviewed the man several times. He was picked up by police while he was watching children play. He approached several Northville girls before being arrested.

He admitted to watching children play and masturbating and said he could have easily kidnapped young girls "if he wanted to."

He was charged with attempting to accost children for immoral purposes and indecent exposure.

AFTER 20 YEARS OF SERVICE, FRAN HOPP RETIRES

Fran Hopp would never hesitate to drop whatever she was doing and give one of her residents a hug.

A genuine concern for the residents of Allen Terrace explains how she was able to succeed as director of the senior housing development for more than 20 years. She retired in June.

Allen Terrace is owned and operated by the city of Northville and was financed through a January 1977 \$2.6 million city bond issue.

The facility includes 100 apartments. Hopp worked at the facility since it was built.

"Hugging is one of my things," she said before leaving. "I always tell people if they need a hug I'll give them one no matter what I'm doing."

She was replaced by Joanne Inglis.



File photo by JOHN HEIDER

Center Street underwent repairs during the late summer.

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School District 1999: a year of building, growth, and lawsuits

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classmates: siblings would attend the same school and the length of time students ride to and from school will not increase significantly.

Ultimately, the boundaries for Silver Springs Elementary School stretch from Beck road on the west between Seven mile Road and Phoenix road to Haggerty Road on the east between Wayne Avenue and Eight Mile Road.

Boundaries for Thornton Creek Elementary School stretch from Beck Road on the west between Stratford Lane and White Pine Drive in Novi to Novi road on the east between Nine Mile Road and Bennington Drive.

This move was the second part of a three phase plan. Phase one was the 1998 move and recently, the school board approved the third. The boundaries will once again change, this time affecting Middle School students.

The criteria for student relocation is much the same as earlier this year, however, this time around, the administrative subcommittee attempted to mitigate the effect the move would have on students who had already been moved twice before.

Boltho is expected to have a proposal for the new boundary lines by Jan. 21 of 2000.

WEIGHTED GRADES

This issue raised the hackles of many local parents who felt that their students were being penalized for working hard at the high school.

It revolves around the way grades are calculated and the form in which they are disbursed to colleges.

Some people feel the 4.0 scale does not accurately reflect the difficulty of advanced placement classes. They suggest the school

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should adopt a scale which would give extra points to students in these classes. In essence, a B in advanced Physics would weigh more heavily in points than an A in Physical education.

However, there are some who believe this sort of padding is unethical and unfair to students who work just as hard in general education classes. Additionally, some raise the issue that most colleges have their own way of "weighting" grades, so a change at the high school level would be irrelevant.

The issue was turned over to the School Improvement committee who is researching the issue. Their decision is pending.

NEW TEACHER HIRES

Northville Public Schools welcomed at last count, 53, new faces to the district and said goodbye to many old friends.

With almost 50 teachers and administrators retiring in 1999 due in part to an early retirement incentive program, Northville's generation of teachers and administrators. This was the largest group of new hires the district has seen in over 20 years.

Among some of those who left were NHS asst. principal David Malle who moved on to be a Princi-

pal in Milford and Christine Clinton-Call retired from her position as principal at Old Village School.

Northville welcomed new Principals too. Winchester's Nancy Raynes, Thornton Creek's Cheryl Johnson, The Early Childhood Center's Barbara Rusch and Old Village School's Art Fischer have all made themselves at home in their new surroundings and said they are looking forward to the new challenges their positions bring.

Director of personnel Roy Danley said recently the district was officially finished filling the positions and will resume its standard hiring practices for next year in the summer.

DURANT II-III?

Northville and over 80 other school districts in Michigan finally won the 17 year court battle over school funding.

District I received payment for Durant I which compensated them for three of the 17 years they were underfunded. This was followed by Durrant II and coming soon to the

courtroom may be yet another Durant case.

The original lawsuit, filed in May of 1980, accused the state of Michigan of reducing funding for special education programs and special Ed transportation. Under section 29 of the Headlee amendment of 1978, the state is required to pay the entire cost of new or increased services it mandates of local government.

In July of 1997, the Michigan Supreme Court ordered reimbursement to the 84 plaintiff school districts in the amount of \$212 million. They also said the remaining 524 school districts would receive \$840 million over 10 years.

Then came Durant II. On May 14, 1998, Durant II was filed in the Michigan Court of Appeals on behalf of 106 school districts. The plaintiff districts claimed the state, instead of providing additional operating revenues to districts for special education costs the Legislature simply shifted revenues from operating revenues to special education revenues. The net effect of this was a negligible gain in rev-

enues to school districts.

In June of 1998, the case was dismissed from the court of Appeals only to have that dismissal reversed by the Michigan Supreme Court.

Earlier this year, the courts found in favor of the school district and ordered the State to pay the districts the money owed them—or so the districts thought. Recently, state spokesmen have said they believe they have won the case and don't have to pay.

Again 106 districts have signed on for what looks like a third lawsuit. Superintendent Leonard Rezmierski, who represents Northville's District in these cases said, he expects nothing more will come of this until after the first of the year.

CHRISTINE CALI RETIRES

The beloved principal bid a fond farewell to Old Village School after a 15 year run as principal.

Though Clinton-Call said she enjoyed her time at Old Village it was time for her to pursue some of her own interests. She said she was making the conscious decision to retire young to pursue these interests with her husband Tom. Clinton-Call said she was inspired to make this move after seeing her father retire after a lifetime of working only to die 10 years later and five of those years he was sick.

In August Arthur Fischer was hired to replace her as principal of OVS. Recently, Fischer offered a dedication for Clinton-Call of the OVS playground. Clinton-Call who was instrumental in the renovation of that playground said she was moved and just happy to see the children again.

Clinton -Call still has education in her blood, however, and works part-time training and advising student teachers.

**CITY OF NOVI
NOTICE OF ADOPTION
ORDINANCE NO. 99-18.156**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Novi City Council has adopted Ordinance No. 99-18.156 — An Ordinance to add the definitions of "Floor Area, Gross," "Floor Area, Gross Leasable and Scenic Drive" to Section 201 of Ordinance No. 97-18, the City of Novi Zoning Ordinance; to amend the definition of "Floor Area, Usable" contained within Section 201 of said Ordinance; to amend Subsections 402.1 and 2505.12 and 2507.3 of said Ordinance; to amend Subpart 1905e of said Ordinance; to amend footnote (B) of Section 2400 of said Ordinance, to delete excess verbiage, permit hospice care facilities as a special land use in the RM-1 and NCC Districts; delete the PD-2 and PD-4 options; amend land area requirements for child care centers; allow the waiver of the burning requirements in the I-1 District and provide new loading space requirements.

The provisions of the ordinance shall become effective fifteen (15) days after its adoption. The Ordinance was adopted by the City Council on Monday, December 20, 1999. A complete copy of the Ordinance is available for public use and inspection at the office of the City Clerk, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, during the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., prevailing local time. (12-30-99 N/P/N/N 944117)

TONNI L. BARTHOLOMEW, CITY CLERK

**WESTERN TOWNSHIPS UTILITIES AUTHORITY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING SYNOPSIS
4:00 P.M., MONDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1999**

Regular meeting called to order at 4:14 p.m.
Present: Thomas Yack, Kathleen A. Keen-McCarthy, Richard Henningsen.
Agenda - adopted.
Minutes of regular meeting of November 29, 1999 - approved.
Schedule of operating expenses totaling \$962,884.11 - approved.
Operations & Maintenance Report for November 1999 - received and filed.
Operations Manager's Report for December 1999 was a verbal report.
WTUA Business Plan Update - approval for the Operations Manager to contact the YCUA Director regarding the proposed zoning use changes.
The regular meeting was adjourned at 5:16 p.m.
This is a synopsis. A complete copy of the minutes may be reviewed at the WTUA offices located at 40905 Joy Road, Canton, MI 48187.

THOMAS J. YACK
Chairman

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Northville Briefs

ROCKY'S RECEIVES OK TO PROVIDE ENTERTAINMENT

Rocky's of Northville has received approval from the Northville Township board of trustees to provide entertainment. The business had to go before the board because providing entertainment was not part of its original Class C liquor license agreement. The board approved the measure after Northville Township public safety officials, including police and fire, investigated the company and found the building to be in proper order and no violations on record for the business.

COUNCIL APPROVES USE OF NORTHVILLE SIGNS

Six groups have received approval from Northville City Council for use of the Welcome to Northville signs during 2000. The Northville Chamber of Commerce, Parks and Recreation Department, Handcrafters, Northville Township Foundation, Country Garden Club and the Northville Central Business Association has been granted approval to use the signs to advertise for various events.

Art store opens in Town Center

By JENNIFER NORRIS
Staff Writer

Creating art and owning a business have always been appealing to Kristin Ashare and now her interests have been combined at Ready, Set, Paint.

Located in the Novi Town Center, Ready Set Paint is a contemporary art studio that allows customers to experiment with painting pottery and testing their creativity.

"You don't have to be an artist, you just have to be creative," said Ashare.

She explained the first step to creating your personalized project is to select your piece. Customers can choose from over 300 items, including plates, candlestick holders, vases, figurines, flower pots and even spacemen. Next, visitors can personalize their project with the help of a variety of stamps, sponges, stencils and over 60 colors of glazes. Idea books are also available for illustrations.

"There's not much to it," said Ashare.

"I was hooked after doing my first piece."

Ready, Set, Paint, which opened in November, offers an ideal work environment, including large wooden tables and plenty of natural light. In addition, several finished pieces are on display as samples.

Ashare said it takes about 60 to 90 minutes to complete a project, depending on its size and level of elaborateness.

"People love to be creative," said Ashare, "and people love to get and give gifts with a personal touch."

After customers have finished with painting their masterpiece, Ashare explained it is then set out to dry and is available for pick-up in a few days. During that time a clear, non-toxic, food-safe glaze is applied and the piece is fired a second time.

The Ready, Set, Paint studio also offers activities for special events such as birthday parties, family gatherings, holiday parties, bridal showers, and corporate outings. A private party room, set-up, clean-up, glazing and firing are included. Party packages are also available, complete with invitations, decorations, pizza, beverage, cake and ice cream.

Ashare recently helped members of the Boy and Girl Scouts organization with a special project at her studio.

"They did such a good job," she said.

"It's fun to have the kids here and I'm glad that artistic talent and creativity is being encouraged in young kids."

Ashare, who earned her master's degree in business from Wayne State University, said she enjoys being able to mix her hobbies with her education.

"I enjoy putting to use what I've studied. It's been a thrill for me to take an idea and see it become a reality," she said.

Studio rates include the price of the pottery piece plus a \$7.00 per hour fee for studio time, all supplies, glazing and firing. Store hours are noon to 9 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. Sunday hours are noon to 5 p.m.

TWO MEMBERS APPOINTED TO HOUSING COMMISSION

Two new members were appointed to the city of Northville housing commission. Sue Ellen Hooper and Charles Jerzycke were both appointed to the commissioner. Hooper's term expires Sept. 15, 2003 and Jerzycke's expires Sept. 15, 2001. Housing commission members serve five-year terms and meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

SEVERAL CITY OFFICIALS REAPPOINTED TO POSTS

Four city of Northville commissioners were reappointed to their respective boards by the city council. William Robertson was reappointed to the housing commission with an expiration date of Sept. 15, 2004; Maureen Ryan was appointed to the board of review with a term expiring Jan. 1, 2001; Bruce Dingwall was appointed to the Economic Development Corp., with a term expiring Jan. 1, 2006; Anne Bright was appointed to the parks and recreation commission with a term expiring Jan. 1, 2003. All of those reappointed had terms expiring.

NEW SETBACK REGULATIONS READ BY CITY COUNCIL

The Northville City Council introduced for first reading amendments to frontyard setbacks within the R-1A and R-1B zoning districts of the city. The new regulations would establish front yard setbacks or

building lines which would not be more than 5 percent in front of or behind the average setback/building line of surrounding buildings.

The planning commission voted unanimously to recommend the draft ordinance amendment to the city council Dec. 7.

Second reading and possible adoption has been scheduled for Jan. 3, 2000.

FIRE STATION EQUIPMENT APPROVED BY TRUSTEES

The Northville Township board of trustees approved the purchase of new carpeting and cubicles for the township's no. 2 station on Seven Mile Road.

The purchase of the carpet will not exceed \$2,486 and the cubicle furniture will not exceed \$15,984. Both items are under the budgeted amounts for fiscal year 2000.

TRUSTEES OK PURCHASE PRESSURE REDUCING VALVES

The Northville Township board of trustees voted to approve the purchase of seven replacement pressure reducing valves for the amount of \$27,242.

The valves will replace several already in the township's water system that are between 20 and 30 years old.

The valves are being purchased from the Cla-Val Co.

**CITY OF NOVI
PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission for the City of Novi will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, January 5, 2000 at 7:30 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI to consider **NOVI POLICE DEPARTMENT ADDITION SP 99-61**, located on the south side of Ten Mile Road between Taft and Novi Roads, seeking **PRELIMINARY SITE PLAN AND SPECIAL LAND USE APPROVALS**.

All interested persons are invited to attend. Verbal comments will be heard at the public hearing and any written comments must be received by the Planning & Community Development Department, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375 until 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 5, 2000.

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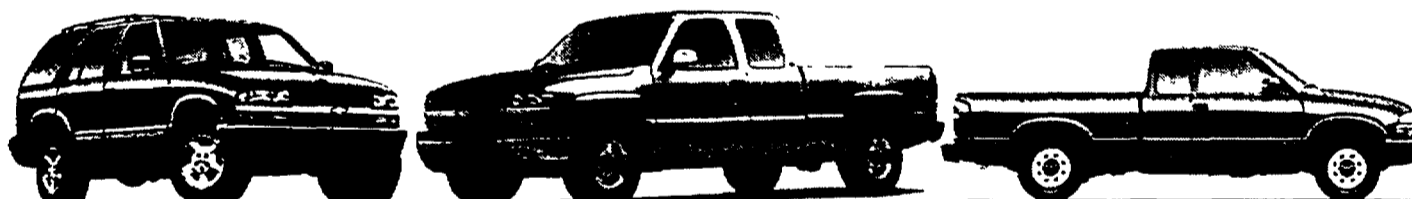
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Obituaries

LOUISE W. BRADLEY

Louise W. Bradley, 94, died Dec. 21 in St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Superior Township, Michigan.

She was born on Nov. 1, 1905 in Chicago, Illinois to the late Procia E. Bradley and Josephine E. Swinehart.

Mrs. Bradley moved to Northville 22 years ago from Plymouth. She was preceded in death by her husband Frederick W. Bradley.

Mrs. Bradley is survived by two daughters, JoLouise (Jack) Seidler of Capac, Michigan and Trudy E. Bradley of Westland. She is also survived by one granddaughter, Elizabeth Seidler of Warren and many nieces and nephews.

Mrs. Bradley graduated from the University of Michigan with a bachelor of science degree. She was a member of the University of Michigan Alumni Association, Sigma Alpha Iota music fraternity for women, The Tuesday Musicale, the Order of the Eastern Star Chapter 115, the Plymouth Historical Society and the First United Methodist Church of Northville. She also was a musician with the Plymouth Symphony for many years.

Memorial services for Mrs. Bradley were Dec. 27 at the First United Methodist Church of Northville. The Rev. Dr. Douglas W. Vernon and Rev. Thomas M. Beagan officiated. Private interment was in White Chapel Cemetery in Troy.

The Northrop-Sassaman Funeral Home in Northville directed the

arrangements.

DR. BARTLETT L. HESS

Dr. Bartlett L. Hess, 88, died Dec. 21 of a heart attack at Oakwood Hospital. A preeminent pastor, preacher and Bible teacher, Dr. Hess has become internationally known for his efforts to establish churches in every corner of the world, and was the founding pastor of Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church.

Dr. Hess was born in Spokane, Wash., on Dec. 27, 1910. Having graduated from Park College in Missouri with a B.A. degree, Hess was granted a fellowship in modern European History at the University of Kansas, where he earned his M.A. and Ph.D. Dr. Hess attended McCormick Theological Seminary in Chicago and received his M.Div. degree there. He is survived by his wife of 62 years, Margaret, in addition to his children, Daniel, Deborah, John and Janet. He is also survived by nine grandchildren.

Visitation was Dec. 26 at Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church. Dr. James N. McGuire was assisted by Dr. Richard Albert, Dr. L. Edward Davis and Rev. Michael Frison in conducting the funeral service Dec. 27.

The family of Dr. Hess has requested that donations be made to the "Hess Scholarship Fund" (for Christian vocation) at Ward Church, in lieu of flowers.

ORLO MAXFIELD

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Orlo Maxfield, 80, died Dec. 21 in St. Mary's Hospital in Livonia.

Mr. Maxfield was born April 14, 1919 in Detroit to the late Louis Maxfield and Ada Lintz.

Mr. Maxfield was a process engineer with the Ford Motor Company. He retired in 1984 after 52 years with the firm.

Mr. Maxfield is survived by his wife Virginia of Northville; seven children, Sheila (Wallace) Wade of Farmington Hills; Louis Maxfield of Young, Arizona; Claudia Maxfield of Dearborn; John (Linda) Maxfield of Northville; Kate (James) Cox of Streetsboro, Ohio; Linda (John) Brus of Clawson; and Ted (Michelle) Maxfield of Trenton. He is also survived by three grandchildren, Robert Wade, Karen Davenport and Scott Maxfield.

Mr. Maxfield had been a resident of Northville since 1994 and was a member of the First United

Methodist Church in Northville.

Mr. Maxfield was a staff sergeant with the United States Army Air Force during World War II. He had a private pilot license and was a life member of the Experimental Aircraft Association (Local chapters 113, 115 and 457) and a 40-year member of the Aircraft & Pilots Association.

Visitation for Mr. Maxfield was on Dec. 23 in the Northrop-Sassaman Funeral Home in Northville. Memorial services were Dec. 28 in the First United Methodist Church of Northville. The Rev. Dr. Douglas W. Vernon officiated. Interment was in Woodmere Cemetery in Detroit.

Memorial Contributions to the First United Methodist Church of Northville or the Experimental Aircraft Association, Chapter 113, would be appreciated by the family.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CITY OF NORTHVILLE

The City of Northville Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing on the draft City of Northville Master Plan. This draft plan provides an analysis of the City's land use and establishes plans for long term improvements. The plan is also intended to provide guidance to the Planning Commission and City Council on matters involving residential, commercial, industrial and public uses.

The proposed Master Plan will be considered by the Planning Commission at the January 18, 2000 meeting at 7:30 p.m., at the City of Northville, 215 W. Main St., Council Chambers. The purpose of this hearing is to consider public input on this draft plan. The complete text of the proposed changes can be reviewed at the City Hall during normal business hours.

DIANNE MASSA,
CITY OF NORTHVILLE, CITY CLERK

(12-30-99 NR 944116)

CITY OF NOVI ORDINANCE NO. 99-99.12

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Novi City Council has adopted Ordinance No. 99-99.12 — AN ORDINANCE TO ADD SECTION 15-25 TO THE NOVI CODE OF ORDINANCES, TO MAKE SECONDARY ACCESS A REQUIREMENT OF THE FIRE PREVENTION CODE.

The provisions of the ordinance shall become effective fifteen (15) days after its adoption. The Ordinance was adopted by the City Council on Monday, December 20, 1999. A complete copy of the Ordinance is available for public use and inspection at the office of the City Clerk, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, during the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., prevailing local time.

TONNI L. BARTHOLOMEW, CITY CLERK

(12-30-99 NR/NN 944119)

PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE OF ENACTMENT AMENDMENT TO ZONING ORDINANCE REZONING OF PROPERTY AT 637 BASELINE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Northville City Council has adopted an ordinance which adopts a rezoning recommendation by the Planning Commission for property located at the Northwest corner of Baseline Road and Old Novi Road (637 Baseline), from PR-1, Performance Related Industrial District, to R-4, Residential District, as part of an approval of a Planned Unit Development (PUD).

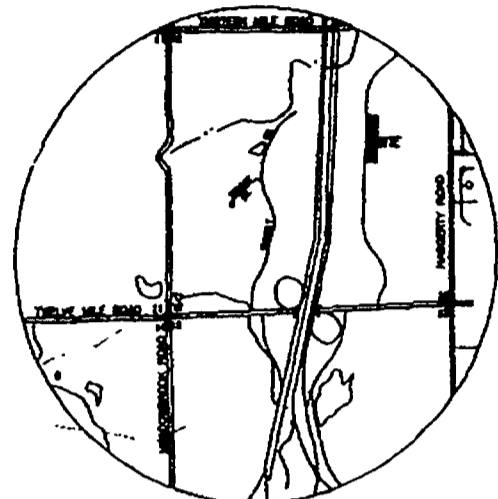
The City Council adopted said Ordinance on December 20, 1999. The effective date of said ordinance is December 30, 1999. The complete text of the ordinance amendment is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk or the Building Department, 215 W. Main St., during regular business hours, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., prevailing local time.

(12-30-99 NR 944120)

RICHARD STARLING, BUILDING OFFICIAL
DIANNE MASSA, CITY CLERK

CITY OF NOVI PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission for the City of Novi will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, January 19, 2000 at 7:30 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI to consider **CAROL TECHNOLOGY CENTRE SP 99-59**, located west of Haggerty Road and north of Twelve Mile Road, seeking **PRELIMINARY SITE PLAN AND WOODLANDS PERMIT APPROVALS**.



All interested persons are invited to attend. Verbal comments may be heard at the hearing and any written comments must be received by the Planning & Community Development Department, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375 until 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, January 19, 2000.

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(12-30-99 NR/NN 944123)

Law seeks disclosure on bond, millages

By MIKE MALOTT
HomeTown News Service

State lawmakers want full disclosure of millage increases and bond issues put before voters at the polls by local governments.

House Bill 4177, sponsored by Rep. Robert Gosselin, R-Troy, has won the approval of both the House and Senate — by 107-0 and 36-0 votes respectively — and now awaits the governor's signature.

Specifics of millage proposals are often left out of the language, according to legislative analysts. Local officials, for instance, often do not include in the ballot language the millage rate they are seeking when they ask for voter approval of bond issues on the grounds that fluctuations in the community's state equalized valuation can cause the millage rate to fluctuate too. As a general obligation bond issue, municipalities are required to set whatever rate is need to meet the payments on the bond.

HB 4177 requires that an estimated millage be included for bond issues, but states that the general obligation bonds will not be affected if the millage rate is calculated in error.

Specifically, the bill requires that municipalities seeking millage increases include:

- The rate to be authorized.
- Estimated revenue from the increase in the first year.
- Duration of the millage in years.

• A statement of purpose for the millage.

• A clear statement as to whether the proposal is a renewal or new millage.

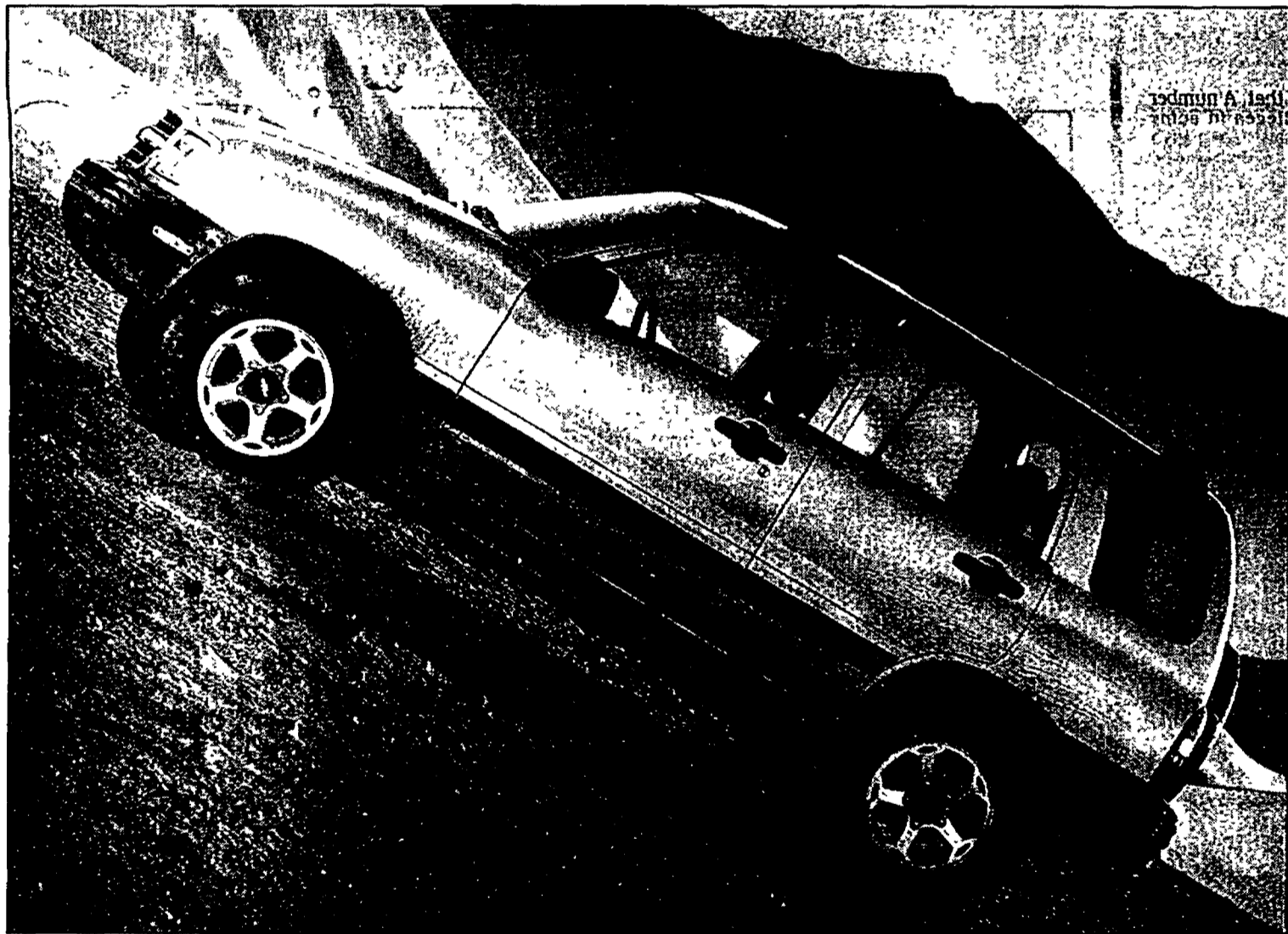
When municipalities ask for approval for bond issues, they'll have to include:

- The amount to be borrowed.
- The number of years for which the bonds could be outstanding.
- The purpose of the bond issue.
- An estimated millage rate needed to cover the cost of repayment.

In the case of revenue bonds, the legislation requires municipalities to state the specific source from which those revenues will be derived.

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Posthumus sees positive change in education financing

By JEREMY MCBAIN
Staff Writer

Michigan Lt. Gov. Dick Posthumus visited Walsh College's Novi campus near Eleven Mile and Meadowbrook roads Thursday to talk about post-secondary education financing.

Afterward, Posthumus sat down with the *Northville Record and Novi News* for a question-and-answer session about education and development issues facing communities around the state.

Are places like (Walsh College), where you have a college in the suburbs that specializes in something...is that what you envision the future of post-secondary education will be?

I think that there is not going to be one way of the future of education. I think that what you're going to see will be multiple servicing facilities for education. You're going to see facilities in urban areas, you're going to see facilities like a traditional large university, such as a Michigan State University, that will be located in the suburbs.

Probably the biggest change you will see as we approach the next decade, you'll probably see a lot more online education, where we have a virtual university established in Michigan. It's kind of a misnomer. While it's called a virtual university, what it really is is a service entity for all of the public universities in the state that come together and they put various curriculum of programs that they have on the Internet, so students anywhere in the state will have access to all of these programs via Internet.

I would expect that we would see a lot more of that. Of course we have some of the private institutions like the University of Phoenix that is already doing that. That is just one more addition. It's not going to take over education...just different ways of serving people depending on what their needs are.

What are the possibilities of going to college, not only online, but also taking advantage of facilities that are already in place, like high schools and other public buildings that may not be getting use after hours or on weekends?

We'll see more of that. A number of community colleges in some parts of the state are using high school facilities to hold classes. We'll probably see more high schools offering college courses to their students during their juniors

Election bill still debated in legislature

By Mike Malott
HomeTown News Service

If it seems silly to have two elections in the same month, one to elect local municipal leaders and another to pick presidential candidates, state representatives agree.

But for this coming February, when the Republican presidential primary and some village elections are scheduled separately in the same month, there is nothing they can do.

A proposal to combine such elections in villages is still languishing in the state legislature.

House Bill 5112, sponsored by Rep. Patricia Godchaux, R-Birmingham, proposes to allow for such elections to be combined. The bill has won approval from the House but senators have yet to take action on it.

The problem came up when lawmakers voted earlier this year to move up the presidential primary to February 22. The move was intended to give the state a more prominent role in selecting the GOP presidential candidates.

