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In sympathy

The death of a loved one can be a difficult thing to work through. Our special section answers many common questions.

Green Sheet

It's just organic

The name of the game is organic wares at Laura Schlict's Highland store. Find out about the store. Page 1D

Opinion

A month to give honor

Black History Month is a period of time we think should be celebrated everywhere. - Page 10A

Hometown Life

Home sweet home



Merchants showed their stuff for the home at the Novi Expo Center's Home Improvement Show last week. - Page 5B

Sports



Clap your hands

Amy Knoth and son Michael, 2, sing and clap along to "The Peanut Butter Song" during last week's Parent and Tot Fun Fitness Zone at the Northville Community Center. The class is designed to get tots and their parents active in group sports. It meets Wednesday mornings and is coached by Dave East.

The Victorian Village (South)

Northville snowbirds to reunite in Sunshine State



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Police arrest resident for taping models

Cops: hidden cams in changing rooms

By LON HUHMAN Staff Writer

Northville Township police assisted Brighton City Police in serving a

search warrant at the home of Northville Township resident Dennis McVittie. McVittie, 50, has been charged with felony eavesdropping for

allegedly

ness in Brighton.

on Jan. 24. The search recovered 12 video tapes from the home. The search of the home was initiated after the victim reported to police the alleged crime.

McVittie has been a resident of Northville for the past 20 years and resides in Northville Township with his wife and child.

The felonious crime took place on Jan. 23 at McVittie's Success Modeling & Talent Agency in Brighton. According to Det. John Westendorff of the Brighton City Police, the alleged victim, a 22year-old University of Michigan student, went to the Success Modeling & Talent Agency for an interview with McVittie.

During the interview. McVittle asked the woman to change into a bathing suit and he then left the office. He returned to ask her to try on another bathing suit. As she changed into the second bathing suit the victim noticed a

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Public restrooms have city thinking

By LON HUHMAN Staff Writer

Spending a day in downtown Northville can be both useful and enjoyable, but accessible public restrooms are becoming hard to find.

Northville Township police and

the Brighton City Police executed

the search of McVittle's residence

There are "This is definitely an issue restrooms in any given of concern with the future restaurant, but usually cusgrowth of downtown." tomers are the only people allowed to use them. Other

involve a joint partnership between local merchants and the DDA. The partnership would involve the sharing of maintenance costs and responsibilities. However, the idea of having a

permanent restroom facility in a central location still remains a open possibility.

This is definitely an issue of concern with Chris Johnson the future mayor, city of Northville growth of down-

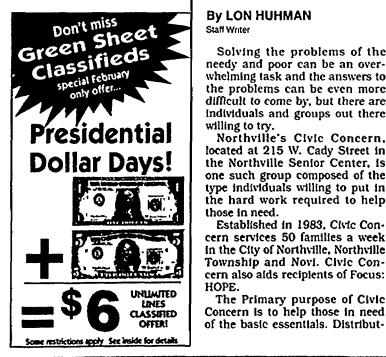
William McVittie secretly videotaping a woman undressing and putting on a bathing suit at his place of busi-

Back on track

The Mustangs basketball team got back into winning form last week. Find out about big the win. Page 1B

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By JENNIFER NORRIS Staff Writer

Food

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with help

of locals

type individuals willing to put in

the hard work required to help

Established in 1983, Civic Con-

cern services 50 families a week

in the City of Northville, Northville

Township and Novi. Civic Con-

cern also aids recipients of Focus:

The Primary purpose of Civic

Concern is to help those in need

By LON HUHMAN

Staff Writer

willing to try.

those in need.

The annual "Northville in Florida" reunion is fast approaching. This year's reunion is scheduled for Feb. 16 at the Hotel Jacaranda located at 19 East Main Street in Avon Park, Fla. Sandra Burns, a committee member and a 1960 Northville Northville together," said Burns, High School graduate, said she has been attending the reunion for last five years.

The reunion offers the chance for both current or former residents of Northville to reconvene in Florida for a special luncheon and a chance to reminisce.

"It was just to get the people of

adding that some reunion guests plan their vacations around that same time period. "It's open to all that want to attend that have [any] ties...with Northville."

A private dining room at the Hotel Jacaranda will be available at 11 a.m. and a luncheon will fol-

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businesses and buildings will

also have restrooms, but only for said. There are at this time severemployees. So what is a person only needing to use the restroom to do?

This issue is now a topic of discussion for the Northville City Council, Downtown Development Authority and local merchants. The city council and DDA have proposed a plan that would

town," Mayor Chris Johnson

al businesses that do not mind the public using their restrooms. but the concern is of having. added traffic in and out of the businesses purely for the use of the restroom."

According to Johnson, who is also the chairman of the DDA.

Fleming

Northville

sales rep

Ed Fleming wants your business, yes. But more important, he wants to know about your business -- and wants to help it grow.

Fleming, 56, has been brought

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hired as Solving the problems of the needy and poor can be an overwhelming task and the answers to the problems can be even more difficult to come by, but there are individuals and groups out there where Northville's Civic Concern, located at 215 W. Cady Street in 11 the Northville Senior Center, is one such group composed of the

Photo by JOHN HEIDER

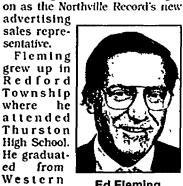
Haroid Price, left, and Dick Wazny help Northville Civic Concern director Marlene Kunz pack a bag with donated goods in the senior center's emergency food pantry. Food is distributed at the center on the second and fourth Friday of each month from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

ing food is the foremost objective of the all-volunteer organization. However, the organization does provide assistance for utilities (with the exception of telephones). housing, medical and educational needs.

*Civic Concern works to see that the less fortunate do not go without the essentials," said Civic Concern director Marlene Kunz. "We are an emergency service provider and emergencies can arise from many sources."

The sources for the emergencies can be such things as unemployment, eviction or health problems. With Civic Concern's assistance, many of the needs of every-

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Ed Fleming

in 1966 with a bachelor's degree in small business administration.

For 10 years he worked for Allied Supermarkets - which would be bought out by Great Scott - and, later, Farmer Jack. Before coming to Northville, Flem-

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Police Reports

NORTHVILLE TOWNSHIP POLICE

OUIL: Northville Township police arrested a 31-year-old Howell man for OUIL on Feb. 2 after the man was observed weaving in his lane while driving.

According to police reports, an officer was driving eastbound on Seven Mile directly behind the man's Chevy Lumina. The officer observed the Lumina crossing the dotted line from the right lane into the left as both vehicles passed Northridge Drive. The Lumina then proceeded to straddle the dotted line twice in front of the State Psychiatric Hospital.

The officer finally stopped the Lumina on Seven Mile just east of the Hospital. The officer detected the strong odor of alcohol coming from the vehicle. The officer questioned the man if he had been drinking, and the man said "yes."

The man informed the officer that he had about five beers at the Wagon Wheel. The officer then asked the man to perform a series of field sobriety tests. Before ask-

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ing to perform, the officer asked the man if he had any leg, feet or lower back injuries. The man said he did not.

As the officer asked the man to perform the one leg stand the man told the officer that he had reconstructive surgery on his left knee three times. He also said that he was not wearing his contacts. The officer observed the man's eyes as being red and glossy.

The man was then given a breathalyzer test. The blood-alcohol content registered at 0.14. The man was arrested for OUIL and transported to the township police department. He was later released on personal bond and will be in the 35th District Court on Feb. 8.

OUIL, Pt. II: A 39-year-old Northville woman was arrested for OUIL on Feb. 5 by Northville Township police.

The officer observed a Mercury Sable heading west on Seven Mlle in the left lane and weaving just west of Northridge Drive. According to Police reports, the driver drifted right crossing into the right

lane. The woman then made a abrupt correction to the left crossing the double yellow dividing line.

The officer proceeded to stop the sable at Innsbrook Drive. The officer observed the woman to have blood shot eyes and having the odor of intoxicants on her breath. After questioning, the woman informed the officer that she had a couple of drinks and that it had been a hard night because she broke up with her boyfriend.

The woman was given a breathalyzer test, which checked in at 0.174. The officer arrested the woman for OUIL. The woman will be in the 35th District Court on Feb. 9

NORTHVILLE CITY POLICE

GIRLS, GIRLS, GIRLS: Northville City police apprehended a 16-year-old Northville male for violation of the curfew ordinance after he was stopped for driving recklessly.

The City officer reported that a Ford pick-up truck was stopped at

the flashing red light on N. Center Street at Eight Mile. The truck was then observed turning eastbound onto Eight mile. While turning the driver drove over the curb.

The officer proceeded to follow the truck down Eight Mile. Before reaching Novi Road the driver swerved across the double yellow lines. The officer finally stopped the truck.

The driver informed the officer that he did not have his license with him and that the truck was his stepfather's. The officer informed the 16-year-old driver that he was breaking the curfew ordinance and then questioned him to where he was going at 2 a.m. The driver said he was going to see some girls in South Lyon.

The officer issued a curfew violation to the 16-year-old driver.

TO TELL THE TRUTH: After being in a real accident, a 22-yearold New Hudson female filed a false accident report.

According to city police reports. a officer was dispatched to Innsbrook Apartments to take a hit

er and run report. The female informed the officer that as she driving southbound on S. Main Street a green SUV came up behind her Chevy Blazer.

The woman said the two vehicles were approaching Seven Mile when the accident occurred. Her Blazer was in the left lane and the green SUV swerved in front of her cutting her off and causing her to take evasive action. This evasive action caused her vehicle to go over a median and hit a tree on the driver's side.

The officer reported the Blazer having extensive damage to the left side or driver's side. The front tire was flat and the left side mirror was missing. The driver side window and back window on the left were both broken.

Another city officer had gone to the reported scene of the accident and found no evidence of one taking place. The officer with the woman then repeated where and how the accident took place and while doing this the officer reported observing the woman getting nervous. The officer then asked the woman if she was telling the truth. The woman said she was.

The officer then decided to drive the woman to the supposed accident scene. As they left Innsbrook, the officer noticed tire tracks going off of innsbrook Drive to the north into a small wooded area. After, some questioning the woman still said the accident occurred at the original location.

On arrival both officers found no indication of an accident. The woman finally recanted her story, and said the tire tracks back at Innsbrook were from her Blazer,-The woman said that a vehicle, pulled out in front of her as she changed the radio station causingto swerve off the road.

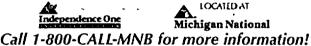
The woman has been charged with filling a false police report.

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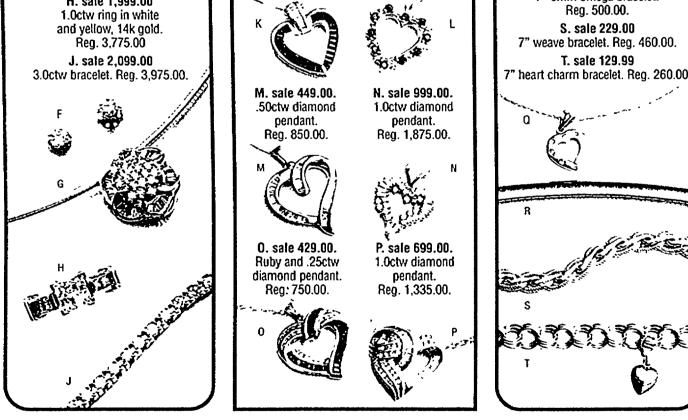


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Northville School Briefs

PSYCHOLOGIST TO DISCUSS ELEMENTARY-AGE CHILDREN

John Bernardo, a Detroit Public School Psychologist will be presenting 'Healthy Self-esteem: The Gift of a Lifetime" at Silver Springs Elementary School on Tuesday Feb. 20 from 7 p.m. to 8:45 p.m.

The lecture is targeted for parents with preschool to elementary age children. The event is free of charge and is sponsored by the PTAs of Northville. Area residents are welcome to attend.

For more information contact Kathy Bernard at (248) 305-8614.

DISTRICT HOSTS PARENNTAL HELP TALK ON PUBERTY

Dr. Lori VanderRoost will be presenting "The Care and Keeping of You-Talking to Your Children about Puberty* at the little theater inside Winchester Elementary Feb. 22 from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

The lecture is aimed for parents with children in grades 3 through 6. The event is free of charge and is sponsored by the PTAs of Northville. Area residents are welcome to attend.

For more information contact Cathy Ponder at (248) 348-4238.

KINDERGARTEN ROUND UP

If you have a child who will enter the Northville Public Schools kindergarten program in August 2001, please contact your local elementary school as soon as possible. Each elementary school offers an evening meeting for parents along with a visitation opportunity for incoming kindergartners during late April or early May 2001 for families of children who will enter kindergarten the following August. Parent meetings and student visitations are p.m.

scheduled as follows:

- Amerman (248) 344-8405
- Parent Meeting: May 1, at 7 p.m.
- Student Visitations: May 3. p.m.; May 4, a.m. Moraine
- (248) 344-8473
- Parent Meeting: May 3, 6:30
- p.m. Student Visitations: May 10, p.m.: May 11, a.m.
- Silver Springs
- (248) 344-8410
- Parent Meeting: May 1, 7 p.m. Student Visitations: May 8, p.m.; May 9, a.m.
- **Thornton Creek** (248) 344-8475 Parent Meeting: May 3, 7 p.m. Student Visitations: May 10,
- p.m.; May 11, a.m. Winchester
- (248) 344-8415
- Parent Meeting: April 26, 6:30

Student Visitations: May 2. p.m.; May 3, a.m.

Early Childhood Center Registration The Early Childhood Center will be hosting registration for

new families on March 26 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Registration procedures will be held at 501 W. Main St. in

Northville. The family registration is geared for parents of elementary school age children as well as preschool age children. For more information on regis-

tering, contact the Early Childhood Office at (248) 344-8465. **STUDENTS SCORE HIGH ON NATIONAL GERMAN** EXAM

The following students have scored at or above 90 percent on the National German Exam at Northville High School.

Level 4: Powen Shiah, 96: Justin Messer, 92.

Level 3: Christy Tao. 93: John Sannar, 92; Elizabeth Lahiff, 91. Level 2: Dan Hoffman, 99; Leah Worbs, 97; Laura Motz, 96; Melissa Doyle. 95: Thad Stewart. 94: Julia Powell. 94: Charles Snearly. 93: Christina Sammut, 92; Peter Kelley, 91; Elizabeth Cohen, 90; 'Bethany Sprader, 90; Jaclyn Gutmann. 90.

The National German Exam is sponsored by the American Association of Teachers of German for students whose teachers are members of the organization. The exam is taken by the best German students at many schools nationwide. At Northville High School, every student in the German Department levels 2-4 takes the exam. This year, all but 27 students earned scores which the AATG interprets as worthy of an A. All but two had a B or better.

Students who were named to the high scoring list will be eligi-

ble to compete in the National German Contest in the likely event that their scores are at or above the 90th percentile, nationally. The first round of competition involves a lengthy application process. German language essay writing and a recommendation from German teachers.

Students who make the next cut will receive surprise telephone interviews in German from representatives of the AATG, followed by personal German interviews for students who impress the judges the most. The top contenders are honored at a banquet in Lansing in the spring and a Michigan student will win a stipend to study in Germany during the summer of 2001.

During the six years Northville High School has been part of this process, NHS students have won the National German Contest several times. Last year, Justin Messer won the award and spent a month in Nuremberg.





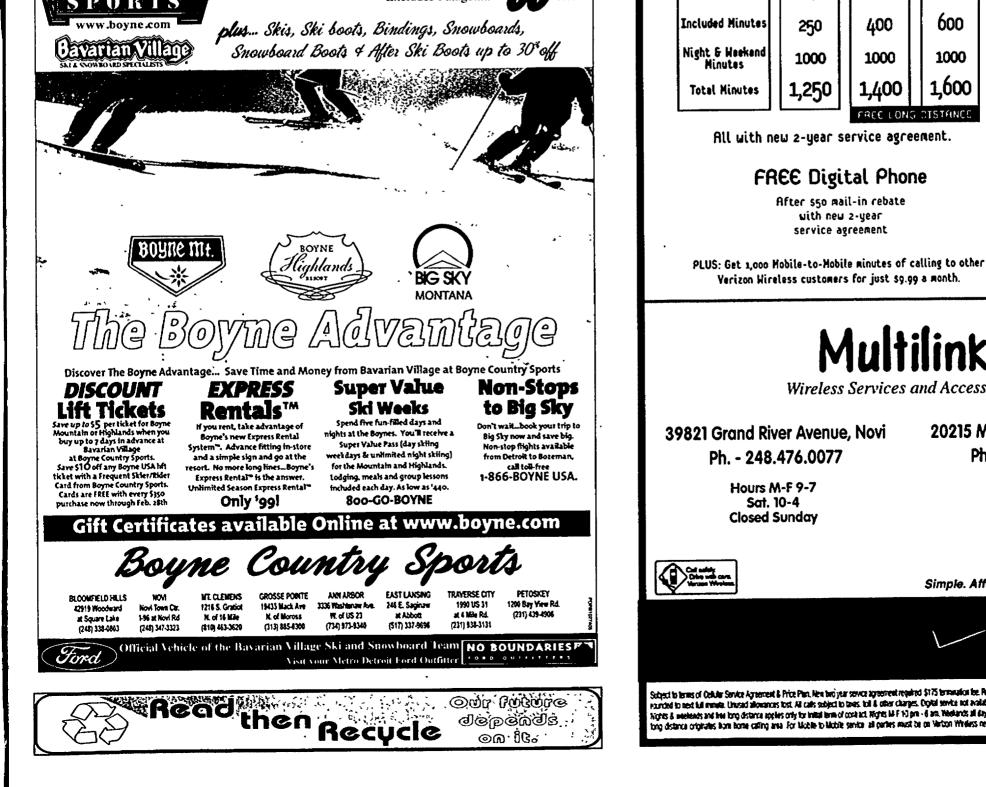
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Obituaries

WILLIAM PAINE KLOPE William Klope died Feb. 1 at his home in Northville, He was 104.

Mr. Kløpe was bord in Morgan County, Tenn. on April 10, 1896 to Peter Klope and Carrie (Johnson) Klope Mr. Klope married Irwinal L. Klope on May 20, 1920, and spent his life working as a welder for General Motors.

Mr. Klope is survived by his children — Eleanor Williams of Northville, Allen Klope of Big Rapids and Betty St. Amour of California. He is also survived by 10 grandchildren, 12 great grandchildren and one great-great grandchild.

A funeral for Mr. Klope was held Feb. 5 at First Presbyterian Church of Northville, with Rev. Kent Clise officiating. Interment was at White Chapel Cemetery of Troy. Visitation was held at Casterline Funeral Home of Northville.

Memorial contributions may be made to the charity of a donor's choosing

CASMIER L. PALERMO

Casmer L. Palermo died at Sunrise Assisted Living of Northville on Jan. 30. He was 85.

Mr. Palermo was born in Buffalo, N.Y. on Oct. 1, 1915 to Anthony Palermo and Rose (Grimaldi) Palermo. Mr Palermo worked at Chrysler for more than 30 years as a credit analyst and had resided in Northville since 1989.

Visitation was held at the Northrop Sassaman Funeral Home on Feb 1 with a Mass following on Feb 2 at St. Kenneth's Church in Plymouth. Interment was at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

Mr. Palermo is survived by his two children - Richard (Desiree) Palermo of Grand Ledge and Carohn (Wilham) McGuire of Novi. He is also survived by six grandchildren and two brothers.

PAMELA S. ADAMS

Pamela S. Adams of South Lyon died Feb. 3 at her home. She was

Ms. Adams was born Feb. 26. 1946 in Washington, Pa. to George McQuown and Gertrude (Ealy) McQuown. She later married Donald J. Adams on Nov. 2, 1990.

Ms. Adams worked as a bookkeeper for Countyline Contractors. She also was a member of Taylor Cmmanuel Baptist Church in Tayfor and was affiliated with Collie Rescue.

Ms. Adams is survived by her

husband; children - Robert (Lisa) Mueller of Minnesota. Deborah (Scott) Hutchison of Livonia, James (Trina) Mueller of Fowlerville; siblings - Betty Yates of Fort Pierce, Fla.; and seven grandchildren.

A funeral was held Feb. 7 at Casterline Funeral Home of South Lyon with Pastor Edward A. Crider officiating. Interment was at Washtenong Memorial Park.

MARK J. SMITH

Mark J. Smith of Plymouth died in Livonia on Jan. 30. He was 50.

Mr. Smith was born Aug. 27. 1950 in Northville. He was a batchman for National Concrete Products in Plymouth, and came to the Plymouth community in 1994 from Ypsilanti. He enjoyed traveling and hunting in his spare time.

Mr. Smith is survived by his wife. Georgina: mother. Helen Smith of Rose City: step-children — Jeffrey Sykes of Northville, Jamie Sykes of Belleville, Lisa (Chuck) Boggs of Ann Arbor, Donna Froehlich of Belleville: siblings — Helen (Jerry) Stevens of Northville, Robert Smith of Albany, Ga.; and grandchildren Jeremy Sykes, Samantha Sykes. Ethan Sykes and Kerry Smith.

A funeral for Mr. Smith was held Feb. 1 at Schrader-Howell Funeral Home of Plymouth with Rev. Roy Forsyth officiating. Interment was at Oakland Hills Cemetery in Novi.

MARY LOUISE PALMER

Mary L. Palmer of Northville died on Jan. 29. She was 79.

Ms. Palmer was born in Coshocton. Ohio on Oct. 30, 1921. A resident of Northville for 45 years. Ms. Palmer was a member of the Nursing Association, Rotary Anns, PTA, United Methodist Andrews and was a church camp nurse. She enjoyed sewing, gardening and cooking. Ms. Palmer was a valedictorian of her high school and was a graduate of St. Luke Hospital of Nursing in Cleveland. Ms. Palmer worked as a nurse at University Hospital in Ann Arbor and was a Red Cross nurse. She also worked with her husband, Frank, as a secretary in the family business.

Ms. Palmer is survived by her children – Judy Allen of Duluth. Minn., Marie L. Short of London, Ontario, Charles A. (Lynn) Palmer of Canton and Paul V. (Marie) Palmer of South Lyon; 18 grandchildren, 16 great grandchildren, 47 special Asian sons and 25 special Asian grandchildren. Visitation was held at Vermeulen

Funeral Home in Plymouth on Jan. 30. A memorial service was held Jan. 31 at First United Methodist Church of Plymouth, officiated by Dr. Dean Klump. Interment was at Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth.

Memorial contributions may be made to either the Salvation Army of Plymouth or First United Methodist Church of Plymouth.

KELLY JANE PRICE

Kelly J. Price of Northville died Feb. 3 at her home. She was 41.

1959 in Detroit to William Frank Price and Suzanne (Higdon) Price. She earned a AA degree and worked in the legal department of an automotive company.

Ms. Price is survived by her parents, Suzanne Price of Northville and William Frank Price of Wisconsin, as well as her brother. William

A funeral for Ms. Price was held Feb. 7 at Casterline Funeral Home of Northville with Pastor Mark Moore officiating. Interment was at Rural Hill Cemetery of Northville.

SW 130th Ave., Davie, Fla. 33325.

Lyle E. Gatrell of Novi died at

Mr. Gatrell was born Aug. 10. 1926 in Greens Run, W. Va. to Glenn R. Gatrell and Ida E. Johnson. He later married Jean E. Gatrell, who survives him.

Mr. Gatrell lived most of his life in the Novi area and had a career as a welding technician.

In addition to his wife. Mr. Gatrell is survived by his siblings Geneva Wolfe of West Virginia. Juanita Glenn of Gladwin, Betty Hammett of West Virginia, Jack R. Gatrell of Northville, Geraldine Lamp of West Virginia and Evelyn White of Northville: children of Howard City and Douglas M. of ceded in death by one daughter -Lois E. Rambo.

held Feb. 7 at Casterline Funeral Home of Northville with Rev. Gordon Nusz of First United Methodist Church of Northville officiating.

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LYLE E. GATRELL

Hospice Home of Farmington Hills on Feb. 3. He was 74.

Sharon K. Gatrell of Ohio, Renee A Jewett of Illinois, Helen B. Gatrell Oregon. He is also survived by seven grandchildren. He was pre-

A funeral for Mr. Gatrell was

at the Milford High School Center for the Performing Arts

2380 S. Milford Road, Highland, MI

Tickets may be purchased at the following locations: Read Between the Lines at 341 N. Main Street in downtown Milford Huron Valley Schools Credit Union at 145 E. Ruggles, Highland Personal checks and cash payment only please. Tickets may also be purchased by mailing your check to HVEF, P.O. Box 568, Milford, MI 48381 For additional information, please call (248) 685-0143

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Northville reunion slated for Florida

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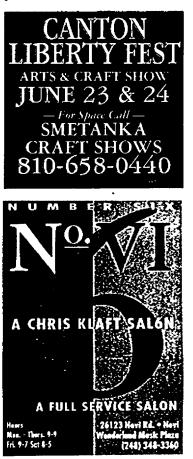
A buffet luncheon will be served and will include fish, shrimp, fried and baked chicken, vegetables, rice, pasta, soup, salad bar, beverage and dessert bar. There is a charge of \$11 per person.

Reunion guests have come from several states in past years, each having a connection with Northville in common. She said in the last few years of the reunion there have been approximately 100 people attend the event.

Burns said that a large majority of attendees either attended school in Northville or owned businesses in the area.

For more information on attending the Northville in Florida reunion, call Sandra Burns at (863) 655-6806.

Jennifer Norris is a staff writer for the Northville Record. She can be reached for comment at (248) 349-1700 or by e-mail at jnorris&ht.homecomm.net.





Fleming selected as Record's new ad rep

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ing worked for the Northwest Gazette in Farmington. A big auto racing fan. Fleming is the editor of the MG sports car newsletter and is the proud owner of a 1973 MG. MG is a British made sports car. Fleming is also into ceramics. making items for friends and family. Fleming has been a Northville resident for the past 29 years.

