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The Lotto jackpot was worth at least \$3.3 million. The Michigan Lottery numbers for Wednesday, Feb. 7, 1996 are:

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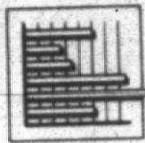
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Megastore plan irks residents



Residents remain opposed to a proposed Super Kmart at Haggerty and Ford roads despite road improvements on Haggerty and a traffic light on Ford. They're concerned in part about traffic.

BY JOANNE MALISZEWSKI
STAFF WRITER

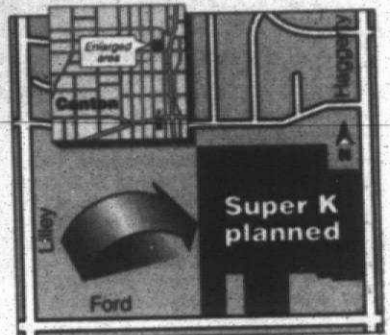
Residents near the proposed Super Kmart at Ford and Haggerty didn't mince words Monday night — they don't want a megastore in their backyards or more congestion on community roads.

"We spend 15 minutes waiting in this mess," said Greenwood resident Ron Zonca, referring to the congested Haggerty-Ford intersection. His house in the Willow Trail subdivision backs up to the site of the proposed Super Kmart. "It's not going to work, guys."

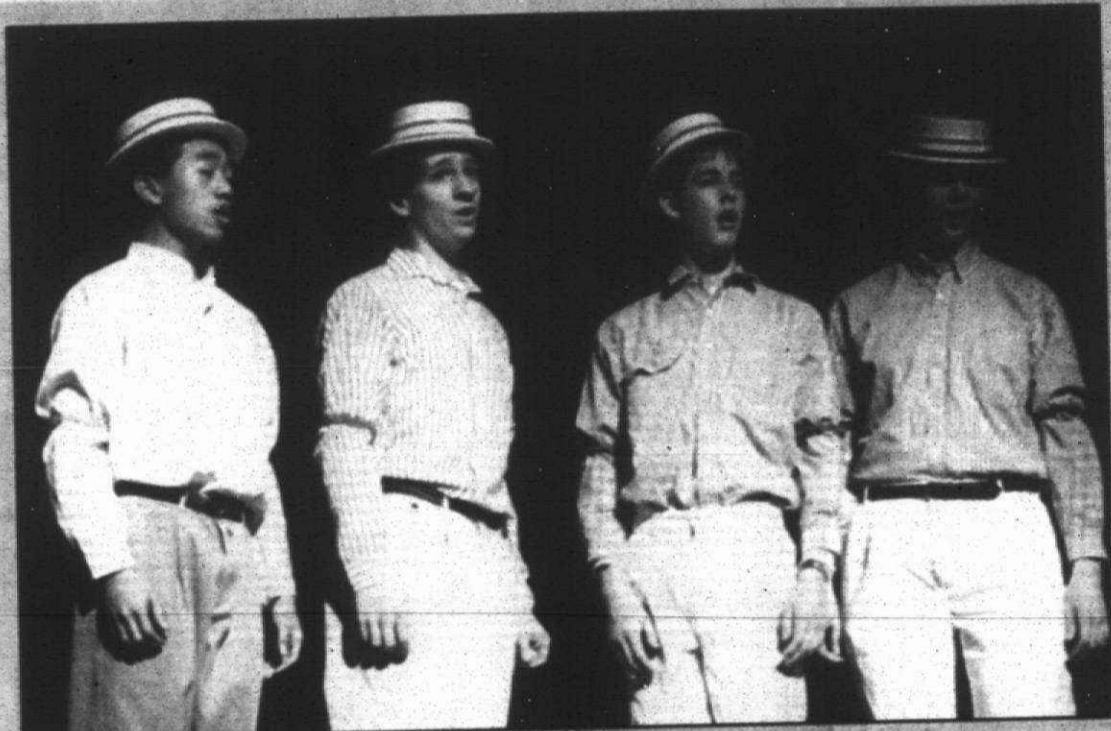
Following a public hearing Monday night at which residents filled the township board meeting room and adjacent hallway, Canton planning commissioners recommended approval of a site plan and special land use for the Zarembo Group, which would develop the megastore on 27.39 acres on the north side of Ford Road, between Man's Do It Center and Haggerty Road.

Commissioner Tom Sullivan abstained from the vote, saying he had

See MEGASTORE, 3A



TAMMIE GRAVEN/STAFF ARTIST



TOM HAWLEY/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Variety: The Barbershop Quartet of Ted Abesamis and Chris Blossom of Canton, Matt Shough and Craig Wickham of Plymouth, offered a harmonious vocal blend at the 31st annual "Variety Is . . ." The potpourri of entertainment featured all high school bands, including varsity, concert, symphony, marching, jazz and percussion ensemble.

Talent on stage at show

BY DIANE HANSON
SPECIAL WRITER

A multitude of talented musicians, gifted singers, dedicated dancers and laugh-provoking comedy skits warmed the hearts and hands of appreciative audiences at Salem High School auditorium on Friday and Saturday night. This was the 31st annual "Variety Is . . ." talent show sponsored by the music department at the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park.

"It's been going on longer than I've been alive," said Symphony and Marching Band director David McGrath, a 1983 graduate of Plymouth Canton High School.

McGrath played trombone all four years in the Symphony and Marching Bands under the direction of for-

See TALENT, 4A

Morton Taylor hearing set for Monday

BY JOANNE MALISZEWSKI
STAFF WRITER

Residents are encouraged to attend a public hearing on a draft environmental assessment for the proposed extension of Morton Taylor, Warren to Ford, at 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 12, in Canton Township Hall.

Wayne County officials will present the draft environmental assessment — ordered by the Michigan Department of Transportation — at the top

of the meeting. Residents may then provide their comments to a court stenographer.

"We will take the comment and respond in the final draft to the state and federal highway administration. They will review it then approve it, or tell us we need further change or deny it," said Alan Richardson, Wayne County deputy director of engineering.

Michelle Hall of the Carriage Hills

subdivision, who has led the effort for a boulevard as opposed to a two-lane cross-section as proposed by the county, urged neighbors to read the environmental assessment, a copy of which is available at the township clerk's office, 1150 S. Canton Center Road.

"This will probably be their chance to have a say," said Hall, who added that the recommendation is for a two-lane cross-section, including tree re-

moval, and not a boulevard.

Plans for the Morton Taylor extension were unveiled in April 1995. Controversial among residents of the Carriage Hill and Willow Homes subdivisions, the plans call for the road extension to border their back yard. If not able to stop the extension — which is a part of the county's master road plan — residents have opted for

See HEARING, 4A

Dr. Fisher's third murder trial gets under way

BY M.B. DILLON
STAFF WRITER

In opening arguments Wednesday, Assistant Wayne County Prosecutor Robert Donaldson told a jury of 10 men and four women that Dr. Charles Fisher was a manipulative, controlling man who murdered his wife out of jealousy and desperation.

Formerly of Canton, Fisher, 55, is on trial for the third time in connection with the 1984 asphyxiation death of Ella Maria Mercado-Fisher, 31. First-degree murder convictions in 1986 and 1988 were overturned.

"This is a case about a brutal, cal-

culated murder. This is a case about love; love Charles Fisher professed to have for Ella Maria Mercado-Fisher," Donaldson told jurors and Wayne Circuit Judge Cynthia Stephens.

Donaldson said Fisher was obsessed with the fact that Mercado had fallen in love with a cousin she had visited in Bolivia, and with whom she was planning a reunion in Germany.

Canton police were called to the Fisher home on Thornwood July 15, where Mercado was found unconscious and gagged with duct tape. Fisher told police that intruders beat

him up and bound him with duct tape, then did the same to his wife after she returned home from her afternoon shift at Chelsea Community Hospital shortly after midnight.

After she was pronounced brain dead at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, life support was removed and her kidneys donated.

