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MAN AT WORK. Bill Wallen works on the potter's wheel for the first time. "I was trying to get a feel for the centering process," Bill commented.

## Resident Artist

Since childhood, Nikki Melvin has had a gift for art. Nikki has been interested in art since she was an elementary student. She seems to have a talent that few people acquire in their lifetime.

Nikki received fifty dollars for one of her drawings as a result of a calendar contest sponsored by the Commercial National Bank, in 1990. "Nikki is a talented student. The work comes easy for her," remarked her art teacher, Mrs. Gearhart.

Nikki plans to attend Lansing Community College to study architectural drawing or commercial art.

# ceramics



J. Thompson

BURNING UP. Nikki Melvin works on her woodburning project for handicrafts, a class that covers everything: jewelry-making, painting and picture framing, just to name a few.