But many villages hold elections in February. One such example is Berkley, located in Godchaux's district. She proposed the legislation to help that village avoid the additional cost and trouble of running two elections the same month.

If eventually approved, the bill will allow village elections to be combined in future years with presidential primaries, even in village charters specify a different date, if they are less than 31 days apart. Village election dates could be altered by resolution of the council.

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and senior year in high school. As students become more advances in their studies, by the time they are juniors and seniors today they are already capable of studying college-level math courses for example and college level English courses. Because they are still in high school, (the classes) will actually be paid for through their high school foundation grant.

What is your and/or the governor's position on all the school legislation going through the Senate and House such as Bill 805, which calls for government inspection of schools?

The primary bills that we are working on right now, the governor and I, that deal with education to help ensure quality education is we are encouraging passage of the bill that has passed the Senate and the House to increase the number of charter schools that are available.

Right now there is a cap on the number of charter schools that can be opened up and we feel that providing additional access and additional options to parents is really important so we want that cap to be removed.

The other bill that we are strongly supporting is again a bill that has passed the Senate and the House which would not allow supervisory staff to become part of a labor union. You have labor in management and that teachers belong to a union. That is one thing. But management, historically, in a labor situation isn't unionized, but there are a few schools in the state that have the principles unionized and that is creating a specific problem right now, as we are trying to reform the Detroit school system.

It makes it very difficult for the superintendent to go in and improve a school entity if he can't put in a management team because of labor contracts among the principals. Those are the two

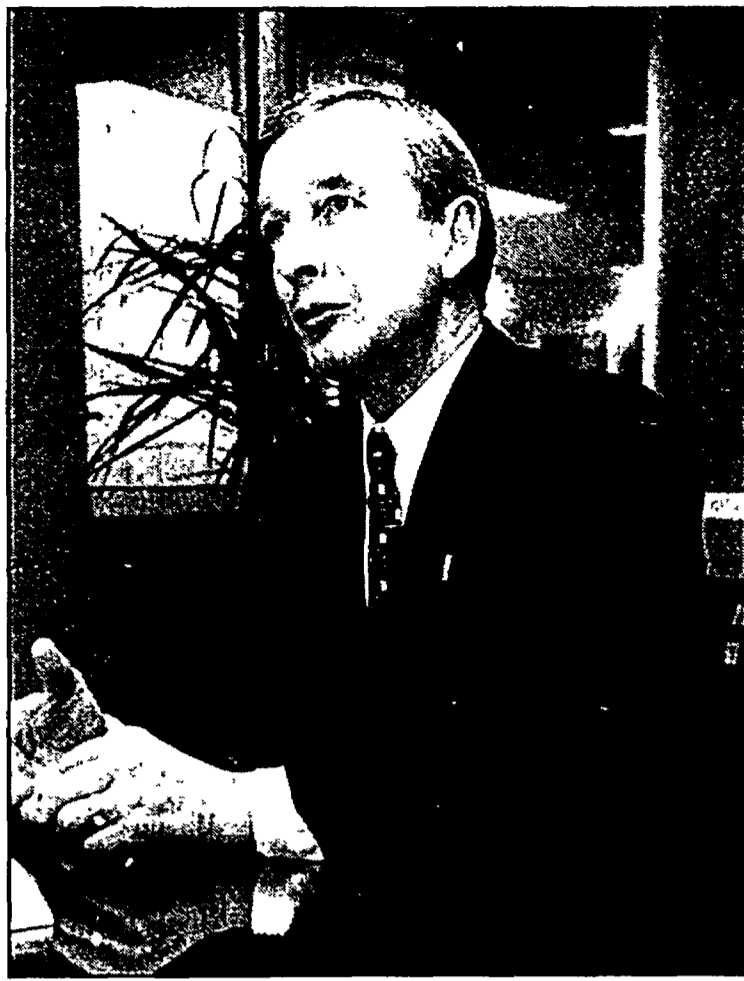


Photo by LOUIS POULOS

State Lt. Gov. Dick Posthumus believes the future is bright for state schools, as well as development in Southeastern Michigan.

There seem to be a lot of school issues going through the House and Senate in addition to those two (bills). Why the increase in school legislation right now?

I think it's basically because education is one of the most important issues facing this state as we approach the new decade.

I've argued it is constitutionally the most important issue and most important responsibility that we as a state have — the education of our children.

I think the success of Michigan and its ability to compete in the global market place in the next decade and beyond will be largely determined by how good our educational system is how successful we are at preparing kids today for

the jobs of tomorrow. I think that is why there is a lot of focus on that now.

Getting off the track of education, in light of the economic boom facing suburban areas such as Northville and Novi, that are basically changing the areas from farmlands to urban shopping centers, do you believe urban sprawl has a positive or negative effect on the character of Michigan?

First of all, the economic boom that has taken place is just not in suburban areas. The economic boom is almost state-wide. You go in almost any community in the state and you see as a result of the policies that the governor and the legislature has put in place in the last nine years.

I think you are seeing a rebirth in the State of Michigan. An example is the city of Detroit. The city of Detroit has had the largest drop of unemployment of any other major city in America.

Now, having said that, as you get economic boom, where is that growth going to take place? There is only so much growth that can take place in our already developed areas, our core cities. We still need to work on some, but as you get more growth, the growth is going to move towards the suburbs. I've always been one to believe that growth is good, not bad. You want economic growth and expansion.

In our efforts, we obviously have to make sure there aren't governmental incentives to create urban sprawl in places that wouldn't be there otherwise. We want sort of a managed growth approach here, but in general you want economic growth that's how we create jobs for our kids.

What can the state do to protect the dwindling farmland?

Sen. George McManus of Tra-

verse City chaired a task force that looked at that very issue. I'm a farmer, so this is an issue that is close to me. Agriculture is our second or third largest industry depending on the year with tourism. Some of the issues that the task force came back and recommended to the governor and legislature is;

One, we need to tax farmland at its value as farmland as opposed to its potential value as developmental land. You have farms around Novi, because their value is going up as developmental land the taxes are going up and it makes it difficult for farmers to maintain that land. That's one issue.

Two, we need to look at how property taxes are raised on farms. Under Proposal A, we set a cap on how much property taxes could go up. We cut property taxes, which is really important to farmers. It has kept a lot of farmers in business. Then we capped how fast property taxes could go up. It couldn't go up any faster than the rate of inflation.

But when a house sells, the value of property taxes has to go up to the true value of the house. It's called a pop-up. When a farm is passed from a farmer Another way to help preserve farms is that when farms are passed from generation to generation keep that cap on there.

There are also issues associated as farms are becoming larger, as homes come closer people begin to complain about the natural odors that come out of farming. We have what is called the Right to Farm Law in Michigan, which says there are certain things which are natural in farming and as long as farmer are doing that they can't be sued. So strengthening that will be important, or we'll see more and more farmers pushed out of business because the local community doesn't want them there.

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After all of the preparation have we learned from Y2K?

So, have we learned any lessons from this Y2K thing?

"What's are these folks talking about?" some readers will surely say. "Civilization is on the verge of collapse, the universe may wink out of existence, and the local newspaper is talking about learning lessons from it. Get it straight, there will be no one left to learn any lessons."

Well, we're not perfect when it comes to prognostications, but we're willing to make this prediction about the coming New Year — the world will not end. Civilization will not come to a standstill. The Earth will not stop spinning in its orbit. Come Jan. 3, 2000, the vast majority of us will return to the same old boring jobs and the same old boring lives and carry on as we have before ... as much as we may dislike that idea.

So perhaps we can learn something. Maybe the lesson is this: if a mere computer glitch can cause such an uproar, then as a society we are letting our technologists lead us down the wrong path.

Larry Louis, CEO and Chairman of Meritor Automotive, eluded to this when he spoke to the Detroit Economic Club recently. Rather than being the big disaster Y2K

has generally been predicted to be, Yost said Meritor had carried away most lessons from its Y2K preparedness efforts — like how to keep the business running should the computers fail.

Gene Roddenberry understood this way back in the 1960s when he penned the Star Trek television series. Did he ever let an episode go by without having Captain James T. Kirk utter the phrase, "Go to manual override."

Yet in real life, our society has allowed technocrats over the past 30 years to install vast amounts of computer equipment and computer controlled equipment without anticipating what would happen if they fail. We can't find a single "manual override" button on any electronically controlled appliance that we own.

Perhaps the worst example comes from the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department, which services most of southeastern Michigan. Folks there say they're rich, but just in case customers should store enough water — 1 gallon per person per day, plus an extra bathtub full — for a three-day outage.

Considering that water delivery systems date back to the Roman aqueducts, there is no excuse for this. How did we allow the engineers in just the last few decades to make that system so dependent on computers that they can't guarantee delivery of water, with 100 percent certainty, at 12:02 a.m. January 1.

Michigan government is in a similar position. The state has had to spend \$55.6 million to make sure its computers all run correctly and that, for example, all the prisoners in Michigan correctional facilities won't be released at the stroke of midnight. How ridiculous is that? Who would design a prison so reliant on electronic controls that it might free murderers and hanger guards should the computer hiccup? They all do, you know. Soon or later, every computer has a problem.

If we are going to live in a technological age, we are going to have to learn that the first rule of technology is, "it breaks down." Eventually, all equipment malfunctions. If we have no backup plan when it does, we're in trouble.

Yet our entire nation got caught off guard. Ameritech, Edison and Consumers Power — every utility — has had to conduct Y2K preparedness programs. So have our governments and most businesses.

A senate legislative analysis estimated that nationally we have spent \$1 trillion to address this one little computer glitch. We should have never allowed all this equipment to be installed in the first place without one of those "manual override" buttons on each and every device.

But no, we have not learned the lesson. Even today a debate rages before the Federal Aviation Administration about proposals to require computerized crash prevention systems in airliners. Such systems could eliminate the most frequent cause of crashes, pilot error, by overruling them when they make a dangerous mistake.

Pilots want a manual override, just in case in an emergency they absolutely need to make a maneuver the computer concludes is too risky. And technocrats are reluctant to give it to them.

It makes us wonder how a species as slow on the uptake as ours ever invented computers in the first place.

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For the Record

That's a plan...

"Our plan was to prepare for the worst and hope for the best."

Nicolette Bateson
city of Northville assistant city manager and finance director
talking about the city's preparedness plans for Y2K

Fly me to the moon...

"I think people will be able to fly up to the clouds where their imaginary friends would come alive so they could play with them."

Brittany Snively, 7,
describing what the future will be like in Northville at the turn of the next century

Forget lists — are we any smarter?

The last few weeks, I've seen more "Best Of" lists than there are flakes of snow falling outside my window right now.

One survey I came across said the computer was the biggest technological advance of the millennium. Another text said it was Johann Gutenberg and his metallic movable type. Yet another one said the honor belonged to the automobile.

And that was just a list of things. Never mind people or events. That would stir up enough hot debate to melt rock.

There's no shortage of opinions about who, what, and when was "The Greatest." Everywhere you turn, someone's got a case and evidence for it.

But whether you're one of those people who will be dancing in the streets, cowering in the bomb shelter, or protesting to the stroke of midnight that this is not the new millennium, what can be agreed upon is that this is certainly a moment in time for reflection.

And here's my reflection: trying to establish a "Best Of" list spanning 10 centuries is an exercise in futility. You may as well try digging the Panama Canal with a spoon.

(Reminder: that little piece of Latin American property changes hands tomorrow at noon.)

Don't believe me? Try for a moment, just in your own life, to name your own greatest accomplishment and greatest failure. If you're like me, there are more than a few doozies that come to mind on both ends of the spectrum, though my golf game — or lack thereof — certainly stands near the apex of Mount Disaster.



Chris C. Davis

There's too much that goes on in our own lives for the day at hand, let alone yesterday, let alone last week, let alone last year, let alone last century, let alone the rest of the universe for the previous 1,000 years *GASP* for us to be able to objectively judge much of anything.

"So what's your point, Davis?" many of you may be wondering. It's this:

Things have happened. A lot of things have happened. And more important that what has happened or who it's happened to is what we've learned as a result of the past.

Certainly, the human race has shown that it's sufficiently stupid enough to continue making the same mistakes, as evidenced by war and hate. There's been enough blood spilled for the most insane causes to fill the Red Sea. (Color reference intended.) The bitterness shown between individuals, groups and nations is much the same as it was long ago. Only the method in which the rhetoric is transmitted has been altered.

That's the downside.

On the other hand, given the choice between living in 1999 and 1099, give me the era of microchips and microwaves over Leif Ericson and sleeping in yak hide any day of the week.

On the whole, we've made some incredible positive advances in our thinking and innovation, making Earth a better place in many ways, as well. Food is now bought at a store in sanitary conditions, rather than hunted and clamored over.

Diseases that once wiped out entire cultures are treated with vials of fluid hardly bigger than a thumb.

Information flows like water around the world. King George didn't know that those rabble-rouser colonists had declared independence from England until some three weeks after the fact.

Yes, we've also taken steps forward. But whether we're talking about the positives or the negatives, it's ultimately what we've learned from the past that will determine our fates down the road.

Put aside all the lists and the hype. Ask yourself: are we smarter now than we were 1,000 years ago?

Mostly yes — in some ways, no. With each generation that comes along, we seem to be doing more of the good stuff and less of the bad. Let's just hope that trend continues for a little while longer.

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In Focus by John Heider



On the run

Guy Louis, left, brought his energetic form of musical learning to Thornton Creek Elementary School recently.

Snapshots a snap in the computer era

As the last official columnist for the Northville Record and Novi News for 1999, as the person charged with the not-so-technical final musings of the END OF THE TWENTIETH CENTURY, I thought I'd pick an auspicious subject matter.

I searched my tiny little brain for a truly inspirational subject matter that would appeal to the majority of humanity suffering from the garden-variety fin-de-siecle ennui: What, if anything, should we be doing to improve and ameliorate those "middle years" of spiritual dearth and emotional pain that would be rid of by pills or surgery, what — ultimately — is the meaning of this temporal existence on earth, and Egads! Is that gray hair in my beard?!

But this is a column, my friends, and one that should and will for now remain focused on matters that I truly have understanding or at least a modicum of appreciation for: Photojournalism.

It could be said that in the last 10 years I've gone from the Dark(room) ages to the Digital. The Journey has been, well, a trip.

To say that I have seen many advances and changes in my last 10 years in photojournalism would be the understatement of the millennium.

Beginning in 1989, at the Ann Arbor News, and then soon thereafter at the Ypsilanti Press, as a staff photographer, I processed my 35mm film by hand and made black and white prints



John Heider

in a darkroom. Talk about old-school.

A reduced or enlarged half-tone image was then shot for each photo, and... (hold onto your rocking chairs!) was then wax-pasted onto "camera-ready" sheets that also held text, advertisements and wood-block carvings made by simple peasant folk.

Fast-forward, if you will, to the offices of HomeTown East, December, 1999: I still utilize 35mm film for my assignments, but, as it's color film now, I have it processed by a professional laboratory. I then take my edited color-negative film to my Power Macintosh computer system, scan it in, essentially creating a press-ready photo document that's either CMYK (four layers of info in cyan, magenta, yellow and black) or a "grayscale" or black and white image.

The incorporation of computers now allows me to digitally touch-up and work on tone, sharpness and minor

imperfections that were heretofore unattainable through conventional darkrooms.

It's not that I can make chicken salad out of chicken poop: I still need to take more than a passing fancy in things like composition, exposure, timing and focus, but if needs be, I can make images look a lot better at times than they deserve to; deftly enhancing a photo's best feature, and without compromising journalistic ethics, minimize its weaknesses.

The photo-documents are then "plucked" by one of HomeTown's editors and placed onto a QuarkXPress layout page, cutlines and all, then sent over a high-speed modem line to our composition and printing plant in Howell. No more image-fuzzing, unreliable half-tone images.

"Sure," you say, "but what has this meant to us the newspapers readers?" The photos are only as reliable and as easy to "read" as the photographer who takes them, no matter what technological breakthroughs occur.

I'll keep that in mind, as this newspaper photographer may soon make the next "leap of (photographic) faith": taking photos using a digital camera.

That's right: no more film, my friends. Hang on to your seats. This could get interesting.

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Detroit: Lansing's exception to every ruling

It has been a long difficult year for relations between the City of Detroit and the State of Michigan.

State lawmakers have often targeted the state's largest city for some uncomfortable reforms. Folks who live there have been none too pleased with the results.

On any one of the given issues, you could say, "Well, lawmakers have a point." Agree or disagree, you can at least grant that Lansing lawmakers have a legitimate issue.

Put together, however, and it can only be seen as a pattern.

It's worth noting that this pattern comes at a time when relations between the City of Detroit and the state, relations between the city and the suburbs have been on the mend. Led by Mayor Dennis Archer, the city has indeed extended an olive branch to surrounding communities. And much has been accomplished. Suburbanites seem to be strongly receptive to Archer, and it's a relief considering the confrontational nature of his predecessor.

Businesses too have a restored level of confidence in the city, as is evident by the amount of investment they are now placing in Detroit. Economic development there has reached a level unimaginable only a few years ago.

For all of the progress, we still have a long way to go in the Detroit area. The social forces that led to suburban flight in the 1960s, 70s and 80s hit southeast Michigan particularly hard. We have been left with one of the most segregated metropolitan areas in the country. If we envision ourselves to be tolerant and diverse state, you certainly couldn't tell it by our neighborhoods.

So there is a lot of city/suburb rift to mend.

Then, along comes the state legislature this past year:

- Sponsoring a takeover of the Detroit school system. Initially, Gov. John Engler planned takeovers for a number of distressed school districts in urban areas. Included were troubled districts in Grand Rapids and Lansing.

Eventually, the list was narrowed down to one — Detroit.

As I said, you could argue it was needed in a given case. But when it happens repeatedly it becomes a pattern.

- At year's end, lawmakers were considering a bill to make it illegal for school principals to join unions. As first devised, the bill would have affected all school districts in the state. Needless to say, it was controversial.

As a compromise, lawmakers proposed to limit the prohibition to distressed school districts.

Again, eventually, all schools were dropped ... except those in the City of Detroit.

- There was the long drawn out debate over House Bill 4777, which would override local controls in certain areas of law. Obviously, this bill would have affected many other communities in Michigan. Local officials, virtually by the truck load, headed off to Lansing to express their objections.



Mike Malott

But it is quite clear what set it all off, Detroit's Living Wage Ordinance. That local law said that if a company contracts with the city, it must pay its employees at 125 percent of the federal poverty level.

Frankly, I think that's bad policy and would not want to see it spread to other municipalities in Michigan. But as I said, you may agree or disagree on any one of these issues, it's the pattern that disturbs.

- Then there was the issue of residency rules. Some 90 municipalities in Michigan make rules about where their employees can live, requiring city workers to live within their city limits. Eventually, the legislature concluded it would override those local rules, allowing city workers to move up to 20 miles away.

Obviously, many communities were involved. But again, it is also obvious what the source of the concern was ... Detroit. It is Michigan's largest city with residency rules, and has more employees than any other community falling under those guidelines. It was also expected to take the hardest hit — costing Detroit an estimated \$20 million — if the state banned residency rules.

Lawmaker seemed genuinely chagrined when they were accused of "racism" as a result these actions. But when the City of Detroit is repeatedly singled out — specifically or effectively — it ought not come as a surprise.

And Michigan lawmakers should be forewarned, continuing the pattern into the coming year could set city/suburb relations back 20, 30 years.

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In music, it's the same act, different age

My kids told me I was an old fogey. They said my taste in music (Beatles, Turtles, Monkeys) was out of touch with today's hip-hop music. With an open mind and a watchful eye, I agreed to accompany my boys to the rapper Eminem's concert.

I thought I was being a responsible parent by not letting my kids go alone and I assumed other parents would also be in attendance. As I walked into the Royal Oak Music Theater, to my shock I realized the inhabitants of this nightmare included 4,000 kids with bleached blonde hair and me. In full appreciation of my kindness in transporting my kids and their friends to this event, they immediately abandoned me. (These were the same kids who two days before begged me for the money to pay for their tickets.) My sons assured me there was nothing personal, but the shame of being seen with your dad at this event was a burden no adolescent should have to bear.

As I made my way through the crowd of young people, I realized there was no seating, only thousands of kids pressed up against the stage anxiously awaiting their hero to appear.

Feeling out of place and unable to relate (and also unable to stand for the next two hours), I noticed some seating on the upper level and attempted to make my way to the

old people's section. Call me paranoid, but along the way I noticed these teenagers looking at me as if they were visiting their grandfather at a nursing home. As I sat down and the concert began, I watched with a cautious curiosity.

As Eminem sang his feature song, "My Name is Slim Shady," I remember my son telling me how funny and creative this group was. One line from the song says "My whole life I've been lied to. I just found out my mom smokes more dope than I do."

Funny? Yes. Creative? No. It's been done before, 1965 Rolling Stones "Mother's Little Helper" song about housewives dependence on prescription drugs.

As the concert continued, I noticed the rapper's propensity to grab himself in an inappropriate place. This also was nothing new. I can single out Madonna, Michael Jackson or any major league baseball player.

As the young people got caught up in the beat and waved their hands to and fro, I flashed back to a 1965 Beatles Concert at Olympia. Were we out of control? Yes. Were we excited? Yes. The difference was that the Beatles didn't have to resort to vulgarity to spur our emotions. The music, the message, the harmony is what sold us.

As the concert ended and we made our way out, my sons found me and asked, "Dad, wasn't Eminem great?" I was glad that they had a good time, but sad they had nothing of quality to compare it with.

Next time I want to relate to my kids, I'll help with their homework or watch "The Simpsons." In a day and age where there seems to be no right or wrong, some parents may choose to go along with their kids interests, even though we instinctively know that we should hold our kids up to a higher standard. But in the words of the archaic songwriter Bob Dylan, "It ain't me, Babe."

Novi resident Steve Cash is a Realtor and local cable TV personality.



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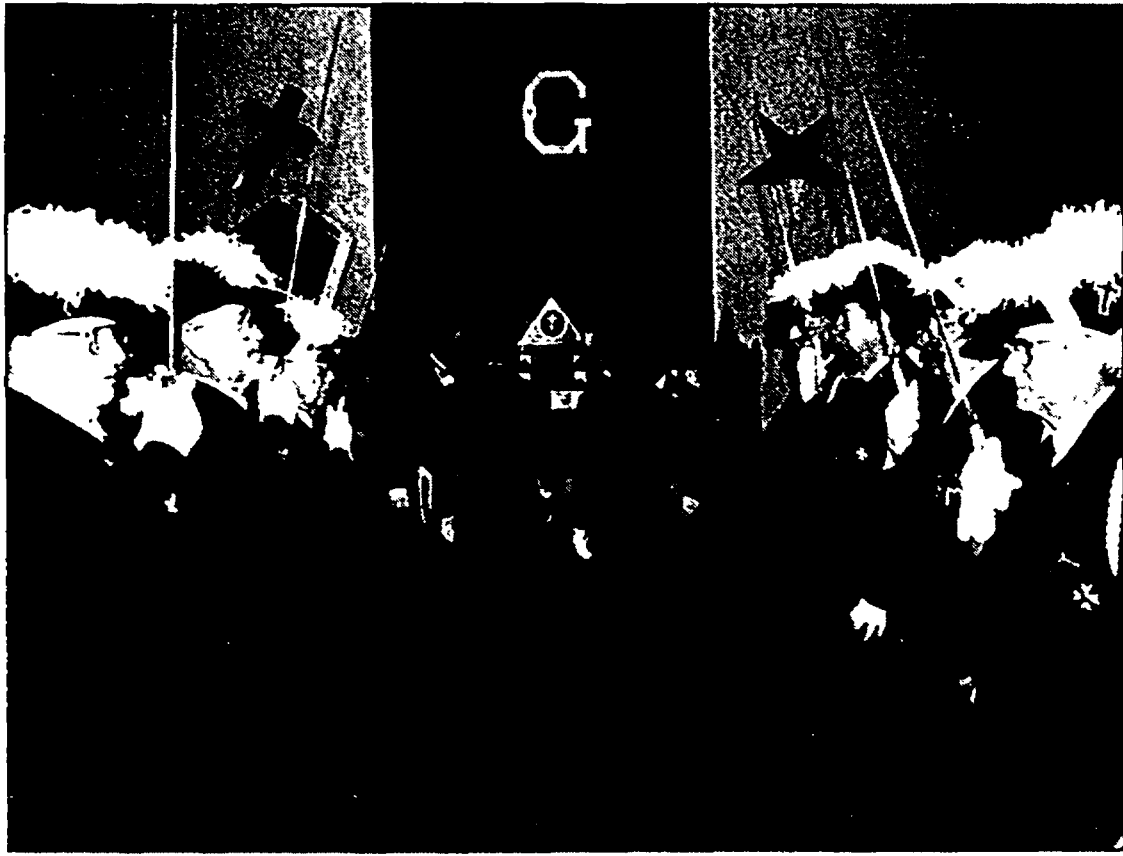


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Members of the Northville Masons Lodge Number 186 install their new officers at a recent ceremony.

Historic organization

Northville Masons have rich history in city

By MELANIE PLENDIA
Staff Writer

Free and Accepted Masons are often stuff and legends.

Secret rituals and practices dating back to the Knights of the Templar of the Middle Ages give the Masons an air of Mystery and misunderstanding, according to Free Mason Herman Wedemeyer, 86.

"I don't know where they get some of this stuff," said Wedemeyer, the official organist and Past Master of the Northville Masons Lodge Number 186.

The Northville Masons Lodge is steeped in the rich history of the Free masonry as well as Northville's history. On Dec. 11, the Masons installed their 134th class of officers. From 1851-1999 the Masons have been part of the Northville community, nestled in their unassuming flat, above Genetti's Hole in the Wall.

Wedemeyer said the Masons are primarily a religious group.

"We are an organization dedicated to Christ and our main book is the Bible," he said.

The Masons, by definition, are a fraternal organization that is dedicated to "the Brotherhood of Man under the Fatherhood of God." According to the Masonic principals a Mason must have faith at the center of their lives, believe all men and women are the children of God, believe no one has the right to tell another person what to think or believe, each person has the responsibility to be a good citizen and must work to make the world a better place, and have honor and integrity.

The Masons also rely heavily on the principals of geometry. They use the tools and implements of ancient architectural craftsmen symbolically in a system of instruction designed to build character and moral values.

For instance, their meeting room is set up in the shape of a cross with the lodge leaders sitting at all four points.

At the farthest end of the royal blue room is an altar with three throne-like chairs. Wedemeyer said this is where the Worshipful Master, Senior and Junior Wardens sit.

Above them on the altar is the picture of a virgin standing at a broken column holding an accacla branch with Father Time behind her.

"Blue Time represents the Blue Lodge (Northville Lodge 186),

the virgin is symbolic of purity and the accacla is symbolic of the eternal lodge," he said.

Geometry is the guide Masons use to keep their lives on a straight path according to Wedemeyer.

Wedemeyer said almost every night of the week there is a masonry meeting. Whether it is the women's auxiliary known as the Daughters of the Eastern Star, the Rainbow Girls Children's auxiliary, the Blue Lodge, the Union Chapter, Northville Council of Royal and Select Masons, Northville Commandary of the Knights Templar, the Orient Chapter, or the Walt Disney Chapter there is a masonry meeting every night of the month. Aside from monthly meetings Wedemeyer said the Lodge is involved in several philanthropies, including the Knight's Templar Eye Foundation. This foundation helps provides resources for people to help them preserve their sight.

However, the story of their meeting space is almost as interesting as the Mason's themselves, Wedemeyer said.

"We have a 99 year lease and pay only \$1 a year in rent," he said.

Wedemeyer explained that in the 1850's the original proprietress of the building, Elizabeth Blackburn, believed so strongly in the religious principals of the Masons that her dying wish was the 99 year arrangement. In exchange the Masons agreed to maintain the building.

"In 1958 the lease was up but the man who owned the shoe store downstairs renewed it under the same arrangement," he said.

But things were not always so lucky for the Northville Masons Wedemeyer said.

He said the first Northville lodge was instituted in 1851, but all historical records were lost in a fire in Plymouth so not much is known before this. At that time the lodge met in Northville and Plymouth. Each time there was a meeting members would have to carry the charter back and forth between the cities so the meetings would be official. That is, Wedemeyer said, until Plymouth simply refused to give the charter back. They also decided to keep their furniture and jewels (Masonry symbols).

Eventually they found a new space and set to work putting their lodge together to get a new charter. Their first order of business, their

history reads, was to set a meeting date.

According to the Mason's History, the regular meeting was Monday evening on or before the full of the moon. However, because almanacs at this time did not always jibe with each other, lodge members would show up for their meetings on all different nights of the week. After this happened a few times too many, the lodge settled on the second Monday of each month.