A registered nurse, Mercado was enrolled in a transcultural nursing program at Wayne State University and employed as a visiting nurse. A microbiologist and Fulbright scholar, Fisher was in charge of the microbiology laboratory at Veterans Adminis-

tration Hospital in Ann Arbor.

Fisher has been jailed in the Saginaw Regional Correctional Facility. While doing time on his second conviction, he was found guilty of trying to convince fellow inmates to plead guilty to his wife's murder.

Donaldson told jurors they will find out in the course of the 25-day trial that the Fishers were having marital trouble, and that he wrote to relatives several times, afraid of losing Mercado.

Canton police said that while

See TRIAL, 6A

Canton author recounts harrowing adventure

Author: Mari Vawn Tinney holds her new book, "Marita: Missing in Mexico," which has been published by Aspen Books.

She plans to market the book on a new World Wide Web page she is creating on the Internet.



BILL BIERLER/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

BY RALPH R. ECHTINAW
STAFF WRITER

Canton Township resident Mari Vawn Tinney's most recent book will no doubt have greater popular appeal than her past publications.

An instructional designer, course developer and trainer by profession, Tinney has produced 28 technical publications such as "Series 2000 Hardware Reference Manual" and "Series 1544 D4/T1 Multiplexer System Instruction Manual."

But "Marita: Missing in Mexico," the account of a harrowing adventure she had 20 years ago to retrieve a kidnapped daughter, could make Ross Perot's efforts to get two EDS employees out of revolutionary Iran in 1980 seem like a sight-seeing trip in comparison.

Tinney went to Mexico to teach English in the late 1960s after graduating from Brigham Young University.

"I always wanted to go to Mexico when I grew up," she said. "When I was 10 years old, I told everybody I would go to Mexico when I grew up, and they probably thought, 'Sure, she's just a little

See AUTHOR, 6A

CITY OF PLYMOUTH NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ESTABLISHMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT NO. 4

Notice is hereby given that the Plymouth City Commission will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, February 20, 1996, at 7:00 P.M. in the Commission Chambers at City Hall, 201 S. Main Street, to consider the following:

Establishment of Industrial Development District No. 4, to include the following industrial property:

Loc. Performance, 101-301 Industrial Drive and 800 Plymouth Road:
TAX ID NO. 49-007-99-0007-700: PART OF NW 1/4 OF SEC 25 T1S R5E BEG AT A POINT S 88D 21M E 80FT AND N 01D 39M E 172.77FT FROM NW 1/4 COR OF SEC 25, TH N 01D 39M E 442.12FT, TH S 73D 17M 40S E 414.22FT, TH S 01D 39M W 334.73FT, TH N 88D 21M W 400FT TO POB, EXC. N 80FT ALSO EXC. E 30FT THEREOF; and

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LINDA J. LANGMESSER, CMC
City Clerk

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CITY OF PLYMOUTH PUBLIC NOTICE 1996 CDBG FUNDS: PROPOSED USES AND PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to Federal guidelines, the City of Plymouth is announcing its objectives and possible uses for developing projects using 1996 Federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding.

- OBJECTIVES:**
- To provide benefits directly to persons of low/moderate income, and/or to areas in which at least 44% of the residents are of low/moderate income.
 - To provide benefits to senior citizens.
 - To provide benefits to handicapped citizens.

PROPOSED 1996 PROJECTS:
The City anticipates receiving approximately \$77,500 in CDBG funds for 1996, and has identified the following potential projects for use of these funds:

1. Senior Programs	\$28,000
a. Senior Citizens Van Driver	4,500
b. Senior Citizens Van Dispatcher	3,000
c. Senior Citizens Nutrition Program Delivery	3,000
d. Senior Citizens Chore Service	2,000
e. Senior Citizens Newsletter	2,000
2. ADA compliance modifications in public buildings	17,000
3. Old Village Improvements	20,000
TOTAL	\$77,500

PUBLIC HEARING:
Citizens are invited to comment on the proposed projects listed above, and to suggest other projects. All projects must meet one of the federal CDBG objectives.

A public hearing for the purpose of receiving comments on the proposed uses of 1996 CDBG funds, and additional suggestions for use of said funds, will be held by the Plymouth City Commission on Tuesday, February 20, 1996, at 7:00 P.M. in the Commission Chambers at City Hall, 201 S. Main Street.

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Crash victim was active in GOP

BY KEVIN BROWN
STAFF WRITER

Jennifer Ann Doyle, recently elected Plymouth precinct delegate for the Republican Party, was killed in a car crash Friday on Sheldon Road in Plymouth Township.

Also injured in the crash were Doyle's sister Julie Weston, 25, a passenger, and Anita Jaster, 51, of Canton, driver of a Caravan, the second car in the accident.

The collision happened near the intersection of Sheldon and John Alden, said Plymouth Township police, adding weather conditions were not a factor in the crash as the road was not icy and the weather was clear.

Police said Doyle, 25, was driving a 1989 Mercury Tracer north on Sheldon Road at 4:15 p.m. when she lost control of the car.

The car veered sideways into the southbound lanes of Sheldon Road, where it was struck by an oncoming Dodge Caravan, police said.

Doyle's uncle Jim Amar remembered her. "She identified with a lot of the principles and philosophies of the Republican

Party, she was someone who was very family oriented."

She became interested in the party by attending state conventions with her sister Julie — who also served as precinct delegate. "You could describe her as a very warm person, very loving, very kind, when people met her they found themselves attached to her," Amar said.

After the crash, the victim's sister was listed in critical condition at St. Joseph Hospital in Ann Arbor. Her condition as of Tuesday had been upgraded to fair.

Wastier, of Canton, the driver of the Caravan, was treated and released Friday from St. Mary Hospital in Livonia. "Thank goodness for airbags and seat belts for her," said Plymouth Township Police Sgt. Jim Jarvis.

Police said Doyle was probably wearing a seat belt, adding it was undetermined if her sister was wearing a seat belt.

No citations have been issued in the crash, as police are still investigating.

Doyle was born Jan. 29, 1971, in Royal Oak. She graduated from Plymouth Salem High School in



BILL BRISLER/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Fatal accident: A Plymouth woman died as the result of a two-car accident on Sheldon and John Alden roads in Plymouth Township Friday night. A Canton woman, the driver of the second car, was treated and released.

1988, was a homemaker and loved ceramics and reading.

Doyle worked as manager of the Fannie Mae store at Laurel Park.

Survivors include husband Joseph Doyle of Plymouth; mother Julia A. Jones of Plymouth; brother Frederick of San Diego, Calif.; sister Julie Jones of Plymouth; and uncles James Amar of

Plymouth and Sam Amar of Sacramento, Calif.

Funeral services were scheduled for 11 a.m. Wednesday at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with the Rev. Jerry Yarnell officiating. Burial will be in Parkview Cemetery, Livonia.

Memorials can be made to the charity of your choice.

CLARIFICATION

A recent story on headaches should have said a support group affiliated with the Head Pain Association of Michigan meets at 7 p.m. the third Monday of every

month at St. Paul's Lutheran Church at 17810 Farmington Road north of Six Mile in Livonia. For more information, call (810) 486-1764.

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had a conversation about the project apart from commission business, and did not think it was appropriate to cast a vote.

Commission response

"I understand people have a lot of discomfort with this. It certainly is not something people look forward to having in their back yard," said planning commissioner Melissa McLaughlin, adding that planning staff and commissioners have done the best they could with the proposed development. McLaughlin is also a township trustee.

"We don't stand on I-275 and flag these people down," she said, responding to residents' concerns about increased development and accompanying problems, such as increased traffic.

Plans for the Super K include a grocery store in a 177,757-square-foot building, plus a garden shop of 21,800 square feet. There is also room on the site for a 25,000-square-foot stand-alone retail building for another user.

Development plans

Developer Gary Biales said he has not only complied, but exceeded many township regulations. Among those are a 425-foot front setback compared to the 85-foot required, 166-square-foot rear setback compared to 30-foot required and 92-square-foot side setbacks compared to the 15-foot required.

