

### Waste day planned

Farmington area residents can bring their properly packaged hazardous waste materials to 47th District Court on 10 Mile from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, during Household Hazardous Waste Day.

Most hazardous products will be accepted, including cleaners, solvents, turpentine, aerosol cans, pesticides, herbicides, gasoline mixtures, glues, wood stain and antifreeze.

Not accepted will be compressed gas cylinders, radioactive material (including some smoke detectors), explosives and medical waste.

### Burger

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Dunleavy's is where I go. They're so thick and juicy," said Blackard, who lives in Farmington Hills.

The cozy, wood-paneled atmosphere provides an unbeatable combination, she added.

"You always feel welcomed when you go into Dunleavy's; Everyone is friendly and they make you feel comfortable," Blackard said.

A cook is not uncomfortable revealing the key ingredients - fresh beef. Other than that, it's only a matter of throwing the patty on the grill.

"There's no secret to it," said Ellen Reiter, one of three Dunleavy's cooks. "If there was a secret, I wouldn't tell."

Owner Anthony Domol was humbled by the reader support.

"I've heard more than once that it's the best hamburger around. I'm sure they say that at other places, too," Domol said. "It's still nice to hear that people enjoy our hamburgers."

## County economic boon to taper

### Economic forecast to be unveiled Friday

Oakland County's economic climate is likely to continue growing for the remainder of this year and into 1999, according to the University of Michigan Institute of Labor and Industrial Relations.

But for the first time in almost a decade, the forecast includes a "tapering off" in the number of job opportunities, according to county Executive L. Brooks Patterson.

"It's still a very positive report," Patterson said this week as he prepared for the 13th annual Oakland County Economic Forecast Luncheon. "But some tapering off is expected," he said.

Patterson said Wednesday he has seen the forecast that will be presented in detail Friday at the Northfield Hilton in Troy by U-M researchers including economists George A. Fulton and Donald R. Grimes.

He declined to go into detail, but Patterson acknowledged what some businesses have discussed previously:

Oakland has plenty of jobs... perhaps too many.

"It's a dilemma presented by full employment," Patterson said. "The good news is we have a lot of jobs. But bad news is there aren't enough qualified people to fill them."

"That's not good, because when

you can't fill the jobs, they tend to go somewhere else."

The annual luncheon is usually a standing-room-only affair, and this year's will be no exception, judging by early ticket sales. With a capacity of 700 people, early sales as of Tuesday exceeded 650. While networking is part of the fare, the big attraction is the U-M duo's analysis and predictions - based on a number of economic indicators including interest rates, exports, construction and job growth.

Over the last decade, the forecasts have had a high degree of accuracy. Over the last 12 years, the margin of error has been 1.4 percent, Fulton said Wednesday. Over the last five years, the error rate was closer to .6 percent, he said.

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### Seat

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health - are driving Jolicoeur's interest in county politics.

"I have another four days and I'm tussling with it," said Jolicoeur, whose husband died last year after a long illness. "It's been a real hectic year for me."

"This is something I've wanted to do for a long time and I just need to think through whether this is the right time to do it or not."

Commissioners serve two-year terms. The post pays \$25,000 annually and includes medical and retirement benefits.

### Crash

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ful attempts to interview Novicoff, he gave a statement with his attorney present.

"What sometimes happens in those situations is that they don't know what to do or they panic," Green said. "Their instincts tell them the best thing to do might be to flee home... but that's not what the law allows."

Novicoff, who lives less than a mile from the accident scene, was heading home from work when the accident took place, Green said. He did stop to meet someone on the way, Green said.

Novicoff denies he'd been drinking that night. Due to the time between the accident and when he turned himself in to police, no blood alcohol level tests were performed to determine alcohol content.

"He says so and we haven't been able to refute that," Green said.

### Eatery

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said Mark Killen, Applebee's regional director of operations. Applebee's, which specializes in casual dining, has 36 restaurants in Michigan.

"Most of our businesses are geared to rooftops and neighborhoods and that's where we're looking. It seems like a nice area," Killen said.



Applebee's restaurants have opened in highly-traveled commercial areas in Westland and Canton. Muirwood Plaza is surrounded by Bob Saks auto dealership, Muirwood Apartments and residential areas.

"It's more like a neighborhood setting," Killen said. "It would be nice if there was a regional mall, but that's what Novi is about."

Applebee's International is a publicly-traded company and posted \$515.8 million in revenue last year. The chain employs 18,160 people.

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