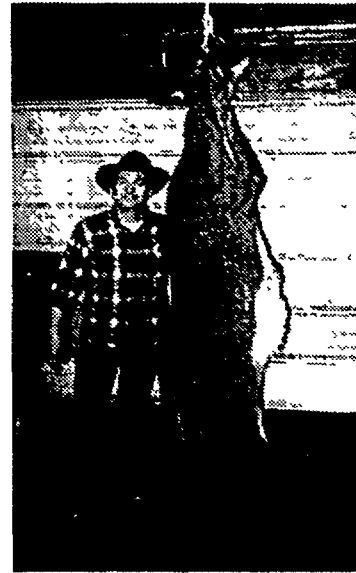
A charter was granted by the grand lodge of Michigan on January 11, 1866. The first installation of officers of Northville lodge No. 186 Free and Accepted Masons, was conducted on January 29, 1866 by the deputy Grand Master of the Grand lodge of Michigan.

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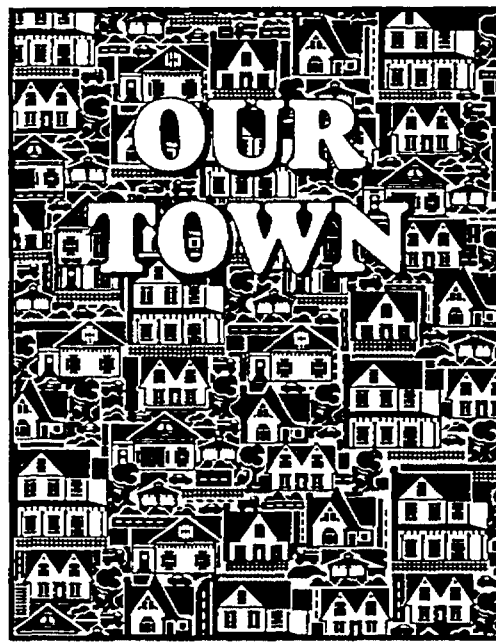
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SCHOOLS CELEBRATE RESPECT WEEK

Northville public schools will be increasing awareness and importance of self respect and respect for others Jan. 15-23 in honor of "Respect Week."

In preparation and celebration of this week a poster contest was held with the theme encouraging students to stop swearing. Art students Erin Kelley, Brett Pawling and Christopher Petres won with their slogans and decorative designs.

Their pieces are located in the showcases at NHS and will be copied and placed in classrooms and throughout the school. The student's work will also be displayed in the new high school next year.

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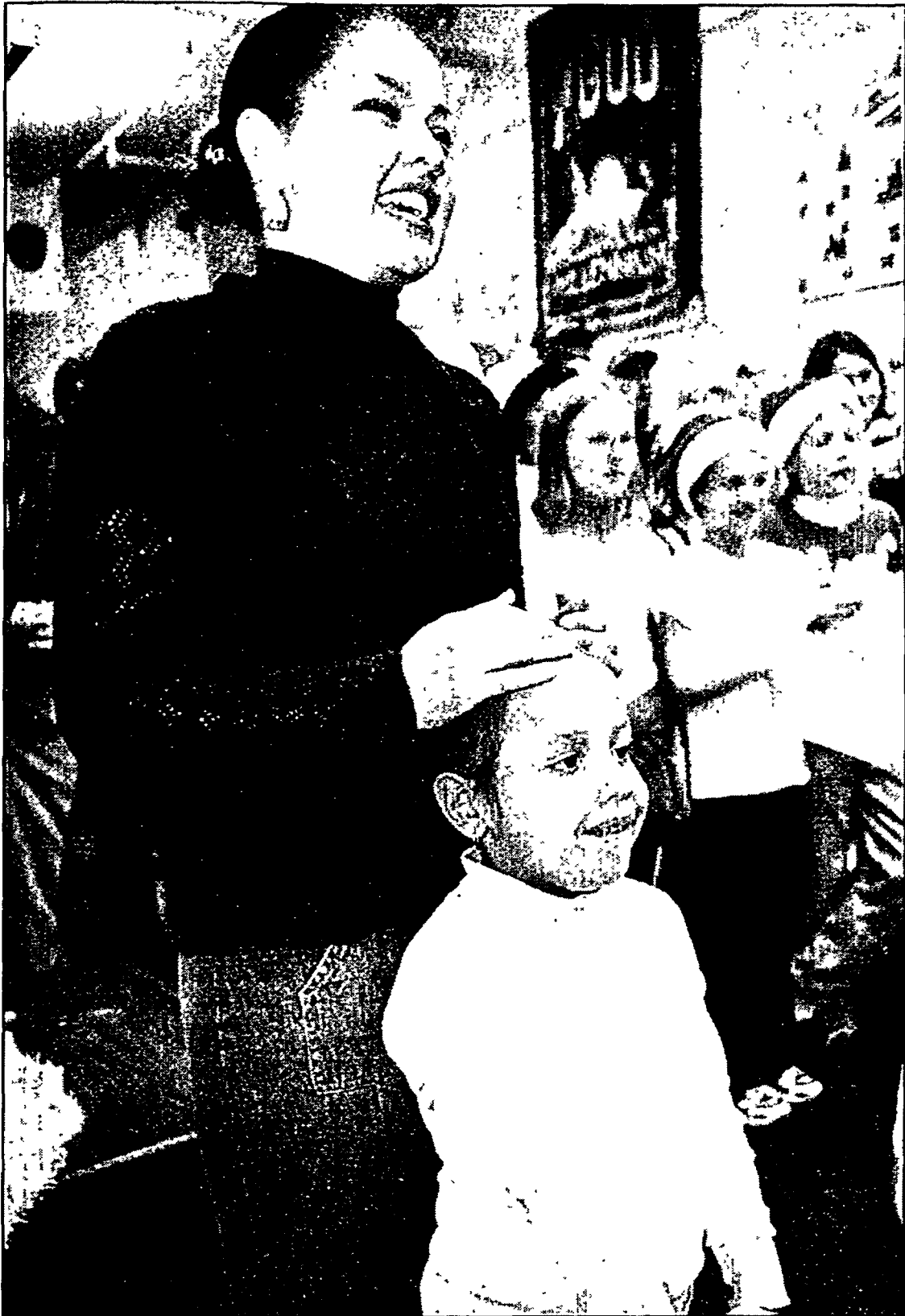
Due to staff requests Pokemon cards have been banned at Winchester Elementary school. Winchester is the last of the Elementary schools to adopt this practice. Staff and administration

agreed they were becoming a distraction in classrooms and older students were taking advantage of younger ones in trades. Cards, dolls and other Pokemon paraphernalia are not allowed anywhere in school or the grounds.

SCHOOLS COMPLY WITH SAFETY POLICY

Superintendent Dr. Leonard Rezmierski met with Novi and Northville safety officials Dec. 8. This was in compliance with the Statewide School Safety Information policy. According to Rezmierski the meeting was in essence a formality because the District had already met with the cities safety officials on several occasions prior to this meeting. Additionally the district sought the aide of the officials in order to draft their safety policy.

Another meeting is scheduled early next year to discuss this matter further.



Holiday smiles

Photo by JOHN HEIDER

A pre-Christmas visit from Northville school students and a Christmas party brought a smile to the faces of Beard Elementary School teacher Patricia Salinas and student Sheyla Ortega.

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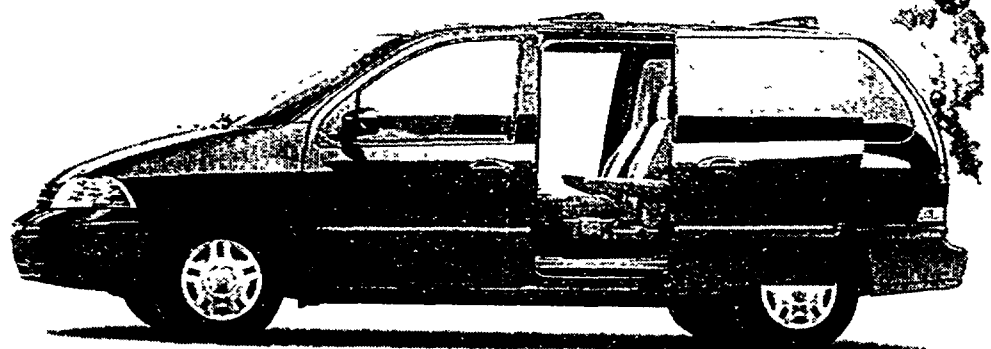
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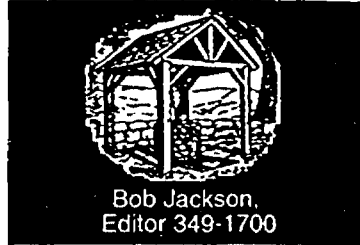
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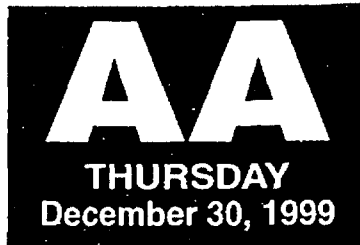
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the voices and faces of a new

generation

how youths see themselves and how others see them

Dr. Benjamin Spock had all the answers when it came to babies. He could tell a parent the best formula, the best way to get them to stop crying and how to hold them.

But then they grew up. They have problems too big for Band-Aids, a kiss doesn't make it all better and Spock has left us.

"I have no relationship with my parents. I wish I did. I think every kid does, but it seems impossible." T.J. Grech, 17, said.

Each generation of parents experiences a time when it seems they lose their children to the teenage years, local parents said. In part, they attribute the loss to the age-old generation gap.



Kids today don't know what's best for them.

Parents, of course, have never been young.

The Northville Record went to local senior citizens, parents and teens and asked them to shed some light on issues teens face today.

TALKIN' 'BOUT OUR GENERATION

The line is drawn and communication stops, according to Vasile Vincent, 18.

"I think if we could learn to effectively communicate, I probably could learn a lot from my parents," he said. As it stands, Vincent said he rarely listens to them.

Parents are often afraid of what their kids are going to tell them, said 18-year-old Sean Corcoran. Though Corcoran said he had a good relationship with his parents, in general parents punish first and ask questions later.

Part-time medical transcriptionist and parent Cindi Ashby, 43, agreed with Corcoran's suggestion.

"Our boys have come to me more than once with issues that had to be dealt with delicately and I knew that if I jumped down their throats, the next time they would think again before opening

up to me," she said. This reaction is a far cry from the way the baby boomer generation was handled according to Eileen Bolin, 72.

"I told my girls 'Don't have sex, and God forbid, if you do and you get pregnant, you can tell me. I'll kill you, but I want you to tell me,'" she said.

However, when it comes to sex, drugs, and other controversial issues, parents feel they are dealing with a double-edged sword. With sex for instance, parents said if they don't tell

their kids about birth control, they could have an unwanted pregnancy or much worse. On the other hand, at times that same approach might sound as if such behavior is being condoned.

The message between the generations is very similar: Don't do it, but if you do be careful. The difference, said Anita Aligus, 64, is parents today discuss the topic more openly.

Parent Marcia Thompson, 52, agreed. "Sex is taught to be a sacred act to be saved for marriage. Sex is as easily discussed as the weather in our home. We never want our children to fear coming to us for any reason. We recognize that we are not perfect and neither are they. It's inevitable that we will make mistakes in life," she said.

TRY A LITTLE TENDERNESS

It is understanding most teens said they are missing, said Ron Doering, 17, said.

"My parents just look at the bad things," he said. "It's like I could do everything right for weeks and hear nothing about it, but I do one wrong thing and then I hear about every wrong thing I've ever done."

While Doering may feel this way, Ashby, who has four children, said there is another side to that story.



julia williams

Ashby said she and her husband had a very difficult time with their 18-year-old son, Ben. At one point, he ran away from home for a week.

"It was the longest week of my life, but we had to be strong. He was verbally abusive and we were tired of it. He was testing every limit we had in place. Rather than apologizing, he packed his bags and left. I cried every day he was gone. It was a learning experience for all of us," she said.

Parents and teens agree lack of communication was the crux of the problem. Neither side seems to be willing or able to listen to the other, said 14-year-old Kelly Harrison.

In her experience, she said whenever she and her father sit down to talk, it ends up in an argument.

"He tells me I'm just a kid, so what do I know?" she said. "So I yell back. It's the only way he hears me."

Harrison admitted having a bad temper but felt her parents should make more of an effort not to yell at her if they want her



t.j. grech

to listen and to take her opinions into consideration.

Working mother Andrea Watson, 43, presented her take on the issue of yelling between parents and kids.

"I sometimes lose my cool and yell back at my kids or say things I later regret," she said.

However, Watson said she tried to focus on the real issues and put things in perspective.

"If my daughters do well in school and are not involved in unhealthy behaviors and are kind and considerate to others, I have to remind myself that a smart attitude towards their parents is not the end of the world," Watson said.

Most seniors believed that sort of laissez faire attitude was not healthy for children today.

"When I was younger, we showed respect for our elders, we stood up when they came in. We taught our kids that. Now, my grandchildren don't move when you come in and you barely get a 'hi' out of them," Cholokian said.



sean corcoran

SHE WORKS HARD FOR THE MONEY

Cholokian and many other seniors said the lack of discipline is directly related to the number of hours parents spend outside of the house. Bolin said she understood in many households both parents had to work in order to keep the family going financially.

However, she said too often parents work to provide luxuries for themselves and their children they probably don't need. She believed that was detrimental to teens.

"They're in school all day, latchkey at night. If they are lucky they get two hours of their parents time and then it's bedtime. What kind of life is that?" Eileen Bolin, 72, said.

She said no one is there to show an interest or to be involved in their children's lives. Bolin believed that was necessary to understand where the negative attitude may be coming from.

Surprisingly, most working parents, including Kathy Babin who works 35 hours a week, agreed — at least in part — with that assessment.

"I think if it is at all possible, one parent should be home with the children for the preschool years. I know this means sacrifices but it's worth it," Babin said.

However, most of the teens said they not only don't mind their parents working and wished they worked more. They said they felt that way so they could have more time to do what they wanted without their parents watching every move they made.

JUST TRUST ME

That could be why most teens also said it was difficult to talk to their parents because of a mutual lack of trust.

"I've never taken a drink or drug in my life. And I don't intend to. It doesn't interest me. But my parents don't

believe me. They still think I do all that stuff. Even if I tell them that, they say I'll probably be pressured into it. They don't trust me, so I just gave up trying," Grech said.

Most teens agreed they wanted the freedom to make their own mistakes. They felt they have been well-educated and were capable of making their own decisions. Vincent said teens wanted to feel as though their parents knew them well enough to trust them.

However, Jenny Carr, 14, said she knows parents need to set ground rules and has some advice for them.

"Don't lecture, don't tell me a story, get to the point of what your trying to tell me. I am much more likely to listen."

Ultimately, Elizabeth Engels, 14, as everyone else surveyed, said, it is her friends she relies on for advice.

"They don't judge me. They just know me better than my parents."

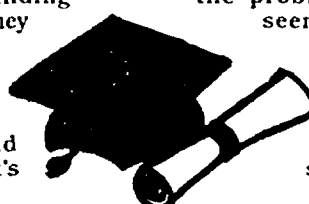
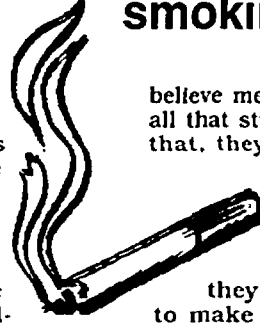
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Reviewing the century means freezing our history

One of the Record's exchanges this midday (upset) a contemporary last week, and yet seemed to expect that the offender would be alive at the time of the next issue.

"Of all the base, mean, contemptible, despicable, abject beings that ever trod the terra firma of God's green earth, the lowest of the low is a printer who will borrow stationery from a fellow laborer with the intention of never returning the same. Such a man exists and tries to edit a little soap wrapper in a county south of here."

We have dunned him stationery or pay for the same, but have received no reply. If we do not hear from him before the next issue, we must feel compelled to publish the account for the education of his patrons and his local contemporaries."

-final words that appeared in the Northville Record Dec. 30, 1899

Ouch. A "soap wrapper"? Is that how we were viewed 100 years ago?

Apparently so. If the account taken from that last paragraph of the last page of the last issue of the Northville Record of the 1800s are right, then we weren't exactly



Chris C. Davis

closing out the century on a high note. My curiosity in that entry came from my working on the "Century In Review" project, a periodic re-telling of stories from Novi and Northville over the last 100 years.

In that time, I looked at almost everything, from historic buildings to famous people to Interstate highways to the Normandy invasion.

It's been a fascinating year for me. Since I approached my editors back in early January about this project, I've been intrigued by the possibility that by regularly examining the people, places and events that shaped our community, we could learn a bit about why we are the way we

are. This much I know for certain: I feel like I understand Novi and Northville light-years better than I did before.

Sometimes, in the midst of one of those late-night philosophical discussions with fellow staff writers, I throw out a line that inevitably gets me strange looks.

"When you think about — when you really think about it — we don't 'create' anything," I say, describing the work we do in newspapers. "All we do is freeze history."

Freezing history. Sounds weird, but it's true. People will gawk at framed copies of The Washington Post on the day Nixon resigned or The New York Times when the Japanese surrendered. For me, I know people snatch up multiple copies of the paper when their son or daughter's name crops up in the pages, or when there's a photo that catches their fancy.

People feel some connection to the past with a newspaper. There's something reassuring about knowing where you came from and being able to hold on to a moment. Sure, time moves on. But those yellowed sheets of newsprint give us a link to yesterday, last week, last year.

Or, last century. I decided in mid-December to take a peek at what was written by my former-former-former co-workers 100 years ago. I'm frankly a little embarrassed that my ex-ex-ex boss would be as vindictive as he apparently was, so let me apologize on his behalf.

Having gotten that out of the way, let me also say that this newspaper, like the world around it, has become infinitely more complex through the years.

On Dec. 30, 1899, it apparently was considered quite legitimate that the proper response of an editor who received a nasty letter was to hint at his premature death. I dare say that probably wouldn't fly today.

In 1925, we ran advertisements for stores, which were framed with miniature swastikas. Again — not good by 1999 standards.

In the 1940s, the paper was about 10 columns wide, almost entirely text. Today, a front page without photographs or graphics has all the visual appeal of a used tissue.

In the 1970s, hard news was the name of the game. Bob Jackson and Jan Jeffers — the current editors of the Record and Novi News — both want something a little

feature-y to grace page 1-A.

There's no telling exactly how this newspaper will change and evolve in the next 100 years. By 2099, people may be reading the paper with virtual reality goggles and looking at holographic images.

The Record may be writing for the metropolis of Northville, the population of which crested the 1 million mark in 2048.

The News may be delivered by hovercar to residents living in homes that float in the air.

We'll be writing on the local implications of major events, like President Schwarzenegger's visit to Twelve Oaks Mall or the Bosnia-Herzegovina-Austria-Czech Republic-Slovakia accords signed at Northville Community Park.

(Even so, I'll bet that by Super Bowl CXXXIV, the Lions still wouldn't have made an appearance in the big game.)

Just the same, I make this promise to whoever reads this paper today, tomorrow, next year, or in the next century: Keep making history. Northville and Novi. We'll keep freezing it for you.

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Senior Center Briefs

The staff at the Northville Senior Center at 215 W. Cady St. coordinates the following services and activities for seniors 50 and older. For more information or to register for an activity, please call (248) 349-4140.

SERVICES

• Newsletter
The senior newsletter is a monthly publication filled with information on senior citizen activities, trips and services. Copies are available at Northville City Hall, Northville Township Hall, Northville District Library, Northville Parks and Recreation Center and the Senior Center. You can also receive the newsletter by mail for an annual \$7 contribution.

• Telephone Reassurance (Telecare)

Homebound residents can receive a daily telephone call to check on your well being, or just to hear a friendly voice. This program is sponsored by Northville Township at no charge to the community through the use of their Community Development Block Grant funds. To register, contact the Telecare office at (248) 348-1312, from 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Monday through Friday.

• Nutrition

Hot, nutritious meals are provided Monday through Friday at Allen Terrace. A donation of \$1.50 is requested. Meals can be delivered to your home through the Meals

on Wheels program. For more information on the Nutrition program, call 1-800-851-1454. Allen Terrace is located at 401 High St.

• Focus Hope

Food distribution is the fourth Friday of every month, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Senior Center.

• Blood Pressure Screening

Come get your blood pressure checked by a nurse. There is no charge. Held at the Senior Center on the fourth Monday of the month, from noon to 2 p.m. No appointment is necessary. Due to the holiday, blood pressure screening will not be available in December. This service will resume in January.

• MEPPS (Michigan Emergency Pharmaceutical Program for Seniors)

Northville and Northville Township senior citizens age 65 and over are eligible to receive two months worth of prescriptions through the MEPPS program. Monthly income eligibility for a single person is \$1,030 (from all sources of income) and for a couple, is \$1,383 (from all sources of income). Total monthly prescription cost must be 10 percent of your monthly income. Please call 349-4140 for more information.

• Tax Counseling Service

Volunteer tax counselors are available to prepare your state and local tax forms. Counselors have been trained by AARP and the

Michigan Treasury Department. This service will be available at the Senior Center, every Tuesday beginning Feb. 1 through April 15, 9 a.m.-noon and 1 p.m.-4 p.m. Most necessary forms are on hand. Appointments are scheduled at 1 1/2 hour intervals. When arranging your appointment, please ask what items you should bring with you. Although there is no charge for this service, donations to the senior program would be greatly appreciated.

TRANSPORTATION

• Bus Service for Local Shopping Trips

Tuesdays: Meijer's (Eight Mile and Haggerty)
Fridays: Farmer Jack's/Hillers or Shopping Center Market/Busch's (alternating Fridays).
Bus begins pickup at 9:30 a.m. from your home. Cost is \$2. Riders must make a reservation 24 hours in advance, call (248) 349-4140.

• Bus Service for Movies, Lunch and Shopping at the Mall Twice a Month

The senior bus heads out to Twelve Oaks Mall and the United Artist Theaters for an afternoon (noon-4 p.m.) of movies, lunch and shopping. The days scheduled vary each month. This month the bus will go Monday, Jan. 10 and Monday, Jan. 24. Pick up will begin from your home (11 a.m.) or the MAGS Building (11:30 a.m.). Once at the mall, you will be on your own to enjoy your afternoon.

Cost is \$4. Please call to make reservations.

ONGOING ACTIVITIES

• Card Playing

Join us for cards at the Senior Center. Enjoy several hours of fun for just \$1. The schedule is as follows: Bridge, Wednesdays, 12:15-3:30 p.m.; Pinochle, Mondays and Thursdays, 12:30-4:30 p.m.

• Senior Drop-in Volleyball

All levels are welcome. Held on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at the Parks and Recreation Center. (Verify days on monthly recreation calendar at the center.) Cost is \$1.

• Body Workout Exercise Class

This class meets every Wednesday at 9:45 a.m. at Allen Terrace. Cost is \$3 per class. No registration is necessary.

• Pot Luck Luncheons

Held on the third Monday of every month at the Senior Center. This is a great way to visit with friends. Meet at noon. Bring your own table service, a dish to pass, and \$1.

• Dinner Out at Various Restaurants

Come with us for a once-a-month trip to a local restaurant. On Thursday, Jan. 20 we will be going to the famous Chuck Mueurs' Restaurant in Southfield for good food with good friends. Cost for round trip transportation is \$4, payable to the bus driver. The bus

will depart from the MAGS Building at 4:30 p.m. or pick you up at your home at 4 p.m. Please call for advanced reservations.

• First Friday Flicks

Join us at the Senior Center on the first Friday of every month at 1 p.m. to watch a movie with friends. You will be served complimentary popcorn and refreshments. Cost for the movie is \$1. Please call to register.

• Detroit Symphony Orchestra

Northville Senior Center has reserved tickets to various concerts throughout the season. Departure time is 9 a.m. from MAGS. Please call to register.

"Coffee Concerts" are \$27 per ticket. Available classical Coffee Concerts include: Brahms' Second Symphony, Jan. 14; Mozart and Bruckner, Feb. 4; The Rose Cavalier, Feb. 11; Great Schubert, March 3; Tchaikovsky's Violin Concerto, March 17; Strauss' Tone Poems, April 7; All Mozart, April 28; and Pines of Rome on June 9.

"Pop Concerts" are \$33 per ticket. Available Pop Concerts include: Sandy Duncan, Feb. 24; On the Air - Music of the Fabulous '40s, April 13; and Pops Goes Hollywood, June 1.

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY

• Bus Service for Shopping at Westland Mall

The senior bus heads out to Westland Mall for shopping and lunch on Thursday, Jan. 6. Pick

up from your home begins at 9:30 a.m. Once at the mall you will be on your own to enjoy the day. Departure time from the mall is approximately 2:30 p.m. Cost is \$4. Call to make reservations.

• Casino Windsor

Rybicki Tours is offering a trip to Casino Windsor on Tuesday, Jan. 11. The motorcoach departs at 8:30 a.m. and returns at 4:15 p.m. The cost of the trip is \$22 for residents and \$23 for non-residents, which includes \$10 in prepaid Canadian tokens. Stop by the Senior Center to make reservations.

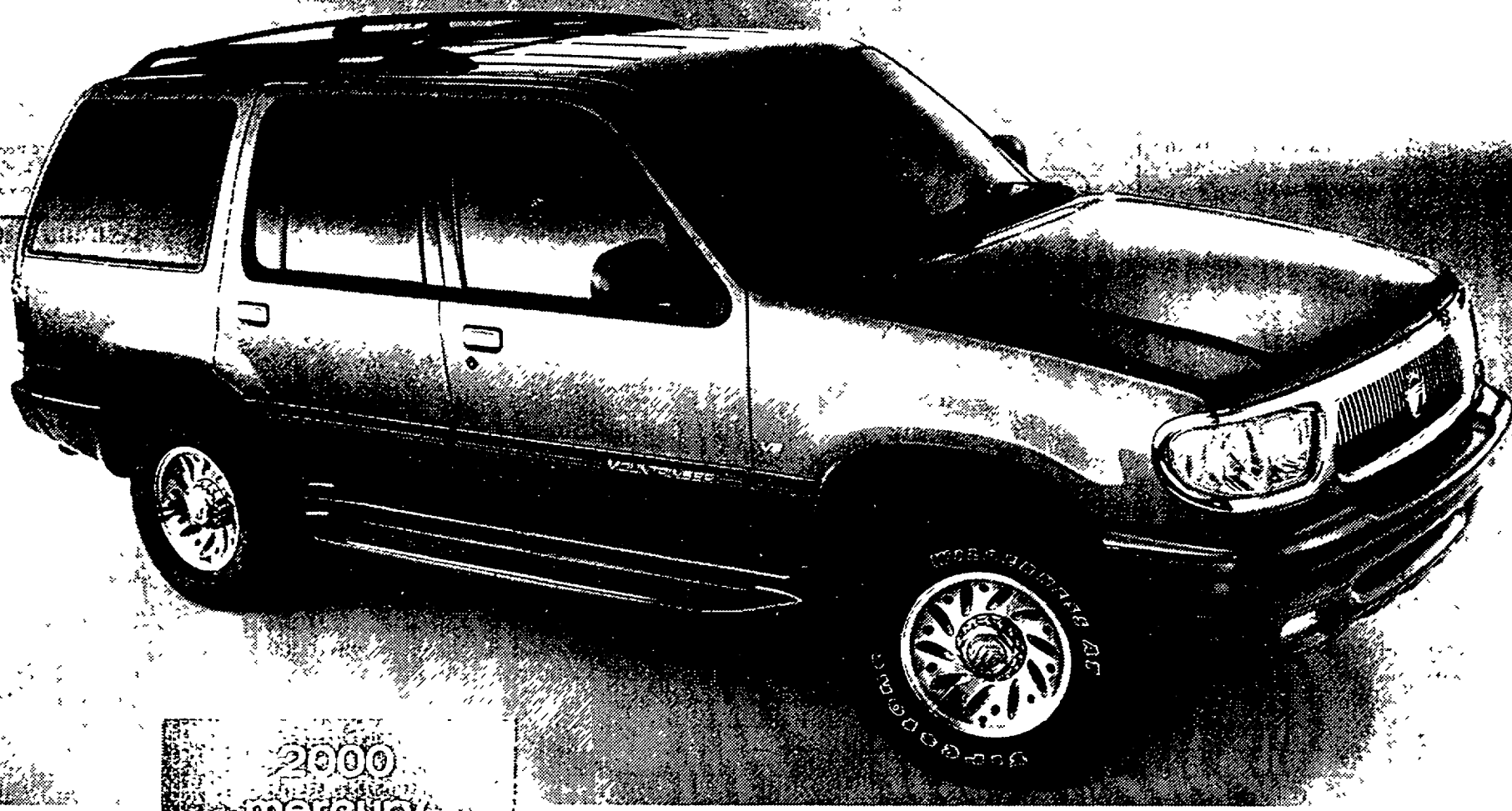
• Pamela Stewart Speaks on Patient's Rights

On Tuesday, Jan. 11 Pamela Stewart from Michigan Peer Review will be at the Senior Center to discuss "Patient's Rights" under Medicare Guidelines. Please arrive by 11 a.m. with your questions and concerns. Don't be left in the dark about your rights. Cost is \$2. Reserve your spot today.