Increased traffic

The development would have front of the store, 25-foot poles at the rear, none attached to the building.

■ provide a written agreement from Kmart allowing access to adjacent business owners to use a connector road that will be parallel to Ford Road, but behind the businesses facing the thoroughfare.

■ construct a 10-foot wide landscaped boulevard at the second (middle) entrance on Haggerty.

■ put up 30-foot light poles in the

three entrances off Haggerty, with the center one considered as the main entrance and a third for trucks. An entrance will be on Ford Road and would include a traffic light. Developers also plan to build a connector road to which other nearby businesses may connect.

Also proposed for the development are three detention ponds — the development sits in a floodplain — and one-quarter acre of the wetlands would be replaced as three-quarter of an acre on the site.

"We have tried to leave what natural terrain there is in the back," Biales said, adding that berms up to seven feet high will be built, as well as a eight-foot wall to hide the loading docks at the rear of the building.

Residents' concerns

But residents were not impressed. "Wouldn't you like this community not to be a Westland? Wouldn't you like to have a Jacobson's when you come in instead of a White Castle?" asked a resident, adding he is concerned about deteriorating property values.

Another resident said her house was up for sale, had an offer made and then withdrawn when the potential owners heard of the Kmart plans.

"What do we need this store for?" asked resident John Mix.

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Packed: The Canton Township meeting room was packed to overflowing Monday with annoyed residents who will be neighbors of a proposed Super K at Haggerty and Ford roads.

Residents were most concerned about increased traffic, despite a traffic study and plans by developers to widen a portion of Haggerty Road to six lanes — including a dedicated southbound right-turn only lane — to the second entrance and tapering to four lanes at the most northern entrance.

"Your traffic man is being paid by them," resident Jim Haynes

told Biales. "If he's got a bad report, he won't come in here."

Residents also questioned why the township did not notify them long before the legally required date.

Financial concerns

Others asked for more time to meet with the developer — and hopefully Kmart officials, who residents said were notably absent from the discussions.

Residents also offered concern about Kmart's financial instability and whether nearby Kmart's would be closed.

Biales said he was told by Kmart officials that the store in New Towne Plaza at Ford and Sheldon roads would be closed.

"Kmart indicated to us they will try to get out of the lease ... Biales said.

Malicious use of the telephone is a state misdemeanor punishable by up to six months in prison, a \$500 fine, or both.

It is unclear whether Sowers is responsible for the bomb threat that caused the evacuation of Bus 66 at the high schools Jan. 29. No bomb was found on the bus.

More than 4,500 students and staff were evacuated from Canton and Salem high schools for 20 minutes after 10-15 threatening calls were received by the Salem switchboard from a cellular phone before 9 a.m. Jan. 26.

Students were told to evacuate the building for a fire drill. They were asked to stay 40 feet away from the buildings. Following a 20-minute search for explosives by Canton police, Michigan State Police and school personnel, students were allowed to re-enter the buildings. No explosives were found.

Police said they were notified by school officials that they had information about possible suspects.

Threats prompt charge

A 18-year-old Canton man faces a state felony charge in connection with bomb threats to Canton High School.

David Scott Sowers was arraigned on one count of malicious use of the telephone to make threats before 35th District Court Judge John MacDonald, Feb. 5.

MacDonald set a bond of \$5,000 or 10 percent. Sowers was transferred to the Dickerson Facility. Police are continuing their investigation. It is believed another 19-year-old suspect made at least one of at least 15 calls that were made to Canton High School early Jan. 26. Sowers and the 19-year-old are both Plymouth-Canton graduates.

CRIME

Conditions accompany approval of Kmart's proposal

BY JOANNE MALISZEWSKI
STAFF WRITER

Despite a recommended approval of a proposed Super Kmart at Haggerty and Ford roads, Canton planning commissioners have included a host of conditions that must be met before the first shovel hits the ground.

According to the motion offered by commissioner Bob Wade, Zaremba Group developers must:

■ put up 30-foot light poles in the

front of the store, 25-foot poles at the rear, none attached to the building.

■ provide a written agreement from Kmart allowing access to adjacent business owners to use a connector road that will be parallel to Ford Road, but behind the businesses facing the thoroughfare.

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■ indicate on their plans the second phase, which is a 25,000-square-foot retail building for another user, and postponement of the construction of 148 parking spaces for the building.

■ ensure that a traffic light at the Ford Road entrance will be installed. The certificate of occupancy will depend on it.

■ pursue state transportation officials to approve timing all lights on Ford Road.

■ pursue a deceleration lane on Ford at the proposed traffic light east of the entrance.

■ ensure that lights at the rear of the building are 250 watts or less.

■ ensure that all light poles will be brown, anodized aluminum.

■ ensure that access will be maintained for maintenance of the retention ponds.

■ establish an escrow account to ensure that all landscaping is completed.

Commissioners also included in the motion that the building permit — allowing construction to start — will depend on developers receiving approvals from other agencies, such as Wayne County, the state Department of Natural Resources and Michigan Department of Transportation.

The site plan and special land use — required for a superstore of more than 40,000 square feet — will go before Canton trustees for a final vote in about three weeks.

Canton residents celebrate their American citizenship

BY RENEE SKOGLUND
STAFF WRITER

In an experience as American as apple pie, Bharat and Aashish Shaw of Canton raised their hands before a U.S. Circuit Court judge last Sunday and swore allegiance to the United States of America.

The Shaws, father and son, were among a group of 108 immigrants from 39 countries who took part in the Oath of Allegiance Ceremony held at Congregation Beth Achim in Southfield. The ceremony was sponsored by several organizations in the Jewish community to celebrate citizenship.

"It was one of those father and son things," said Bharat, an accountant, who with his wife and two sons immigrated from Bombay, India. They have lived in Canton for 13 years.

But for Bharat and Aashish Shaw, the ceremony was more than an occasion for father-son bonding. It represented a renewed awareness of the roots they have put down in this country.

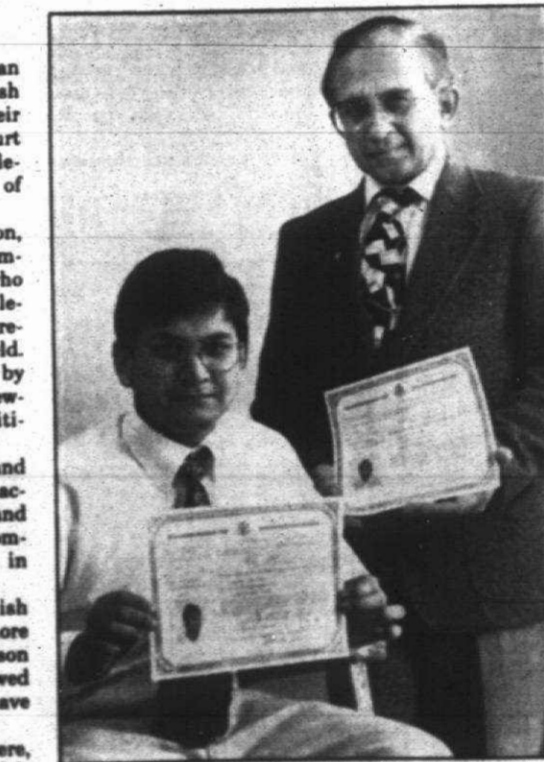
"We live here, we work here, we've grown attached here. It's like we're in India," said Bharat. "It's a freedom. Everyone can do what they want under the law." Aashish, 20, a graduate of Plymouth Salem High School and a student at the University of Michigan-Dearborn, takes his citizenship in stride. He offered a few lighthearted views on American culture.

"America is more different than any other country. They have a unique way of being different. We go by gallons and the world goes by liters. We drive on the left and the rest of world drives on the right."

"Crazy Americans," Aashish said with an affectionate laugh. Well, now he's officially one of them. He probably loves hamburgers. "No, actually I prefer Indian," he said.

