



Joe Chickvara (left) and his next-door neighbor, Ann Nemo, check the damage done by a fallen tree in Chickvara's front yard on Oak Point Drive. High winds toppled the tree and pushed it into the front of his house.

Tree falls through roof

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"I belted the two major branches with 1 1/2-inch steel rods to try to keep them growing together. I tried to keep it going through good care and maintenance," said Joe, a 23-year Colony Park resident.

The tree was the much larger of two front-yard trees at the Chickvara house on Oak Point Drive.

Despite the incident, Joe's spirits remained high.

"You've got to have the right attitude," he said.

"We'll make the best of spring."

Besides, he said, "I'm more happy about becoming a grandparent." Daughter Jeanne Szyc of Ann Arbor was expecting her first child last week.

Showing his sense of humor, Joe quipped: "I might replace the maple with an Olive tree because I'm obviously not going to have a grandchild by that name. Nobody likes that name but me."

Bonelli guilty of murder

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mine right from wrong at the time of the crime," said Andary, who added that it appears "certain" that Bonelli will appeal the jury's decision.

"HE HAS an appeal as a matter of right, and I'm certain he will be processing an appeal," Andary said.

Andary, in closing remarks Thursday, called Fracchia's death "a tragedy" that occurred when Bonelli was "in the crisis of his disease." He pleaded with jurors to "put aside the horror of (Bonelli's) act and understand that he's different."

But Miller portrayed Bonelli, who was 17 when he killed Fracchia, as "a very dangerous young man who nearly pulled off the perfect murder." Miller indicated that Fracchia's death may have appeared to be an accident if Bonelli had not revealed to friends that he planned to kill her.

Andary told jurors that Bonelli suffered from blackouts, fits of rage and hallucinations in which he heard strange voices telling him to kill Fracchia, saw blood pouring from his eyes and believed he was possessed by spirits.

But Miller told jurors there was only one fair verdict — first-degree murder.

"IT'S CLEAR, crystal clear, that the defendant is a cunning, manipulative, cold murderer," Miller said.

Testimony from the trial indicated Bonelli had become involved in a love triangle with Fracchia and another girlfriend, Venise Asmar, and that he struggled to cope with the pressure he felt because of the girls' rivalries.

Despite Andary's efforts to portray Bonelli as insane, Miller said he had expected the jury to reach a guilty verdict.

Miller said he believed his case was helped by a tape-recorded statement that Bonelli made to Orchard Lake Police and a videotape in which Bonelli re-enacted his struggle with Fracchia, a popular student and klee club member.

Andary tried unsuccessfully to convince Judge Gilbert that the tapes should be suppressed.

Said Miller: "The tapes allowed me to show jurors the real Anthony Bonelli."

Company says bankruptcy grounded snowplow runs

By Joanne Maliszewski staff writer

Charles Matychuk says he never meant to cause residents he signed up for his snowplowing services any problems. But money and manpower got tight.

"Nothing was done maliciously or as a felony," said the owner of Krom Snowplowing Inc., Farmington Hills. But some residents are angry.

"The hardship he created . . . he let us down by creating a horror situation with our driveway," said Farmington Hills resident Carol Anderson.

"You just don't go around and take people's money and not say you're sorry. We would feel better if we knew whether he will be allowed to do business in the city," Anderson said.

Anderson and her neighbors who contracted with Matychuk are equally upset that they could never reach him by phone and that he didn't show up in small claims court to respond to complaints against him.

"Right now, the company is going bankrupt. A lot of the (snow) plowers walked out and we were left hanging," Matychuk said.

More than 20 civil complaints have been filed against Matychuk in 47th District Court's small claims divisions, including snowplowing. Residents and businesses filing claims are primarily from Farmington Hills and West Bloomfield. Small claims court is for claims of a maximum \$1,500.

AS OF A week ago, two of the

complaints had not yet been heard, four were dismissed and 14 default judgments were entered. It is up to the residents or businesses that received default judgments to get their money.

Two criminal complaints have been filed with the Farmington Hills Police Department and are under investigation. No warrants have been issued, said Detective Doug Anderson. It would be the Oakland County prosecutor's decision whether there was any criminal intent in failing to fulfill the contracts.

In a letter to customers in early January, Matychuk referred to problems with snowplow drivers or subcontractors he hired to provide his service.

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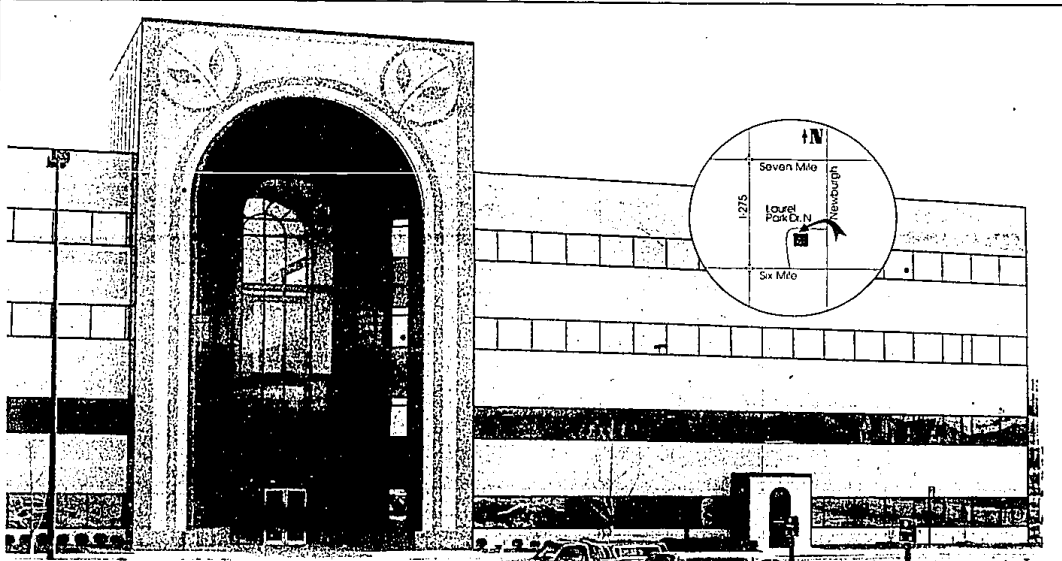
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