• Bus Service for Shopping at Somerset Mall

The senior bus heads out to Somerset Mall for shopping and lunch on Wednesday, Jan. 12. Pick up from your home begins at 9:30 a.m. Once at the mall you will be on your own to take advantage of those after Christmas sales without the holiday crowds. Departure time from the mall is approximately 2:30 p.m. Cost is \$7.50 payable to the bus driver. Call for reservations.

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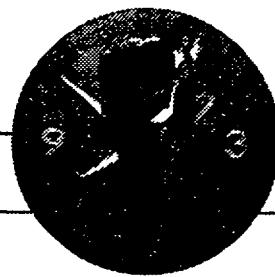
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Community Events

The Whistle Stop Players will hold auditions for "The Adventures of Beatrix Potter and Her Friends" on Jan. 9 and 10, from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Auditions are open to ages 5 and up. For more information, call (734) 416-4278.

Two nature programs will be held at the Nature Center of Kensington Metropark near Milford/Brighton:

"Winter Wildlife," Jan. 15 at 10 a.m. Bring binoculars. Preregistration required. Also "Winter Birding for Beginners," Jan. 16 at 2 p.m. Bring binoculars. Preregistration required.

For more information/registration, contact Kensington Nature Center, (248) 685-0603 or (800) 477-3178.

The Children's Leukemia Foundation of Michigan has opened a new Resource Room at its Southfield office, where books, videotapes and audio recordings can provide information to children and parents about fighting the disease and dealing with leukemia treatment. For more information, call (800) 825-2536.



Winchester Elementary School's Brownie Troop No. 55 collected items for PetSmart to donate to the Michigan Animal Rescue League. Back row: Kelly Turner, Becky Pokrandt, Sarah Mundy, Connie Vlahakis and Jillian Pacion. Front Row: Lauren Crabill, tia Luhtanen, Jamie Farquhar, Michelle West, Kate Pankowski, Jaclyn Bell and Sara Bernardi.

Weddings

Sara Ellen King and Brandon Christopher Hughes were married July 17 at Our Lady of Victory in Northville. Ernest Pacari officiated the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Lisa and Dennis Rossow of South Lyon. The groom is the son of Robert and Barbara Langton of Waterford.

The maid of honor was Amy Drury. Bridesmaids were Cari Calder and the flower girl was Teri Katterson. The best man was Bobby Langton. The groomsmen were Jeff Ferrell and Steven Bowling served as usher.

The bride is a 1991 graduate of Northville High School and of Schoolcraft College. She is employed as a secretary in the Waterford School District. The groom is a 1992 graduate of Eastern Michigan University and is a teacher in the Waterford School district.

A reception was held at Embassy Suites in Livonia; the couple honeymooned to Sandals Dunn's River Falls in Jamaica. They make their home in Waterford.



King-Hughes

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In Service

Marine Staff Sgt. Primitivo R. Sapla, son of Open and Rosa Sapla of Northville, received the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal.

Sapla was recognized for his outstanding achievement while serving as combat engineer with marine Wing Support Squadron 374, Marine Wing Group 37,

3rd Marine Aircraft Wing, Pacific

Sapla was singled out for the award because of his initiative and contribution in helping the command fulfill its mission.

Sapla is a 1983 graduate of Northville High School. He joined the U.S. Marine Corps in 1987.

First Baby of New Year Could Win Contest

Is the stork planning on making a pitstop in your home sometime soon? If your bundle of joy is the first in Northville in 2000, *The Record* and several area businesses want to know about it.

A large assortment of gifts awaits the family of Baby No. 1 in the New Year. The following rules will determine the winner:

- The baby must be born to a parent having a Northville mailing address. It isn't necessary that the birth take place in Northville, however.
 - The exact date and time of the birth must be verified by the attending physician.
 - All announcements must be received by *The Record* no later than noon on Friday, Jan. 22.
 - The winner will be announced in the Feb. 3 edition of *The Record*.
- The staff of *The Record* wishes your family all the best during these final anxious days.

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Also at Single Place — brunch is held every Sunday at 12:30 p.m. at Northville Crossing Restaurant, 18900 Northville Road. For more information on either event, call (248) 348-6860.

The Catholic Alumni Club of Detroit has the following events slated for singles during the

remainder of December:
 • Dec. 24, 11:30 p.m. Christmas Concert and Midnight Mass, St. Barbara's Church, 13534 Colson.
 • Dec. 27, TBD
 IMAX Theater movie viewing, cost \$7.50.
 • Dec. 29, 6 p.m. Dinner and Movie Night. Dinner location to be determined.
 For more information on any of these events, call (248) 347-6142.

DivorceCare divorce recovery group meets at **Forest Park Baptist Church** in Farmington Hills every Wednesday at 7 p.m. Child care will be provided for youth through fifth grade. For more information, call (248) 347-6675.

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 Eight Mile & Haggerty Road - Novi Hutton
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 (734) 216-7454 Ron Schubert, Pastor

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 Thomas E. Schroeder, Pastor - 349-0565
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 Rev. W. Kent Sloss, Senior Pastor
 Rev. James P. Russell, Associate Pastor

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 Sunday School, 10:30 am
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 Religious Education 349-2569

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 Sunday School & Bible Classes 9:45 am.
 Wednesday Worship 7:30 p.m.

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 349-2652 (24 hrs.)
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 21355 Meadowbrook R. Novi at 8 1/2 Mile
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 349-7157
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 Dr. Gary Ethier, Pastor
 349-3477 349-9441

ST. ANNE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
 (248) 624-3817
 430 Nicolet St. Walden Lake
 9 am Worship Service & Church School
 The Rev. Lesle Harding, Vicar

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE
 217 N. Wing
 Sunday Worship: 10:45 am & 6:30 p.m.
 Wed. Youth Meetings 7:00 p.m.
 Boys Brigade 7 p.m., Pioneer Girls 7 p.m.
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.

CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS EPISCOPAL
 10 Mile between Toff & Beck, Novi
 Phone 349-1175
 Sunday 7:45 a.m. Holy Eucharist
 Sunday 11 a.m. Holy Eucharist
 11 a.m. Sunday School & Nursery
 The Rev. Leslie F. Harding

FIRST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
 21260 Haggerty, Northville 348 7600
 (between 8 & 9 Mile Rds. near Novi Hutton)
 Sunday School 9:45 am
 Morning Worship 11:00 am
 Discipleship Service 6:00 pm
 (nursery provided)
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Estate planning should be a big part of investing

Many investors go to great lengths to take care of their financial responsibilities. They prepare for their children's college education costs and their own retirement, and perhaps have reduced income taxes where possible by investing in tax-free and tax-deferred vehicles. Hopefully, when these goals are reached, the responsible investor will have accumulated enough wealth to pass along to heirs or to a favorite charity.

However, many investors leave out one important element in their financial plan - estate planning. It may be surprising to learn that much of your wealth may not reach those whom you intend. That's because without proper planning, estate taxes could take as much as 55 percent from your estate.

Estate planning was once considered necessary only for wealthy individuals, but today many people can benefit from an estate plan. A simple will and a life insurance policy may not be enough. While a simple will outlines your wishes, it does little to protect your assets from estate taxes.

Married individuals can use the Unlimited Marital deduction to postpone payment of estate taxes until the death of the second spouse. The federal Unified Estate and Gift Tax law gives each person a tax credit - the Unified Credit - which protects estates worth \$625,000 or less



Michael Wagner
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from estate tax in 1998. This amount increases to \$650,000 in 1999 and gradually to \$1 million by 2006. In order to take full advantage of the Unified Credit, wills of married couples should utilize the credit shelter trust, often called a bypass or A/B trust, and the trust should be funded with assets that are individually owned. But for many married couples, up to half of the Unified Credit can easily be forfeited if asset ownership and wills are not properly structured.

Individuals and married couples with a gross estate over the amount of the Unified Credit need to establish a comprehensive estate plan. Although many people underestimate the value of their estates, all assets that an individual owns at the time of death are included: life insurance proceeds, brokerage

accounts, real estate (including your primary residence), cars and home furnishings such as furniture, art, collectibles and appliances, to name a few.

CONSIDERATIONS IN FORMULATING AN ESTATE PLAN

- Consult with an estate-planning attorney about obtaining a current, signed will. (Some full-service investment firms can help through their own national networks of independent attorneys who are knowledgeable in estate planning issues.) Utilize the credit shelter trust, if appropriate.

- Appoint an executor and co-executor to manage your estate. If you don't, the courts may appoint one.

- Transfer assets while you are alive. This may lower your taxable estate. The Annual Gift Tax Exclusion allows an individual to gift up to \$10,000 a year to an unlimited number of individuals without incurring federal gift taxes. (Married couples can gift up to \$20,000 a year to each donee.)

- Establish a trust, which is a legal arrangement that transfers ownership of assets to a trustee who manages them for your beneficiaries. There are many different kinds of trusts, each designed to reduce income and estate taxes and meet specific estate planning needs.

- Purchase life insurance. Life insurance proceeds can provide for your heirs and can also be used to pay estate taxes.

- Review asset ownership to maximize the Unified Credit.

- Arrange for the long-term health care needs of you, your spouse and parents. One option is to purchase long-term care insurance.

- Provide someone you trust with Power of Attorney. This person would manage your financial affairs in the event you become disabled.

- Consider applicable state inheritance tax.

SOME PEOPLE NEED TO PLAN MORE

While everyone benefits from estate planning, it is especially crucial for some to properly plan their estates or those of their spouse or business partner:

- Business Owners: If you own a business, plan for a successor. Estate taxes paid by a business after the death of the owner often cause the business, even a thriving one, to fail. Have a professional determine the current value of your business. Prepare a buy-sell agreement, if appropriate.

- Women: Generally, women live longer and, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, earn less than men. Lower pay and time away from the workforce to care

for children result in reduced Social Security and pension benefits. Women are more likely than men to depend on what their spouse leaves behind, so they are subject to more risk if a proper estate plan is not in place.

PLAN TODAY FOR TOMORROW'S UNCERTAINTY

Many people put off planning their estate because it confronts their mortality. It also raises sensitive issues about the equitable distribution of an estate. While many people think about the subject, it's important to discuss it and take action with family members and professional advisors. With the wide array of planning techniques available today, it's important to seek the advice of estate planning attorneys, professional trust consultants and investment professionals who can help you customize an estate plan to your specific needs.

Michael Wagner is an investment executive with PaineWebber of Farmington Hills. He can be reached at (248) 851-1001.

Pet Corner

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

Michigan Anti-Cruelty Society
Third Saturday of each month
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
PetSmart (17677 Haggerty, Northville)
(248) 347-4337

Critter Connection
Saturday
11:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Pet Supplies Plus (41660 Ten Mile, Novi)

(248) 380-0007

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

Animal Welfare Society of Southeastern Michigan
Variety of times
(248) 624-1100

In addition, the Pet-A-Pet group spends time bringing animals to nursing homes, hospice locations, and residences of physically and emotionally challenged children

and adults. Volunteers are needed to help with the programs. Here's a rundown of where the group will be making stops soon. For information on volunteering, call (248) 349-7185.

Old Village
Second Tuesday of each month
10 a.m.

Star Manor
First Thursday of each month
2 p.m.

Wynwood of Northville
Third Thursday of each month
10:30 a.m.

In Service

The American Subcontractors Association of Southeastern Michigan will present a seminar entitled **Contractors' Business**

Education Seminars and Training 2000. Its theme will be "Embracing Change." The event will be held Jan. 25, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at

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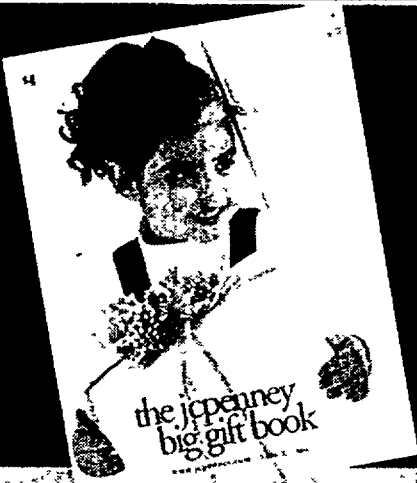
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THURSDAY
December 30, 1999

The party is on!

Recreation Center hosts family night on Dec. 31

BY ANDREW DIETDERICH
Staff Writer

Northville Parks and Recreation plans to make sure many Northville families are Y2K compliant when it comes to having a great New Year's Eve.

The department has organized the third annual Northville Nite for the big evening and tickets are available.

Daniel McGuire Jr., recreation program supervisor for Northville Parks and Recreation and coordinator of the event, said this year's Northville Nite should be bigger than ever.

"The first year we had 400 people and last year we had 600," he said. "This year we should have at least 800."

The event will be 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. at Northville High School. McGuire said there will be so many events at this year's party, it would be impossible to get to every single thing.

For example, there will be inflatable Twister, Inflatable Operation, two moon walks, a Velcro wall, face painting, family pictures, a craft workshop, an open gym and open swimming pool equipped with a lifeguard.

Additionally, dinner will be served with grilled chicken breast, rice pilaf, salad bar and vegetable for parents and hot

dogs, macaroni and cheese, salad bar and desert for children.

The event is presented by the Northville Parks and Recreation department, Northville Youth Assistance and Oak Pointe Church. It's sponsored by Oak Pointe Church, Northville High School SADD, the Northville Drug-free grant fund, and Century 21 Town and Country.

A seven-member committee put the program together.

McGuire said the event gives families a great opportunity to have a fun year's eve without a lot of hassle.

"Families can go out, have a good time and be home by midnight," McGuire said.

Tickets for Northville Nite 1999 are on sale at the Northville Parks and Recreation, 303 W. Main St. Monday through Friday 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.

The cost is \$13 for adults and \$8 for children with the cost of the tickets going towards the cost of this year's event. Any excess funds will go toward next year's event, McGuire said.

More information may be obtained by calling Northville Parks and Recreation at (248) 349-0203.

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File photo by JOHN HEIDER

There will be plenty to do for people of all ages at the annual Northville Night, Dec 31, at the Northville Recreation Center.

Entertainment

DEC. 30

What: Illinois-Chicago vs. Eastern Michigan women's basketball
Where: EMU Convocation Center
When: 5:15 p.m.
Phone: (734) 487-2282

What: Detroit vs. Eastern Michigan men's basketball
Where: EMU Convocation Center
When: 7:30 p.m.
Phone: (734) 487-2282

What: Atlanta Hawks vs. Detroit Pistons Basketball
Where: Palace of Auburn Hills (2 Championship Drive, Auburn Hills)
When: 7:30 p.m.
Phone: (248) 377-0100

What: The Twistin' Tarantulas
Where: 5th Avenue Ballroom (25750 Novi Road, Novi)
When: Evening
Phone: (248) 735-4011

What: Michigan State University vs. University of Michigan women's basketball
Where: Crisler Arena, Ann Arbor
When: 7 p.m.
Phone: (734) 764-0247

What: Plymouth Whalers vs. Kitchener
Where: Compuware Sports Arena (14900 Beck Road, Plymouth)
When: 7:30 p.m.
Phone: (734) 453-8400

DEC. 30 - MARCH 26

What: "Escanaba in da Moonlight" stage performance
Where: Gem Theater (333 Madison Ave., Detroit)
When: Various times
Phone: (313) 963-9800

DEC. 31

What: "Northville Night"
Where: Northville High School
When: Evening
Phone: (248) 349 0203

What: "Strolling Through the Century" stage performance
Where: Gem Theater (333 Madison Ave., Detroit)
When: 7:30 p.m.
Phone: (313) 963-9800

What: "Early-To-Bed" New Year's Eve Celebration
Where: Gem Theater (333 Madison Ave., Detroit)
When: 2-6 p.m.
Phone: (313) 963-9800

What: Kristin Smythe, New



photo courtesy MEADOWBROOK THEATER

Robert Morgan, left, John Biedenbach and Tracey Copeland perform in Meadowbrook Theatre's thriller "Dangerous Obsession," from Jan. 5 through Jan. 30.

JAN. 2

What: Year's Eve Bash
Where: Bogey's Bar & Grill (142 E. Walled Lake Drive, Walled Lake)
When: Evening
Phone: (248) 669-1441

What: Jo Nab with a Coupla Fat Guys
Where: 5th Avenue Ballroom (25750 Novi Road, Novi)
When: Evening
Phone: (248) 735-4011

What: Metallica, Ted Nugent, Kid Rock
Where: Pontiac Silverdome (1200 Featherstone, Pontiac)
When: 6 p.m.
Phone: (248) 456-1600

What: Chicago Blackhawks vs. Detroit Red Wings hockey
Where: Joe Louis Arena (600 Civic Center, Detroit)
When: 7 p.m.
Phone: (313) 983-6606

JAN. 1, 2

What: Traditions of the Season - Greenfield Village and Henry Ford Museum
Where: 20900 Oakwood Blvd., Dearborn
When: Various times
Phone: (313) 271-1620

JAN. 1-10

What: Bats: Masters of the Night Exhibit
Where: Sloan Museum, Flint
When: Various times
Phone: (810) 760-1169

What: Colorado State vs. University of Michigan men's basketball
Where: Crisler Arena, U-M
When: 8 p.m.
Phone: (734) 764-0247

What: Ohio State vs. Michigan State University women's basketball
Where: Breslin Center, MSU
When: 2 p.m.
Phone: (517) 355-1610

JAN. 3

What: Orlando Solar Bears vs. Detroit Vipers hockey
Where: Palace of Auburn Hills (2 Championship Drive, Auburn Hills)
When: 7:30 p.m.
Phone: (248) 377-0100

JAN. 3, 4

What: Chorus Line Auditions (High School and up)
Where: Scottish Rite Cathedral Theater (Masonic Temple, 500 Temple, Detroit)
When: 7 p.m.
Phone: (313) 535 8962

JAN. 4

What: Phoenix vs. Detroit Red Wings hockey
Where: Joe Louis Arena (600 Civic Center, Detroit)
When: 7:30 p.m.
Phone: (313) 983-6606

JAN. 5

What: Buffalo vs. Eastern Michigan men's basketball (Mid-American Conference Game)
Where: EMU Convocation Center
When: 7 p.m.

What: Utah Grizzlies vs. Detroit Vipers hockey
Where: Palace of Auburn Hills (2 Championship Drive, Auburn Hills)
When: 7:30 p.m.
Phone: (248) 377-0100

What: Guelph Storm vs. Plymouth Whalers hockey
Where: Compuware Sports Arena (14900 Beck Road, Plymouth)
When: 7:30 p.m.
Phone: (734) 453-8400

What: Penn State vs. Michigan State University men's basketball
Where: Breslin Center, MSU
When: 7 p.m.
Phone: (517) 355-1610

JAN. 5, 6

What: "Forbidden Broadway Strikes Back"
Where: Century Theater (333 Madison Ave., Detroit)
When: Various times
Phone: (313) 963-9800

JAN. 5 - 30

What: "Dangerous Obsession" stage performance
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Coach Tony D'Amato (Al Pacino, center) breaks up a fight between team players Willie Beamen (Jamie Foxx) and "J Man" Jilian Washington (LL Cool J, right) in "Any Given Sunday."

Warner Bros.' "Any Given Sunday" is Academy Award-winning filmmaker Oliver Stone's look at contemporary society through the dynamic prism of professional sports.

Stone assembled a huge ensemble of players to portray the characters inhabiting this dramatic, profane, and often humorous universe: players, coaches, management, agents, sports writers, announcers, media figures, team doctors, politicians and party girls.

No matter who you are, no matter what you do for a living, there's always somebody younger, faster and stronger coming right up

behind you. At the crossroads of his life, Tony D'Amato (Al Pacino) has finally come to that realization.

Four years ago, D'Amato's Miami Sharks had nailed two AFFA (Associated Football Franchises of America) championships in a row, but in pro years, that's a lifetime.

Now, his team is struggling with three consecutive losses, sliding attendance, and aging heroes, particularly 39-year-old quarterback Jack "Cap" Rooney (Dennis Quaid), who's desperately clinging to what's left for him as a player.

Off the field, D'Amato is struggling with a failed marriage and

Football provides backdrop for action-packed 'Sunday'

estranged children, and is on a collision course with Christina Pagniaci (Cameron Diaz), the young president/co-owner of the Sharks organization.

Unlike her late father, an old-school protector of the sport's sanctity, Christina maintains a take-no-prisoners style of management. She knows that the harsh realities of the modern game means that profitable portions must be parceled out to the highest bidders from the world of media, marketing and merchandising ... and a losing team means a losing investment.

Although she may start off as a novice, she evolves more and more as the crisis escalates, and eventually becomes a force of nature of the modern world of professional sports.

Cap Rooney is a quarterback who symbolizes the great recent past of the Sharks: he's football royalty. But he's getting older and fighting to hold onto his own legend. When a devastating hit knocks Rooney and the second-string quarterback out of the game, the Sharks' third-string, seventh-round draft pick, Willie Beamen (Jamie Foxx), is called onto the field.

After a shaky start, and against all expectations, Beamen begins to stun both fans and management with his spectacular gridiron performance, throwing the great Cap Rooney's future into doubt and forcing D'Amato to grapple with his long-cherished ideals of personal and professional loyalty.

Whereas D'Amato firmly believes

that the game "has got to be about something more than winning," the only goal that the pragmatic "Steamin' Beamen" has is winning — with all of the material perks that he can acquire during the short life span of a pro football player.

With Beamen pushing from one side, Christina Pagniaci pressuring from the other, and his old quarterback Cap trying hard to get back onto the field, Tony D'Amato

sees the Sharks coming apart at the seams. Pressured and disillusioned, he wonders if he's losing his edge, his team and his very reason to wake up in the morning.

Although professional football provides the action-packed backdrop of "Any Given Sunday," the film takes a simultaneously epic and intimate look at a cross-section of contemporary Americans.

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Netters win Airport Invite

By JASON SCHMITT
Sports Editor

Playing some of the best early-season volleyball the school's ever seen, the Northville team captured the Airport Invitational back on Dec. 18.

The Mustangs finished a perfect 5-0 in their matches, topping Churchill 15-7, 15-8 in the championship match. The team didn't lose a game all day, and allowed teams to reach double figures in points in just three of their 10 games.

Beating Churchill so soundly isn't a regular thing for Northville, who usually has a tough time with their conference rival.

"Our girls played great, and Churchill went up and down all day long," Northville coach Nikki McEvers said. "I know what kind of team they have, and I know they can play better than that."

McEvers said she was happy to see her team maintain its high level of play throughout the tournament, something she says will be key for this year's squad.

In the championship game, Northville got off to a quick start. Missy Winn picked up serving with a 2-1 lead in the first game and got on a roll, serving 10-straight points to give her team a commanding 12-1 lead. The Chargers fought back, but wound up dropping the first game anyway.

"I think we caught them off guard with that (run)," McEvers said. "Their coach used up both of his

timeouts and he kept substituting girls in and out. But it didn't matter. They just fell apart and that set the tone for the second game."

Meredith Hasse led the team with 13 kills and two solo blocks in the title games. Janel Hasse added six kills and Beth Gillis and Julie Bozyk each had seven digs.

The win capped off a highly-successful day for the Mustangs, which included a 15-12, 15-7 win over Jackson Lumen Christi in the semifinals. Meredith Hasse had a team-high 13 kills and Janel Hasse has 10 more.

Northville was a perfect 3-0 in pool play. The team beat Ann Arbor Huron 15-4, 15-10 to start the day, and went on to defeat Carleton Airport 15-11, 15-5 and Fraser 15-9, 15-1 to gain the first seed going into the tournament draw.

"The team is playing well together," its coach said. "Our bench is very supportive of the girls on the court. I think it's good for us to get going so early in the season. I've got a great bunch of athletes and parents, and it's been fun so far."

For the tournament, Meredith Hasse led the team with 46 kills, 12 solo blocks and eight aces.



Submitted Photo

Members of the Northville volleyball team pose with their championship trophy at the Airport Invitational two weeks ago. Northville didn't lose a game all day long en route to the championship.

Janel Hasse had 28 kills, seven solo blocks and four aces. Gillis added 14 kills and Bozyk had 10 of her own. Winn ended the day with seven kills and four aces.

Jen Doktorcik led the team with 99 assists from

her setting position while committing just four errors all day long.

Northville is now off until Jan. 8, when it will compete in the Saline Invitational. That tournament is scheduled to begin at 8 a.m.

Novi gets its chance for revenge

Over the past few years, the Northville/Novi wrestling rivalry has become one of the most heated among all sports played between the two schools.

Much of the rivalry is fueled by the fact that both schools have strong programs, two of the best in the state. Northville has reached the Division I semifinals each of the last two years, with Novi qualifying for the state tournament back in 1997.

Unfortunately both teams are always pitted against each other come district time. So one of them has to lose early in the state tournament.

Last year Northville pummeled Novi 38-22 on its home mat in their regular-season dual.

Novi jumped out to a 12-6 lead early, thanks in part to consecutive wins by Ryan Churella, Dan Jilg and Nate Mitchell. But Northville's strength came from 130-145, and the Mustangs won four-consecutive matches to take a 20-12 lead. After a Novi win at 152, Northville picked up a big pin at 160 to give itself a 26-16 lead. With Ryan McCracken, Ryan Giles and Ted Bowersox at the bottom of the lineup, the win was secured.

At the district tournament, the result was much of the same as Northville had Kevin Arbuckle in the lineup at 125. He won his match over Mitchell and Northville cruised to a 36-23 win.

But that was all in 1998-99.

Novi's team is the best it's had, possibly ever, and Northville suffered a tragic loss to graduation. Six top-notch wrestlers moved on from last year's team, leaving Northville coaches Garnett Potter and Bob Townsend scrambling to find replacements.

Novi has already won its own Novi Invitational and more impressively than that, it won its first-ever Oakland County Championship on Dec. 18.

The Wildcats match up very well with Northville in the lower weights. Depending on last-minute lineup changes, the best matchup of the day could come at 103 pounds. Northville's Ravi Saran has impressed coaches early on, and Novi's Josh Churella has wrestled extremely well in his first year on the team. Churella was third in his weight class at the 41-team county meet.

At 112 Jeremy Carter will take on Novi's newcomer Cory Nobach, who finished runnerup at the county meet. Last year Carter had Sarb



Jason Schmitt

Rohatgi's number, but Nobach is better and will provide a boost to Novi's early lineup.

After that, it's up to the coaches to decide the winners. Novi has defending state runnerups Dan Jilg at 119 and Ryan Churella at 125. If he chooses to keep his wrestlers at these weights, Novi should win both. Northville's Jason D'Anna and Matt Doyle have wrestled well at those weights early on, but they won't face any better wrestlers than those two this year.

Mitchell has moved up to 130 this year, as has Northville's Brian Ashby. Mitchell has the advantage here, but this is an uncertain matchup with Northville's strengths coming up.

If the Mustangs keep Reggie Torrence at 135, he may face an improved Brent Frey. Last year Torrence had little troubles in his matches with Frey.

If Northville finds itself in major trouble after 130, don't be surprised to see some lineup adjustments. Northville's got one of the best back-to-back-to-back trios in the state with Torrence, Chad Neumann (140) and Dan Scappaticci (145). All three can move and may if Northville needs points. Novi will counter with Frey, Eric Cook and Yusuf Qamruzzaman or Vince Slovan.

As Novi coaches Brad Huss and Tom Fritz always say, "we have to stay off our backs."

Neumann is a pinner this year and Scappaticci is a returning state placer. Oh, and Torrence finished third at the state meet last year.

If Slovan goes 152, he may face Jeremy Herndon or Josh Pettijohn. That should be a good match that could go any way.

Frank Kava was pinned at 160 last year, but is

one of the most improved wrestlers Novi has this season. He may square off against Anton Paljusevic.

Northville's thin at 171, while Novi has sophomore Scott Kortlandt (4th at Oakland Co.), a strong addition to the lineup, going for the team.

Novi finishes up about as strong as Northville did last year. Adam Borashko (189), Nick Slovan (215) and Jason Moore (heavyweight) have wrestled well this year and all placed at Oakland County. Northville counters with Joe Rumbley (189), and Brian Tran and Valentino Paljusevic at 215 and heavyweight.

Keys to Novi winning the match: They must perform well both at the bottom of their lineup as well as at the top. If Josh Churella and Nobach both score points for the 'Cats, the match could be over early. Jilg and Churella won't be beat and could push up the lead early.

Also, if their 135-152 wrestlers can stay off their backs and give Northville's studs a challenge, the team will be in good shape.

Keys to Northville winning the match: They must stay off their backs at several key weights (112-125 and 189-Hwt.) while keeping Novi on theirs. Torrence, Neumann and Scappaticci will need to get a couple pins or technical falls to keep their team in it.