Aashish's mother, Charu, a probiotic social worker, looks forward to becoming a citizen soon. She has an interview with Immigration & Naturalization Service on Feb. 9.

"My parents are in India. If I get a citizenship, I can sponsor them. We have everything here, but I am missing my parents. We can give them more support if



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they come here." Charu plans on using her professional skills to provide respite care for the elderly some day.

Besides being able to sponsor Charu's parents, both Bharat and Charu look forward to voting, voicing their opinions on certain issues. "Medical, Health Insurance, Education. The cost is too high," said Bharat.

The family returned to India in 1994 when Bharat's father, who had been living with them, died. "My grandfather's dying wish was to have his ashes in a sacred river," said Aashish.

When asked if he would like to go back, Aashish said, "I'd like to visit, but not to live."

According to INS figures of 1993, the top 10 countries from which people emigrated to the U.S. were Mexico, Mainland Chi-

They're proud: Aashish Shaw and his father, Bharat, show their certificates of citizenship. Both pledged their allegiance to the United States of America before a U.S. Circuit Court judge in Southfield Sunday.

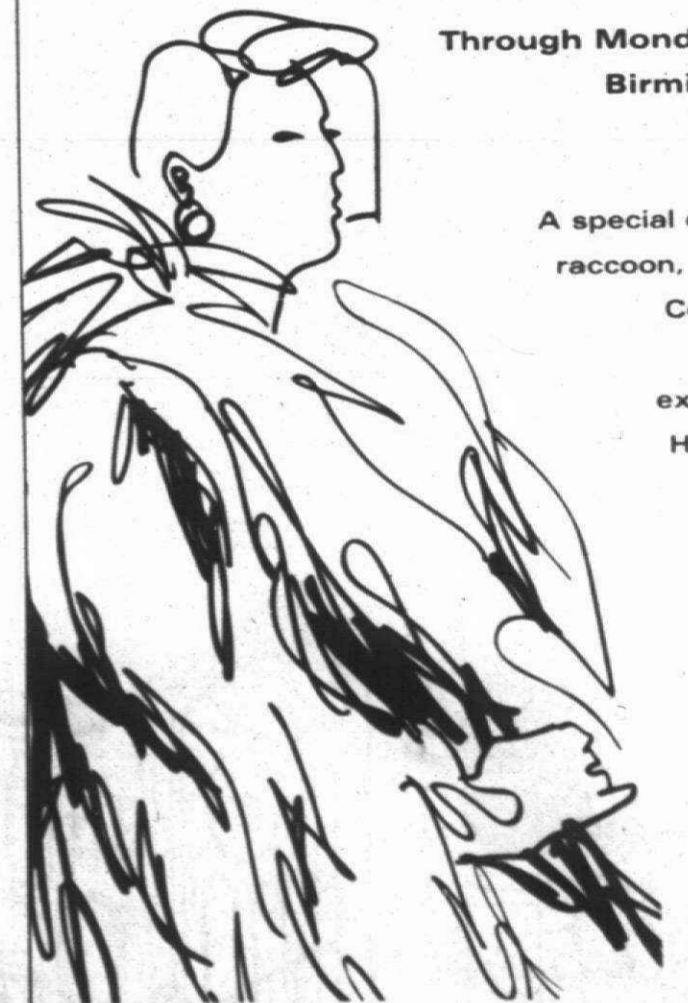
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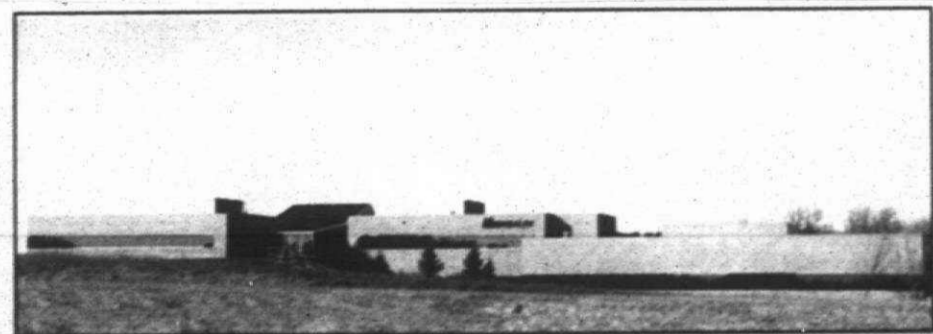
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kid." But I really felt it."

Once there, Tinney met Antonio Cruz (a pseudonym for his real name), whom she soon married. "I really didn't like him at all," she said. "He wasn't my type. (But) I never wanted to have a boring life, and I knew if I married him I wouldn't. And I didn't either."

Marita was born in 1973, and the small family moved to Utah, where Tinney and Cruz attended the university.

Cruz was an "abusive" man preoccupied with his "machismo" and kidnapped Marita when she was 2½ years old and took her to Mexico.

Tinney began an odyssey of pursuit that took her south of the border for more than a year, staying with friends and in small apartments, tracking Marita and Cruz.

"I thought I'd only be there a few weeks. I thought I could just get her and come back. I was so naive."

The Mexican courts provided little help and Tinney was forced to take action. "Actually, I had to wrap her back and get her out

myself," she said. "He had detectives looking all over for the day after I escaped with her."

Marita is now married herself, attending Utah State University and expecting her first child.

Tinney had kept extensive journals throughout her ordeal, and in 1983 she felt compelled to produce a book. "I wrote the journals for my daughter so she would have something of a record to read and understand what had happened all those months to her later, so she would know what happened to her life, from my point of view anyway."

By 1987 Tinney began soliciting publishers, who repeatedly rejected her, albeit in "kindly" fashion. So Tinney formed her own publishing company, Prairie Rose Press, and began the process of self-publishing her book.

Then one day last August at a book sellers' convention in Utah, Tinney was waiting in line for an autograph from author Emma Lou Thayne when Aspen Books editor Jennifer Utley recognized her.



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Fisher claimed the intruders who attacked the couple took his wallet, the only thing missing from the Fisher household was his red pickup truck. Mercado's purse was undisturbed in the kitchen. Cameras, TVs, a computer and other valuables were untouched, as was a stack of money in a drawer.

Despite his claims of being roughed up, bound and gagged, the only mark on Fisher was a small cut on his hand, Donaldson said.

After his wife's death, Fisher claimed he was so grief-stricken he couldn't function. Yet in August, he placed a personal newspaper ad, seeking companionship from an "18-30-year-old woman. I

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Donaldson said Fisher traveled to the Caribbean with a woman who answered the ad and proposed to her in November.

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County's signal project aims to reduce traffic congestion

By BETH SUNDRLA JACHMAN STAFF WRITER

When local residents see orange trucks at some intersections, something good is happening, according to Victoria Holland, Wayne County's assistant engineer of traffic operations.

Work is just beginning on a timed-traffic signal corridor on Beech Daly Road that will run through Redford Township.

The first intersection, at Beech Daly and Cherry Hill, was completed Jan. 27, Holland said. Now the project will move north through to Eight Mile Road and involve 18 signals and nine miles of roadway.

At the intersections, new traffic and pedestrian signals are being installed, including all new wiring, Holland said. The signals are then being programmed to allow cars driving at the speed limit to hit green lights at most intersections. "But it's not physically possible to make all the lights," she said.

The Farmington Road project involves eight signals and four miles of roadway. The Wayne Road project involves 25 signals and 9.5 miles of road.

The Seven Mile Road project, involving about 30 signals, is basically complete, with some fine-tuning still to be done, Holland said.

The timed-traffic signal project is 80 percent funded by a federal grant under the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality program and is funded under the 1995 recent federal budget cuts, according to John Roach, public information manager of the Department of Public Services. The other 20 percent is being funded by Wayne County or by the communities the intersections are in or both, Holland said.

The Beech Daly project will cost about \$750,000, the Farmington Road project will cost about \$260,000 and the Wayne Road project will cost about \$200,000.

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are considered to be high priority, including three in southeastern Michigan — the Davison Freeway, the Haggerty Connector and M-59, she said.