"Northville is a quaint town with a lot of activities." Fleming said. "It's close to all the shopping centers of Detroit but it feels like its out in the country." Advertising director Lisa

Dranginis said Fleming's main interest was in finding solutions for businesses in Northville and Northville Township.

"Our success is directly tied to the success of the businesses we work for," Dranginis said. "Ed has a full understanding of his role and has said many times to me that his aim is to come up with 'solutions for businesses of all sizes. He'll work very hard in that capacity."

Fleming will be responsible for handling accounts for those wishing to advertise in the Record. He can be reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 101. or nusales@ht.homecomm.net.



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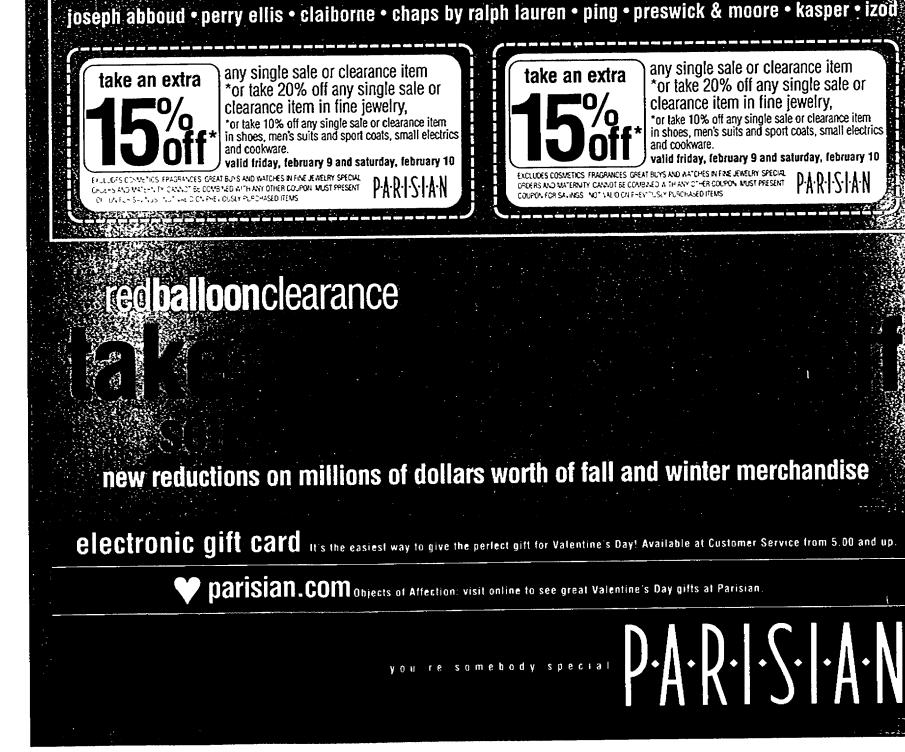
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Food for Northville's needy provided by Civic Concern

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day life, which may be taken for granted and overlooked, can be satisfied. The organization strives to provide relief where needed.

'There will be times when single parent families or elderly individuals will be forced to pay a bill rather than using the money to buy dinner, so we are here to make those tough decisions easier by providing the food." Kunz said.

Kunz said the volunteers of Civic Concern approach the relief work with a sense of integrity and honesty. By using this method, the organization hopes to generate a relationship with their clients that will be helpful and resourceful, Kunz said.

"People coming to us may be feeling sad and helpless. This is where the positive and caring attitude helps." Kunz said. "We want them to leave with lifted spirits and with the knowledge that there is someone there to help."

On the second and fourth Friday of each month, the organization distributes food to their client families. The food being distributed comes from donations from the community of Northville as well as the Oakland County Food Bank. The food bank gives grants to the organization which in turn uses the funds to buy the food.

"We go through an enormous

"We go through an enormous amount of food."

> Dick Wazny volunteer, Civic Concern

amount of food." volunteer Dick Wazny said. "But this is expected when we work with this many families."

Another key element to the emergency provider's workings is the networking and communication it has with other community groups and organizations. Civic Concern works directly with the local law enforcement, schools, churches, Salvation Army, Chamber of Commerce as well as with the city of Northville and Northville Township. Through these relationships the group is able to direct and help people in the appropriate manner.

Kunz said good relations and communication is key because it better enables Civic Concern to accommodate the various needs. Since it is primarily a distributor of food, there will come problems and situations the organization cannot handle itself. Kunz added.

Hillside Middle School provides Civic Concern with a storage location for food. Both Civic Concern and Our Lady of Providence donate food resources to each other in times of overabundance so as not to have it go to waste. This interconnection assists in helping those who need it.

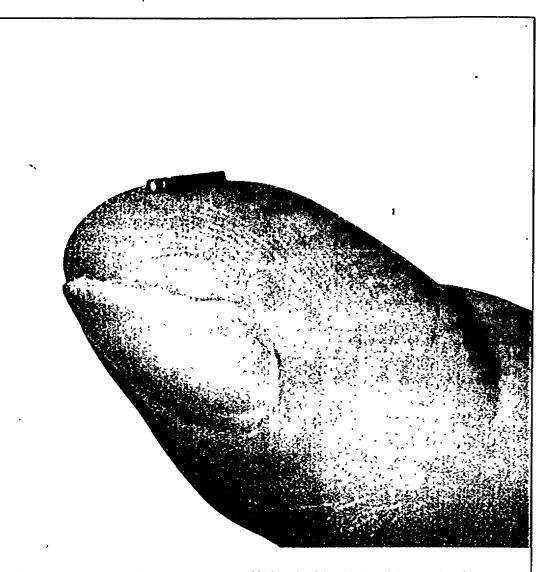
However, emergency providing can bring problems and dishonesty. "Using the system" is one way to put it.

"There will come situations when a person will be dishonest about there background and resources," Kunz said. "We have had situations where a individual has used us for food or resources and that person was not as needy as he or she told us."

According to Kunz, Civic Concern does not react lightly, but instead makes contact with the individuals or persons to let them know that Civic Concern is aware of the dishonesty. To prevent future occurrences such as these Kunz and her volunteers use their resources such as the police department and other relief programs to gain background information.

"The majority of people coming to us legitimately need our assistance, but there are those situations where we need to use our resources to provide us with information regarding someone's situation." Wazny said. "We want to give help to those who need it."

Lon Huhman is a Staff Writer for the Northville Record. He can be reached at (248) 349.1700, ext. 109.



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The Crackerjack surprise is a Northville festival band

By CHRIS C. DAVIS

Ask Bobby Lewis. He doesn't know the meaning of the term "garage band," mostly because music isn't something he does to pass the time.

It's his career.

Lewis, a Northville resident of 26 years, will be playing at Major Tooley's this weekend and several weekends thereafter. For The Crackerjack Band, playing at the Northville Irish pubrestaurant is something of a homecoming.

We're not pursuing the recording element of music any-more." Lewis said. "Our focus now is strictly on being one of the top festival bands around."

Festivals have been the mainstay of Bobby Lewis and the Crackerjack Band, as the group has appeared in Plymouth. Canton and Westland. But members past and present have also played with some nationallyknown acts.

"A lot of guys in the band have played with The Eagles. Elvis Presley. Rod Stewart. Carly Simon and Roy Orbison." Lewis

"Our focus now is strictly on being one of the top festival

bands around.

Bobby Lewis Northville musician

said. "We've had the opportunity to work alongside some pretty prominent acts."

The Crackerjacks, Lewis said. work on a menagerie of sounds. including Motown, Jimmy Buffet and Carlos Santana cover tunes. The combination of melodies seemed to be a winning formula. Lewis said. In addition to Lewis - the band's guitarist — the Crackerjacks are comprised of a bassist. drummer and key-

boardist. The four members share vocal duties, Lewis said. "On weekends, we tend to do

more dance format-type music. but during the week, we'll do more concert stuff." Lewis said. "Not many people go out dancing on a Tuesday or Wednesday. We want to have a good mix of songs for several different kinds of listeners.

For his part. Lewis belonged to another band during the 1970s. called Sticks N' Stones. The group recorded "The Rouge Plant Blues." a song that got Detroitarea airplay. Lewis was also part of another group that did some touring around the Caribbean islands.

Eventually though. Lewis decided that it was time to settle down and end the road trips. Northville was the destination of choice.

"I settled here to put the kids through school," Lewis said. 'We've enjoyed it. It's been a good home for us.

Bobby Lewis and the Crackerjack Band will be appearing at Major Tooleys on Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings for five weeks, beginning Feb. 8. For more information on showtimes. call Major Tooley's at (248) 465. 1680. For booking information on the band, call (248) 348-4399.

Chris C. Davis is the editor of the Northville Record. He can be reached at (248) 349-1700. ext. 114, or by e-mail at cdavis@ht.homecomm.net



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Bobby Lewis, guitarist for Bobby Lewis & The Crackerjack Band, will be playing at Major Tooley's this weekend.

City examines options to boost local tax base

By LON HUHMAN Staff Writer

A challenge facing Northville city planners is having a balanced development of the downtown area that would enable a future growth in tax base.

The goal works into the city's long term goal of maintaining a financially stable general fund. The specific long-term goal is to achieve and maintain a general fund balance of at least 25-30 percent of the City's annual budget. Approximately \$340.000 was added to the accumulated general fund balance at the end of the fiscal year of 1999-2000. for a total slightly more than 20 percent of the city's general fund budget. That represented a 3 percent growth in the ratio from the previous year.

One method to achieving and maintaining this financial stabil- base is 80 percent residential,

ity is to continued development but the city council expressed the Downtown Development of the downtown area, specifically the central business district. in a responsible and productive manner, a city official said.

"We are looking for a sense of balance with the future development," said Northville mayor Chris Johnson. "We want to see a tax boost without overwhelming the city with development that is to large. Future development should adhere to the current makeup of downtown while improving it as well."

With the passing of Proposal A. the city is looking to develop the downtown with more commercial and retail locations. However, the future downtown development will also include residential locations. That type of development could be termed "mixed-use."

For the moment, the city's tax

interest in seeing an increase in the percentage of commercial and retail locations. The downside to Proposal A for the City rests in the future and whether city funds will be able to keep up with inflation. Johnson said. To prevent future problems in the tax base the plan will be to develop downtown by adding more locations that would include commercial, retail and residential sites.

This future mixed-use development will center on Cady Street. Johnson said. The most significant development project on the table is the Cambridge Plaza. The project well represented the type of mixed-use development the city hoped to see in the downtown in the future, he said. Johnson said the Cambridge

Plaza plan originally involved a location for office use only, but Authority and City Council wanted the plaza to be mixeduse. The planing of the Cambridge Plaza is still in the early stages, but it is proceeding in a fashion that would allow balanced growth. he said.

At present, the Cambridge Plaza building would consist of six floors. The building would have an underground parking level, two floors for office space, two floors for residential and a floor for service locations.

Providing more service-oriented locations in the downtown is one specific priority of the mixed-use development. Johnson said.

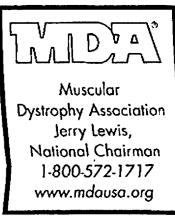
The city planners would like to have a downtown area that would be inviting for commercial and retail reasons as well as being able to satisfy everyday tasks of Northville residents, he

said. The residents of Northville are the priority of this development." Johnson said. We would like to see more service orientated locations so the needs of the residents can be more easily fulfilled without having to leave Northville."

Johnson said the layout of the city enables future development to be pedestrian-friendly. According to Johnson, downtown Northville was designed before the automobile and this initial design has permitted the future development to be inviting and accommodating for residents wanting to walk through down-town while being able to accomplish their everyday needs.

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tion to said contractor. Apparently, the matter was resolved, because no further mention is made of it in the board minutes.



Thursday, February 8, 2001-NORTHVILLE RECORD-7A

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Archivists (9 a.m.) - Cady Inn Girl Scouts (9:30 a.m.) - Cady Inn

FEB. 11

Mill Creek Community Church (10 a.m.) — Church 17th Michigan (5 p.m.) — Church

FEB. 13

Stone Gang (9 a.m.) - Cady Inn. grounds

FEB. 14

Mill Creek Community Church prayer meeting (7:30 p.m.) — Church

Historical tidbits

It seems as though construction has always posed some problems. Here are official minutes of the Northville village board on Sept. 7, 1877:

The following resolution was presented and on motion, accept-

Whereas the condition of the grounds upon with the 'Opera House' is proposed to be erected in this village and the materials for the construction of the same lying in the streets adjacent thereto render the passage of said streets unsafe and dangerous requiring, immediate attention. Therefore, resolved that the building contractor be notified to remove the obstructions to said streets within two weeks from this date or show cause why the same shall be removed by proper authority. Resolved that the clerk be instructed to transmit a copy of this resolu-



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Fun rules the day at Hillside fundraiser Events

By JENNIFER NORRIS StaffWirter

Step right up and take your turn. Hundreds of students and parents gathered at Hillside Middle School last Friday in honor of the school's annual carnival fundraiser.

The event featured a variety of carinval type games, a cakewalk, bake sale, silent auction, prizes and even a 50-50 raffle.

Proceeds from this year's carnival will be carmarked for Hillside Middle School to help fund various school activities. Vicki Snearly, co-chair of the Hillside carnival, said items in the silent auction were donated by Hillside families.

She also said three teams from each grade level designed their own basket, complete with its own individual theme.

During the carnival, the games were operated by volunteer students and supervised by a parent. Plenty of tood was also available. Pizza, salad, and breadsticks were available for sale from The Pizza Cutter of Vorthville.

As Hillside students flocked around the school gynnasium, many students said they were enjoying the evening's festivities.

Maria Palazeti,a sixth grade student at Hillside, said. "It's fun. There's a lot of different things to do.

You can play the games, eat food and [bid on] the silent auction." The carnival also offered an arena

for relaxation and socialization. Rebecca Jaskot, a sixth grade student, said, "I think it's fun. It's a good place to hang out with your friends

and play the games." Other students also shared a simi-

lar opinion. Overall, it's a very nice carnival. The games are fun and the food is good," said Donny McKinnon. an

eighth grade Hillside student. Eighth grader, Asha Lucas, also said she was enjoying the carnival.

I like it because I won cupcakes in the cakewalk." she said. "I like the food here too."

Some students, however, said certain prices were too high.

I think it's a good fundraiser for the school, but it's a little overpriced." said Jessica Tiernan, an eighth grade student.

Leila Weber, a volunteer in the food department of the carnival, also spoke highly of the annual event.

"Every year it's wonderful." said Weber. "It's great for the kids. It's a night out for the kids [and] it's good for the school."

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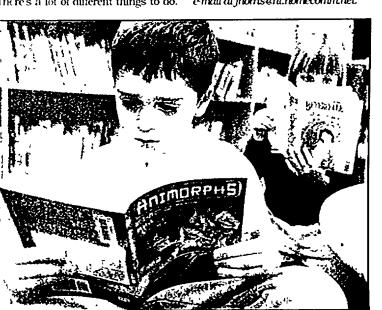


Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Conrad Mahr and Kaitlin Girbach take a moment to read books in the school's library last week. They, along with other students, took part in a reading iniliative program at Thornton Creek Elementary.





Amy Knoth and Andrew Kesler play a game of Stix during Friday night's PTSO Hillside Middle School carnival. The event is a major fundraiser for the school and features games, contests and a 50-50 raffle.

Bookworms infest classrooms in Thornton Creek program

By JENNIFER NORRIS Staff Writer

Ready...set...read.

As part of a reading incentive contest at Thornton Creek Elementary, students are being rewarded for their time devoted to hitting the books.

Geri Goff, a media specialist at Thornton Creek, said that for every 30 minutes that a students read. the student was allowed to make one snowflake. School library officials kept careful records of each classroom's participation and chart-

The winning class - a 2nd grade classroom — was rewarded with a

The reading contest ran from Jan. 8 until Feb. 2.

According to media assistant Chris Swope, media assistant, after the contest was concluded, students had created 12,022 snowflakes which is equal to more than 6,000 combined hours of read-

ing. The whole idea is just to get [the students] to read," said Swope.

Swope said she never expected the students to read collectively at such a high volume. Progress charts soared along the wall and were strong indicators of student committment.

Swope also said that students in grades K-5 participated in the pro-

"This just really makes me smile," she said, surveying the results. "I'm

Photo by JOHN HEIDER :

just so proud of these kids. Swope said every student, who turned in at least one snowflake received a certificate of participation

The pizza party for the winning class is expected to take place the week of Feb. 12, said Swope.

Parents also were involved in the project as they were required to sign a slip verifying their child had read for the time allotted.

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NUTRITION SEMINAR: A 45minute free seminar on nutrition will be hosted at the office of Northville physician Kenneth Stopa. The seminar will discuss ways to look better, feel better, lose weight, prevent disease and have more energy. The seminar is slated for Feb. 27 at 6 p.m. and will fea-ture Chris Doyle, a registered nurse and certified wellness consultant. For more information, call (248) 735-9800.

YOGA CLASSES: A free trial class in yoga will be offered on Feb. 8 from 8:30 to 10 a.m. at Main Street Chiropractic Center. Instructor Chris Lacey will teach centering, warm-up exercises. classic yoga positions and guided relaxation. Participants should wear comfortable. loose clothing in layers and bring a blanket or mat for the floor. Sign-ups will also be available for additional classes (for a fee) for more information. call (248) 735-0112.

WINTER CONCERT SERIES: The Northville Arts Commission will be hosting two concerts as part of the inaugural season of the winter concert series. Williams Danforth will be performing on Feb. 11 and Ron DiSalvio on Feb. 25. Both shows are performed at Genitti's Hole-In-The-Wall, beginning at 2 p.m. Admission is \$7 per person., For more information. call (248) 449-9945, ext. 9950.

CARRIAGE RIDES: Northville Carriage Company will be offering carriage rides for Valentine's Day. Each tour of Northville's historical district is \$75 and include flowers and hot chocolate. For more information, call (248) 486-8866.

TEEN NIGHT AT THE IMPROV: In the spirit of television's "Whose Line Is It. Anyway?. Northville High School students will be pre-senting their own version of the show on March 13 at 7:30 p.m. at the Northville Community Center. Tickets are \$5 in advance or \$8 at the door. For more information. call (248) 349-0203. The event is open to any student in grades eight through 12.

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George Martha performs obe of his songs in his Northville Township studio last week.

CITY OF NORTHVILLE FINAL STATEMENT OF OBJECTIVES 2001 WAYNE COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT **BLOCK GRANT FUNDS**

The Northville City Council approved the following Community Development Block Grant projects for the 2001 Wayne County program year.

Public Services - Senior T	ansportation \$ 9,750
Senior Center Renovation	\$42,250
Administration	\$ 6,500
Planning	\$ 6,500
TOTAL ESTIMATED BUD	GET \$65,000
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NOTICE TO THE RESIDENTS **CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE OFFICE CLOSING**

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The following Charter Township of Northville Administrative Offices will be				
closed on Monday, February 19, 2001 in observa	ance of Presidents Day.			
Township Civic Center	41600 Sox Mile Road			
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The Department of Public Safety and the Fire Department will remain				
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The offices will re-open on Tuesday, February 20, 2001 at 8:00 a.m.				
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It's the dawn of a New Era for Northville musician

By JENNIFER NORRIS Staff Writer

A Northville resident is hoping to share his latest work with as many ears as possible.

George Martha. 31. recently had his first musical CD entitled "The New Era" released in 2000.

The 13-track compilation largely features songs written and performed by Martha and includes two other works by the Rolling Stones. he said.

Martha, who is also an owner of Charley's Grille, located at 16873 Haggerty in Northville, said he has sold many copies of his new album which is available for sale at the restaurant. He added that copies of "The New Era" are also available at Harmony House locations in the local artist display section.

Martha, who has been in charge of promoting his new CD, said he has been pleased with the public's response to his work.

"For the amount of marketing that I've done, I'm happy about it," Martha said. "I'm happy with the response I've been getting."

One of the album's major appeals, he said, lies is its diversity and ability to appeal to a wide range of age groups

Martha also said one of his goals is to send a positive message that listeners from all generations can relate to.

"That's special right there," he said. "Just affect people lives in a positive way. I'm very grateful to God [that] he's given me the ability to express myself musically.

Martha described his first CD as having a variety of lyrics and musical genres as well as strong rhythm sections.

"It's about spirituality and human love," he explained.

For more information on Martha or "The New Era" CD. visit his website at www.georgemartha.com

Jennifer Norris is a reporter for the Northville Record. She can be reached for comment at 248-349-1700 or by e-mail at jnorris@ht.homecomm.net.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT **BLOCK GRANT FUNDS**

On Thursday, February 15, 2001 at 7:30 p.m. a Public Hearing will be held on the 2001 Community Development Block Grant Funds at the Township Crivic Center located at 41600 Sox Mile Road, Northville, Michigan 48167. The 2001 CDBG allocation for Northville Township will be approximately \$120,000.00. The primary objec-tive of the CDBG program is to find eligible activities and projects which benefit low and moderate income persons; aid in the prevention or elimination of blight and slums; and/or address an urgent community development need.

All interested citizens are invited to attend and provide views and proposals concerning the 2001 Community Development Block Grant Program. For additional information on the program or the proposed 2001 allocations, please contact Ms. Maureen Osiecki, Northville Township CDBG Coordinator, at 348-348-5800.

(2-01, 08-01 NR 1025896)

SUE A. HILLEBRAND, CLERK

NOTICE TO THE RESIDENTS OF THE **CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE**

At the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees on Thursday, December 21, 2000, the Board resolved to approve the following changes in the water consumption

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Woodlands Review Board, of the City of Novi, will hold a meeting on Thursday, February 15, 2001 at 4:30 p.m. at the City of Novi, Community Development Conference Room, Novi, Michigan to review the Woodlands Review Board Permit Application for, Cambridge Homes, Bellagio Subdivision, Lot 14 (Case #01-01).

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS are invited to attend. Any written comments may be sent to the Department of Public Services, Attention Woodland Review Board, 45175 West Ten Mile Road, Novi, Michigan 48375, until 3:00 p.m., Thursday, February 15, 2001.

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CITY OF NOVI VACANCIES ON CITY BOARDS & COMMISSIONS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Novi City Council will be interviewing; applicants on Monday, February 12, 2001 beginning at 7:30 p.m. for appointment to the Beautification Commission, Cable Access Committee, Economic Development Corporation, Library Board, Novi Building Authonity and Alternate Member for the Zoning Board of Appeals.

If you are interested in serving on a City board or commission, applications are available in the office of the City Clerk, 45175 W. Ten Mile, or by calling 347-0456 to receive an application by mail or fax, or at www.ci.novi.mi.us. Please submit your application by Thursday, February 8, 2001 to allow time for scheduling appoint-MARYANNE CORNELIUS, CITY CLERK

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This ordinance governs grants by Northville Township of franchises to conduct competitive electricity distribution business in Northville Township. Franchises may be awarded to businesses not owning electricity generation or distribution equip-ment, but using the existing electricity distribution system. The terms and conditions of such franchises are governed by the ordinance. The ordinance also provides the rights of the Grantor (Northville Township) and the duties of the grantee (the electroty distribution company), for such franchises

The ordinance is a new ordinance and is divided into 13 sections, including the following sections. Section I. Scope and Terms

Section II: Performance of Obligations; Fees and Charges; Automatic Revocations, Future Ordinances Section III: Risk and Liability · Related Provisions Section IV. Rates Section V: Rights of the Township The ordinance becomes effective upon this publication.

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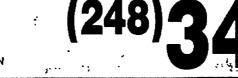
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Our fundamental purposes are to enhance the lives of our readers,

nurture the home towns we serve and contribute to the business suc-

cess of our customers.

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Help a shopper: open a restroom

Continued viability and

happen without catering to

room the customer wants,

If storefronts in downtown Northville want to continue doing business, there needs to be a place for store patrons to *AHEM* do their business, too. And that's why we think public restrooms are something that should be explored in the very near future.

We've all heard from business leaders how Northville has been able to sustain itself in a world of big, corporate entities by providing more personal and

personable service to shoppers. If there's one thing economic well-being won't we think smaller businesses could take a cue on from the customer. If it's a bathones. bigger though, it's in the realm of public then it's a bathroom the restrooms. Almost any major retailer customer should get. now has restrooms available for cus-

tomer use, all in the name of making the shopping experience a bit more comfortable.

Since downtown Northville stores aren't buy-everything-under-oneroof-type of establishments, shoppers are made to dash in and out of buildings, not to mention stroll the sidewalks and streets in search of what it is they're shopping for.

In terms of customer service, that's both a help and a liability. It's a help in that door-to-door shopping gives patrons a chance would spell financial doom for to experience retail shopping in a anyone.

more laid-back approach. It's a liability in that shoppers will buy a coffee at Store A, walk a few doors down, and before you know it.

well...you know the feeling. Northville. like other older downtown neighborhoods, is doing its best to maintain itself in a world increasingly dominated by corporate monoliths and franchise operations. It's niche has been carved out, and might we say, successful-

Continued viability and economic well-being won't happen with catering to the customer. If it's a bathroom a customer wants. then it's a bathroom that a customer should get. We encourage a dialogue

among store owners and city leaders to find out if such an addition would be a help to downtown commerce.

In the meantime, we hope storeowners avoid the temptation of placing the infamous **"RESTROOMS FOR CUSTOMERS** ONLY" signs on their doors. lest would-be dollars be kept on the outside looking in. This isn't New York City, and we don't think that allowing one or two people off the street into a store's restroom



Photo by JOHN HEIDER Kaitlin Girbach and other Thornton Creek students like her recently read hundreds of books in a competition spon-

sored by the school's library.

Thursday, February 8, 2001



Writer questions gun petition drive

On Feb. 4, members of People Who Care About Kids were soliciting signatures for a petition at the exits of Our Lady of Victory Church in Northville.

The petition seeks to put Public Act 381 on an upcoming ballot for a vote by the people of Michigan. As PWCAK's literature indicates, PA381 is the "so-called" shallissue law that requires county gun boards to issue a general permit to all applicants 21 and older if they have no criminal convictions and are not mentally ill. The only exception is if the gun board can document "clear and convincing evidence" that the applicant is a danger. PWCAK conveniently ignores the exception that there is a process CCW applicants must comply with. They further exacerbate unfounded fears of the mentally ill by saying "the mentally ill will have no trouble getting CCW permits unless they volunteer the information in filling out the form."