Overall prediction: Well over the past two years I've been here, Northville has had Novi's number. And it's gotten ugly. It's kind of like watching the little brother grow up and get his chance to beat up the older brother. Novi should win this match, but anyone who has ever been associated with Northville wrestling knows that this program is one of the best in the state. And their coaching staff really knows what it takes to win.

If the match were determined on heart and guts alone, it would end tied 28-28. But that's not the case, and Novi's got too much talent for Northville to handle this year.

My prediction: Novi 34, Northville 25

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Cagers edged out at Christmas tourney

By JASON SCHMITT
Sports Editor

Playing in yet another close game, this time it didn't turn out so well for the Northville cagers.

The Mustangs fell to Detroit Rogers 64-63 in the championship game of the Northville/Novi Christmas Tournament back on Dec. 21. The Rangers held on for the win when Tim Ferng's last second jumper rimmed out.

"Both teams played all out. It was by far our best performance of the year," Northville coach Scott Baldwin said. "Coming off a big win (76-36 over Lutheran East), a lot of teams will come out flat. But we didn't. Everybody played well for us."

Northville jumped out to a big lead in the first quarter, only to see it dwindle to a one-point

halftime advantage. But in the end, it was the difference in free-throw shooting that set the two teams apart.

Northville connected on just 6 of 16 attempts from the charity stripe, while Rogers hit 14 of 18. Many of Northville's misses "came on the front end of one and ones."

"We rebounded well, we hustled and showed great heart," all against the toughest team we've played so far," Baldwin said.

David Gregor scored a team-high 21 points and pulled down eight boards to lead Northville (2-2). Aaron Redden struggled with foul troubles and finished with 10 points and four rebounds in limited time. Travis Bliss had nine points and eight

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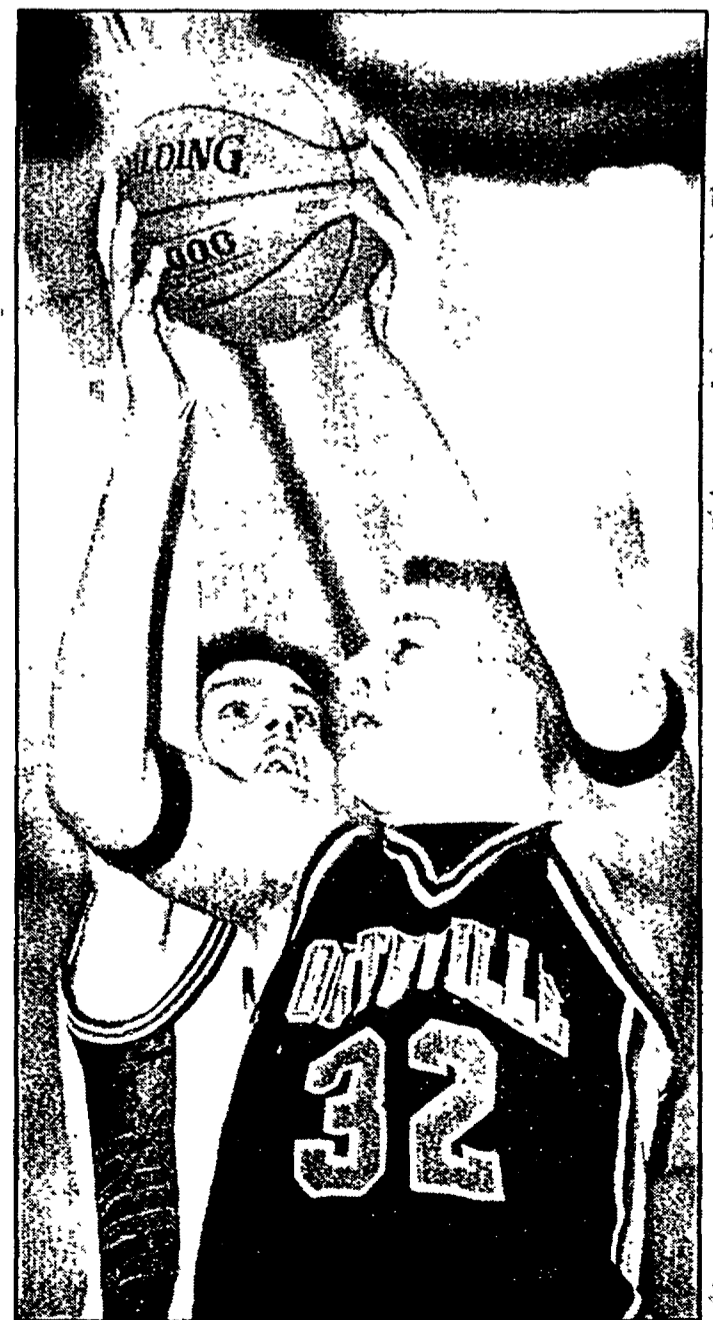


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Thom Knapp goes up over Novi's Chad Nadoini in the team's matchup back on Dec. 14, a 49-46 Mustang win.



Preparing for a "better" season...

Northville/Novi gymnast Andrea Ledbetter begins her floor routine during the Mustang's intra-squad meet held on Dec. 16.

The team was divided into two teams and got a chance to

see how much talent this year's team has. According to its coach, Laura Moyers, this year's team has a good chance at regaining its dominance in the state. The team will begin its regular season Wednesday against John Glenn.

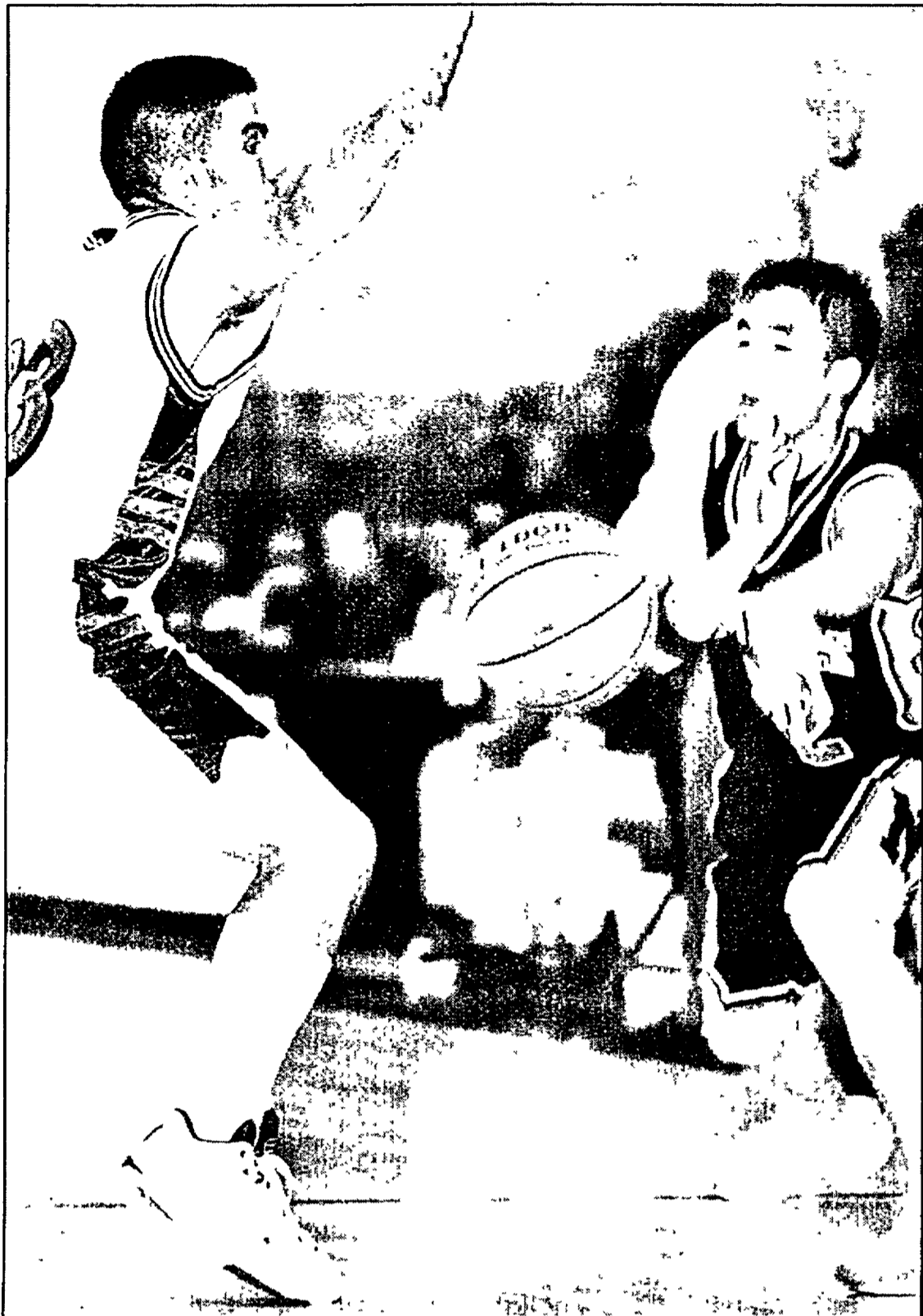


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Northville guard Tim Ferng (22) dumps the ball inside in a 49-46 win over Novi Dec. 14.

Northville 2nd at own invite

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assists and Justin Messer and Joe Rohrhoff filled in nicely for Redden.

But Roger's sophomore Ricardo Billings hit up the 'Stangs for 26 points to lead his Rangers (6-1) to the win.

NVILLE 76, LUTHERAN EAST 36

The Eagles were clearly in a separate lower class than the other

three teams in the tournament. Lutheran East was outscored 147-66 in their two games against Northville and Novi.

Every Mustang who suited up scored in the game, and four players finished in double figures. Gregor led the way with 14 points. Messer had 12. Brandon Langston had 11 and Thom Knapp added 10.

The game was close throughout the first quarter, which ended with

Northville leading 12-10. But a 29-8 second quarter advantage for the Mustangs put the game away.

"We were bigger, faster and stronger than they were," Baldwin said. "They just couldn't play with us. Our rebounding pounded them."

The team is off until it hosts Brighton on Jan. 4. Their first Western Lakes Activities Association game is scheduled for Friday, Jan. 7 at John Glenn.

AAU hoop tryouts coming up

The Western Wayne Wildcats will be holding tryouts for their AAU girls basketball team the first week of January at various elementary and middle schools.

Tryouts for the 11s, 12s and 13s will be held on Jan. 3. The 11s tryouts will be held from 6-7:30 p.m. at Tonda Elementary School. The 12s will be held immediately following, from 7:30-9 p.m. The 13s will be held at Pioneer Middle School from 8-9:30 p.m.

Tryouts for the same age groups

will also be held on Wednesday, Jan. 5. The 11s and 12s tryouts will be held at Pioneer Middle School from 8-9:30 p.m. Those for the 13s will be held from 7-8:30 p.m. at West Middle School.

Tryouts for 14s and 15s will be at Pioneer Middle School on Jan. 4 from 6-7:30 p.m. Those tryouts for 16s, 17s and 18s will also be at Pioneer from 7:30-9 p.m.

On Friday, Jan. 7 there will be tryouts for 16s, 17s and 18s from 6-7:30 p.m. at Pioneer. Immediately following

those tryouts will be tryouts for 14s and 15s, also at Pioneer, running from 7:30-9 p.m.

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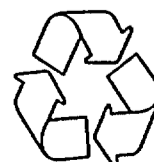


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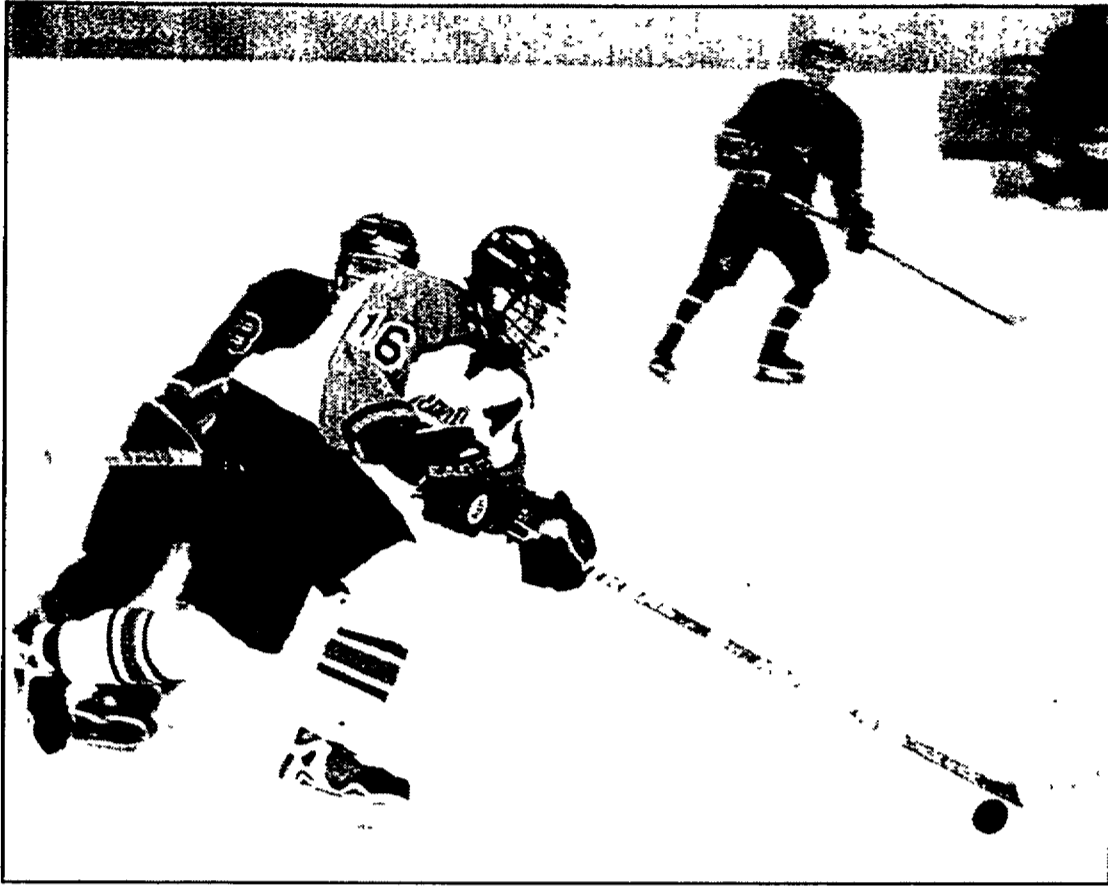
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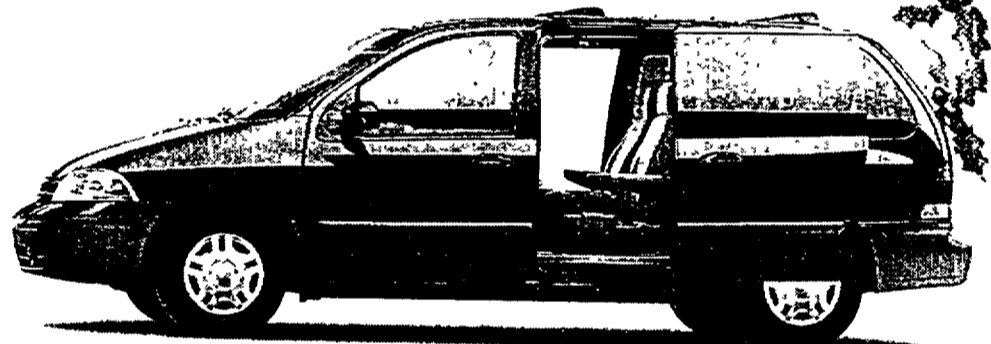
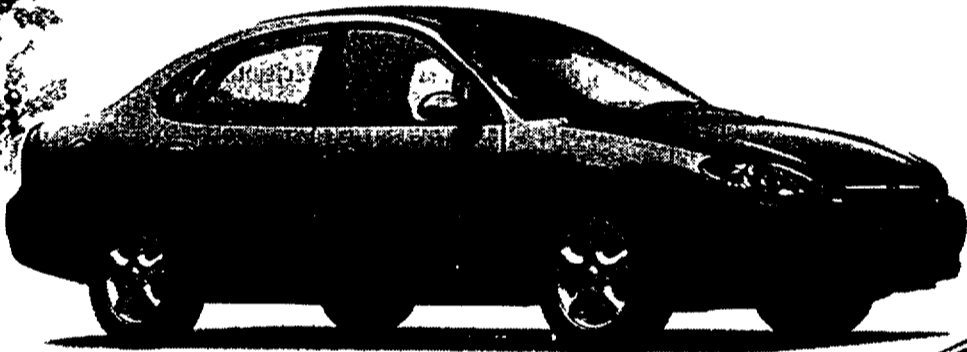


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The Northville and Novi Hockey teams hosted the first-ever Northville/Novi Christmas Tournament Tuesday and Wednesday at the Novi Ice Arena. All tournament results will be in next week's edition of the Northville Record. In action earlier this season, (left) Bill Salliotte tries to move the puck out of his zone in a game against Farmington. (Above) Tim Hillebrand makes the move around a Falcon defender towards the net. The Mustangs ended up dropping the game 2-1.

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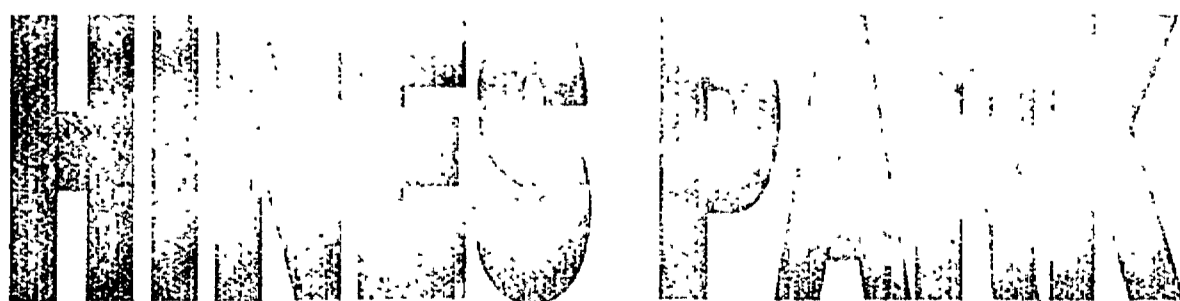
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Health Column

Now comes the real test...Christmas

With Christmas and New Year's day coming up, the real test begins for Jason

Jason has completed four more sessions since our last column, bringing his total sessions to nine. If you are just joining us with this column, allow me to briefly update you.

By now all of us are fully into the holiday season. I am sure with Christmas behind us you can relate to all the extra good food available, as well as the many extra sweets and treats. For many, weight gain is inevitable, and for many the New Year brings renewed desire to lose weight and get in better shape.

We wanted to help our readers through the thought process of how to get this done and keep it done. In an effort to do so, we are walking you through step by step of Jason's Journey to reach those exact goals.

Jason has been our volunteer, an average person when it comes to exercise, with a typical busy lifestyle. The last two columns have been his Journey so far, which we have entitled "Jason's Journey." The ultimate goal...help Jason learn about his body, give him the true tools to make the changes he wants and the ability to maintain those changes for life.

Many people do not think of a health club as a tool to reach weight loss. They think of a health club as just a place to lift weights or run on a treadmill. Today's health club industry offers many choices for the consumer. Our club, as well as some others, offer a full, individual system that removes the guesswork on how to really make the changes in your lifestyle and maintain them for a happy, healthy life.

The following are the excerpts from Jason's sessions, contributed by Jason's coach, trainer, and by now friend, Lesley Pagnucco.

Session six: I continue to work with Jason on his weight training, one of the five components we focus on. Many people do not realize how important this component is to losing weight. That valuable lean muscle is where you burn the body fat. We call lean muscle your fat burning machinery.

We start to lose 2-4 pounds of it a year around our thirties. We need it back to maintain tone, keep your bones strong and burn the fat. Jason continues to get stronger. His form and control have really improved and we increase his intensity accordingly today. He is keeping up his other component, cardiovascular training and finally we discuss the nutrition component.

Jason is learning about and making healthier food choices daily. However, his continued success depends heavily on (and a stumbling block for many) planning. Learning and consistently planning your food intake is vital. Lack of planning usually results in waiting to feel hungry, and then satisfying that with what is

available at the time with the time one has available. The result of this usually is not a healthy one. Planning includes for many taking some food and snacks as you head out for the day. This allows you to control the situation much better. Planning prompts good things to happen like eating small amounts every 2-4 hours to allow plenty of energy, decrease hunger and spare that valuable lean muscle while allowing the body to burn body fat.

We realize this goes against the standard, which is to grab a donut and coffee on the way to work or if you get hungry before lunch grab a candy bar from the vending machine, head to the nearest fast-food place for lunch before heading home for a big dinner. So we work with our clients for easy and livable solutions.

For example, having a nutrition bar in your desk is a much better choice than those empty calories in that candy bar. We really work on assuring the proper fuel for the body. As Jason has mentioned, the increase in energy and overall well being you will feel with the proper fuel is amazing, but it does not happen easily on its own. We must plan.

Session seven: Because most Americans eat at least one out of every three meals away from home, today we discussed how to do this more responsibly. It really boils down to understanding and applying better, smaller daily food choices. For instance, choose a grilled chicken sandwich with minimal sauces versus a loaded cheeseburger. Two less cookies a day over a month can lead to 2,800 less calories. Once you make these small changes, your body will adapt and you will not miss the other poorer food choices as much.

Session eight: We changed Jason's weight training program today, varying the order he completes the exercises, the amount of weight and the repetitions. Jason continued to improve in this area and seems highly motivated and focused. After completing his workout, we discussed nutrient supplementation, a highly-sensitive area today. Unfortunately, the deregulated nutrient supplement market has, in my opinion, become a little out of control. A person can take a pill to cure everything from a bad mood to losing 25 pounds without doing anything further. We as a society naturally look for the easiest way to reach a desired goal. This alone is not the answer to overall health. (I don't care what the celebrity said on the infomercial!)

See my last column dated 12-16-99 for more on this subject. Supplementing your diet is particularly important when attempting to make physical changes. The exercise and other compo-



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Water Wheel trainer Lesley Pagnucco talks with Jason Schmitt as he gets a cardiovascular workout in.

nents we instill increase the need for nutrients while the food intake component requires the nutrients without adding extra calories. It is a fact that the American diet falls short of even the recommended daily allowance (RDA).

A study completed by the U.S. Dietetics Association (USDA) shows that not one of the 2,500 people surveyed consumed 100 percent of the RDA of just 10 different nutrients. Who is eating five servings of fruits and vegetables each day?

After careful review of Jason's food intake and health history, we recommended that Jason begin consuming two multi vitamins and mineral supplements, one antioxidant and something called Lipotropic and Transport daily which will help Jason in his effort to lose body fat and maintain overall health.

No, the supplements will not magically make Jason reach his goals. But these nutrients combined with the other components (resistance training, cardiovascular training, proper food intake and professional guidance and support) will help.

Session nine: On this day, Jason and I discussed how to overcome and avoid plateauing. Plateauing is where the body adapts to the changes we've made and progress is stalled or stopped. This is a common occurrence, and without proper professional guidance can lead to lack of changes which leads to no motivation. This may lead to one dropping out of the program, which is a loss to everyone.

This occurrence is complicated by the fact that the human body

does not like to lose weight. Our bodies have a regulator mechanism that works to keep the amount of energy we consume in balance with the amount of energy we use. This is a situation commonly called an exercise/weight loss paradox, meaning the very efforts made to increase metabolism (burning calories) will eventually slow it down. Jason and I discussed the different ways to prevent this. Things like manipulating his exercises, avoiding overtraining and getting rest are examples. In order for Jason to reach and maintain his fitness goal he needs to address plateauing on his own.

We hope you are enjoying Jason's Journey and learning a little as you consider your options to reach your goals. The main message we hope each of you pick up is, "wow, there is a little more to this long-term weight loss and get in shape than just walking and eating less fat."

The more people we educate on this, the more people will number one, stop wasting time and money on some short-cut path, and two, help you realize if a health club is something you want to consider.

We really do not want you to end up with the majority of the well-intentioned souls who set their goals and resolutions Jan. 1 (well we don't really start until Jan. 3rd) to have given up on them by Jan. 30.

Chris Klebba wrote this column. He is the owner and operator of the Water Wheel Health Club, Inc. and a certified personal fitness instructor. For more information, call (248) 449-7634.

It's hard to overcome every day obstacles

If you think just because I'm taking part in the APEx Weight Training System that I'm going to be perfect in my food choices, well you're wrong.

I'm human and I had my first two roadblocks over the past two weeks. Fortunately, I didn't cave in completely.

The weekend before Christmas, I went on a three-day vacation to Michigan City and Chicago, just to get away.

Knowing that I didn't want to pack food for just two full days, I had it in my mind that I was going to try and select menu items that reflected the one Lesley prepared for me.

It's not always easy to order fruits instead of fries, or grilled chicken over fried chicken. I'd have to say that I did a pretty good job, however, I did break down twice and ate french fries with my meals, but didn't have any red meat nor any appetizers.

Overall, I could have done better, but considering the circumstances, I'm happy with how it all went. I even enjoyed the pool at the Holiday Inn, hoping to get a small cardiovascular workout in.

The next stumbling block came this past weekend, on a little ol' Holiday called Christmas. I knew that after complaining on



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Thanksgiving that my mom didn't make me any of my favorites (ham and cream cheese roll ups or seven-layer bean dip) that it wouldn't happen again.

I'd have to say she failed me. Because not only were the above two on the holiday menu, so was a cheese ball, chipped beef spread and an assortment of Christmas cookies.

All I could hear in the back of my head was Lesley's voice saying "Oh, it's Christmas!" I blocked out the other half of her suggestion, which was, "go ahead and eat those things. Just eat in moderation and

put in five extra minutes (in your cardiovascular workout) so you can help offset what you'll be eating."

Yeah, right. I had been a good boy for six weeks, but for one day I broke all the rules and was bad. I really was.

But in my defense, I got back on track Sunday. I ate in moderation and it continued into Monday, when I wrote this column.

As far as my cardio and resistance training is concerned, I've been pretty consistent. I haven't missed taking any of my supplements, so that's going well.

Overall, I feel that I can see a difference in my appearance, and even my mother said she noticed something different about me. And for her to notice something like that is remarkable. The program must be working.

By the time we next update my Journey in the Jan. 13 paper, we will have taken more measurements. And if all goes well, we will have some more good news to report.

Until then, don't give up. Giving up is too easy.

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HOW TO

Real-wood look with laminates

By Gene Gary
COPLEY NEWS SERVICE

Q. We need a new floor and are considering installing a laminate flooring over an existing wood floor, which is beyond repair. The laminate wood imitations look good in the showroom, and the salespeople extol their features and durability. Just how durable are they? Is it practical for a do-it-yourselfer to install a laminate system, or does it require a pro? Any recommendations you have concerning this type of flooring would be appreciated.

A. Laminate floorings got their start in Europe and were introduced to the U.S. market in the mid-'90s. They are rapidly gaining in popularity.

Laminates can give you the look of real wood without the expense. For the lay person, it's often hard to tell the difference. Put a laminate plank next to a hardwood plank, and they appear nearly the same. Both have grain and slight imperfections. The key factors to the popularity of laminates is durability and low maintenance as well as the expense.

They can stand up to the traffic of the average family. They don't require refinishing as wood does with wear, and cleanup is easy with just a damp mop and a special cleaner. They are particularly suitable flooring substitutes for wood in environments where moisture is present (an enemy of wood) such as kitchens and bathrooms. A laminate flooring will tend to sound more hollow when walked upon when compared with a real wood flooring. Laminates have high-strength polymer coatings to protect them from deep scratches, which are more prevalent on flooring. What appears to be wood underneath the protective coating is actually, in most laminates, a photograph - a picture of an expensive real hardwood. Laminates are not restricted to wood imitations. Excellent reproductions in granite, slate and brick are also available.

Although laminates are durable, with age, the protective coating will wear down. Depending on use, you can get 10, 15 or even 20 years out of a laminate flooring. But eventually they will require replacement. A real wood flooring can last indefinitely - while requiring refinishing from time to time.

Although laminates are scratch-resistant, they are not impervious to scratching and scarring. Manufacturers of laminates have repair kits that consist of matching color paint or crayon and an epoxy cement. Using the kits, you can hide minor scratches, but large gouges tend to do irreparable damage.

It is best to purchase some extra planks when you invest in a floor system and keep these on hand for replacement planks if needed. Warranties will vary with the manufacturer. When shopping, compare warranties and what they cover. Some companies provide warranties against wear, stains and fading for up to 15 years.

There are two types of laminate flooring systems, and they differ in how they are installed. Much of the 3/8-inch thick flooring is glued to the subfloor, which, in this case, is your old wood floor.