Until October 1995, the Davison in Detroit was a Wayne County road, Pannecouk said. It is listed as a high priority for improvements as it needs to be widened to add a shoulder area for disabled vehicles, she said.

"About \$11 million has already been invested in the plan to reconstruct the Davison," she said. The state's saying "Let's complete those first before starting anything new," she said.

Michigan shares more in federal aid than other Great Lakes states, Pannecouk said. In the past, Michigan has spent \$703 a mile on local roads, while Ohio has spent \$93 a mile and Indiana has spent \$74 a mile for local roads, she said. The figures for 1996 haven't been completed, she said.

The state is looking at transportation differently, Pannecouk said. "We're looking at where we can do the most good, and where we can invest in the roads to meet the needs of the most motorists," she said.

And that means county officials have some decisions to make. The decision on county projects could be based on several factors, Richardson said. Projects could be funded based on those that have been needed the longest or on a basis of least cost per project, he said. Officials also can look at the roads in the worst condition and those in most need of widening as the basis for a decision, he said.

"We were annually reducing all of our bad roads," he said. "Now it's going to reverse, and we're going to get more bad roads. Now with this reduction of funds we won't be able to keep up."

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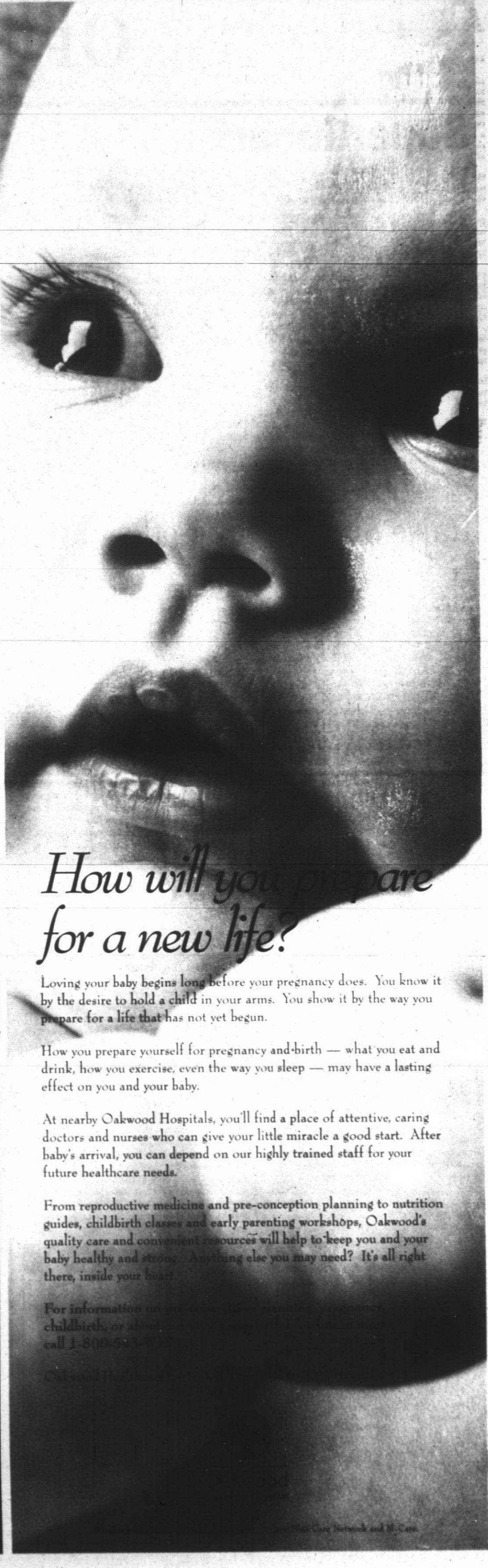
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Super Kmart Residents right to be upset

Clearly residents near a proposed Super Kmart at Haggerty and Ford roads don't want another megastore and accompanying problems with traffic and aesthetics in their back yards.

You can't blame them. But the Canton Planning Commission Monday did what was right by recommending approval of a site plan and special land use for the proposed development. They had no choice. The Zaremba Group developers complied with — and in some cases exceeded — township regulations. Commissioners must be lauded for ensuring commitments, many in writing, from the developers on proposed road improvements on Haggerty and Ford.

Neighbors of the proposed megastore wanted commissioners to make Kmart go away. It's not that easy. Property owners have a right to develop their land. Sure, township officials could shut them away and wait to be sued. Residents at Monday's public hearing said they didn't care about the township being

sued. That's understandable. But sooner or later, those costs will come out of taxpayers' pockets.

Possibly worse, the litigation could conclude with a judge telling the township just what would be developed on the acreage and how.

Neighbors were right that Kmart officials should make themselves seen and heard. Only the developer met with residents a week ago. And only developers attended Monday's public hearing. That's not a good start for a relationship with residents.

But then, the Observer was in the same boat. Kmart didn't respond to the Observer's inquiries either.

Though not a part of the planning process, neighbors are rightly concerned about Kmart's financial stability. Canton has already suffered vacant retail space and the leasing games corporations play to stave off their competition.

But again, there likely will be no answers for neighbors who are concerned about their community.

Raise Summit drop-off age

Some of the travails at the new Summit on the Park community center could be alleviated if parents didn't view the facility as a babysitting service for their children.

Problems that have plagued the center have been attributed to overcrowding and youths ages 10-17 running loose free of parental supervision.

Township officials could stem this tide quickly by increasing the age at which parents could drop off their kids. Right now, the township allows parents to drop off kids as young as 10.

There's little wonder there's trouble at the

Summit. What 10-year-old wouldn't consider it a dream vacation to be free of their parents in an 85,000-square-foot fun center?

Township officials should raise the age to 16 at which youths can be in the Summit free of parental supervision unless children are part of a group activity, which is supervised by Summit staff or other adults.

There's no doubt kids in Canton need something to do and somewhere to go. But that fact doesn't eliminate the need for parental responsibility and supervision.

Working at home a challenge

The workplace is changing. So much so that if we are to believe the pundits, many more of us will be working at home in the future as we plug into the Internet and communicate via E-mail and fax.

There's a unique mind-set that people who work at home take on. In particular, they, perhaps beyond the corporate employee, have incorporated new technology in their workday. The work-at-homers embrace computers, fax machines, pagers and cellular phones. Technology is part of what they do for a living.

Work-at-homers operate with a particular mind-set. If they don't do a certain task, no one will. There is no one to pass the buck to for them. If the work-at-homer is to make a living, the burden is solely on him or her. The motivation they must have is greater than those who work for someone else.

Many work-at-homers must schedule their day more precisely than the ordinary employee. They have to view their home office as a place to go every day much as do those who commute to an office in a neighboring community. Without that dedication and motivation, they would fall prey to distractions any home brings.

As the number of home-based workers grows, it's a subject that also will face suburban governments. In the past, people running businesses out of their homes weren't the most popular people on the block. There were often delivery trucks pulling up on a frequent basis and cars parked on the street.

In Garden City, home businesses are banned. But as more people start to work at home via computer, that community will need to rethink the restrictions.

In other communities, such as Plymouth, Canton and Livonia, home occupations are allowed so long as the use or appearance of the home doesn't change, there are no employees, parking problems or more than 10 clients or customers showing up in one day.

Such restrictions are now workable, but that's with most people still going to offices, shops and factories during the day to work. On hectic days, working at home seems a nice break from the daily grind of showing up at the same place day after day. However, it presents an entire new set of problems with which we will all have to deal.

With the growing popularity of personal computers, it only makes sense that the new technology be used by employer and employee for the most effectiveness.

While working at home offers flexibility not always available in the traditional workplace, it isn't a solution to the child-care dilemmas faced by two-income families with young children.

Most experts say the emphasis in a successful home office environment belongs on the second component — the "office." Keeping regular hours, guaranteeing uninterrupted time to deal with clients, projects and bookkeeping are all essential. Even the recommended placement and design of a home office — separate from the kitchen, bedroom and common areas — is a signal that combining work and family responsibilities isn't the goal here.