Ask yourself how many mentally ill people, criminals, or even the average Joe will subject themselves to the following application process mandated by PA381:

1) Obtain, read, understand and pay a \$60 fee for an application packet from their county clerk or local police.

2) Completely and accurately fill out the oplication, report to your county clerk and sign the application under oath. (Lost wages due to missing work?)

ally-guaranteed right. Unlike the "dangerous state" of Vermont (which permits its residents to carry without a permit). Michigan's shall-issue law does not allow any person to obtain a CCW without exception, as People Who Care About Kids implies. If you skip any of the above requirements. your application will be denied.

Traditionally, under our representative form of government, we cast ballots for representatives who educate themselves on the issues, debate them in the House and Senate and vote on legislation such as PA381 according to their informed opinion and that of their constituents.

PWCAK is relying upon the knee-jerk reaction of an uninformed populace to overturn PA381. They are seeking to overturn a law which supports our constitu-tional rights guaranteed by the Second Amendment and Article 1, Section 6 of the Michigan State Constitution of 1963.

Should this issue come to a vote, know the fact. Also know that signing a petition to PA381 or voting against it is the equivalent of saying "I give up the right to protect myself and my family."

With that perspective, how can you con-sider yourself people who care about kids?

Joseph D. Pilarz

Women moving ahead in government

Novi taxes don't service residents

Just like in my other letter about the Road Bond, I would like to give my thanks for raising my taxes. I also said that soon. Novi would be asking for a new school Well, here it comes. A new school will not give your child a better education - that is up to the teachers. The Novi school children have too much now.

I would like my money to go for the Fire Bond. We need full-time firefighters and 911. I had that city-wide survey and I said no to all of it, every year. The taxes keep going up. Stop. You know, I had to call the city three different times to clean my street in Willowbrook Sub 3 from snow. I should have not had to do that with all the taxes I pay. All my money goes to the schools and I have no children in school. There must be other residents that think the same as I.

Eleanor Thompson

■ Goodfellows say thanks to donators

Those who give to the Goodfellows during our annual paper sale each year often do not realize the impact of their generosity on the lives of their neighbors.

ly so.

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remember.

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Blacks have had to overcome today. Between

the shackles of slavery, bigotry, racism, and Jim eration born in the U.S., the Crow, the deck has been stacked prejudices seem to get against blacks more and more diluted. Culfor too long, forcing many to won. tural differences, once der why - if all reviled, are now celebrated men were created equal, were some and appreciated. It's testaseemingly more ment to success. equal than others?

Thankfully, with each generation born in the U.S., the prejudices seem to get more and more diluted. Cultural differences, once reviled, are now celebrated and appreciated.

From music to art to science to agriculture to politics to world leadership, blacks have risen to greater prominence than ever before — a true testament to the will of the human spirit and the desire to become more than what many thought they could be.

Take our new U.S. Secretary of State, Colin Powell. Once one of America's most brilliant military who came before us.

For some, it is a month to minds, he's now been made our country's top negotiator with foreign dignitaries.

Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas. Though his confirmation hearings were not without controversy, his knowledge of our laws and interpretation of them have guided us through stormy constitutional waters. (Thomas, of much to achieve what they have course, was preceded to the high-

est court by fellow black Thurgood Marshall.)

And then there are the African Americans who lead the way.

Scientist George Washington Carver.

Abolitionist Frederick Douglass.

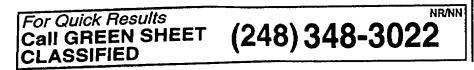
NAACP founder W.E.B. DuBois.

Civil rights leaders Martin Luther King and Malcolm X.

Baseball hero Jackie Robinson. Underground railroad collaborator Harriet Tubman.

Individually, their accomplishments were substantial. But grouped together - and often in the face of tremendous opposition America's black forefathers helped set the stage for the era in which we now live.

The life we lead in Northville. and the increasing diversity of the community in which we live, is a tribute to the triumphs of people



3) Provide the names of two references. 4) Obtain and pay for a passport-quality photo (\$5?)

5) In addition to a criminal history check, the county gun board may choose to investigate the applicant's eligibility.

6) Provide two sets of fingerprints taken by a police department (\$15 fee).

7) Pay for and attend a pistol safety training course with specific training requirements, demonstrate firearms proficiency and understanding of the laws. (Currently \$160 at Schoolcraft College.)

8) Wait up to 30 days after the FBI processes your fingerprint check for permit to be issued.

9) You must tell an officer you are carrying if stopped.

10) Applicant may not carry in schools. including dormitories or classrooms of colleges: day care centers: sports arenas or stadiums; dining rooms or bars that serve liquor: places of worship: entertainment centers for more than 2,500 persons, or hospitals. The old CCW law did not prohibit carrying in areas other than the first group listed.

In addition to the requirements and more than \$240 in fees mentioned above. an applicant must meet all of the requirements, apply and test for a separate firearms permit to purchase, then purchase a firearm. I'd estimate this at a minimum additional cost of \$500. As you can see, an applicant is quickly approaching \$1,000 in costs, several months' wait and a commitment to the rule of law mandated by this process to exercise a constitution-

Though I've always been a small 'd' democrat, [I first voted in 1936 for FDR], President Bush must be given credit for continuing the task of helping women shatter the "glass ceiling" that has for too long a time prevented them from achieving their rightful place in the board rooms of our industries, and in the high public offices of our land.

It is now 82 years since a woman became a governor of a state, 64 years since a woman first served in the Cabinet of the Federal government, and 19 years since the Supreme Court ceased to be an all-male bench. Why, even the military, back in 1970 named its first female general.

In the last 20 years we have seen the first woman vice-presidential candidate run for that office the first seated Attorney General and Secretary of State.

The majority of people recognize that we can ill afford to neglect the talent pool represented by the majority gender among us.

President Bush is on the right track. He has recruited a number of women to serve in his Cabinet, and has surrounded himself and his office with talented women as advisors, and in other high placed assignments.

What is the next goal for women president of the United States? Just you wait.

Alfred P. Galli

Every year, the Novi Goodfellows help many families in Novi have a happy holiday with certificates for food and gifts of clothes and toys. Our heart is warmed by the generosity of the Novi community this past year in donating their time, services and money to the Novi Goodfellows to assure that Novi area children will find toys and clothes under their Christmas tree and food on their holiday tables.

Thanks to everyone who contributed. our goal of "No Child Without a Christmas" in our community will be accomplished.

Novi Goodfellows is an all-volunteer organization and it takes a lot of people to handle a task of this size. We always welcome new members who can spare even a few hours to this worthy cause. You may find your greatest joy comes when you take the time to lend a hand.

Donations and information on how to become a member of the Novi Goodfellows can be mailed to Novi Goodfellows, P.O. Box 113, Novi. MI. 48376.

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OTHER OPINIONS sday, February 8, 2001

Forecasting Michigan's economy

The title of Gov. John Engler's State of the State speech last week was "Building the lutions now taking place in cellular biology Next Michigan." The idea was to frame a series of economic development proposals as steps needed to transform Michigan's economy, but it got lost in the usual welter of ideas that get tossed out in such speeches.

To understand the thrust of what Engler is proposing, a very, very short version of



Michigan's economic history might be in order. Up to the devel-opment of the auto industry at the start of the 20th century. much of Michigan's economy was based on profitable extraction of natural resources. Fur traders ran a highly profitable

Phil Power

business centered on Mackinac Island in the 18th century. The rich copper and iron deposits in the Upper Peninsula were discovered about the same time and proved enormously profitable.

The capital so formed financed in the 19th century the lumbering of the white pine forests throughout northern Michigan. It's a fact that more money came out of our white pine forests than was ever made from the fabled California gold fields. Profits made from logging, in turn, financed entrepreneurs like Henry Ford and led to the development of the automobile, now our dominant industry.

For years, economists, entrepreneurs and politicians have speculated on what the next big industry might be and how to encourage it to take root in Michigan. Attention has lutions now taking place in cellular biology and information technology.

It's in this context that we should understand Engler's recent proposals.

To encourage businesses in "emerging fields" - life sciences, micro-systems and information technology - the governor wants to "put out the welcome mat and exempt them from Michigan's state business tax."

Conservative ideologues chanting allegiance to "pure market forces" have attacked the idea as "industrial policy." But virtually all new business start-ups don't pay a cent of the Single Business Tax, which itself is in the process of being phased out over the next 20 years. So why not make a symbolic gesture of welcome to entrepreneurs who start companies here?

Engler also wants to create an unfortunately-named "Cybercourt." which allows "efilings, web-based conferencing and virtual courtrooms" that would resolve legal disputes entirely over the Internet.

What the governor is really getting at is trying to find a way for Michigan to become the standard-setter for deploying new technology in the legal arena for new corporations, just the way Delaware has become the legal standard for old economy corporations. Almost all large companies in America are incorporated under the Delaware corporation law, which is clear, flexible and easily interpreted. Delaware lawyers prosper and corporations often put down headquarters to take advantage of the favorable legal climate.

Few - certainly not former Vice President Gore - are aware that scientists at an organization called "Internet 2" are feverishly developing the next generation of the Internet in rented and overcrowded facilities in Ann Arbor. Engler wants the Michigan Economic Development Corporation to find a way to provide them with a permanent home What Gov. Engler is really getting at is trying to find a way for Michigan to become the standard-setter for deploying new technology in the legal arena for new corporations.

to retain the awesome potential of future Internets here in Michigan.

Lots of companies that are in the business of providing ways to move information. whether by copper wire (DSL services, for example), or fiberoptic lines or through broadband cable TV. Municipalities, however, often control the rights of way and the licenses required to add to the information network.

Dealing with local governments can be slow and often litigated. Sometimes access fees are unreasonably high. Engler wants the Public Service Commission to go after these "broadband bandits."

None of these proposals are politically sexy. Some of them are hard to understand without bearing in mind that the objective is to help transform the Michigan economy. And it's both hard and tricky to figure out just how to encourage development of what just might be the next big industry that transforms Michigan's economy.

But Governor Engler is trying, and he should get high marks for it.

Phil Power is chairman of HomeTown Communications Network Inc., the company that owns this newspaper. He welcomes your comments, either by voice mail at (734) 953-2047, ext. 1880, or by e-mail at ppower@homecomm.net.







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We have seen the enemy: it's us!

So who are the bad guys is in the state of time the Friend of the Court become the Michigan these days? They are your local government officials, at least you might think they were, if you listened to Gov. John Engler's State of the State address last Wednesday.

Engler reserved his harshest comments about various forms of local government municipalities.

Mike Malott

Al Gore over his comment about inventing the Internet. Even if they were listening, or care, these were just one-lin-

ers anyway.

school districts

Sure, he took

the occasional

shot at others.

getting a dig in

on California over

its energy crisis

and taking aim at

and counties.

Friend of the Child," Engler said.

It isn't quite that simple, Rep. Patricia Godchaux, R-Birmingham, explained, Last year. Oakland and Wayne were reluctant to join because they were unconvinced the state system could handle all the data. Maureen Sorbet, of the Family Independence Agency, admitted those concerns were valid. The system has since received a lot of work and is now ready to go.-

The counties' current computer systems work, Godchaux said. Checks get delivered relatively on time. Had counties jumped into the system before it was ready, checks could be delayed during the transition. For families who depend on child support, transitional delays could indeed be quite a hardship.

It sounds to me like counties were being the "Friend of the Child," standing up the state in the meantime.

Engler's reference to "broadband bandits" was a comment about municipalities and the fees they charge to cable companies and telecommunications providers to string wire along public rights of way.

Engler reserved his harshest comments about various forms of local government — municipalities, school districts and counties. What bothers me is that more people are not crying foul.

have joined in the so-called "Durant III" lawsuit over the way the state pays school aid and special education funding.

This latest lawsuit is unfounded and unwarranted. Motivated by greed and furthered by gullibility, it is an assault on the informed decisions of the legislature and on Michigan taxpayers who have been exceedingly generous in funding public education. including special education," he said.

Even if you accept Engler's explanation that districts won Durant I and lost Durant II. a request by the school boards of hundreds of districts that a judge make sur state is following its own rules can hardly be seen as greedy or gullible.

By contrast, the governor went on at length about what he sees as the sins of certain local governments. In each case, a little background shows that the situation is not quite the good-versus-evil issue Engler described it to be.

Take, for instance, his comments about the \$38 million penalty Michigan has received from the feds because 10 counties - including Oakland, Wayne, Clinton, Genesee and Ingham -- have yet to join a mandated statewide computer system set up for the collection and distribution of child support payments.

"I will not ask this legislature to continue to pay outrageous penalties because some counties wish to have it their way ... It is

"Local governments should not be allowed to erect stoplights and expensive tollbooths on the information highway," he said. "The public interest demands that we break the grip of these broadband bandits.

But management of these rights-of-way has in the past been left to cities. And when a contractor shows up in a resident's front yard, tearing up the lawn, driveway and sidewalk to lay some line, it is city hall that has to sort things out and make sure they put it all back the way they found it.

If Engler wants have statewide standard for those fees, Don Stypula of the Michigan Municipal League said, fine. But that hardly makes local officials bandits.

Engler also took on school districts who

I suppose you can count all this as a certain amount of hyperbole, needed to make for a good speech. But these bad guys who were berated by the governor are all public officials themselves, who got there by election just like he did.

"Local government is used to taking it on the chin," Stypula said.

What bothers me is that more people are not crying foul.

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Potholes, prisons, contacts, etc.

More random thoughts and observations on life...

• In Pennsylvania, they pluck a groundhog out of a box on Feb. 2 and determine whether or not we'll have six more weeks of winter on the basis of whether or not the furry rodent sees



its shadow. In Michigan, if you don't see a shadclimb out of a pothole, spring ain't far off. • From the

anonymous letters department: "It seems impossible to believe that the township feels that

Chris C. Davis

need [a we waterpark]. We already have our share of community facilities: Maybury Park, a correctional facility and soon, a PGA golf course....why can't the planning commission and township officials look at keeping the area a desirable residential area where one can buy a home of high quality without the distraction of a recreation facility?" While I have no problem considering the pros and cons of a waterpark in town, the

prison reference baffled me. I had to wonder about exactly how much fun and frolic people have at a place with razor wire and armed security. Somehow, I just wouldn't group a prison in the same category as a park or a golf course. (Unless, of course, you're one of those people who think minimum security correctional institutions are just country club lockups.)

• We had three stories this week on ow when you Northville residents getting their 15 minutes of fame. First, we had Bobby Lewis & The Crackerjack Band, which will be taking stage at Major Tooley's starting this evening. Then we had musician George Martha, who's just finished recording an album of his own. And then there was actor Jim Porterfield, who got a role in the new Jeff Daniels film, "Escanaba in da Moonlight." Maybe Northville should be renamed "Hollywood East."

 As I was running through the obituary list this week, I happened across the death of William Klope, age 104. Bill was interviewed by former reporter Melanie Plenda just under a year ago, as one of a handful of people who had lived to see the 1800s, the 1900s and the dawn of the 2000s. A veteran of World War I, Bill's quote which headed up the story was one of the most poignant live ever read: I have a beautiful garden of memories in my head." I'm sure

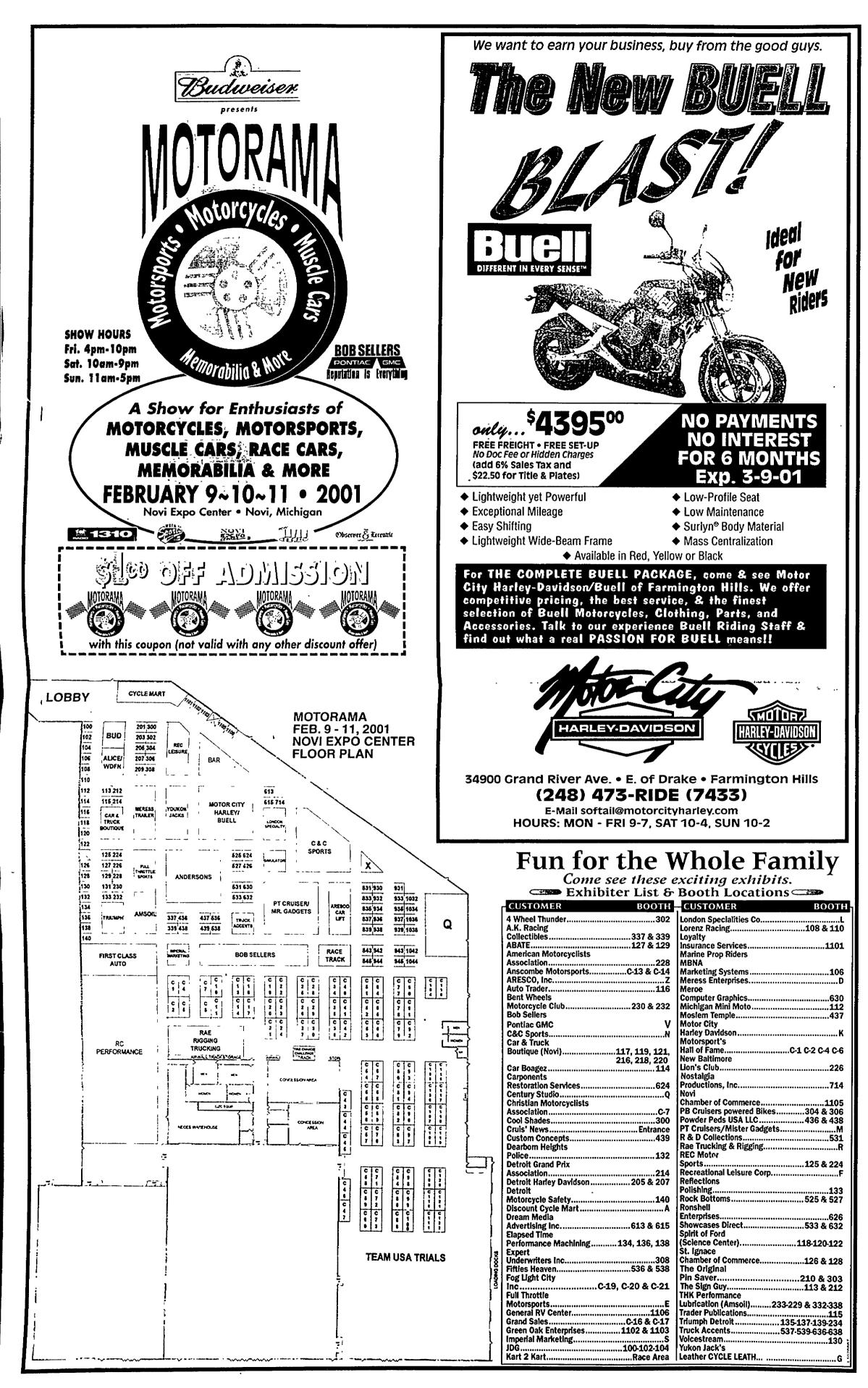
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wherever Bill is now, that garden stretches as far as the eye can see.

• A year or so ago, I would get phone calls or e-mail messages on an almost daily basis from people wanting to get tours of the Record office. As of late, those requests have dipped. If you're the leader of a community organization and would like to see this office up close and personal, give me a call or drop me a line. I'm more than happy to let people see what goes on here.

• I'm sure many long-time contact lenswearers already know this, but as a neophyte to the world of lens-wearing, I can tell you that there's nothing quite as funny to look at as an otherwise respectable person struggling to pull back his eyelid and then fight with a tiny piece of concave plastic for 20 minutes.

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City considers benefits of downtown public restrooms

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risks involved with the building of a permanent public restroom location. Problems that could arise from a centrally located restroom are vandalism, building and maintenance costs as well as the question of where to situate it. The idea behind a public restroom is for it to be convenient to downtown visitors.

Customers of Salutations are always welcome to the restroom," Owner Lorie

there Wyant said. "However, there are problems that can occur when we allow total public access."

One major problem is maintaining the cleanliness of the restroom. Allowing general access to the restroom over the course of the day can result in a dirty restroom. Maintaining a clean restroom can be time consuming and costly especially if it is used by many people throughout the day.

the bathroom to change the diaper of her child and a business may not be equipped for that," Wyant said. Wyant is also the President of the Merchants Association.

John Genitti, owner of Genitti's Hole-In-The-Wall, said the first place a person looking for a restroom proceeds to is the nearest restaurant. Genitti said allowing access has usually helped business.

Despite the goodwill Salutations and "Sometimes a mother would like to use Genitti's Hole-In-The-Wall have shown

Wyant want to make clear that their businesses are not the designated downtown public restrooms. This is the concern downtown merchants have and to some the solution of having a centrally located public restroom seems the most viable.

"I can understand that problems may accompany a public restroom facility, but I don't think the partnership is a good solution." Wyant said. "Is the city going

restroom seekers, both Genitti and to have hired workers go around cleaning. the restrooms of businesses allowing; access? We shouldn't rule out a centrallocation, but instead explore our options. and work to find a good solution."

Johnson said this issue will beexplored cooperatively with the local merchants.

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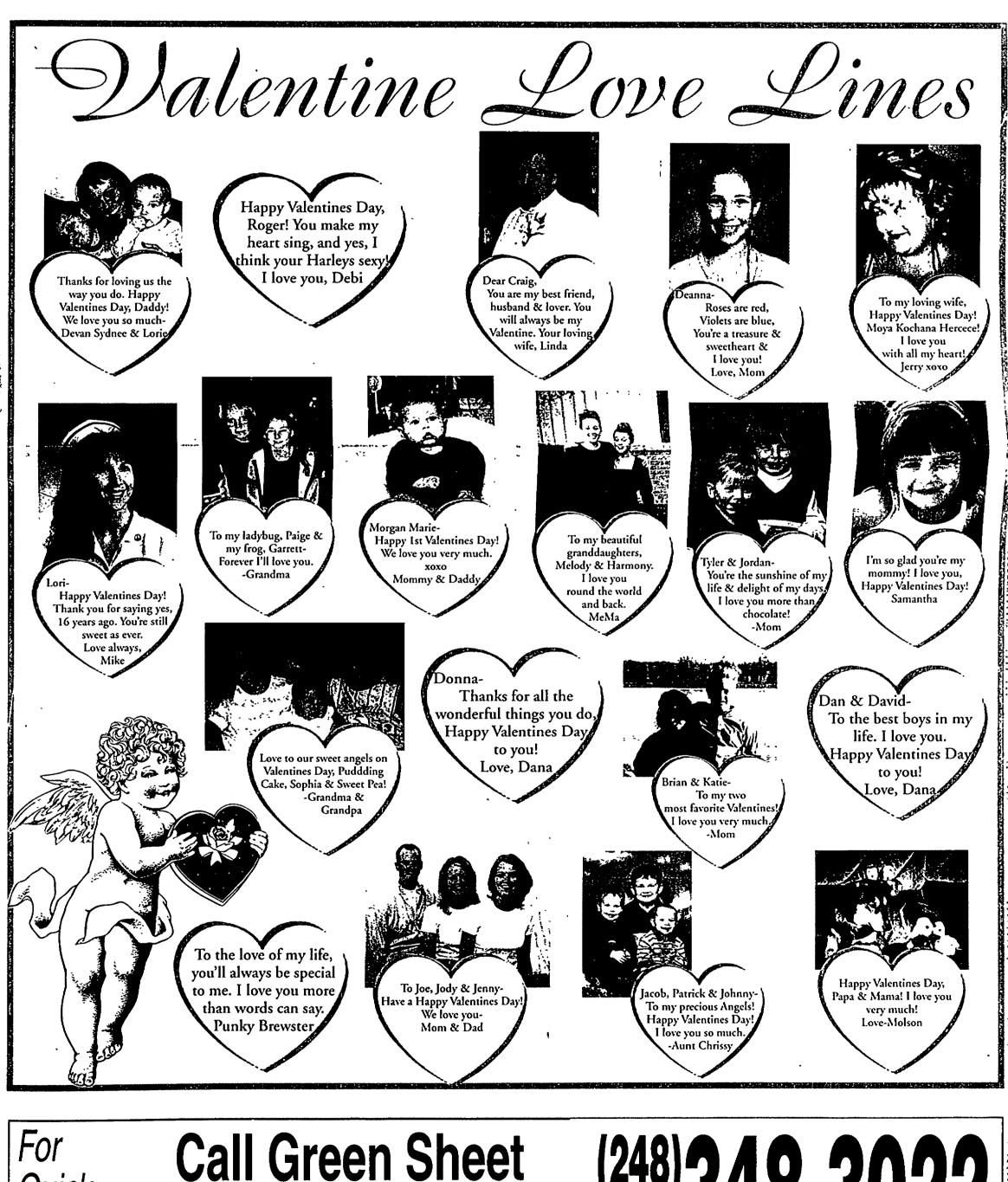
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be "The Boy Who Owned The School," by Gary Paulsen. Please register at the information desk and pick up a copy of the book.

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Cops confiscate videotapes owned by Northville man

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VCR in the room that was recording. Brighton City-Police said she took the videotape home and after viewing it she reported the incident to the police.

The Brighton City Police Department doesn't believe this was an isolated incident. A search warrant of McVittie's business was also executed. Police confiscated videotapes and cameras while serving this search warrant.

According to Det. Kevin Bias of the Northville Township police. the search warrant was executed at McVittle's Northville home to secure any other videotapes or cameras that may have been used in any other potential crimes of the same nature as the one McVittle has been charged with. Bias said there has been no evidence at this time that would lead township police to believe that there were crimes of that kind committed at McVittle's home.

The police recovered 250 videotapes from McVittle's home and business.

"The Northville Township Police Department was very helpful to our departement's investigation." Westendorf said. " The help of Chief Werth, Det. Bias and Det. Sumner is greatly appreciated by our department."