When installing the new laminate planks, always place the planks at either a 45-degree or 90-degree angle to the original flooring to prevent the old floor's natural expansion and contraction from affecting your new floor. As an added bonus, the elastic properties in the adhesive, like the laminated wood's cross-grain construction, also help stabilize the floor.

Glued-down laminate flooring comes in many styles, including planks that are 3 inches, 5 inches and 7 inches wide. You can also find laminated plank flooring with pegs for added charm. Beveled edges create a groove or channel between the boards, completing this old-time look.

The other type of laminated wood flooring is a floating floor system. The laminated planks, usually about 1/2-inch thick, are layered over a thin (1/8-inch) foam pad. Other than the glue used to secure each tongue-and-groove plank to each other, no adhesive or nails are used. The advantage this floor has over the glued ones is that it is easier and quicker to install. Also, the foam can better bridge irregularities in the floor below.

In some installations, such as over a concrete slab, a thin layer of plastic sheeting is generally laid on top of the subfloor to guard against moisture damaging the underside of the laminate. The layer of foam over the plastic provides some cushioning and "give" to the floor, creating a tread similar to a real hardwood floor system.

Floating floor systems usually come in relatively large pieces. One of the styles imitates the old strip flooring. Each piece is about 7 inches wide by 8 feet long, and looks like three strips of 2 1/4-inch flooring together. The sides and ends are milled with tongues and grooves for easy, tight installation.

A new solid wood flooring can be installed over your existing wood floor. Wood floors are beautiful and long-lasting, but installation is more time consuming and difficult than for laminated products.

Laminated products are thinner than a solid wood flooring, which is usually 3/4-inch thick. Added height can cause some problems, especially if you can't - or don't want to - remove the old flooring first. Increased thickness in a flooring can require adjustments such as undercutting doors and casings to make room for the new boards.

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By Annette Jaworski
SPECIAL WRITER

In an age when new construction is booming, a South Lyon couple has chosen to cherish the past. Gail and Mike Smolarz carefully maintained their circa 1840 home right down to the iron door handles. Even though they renovated, updated and upgraded, they never compromised the integrity of the white farmhouse.

"In every room of the house, I made sure I kept something that was original to the home," said Gail Smolarz. "Sometimes it might be only a teacup, but there's something."

The couple, both avid historians, paid close attention to details while restoring their home. For example, they used all the original hardware on the doors. Even the front door retained its original "pull" doorknob.

Inside the sitting room fireplace is an original kettle crane. Over the fireplace is an unusual item called a warming cupboard. Since there was no central heating when the home was built, the cupboard provided a way to keep some materials from becoming solid. This included medicine, molasses, or as Mike Smolarz points out, an old remedy called skunk oil. The ceilings are original with exposed

beams. There's a smooth black kettle by the fire that was found in the house. Kerosene lamp holders, previously used as plant holders, are now restored and hold kerosene lanterns next to the hearth.

An early 1900 enameled stove warms the "summer kitchen." It's actually the second stove, which came from the farm across the street. The original stove was donated to the Green Oak Historical Society.

An original dry sink in the summer kitchen is filled with poinsettias for the holidays. All the cupboards in Amish blue are original to the home as well. The room holds a photograph of the house that was taken back in 1890.

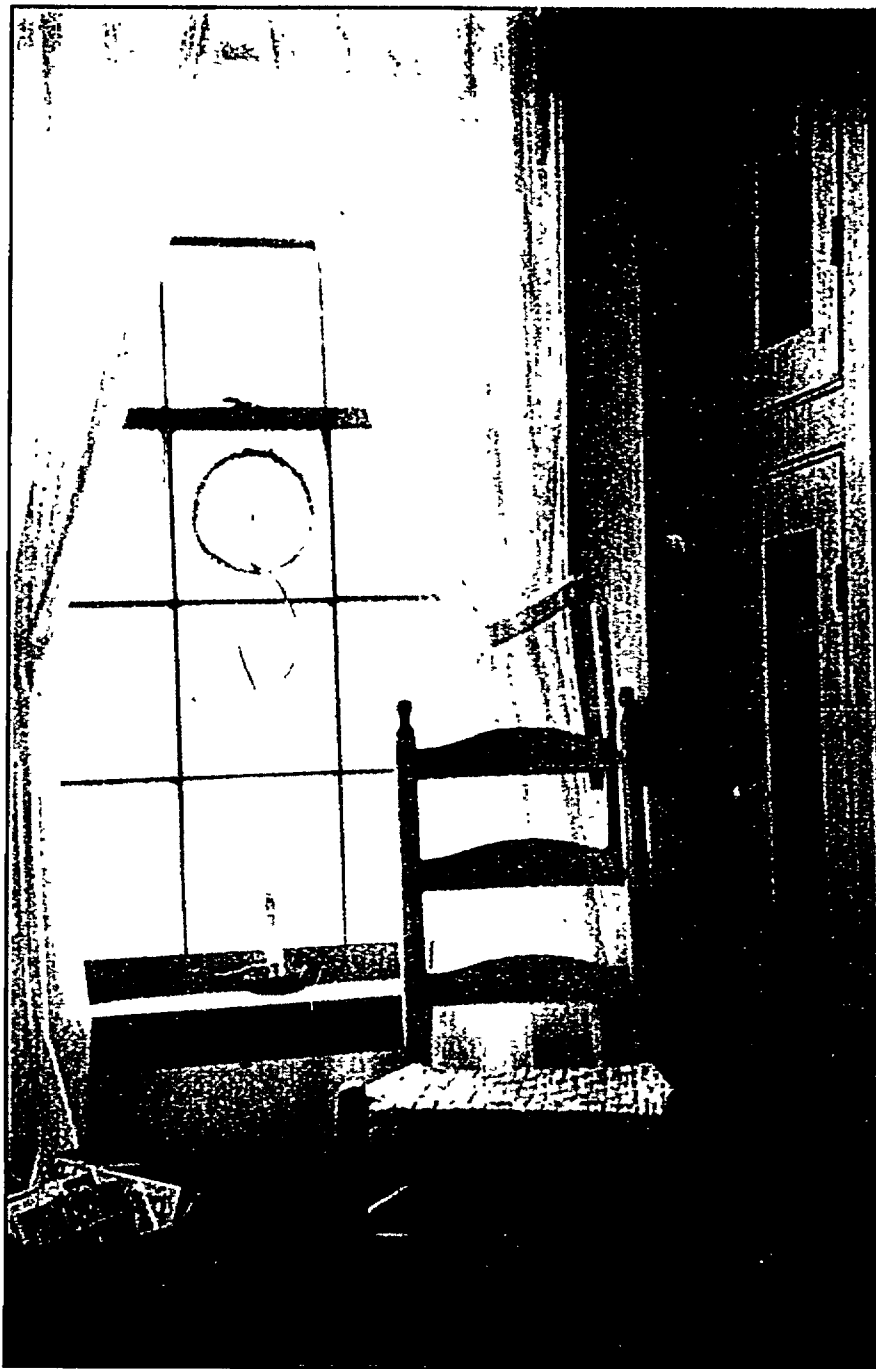
The couple is proud of preserving the rich heritage of their home. Gail recalls a time when one of their grandsons broke something. Knowing that she treasured her antiques, he apologized.

"Grammy, I'm really sorry. I hope it was something new."

After all, if it was new it could be replaced.

*Passion
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This South Lyon couple has redefined the concept of "resident historian"



Above, rustic furniture and antique decorations appropriately reside in every corner of this refurbished farmhouse. At left, The Greenock Farm in South Lyon was originally built in 1837 and completely renovated in 1980.

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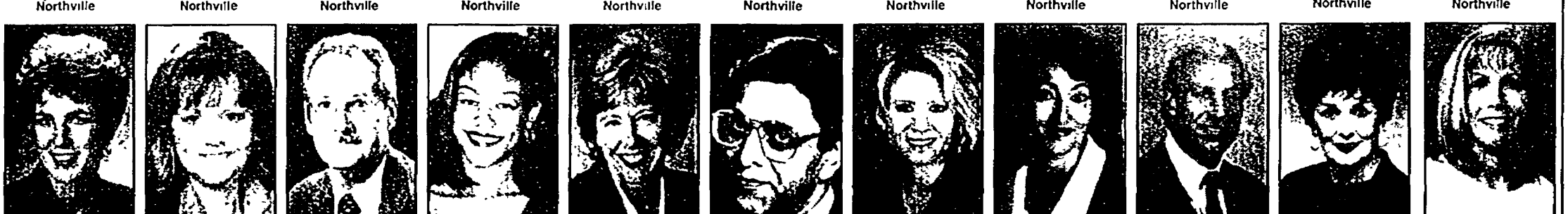
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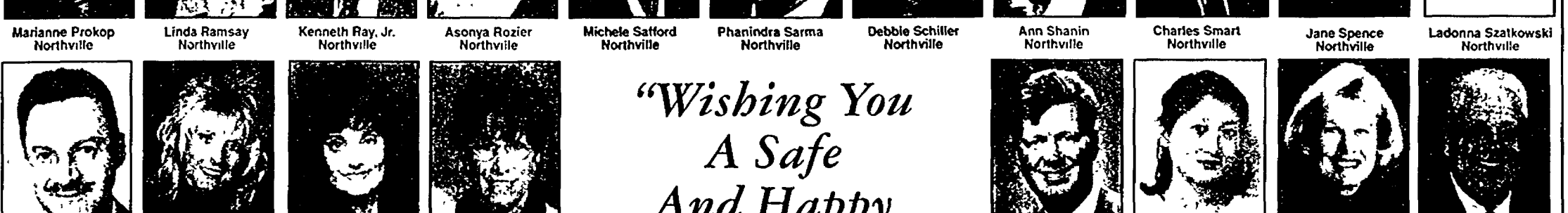
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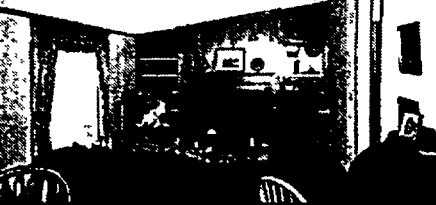
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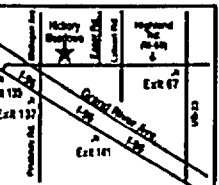
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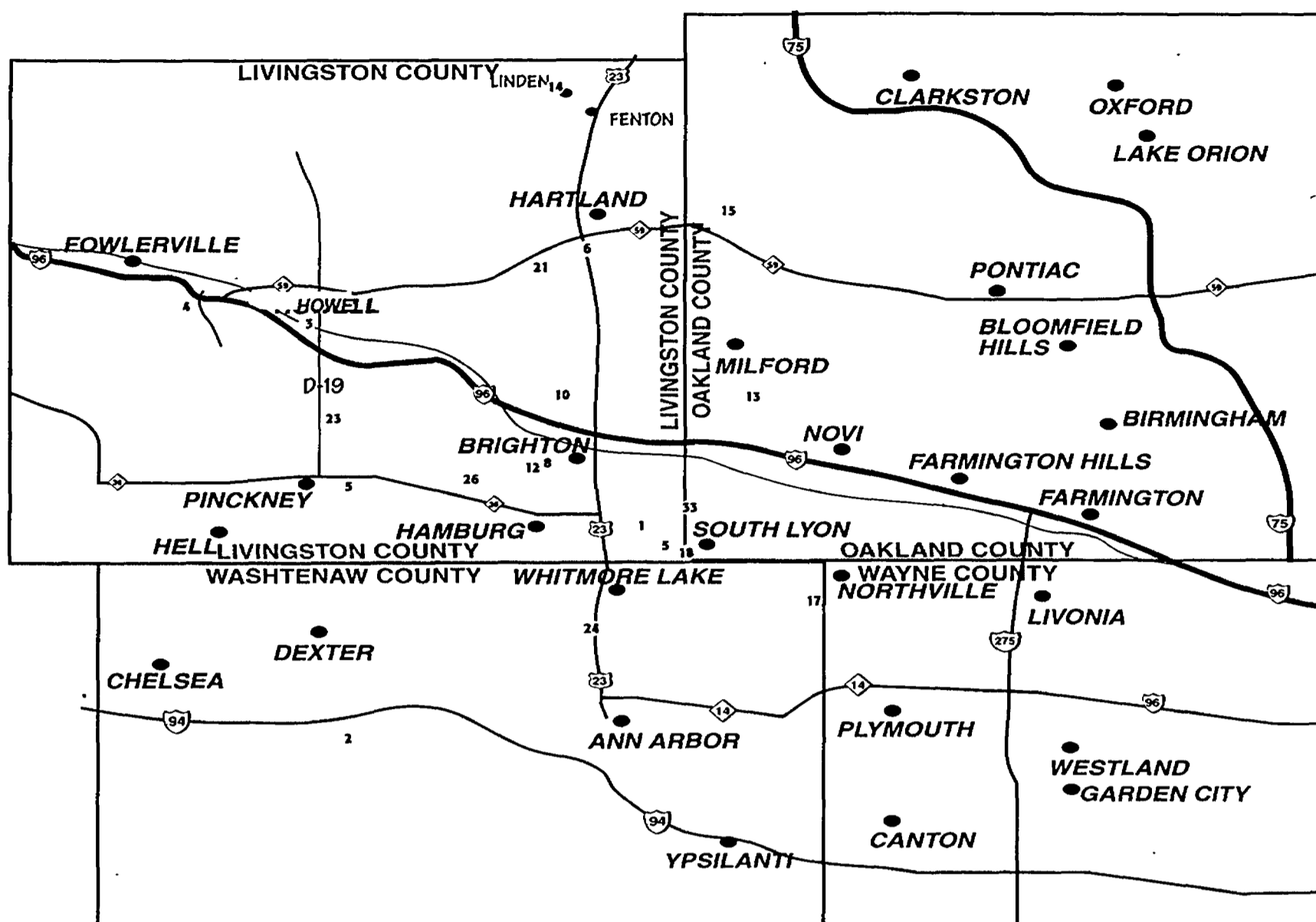
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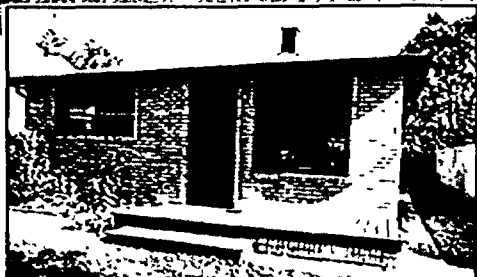
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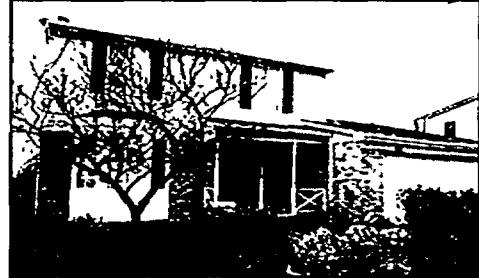
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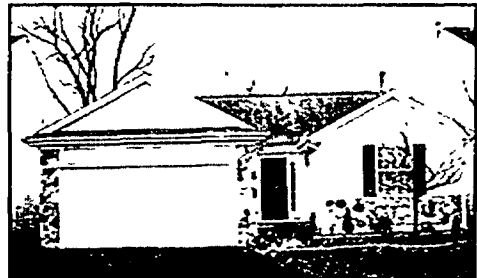
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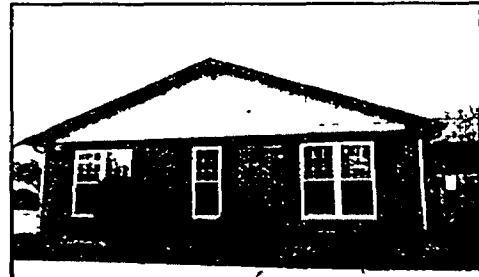
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Las Vegas Tennis' Lisa Korby, right, helps Stephanie Olen with her tennis outfit purchase last week at their Main Street location.

Tennis anyone?

Las Vegas Golf and Tennis to offer more tennis merchandise

By JASON SCHMITT
Staff Writer

When the woman speaks, listen to her.

Thus was the case for Al Korby, Brian Bookmeier and Matt Gietzen, who listened to the women in their lives and opened up a new store, dedicated solely to the tennis lovers out there.

The three men are co-owners of Las Vegas Golf and Tennis in the downtown Novi area, and recently relocated the tennis portion of their business around the corner to offer a wider variety of tennis equipment and apparel.

"The reason we opened this new location was because our wives kept complaining about the selection of clothing in our original store," Korby said. "They wanted more women's clothing and different varieties and colors."

Korby said the number of women playing tennis these days is on the rise, and that the demand for special clothing and equipment also continues to grow.

"Women were coming in to our other store and asking for more clothing, but we just didn't have the space to bring in a lot of the things they were looking for," Korby said. "Now we're giving them a reason not to travel 40 minutes to the closest tennis shop. We're able to offer more of a selection to our customers."

Las Vegas Golf and Tennis' new tennis shop is located on Market Street around the corner from the Mongolian Barbecue restaurant in downtown Novi. The new store is spread out over more than 4,000 square feet of showroom, compared to the 500 to 600 square feet that was allotted to tennis in its former location.

"We were just trying to cram way too many goods into one container (at our other location)," Gietzen said. "We had the clientele, but we just didn't have the space."

The Tennis store carries a full line of women's clothing, including such brand names as Lily of Beverly Hills and Kaelin. But there's also a large selection of men's and children's tennis clothing. And if you want shoes, Las Vegas Golf and Tennis has over 30 styles of shoes in their tennis store. That's 25 more styles than they were able to display in the golf location.

The partners said the best thing about having a specialty store like this is that they are able to carry things many sporting goods stores can not.

"We had a woman come in here a while back and ask if we had tennis mouse pads," Gietzen said. "And you know what? —we did. We have a lot of gift items like that."

As important as all of the clothing and shoes the store has, the selection of tennis rackets and strings is huge. The store carries over 70 racket models, many of which can't be found at other stores. The store also does racket re-stringing.

"I think the thing that's great is that all of our employees are tennis players themselves, whether they're high school players, club professionals or just play tennis themselves. They are able to help people out by answering their questions," Korby said.

With the tennis goods out of their other location (at 42705 Grand River across from Vic's Market), the store now has more than 5,000 square feet devoted purely to golfing accessories and equipment.

And with the opening of the Sports Club of Novi in recent years, Gietzen says the relationship the two have with each other is growing stronger.

"They know that they now have a store close to them that they can refer people to, and we can tell people who come in here where to go for court times and lessons," Gietzen added. "We've grown our friendship with them to help each other."

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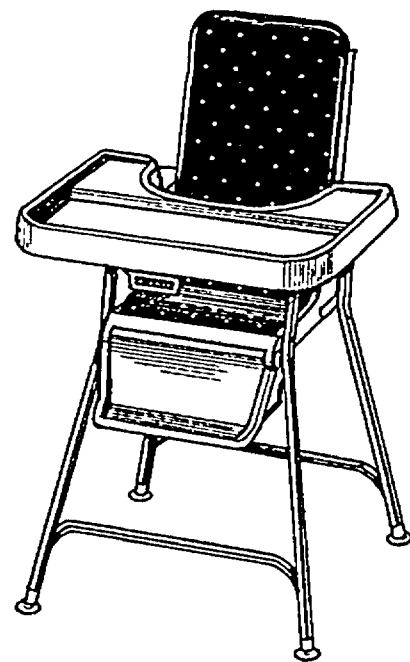
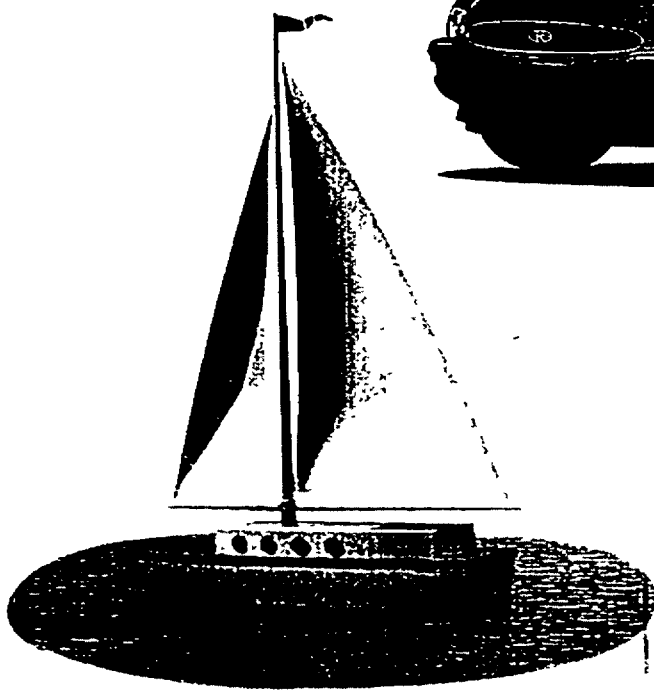
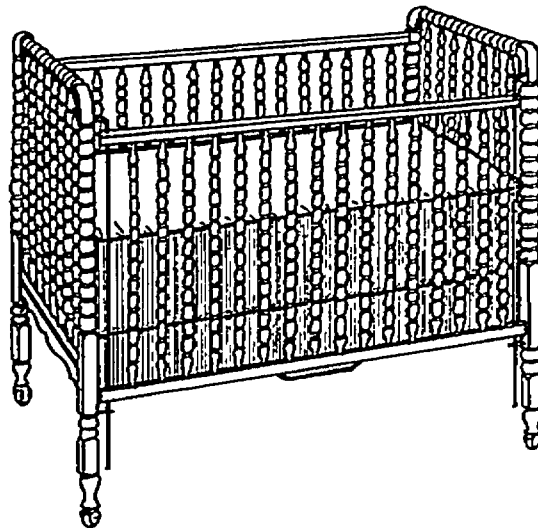
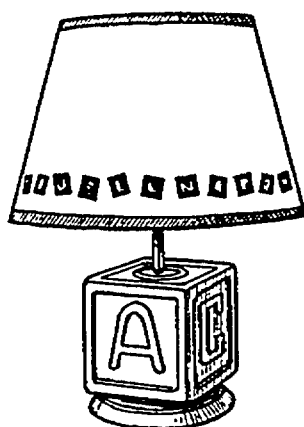
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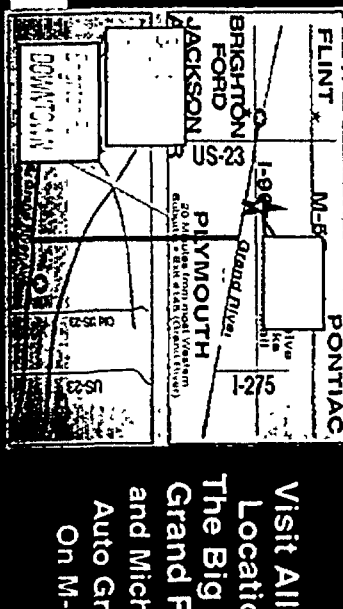
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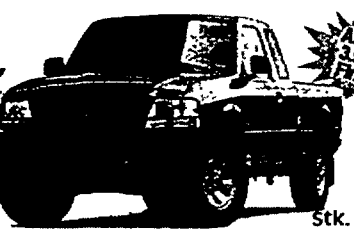
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- Dual Air Bags
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- Power Steering
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- CFC Free Air Conditioning
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- Solar Tinted Glass
- In-Charger Comfort Group
- Tilt Steering Column
- Speed Control
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- Power Side Windows
- Power Locks Sport Group
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w/Renewal Bonus
\$269*
24 MO. LEASE
\$289*
PURCHASE
\$17,789**
SAVE
\$1,561

- 3.0L EFI V6 Engine
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- Light group
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- 6 passenger
- Bolt on wheel covers
- 6 way power driver seat
- Power mirror
- Speed control
- AM/FM stereo radio w/cassette
- Power door locks
- Power windows
- Air conditioning
- RR window defroster
- Tilt steering column
- And more!

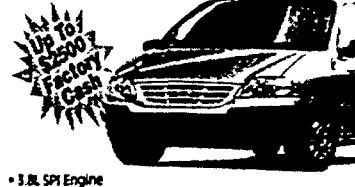
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24 MO. LEASE
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SAVE
\$6,311

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- Air Conditioning
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- Speed Control/Tilt Steering Wheel
- Premium Electronic AM/FM w/CD
- Remote Keyless Entry
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PURCHASE
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SAVE
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- 4 spd auto OVD transmission
- Exhausted seating group
- Power windows/locks
- CD Player
- Remote entry
- Speed control/tilt strg whl
- 6-disc AM/FM stereo/cass/clock
- Comfort group
- Aux climate control system
- Overhead console
- Floor mats
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- 2nd/3rd row privacy glass
- Value group
- Electric rear window defrost
- Power convenience group
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24 MO. LEASE
\$264*
PURCHASE
\$26,789**
SAVE
\$5,586

- 4.0L SOHC V6 Engine
- AM/FM Stereo w/CD
- Fog Lamps
- Convenience Group
- Floor Mats Color-Key Carpet
- Spare Tire w/Storage Rack
- Cargo Area Cover
- Comfort Group
- Keyless-Access/Passive Locks
- Illuminated Auxiliary Vision
- Front Overhead Console
- 6-Speakers
- Power Locks Windows Mirror
- Speed Sensitive Intermitent Wipers
- Privacy Glass
- Tachometer
- Illuminated Vanity Mirrors
- Color Keyed Carpets/Headliner/door
- Harder/Body Side Molding/Crate
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- Cloth Sport Bucket Seats
- Power Driver Seat
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- Front/Rear Floor Mats/Cargo Cover Group
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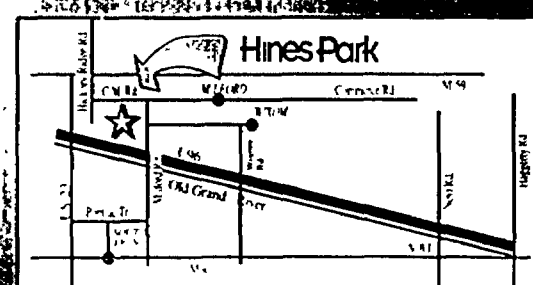
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Due at Signing*

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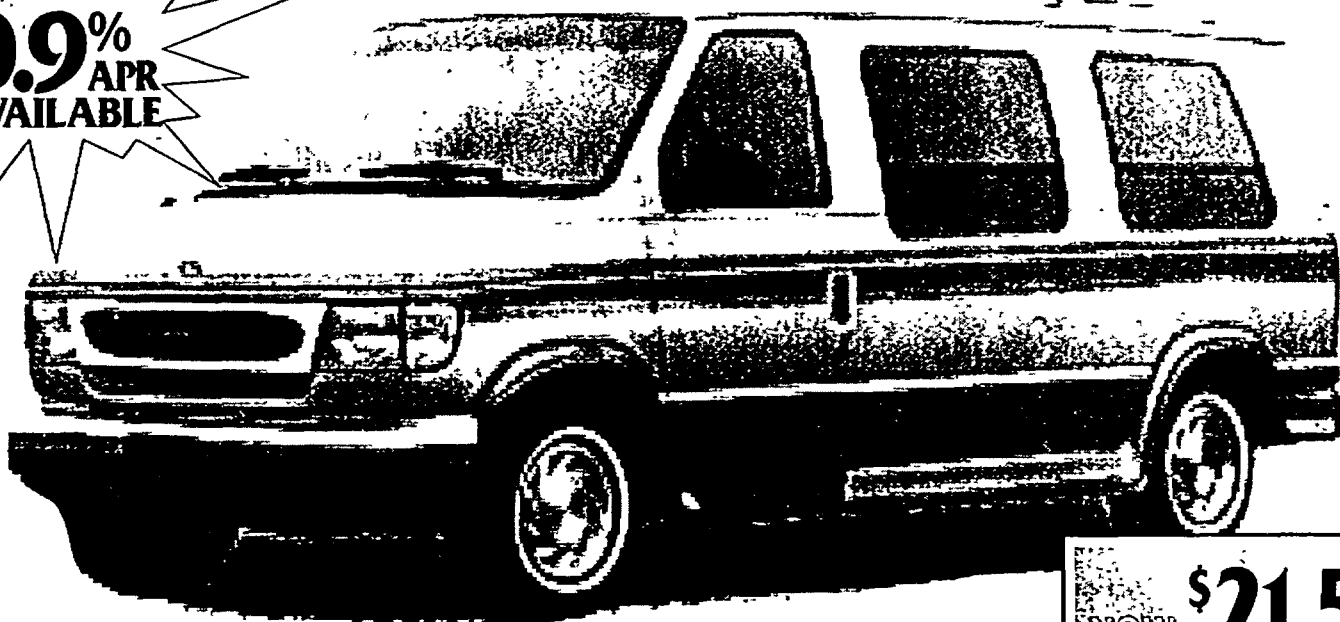
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A-PLAN 24 MONTH LEASE	10% Down	\$171**	WITH RENEWAL	\$149**
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	Zero Down	\$257**		\$235**
		Per Month		Per Month