So the explosion in home careers doesn't spell disaster for day care provided by family members, independent contractors and outside agencies. In fact, it may challenge both government and the private sector to increase flexibility on their own as a way to meet yet another variable in the workplace.

COMMUNITY VOICE

QUESTION:
Do you favor raising the speed limit over 55?



"Probably in the rural areas it should be 65, but in Detroit leave it at 55."
Susan Bentley
Canton



"No, it shouldn't. I think they proved speed kills."
Diana Anderson
works in Canton



"I say no, it's fast enough already."
Brian Bolderson
Canton



"I agree that it shouldn't be raised in urban areas."
Julie Bolderson
Canton

We asked this question at the Summit.

Hearts and flowers



Bill Bresler/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

For Valentine's Day: For all its derision as a "Hallmark holiday," Feb. 14 has grown in popularity and endured, and the romance of the day somehow always manages to overcome the commercialism. You've got six days left to figure out how to tell your significant other just how much he or she means to you.

LETTERS

She's disappointed

It was disappointing to see in Ralph R. Echtenaw's article of the Canton fire and police hockey game with the Red Wings Alumni that you did not mention Zachary Kurtz, who was burned over 90 percent of his body and spent nine months in the University of Michigan Burn Center, to whom the money for this affair was to go.

Zachary was invited by Gordie Howe, after Zachary dropped the puck, to sit on the bench with him and the rest of the Red Wings. This along with seeing them play was a thrill for him and long remembered, as hockey is his favorite sport.

As Zachary's grandmother, who has lived in Canton over 50 years, I am proud of what Zachary has accomplished, because of the U-M burn center doctors, nurses and other personnel, but especially his mother who willed him to live and spent every day with him and especially thanks to all our Canton seniors, friends and churches in Canton and all over the country who prayed for him.

Zachary not only was burned but because of a ruptured blood vessel he had to have blood which turned out to be contaminated, causing his liver to become enlarged. This was another miracle for him to survive. Because of extensive antibiotics given for this, he lost hearing and must wear hearing aids. Zachary has to have surgery yearly until he is full grown.

Zachary attends regular school and is doing fine.

It is sad people judge others by their looks instead of what's in their heart.

We wish to thank the Canton fire and police and especially Sgt. Jim Davison for inviting Zachary.

Sorry, Ralph R. Echtenaw, you did not feel Zachary was important enough to mention in your article. Well, I did.

Lucille Baker, Canton

A community problem

I am writing in response to the editorial titled "Safe Community" dated Jan. 25. In the opening paragraph the phrase "sad commentary on human behavior" is mentioned, referring to the appearance of an un-

dercover police officer at the Summit. It is my opinion that whether or not the commentary is sad, it is reality and I applaud the Canton police officers for recognizing the need to monitor the behavior of a few in order to protect the larger community.

In any public area, including schools, businesses, malls and parks, there will always be a part of the population that thrives on negative attention. It is intelligent and wise to expect some incidents at first and deal with smaller, less significant problems now, as opposed to ignoring this negative behavior until it becomes too pronounced for minimum intervention.

Yes, I agree that it is the parents' responsibility to protect and teach their own children, but when they don't, it becomes a community problem, and the whole community must get involved.

I am very proud of the Canton recreation center and the Canton Township government who were willing to take on the responsibility of the management of such a large facility. After the teens understand that their behavior is being monitored, I believe they, too, will come to enjoy the center in ways that are acceptable to all.

Jane Sauchak, Canton

Political distaste

Nineteen ninety-six has brought us another election season. In recent years, there has been much discussion of America's growing distaste for politics, particularly of the partisan variety. Meanwhile, we are being inundated with public opinion polls.

Public officials at all levels seem to have an uncanny knack for aligning (or realigning) "their position" with the majority opinion reflected by the most recent poll. Does anyone see a correlation here?

One doesn't have to look far to see the effects of the chameleon politician phenomena (the budget impasse, our inconsistent foreign policy, etc.). Wouldn't the public be better served if voters elected officials who have demonstrated principles, integrity and accomplishment, rather than those who mimic popular opinion?

Michael J. Gerou, Plymouth

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POINTS OF VIEW

Reason to worry

Bomb threats leave Canton, Salem students in the dark

I am a senior at Canton High School. This is in regards to the bomb threats at PCEP on Jan. 26.

I'm sure most people don't care anymore, but shouldn't we consider what could have happened? I cannot believe that we sat in a building that could have had a bomb in it for two hours.

The first call came at 7:44 a.m. At that point, the school administration was aware that there could be a bomb in the school. But still we sat, totally unaware.

Mr. Ostoin (Salem principal) said that we were evacuated a couple of minutes before 9 a.m., when the alleged bomb was supposed to go off. First of all, mine and at least three other classes didn't get out of the school until almost 10 minutes af-

ter 9 a.m. I remember looking at my watch.

Second, if a person was crazy enough to put a bomb in a building filled with students and was waiting for it to go off, do you believe that he or she would tell anyone the exact time it was supposed to go off?

This person obviously has some sort of mental problem.

Do you believe everything people say? They leave us sitting in a building that could have exploded, after we stood out in the cold, some of us for over 20 minutes.

Let me say, it was pretty cold out there. I think we should have been sent home. I am not saying this just because I

GUEST COLUMNIST



LISA YOUNT

I am a slacker teen-ager looking for a reason to get out of school.

Mine and 4,500 other students' lives

The first call came at 7:44 a.m. At that point, the school administration was aware that there could be a bomb in the school. But still we sat, totally unaware.

were in danger. And I wish that our parents had been notified in some way.

At least they would have had more sense than our wonderful administrators, and would have pressured the school to send us home, which would have been the safe and smarter way to handle it.

So I ask you, oh knowledgeable administrators, what will happen next time, when it's for real, and 4,500 students get hurt or even die?

Will you be sorry that you didn't send us home like a smart person would do? What will you do then?

Lisa Yount is a Plymouth resident and a student at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park. For more information about writing a guest column, contact Jeff Counts or Joanne Malczewski at 459-2700.

Hungry and homeless people need your help

As a reporter and news anchor, I have done stories on the needy and the homeless for years, and visited shelters and witnessed the progress we have made in helping the unfortunate in our area. But a recent visit with the Salvation Army reminded me of how much work there is still to be done.

I joined the Bed & Bread truck on its daily deliveries during our recent cold spell. The truck, which was founded in 1988 as part of the Salvation Army's outreach ministry, serves over eight hundred meals daily at 30 different locations in the Metro Detroit area.

People came from vacant fields for food, briefly leaving the fires they keep burning to try to stay warm. People who are just hungry and need help. People who are, for the most part, intelligent and articulate people who just want to work.

Often the first remark people made to me was that all they want is a job. And seeing firsthand how much they needed the food offered would touch even the most cynical heart. I saw a little girl, maybe 2 or 3 years old, who reminded me of my daughter. She also reminded me of how lucky most of us are, to not have to rely on the Salvation Army truck for our daily meal.

No matter how well the economy is doing, there will always be people who for whatever reason just don't have the basics that most of us take for granted.

While there are few who don't want to work, there are many who do want to make something of themselves but for whatever reason have not been able to. No one should go hungry in this country, the richest, most powerful country in the world.

GUEST COLUMNIST



RICH FISHER

People came from vacant fields for food, briefly leaving the fires they keep burning to try to stay warm.

We think about the homeless and the needy at Thanksgiving, and the December holiday season, but hunger is a 365-days-a-year problem. And groups like the Salvation Army are out there 365 days a year — even though we don't hear about it on a daily basis. Next time you sit down to a wonderful meal with your family, think for a moment about the people who never have the type of meal that you are having. Then call the Salvation Army and offer to help. It's simple, you can join the Bed & Bread Club. By pledging a certain amount each month, Bed & Bread Club members provide the much needed nutrition to those who would otherwise do without. All income for the Bed & Bread Club is used to put food into the stomachs, and blankets into the hands, of those who need them.