McVittie was arraigned on Feb. 1 at 53rd District Court before Judge Michael Hegarty on the one count of felony eavesdropping. The charge involves placing a device in a private place to photograph someone without consent. McVittie may be punished by serving up to two years in prison and/or a \$2,000 fine.

McVittie was released on \$10,000 personal bond and was ordered by the court not to have any contact with the victim or use any recording equipment.

use any recording equipment. Westendorf said the police anticipate the issuance of additional counts of eavesdropping. Westendorf said that anyone who has gone through the modeling interview with McVittie and was asked to change clothing should contact the Brighton city police.

McVittle was also arrested by Northville Township Police in 1995 for OUIL.

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What color is your parachute?

David East, center, leads Amy Knoth and other parents in twirling their kids around the center of a colorful parachute during last week's Tot Fun Fitness Zone event.

Real estate helped by classified ads

Each week Hometown Newspapers will be delving into the pages of its own classified sections, discovering tales of promise, misfortune and opportunity, then putting a familiar face on stories otherwise left un-bookmarked in the course of human events.

By DAVID M. AGUILAR Staff Writer

When Associate Broker and Manager Jim Willis says his Century 21-Town & Country real estate office is the world's leader. he means it.

And the numbers bear him out. Willis oversees a downtown Northville office that a year and a half ago was literally built from the ground up — brick by brick — with 18 sales agents. Today, the office employs 82 agents.

We have 10 offices in Northville and are number one in the world," Willis said. "That is based on the number of total units sold, not on sales amounts. And right now, we are ahead of last year's pace."

Not bad for a company that was built by the success of full-time agents and agent support systems. We are currently looking for fulltime agents and individuals who

"We are currently looking for fulltime agents and individuals who are self-directed," Willis said of his company's need to fill 10 recently created commission-only sales agent positions. "We are looking for people who want to get back what they put into something. Our average sales figure is \$2 million per agent."

Agents generally earn three percent of that amount, less office percentage splits, Willis said. He said Century 21 agents work as full-time independent contractors who have already or are planning to undergo real estate training. Individuals who lack such training will be referred by the company to reputable training centers that charge approximately \$200.

"The training course can take anywhere from a week to three months, depending on the pace the individual wants to take," Willis said.

The potential rewards of such effort, however, are ones which Willis said, prove commensurate to their sweat equity.

He has had a real estate sales license since he was 18 and represents his family's third professional real estate generation.

"A career in real estate is almost a lifestyle." he said. "Some people come into real estate as a second career, after their children are gone. Others come to it for other reasons. But one thing all successful agents have in common is a willingness to devote themselves to the Job. A person should be willing to sacrifice three to four months without a paycheck."

If you can't take the word of a world leader, who can you trust? Century 21-Town & Country can be reached at (248) 349-5600.

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Sports



Guard Tim Kelleher gets a hug from coach Scott Baldwin after the Mustangs came from behind to defeat Livonia Franklin last Friday night at home.

Snapped!

Cagers topple Franklin, end three-week losing streak

By COLBY J. CAVALIERE Sports Editor

Nothing lasts forever, not even losing streaks.

It had been 17 days and five loses since their last win, but on Feb. 2. the Mustangs basketball team finally broke out of their funk. scoring 48 points in a win over Livonia Franklin.

The win ended the losing streak which had reached five games after a 56-35 drubbing at the hands of undefeated Walled Lake Central on Jan. 30.

It's tough to expect positive results when a hobbled roster has to face an undefeated team. Missing starters David Gregor and Tim Ferng because of injury. the Mustangs had to lean on Aaron Redden and Thomas Knapp who were playing through injuries of their own. The results weren't pretty. as the Stangs were dominated on the boards, and victimized in the paint and out on the arc in the 21-point loss against the Vikings.

We gave a good effort against a team with a strong offense, but we never were really able to get in the game, and be a threat," said Northville coach Scott Baldwin. Central was able to slowly bury

the Mustangs, taking six, 10, and 18-point leads in the first three quarters. Steve Horn (18 points) and Mark Bortz (7 points, 10 rebounds) spurred the Vikings to their 13th win in a row.





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Photo by JOHN HEIDEP Thomas Knapp stuffs a ball through the hoop in a game against Livonia Franklin. Teammate David Gregor blocks out.

Churchill falls to angry Northville hockey team 3-2

Early deficits keep 'Stangs at 10 season wins



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

By COLBY J. CAVALIERE Sports Editor

The Northville volleyball team has been stuck on 10 wins since the middle of January; struggling in their most three recent outings.

The main problem seems to be slow starts. The Lady Mustangs find themselves having to come back constantly from huge deficits only to run out of steam and fall short.

The problems that the Lady Stangs have had recently popped up again at the Schookraft Invitational on Feb. 3, as they could only manage a 0-1-3 record in pool play. Northville was dominated in the first match against Divine Child, 4-15, 3-15, but came back to earn a split against Midland after dropping the first game 5-15.

Fenton was up next, and once again Northville fell behind early, losing the first game 7-15. They salvaged a split with a 15-8 win in game two, to take their record to 0-1-2. Last up for Northville was Churchill. This time they took game one easily. 15-4. Sloppy play in the last game of the afternoon sent the Lady Stangs to yet another split, and left them stuck on the 10 win mark.

We started out the tournament slow, but picked it up as the day went on," said coach Nikki McEvers. "But I just don't think we played our best at any point in the tournament."

On the day Lauren Temple had six aces and nine kills. Also shining for the Stangs were Lisa Telish (five

aces). Emily Ott (10 kills, nine blocks). Erin May (nine kills), and Erin Lockhart (15 digs).

LADY MUSTANGS FALL TO FARMINGTON, 6-15, 18-16, 5-15 The up and down play continued for Northville on Monday night, as they took another on the chin - this time a three set loss to the

Farmington Falcons. Plagued by slow starts once again. The Lady Stangs dropped the first game 6-15, and found themselves down 2-10 early on in the second game. This time they were able to claw all the way back to win 18-16. Perhaps the huge comeback took a toll on them physically and emotionally, because in game three they again fell down early 2-9, eventually losing the game 5-15 and the match.

The slow starts are really hurting us. It seems to happen every game," McEvers said. 'I changed our defense this week hoping it would turn us around and help us, but we still get down early and have to fight back constantly. I really can't explain it."

Before Wednesday night, the Lady Mustangs were looking up at a 10-14-5 record. After being on the road last night against Churchill after the Record deadline, the Lady Mustangs will return home Monday night to play Walled Lake Western at 7 p.m.

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Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Cymbre Jaskot puts a shot over the net in Northville's volleyball matchup against Farmington Hills Harrison.

BY COLBY J. CAVALIERE Sports Editor

In the crux of winter, the Mustang's hockey team is beginning to heat up.

With wins in their last four of five games. Northville has galloped its way back to the .500 mark. The most recent of the wins came against Livonia Churchill on Jan. 29, 3-2, and against Livonia Farmington on Feb. 2, 6-4.

"Getting that first goal is Ranked number four in always important ... " Division 1, and hungry to wrap up the conference head coach, Northville hockey championship, Churchill found themselves down

early when the Mustangs struck first on a goal by Tim Hillebrand at the 14:24 mark of the first period. Hillebrand's goal was assisted by Rob Ryan and Scott Schueler.

"Getting that first goal is always important and it was a huge lift for us," said Mustangs' coach Brad O'Neill.

The Chargers would not stay down long, as they netting the game tying goal about four minutes later, at 10:25.

Facing a man advantage early in the second, junior Jason Engelland intercepted a Churchill pass, skated in, and notched the go-head short

handed goal. Once again, Northville would be forced to kill penalties, holding off two separate two-man advantages late in the second period. O'Neill would say later that "we just simply played awesome defense there late in the second."

Churchill refused to quit, and tied the game at 2-2 with 9:51 left to play. The score would remain tied until Schueler gave the 'Stangs a 3-2 lead on a power play goal. David

Ely-Bond. who finished with 29 saves, and the penalty killing unit would be forced to hold back yet another 2 man advantage in the final minutes to pre-

server the 3-2 win.

Brad O'Neill

"It was a physical, hard-fought game," said O'Neill. We did a great job taking advantage of our scoring chances, and did an excellent job of killing off their advantages."

NORTHVILLE 6, FARMINGTON

Looking to follow up on their big win against Churchill, the Mustangs took the ice against Farmington and stampeded out to an early lead, which eventually bulged to a 5-2 advantage in the third period.

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Chargers sent packing on Mustang tankers' senior night

BY COLBY J. CAVALIERE Sports Editor

On senior night, a sophomore made the most noise.

Joe Lunn, who coach Rich Bennetts said "was a pleasant surprise with the best meet of his young career," helped his senior teammates to out swim Livonia Churchill last Thursday, 129-56.

The Mustangs controlled the meet from start to finish, taking first in all 12 events. The senior team of Derek Ohlgren, Bobby Gulewich. Anthony Serge and Dan Myers kicked things off right, winning the 200-yard medley relay with a time of 1:51.80. John Moors (1:52.67) followed that with a win in the 200 freestyle. Lunn knocked five seconds off his personal best, and finished in third with a time of 1:54.97.

Serge (2:12.47) and Mueller (24.12) earned wins in the 200 IM, and 50 freestyle respectively. Jason Albosta (225) extended the winning streak with a first in diving. Ohlgren (59.98) continued to make senior night a good one with a win in the 100 butterfly, and Moors (51.61) following with a win in the 100 freestyle.

In the 500 freestyle, Lunn not only earned the win, but shaved an astounding 15 sec-

onds off his personal best time, and swam a team season best of 5:05.11 in the event. The Stangs team of Maxim, Myers, Mueller, and Moors [1:34.40] won the 200 free relay, with Serge (101.07) and Myers (1:11.08) following with wins in the 100 backstroke and 100 breaststroke. Mueller, Lunn, Ohlgren, and Moors (3:35.16) closed out the victory in proper fashion, taking first in the 400 freestyle relay.

"It was great to see our seniors go out and swim so well in their last home meet," Bennetts said.

With the grueling month of January finally over, the Mustangs can settle in and get ready for the meets that really count.

January was really tough on the boys with all the practices and meets. We are all glad it's

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Teamwork ends losing streak for **Mustang hoops**

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FRANKLIN TO END LOSING STREAK

Not only was the game against Franklin the first of the new month. but it also marked the end of a difficult five game skid, and provided a chance for a less heralded member of the team to grab the spotlight.

During the five game losing streak. Northvulle had a habit of falling behind early, only having to fight back and suffer a late-game collapse. Still suffering from some injuries in the backcourt, coach Baldwin inserted senior Tim Kelleher into the line-up midway through the second quarter and called on him to provide leadership from the point guard position. The game was back and forth, and once again the Mustangs found themselves pressed into a tight game in the fourth quarter. Where in past games the 'Stangs suffered late game collapse. in this game they persevered.

Facing a four point deficit with only two minutes to go. Kelleher took the game into his hands and provided the late game heroics that had been absent in past games. Kelleher hit a big basket to give Northville the lead, then hit a free throw to seal it and give the Mustangs a long awaited win.

Swimmers rise to

surface in meet

Kelleher finished the game with five points, four rebounds and four assists

"Tim was the hero of the game," Baldwin said. "He has been working hard for two years, and finally got a chance to show his stuff. He was clearly the difference in the game for us."

Also giving great efforts were center David Gregor who had 14 points and 11 rebounds, and forward Thomas Knapp who provided 14 huge points off the bench. Aaron Redden added nine points and seven boards.

"We finally stayed focused and came out on the winning end of a close game and I'm really proud of the kids," Baldwin said.

The win pushed Northville's record to 5.8 and gave them the opportunity to finish up the regular season with an above .500 record if they can win their remaining four games. The 'Stangs were on the road to face Livonia Stevenson on Tuesday night after the Record's deadline, and will be on the road again Friday to take on the Walled Lake Western Warriors at 7 p.m.

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over, but now we have to rest and regroup for some of the biggest meets of the season." Bennetts said.

One of the biggest meets of this, and many seasons prior, takes place tonight at Plymouth Canton. In the last decade, the WLAA west division champion has been, fought, for between these two teams. Canton is hungry to avenge last season's close loss to the Mustangs, in what has become Northville's biggest rivalry.

"Our rivalry with Novi is big, but



not nearly as much as the one we have with Canton. It's always a close meet between us and the winner has gone on to win the division championship." Bennetts said. "We have been gearing up, and working toward this match since the start of the year."

Tonight at 7p.m., all the hard work in and out of the pool will come down to 12 creats that will decide the season

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laugh, as Northville skated away with a stirring 3-2 victory.

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Northville perhaps falling into a lull because of the big lead, allowed the Falcons to take advantage of some power play opportunities to bring the game closer.

After scoring a goal and making the score 5-3. Farmington pulled their goalie, and skated with an advantage the rest of the game in hopes of tying the score. They did get one more with the tactic about 15 seconds left in the game, but an empty netter by Aaron Selwood just before the final buzzer sent them away with a 6-4 defeat.

"We played well for most of the game, but in the third period we got a little sloppy in our own end, and let them score a few goals." O'Neill said.

Scott Schueler lead the 'Stangs' with two goals, with Rob Ryan, Adam Zobl, and Selwood provided the other scores. David Ely-Bond was solid in net with 30 saves.

"It was another big win for us and puts us on a three-game winning steak." O'Neill said. "After a bit of a slow start. I think we are coming around and playing our best hock-

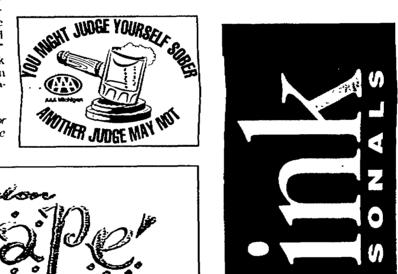
ey." The win jumps Northville's overall record to 9-9-1, with a 6-6-1 mark in the WLAA.

On Tuesday night, the Mustangs took on Plymouth Salem after the Record deadline. Friday night. they are again on the road, this time to take on the Walled Lake Western Warriors at 8 p.m.

"We need to stay focused, and continue to bring our best game every night for the rest of the sea-son." O'Neill said.

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Northville's Tim Hillebrand is on the receiving end of a Churchill check, but he had the last





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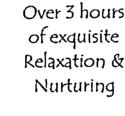
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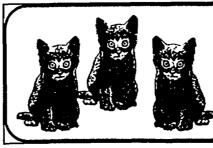
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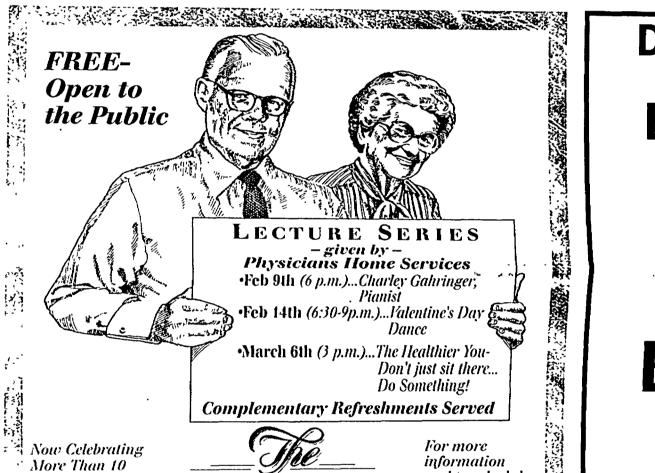
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The Novi Competitive Cheer Invitational was held at Novi Cindy Herman, Lisa Howell, Melissa Laird, Katie High School on Jan. 20, with the freshmen cheerleaders McDowell, Amanda Olando, Courtney Pistolesi, Katie (pictured above) taking first place out of nine competing districts. Pictured above are Allison Barsamian, Leslie Bateman, Lindsay Blank, Chelsie Hall, Whitney Haynes,

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NORTHVILLE TRAVEL HOCKEY - SLOW START IN FEBRUARY

After a 6-2-1 record for the month of January, Northville Travel started the month of February with two consecutive losses. On Feb. 4. Northville played a two-hour scrimmage against Bedford High School JV at the Monroe Sports Center. The game started out strong with two quick goals for Northville. The first goal was off the stick of David Kuhn, assisted by Mickey Mason and Kris Kojian. Later. Kojian took advantage of a Bedford shift change and skated in alone on the goalie for an unassisted goal.

Even while Northville appeared to be dominating in the first period, it was obvious that the boys were playing a sloppy, confused brand of hockey. It was just a matter of time before Bedford would take advantage of Northville's chaos.

The momentum swing came early in the second period with Bedford's first goal. Kuhn regained the two-goal margin for Northville with another assist from Kolian, but it was already over. Bedford scored five unanswered goals, two in the second, and three more in the third. It appeared that getting away from the set line combinations which had been implemented by Head Coach Mike Ward, resulted in the on-ice confusion. The boys were tentative about who to pass to, or where to play their position.

The next night, Northville Travel faced off against Southfield Midget AA. Northville worked hard to keep up with the speed and strength of the older Southfield team, but in the end, it was just too much. Northville got on the board in the final seconds of the first period with a powerplay goal by Graham Appleford assisted by Kris Kojian and Mickey Mason. Midway through the second. Southfield took advantage of a Northville defensive breakdown and scored a shorthanded tally. Less than a minute later, Troy

Engelland regained the lead for Northville, assisted by Kojian.

After Northville's second goal. the Southfield team changed their strategy of playing skill hockey against the younger team, and started hitting. That took Northville's focus off hockey, and opened up the ice for Southfield to score five unanswered goals. While Northville was competing on a pure skill basis, they were in the game.

The minute the game turned into a muscle and endurance game, Northville could no longer compete. The final Southfield 6, Northville 2. score:

- submitted by Kita Mason

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Slip-and-falls should be considered as serious as auto accidents. There should be thorough examination of the entire spine immediately after the fall. Most people feel a little sore the day of the fall. The next day the entire body will ache. This is a type of whiplash of the body. The person can feel neck soreness, low back stiffness and tailbone pain.

Most of the time, one limb is also affected. A person will usually try to break their fall with the arms affecting that limb. Other symptoms most commonly experienced are burning in the tailbone area, tingles in arms and fingers, stiff neck and stiff back, low back pain and a burning sensation running down the leg.

Many people suffer with headaches afar a whiplash of the neck. Researchers have often

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noted the relationship between the spine and many types of headaches. For example, one study of 6,000 long-term headache sufferers revealed that neck injury from whiplash or falls was the most important falls was the most important factor in the cause of the headache and should be suspected in every nonspecific case of headache.

Most falls cause the neck to get jolted. The pelvic area is usually landed upon during a slipand-fall. The pelvis will shift and cause pain and discomfort in the lower back. The spinal column of the low back might also be affected. The vertebrae of the low back may be shifted out

If you do experience a slip and fall: be reached at (248) 735-9800.

Gymnastics places third at invitational

It was good news and bad news for the Wild Stang gymnasts on Saturday at the prestigious Canton Invitational.

The good news was they scored 145.75, the third highest team score registered in Michigan High School gamnastics this season, but the bad news was the Rochester Adams High School team scored an even higher 146.55 to capture the first place trophy and retain their number one ranking.

Included in the nineteen team tournament were the top eight teams in the state as ranked by the Coaches Association for the week of Jan. 31: Adams, Portage. Brighton. Northville-Novi, Farmington, Plymouth Salem, Hartland, and Holland. After the hotly contested competition, there



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· Get an examination even if you have no pain. Symptoms are the last sign of damage to the body.

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Lindsay Carlson, a Northville gymnast, does some work on

the balance beam in a recent

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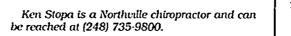
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should be a clearer picture of the top teams that will likely participate in the state team championship tourney scheduled for March 9, at Rockford High School.

Each of the top five finishers at the Canton Invite scored in excess of 142. Adams (146.55), Northville-Novi (145.75). Brighton (145.05). Portage (143.25), and Farmington (142.55)

Northville-Novi was lead by senior Megan Samhat, who compiled the third highest all-around of 37.1, which included a first place on floor [9.6]. Sophomore Jenn Sturgis, who put together the sixth highest all-around score of 36.85, placed third in bars, beam and floor. Also making contributions were seniors Katle Braine, Alison Gillette, Monica Fink, Andrea Ledbetter, and freshman Katie Wilchowski, who averaged higher than 9.0 on the three events she competed in.

Coach Lindsay Crews was pleased with her team's performance, but said "we have to work harder and practice better if we want to continue to improve and compete with the best." Crews also added, "To win, top teams must remain injury free, peak at the right time, and have a little luck."

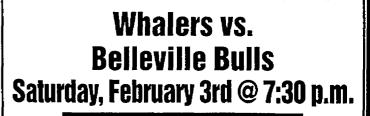
On the injury front, the good news is senior Katie Braine, who finished seventh in last year's Division 1 finals, is returning to competition after overcoming various nagging injuries. Crews indicated Katle is capable of posting a 37.0 all-around score, and "should be a boost for the team." Junior Lindsey Carlson may also be returning to action soon.

"Lindsey is one of the toughest competitors on this team." said coach Jeff Pergament.

Casting a dark shadow on the injury list is senior Kelley Phelps. another Division 1 gymnast, who may have suffered a season-ending knee injury. Junior Missy Esper. who has been hobbled for recent meets, is expected to recover short-

Crews hopes to use the final two dual meets to get additional gymnasts qualified for states and preon Saturday, Feb. 17 at Hartland, and for the regionals on March 3.

Northville-Novi's last home meet was last night against Plymouth Salem, with their last dual meet of the season taking place on Feb. 13, pare the team for the league finals at Hartland. Northville-Novi will look to build on their undefeated, WLAA league record of 6-0.



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HOMETOWN LIFE

Seniors 6B

Thursday, February 8, 2001



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Peter Grebeck of Peter's Hardware in Highland, MI, gives some information to Home Improvement Show attendees about his line of playhouses and gazeebos at the Novi Expo Center last Thursday.

UPCOMING EXPO EVENTS

MOTORAMA

The Midwests largest and most complete collection of Motor Related Equipment. Motorcycles. Cars. Motorsports, Muscle Cars. Memorabilia and More. Make sure to attend this exciting event and plan your Motor purchases for the coming year.

Show will be held Feb. 9 - 11. Friday 4 p.m. to 9 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Sunday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is \$6. Parking \$5.

35TH ANNUAL DETROIT CAMPER & RV SHOW

Campers all all kinds, shapes and sizes. Come and see Michigans largest collection of Campers and RV's under one roof. Show will be held Febuary 15 - 18.

Adult admission \$7.00. Seniors admitted for \$4.50 on Wed. & Thurs, Kids 12 & under get in free. Times are weekdays from 2 9 p.m., Sat. Noon-9 p.m., and Sun. Noon - 6 p.m. Parking is \$5.00

HUNTING, FISHING AND CAMPING OUTDOORS SHOW Show runs Feb. 24 thru March 4. Times are Mon., Tues., Thurs. and Friday, 3 p.m. - 9 p.m.,

Wed. Noon - 9 p.m., Sat. 10 a.m. - 9 p.m., and Sun. 10 a.m. - 6

Admission for adults is \$7, and for seniors \$3.50. Parking is \$5.

Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Carl Hochreiter takes it easy in an "Air-chair" that he was selling Thursday afternoon at the Home Improvement Show at the Novi Expo Center. The suspended chairs ran between \$149-169.

Building on a dream... Expo Center's Home Improvement Show lets home owners' imaginations run wild

By STEPHANIE FORDYCE Staff Writer

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would have been in heaven last weekend as the Novi Expo test home shows of its kind.

remodeling.

"Many people don't want the Bob Vila and Martha Stewart trouble and expense of a fullscale relocation, when for a lot less money, they can customize Center presented one of the their present homes," said Stephen u Faglione, president of BIA and Westminster & Abbey Homes in Bingham Farms. "Our show is replete with remodeling ideas and much more." Exhibitors were also on hand to give advice, ideas, and innovations, for kitchens, baths, doors, windows, interior design, home offices, landscaping, electronics, heating, and cooling. This kind of Expo show is great because people don't have to feel pressured into buying anything," Rosen said. "They can look around, ask questions and walk away." Local exhibitors included Novi's Dixie Cut Stone & Marble Inc. specializing in cultured and natural stone, limestone, marble and granite for kitchen and bath countertop laminations, and McCoy Sauna & Steam of Novi, which exhibited a 6 X 6 decorating, home repair and modular sauna room, portable least, but I don't think I'd buy

"This kind of Expo show is great because people don't have to feel pressured into buying anything. They can

one." said Cathy Harris of White Lake.

Other highlights of the show included WJR's "The Appliance Doctor" Joe Gagon and "The Show's" Garden Dean

SAFETY TIPS WHEN USING POWER TOOLS

· Always wear safety glasses.

Thousand of homeowners gathered Feb. 1-4, for the ninth annual Home Improvement Show presented by the Building Industry Association (BIA) of Southeastern Michigan.

The show featured over 300 exhibitors, providing a huge selection of indoor and outdoor appliances, furniture, decorative accessories, tools, spas, and other home products and services.

"We have everything from the attic to the basement," said BIA spokesperson Nancy Rosen. "Whether people are looking for specific items, want to get price estimates, or just want redecorating ideas: this is really a onestop place for any spot in their home, inside and outside."

Additional show features included demonstrations on

look around, ask questions and walk away."

> Nancy Rosen BIA spokesperson

sauna, heaters and steam products.

Some of the most popular attractions to the show included a central vacuum system from Built-in Vacuum & Sound and the Zoe toilet by Toto. The revolutionary toilet features a deodorizing fan system, seat warmer, and with the hit of a button, you are bathed with a gentle, warm stream of water. The Zoe even comes with its own remote control.

"It's interesting to say the

Krauskopf and WXYT's "Ask the Handyman" Glenn Haege. "Money Talk" with Rick Bloom and 'PC Mike's High Tech Weekend" with Mike Wendland. The show also welcomed renown chef Raymond Wong for a live demonstration on how to cook low-fat. healthy Chinese foods. Wong featured creative ways to use leftovers, cut down on salt and make the most of Interesting spices.