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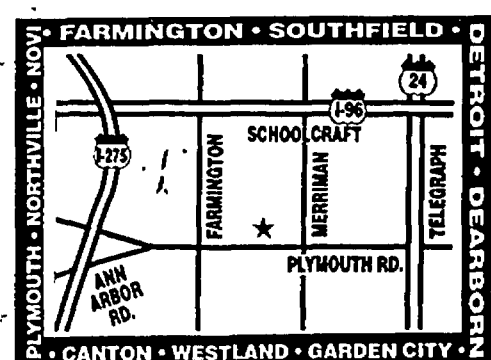
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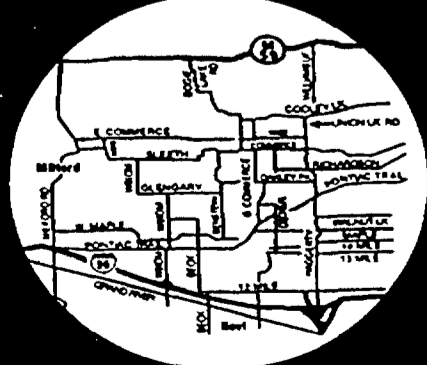
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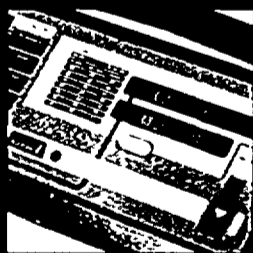
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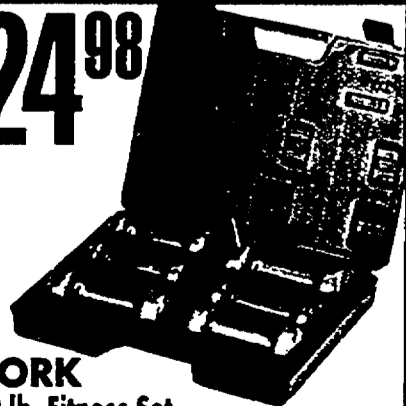
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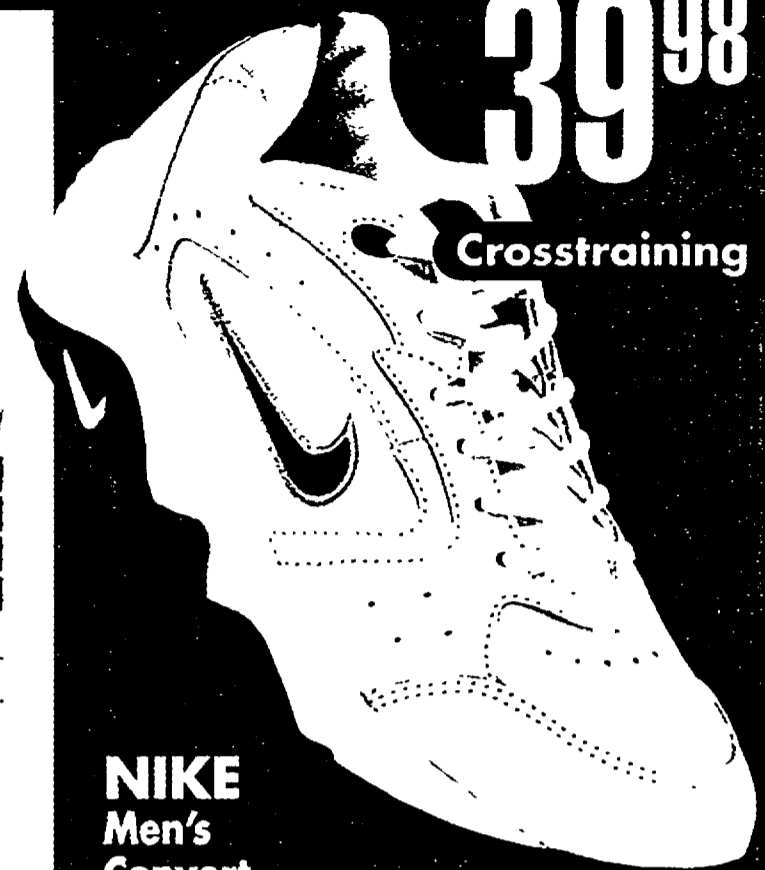
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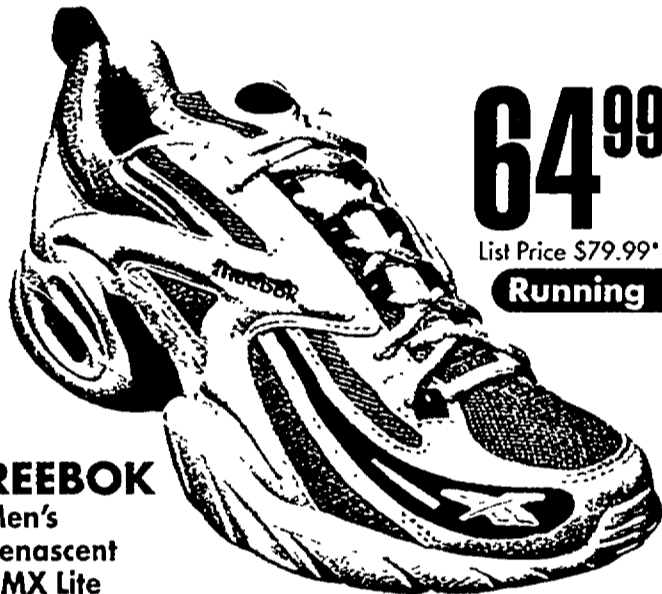
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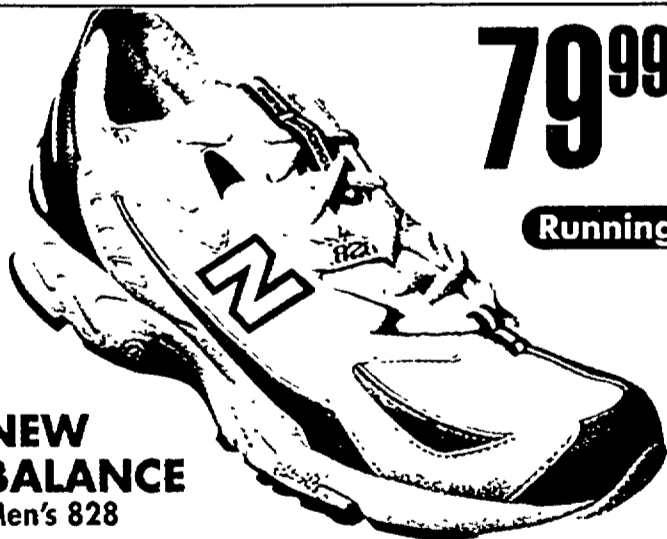
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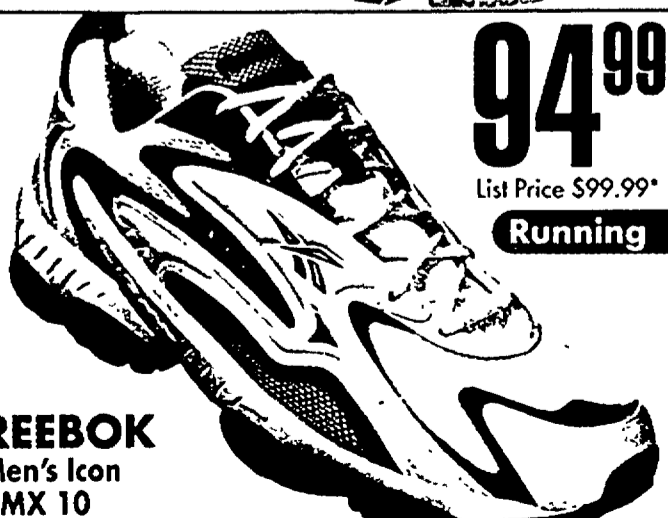


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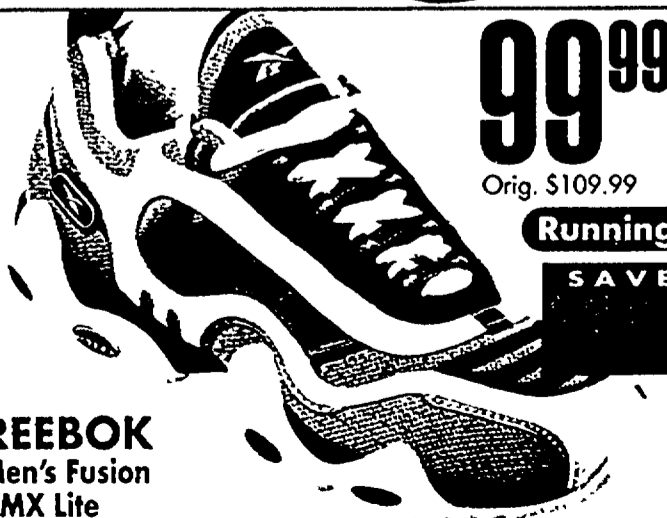


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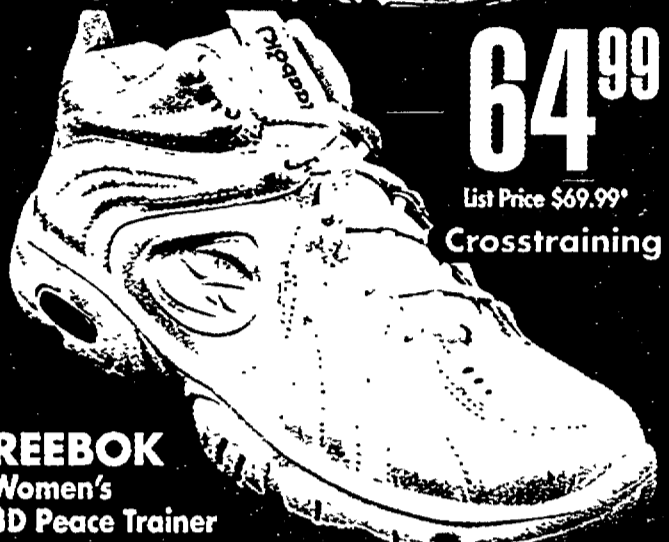
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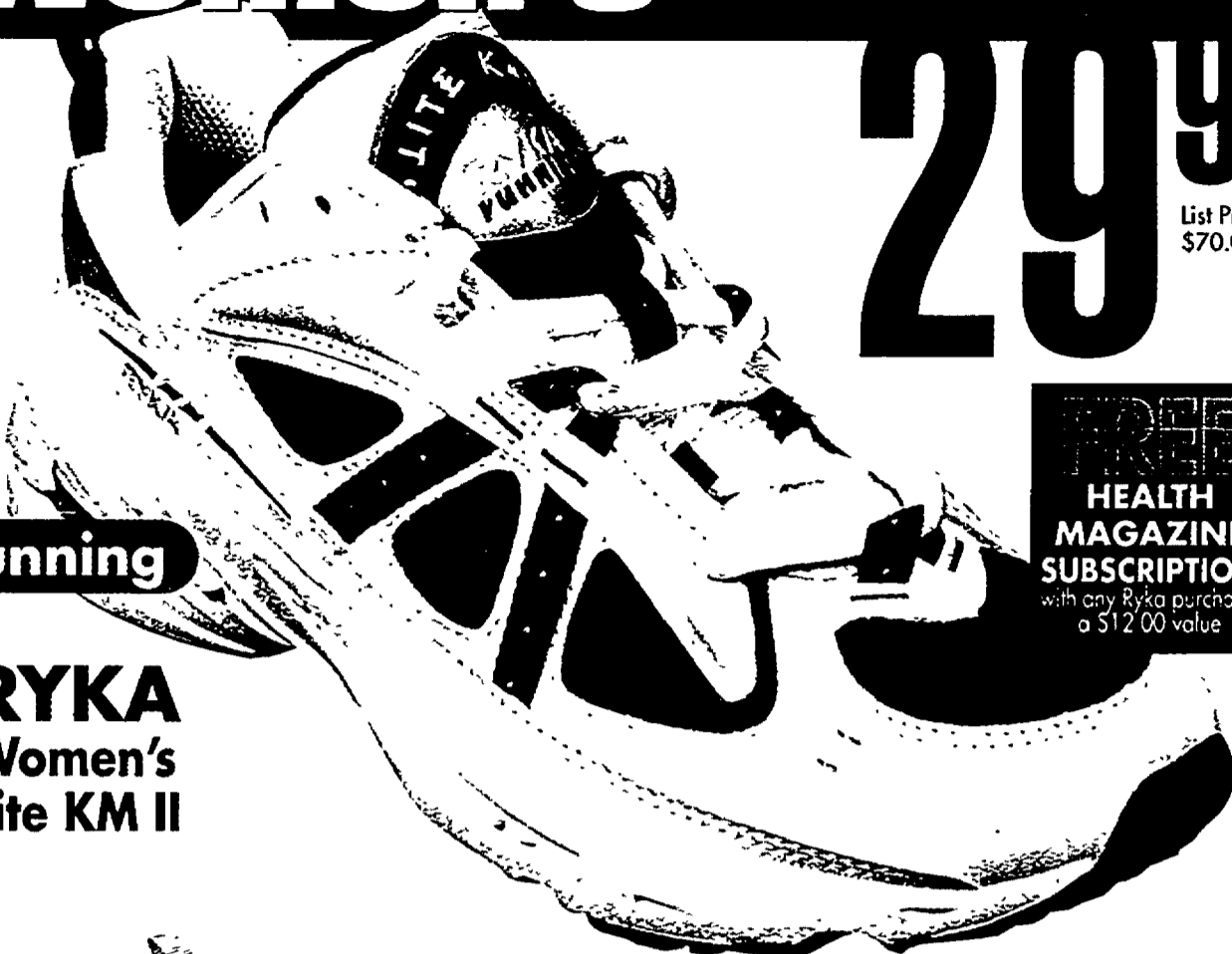


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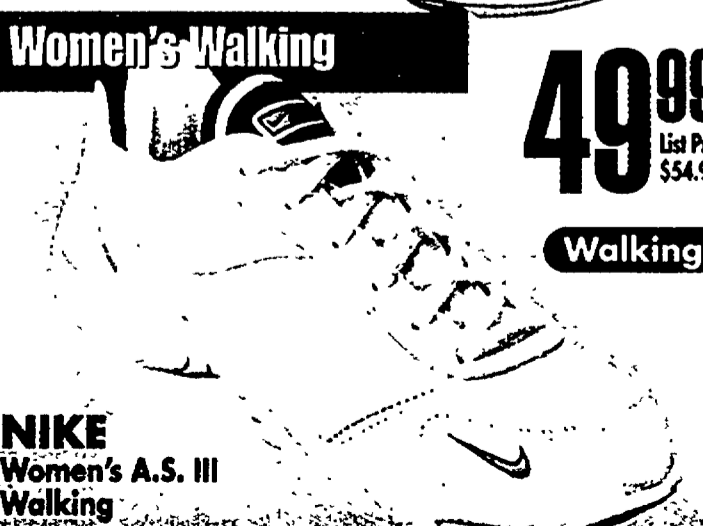
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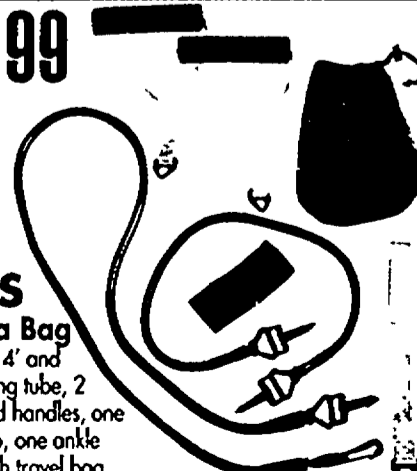
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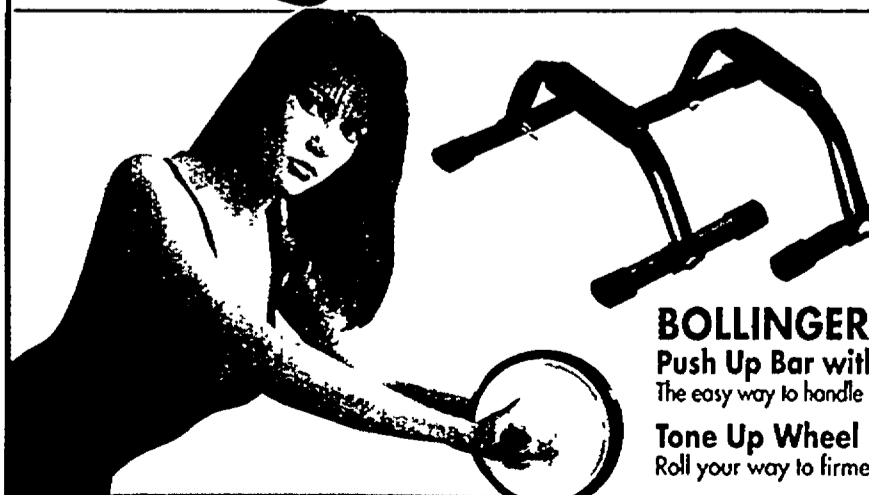
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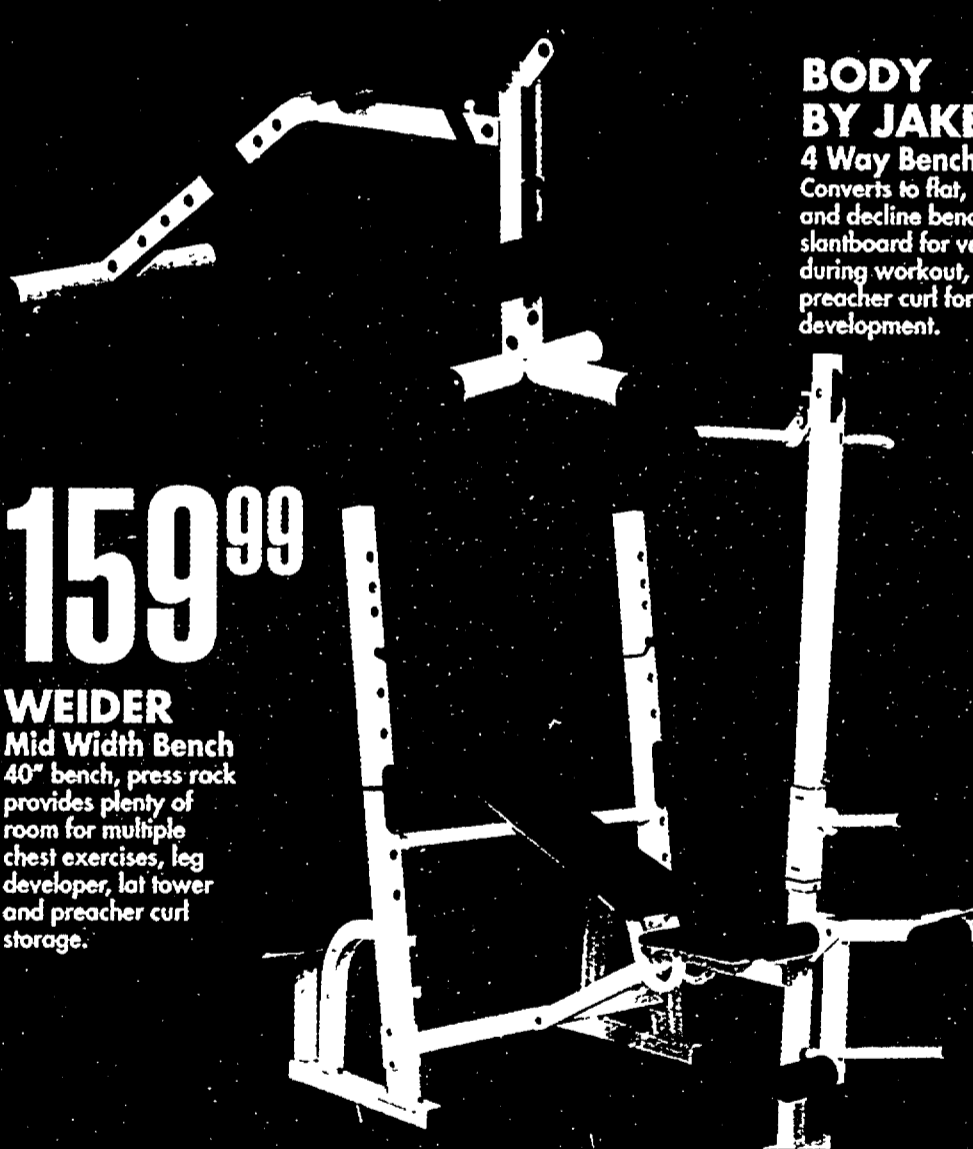
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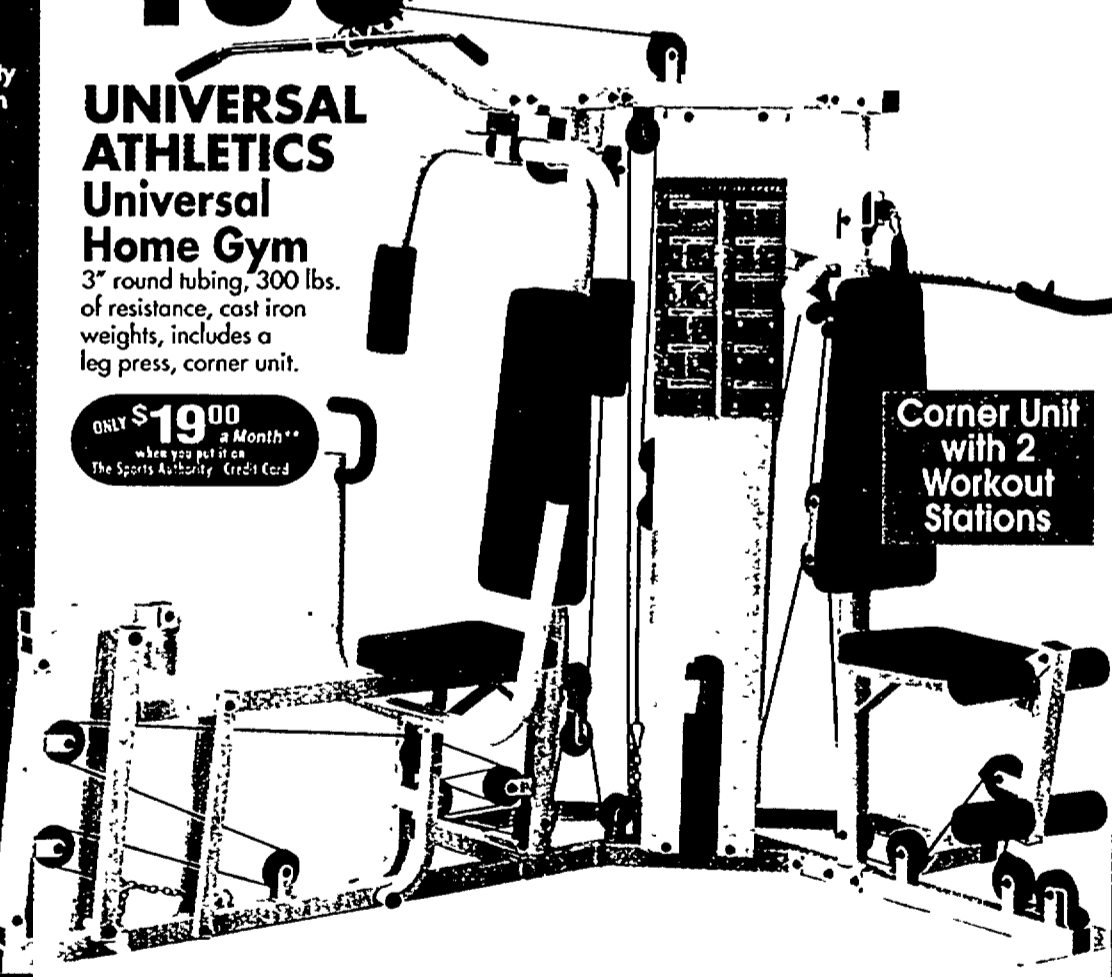
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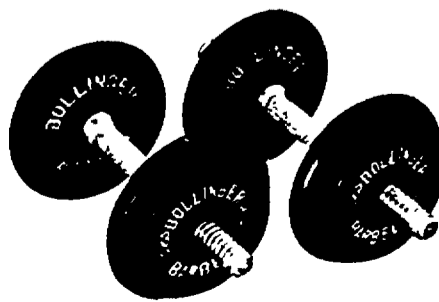


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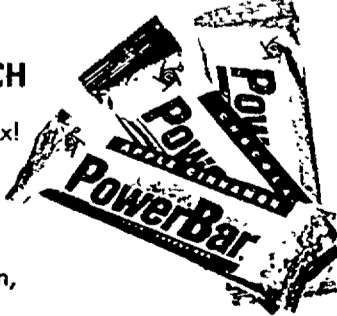
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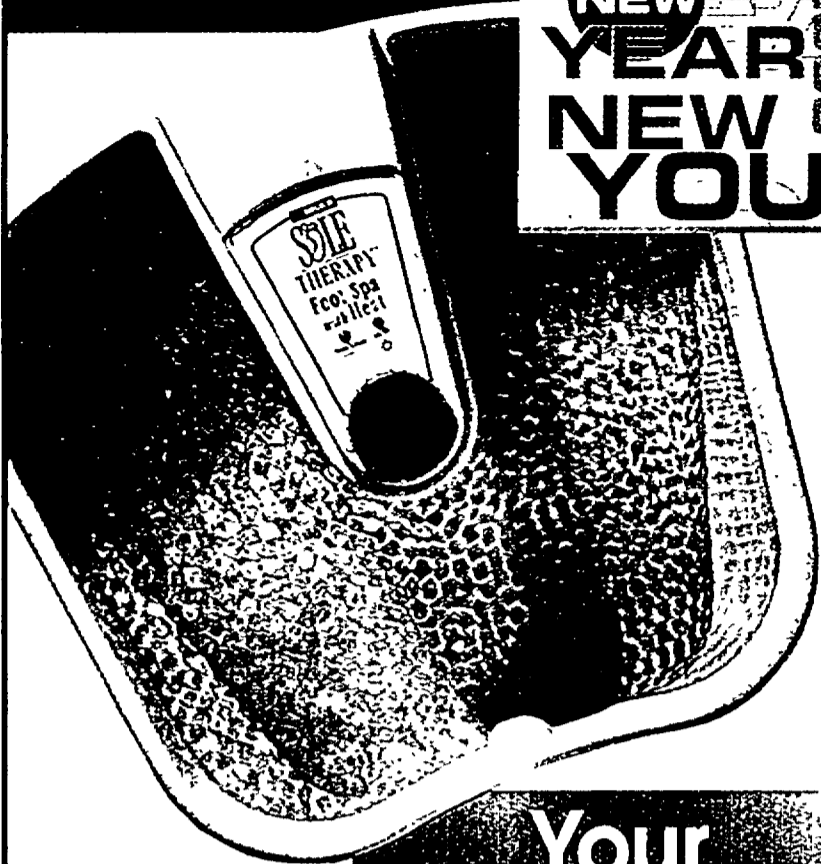


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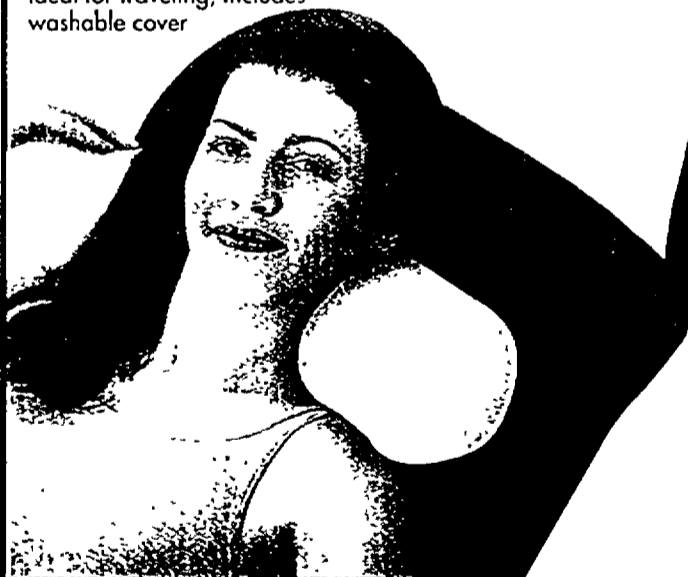
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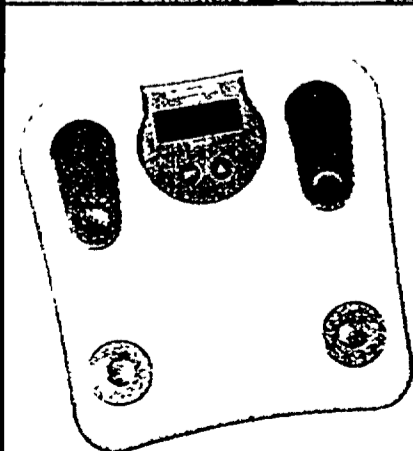
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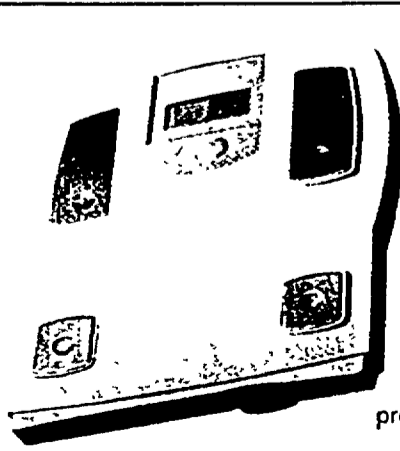
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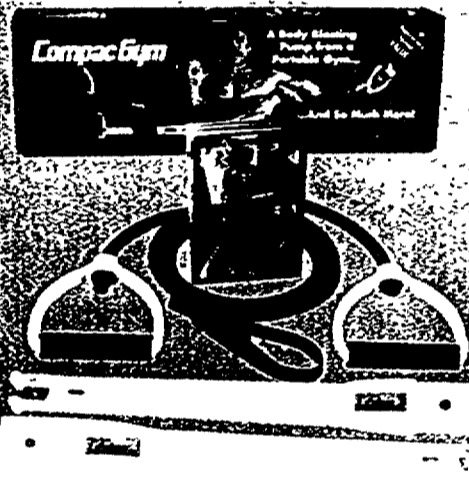
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Strengthens and tones your entire body, increases muscle flexibility and resilience, great for people of all ages, at all fitness levels.