Volunteer to drive the Bed & Bread

truck, or help serve the meals. You can even make giving a family affair, like the Buckles of Beverly Hills. Vince, a high school senior, got his mother Gerri, father Mike and brother Mark to join him on the Christmas Day deliveries.

A few hours a week, a few dollars a month can make a difference. Let's remember to help those who can't help themselves throughout the year.

The Salvation Army accepts donations year-round at 16130 Northland Drive, Southfield, 48075. Those interested in volunteering should call (810) 443-5500 weekdays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Rich Fisher will join Dick Puritan and Puritan's People for the 7th annual Bed and Bread Club Radiothon on Friday, Feb. 9, on WKQI 95.5 FM.

Rich Fisher is a news anchor at the Fox news station WJBK-TV in Southfield.

'Hands off' message clear on natural resources fund

Man and boy, I've known a lot of Michigan governors: Soapy Williams and John Swainson, George Romney and Bill Milliken, Jim Blanchard and John Engler.

And, man and boy, I've never known a governor who wasn't a gifted control freak.

Best current example is the fight now going on over Gov. Engler's attempt to raid the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund to pay for an otherwise sensible environmental cleanup program.

First established in the 1970s and named for then-state Sen. Kerry Kammer of Oakland County, the Kammer fund captured revenues from leases of state land to drill for oil and gas. The revenue was to buy land for preservation and public recreation. The fund is now sacred ground for both wings of Michigan conservationist: hunting and fishing enthusiasts and environmentalists.

The Milliken administration tried to divert the fund money to other purposes, which led in 1984 to overwhelming voter approval of embedding the fund in the Michigan Constitution: "The interest and earnings of the trust fund shall be expended for the acquisition of land or rights in land for recreation uses or protection of the land because of its environmental importance or its scenic beauty, for the development of public recreation facilities."

In the late 1980s, the Blanchard administration in turn "diverted" money from the fund to the Michigan Strategic Fund to pay for pollution control. This led to more than 2-1 approval in 1994 to Proposal P (for parks). It added a section to the state constitution setting up a funding mechanism for the state parks and ending the diversion.

Now the Engler administration, through Russell Harding, director of the Department of Environmental Quality, wants to take \$25 million of the natural resources trust fund's \$33 million annual revenue to help clean up polluted land. The diversion would "bring flexibility to the natural resources trust fund," according to Harding.

Flexibility, my foot, retorts Westland's Bob Leich, immediate past president of the 100,000-member Michigan United Conservation Clubs: "I'll be damned if I'll let some politician steal it. No way."

Harding added insult to injury by referring to state recreation land as "government-owned land" and talking about the fact that the state of Michigan owns 7.6 million acres (21 percent of the state's total and "more than any state east of the Mississippi") as if it were some kind of awful evidence of state control.



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Maybe I missed something when I studied the Michigan Constitution, but I thought "government-owned" land meant that the people owned the land for, among other purposes, public recreation.

Not only that, but the Natural Resources Trust Fund was set up for — and subsequently confirmed by public vote and inserted into the Constitution — explicitly and solely for purchasing land for preservation and public recreation, not for environmental cleanup.

Engler ran for re-election on a platform of "Promises Made, Promises Kept." He should know better.

The overall idea — creating an environmental cleanup program aimed at recycling "brown-field" sites, urban areas polluted by previous owners and not likely to be — makes good sense.

It deserves to be debated on its own merits and not conflated into yet more evidence confirming the nature of Michigan governors to be control freaks.

Phil Power is chairman of the company that owns this newspaper. His Touch-Tone voice mail number is (313) 963-3047, Ext. 1880.

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Judge lifts ban on bingo fund-raisers, court ruling looms

BY BETH SUNDRLA JACHMAN
STAFF WRITER

An injunction has been issued and clubs such as the Metro Wayne Democratic Club can continue to hold bingo games.

Democratic clubs such as Metro Wayne are waiting for a ruling by the state Court of Appeals on a law that would ban bingo games as fund-raisers by

non-charitable groups. In the meantime, Wayne County Circuit Judge James J. Rashid issued an injunction Jan. 31 to have the state lottery bureau continue to issue bingo licenses until the appeals court rules.

The attempt to outlaw the bingo fund-raisers by groups other than charities has hurt, according to Cliff Johnson, president of the

Metro Wayne Democratic Club. "(Gov. John) Engler and his gang didn't think about what the smaller organizations do with the money," Johnson said.

Metro Wayne raises money for Little League, senior citizens, the Kidney Foundation, the Salvation Army and food certificates for the needy, Johnson said.

But the attempt to stop bingo

games as fund-raisers for political parties and the competition of other bingo games in the area has put a dent in the club's fund-raising efforts, Johnson said.

"A lot of people think we've been closed down," he said. On a typical night, 150-220 people play the club's bingo games, Johnson said.

Add to that the money the club

has contributed in legal fees to fight the law and Johnson said the club wasn't able to do as much for people in 1995 as it had in the past. In a good year the club has raised about \$15,000 with bingo games, but last year only about \$3,000 was raised, Johnson said.

"They don't care. All the Republicans want to do is get even with the Democrats," Johnson

said. "People don't realize what's going on up in Lansing," he said. Democratic clubs banded together to pay more than \$300,000 in legal fees and have circulated a petition to get the question put on the ballot, Johnson said.

Metro Wayne Democratic Club holds a bingo game at 8:30 p.m. every Thursday at Joy Manor bingo hall, on Joy Road two blocks east of Middlebelt in Westland.

Traffic

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project about \$390,000, Holland said.

The Seven Mile Road project was funded with the Six Mile Road project, which runs from Wyoming to Five Points in Detroit, at a cost of about \$1.6 million for both projects, Holland said.

To be eligible for federal money the project must help alleviate congestion, by timing the signals so cars don't have to stop and idle at every intersection and that cuts down on vehicle emissions and air pollution, Holland said.

Some corridors were chosen based on the age of the equipment, Holland said. Six and Seven Mile roads had very old systems, she said. Then after the older signals were replaced, county officials started looking at long corridors with traffic congestion, she said.

On the corridors chosen for the new signals traffic counts were made. Some of the high counts include: about 43,000 cars a day travel Farmington Road from Schoolcraft Road to Five Mile; about 36,000 cars a day travel Wayne Road between Ford and Warren; about 43,000 cars a day travel Seven Mile at Greenfield and about 32,000 cars a day travel Beech Daly from Plymouth to Interstate 96.

This project is unlike the traffic signal system installed in Troy that senses traffic, Holland said. It's possible that it can reduce the need to widen roads, but the project is "not a cure-all," she said. In areas of heavy traffic congestion, communities may still need to look at road widening, she said.

Anchorman to address SC grads

Television anchor Mort Crim will be Schoolcraft College's 1996 commencement speaker.

The evening anchor on Channel 37 WDIV in Detroit, Crim has more than 30 years of broadcasting experience.

He has received many awards, including more than a dozen Emmys and Northwestern University's Alumni Merit Award.

He recently created a new radio series, "Second Thoughts," a series of two-minute motivational essays.

Crim reported the Newark riots, the funeral of Robert Kennedy, President Lyndon Johnson's trip to Vietnam and most of the Apollo moon voyages.

County board OKs increase for judges

The Wayne County Commission approved an increase in the county's portion of the salaries of probate, recorder's and circuit court judges.

Effective Jan. 1, the maximum salary for circuit court judge increased from \$106,075 to \$109,257, with the county's portion increasing from \$42,663 to \$43,943.