This is really the biggest and best show under one roof." said Gary Swanson, a truck driver from Flat Rock. "My wife and I came here to get some deck ideas and now we're set on putting in a pool too."

Stephanie Fordyce is a staff writer for the Novi News. Her address e-mail is sfordyce@ht.homecomm.net

Always follow the manufacturer's recommendations for using their tools and materials.

• Dull tools are unsafe and can harm the work. Maintain your tools. Always work with sharp cutting blades.

• Unplug power tools before loading them, changing blades or bits or making adjustments.

• Never use any power tools in the rain.

• Never alter or remove the blade guards on a power saw.

• Always wear proper clothing and safety equipment on the work site.

• Keep children away from the work area and power tools as well as away from harmful materials, adhesives and solvents.

• Keep a clean work site and don't let debris accumulate.

Source: www.homeimprovement.com

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The Very Icky Dinner

HomeTown Authors

Every night at 6 p.m. my mom serves me some dinner.

I usually look down at my plate and see lots of liver Then 1 say to my mom. "What

kind of food is this? It's really really ickyl"

Then my mom says. Dear, you are very, very picky!"

Now mom, what I prefer for dinner is something really sticky!

Kaley Moore is nine years old and a student in Ms. Connie Dye's class at Parkview Elementary in Nori.



Kaley Moore

Northville.

Northville Seniors

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

SERVICES

• Newsletter

The senior newsletter is a monthly publication filled with information on senior citizen activities, trips and services. You can pick up a newsletter at the Senior Center or receive it monthly by mail for an annual contribution of \$7.

• Telephone Reassurance (Telecare)

Homebound residents can receive a daily telephone call or an occasional call to check on their well being or to talk to someone free of charge. Please call the Senior Center to register.

Blood Pressure Screening

Come get your blood pressure checked free of charge. Held at the center on the second Tuesday of the month, from 10 a.m. to noon by Westland Convalescence Center and the fourth Monday of the month, from noon to 2 p.m. by St. Mary's Hospital. An appointment is not necessary.

• Focus: HOPE

Food distribution is usually the fourth Friday of every month from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Senior Center, February distribution will be on Feb. 23.

Senior Services Directory

The Northville Senior Center has created a directory of services available to senior citizens. The directory includes information on support programs, health and medical services, available housing, organizations providing financial assistance and much more. Please stop by the Senior Center to pick up your free copy today. (Funding for this directory was provided by the Oakland **County Community Development** Block Grant Program.)

• Tax Counseling Services

Free tax counseling sponsored by AARP will be available on Tuesdays, Jan. 30 through April 10. Hours are 9 a.m. to noon and 1-4 p.m. Volunteer tax coun-

On Campus

Jeff Gdowski has been selected

for membership in the American

Musical Ambassadors Band. This

highly select concert band, com-

posed of outstanding students

from all over the Untied States.

will tour several European coun-

tries for three weeks next summer.

selors will prepare your state and local tax forms. Most forms will be on hand. Appointments are scheduled at 1 1/2 hour intervals. No charge for service, however, donations to the senior program will be gratefully accepted. You must call the Senior Center ahead of time to make an appointment. (248) 349-4140.

TRANSPORTATION Bus Service for Local

Shopping Trips Tuesdays: Meijer, Kohl's, Target and local banks.

Fridays: Farmer Jack/Hiller's Shopping Center (alternating Market/Busch's Fridays.)

Bus begins pickup at 9:30 a.m. from your home. Cost is \$2. Call the Senior Center for reservations 48 hours in advance.

· Bus Service for Movies. Lunch and Shopping at the Mall Twice a Month

The senior bus goes to AMC 20 and Laurel Park Mall for an afternoon (noon to 4 p.m.) of movies. lunch and shopping. The days scheduled are the second and fourth Monday of each month. Pick-up will begin from your home at 12 p.m. or the MAGS parking lot shortly thereafter. Cost is \$2. Please call to make reservations.

Expanded Transportation for Seniors

Northville's new senior bus service provides transportation to run errands, visit a friend, have a hair appointment, have lunch out, go to a doctor's appointment, etc. Medical appointments always secure priority when scheduling.

Service hours are Monday through Friday, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Passengers must be a Northville or Northville Township resident. 50 years of age or older or handicapped.

The service area will be a five mile radius from the Northville Senior Center, Reservations must be made at least two working days in advance. Monday through Friday between 9 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Requests cannot be accepted at any other time. Call (248) 349-4140.

• Wanted: Bus Drivers

With the addition of a second

bus in January, we now have immediate need for additional part-time bus drivers. This position requires a CDL driver's license. Hours are flexible. events are great to attend free. and seniors are rewarding to serve. If interested, please call the Senior Center at (248) 349-4140.

ONGOING ACTIVITIES Card Playing

Join us for cards at the center. Enjoy several hours of fun for just \$1. The schedule is as fol-Bridge, Wednesdays, lows: 12:15-3:15 p.m.; Pinochle, Mondays and Thursdays, 12:30-4:30 p.m. and beginning Pinochle on Tuesdays, from 12:30-3:30 p.m.

Detroit Symphony Orchestra

Northville Senior Center has reserved tickets to various concerts throughout the season. Tickets to Classical Coffee Concerts are \$28 for residents and \$35 for non-residents. Upcoming classical concerts include: Beethoven's Eroica. Feb. 23. Future Pops Concerts include: Fielder's Favorite, Feb. 8 and Debbie Reynolds. March 8. (Cost for Debbie Reynolds is \$38 for residents, \$45 for non-residents, departure time is 7 p.m. from MAGS.) Tickets to Pops Concerts are \$34 for residents. S41 for non-residents. Departure time is 9 a.m. from MAGS for all concerts unless otherwise indicated. Registration is necessary.

SENIOR FITNESS

 Senior Drop-in Morning Volleyball (for co-ed adults 50 and up)

Do you want to look young. think young and feel young? Get rid of that sedentary feeling. Come out and play volleyball. All levels of play are welcome. Held on most Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays at the Parks and Recreation Gym from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Cost is \$1. For more information, call the Northville Parks and Recreation Department at (248) 349-0203.

 Healing Touch Therapy Healing Touch is an energybased alternative healing. It balances the human energy field:

touching body, mind, emotion. and spirit. Beginning in January. Cynthia Drolshagen R.N., a Healing Touch practitioner, will be available on Fridays. 10 a.m. to noon at the Sentor Center. Cost is \$15 for a 45-minute to one hour session. Please call the Center (248) 349-4140 for an appointment.

Massage Therapy

Treat yourself to a well-deserved hour massage by a certified therapist on Wednesdays at the Senior Center.

The cost is \$36 for one hour. You must call ahead for an appointment. To cancel an appointment, call 24 hours in advance or you will be charged for the appointment. For your first appointment, please arrive ten minutes early. Call the Senior Center to register.

SENIOR ACTIVITIES AND DAY TRIPS

Pot Luck Luncheon

Usually held at the Senior Center on the third Monday of every month from noon to 1 p.m. Bring your own table service, a dish to pass and \$1. Potluck will be Feb. 26 this month.

• Dinner at Joe Muer's

Join us for dinner at Joe Muer's in Southfield on Thursday, Feb. 22. The bus will leave MAGS at 4:30 p.m. Cost is \$4 for transportation, payable to the driver. Please call the Senior Center to register.

Sweetheart Tea

You are invited to our annual Sweetheart Tea on Feb. 13 at 1 p.m. to enjoy Valentine treats and entertainment with friends and neighbors. Cost is \$6. Stop by the Center to register.

Valentine's Day Party

Come to our Valentine's Day party on Feb. 14 at the Northville Parks and Recreation meeting room. This is co-sponsored by American House. Includes refreshments, door prizes, and entertainment by a concert violinist. The cost is \$4. Stop by the Senior Center to register.

Great Lakes Crossing

CH 41355 St

Join us for a few hours of shopping at Great Lakes crossing. Depart MAGS parking lot at 9:30

a.m. Enjoy lunch and shopping. Depart mall at approximately 3 p.m. The cost is \$4 for transportation, payable to the bus driver. Call the Center for reservations.

• Mind Games at the Gem Theater

Come and watch the amazing mind games by expert Marc Salem at the Gem Theater on Feb. 28. Includes dinner at the Century Club. Depart from MAGS at 4:30 p.m. Cost is \$65. Select menu at time of registration at the Senior Center.

• Soaring Eagle - Hal Roach

Join us on March 12 at the Soaring Eagle Casino for a day of fun and laughter as the King of Blarney, Hal Roach performs an unforgettable show. Depart from MAGS at 12 p.m. and return at approximately 7:30 p.m. Cost Is \$52 for residents. Dinner is on your own on the return trip. Stop by the center to register.

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Gdowski, son of Joe and Lois Gdowski is a member of the Novi High School Wind Ensemble directed by James Sheckler. The tour group will visit

Amsterdam, Paris, Lucerne, Lugano, Milan, Verona, Venice,

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Winchester, Windsor, London, and the historic beaches of Normandy. Highlights of the tour will include concerts in the concert halls and major parks of Europe, and visits to many sites of musical and historical importance as well as popular tourist attractions.

The purpose of the tour is to foster cultural and personal relationships between students of the United States and the people of Europe. AMA students, through their high standards of musical excellence and equally high stan-Germany. indeed served as fine representa- aeronautical science.

tives of American youth and as ambassadors of good will through the universal language of music.

Melinda J. Bush. computer graphics technology and Gerald R. Grimm. CAD/drafting received Schoolcraft College Faculty Scholarships for the winter 2001 term.

Matt Flaherty, a freshman, has been named to the Honor Roll for the 2000 Fall semester at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University

Students must achieve a grade point average of 3.2 to 3.49 to be cligible for this honor.

Flaherty is the son of Bruce and Mary Flaherty of Novi and a graduate of Detroit Catholic Central High School.

Richard Harris and Sara Elfring have been named to the Dean's List at the University of Notre Dame.

To achieve this recognition, students must maintain a scholastic special pre-Broadway engagement as Academy Award and Tony Award nominee Kathleen Turner returns to the stage for the performance of two lifetimes. Depart from MAGS at 4:30 p.m. Dinner is on your own at Fishbones in Greektown. Cost is \$62. Stop by the Senior Center to register.

SENIOR CENTER TRIP

· Feb. 28, Soaring Eagle Casino. Cost is \$26 for residents.

• March 28, Motorcity Casino.

Cost is \$16 for residents.

 April 1-9, California Coast

Cost is \$1.979 per person. double occupancy.

• April 19-26, Savannah, GA.

Cost is \$1.069 per person. double occupancy.

• April 26-28, Chicago Cost Is \$379 per person, double occupancy

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Engagements



Woodall-Mills

Mr. and Mrs. Brian Boeye of Northville and Mr. and Mrs. Roger Mills of Atlanta, Ga., announce the engagement of their son. Roger Mills, to Erin Brooke Woodall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jefferson C. Woodall of Winston-Salem, N.C.

The bride-elect is a current graduate of Davidson College, N.C. and is currently pursuing a masters degree.

The groom-elect is a 1995 Northville High School graduate and a 1999 graduate of Davidson College. He is now employed at Kelly McCardle Construction Co. in Charlotte. N.C.

A May wedding is planned.

On Campus Con⁴

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Harris is the son of Susan Harris of Novi. He is a 2000 graduate of Novi High School, and is in the university's first year of studles program.

Elfring is a 1998 graduate of Novi High School and a junior in the university's College of Engineering, majoring in mechan-Ical engineering. She is the daugh-ter of Herb and Carol Elfring.

Named on the Dean's List for earning a 3.5 or better grade point average for fall semester at Michigan Technological University svere:

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Leif Morley Coponen. junior. civil engineering major: and Alexis Manda Troschinetz, a sophomore, environmental engineering.

Brittany A. Kureth was named to the Dean's List for outstanding academic achievement for fall semester at Colby College, located in Waterville, Maine.

Kureth is a freshman at Colby and a graduate of Detroit Country Day High School.

In recognition of her academic achievement of a 3.5 or better GPA. Jessica Anthony was manued to the Dean's List at Wartburg College. The college is located in Waverly, lowa.

Anthony is the daughter of



Stevens-Kovacs

Diane and Andrew Kovacs Jr. of Novi are pleased to announce the engagement of their son. David Michael, to Tara Claire Stevens, daughter of James and Marlene Stevens of Thompson, Manitoba, Canada.

The bride-elect is a 1996 graduate of R.D. Parker Collegiate of Thompson. She is a June graduate of Red River College in Winnipeg. Manitoba, with a degree in business administration and marketing.

The groom-elect is a 1996 graduate of Novi High School. He will graduate in May. 2001. from Michigan State University with degrees in environmental sciences and management from Lyman Briggs, as well as fisheries and wildlife ecology and management. Following graduation, he will complete his training at the U.S. Marines officers' school in Quantico, Va.

An October 2002 wedding is planned.

In Service



Joshua Brandl

Air Force Airman 1st Class Joshua B. Brandl has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas.

During his training. Brandl studied Air Force mission, organization, customs, and special training in human relations. He earned credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

Brandl is the son of Bela Brandl of Brighton and Suzanne Brandl of Northville. He is a 1997 graduate

Wedding



LaForest-Pompi

Renee Susanne LaForest and Daniel Louis Pompi exchanged wedding vows May 13, 2000, at St. Aidan's Catholic Church in Livonia. Officiating the ceremony was the Rev. Kasza: the bride was given in marriage by her father. A reception followed at Meadowbrook Country Club in Northville.

The bride is the daughter of George and Mary Ann LaForest of Northville. Renee received her master's degree in education from Wayne State University. and is currently teaching English at the Walled Lake Middle School.

Attending as maid of honor was Ellen Šurowiec. Bridesmaids were Jennifer LaForest, Char-Lynn Spadafora, Katie Gray. Janet Sarah Cusak, and Kennedy.

The white silk bridal gown was traditional in design, capped sleeves with a full skirt and detachable train. The bride wore her mother's wedding headpiece. a long veil attached to a band of pearls.

The bridal bouquet was of hand-tied white hydrangea. white stephanotis, champagne sahara roses, cream roses, and white sweet pea with a tulle wrap.

bridesmaids carried The hand-tied bouquets of lavender hydrangea, cream yellow flowers and sahara roses, accented by a touch of foliage and tulle wrap.

The groom is the son of Louis and Betsy Pompi of Columbus. Ohio. He received his master's degree in business administration from the University of Michigan, and is currently employed as an engineer at MAGNA International.

Ryan Kennedy attended as best man. Groomsmen were David Pompi, Michael LaForest. Jeffrey LaForest, Tim LaForest, and David Yegge. Timothy

The couple took a seven-day Princess cruise and a seven-day visit to Florida's Disney World for their honeymoon.

Dressing right, even for men, can give great impressions

In purchasing a suit, buy it in

a store that caters to men or in a

reputable department store and

not in a shop where the clothing

racks are next to the plumbing

supplies. If you cannot buy the

best, buy the best you can afford

and your budget will allow. Be

sure you try on both the jacket

and trousers for a proper fit.

Especially watch the fit in the

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If we couldn't speak a word, our clothes would do the talking for us. Clothes communicate!" - Sal Cesarani, Coty Award recipient

Throughout the New Year holidays. I had read several articles on clothes for the 'new woman for the new year." However, I had not seen any on clothing apparel for men. In fact, go through any mall and you will find about six clothing stores for women for every one men's store. So for this new year, fellas, this article is for you - a first of a series of future articles of not only clothing but of proper demeanor for an elegant gentleman:

Charles Hix wrote in his book Dressing Right" that "the truth is whether we like it or not. appearances do count. And how we're dressed, rightly or wrongly, is one of the criteria used by others, right or wrong, to peg us."

So when we first meet someone, our first impression we form is on their appearance. This happens in about 40 to 50 seconds. You don't know if they have a degree from MIT, what they had make a difference like night and for breakfast, or

First, let me say if you men

knew how utterly handsome you

look in a dark navy blue suit.

white shirt and a proper tie, you

would wear it every day. If you

are going to have only one suit in

your wardrobe, make it a navy

blue one. I do not know of any

man - tall or short, heavy or thin.

young or old, whatever color of

skin, hair or eyes - who does not

look smashing in a navy blue

For your second suit choose a

dark gray. After that, choose either a blue or gray with a slight

pattern or stripe, but, careful do

not let the pattern be noticeable

from more than eight feet away. If

so, choose a subtler one.

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remember, they

are also judging

you in the same

way - it will be a

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sion so make it

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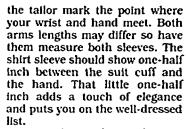
it is pressed." Instead Margit Erickson Etiquette Consultant choose anoth-

another store. Remember when you are dressed, only your head, neck and hands are exposed and even though your shirt, tie, and hose are an important contribution to your look, it is the suit that covers most of your body.

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The jacket's waist should be slightly tapered along the natural line of the body, but it is not supposed to fit like a glove causing it to be too tight around the hips. If your jacket has a vent in the back, it should not be pulled apart so the seat of the trousers show.

Now to the sleeves - most men wear suit sleeves either too long or too short. The best way to measure is to let your arms hangs down naturally and have



Pants should fit comfortably but are too tight so the pockets are pulled open. They should be long enough so that your socks do not show when you walk. Cuffed pants are usually sewn straight across while ones without cuffs are hemmed on a slant. Both should rest on top of the shoe for a slight break - and neither of them should be scraping the ground in the back as you walk.

Hang suits on proper wooden curved hangers and quickly brush off after each wearing. Have your suits cleaned only when necessary as the cleaning solutions can damage the fabric.

OTHER TIPS FOR AN ELE-GANT GENTLEMAN:

• When dining with a female companion, have her sit on your right.

• Do not wear a class ring to office unless you recently graduated from school/college.

• When walking in the rain with a friend, the taller one carries the open umbrella.

· Offer a toast at your next dinner party - it will make you more cosmopolitan and mark you as a person with great charm. good taste, and good breeding - all traits others greatly admire!

A survey was taken awhile ago asking men what they disliked most about women. Number one answer: fumbling in a large purse trying to find something. What do you think women will say about men? Write me (either male or female) and let me know what you think it is. I will publish it in a later issue. Margit Erickson and Company, P.O. Box 841, Northville, Ml. 48167.

Margit Erickson of Margit Erickson and Co. has been an etiquette consultant for more than 10 years and conducts seminars in business and social eliquette for adults, teens and children. You can write her at the above address.



James and Marilee Anthony of of South Lyon High Scho Northville.



Community Events

CAMERA CLUB WILL MEET The Novi Camera Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 13 at the Novi Community Center, 45175W. Ten Mile Road. The topic of the evening will be The Wizard of Photography -George Eastman."

This is a video biography of George Eastman from the early years to the founding of Eastman Kodak Co. - including all his inventions of cameras and films. Included are segments on the famous "Brownie" camera.

Guests, family and friends are always welcome.

LOOKING FOR CLASSMATES The Novi High School Class of 1981 is gathering e-mail addresses and phone numbers of classmates for our 20-year reunion.

e-mail NHS Please 81reunion@yahoo.com to supply your information and obtain reunion updates or call Marci Spiker at (248) 887-5600, ext. 216 to leave your phone number and postal address.

The reunion is scheduled for July 7, 2001 in Novi. This event offers advance ticket sales only. Additional information will be distributed via e-mail (preferred) or post.

ACS OFFERS CANCER CON-TROL PROGRAM

The American Cancer Society is enrolling women over the age of 40 m the "Breast and Cervical offers free breast and cervical cancer screenings. This program is available to women in the metro-Detroit area who meet federal income guidelines and are not members of a HMO or Medicare part B.

One in eight women will be diagnosed with breast cancer at some time in their life, and the risk of breast cancer increases with age." said Ruba Mahfouz. community development director for the American Cancer Society. "When detected in its earliest stages, breast cancer is up to 97 percent survivable."

It is projected that 193,700 Americans will be diagnosed with breast cancer and approximately 12,900 American women will be diagnosed with cervical cancer this year. Women who detect their breast and cervical cancers early have a much greater change of surviving the disease.

For more information on how to enroll in the Breast and Cervical Cancer Control Program, call your American Cancer Society at (248) 557-5353 or toll free at 1-800-925-2271.

GUILD TO PERFORM SOUTH PACIFIC

The Plymouth Theater Guild proudly presents Rodgers and Hammerstein's "South Pacific" on: Feb. 16, 17, 23, 24, 25, and March 2 and 3: curtain at 8 p.m.

Cancer Control Program," which and '6 p.m. for the Feb. 25 performance.

Shows are performed in the Watertower Theater, located on the campus of Northville Psychiatric Hospital, 41001 W. Seven Mile Road, Northville.

All shows are general seating. Adults. \$12: youth 18 and under. \$8: group rates. 15-29. \$10: and 30-plus. \$9. Tickets may be purchased at the door on the night of the show or at vendors: Penniman Deli, 820 Penniman. Plymouth: Evola Music. 7170 N. Haggerty. Canton; and Gardenviews, 202 W. Main St., Northville.

For further information, call the Plymouth Theater Guild hotline, (248) 349-7110.

BLOOD DRIVE

The American Red Cross will hold a blood drive from 12:30 to 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 13 on the campus of Madonna University.

The process is safe, simple and takes only a short time. To make an appointment, call the office of student life at (734) 432-5428. Walk-in donors are also welcome.

The Red Cross is in desperate need of blood donations. Eligible donors must be at least 17 years old and may donate every eight weeks or no more than five times per year.

WORKSHOP ON ATTENTION DEFICITS TO BE HELD IN

NORTHVILLE

An after school workshop will be held Wednesday, Feb. 21 at Northville High School the Forum, 45700 Six Mile Road.

Two sessions will be presented by David Braukman: "Best Practices at School for Students with Attention Problems, 3:30-6:30 p.m. and "Best Practices at Home for Students with Attention Problems," 7-8:30 p.m. All teachers and parents who share a concern for improving the educational success of children with attention difficulties are invited to attend.

Please call the Northville Schools Special Public Education Department to register, (248) 344-8453.

AAUW MEETING WILL FEA-TURE STORYTELLER

A librarian for the Center for Afro-American studies at the University of Michigan will speak at the Feb. 13 meeting of the Northville/Novi branch of the Association American of University Women.

Elizabeth James, a third generation storyteller, is a member of the Ann Arbor Storytellers Guild and the National Association of Black Storytellers. The meeting will start at 7 p.m. with a half an hour for socializing at the Northville Senior Center, 213 W. Cady St. The speaker is slated for 7:30-8:30 p.m. A half hour business meeting will follow. The public is

invited and the location is barri- offers support for widows and er free.

ZANY ACTIVITIES

Zany Brainy in-store events are sure to brighten weekend days. Kids can show off their creativity and smarts during these wonderful winter weekends. All events are free and open to the public. To locate a Zany Brainy store in your neighborhood, visit ww.zanybrainy.com. • Let's Chug Along with

Thomas

Saturday and Sunday. Feb. 17 and 18 at 2 p.m. each day. Young fans of Thomas the Tank Engine will make their own engineer's hats. Then they'll turn a few "surprise" ingredients into a set of train wheels that "chug, chug, chug" - just like Thomas. Ages 3 to

Clifford Movies 'n More Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 24 and 25 at 2 p.m. each day. The big Zany Showtime Theater screen features two new Clifford videos. Join us for Clifford's Best Friend and Here Comes Clifford - then make your own big. red Clifford ears. Ages 3 to 5.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP FOR WIDOWS

New Hope Center for Grief Support. a Christian-based bereavement outreach center.

widowers with children on the second and fourth Tuesday night of each month. The group meets at St. Kenneth's Parish in Plymouth. from 7-8:30 p.m. and is offered free of charge. Professionally led children's groups meet at the same time and place for children between the ages of 4 and 12. New Hope also offers groups for widows and widowers of all ages and a group for bereaved teens as well as other bereavement resources. For more information, call (248) 348-0115.

FAMILY KALEDIOSCOPE SERIES

Northville First United Methodist Church, 777 W. Eight Mile. Northville. has offered a series of sermons about family life. The next Family Kaleidoscope sermon will be held on Feb. 11 during the three worship hours of 8 a.m., 9:15 a.m., and 11 a.m. "The Price of a Good Robe" will offer a message on sibling rivalry. For more information. call (248) 349-1144.

NORTHVILLE WOMEN'S CLUB

On Feb. 16. the Northville Women's Club will meet with a speaker pertaining to "Cherished Hair Art^{*} at 1:30 p.m. at the Plymouth Historical Museum.

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Novi Newcomers and Neighbors Plans are already being made for this year's Gift and Craft Auction 2001. It will be held on Saturday. March 24 starting at 7 p.m. At midnight, there will be music and dancing. Village Oaks Club House is the location and the evening will have a Mexican Fiesta theme. March IO is the deadline and additional information is available by calling Debbie Sunden at 349-2414. Some of the donations are already in and include Detroit Symphony Orchestra tickets, Novi Hilton Sunday Bunch, Mark Ridley's Comedy Castle, slik flower arrangements, homemade afghan and many more. All proceeds are donated back to the Novi Community to the Emergency Food Bank, Christmas gifts for a needy family, high school scholarships. DARE, sponsor T-Ball and Soccer teams, sandbox at the Time Pope structure. Novi Youth Play Assistance, local Nursing Homes, Etc. One of the newer interest groups is "Discover Detroit" and the trip this time is scheduled for Feb. 28 and will be visiting the Detroit Historical Museum and having lunch afterwards. Other trips that are coming up include Holocaust Museum in West Bloomfield; in April will be a visit to Edsel Ford Estate and in May to

the Cranbrook gardens. The Lunch Bunch will be going to Bonfire Grill at Seven Mile and Haggerty (Home Depot) on Feb. 27. Moms and Tots will be going this week to the Bee's Knees in Northville where they will be painting pottery pieces and even babies are going to participate with Mom's help by making a hand or foot print on a ceramic tile. Then on Feb. 19, the group will be going to the Science and Exploration Center in Toledo, Ohio. This has been scheduled during the midwinter break so school age children can go also. These groups are just a few of the many, many other ones that are available to members. For information call the above number.

