



Richard T. Thompson, Executive Editor

News Is Our Business

Our continuing goal is to become the finest group of community newspapers in the nation and the most attractive and locally relevant in Michigan.

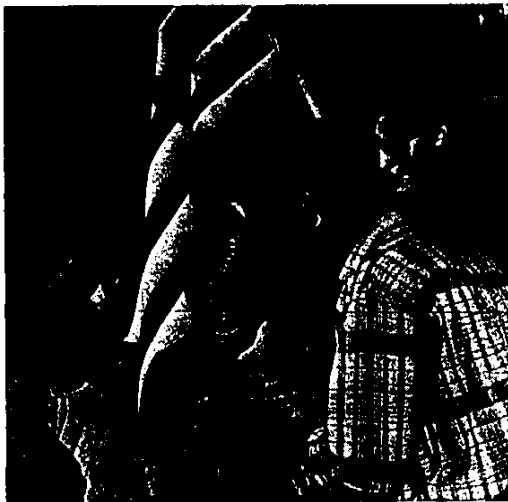
We feel that we are using the central plant's efficiencies to realize these goals with complete news coverage of events that are superior to that of any other weekly newspaper or group of weekly newspapers in the area.

We take great pride in the Observers' professional editorial content: Our interesting women's and church pages; our thorough local sports coverage; our useful business and home improvement pages; our objective coverage of local and state political news.

Professional news teams in seven communities offer perceptive editorial views of city problems and local issues. And, in the finest tradition of the free press, readers are able to respond to these views in the Observers' "Reader's Forum" columns.

Whether the news is a complex millage proposal in Plymouth or a disastrous fire in Southfield, your hometown newspaper is on the scene.

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The whirling heart of a newspaper lies in the work of a skilled reporter in the field, coordinated through the constant work and care of a team of experienced editors. News Editor Tim Richard heads the central copy desk in the new building -- the guts of any newspaper -- and works with other staff members to insure thorough, accurate and responsible news coverage.