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49⁹⁸ CENTURY Bag, Glove, Rope Training Set
Includes Medium Size Heavy Bag, Bag gloves, 16' Heavy Rope



99⁹⁹ CENTURY Wave Master
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Accuheight™ lift system features easy, accurate height adjustments from 7.5' to 10'.

SAVE

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SAVE
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Selection varies by store.

In Home Delivery & Assembly Available



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ROLLERBLADE
E2 Men's In-Line Skates
ABEC 3 bearings, 76mm wheels, Triforce™ technology for support and speed.

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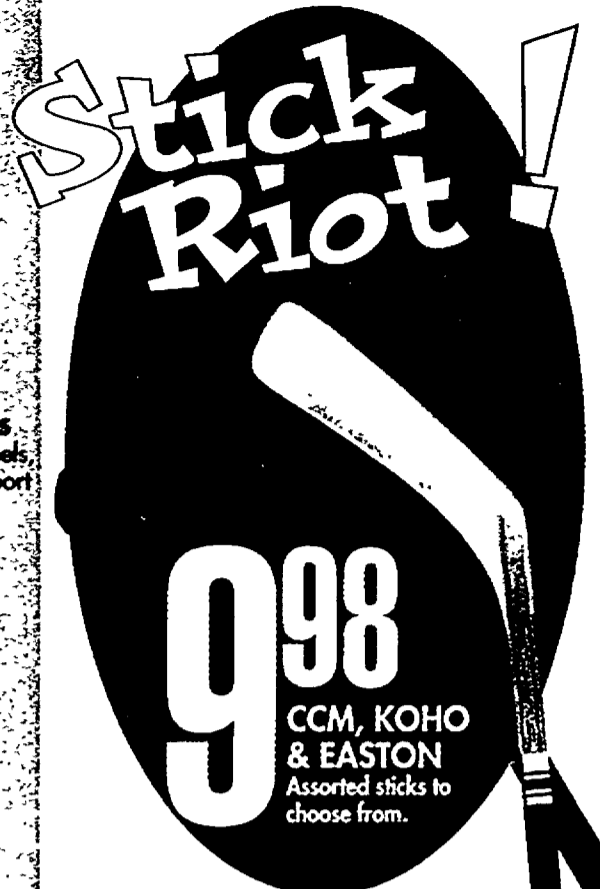


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\$5-\$10
on select backpacks

9⁹⁸
Orig. 14.98

NIKE
Wasatch Backpack
Discontinued Style, Water resistant



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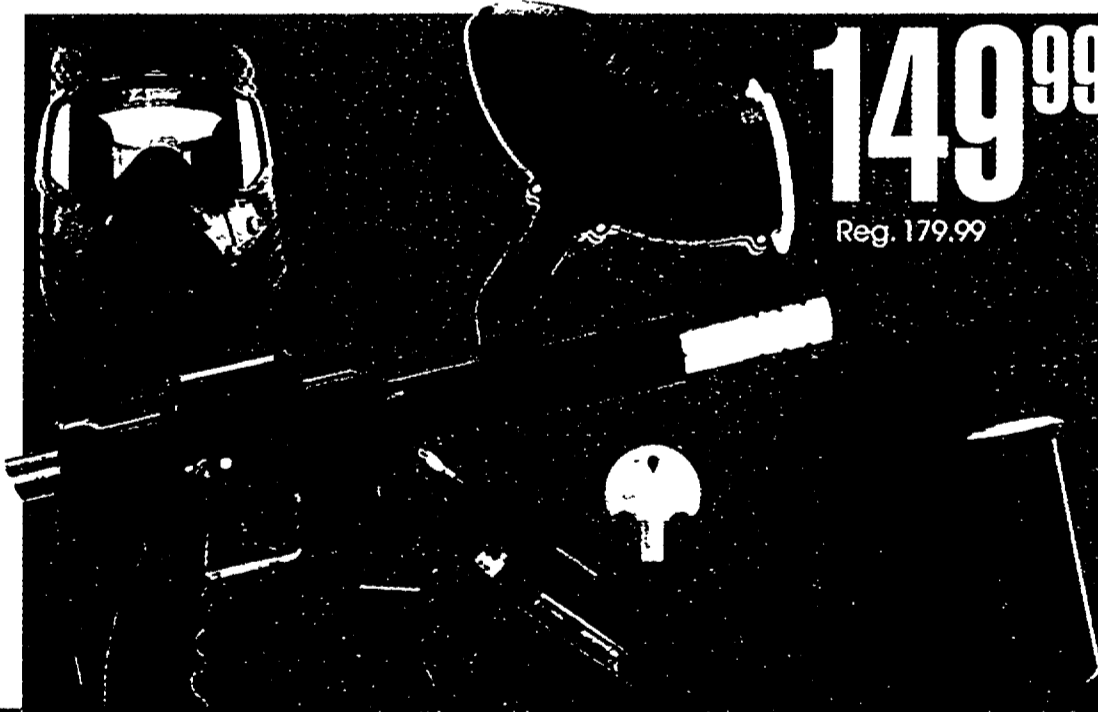
CCM, KOHO & EASTON
Assorted sticks to choose from.

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Orig. 49.99

SAVE



BAUER
Hockey Locker Bag

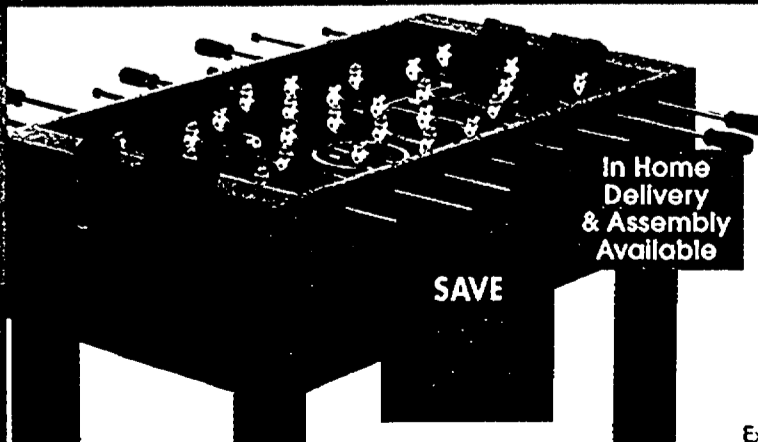


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Reg. 179.99

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Stingray Competition Kit
Includes Stingray™ II, barrel plug, deluxe mask, 9 oz. refillable cylinder, shoulder stock adapter, viewfinder, 200 round hopper, brake shoe, fiber optic sight, barrel squeegee.

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129⁹⁹ List Price \$350.00*

K2 SLX Skis

All around performance shape construction for easy turning.



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Freestyle performance, balanced flex for control.



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Health and Fitness tips

Put Exercise at the Top of Your To-Do List.

Many forms of moderate daily activity can significantly decrease your risk of heart disease, cancer, osteoporosis and other chronic diseases. The American College of Sports Medicine's guidelines for safe, productive exercise include cardiovascular, strength and flexibility training.



Functional exercise can complement your traditional training.

- Enjoy outdoor activity with your kids as you workout.
- Look for opportunities to walk instead of taking other transportation.
- Whenever possible take the stairs.

Think creatively about living actively and enjoy the benefits of better health!

For more tips and information, visit www.webmd.com

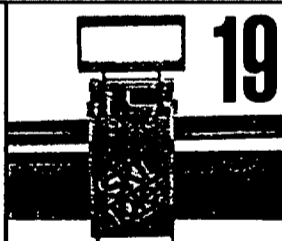
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Perfect for the slopes!

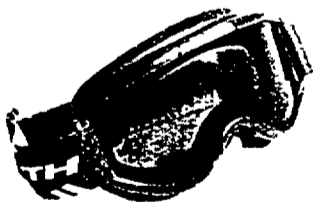
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MOTOROLA Talkabout 250
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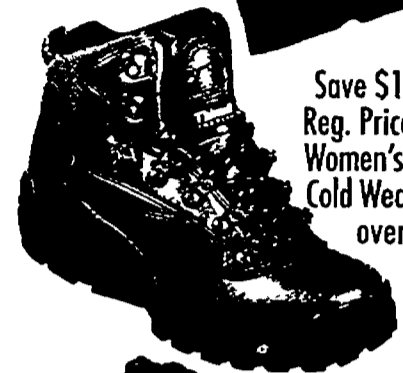
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New Year's Day 10am-9pm, Sunday, Jan. 2nd 10am-6pm
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Queen Size Oak Bedwall



"Bay View" Contemporary Oak Bedroom

Features beveled back mirror, hidden jewelry storage drawers, lighted headboard and storage areas and 5 foot height on bedroom.

Queen bedwall ... \$498.00
King size available at ... \$598.00

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★ Queen Bedwall
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AFTER BONUS!
\$498
Queen Bedwall

- 60" triple dresser \$498.00
- Beveled triple mirror \$218.00
- TV armoire chest \$598.00
- Queen size storage pedestal .. \$498.00
- Armoire drawer chest \$498.00
- 5' queen size bed wall \$498.00

All Bedroom Groups Include:



•All dressers, chests and armoires feature a velvet hide-away drawer



•Headboard has deep storage and velvet hide-away drawer



•Top drawers of all dressers, chests and armoires are cedar-lined

SPECIAL HOURS

New Year's Day
10 AM - 8 PM
Sunday
11 AM - 7 PM

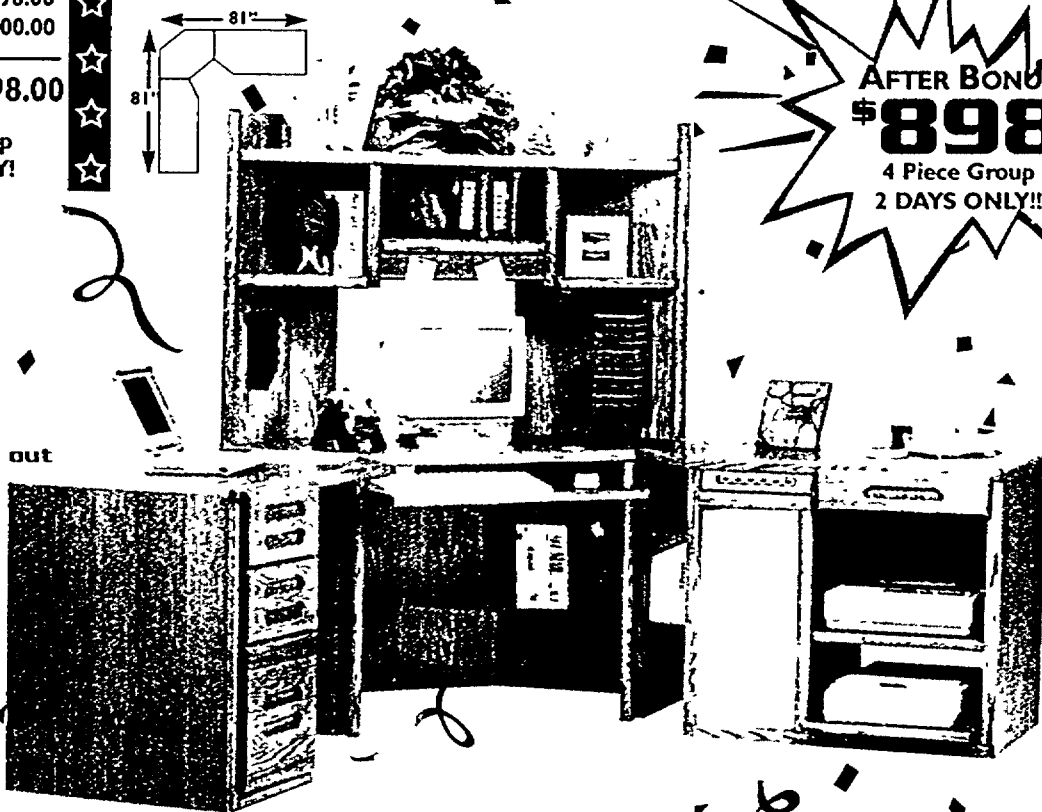
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Event Starts
NEW YEAR'S DAY
10 AM TO 8 PM
Event Ends
SUNDAY
at 7 PM

ULTIMATE COMPUTER CORNER WORKSTATION

★ Billy Bob's Price 998.00
 ★ New Year's Bonus -100.00
 ★ Your Price **\$898.00**
 ★ 4 Piece Group
 ★ 2 DAYS ONLY!

- Power surge protector
- 11" wide tower area
- Laser printer pull out
- Legal size file drawer
- 28" wide keyboard roll out
- 2 letter drawers
- Documentation shelf
- Pencil drawer



AFTER BONUS!
\$898
 4 Piece Group
 2 DAYS ONLY!!

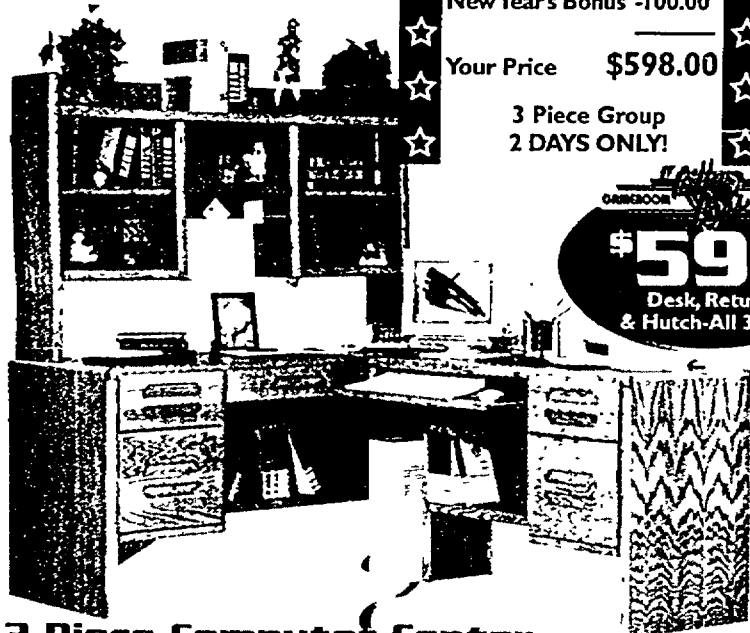
- CD disc storage rack
- Cork note strip
- Bookcase shelf
- Speaker area
- Holds 17" monitor
- Floppy disc storage
- Spin caddy storage
- 10 year Warranty

MADE IN THE U.S.A.

FACTORY ASSEMBLED & READY TO WORK!

Crafted of oak solids and select oak veneers, this four piece corner workstation has all the features needed for home computing. Factory assembled and ready to work. The two day price of \$898.00 for the group make this the best value for your hard earned money in all of metro Detroit!

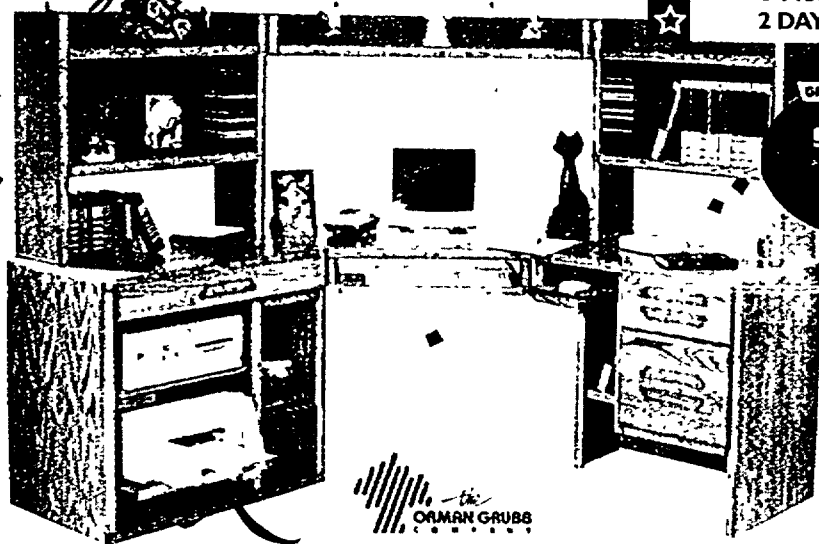
★ Billy Bob's Price 698.00
 ★ New Year's Bonus -100.00
 ★ Your Price **\$598.00**
 ★ 3 Piece Group
 ★ 2 DAYS ONLY!



3 Piece Computer Center

Exclusive to Billy Bobs, the above grouping includes a 60" desk with a 48" return and 60" storage hutch all crafted with Northern red oak and fully assembled. Made in the U.S.A.

\$598
 Desk, Return & Hutch-All 3 Pcs.



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 ★ Your Price **\$698.00**
 ★ 3 Piece Group
 ★ 2 DAYS ONLY!

\$698
 6 Pcs. Group
 As shown

"Homeworks" 6 Piece Oak Corner Office

The Ultimate Command Center features:

- Oversized keyboard roll out
- Roll out mouse pad
- 12" wide tower space
- Roll out laser printer shelf
- Large desk top surface
- Legal size file drawer
- Oversized pencil drawer
- Letter/box drawer
- CD and disk storage
- Factory assembled in the USA

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 ★ New Year's Bonus -100.00
 ★ Your Price **\$498.00**
 ★ 2 Piece Set
 ★ 2 DAYS ONLY!

Power-up Your CD-ROM Station

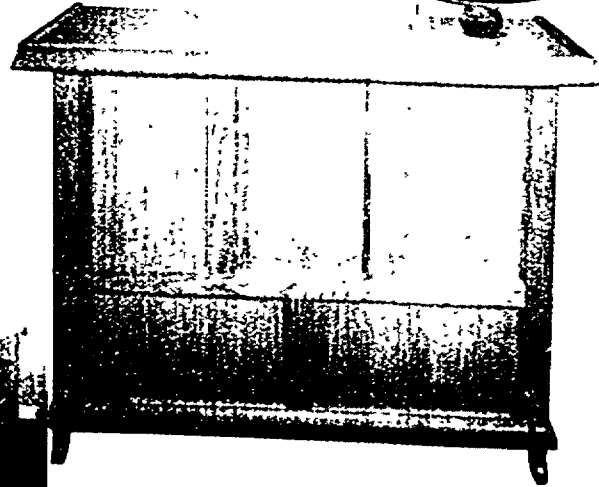
60" desk and hutch offer function and versatility - 17" monitors fit here! A lot of storage for all your stuff in letter/legal file drawer. Room for mouse and keyboard. Store 50 CDs in hutch racks. Made in the U.S.A.



\$498
 2 Piece Set

★ Billy Bob's Price 598.00
 ★ New Year's Bonus -100.00
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 ★ Oak Bar
 ★ 2 DAYS ONLY!

\$498
 Oak Bar



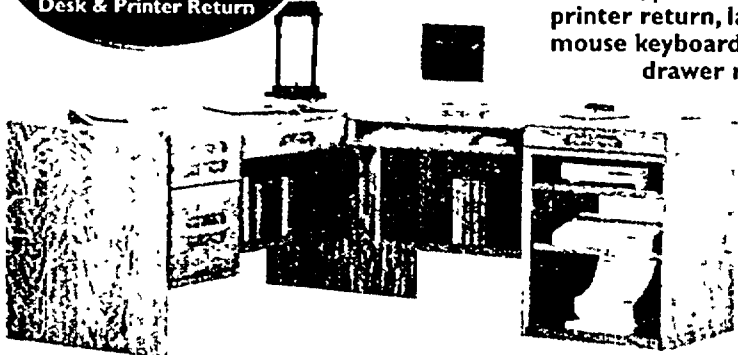
60" Oak Bar

- 60" real oak counter bar
- Wine rack
- Large 24" x 60" counter surface
- Brass foot rail
- Quantities are limited
- Adjustable back shelves
- Crafted with oak solids and select oak veneers
- 50 units available

\$498
 Desk & Printer Return

Desk and Return

Features 60" desk with legal size file drawer, letter drawer, pencil drawer, 54" printer return, large roll out mouse keyboard tray and disc drawer roll out for laser printer.



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 ★ New Year's Bonus -100.00
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 ★ 2 Piece Set
 ★ 2 DAYS ONLY!

ONE YEAR WARRANTY

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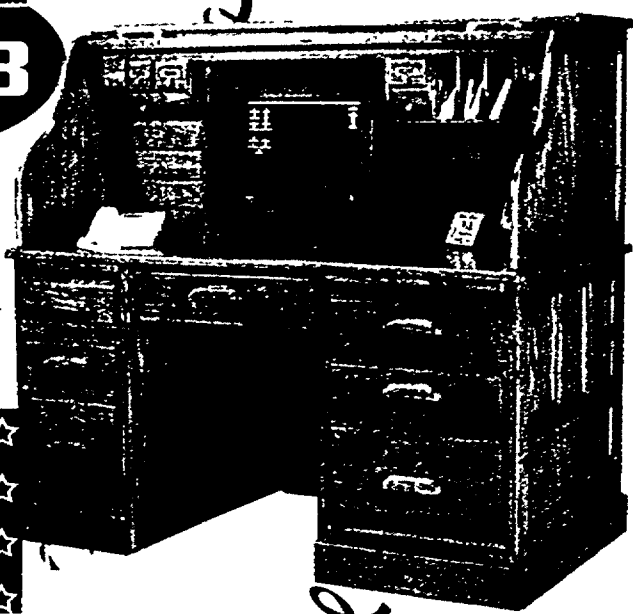
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A/V Unit

Den Size Entertainment Unit

- Rich golden oak finish
- Crafted with solid oak and select oak veneers
- Accommodates 27" TVs
- Beveled glass and brass doors
- Vertical tape library
- VCR storage
- 55" x 17" x 53"



\$1098
57" Roll Top



★ Billy Bob's Price 1198.00
★ New Year's Bonus -100.00
★ Your Price **\$1098.00**
★ 57" Roll Top
★ 2 DAYS ONLY!

57" Aspen Classic Roll Top

- No particle board
- Fully assembled
- Sealed lacquered finish
- Hidden compartments in roll tops
- Holds 17" monitor
- Newpoint surge protector built-in
- Universal pedestal
- All drawers constructed of hardwoods with English dove-tail construction
- 10 year warranty
- Digital storage drawer
- Mouse pull out for left or right



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\$698
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★ Billy Bob's Price 798.00
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★ Your Price **\$698.00**
★ Hide-A-Center
★ 2 DAYS ONLY!



Mission Styled Oak Hide-A-Center

- Crafted in California
- Rich spice oak finish
- Crafted of oak solids and select oak veneers
- CD storage
- Legal size file drawer
- Dual roll outs: one for keyboard/one for mouse
- 42"W x 26"D x 72"H
- 40 units available



Traditional Oak Hide-A-Center

Crafted in California

- Crafted of oak solids and select oak veneers
- Dual roll outs - one for keyboard and one for work surface
- Legal size file drawer
- Roll out printer tray
- 42"x26"x72"
- 40 units available

1698
As Shown

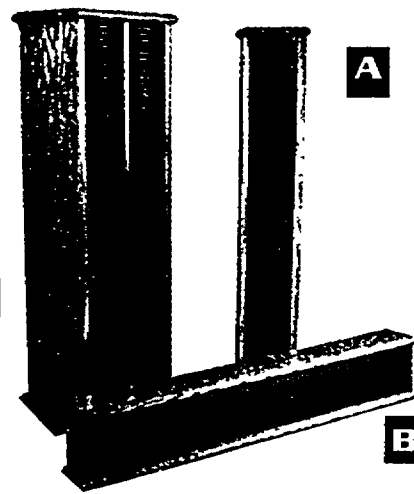


★ Billy Bob's Price 1798.00
★ New Year's Bonus -100.00
★ Your Price **\$1698.00**
★ As Shown
★ 2 DAYS ONLY!

Traditional Oak Big Screen Wall

- Rich medium oak finish
- Lighted display areas with dimmer control
- Vertical tape drawers holds 222 CDs or 90 VHS tapes (includes Disney)
- Solid oak raised panel doors
- Fits all big screens up to 60" wide
- Removable speaker inserts
- Surround sound ready

Holds Disney Tapes



Oak CD Organizers

- A. Vertical organizer holds 68 CDs..... **\$78** ea.
- B. Horizontal organizer holds 68 CDs..... **\$78** ea.
- C. Oak revolving CD tower accommodates 235 CDs..... **\$198** ea.

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★ Your Price **\$1498.00**

4 Piece Wall
2 DAYS ONLY!



Arts & Crafts Big Screen Wall

- Spice correct for time finished oak
- Lighted display areas
- Expands to hold big screen from 40" to 60" wide
- Removable speaker panels
- Beveled glass doors
- Central lighting control
- Tape storage libraries hold 120 VHS tapes or 240 CDs
- Extra deep audio pier to accommodate large components
- Authentic pewter finished hardware
- Made in the U.S.A.
- Add outside corner units for \$198.00 ea.



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Hutch Features

- Storage for 46 CD's
- 3 1/2" & 5 1/4" floppy disk storage
- 2 concealed storage areas behind panel doors
- Cork strip
- Bookshelf
- 2 speaker compartments
- Accommodates up to a 21" monitor

**AFTER BONUS!
\$398**
Two Piece Set

★ Billy Bob's Price 398.00
★ New Year's Bonus -100.00
★
★ Your Price **\$298.00**
★
★ Desk & Hutch
★ **2 DAYS ONLY!** ★

**AFTER BONUS!
\$298**
Two Piece Set

Desk Features

- 42" wide
- Extra-wide 38" keyboard extension tray
- Extra-wide CPU compartment
- Bookshelf



★ Billy Bob's Price 498.00
★ New Year's Bonus -100.00
★
★ Your Price **\$398.00**
★
★ Desk & Hutch Set
★ **2 DAYS ONLY!** ★

Hutch Features

- Storage for 23 CD's
- 3 1/2" & 5 1/4" floppy disk storage
- 2 concealed storage areas behind panel door
- Cork strip
- Bookshelf
- 2 speaker compartments
- Accommodates up to a 21" monitor

Desk Features

- 50" wide
- Legal/letter file drawer
- Sliding printer tray
- Extra-wide 28" keyboard extension tray
- Bookshelf



★ Billy Bob's Price 698.00
★ New Year's Bonus -100.00
★
★ Your Price **\$598.00**
★
★ Desk & Hutch
★ **2 DAYS ONLY!** ★

Hutch Features

- Storage for 23 CD's
- 3 1/2" & 5 1/4" floppy disk storage
- Concealed storage area behind panel doors
- Cork strip
- Bookshelf
- Accommodates up to a 21" monitor

**AFTER BONUS!
\$698**
Two piece set



**AFTER BONUS!
\$598**
Two Piece Set

★ Billy Bob's Price 798.00
★ New Year's Bonus -100.00
★
★ Your Price **\$698.00**
★
★ Desk & Hutch
★ **2 DAYS ONLY!** ★

- Desk Features**
- 62" wide
 - Legal file drawer
 - Sliding printer tray
 - Extra-wide 40" keyboard extension tray
 - Bookshelf



Hutch Features

- Storage for 46 CD's
- 3 1/2" & 5 1/4" floppy disk storage
- 2 concealed storage areas behind panel doors
- Cork strip
- Bookshelf
- 2 speaker compartments
- Accommodates up to a 21" moni-

Desk Features

- 74" wide
- 2 legal file drawers
- 2 utility file drawers
- Sliding printer tray
- Extra-wide 36" keyboard extension tray
- Extra-wide CPU compartment
- Bookshelf



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