NOVI SENIOR CENTER

Tickets are on sale and must be purchased in advance for the St. Valentine Chocolate Fest scheduled for Wednesday, Feb. 14 to start at noon. Lunch will include: BBQ Ribbles, Parsley Red Skin Potatoes, Confetti Corn, Whole Grain Bread, Milk, and Valentine Cake. This will be followed by a program on Chocolate samples and games with Chocoate Door prizes. Cost for this luncheon and program is \$4 and tickets must be purchased in advace. A reminder to the senior citizens and others who are involved in the Pen Pal

program with the youngsters at the first grade at Orchard Hills that the next letter to be taken over will be due on Monday. Feb. 12. This is one of the holidays that a gift costing no more than \$3 can be dropped off at the Senior Center for your little pen pal and it will be delivered at Easter time. On Wednesday. May 16 both the pen pals will meet for the first time, after corresponding all school year. Anyone interested in doing this, that was not involved this year, should contact the office and be put on the list. A reminder to those seniors out in the Novi area who don't have transportation and want to come to some of the upcoming activities or want to invite a neighbor to go to lunch can call the center at 347-0404 for information on lunch and on transportation. Travel meeting will be Thursday, Feb. 15 at 9:30 AM and will have refreshments and door prizes, etc. The monthly dance will be Tuesday, Feb. 27 from 1-3 p.m. The cost is \$3 at the door. Many other opportunities for Seniors to enjoy are available. Calendars can be picked up at the Parks and Recration office.

FAITH COMMUNITY PRESBY-**TERIAN CHURCH**

This coming Sunday, February

11 is a very special date for all married couples at Faith Community Church to have the opportunity to restate their marriage vows to each other during the 10:30 service. All couples who would like to can come forward and as a group restate their wedding vows to each other. Those who plan to recommit themselves are asked to bring a picture from their wedding day to share with the congregation and there will be cake and punch after the service with a display of the pictures. Members and friends of the church family are also inviting married friends, family and neighbors to restate their vows. Another occasion for married couples is the Grand Getaway marriage retreat scheduled for Sunday and Monday, May 20-21 or Monday and Tuesday, May 21-22, 2001 at the Grand Hotel at Mackinac Island and conference registration forms are available at the church. Upcoming activities include a special Ash Wednesday Service at 7:30 p.m. on Feb. 28. The Adult Handbell Choir rehearsals have been changed to Wednesdays 6:30-7:30 p.m. and those interested are invited to come and get more information. The Mom's Group also extends an invitation for those who have small children for planned

activities twice a month. In February, they made crafts and later in the month they will be meeting at the Novi Bowl for some bowling. There is a baby sitter available at the bowling alley and the meetings are from 12-2 p.m. The Prime Timers will be meeting on Feb. 14 at Rocky's of Northville for lunch and again for more information call the church office and the number to clal is 349-5666.

A GROWING PLACE

The new toys have arrived that were acquired through the sale of Discovery toy sales and additonal equipment purchased by the school. These include several adorable puppets such as an owl. whales, pupples, etc. In addition, they have a new blackboard on an easel complete with kits of items for the children to build a picture with. Also a new train set has been acquired. On January 17 and 24. children above the age of 3 years were accompnaied by 22 adults and also the teachers to the Marquis in Northville to see Pinnochio and then later in the month they went to Kensington Park for a trip. In February, they have been busy with vision screening by Oakland Health Departmentand also with parent conferences. On Feb. 8, they

were entertained by the popular Niner Puppeteers program and started getting ready for the Valentine parties on Feb. 13 and 14 with the children recycling juice cans and milk cartons making the most adorable additions to the Valentine theme of special mailboxes. Each year at Valentine's Day, they try to emphasize the importance of learning one's address. Inside a special mailbox will be a candy kiss and for the child to receive the mailbox they must be able to tell their house number and street. On Feb. 16 they will be going to Drakeshire Lanes for a bowling time followed by a pizza time. The annual Grandparent tea party will be on Thursday. March 1 from 10-11:30 a.m. The children can also bring a "Significant Senior." Coming up on March 20-21, the children will be participating in the annual bunny hop to raise money for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. Last year, they raised \$2,700.00. Anyone wishing more information can call Korene Jett at 471-2333.

Novi Highlights is written by Jeanne Clarke. Should you wish to contact her with information for this column, call 624-0173.



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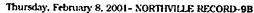


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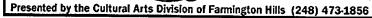
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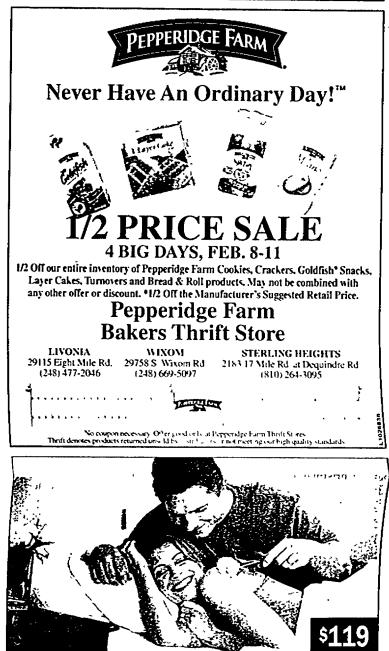
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Northville resident featured in "Escanaba"

By LON HUHMAN STAFF WRITER

The new movie "Escanaba in da Moonlight" has a distinct Michigan feeling to it, but Northville residents may be happily surprised to see a familiar face up on the big screen.

Long time Northville resident Jim Porterfield has a featured role in the new comedy about a unlucky deer hunter from Escanaba. The movie was released on Jan. 26 in selected theaters throughout Michigan and stars Jeff Daniels. "Escanaba in da Moonlight" was co-written by Daniels and Guy Sanville. Both are from Michigan.

In the movie. Porterfield plays the role of the role of Alphonse Soady. Soady is the great-grandfather of the main char-Reuben Soady. Porterfield's character shows up in . the final scenes as an apparition to aid Daniels' character in his hunt

for the elusive buck he has been unable to get for most of his life. Comedy ensues because of this fact and Daniels' character has to bear the brunt of the teasing from family. friends and fellow hunters as well as trying everything and anything to "bag a buck." Porterfield originally became

involved with "Escanaba in da Moonlight" when it was a play being put on at the Purple Rose Theater in Chelsea. He played the part of Albert Soady, who is played by Harve Presnell in the film ver-

sion. Presnell has been in such movies as "Fargo" and "Face/Off." The play later moved to the Gem Theater in Detroit where it is the longest running play in the theater's history. Porterfield has appeared in 420 showings of the play.

Porterfield was born Dearborn, but his family moved to Northville when he was a teenager. According to Porterfield, the acting bug has been with him his entire life, but his first experienced training came in high school theater classes. He acted in three high school play which were "Sound of

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"Unsolved Mysteries was fun to do and luckily, I haven't had anyone try to acter. 43 year-old apprenhend me after seeplayed by Daniels. ing my appearance."

1 9 7 4 . Porterfield left Jim Porterfield home to attend Northville celebrity Michigan State University as a

theater major. He spent almost two years as a theater major, but after losing some interest in acting Porterfield switched his major to social ccience. That was a big switch in majors, but Porterfield said he had another passion in life - politics.

"I was very interested in working in politics after my college years," Porterfield said. "Politics is another passion I've had my entire life."

After graduating from MSU in

various political positions including working for a Detroit city council member. performing volunteer work and doing political organization. Following several years of active political involvement Porterfield went to work for his father's tree service as a consultant. However, the acting bug never left him.

'My brother's wife knew I loved acting so she told me about the Richdale Players community the-ater group, which I eventually got involved with." Porterfield said.

From there Porterfield's acting aspirations grew and it would lead Music, "Hello. him into acting in local commercials for the lottery and car compaand nies as well as employee training and films. This helped Porterfield take a step up in the acting world as he gained membership into the Screen Actors Guild. He later lived from Northville High in New York, Chicago and Los School as a Angeles to receive acting training ing athlete in at such places as the American Film Institute.

Porterfield has also appeared in the television program "Unsolved Mysteries" and the independent film "Stardust."

'Unsolved Mysteries' was fun to do, and luckily I haven't had anyone try to apprenhend me after seeing my appearance," Porterfield said. "Stardust was a independent film I did. I think its shown on cable every once in awhile."

Porterfield said "Escanaba in da Moonlight" is a great comedy and what makes it special is the local flavor it has without being to Hollywood. Nearly all of the cast is from Michigan.

Midwesterners. especially residents of Michigan, will relate 1978, Porterfield went to work in with the movie and its humor."

> and increasing the number of lay rescuers trained in CPR and AED use.

The American Heart Association is working with businesses and other public facilities (such as airports, sports stadiums, shopping malls and other places where large numbers of people gather). encouraging them to purchase AEDs and train personnel in the use of AEDs and CPR.

• Early Advanced Care After defibrillation, many

patients need highly trained med-Ical personnel and equipment for advanced treatments, such as ventilation and intravenous drugs. on the scene and on the way to the hospital. Without them, some people may revert back to cardiac arrest.

Take action to help prevent cardiac arrest of which are caused by an irregu-

WHAT IS THE CHAIN OF SURVIVAL?

The American Heart Association is working to increase public awareness and support for a strong chain of survival for victims of sudden cardiac arrest. The "chain of survival" is a sequence of actions that must be initiated as soon as a cardiac arrest is detected in order to save the person's life. Here are the four links in the chain of survival:

Early Access to Care

Upon recognizing the signs for heart attack or cardiac arrest, it's important to act quickly and engage the emergency medical service (EMS) system immediately by calling 9-1-1 so that appropriate emergency personnel can be dispatched to the scene. If an

EMS system isn't quickly activated, a cardiac arrest victim has little chance of surviving.

• Early Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR)

If the victim is in cardiac arrest. call 9-1-1 immediately. Then start CPR by administering mouth-tomouth breathing and chest compressions to provide the oxygen and blood flow needed by the heart and brain. CPR is important because it can help sustain the victim until defibrillation (electric shock to the heart) can be provided.

• Early Defibrillation

Defibrillation is the delivery of an electrical shock to restore the heart's normal rhythm. Early defibrillation is the only known therapy for cardiac arrests, most

lar heart rhythm (arrhythmia) called ventricular fibrillation (VF). Cardiac arrest victims must receive defibrillation within 7 to 10 minutes. Otherwise, the person will die because the chance of survival is reduced by 7-10 percent each minute that passes. Few attempts at resuscitation are successful after 10 minutes.

New, easy-to-use, automated external defibrillators (AEDs) now make early defibrillation more possible, substantially strengthening this link in the chain of survival. The American Heart Association has set a goal of increasing cardiac arrest survival by shortening the time to defibrillation, placing automated external defibrillators in the community.

Penisula. The movie has been released on a slected theater basis to see how audiencs react and primarily because it is a independent film. Daniels started his own film and production under the names Purple Rose Films and Productions. With good audience turnout the movie may expand more theaters across to Michigan and the Mldwest.

Porterfield can also be seen in a new play being shown at the Purple Rose Theater starting in April, but residents might also see him around town.

"I enjoy living in Northville." Porterfield said. "There are a lot of good people and things to do

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for the Northville Record. He can

be reached at (248) 349-1700. ext.

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level, correct alignment, and development of breathing technique to enhance the stretches and relaxation. Instructor Chris Lacey offers two classes per week from 8:30-10 a.m., in two different sessions. Session one is held every Tuesday

from Feb. 13 to March 27. Session two is held every Thursday from Feb. 15 to March 29.

Register for seven Tuesday or Thursday classes for \$70, or 14 Tuesday or Thursday classes for \$100. Interested parties may regis-

ter for a free trial class to be held on Feb. 8, from 8:30-10 a.m.

To register call the Main Street Family Chiropractic Center at 248-735-9800. For any questions concerning the classes, contact Chris Lacey at 248-735-0112.

First Dance

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MOVIES

Past indiscretions haunt these junior high pals

"Valentine" is set against the background of the tradition of Valentine's Day, a time when love is on everyone's mind.

"Sex and love go hand in hand with death in all horror films," said producer Dylan Sellers. "You're already going into a holiday that focuses on the former, so it's only natural that death comes along for the ride too. Our story takes revenge and obsession up a notch. And that's what this movie is these men and women desperately looking for love and crossing the line."

The film revolves around Kate (Marley Shelton). Paige (Denise Richards). Dorothy (Jessica Capshaw). Lily (Jessica Cauffiel) and Shelly (Katherme Heigl) who grew up together, went through school together and shared their dreams of the perfect boy and the perfect future. Lily is the school princess: Paige, the class bad girl: Kate is quiet: Dorothy plump and insecure. The four become a group and stick together, scorning the nerds and presenting a unified front to the school bullies.

"Junior high is the strangest time of your life," said Marley Shelton who stars as Kate, "because in the grand scope, it's only a few years of your life, but for some reason — I think a combination of puberty and all the changes going on — everybody really remembers those years. I do think that a lot of our identity is shaped during that time, and it does effect who we are, presently. So, I think it's really great that this movie hits on that and uses that as an

e engine.

Years later, they are still friends. Their lives now include careers, but like many young women, they are navigating through the singles scene.

"These women truly do not know what's in store for them and how their earlier indiscretions are going to come back to haunt them." said director Jamie Blands.

David Boreanaz, whose star has catapulted in the top-rated series "Buffy" and his own spin-off "Angel," makes his big screen starring debut as Adam, a sports writer with whom journalist Kate finds herself in on-again-off-again relationship.

"Adam has a thing for Kate." said Boreanaz.

As the film unfolds, and terrible things begin to happen to Kate and her circle of friends. Adam and Kate become even closer. Boreanaz explained. "He tries to make her feel at ease in a very uneasy situation that he finds himself in the middle of. He's trying to be a shoulder to cry on and just comfort her. I've always loved playing those comforting roles," he joked.

Denise Richards, who ignited the screen in "Wild Things," plays Paige whom the young actress describes as "very sassy and witty. Paige knows exactly what she wants and sticks up for herself always."

When the film takes a darker turn, Richards explains, "Paige is not afraid. She will not shrink at the first sign of trouble but charge into it without fear."

Jessica Cauffiel stars as Lily who has become enthralled with artist



Marley Shelton and David Boreanaz in "Valentine."

Max Ives (Johnny Whitworth).

"Lily is a fun member of this foursome, this group of girls who all have very distinctive personalities." said Cauffiel. "Lily is the goofy one with the incessant wit and sense of humor. She is always dating the wrong men. She is roommates with Paige who is the group sexpot, and Lily is always there with a witty quip. When necessary."

Jessica Capshaw plays Dorothy, still the poor httle rich girl who is falling way too fast for handsome Campbell (Daniel Cosgrove), a charmer who keeps his past to himself.

"Dorothy was always the really shy girl and is always battling all these demons." said Capshaw. "She has a family that wasn't so caring, and she was just kind of different than everyone else. Now she's grown up to be something quite different and very much looks like she belongs but still feels like the httle girl that didn't belong."

The story begins before Valentine's Day when the friends convene for a close friend's funeral, after which they all start receiving



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Jessica Cauffiel, Jessica Capshaw, Denise Richards and Marley Shelton star in the Warner Bros. Pictures thriller "Valentine."

strange, menacing Valentine messages.

At first, the women dismiss the twisted greetings as a sick joke. Then, they meet with the detective (Fulvio Cecere) investigating their friend's death and learn there could be a link to someone they all knew and tormented years ago at a Valentine's dance in junior high school — a boy named Jeremy Melton. The police try to trace him, but the trail is cold. They can find no recent address, employment record or photograph. If Jeremy Melton still exists, he could be any-one, anywhere.

As the treats of violence intensify, each of the women grapples with the realization that any man she knows — or ever knew — could be a vicious killer.

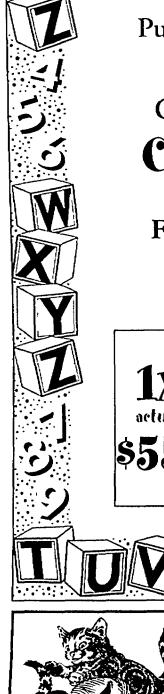




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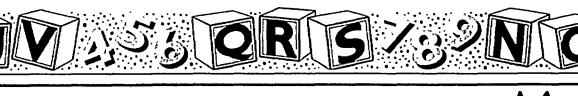
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Local artisan designs beautiful glass creations



John Zawadski pieces a lamp shade together with fragments of stained glassed. Zawadski has worked at his business, Tiffany Art Glass, in Northville since 1977.

By Annette Jaworski SPECIAL WRITER

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Some people use paint. John Zawadski, owner of Tiffany Art Glass in downtown Northville, uses colored glass as his palette to create original pieces like Tiffany lampshades and stained glass interior doors, panels and transoms.

Each finished product is the result of hours of careful selection, intensive labor and a tremendous attention to detail. Finding just the right color to suit a particular spot is just one of the challenges for this craftsman. It's also the most important factor in making a beautiful piece.

The glass that's used in the lampshade is important. You can do the same lampshade and one can be just beautiful and one can be plain. It's all in the glass selection," said Zawadski.

That includes glass quality, and the right saturation

and mix of color. The craftsman can use approximately 25 different sheets of glass and 150 hours or more of labor each lampshade. In any event, the result is always a one of a kind item.

Once it's designed, or laid out, he goes back to fine tune, moving a piece here and there, possibly resetting 30 pleces that don't quite suit him. Through the years. his works have evolved and changed. One lamp he's made from the same pattern eight or nine times - each one is entirely different. The current one he's making is much more vibrant than the original, he observed, with

it's amber, blue and poppy colors. The process of building a Tiffany lamp begins with a pattern.

"I always follow a pattern. Sometimes I create the design or sometimes I use another one," he said.

In addition to the lamps, he's installed stained and beveled glass in a variety of other settings. His work ends up in new homes, additions, renovations and of

course even churches. Anywhere the sun shines in makes a good spot for the colorful decorative "paintings of glass," he suggests. It can also add just enough privacy while allowing the sun to still come through the window.

*I see it going well in any décor. like art deco, historical. traditional, because there's a wide range of styles." he said.

In one home or decor, it can add tranquility, such as one set of vertical panes depicting waves, in a vibrant blue. Zawadski says these will be installed in a cottage off Lake Erie. They stand about 6 feet tall. In a traditional or historical home, stained glass can add a look

of grandeur. "It can add formality, in large elegant homes." he notes.

One refurbished antique is going into a historical setting. For this canopy or sconce, he began with replacing the glass in the lantern. After installing the

glass, he also cleaned up the metal work. And because it was eventually going to be used in a 100-year-old building, he took care to make the piece look like it aged authentically with some strategic smudging.

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it's challenging to work with an antique piece ... with this the results were fabulous." he said.

You might not think of stained glass in the kitchen. but more and more people are using them.

There's lots of cabinets with open glass. Most popular designs are simple, like rectangles, but even that adds a really nice flair." he points out.

Another favorite piece he created from a photo provided by a customer of their two cats. The cats are visible from the both sides of the stained glass transom. enjoying their frolic in the garden.

Zawadski creates custom beveled and stained glass pieces in his shop, Tyfany Art Glass, which is located at 121 E. Main Street. Contact them at (248) 349-2777.





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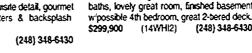


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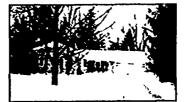
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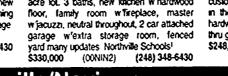
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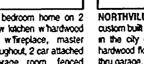


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Value of soup tureen will bowl you over



By Anne McCollam COPLEY NEWS SERVICE

. G. Enclosed is a photo of a large soup tureen with matching ladle and platter that were handed down to my mother. I believe the pattern is called Tea Leaf. The platter measures 16 by 11 inches and the tureen is 14 inches high. On the bottom of the platter and tureen are the words "Stone China - Anthony Shaw -Burslem.

My mother was certain that the set was very rare. I would appreciate any information you could give as to its age and value.

A. Your ironstone tureen and platter are examples of the copper luster Tea Leaf pattern. It was the creation of Anthony Shaw and Company in Staffordshire, England. Realizing homemakers' interest in plain white ironstone dinnerware was waning. they introduced ironstone decorated with hand-painted copper luster tea leaves around 1856. Although the design was originally named Lustre Band and Sprig, it has become known as Tea Leaf Lustre. Many

ironstone companies in both England and the United States, each with its own variation, have produced the design. Demand for the pattern declined in the early 1900s.

A collector would consider a tureen with matching ladle and platter a rare find. Your set was made in the mid-1800s and would probably be worth about \$575 to \$675.

Q. I have a figurine of a young woman who appears to be lying on her stomach with her head, arms, and head protruding from a turtle shell. Her light brown hair is in a topknot. She is wearing bloomers, red low-heeled pumps and there is a small brown bear sitting on her legs. All we know about it is that it was given to my mother by her aunt and it is marked "Germany" on the bottom.

It is interesting, but what is it? We call it "Turtle Woman." Could it represent something from German folklore? Mother would appreciate any information you can give us including its value.

A. Your name. "Turtle Woman," is close. but no cigar! Collectors know her as a 'Turtle Lady." She was not inspired by German folklore, but intended to be a source of amusement. Bisque and porcelain figures of Victorian young women wearing molded undergarments are called "Naughties." German manufacturers produced these risque figures in large quantities in the late 1800s. Victorians, who were becoming weary of the restraints of the era. found these figures both amusing and appealing.

Your figure is a "Turtle Lady." They can be found in several different sizes. The small bear with its head on her buttocks is a reference to a "bare behind."

When German porcelain and bisque pro-

duction slowed due to World War I, Japan picked up the slack. They made "turtle ladies" that rivaled the German examples.

If you have the top shell and your lady is in excellent condition, it would probably be worth about \$175 to \$275. More information can be found in the reference guide. "Naughties, Nudies and Bathing Beauties" by Sharon Hope Weintraub.

Q. This mark is on the bottom of a porcelain vase that I have. The height of the vase is 12 inches and it is decorated with stylized flowers against a background that shades from

white to blue. It is also highlighted with an iridescent blue geometric design. What can you tell me about its value and the manufacturer?

A. Riessner, Stellmacher and Keller in Turn-Teplitz, Bohemia made your vase. around 1900. The area was a leading center for manufacturers of art pottery.

Your vase would probably be worth about

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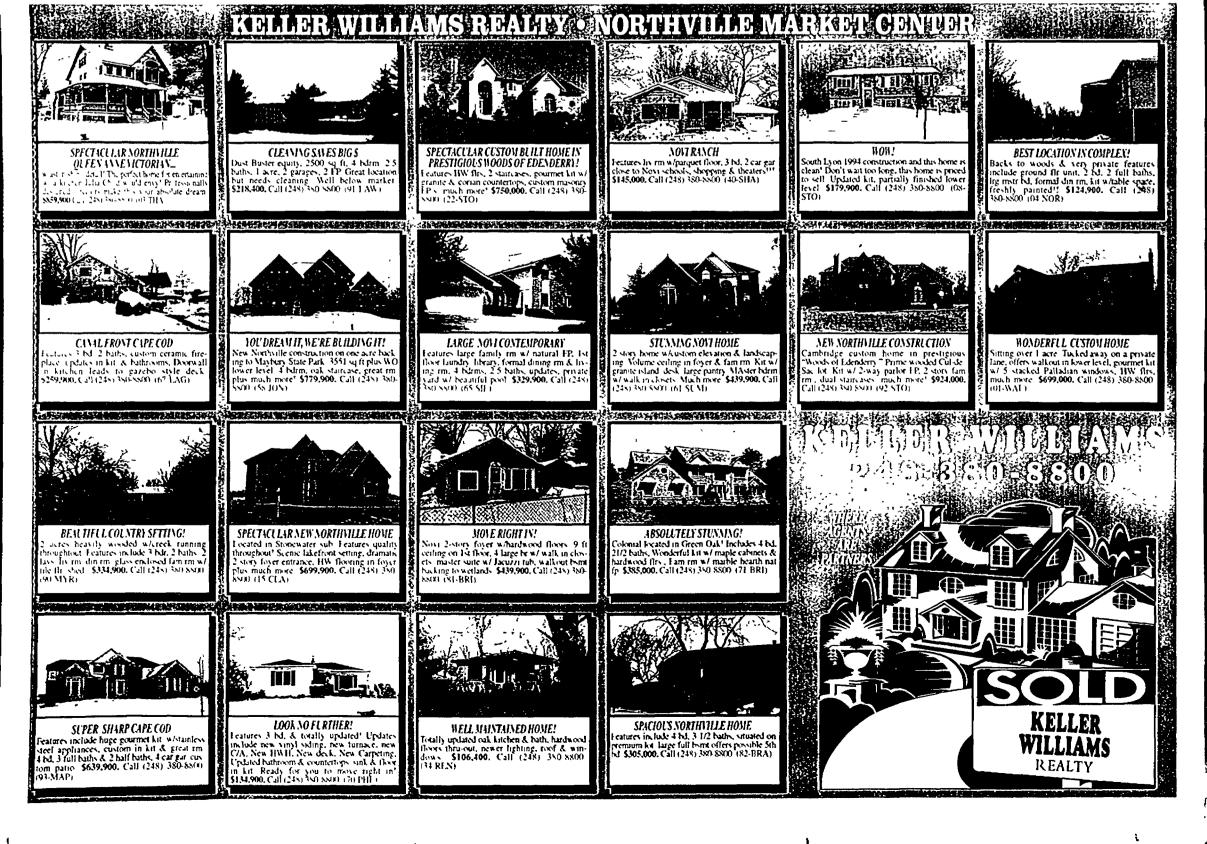
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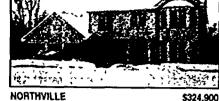
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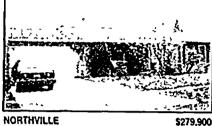


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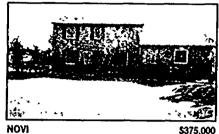


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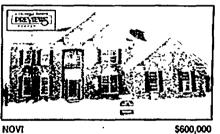
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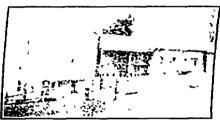


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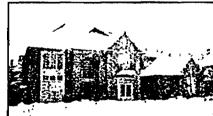
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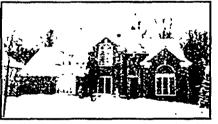
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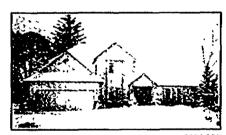
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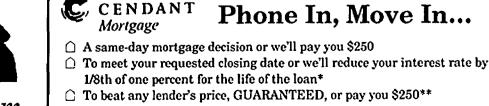
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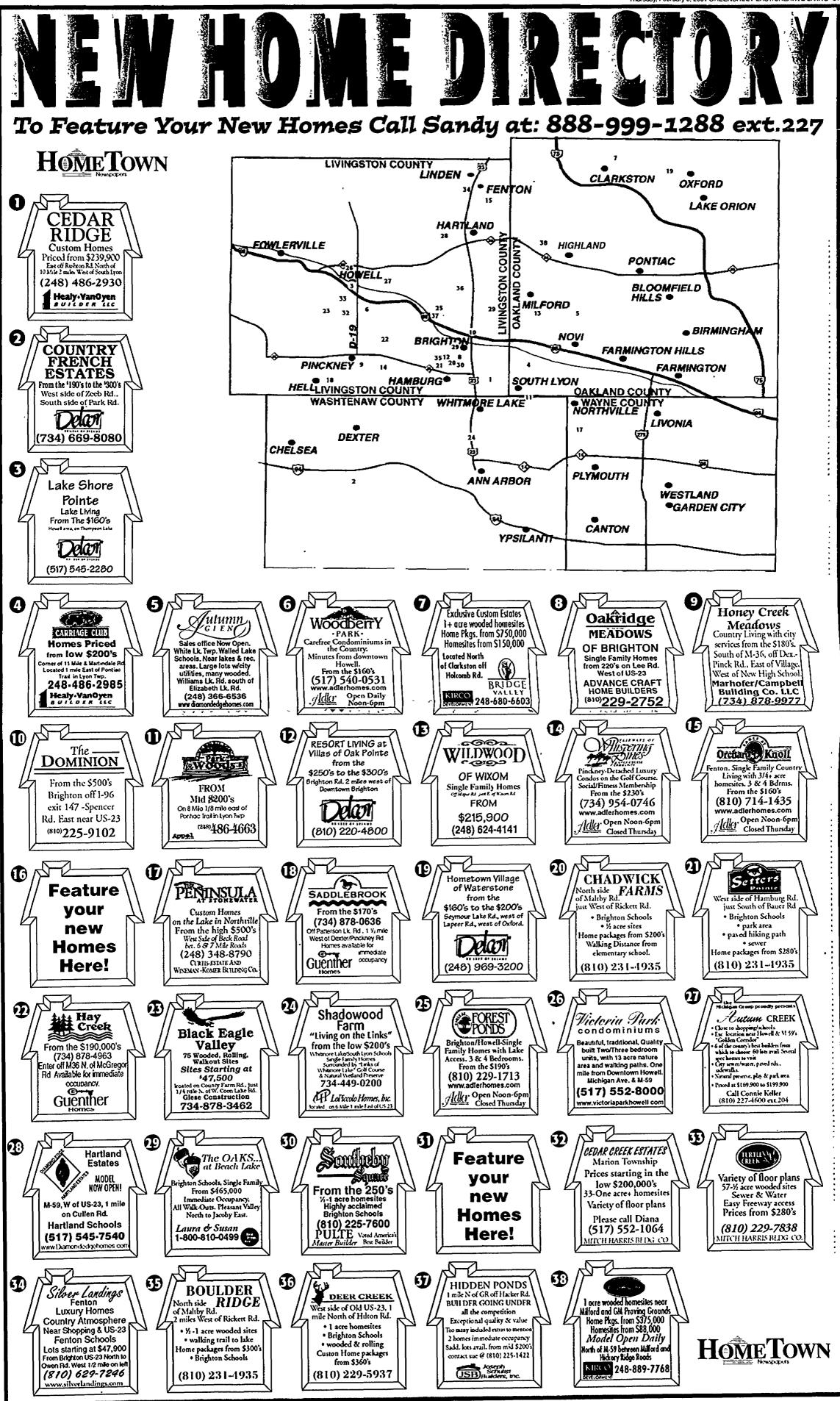


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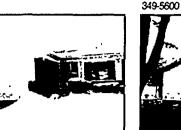
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RANCH¹ Newer roof, electrical, vinyl windows, furnace, C/A. Copper plumbing, 1st floor laundry. Nicely landscaped. Home Warranty Incl S109 900 (81GLE) 734-455-5600



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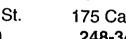
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DETACHED CONDO - BACKS TO WOODS¹ Neutral decor, freshly painted intenor and exterior. Newer Berber carpet in living room with natural fireplace, 3 bedrooms 2's baths, tiered deck with view of woods Pool and clubhouse HPP \$207 000 (64COL) 734-455-5600



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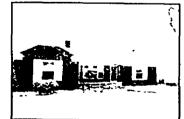
IT DOESN'T GET ANY BETTER! Newer. light kitchen, oak basement, enclosed porch-used all year, A/C, glass block windows, furnace, hot water heater & steel doors Fresh paint Updated electrical Home Protection Plan offered. Close to schools & shopping \$115 900 (10WOO) 734-455-5600



ADORABLE & AFFORDABLE beautiful 3 large bedroom, 2 full bath bungalow on nice setting Everything has been updatedkitchen, bath, exterior, all mechanical. Nice & neutral finished basement, garage and new shed \$134,900 (98NOR) 248-349-5600



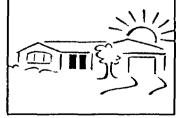
SMILE, YOU FOUND IT ... Well maintained colonial located walking distance to schools and town of Northville, 3 bedrooms, 1'2 baths. Great family neighborhood. Private fenced backyard that is nicely landscaped \$235,000 (92ELY) 248-349-5600



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Crazy about healthy foods

Manic Organic in Highland looks to improve your eating habits

By Annette Jaworski Special Writer

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Laura Schlicht wants her customers to get excited about feeling good. As owner of Manic Organic in Highland, she sees the rosy in their cheeks and the sparkle in their eye once they start feeling more vibrant and energetic. And there's nothing better than knowing that they've done it themselves, she adds.

Schlicht doesn't want people to be intimidated by coming into a health food store. She believes that anyone can take one step at a time to feeling healthier.

Of course you'll find what you might expect - a wide variety of vitamins and supplements. There's also a wide selection of products that might surprise you. Want to stop smoking? Why not try Nico-Stop. Need to de-stress? Try the aromatherapy products in their relaxation center. For those who are serious about sports, there are energy bars and supplements. In the grocery aisle are fun kits to make your own chewing gum or chocolate.

"What I like about it is that it's like a science lesson. It lets kids know that chicle comes from the rain forest and that's how they make gum," Schlicht said.

Natural beauty products are available like color enhancing shampoo and lemon cuticle cream. Schlicht says that a popular new Item is the henna tattoos that last for two to three weeks. This way, someone can try a tattoo before it's permanent, she adds. The health and beauty aids also include wonderful natural baby products. And of course you'll find natural cleaners for home and laundry that are environmentally responsible.

Schlicht enjoys offering different samples for customers to try, like soy nut butter, a substitute for peanut butter. This one is blended with a cocoa flavor that spreads easily on bread or crackers.

"I try to keep a lot of things that you might not find anywhere else," she said. People with special needs can look for items such as the raw almonds and cashews for special diet programs. Those with allergy problems can find products like

gluten free macaroni and cheese. The gro-



Laura Schlicht, owner of Manic Organic in Highland, hopes to lead you to a healthier eating habit.

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FOR MORE INFO

Manic Organic Natural Foods is located at 2936 E. Highland Road In the Highland Corners Plaza at Duck Lake and M-59. For more questions on your health needs call Laura Lee Schlicht at (248) 889-3838.

cery aisle includes staples like organic beans - kidney, pinto and Great Northern. And there are items for people who want to experiment with exotic flavors of healthy foods, such Thai seasonings. To satisfy your sweet tooth, you'll find organic dessert mixes for brownies and cakes, too, Bulk organic spices and teas will soon be available.

For the family on the go, there's the frozen food section with meal entrees such as pizzas, potples, and burritos. A favorite item is Tofutti, an ice cream substitute.

"People today are more conscious of what they're eating or they're even coming straight from the doctor's office, and many are coming to make some drastic changes in their diets," she notes.

One area in the store is dedicated to reading and reference materials for those who want to become more knowledgeable about eating healthy. Schlicht is also forming an organic produce co-op, where members order produce together to get wholesale prices. "That way I can pass the savings on to them.

They're soon undertaking a new partner-ship with Lakeland and Milford High Schools. Students in a program called The Huron Valley Art Cooperative are learning entrepreneurship and business skills under the guidance of teachers. Andrea Bronson from Milford High School and Dorothy Kane from Lakeland High School. The students. who create the jeweiry at the school, will be responsible for marketing and advertising. Each will be given a consignment number. When items sell, they're required to donate part of their first sale to a charity of their choice as community service.

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Raymond named VP of business development

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Synapz of Northville, a leading ecommerce solution provider servicing the automotive market, has appointed Michael J Ray mond as vice president of business development. In this position, Raymond is responsible for setting up distribution channels and valueadded reseller distribution programs for the company. Prior to joining Synapz, Raymond served as co-founder and president of Quest IV Inc., a high-tech software and consulting company, for more than 20 years.

entered the automation side of the industry and spent five years with Worldspan and Northwest Airlines.

Work Skills names **Board of Trustees**

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Jarratt Architecture is located at 108 N. Lafayette, in downtown South Lyon, William T. Jarratt, owner, can be reached at 248-

Decree between DDC and the **Environmental Protection Agency** (EPA) and the Department of Justice (DOJ). Merrion resides in Brighton.

Little is a member of the State Bar of Michigan Probate and Estate Planning Section Council. where she serves on the committee for Standard Jury Instructions and Probate Litigation.

Raymond earned a bachelor of science degree in computer science from Eastern Michigan University.

Passageways names Hoehn regional VP

Passageways/Carlson Wagonlit Travel. Michigan's second-largest travel management company, recently announced the promotion of company official Lisa Hoehn to regional vice president.

Hoehn will be working out of the Novi office. She will focus on corporate sales and oversee the company's metro Detroit region, which includes offices in Auburn Hills. Dearborn. Ferndale, Monroe. Northville, Novi, Rochester, and Troy

Hochn joined Passageways in 1995 as a branch manager of the Novi office, and then was promoted to regional manager of the metro Detroit region in 1996. She joined the industry at an Ann Arbor travel agency in 1985. In 1987, she



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Jarratt top Architect

Jarratt Architecture, Inc. www.jarratt.com of South Lyon. has been named in the International Top 100 List of Architects and Designers for the following



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Royal Grand Hotel, Royal Oak; Canadian Lakes Spa. Mecosta; Porter Steak House, Buffalo Grove, Ill.; Janna's Someplace Special Adult Foster Care, Howell; Four Points Hotel, Romulus; Sheraton Conference Center, Ann Arbor: The Beach Nigh Club, Romulus: The Beacon Hotel, Grand Haven; and Taylor Street Steak House, Lake Zurich, Ill. In addition to the above mentioned projects, Jarratt's past experience includes several hotel and resort projects for companies such as Marriott Corporation. Choice International Hotels, Westin

Merrion appointed to U.S. Academies

David F. Merrion. Consultant for Detroit Diesel Corporation. has been appointed to the United States National Academies, National Research Council Standing Committee to review the research program of the Partnership For New Generation Vehicles (PNGV).

Merrion said. "I am proud to be appointed by this prestigious group to review research that could result in an 80 mpg car in the U.S.

Merrion is the retired Executive Vice President-Engineering of Detroit Diesel Corporation (DDC) and serves as its Compliance Auditor for a Consent

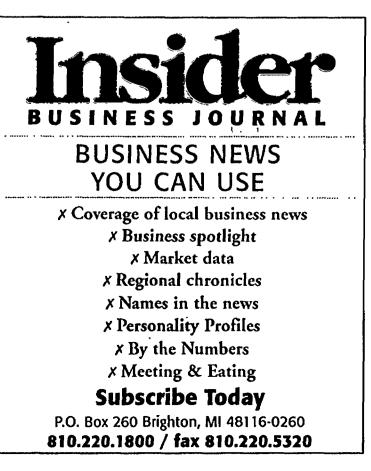
Little joins new firm On Jan. 1. 2001, the law firm of Foster, Zack & Lowe, P.C., opened at 2125 University Park

Drive, Suite 250, in Okemos. Principal attorneys in the firm include Howell resident Nancy Little.

She is also a co-editor of the State Bar "Probate Journal." and has co-authored "Trust Administration in Michigan" and "Probate Litigation - A Practitioner's Guide.

She is a member of the Greater Lansing Probate and Estate Planning Counsel, where she served on the board of directors.







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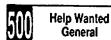
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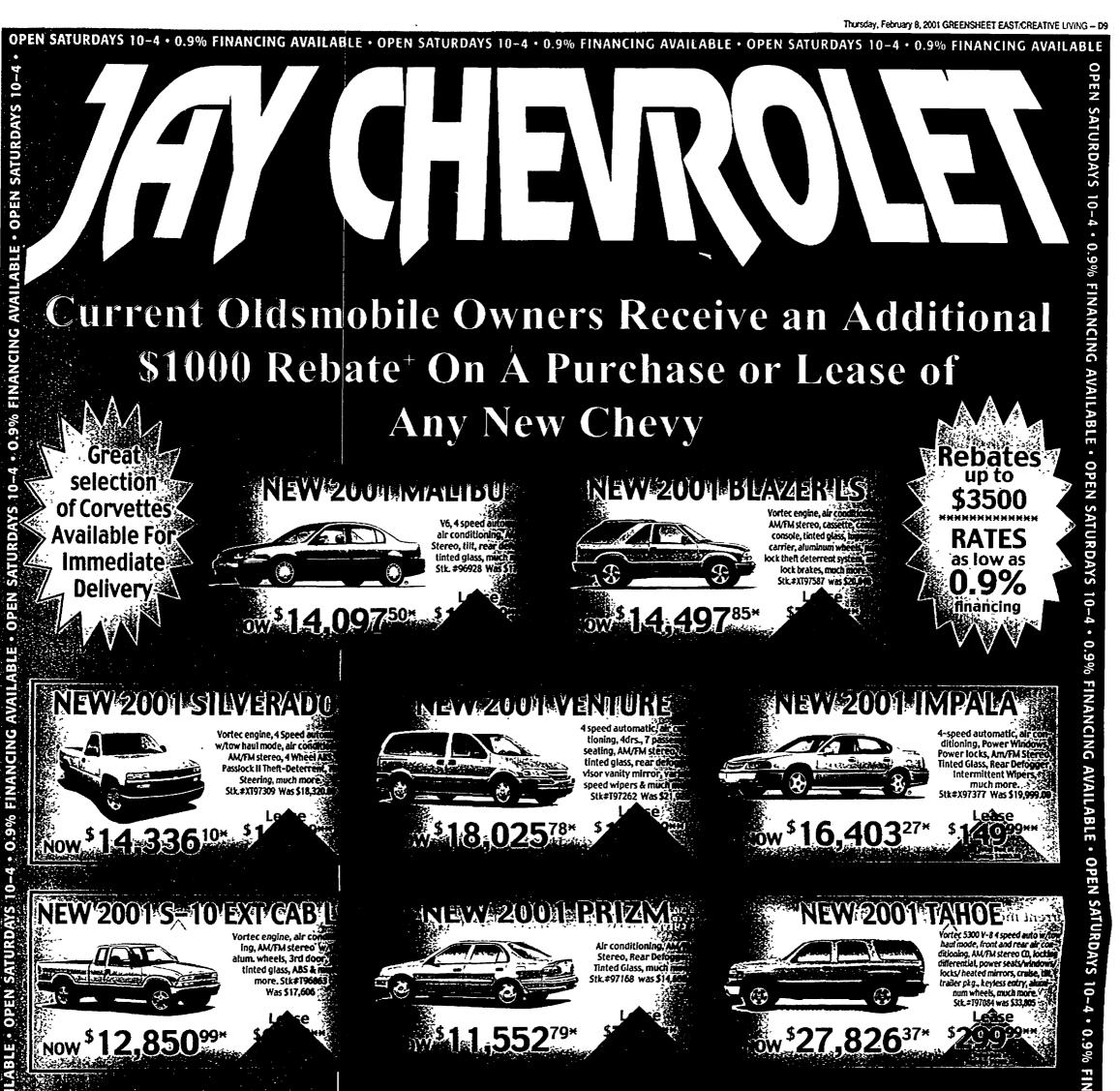
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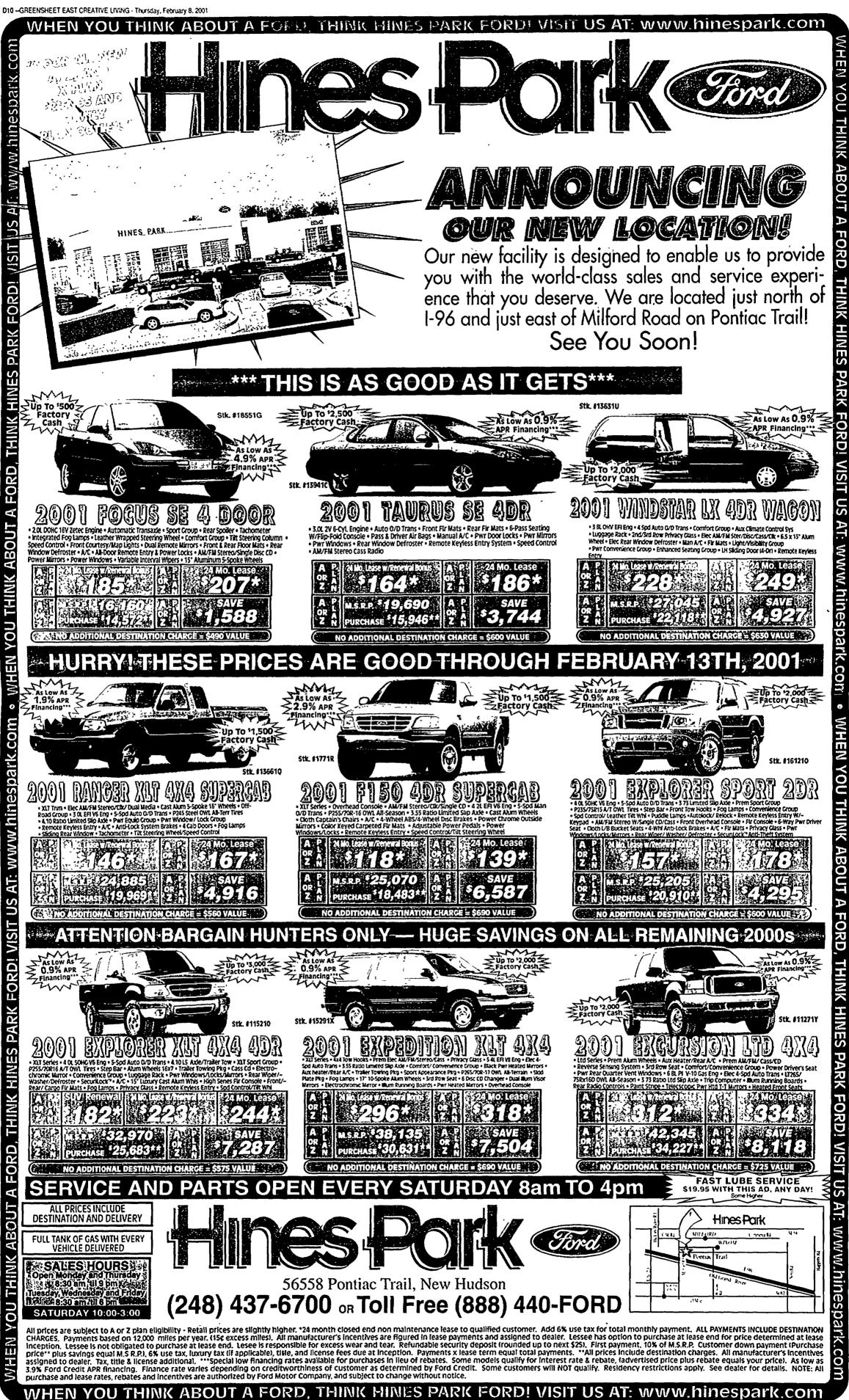
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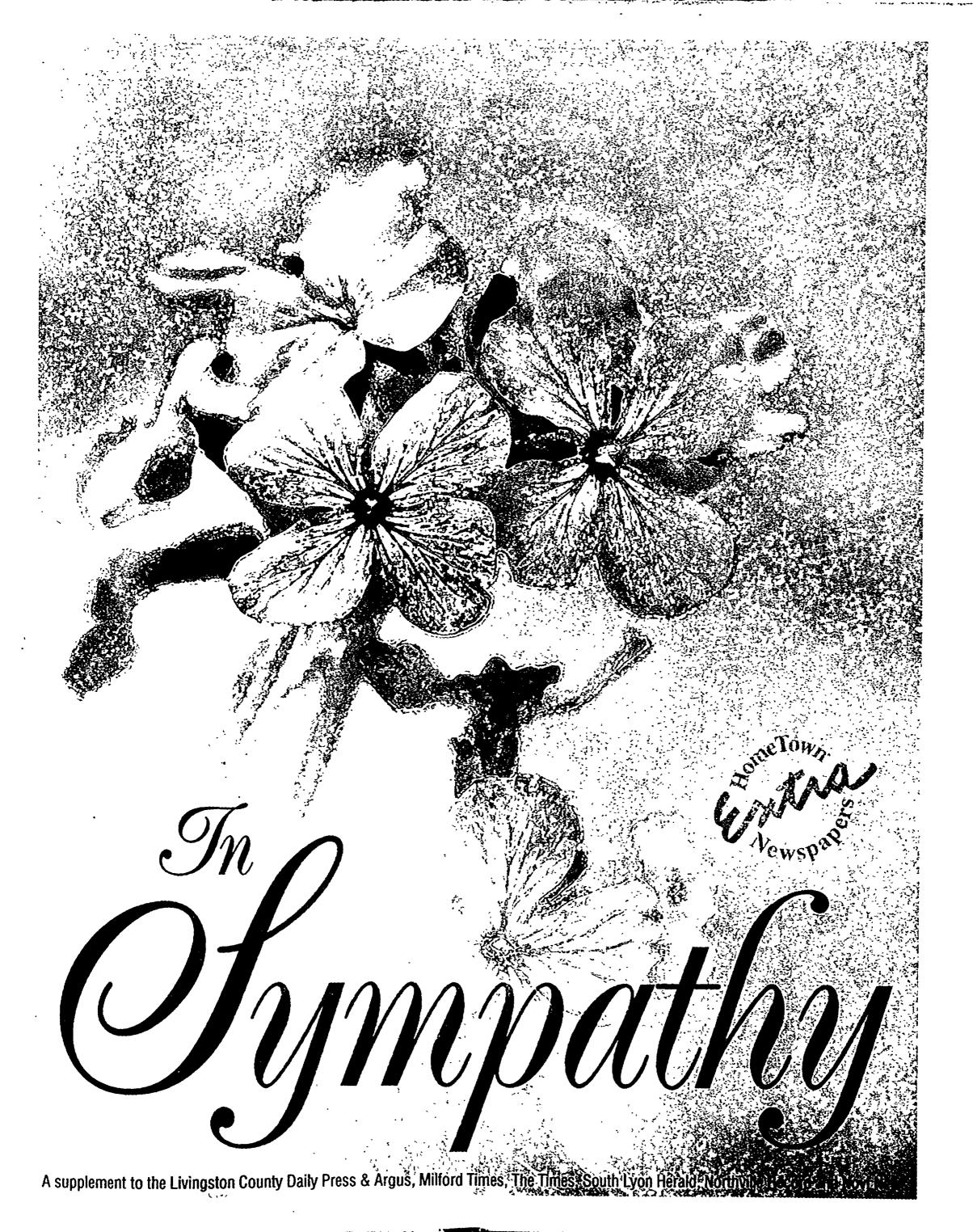
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Where there's a will Thorough estate planning is a benefit to your heirs

By Paul R. Huard Copley News Service

When it comes to the issue of estate planning, there are two sure things: death and taxes.

The first can't be avoided. Humans possess a reliable, 100 percent mortality

a CPA, chartered financial planner or tax attorney is a prudent move. Because an estate consists of many elements, such as cash, property, investments or businesses, state and federal tax laws are a labyrinth of potential tax hazards.

Even if you draft your own will, time spent with a trusted adviser will help you could be better spent than a lump-sum bequest.

If you are leaving money to charity, decide how you want to fund this bequest. Businesses and homes can be liquidated, insurance policies can benefit an organization and assets can be willed. You must decide whether the giving is unrestricted (a free and clear gift) or restricted (gifts that are designated for a specific use or deferred to create a scholarship fund through investment). Check the tax advantages that come with these choices. • Decide the form of the assets you leave. Will it be cash, real estate, investments or a combination? Who gets the business, or should it be sold and the money distributed among the heirs? There are tax advantages and disadvantages linked to every decision.

depends on the value of the estate. However, you don't have to be Bill Gates to face the question of what taxes will be levied on your assets. Ordinary people can have an estate worth more than they suspect because of the value of their property, life insurance benefits, retirement funds and business. You might want to set up a trust before you die, or begin giving assets away before your death. Whatever your decision, the key is to rationally examine these issues before the grave. You may be dead, but your survivors will foot the tax bill. • Don't keep it a secret. After you have considered all these issues, plan your estate. Keep track of changes in your family that might make you reconsider your estate plan as time goes by. A family conference is the best way to discuss your will, the legacy you wish to leave your children and loved ones and your hopes for the family business.

rate, the question being "when" not "if."

But the bite of taxes, as well as probate worries, who-gets-what and whether any of it goes to charity are all issues that can be relieved with proper planning.

It's more than an exercise in divvying up the property and drafting a will. Good planning means you will ask key questions and make important decisions before you write one word.

• Get good advice. Estate planning even for the average middle-class person can be complicated. Although many states recognize self-produced wills, consulting identify potential tax savings that will keep Uncle Sam from getting the biggest portion of your estate.

• Decide not only who gets what, but when. The most important beneficiaries in any will are your children. The younger they are, the more they will need from the estate to pay for their upbringing and education. Older children have different needs, but can they handle the money they receive?

Consider strategies such as a trust that will provide for the needs of your children while maintaining control over the estate's funds. Money slowly doled out over time

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Options for planning your estate

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Almost everybody has heard of a will and understands that its basic function is to assign your property and assets to a new owner upon your death. However, unlike the theatrical depictions often seen on television, wills involve far more than any 30minute drama can detail.

In real life wills are far more complex and involve the probate process. Probate is the legal process that distributes your property and handles your bills upon your death. It uses your will if one exists, or state law if one does not, to decide the distribution. It is also used when someone is rendered incompetent or when minor children are involved.

Probate is the only way to transfer legal possessions (mortgages, bank accounts, property) when the person listed as the owner is unable to sign off due to illness or death. Probate proceedings can be relatively simple if you don't have much in the way of assets and you don't have minor children. Conversely, they can be expensive and time-consuming if the opposite holds true. In fact, if your will is disputed, it can take years to complete the process, during which time your assets are frozen and handled by the court. For those of us who are assuming that our family members and significant others will receive their inheritance immediately, without major deductions for probate fees, this is not a pleasant thought.

While wills are highly effective for many people, other options exist that could possibly keep your loved ones from going through much of the probate process. One such option is a living trust. A trust is similar to forming your own company with you as the owner, and your heirs as the employees. Everything you own belongs to the company, but you call the shots. Should you become unable to continue running your "company" due to illness or death, the company's other officials would take over immediately. Often, this happens without any court-involvement but life offers few guarantees and there are times when even a trust is involved in the probate process.

So what's right for you? Due to their complex nature, only your lawyer can properly advise you on the subject of wills and trusts. Whatever estate planning method you use, the first thing you'll need to do is make a list of your objectives. Include all of your assets, the individuals for whom you want to provide, and how you intend to provide for them.

Having this prepared in advance makes sense; the more prepared you are when you walk into your lawyer's office the less money it will cost.

You will also need to consult your lawyer on non-financial matters such as guardianship of minor children, which can be handled only through a will and probate. A living trust and a will can be beneficial in such cases. If you have no legal documents to handle this state law and the courts will determine who gets your property and your children.

If you have no minor children and limited assets, you can probably accomplish your estate planning goals using joint ownership and/or beneficiary designations on life insurance policies and financial accounts.

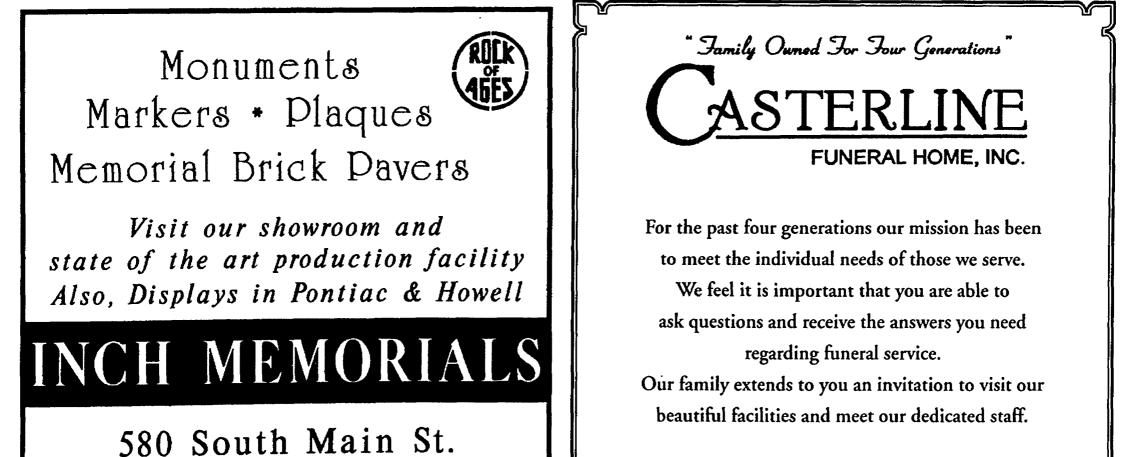
Many people believe they cannot afford

to have this done professionally and the fees charged for trusts vary widely. Before you rule the possibility out, make some calls — you might be surprised.

For those who cannot afford legal services, a simple statutory will is available in Michigan. This version of the will is a fill-in-the-blank style legal document that you can obtain from your state legislator and many libraries. A word of caution, these forms cannot be altered. If you believe you will need to make alterations. use the form as a guide to the issues that need to be discussed with your attorney.

If you can retain legal counsel, shop around. Choose an attorney who handles a variety of probate/estate planning matters, such as wills, living wills and medical powers of attorney. ł

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Memoir writing: Be the hero of your own journey

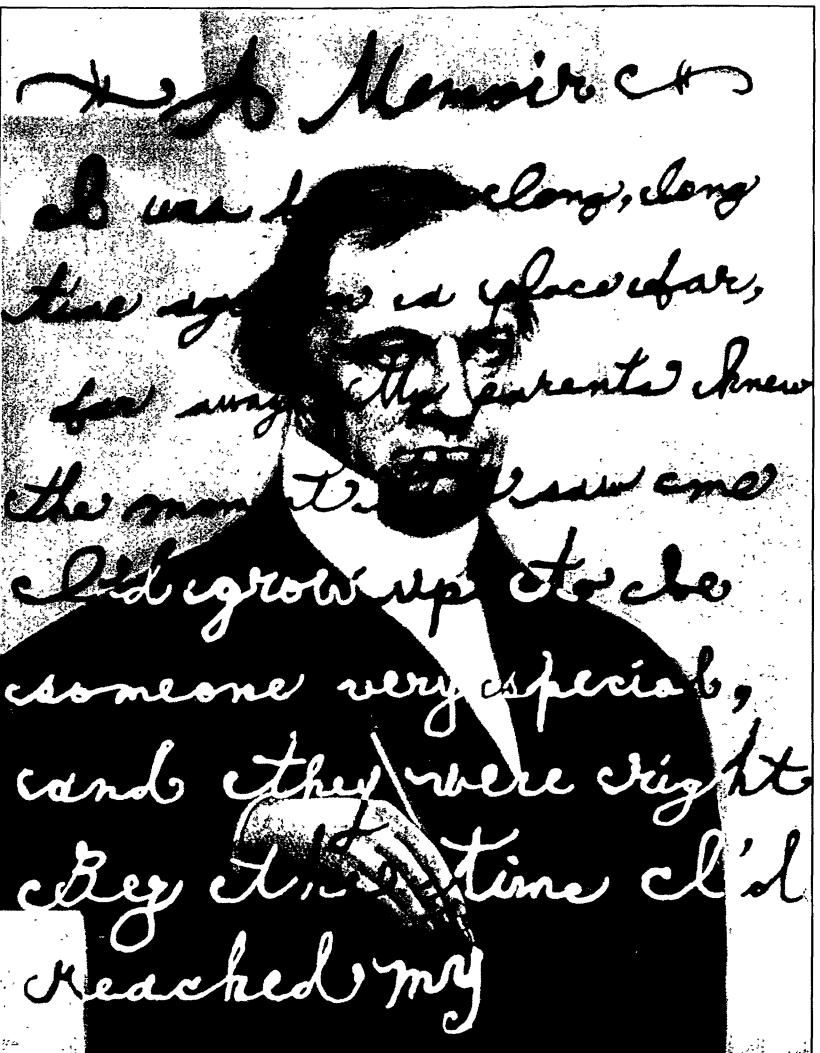
By Charlene Baldridge Copley News Service

Before the advent of written language, the first memoirist drew on cave walls to give the oral tradition permanency. He recounted his perilous journey to an unsafe world, his own heroism, his safe return. Although you likely didn't spear a mastodon to feed your tribe, you are indeed the hero of your own journey, and the longing to leave a permanent record of our lives is as undeniable as ever.

Memoir writing is therapeutic, revelatory, satisfying and communal at many levels. Retirement is a good time to get started. Sure beats boredom. Actor Karl Malden's heroic journey took him from the steel mills of Gary, Ind., to stardom. Titled "Where Do I Start?" his 1997 memoir, published by Simon & Schuster, was written with his daughter, Carla.

"If you ever have an opportunity to work with a daughter or a son on a book, do it," he said in a recent interview. "We laughed a lot and we cried some as we went through this together. I learned how wonderful she is."

You needn't be a famous actor or a writer, a conqueror or a captain of industry. Compelling memoirs are written and published by people from all walks of life. Some are self-published and others by major publishing houses. Some are intended only to be a legacy to one's heirs, and still others are written solely for the writer, perhaps as an act of making peace with oneself and one's choices. All are valid. All are rewarding. Random House defines memoir as "a record of one's life and experience." Memoirs are much more than that, however. I like to think of memoirs as collections of memory stories, created to edify, to entertain and to assure our immortality, if only in someone else's memories. Once on the page, our words become truthtellers. As Susan Griffin wrote, "Each time I write, each time the authentic words



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break through, I am changed."

Whether we cast ourselves as heroes who overcome adversity or as victims of circumstance, we cannot help but learn that we are the creators of our own lives through the small choices we made along the way and continue to make. Reading our words makes it so.

Even though I had a career outside the home, midlife and the empty nest dealt me a double whammy, hitting me big time. Depressed, I began writing short reminiscences, trying to find the hopeful and romantic young woman I'd been. First, I blamed others for my "failure," and then I castigated myself for my unrealized dreams. Eventually, through reading what was on the page, I stopped being a victim and became the heroine of my own journey.

GETTING STARTED

Once you've made the decision to write a memoir, there are several other decisions to be made: How shall I acquire the skills to tell my story? Where and how can I get started? For whom is this story intended? And, once it is written, what do I do with it? Community centers, colleges and universities frequently offer classes in memoir writing. If classes are not for you, consider starting your own story circle, as suggested in Susan Wittig Albert's "Writing From Life: Telling Your Soul's Story" (Jeremy P. Tarcher/Putnam).

You may consider yourself a better talker than a writer, especially if you're not used to keeping a journal (also an excellent place to begin). Meet with a good friend and swap stories. Capture your words with a tape recorder. If you can't type or don't own a personal computer, pay someone to transcribe your stories for

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Journal entries can easily become memoirs

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you. Some who find it difficult to write tell their stories to a camcorder or, as Malden did, to the operator of a laptop computer.

"I started writing the book myself," said Malden of his memoir. One day Carla stopped by and asked her father how it was coming. "Plugging away," he replied. The truth was that Malden never learned to type. He was writing longhand. Progress was excruciatingly slow. After reading what her father had written, Carla brought over her laptop computer and said, "Dad, just tell me the stories." The result is a warm, readable memoir that sounds just like the man.

What stories do you want to tell about your childhood? My favorites include ice skating on the school playground each winter; tobogganing on "suicide hill"; the acrid smell of burning leaves; learning to ride a mule named Jack in the Smoky Mountains; and the bi-weekly arrival of a metal box containing eggs from Aunt Iva's farm during World War II.

Need help? There are plenty of how-to books to guide you through the process. Some are so practical you need only fill in the blanks. If you decide to begin by keeping a journal, there are many fine books on that topic, too. The secret is a blank book that fits in your pocket or purse. My personal favorite is an inexpensive bound sketch book found in art supply stores. It's 5 by 8 inches, has a black cover, and costs less than \$10. There's a whole shelf of these for my posterity, who may use them to better understand me if they wish. Meanwhile, the contents were the genesis of two unpublished memoirs, the first about that Illinois childhood and the second about surviving the deaths of my two sisters.

MAKE THIS LEGACY NOW

As she grew weaker, my eldest sister, Lynn, lamented: "It's been such a great life. How I wish I could tell my children how I loved them and it. Now there isn't time."

Growing older, however healthy, brings a sense of urgency. Take a look at your life, lived in fits and starts, and if you've

the cave-man urge, apply that pen to paper. The truth of your words and the heroic efforts you made to remain stable in the midst of chaos will astonish you.

The act of writing and reading your own truth assists you in recognizing and coping with loss and regret, exorcises the demons of the past and allows you to lay them to rest.

Having shaped some sort of memoir from your recollections and ramblings, what next? That's entirely up to you. You may self-publish your memoir, leave it on the shelf in the closet, or seek to sell it to a publisher. Although memoirs are quite popular currently, and one occasionally reads of grandmothers with million-dollar contracts, the reality is that finding an agent and a publisher is an arduous task. Most publishers do not look at unagented material and there are plenty of charlatans out there to separate you from your bucks. But, hey, you lived the life. You don't need me to tell you that. Perhaps you might just sell your book!

RESOURCES

"How to Write Your Own Life Story:

The Classic Guide for the Nonprofessional Writer," by Lois Daniel (fourth edition, 1997, Chicago Review Press)."

"Your Life as Story," "Discovering the New Autobiography" and "Writing Memoir as Literature," by Tristine Rainer (Putnam Publishing Group, 1998).

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People who have lost a spouse, friend or family member to death often need someone to listen as they work through their grief.

Love and Loss Understanding these coping strategies can help in working through feelings of grief and loss

Elizabeth Scheibner Copley News Service

Even though death is a natural part of life, few of us are ever prepared for losing someone close to us, whether it's a spouse, friend or loved one. Intellectually, we may accept death, but the grief, pain and anger we experience are often much more intense than we anticipated. We may even wonder how we can go on living. Although well-meaning friends may tell us that "Time heals all wounds," experts say that time by itself does not resolve grief. It is only by going through the process of grieving that we will be able to reconcile our loss. Grieving is often described as a journey in which we must pass through several stages of emotions. Many years ago, Elizabeth Kubler-Ross wrote a book titled "On Death and Dying," in which she identified five stages that a dying person goes through when they have been told they have a terminal illness. People who are

mourning the loss of a loved one often go through similar stages of grief, as outlined below:

Numbness, shock or denial. This phase can last anywhere from two weeks to two years, but primarily occurs during the first two-week period following a death. This phase allows the griever to keep functioning for a brief time until he or she is prepared to begin accepting the loss of a loved one and the accompanying

phase.

Reorganization or re-entry. This phase usually occurs near the end of the second year when the griever adapts to the loss and returns to normal functioning. Painful feelings gradually diminish, and the person is able to enjoy the things that were once important to him or her again.

It is important to keep in mind that each person experiences grief in his or her own way. There is no good or bad, right or wrong way to mourn the loss of a loved one. Grief is a very much a painful but necessary process. phase of a loss, if they continue for a prolonged period, it's important for the person to seek help.

While death is difficult to accept at any age, older adults often experience extreme loneliness and isolation. As people grow older, friends die and they have fewer support systems. When a spouse dies, an older person may lose the will to live.

Many people find it difficult to talk about the loss of their spouse, but refusal to discuss the deceased can lead to intense sadness, anger, isolation - even serious health problems. It is important for mourners to share feelings with someone. If mourners don't have friends or family to turn to, it's important that they find some outlet for expressing grief, whether through a therapist, grief counselor, bereavement group, pastor or other avenue of support.

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Yearning. This phase is most prevalent during the first four months of bereavement, and is often accompanied by anger and guilt. Often the mourner yearns for the loved one and searches for familiar sounds, smells or sights associated with the deceased.

Despair and disorganization. This is a very intense period in which the individual realizes the dead person will not return and is finally able to accept the permanence of the loss. Depression, weight loss or gain, lack of stamina and the inability to concentrate are common during this People react to grief in different ways, physically and psychologically. It is not uncommon for mourners to experience poor appetite, nausea, weight loss, shortness of breath, insomnia, stomach pain, headache or impotence.

Emotionally, a person may experience suicidal thoughts, confusion, depression, restlessness, intense loneliness, hallucinations, impaired judgment and low selfesteem. While some of these responses are considered appropriate during the early

There are many organizations and groups dedicated to helping people cope with the loss of a spouse or loved one.

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You Must Remember This Family history is great gift to pass on to grandchildren and even great-grandchildren

Christine Huard Copley News Service

A family's history is both a timeless chain that links its past, present and future, and a collective memory that gives it a place in time.

In the past, when multiple generations commonly lived together in one home, the family history was told and retold at the dinner table. Children, parents and grandparents knew where they came from and where they were going.

Today, it's not so simple to keep that oral history going. Where once we lived in neighborhoods and shared information by word of mouth, we now live in a global village that gives us news with the touch of a button or click of a mouse.

But historian Stephen Ambrose, director emeritus of the Eisenhower Center at the University of New Orleans, says everybody has a story to tell - and everyone has an audience eager to hear it.

He's right. There may be no more valuable gift you could give your family than the family history.

My grandmother was a bluegrass country girl born just after the turn of the century. She was never much for cooking and her sewing talents raised a few family eyebrows. But she sure could spin a yarn.

When I was very small, a visit from Grandma Josie was definitely a special occasion for my brother Paul and me.

It meant singing folk songs, like "Go Tell Aunt Rhody" and "Froggy Went A'Courtin," with lyrics we thought were silly.

It meant Southern-fried chicken, the one and only dish anyone asked Grandma - who attested to being kin to the Col. Sanders of Kentucky Fried Chicken fame - to cook.

And it also meant stories.

Sometimes, Grandma would put on the chicken to cook in a big, cast-iron pan and then turn her attention to us kids. If I was the only one around at the time, I got to enjoy the full expanse of her lap. But if it was the two of us, Paul and me, she would put us each on a knee and tell us about her girlhood and farm life in Mammoth Cave, Ky.

Chickens - the raising, tending and dispatching of them - played a big role on the farm. And one of Grandma's favorite stories to tell us was about the stubborn ones who, despite the misfortune of having had their heads recently separated from their necks, would still run circles around the farmyard.

How this shocked and delighted us - we were (and still are) city kids through and through. Far from finding this to be a gruesome story, we cackled with laughter as Grandma flapped her arms about like the pitiful poultry.

Sometimes, the singing and the tales would go on a bit too long and the chicken the one cooking in the pan, not the one in the story - would burn. Sure, that made us question her claim to the famous relation, but we never cared. We liked her chickens better than his any day.

OK, so maybe I learned more about fowl than family, but the larger lesson is this: Something as simple as telling a story, passing along a recipe or even sharing a favorite book with your family helps to create a legacy.

And keeping your legacy alive may be easier than ever if you take advantage of the various technologies that allow you to keep in touch, renew and preserve old photos and documents or even research your family history on-line.

Times may have changed much since the

Support groups helpful

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The Grief Recovery Institute, (800) 445-4808, offers handbooks, outreach programs, community education and a tollfree help line for people who are trying to reconstruct their lives after a loss.

Many people wonder how long it will take them to recover from the loss of a loved one. There is no definitive answer. It depends on the attachment you had to the person who died and your own emotional state. Mourning may last for months, years or the rest of your life. But gradually, over time, you will begin to accept your loss and take an interest in life again. Although there are no quick fixes, there are ways you can start to feel better.

Music is proved to promote muscle relaxation and relieve anxiety and depression. It can lift your spirits and bring back memories of happier times.

Make yourself laugh. When we smile and laugh our bodies release endorphins that make us feel better. Rent a favorite Three Stooges movie, watch reruns of "I Love Lucy" or read your favorite comics.

You may not feel like exercising, but

days of sitting around the family dinner table, but that doesn't mean family history should be set aside. Here are some new ways to keep up a tradition that will never grow old.

GET CONNECTED

You live in Seattle; your granddaughter's off to college in Boston. Time to get connected.

E-mail may be one of the reasons older Americans are getting acquainted with computer technology for the first time.

"The grandkids keep insisting on it," says Stan Follis, 65, a retired video producer who teaches classes on computer basics to senior citizens. "They want to communicate by email."

It's simple, too. Internet accounts are available through a number of providers. Just dial up through a computer, write a message and click the mouse to mail your message. In a matter of minutes you can pass on a story, ask how school is going, send along that recipe for the carrot bread your granddaughter loves so much and remind her how much you miss her.

"It's so easy to keep in touch," says Follis. "That's the really neat thing about it."

GET THE PICTURE

Picture-perfect memories are one thing, but keeping your pictures perfect - so you're not left only with memories - is another. Digital images are a good alternative or addition to standard film processing when it comes to preserving quality.

You could use a digital camera, which stores pictures on a chip in the camera. Instead of having a roll of film developed, you are able to download digitized images directly to a computer. But if you're not ready to part with your point-and-shoot, there are other options.

Photofinishing outlets, like drugstores and supermarkets, can develop a 35 mm roll of 24 exposure film and put the images on a single floppy diskette for a pretty reasonable fee.

For better resolution, have your photos put on a CD-ROM disk. Kodak offers two formats: PhotoCD stores up to 100 images using the JPEG format, which is recognized

by most photo editing programs, and Flash-Pix CD, which uses a less-common file format to store up to 400 high-resolution images.

What to do with older photos that have deteriorated and need to be restored? Not a problem. Have them scanned. Scanners turn photographs into computerized information that can be stored on a diskette.

Copy stores, like Kinko's, offer this service, as do photo labs. Your digital image can now be retouched and preserved for the enjoyment of future generations. Have a professional repair or enhance an image, or do it yourself in your own digital darkroom with photo editing software like "Adobe PhotoDeluxe" by Adobe Systems Inc., or "Kai's Photo Soap" by Meta-Tools Inc.

This is also a good idea for preserving family documents such as marriage certificates and birth records.

RESEARCH YOUR ROOTS

The amount of information available on the Internet for researching your ancestry is enormous.

Using Yahoo! - just one of several search engines that help you navigate the Net - I was given 80 sites - and hundreds of links to explore by simply typing in the word genealogy and clicking on the search button.

To help you find your roots on-line there's information on regional and international resources, beginner's guides, lineage and surname search services and genealogy magazines and organizations.

And that's just for starters.

Want to know if your forefathers made there way to America on the Mayflower? Check out the Mayflower Genealogy and History site offering a ship's passenger list, historic documents and information on the Pilgrims' lives and times.

Follis urges senior citizens to get involved with computer technology, whether it's to keep in touch with family or even promote a hobby.

"Almost anything you can think of doing, there's a program out there that can help you do it," says Follis.



STRATEGIES FOR COPING

Writing enables us to express our true feelings and is a good tool for venting emotions. You can keep a personal journal, write letters to family or friends or write letters you know you'll never mail. being active will help you feel better physically and mentally. Take a brisk walk, tend to your garden or go fishing.

Do something nice for yourself. Treat yourself to a massage, a manicure or tickets to your favorite sporting event or theater production.

Practice random acts of kindness. Although it sounds trite, the quickest way to help ourselves is to help someone else. Even the smallest gesture - baking cookies for your neighbor or visiting a sick friend in the hospital - will make you feel better.

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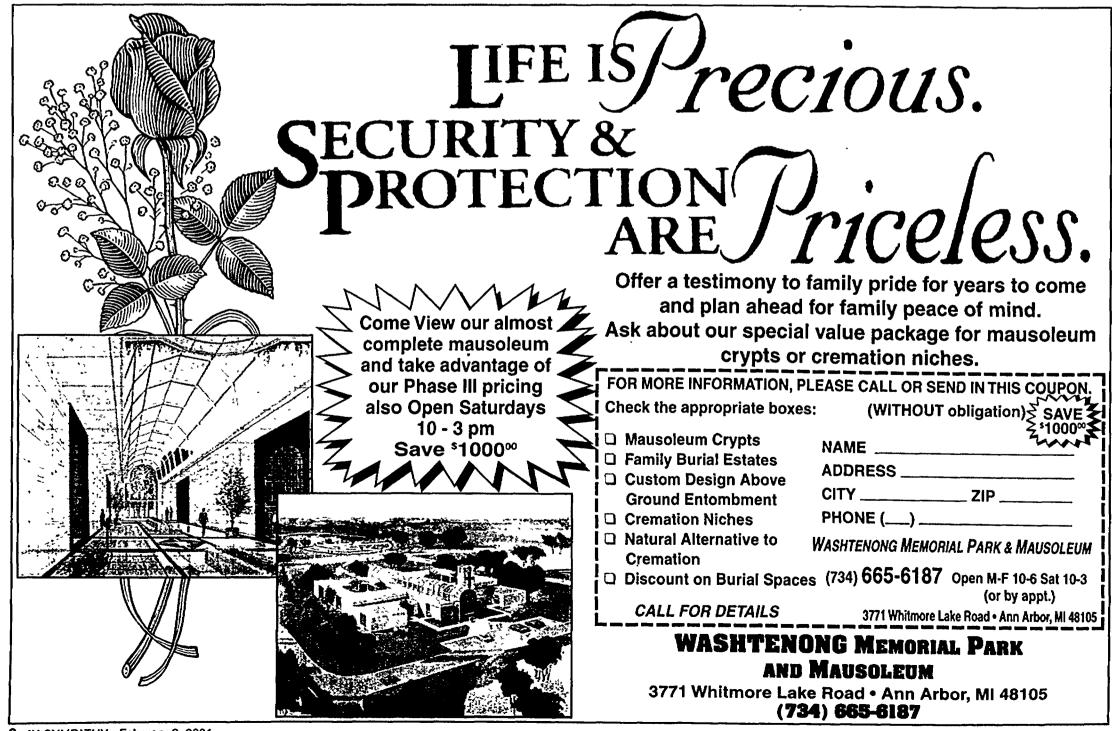
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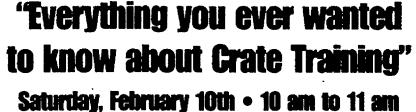
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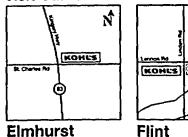


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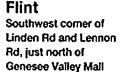
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