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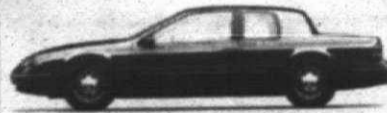
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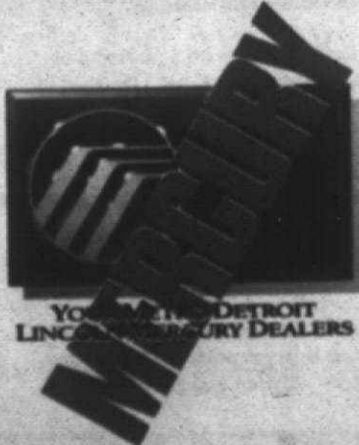
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FAMILY ROOM



KAREN MEIER

Frigid camping vs. warm house

As I write this, Old Man Winter has put a choke-hold on Michigan, actually it's a choke-hold on most of the country. He's got us all under his frigid, sub-zero spell. And experts are warning us to bring in our pets. Principals are warning children to come in off the playground. Cars parked in our driveways are acting ornery in the mornings, if not downright dead. This weather isn't fit for pets, children, or even the family car.

So I'm sure you can understand how horrified I am that my husband and my oldest son will be camping. In a tent. This weekend.

It's just plain insane. It's like going to prison just to see what it's like.

Winter camping. Prison. They take up the two top slots on my list of things to avoid.

Yet, they're going. Ron and Tony, winter camping. And (this is the part that's way beyond me) they're excited about it. Now that's just nuts. Absolutely nuts. Sleeping in a tent in a snowdrift? All night long? For two nights?

What if they have to go to the bathroom in the night? There will be no padding across a carpeted floor in Sylvester the Cat slippers to the door which hangs securely and cozily on its hinges. And there will be no reaching for a light switch on the wall before entering a warm room with tile and a fuzzy bath mat on the floor. No, no.

If it's Ron, he'll emerge from the depths of his sleeping bag; the bitter air will grab at his stubbly face. He'll search frantically first for his parka, then his boots (socks are fine for making it across the room at home, but they'll be pretty useless out there on the icy tundra), and then if I know my husband, he'll wage war on the tent door and its metal zipper-as the whole thing billows in and out with the arctic wind.

Yikes! What a nightmare! Who'd do this? On purpose?

See FAMILY ROOM, 12A

Wanted: Mothers to join new group

With a son in elementary school and a daughter in middle school, Kathy Shepler has decided it's time to look for a few good stay-at-home moms of similar circumstances for a new Mother's Group she is forming in the Plymouth-Canton area.

BY SUE MASON
STAFF WRITER
Kathy Shepler is looking for the same thing her mother enjoyed when her children headed off to school each day. She would get together with her friends to chat over coffee.

Shepler assumed that's how it would be when her children were in school, but such stay-at-home mothers are not as plentiful as 30 or so years ago.

The Plymouth resident has discovered that to have the opportunity her mother had calls for some organization. That's why she's forming a Mother's Group in the Plymouth-Canton area.

"There's got to be women who would like to get together to discuss concerns and have some laughs," Shepler said. "You see women in the grocery store, but you can't walk up to them and say, 'Hey, let's be friends.' This is a way for women to meet other women."

The Mother's Group will have its first meeting at 10 a.m. Friday, Feb. 9, at Shepler's home. Her mother's club was informal; "they'd meet in the backyard and say, 'Let's do coffee.'" However, this group will be somewhat more formal. There will be no dues and meetings will be the second and fourth Fridays of the month at different members' homes to accommodate schedules. But there will be no set agenda.

"The women can come and talk about what's on their minds basically come and get to know others," she said. "Certainly, a trip to Birch Run would be in order, lunches and movies in the afternoon to see



BILL BRESLER/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Sip and chat: Kathy Shepler remembers the informal group her mother belonged to once the children were in school. Now, she wants to organize a similar one in the Plymouth-Canton area.

movies husbands don't want to see."

Shepler moved to Plymouth with her husband, Peter, son Gregory and daughter Brittany two years ago. She found there were plenty of play groups for mothers and children, but she had "had nothing in common" with them.

She has made friends since moving here, but they are at a different stage in their lives. Her closest friend doesn't have children, so "there's some things in my life she can't relate to," Shepler said.

"I live in an established neighborhood," she said. "Most of my neighbors have children who are grown — married or off to college."

So she has turned to her friends in Ohio. And it was after seeing them at Christmas, she "decided it was time to take action and do

something about it."

She envisions the group with a core membership of 12 women — "You can count on them, so you don't clean your house for nothing," — and another 10-12 who come when they can. For the most part, they will have children in school like Shepler whose children are in elementary and middle school. Women with children at home can join, but will be asked to arrange for baby-sitting on meeting days.

"I want this group to be for women at a certain stage of raising children," she said. "It's not intended to be exclusive, it's so members have something in common."

This is not the first time Shepler has organized a mother's group. She worked as a copywriter in the advertising department for a large

department store in Ohio when she traded it in for staying home with her children.

After 10 years of working, the adjustment was hard for Shepler, a lot "like culture shock," so she decided to start a play group for mothers with infants and toddlers. The response was tremendous.

"There was an article in the newspaper and I got so many phone calls from women asking when and saying, 'Get me out of this house,'" she said. "Those are still the women I stay in touch with."

Women interested in joining the group need only come with one desire — "come with a want to talk and meet new people." They can call Shepler at (313) 455-8336 for more information and directions to her house.

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Tony and Ron, that's who. It's a Boy Scout thing, you see. I think a badge is mixed up in it. And father-son bonding jazz. I don't know. I just thank goodness I'm not the man around here.

Now the adventures I'm planning for my three non-Boy Scout children while Tony and Ron are gone will definitely be taking place within solid, unfloppy walls, under a roof and never more than a few feet from a furnace vent. And the only thing that might make our warm, tame adventures at home somewhat less so would be the birth of our new baby,

which actually is quite imminent. But that's not horrible, like winter camping in I mean, having a baby on your own, without your husband present, isn't the worst thing in the world and it sure isn't unheard of.

And besides, my Carmen is a mature third-grader. She could boil water. I only have to think of the reason why someone would ever do that... boil water. I never understood that. Well, never mind. There still is the fetching of towels and sheets to do, and that's sensible. And Carmen could definitely handle that.

And you know, the more I think about it, the more having this baby on my own, at home, this weekend, would be fine anyway. Wouldn't it? And just think, the insurance company wouldn't be hit with that big fat maternity ward bill.

Do you know how much a hospital birth runs these days? Me neither. But I do know how much it cost almost two years ago. And that was \$3,000. For a 24-hour stay and giving birth naturally, with no anesthesia and no special care, just regular, routine stuff... \$3,000. Imagine that. One

night's accommodations. Which included community bathroom. And a 3:30 a.m. wake-up call to see if I needed anything to help me sleep. And no pillow mints.

But seriously, in all fairness, I must say, the whole hospital was heated and there was a roof on it, and there were no floppy, canvas doors with cold, unwieldy metal zippers to fight my way out of.

Which brings me back to this winter camping venture taking place this February weekend. And to Tony and Ron, who, along with the rest of the Boy Scouts and dads in Troop 1537, will be fighting the formidable forces of nature and battling Old Man Winter on his terms and on his turf.

And make no mistake, I believe — in my heart of hearts — that my son and my husband will have it a whole lot tougher than anything. I mean anything. I'd ever come up with.

Earning their keep as men.

Spending days and nights out there where no one ought to be. Seeing their breath as they eat breakfast.

Give me my kitchen nook and childbirth any day.

If you have a question or comment for Karen Meier, a Plymouth resident, call her at 953-3047, mailbox number 1883, on a Touch-Tone phone, or write her at The Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150.

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WEDDINGS AND ENGAGEMENTS

Heiserman-Anderson

Al and Sharon Heiserman of Monroe announce the engagement of their daughter, Michelle Marie, to Wesley Dean Anderson, the son of Dean and Barbara Anderson of Canton.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Eastern Michigan University with a bachelor of science degree in education, with an emphasis on special education and teaching the emotionally impaired. She is a teacher at Ida Middle School.

Her fiancé also attended Eastern Michigan University and received a bachelor of business administration degree. He is employed at CEX in Ann Arbor.

A February wedding is planned at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Monroe.



Stout-Goodchild

Ellsworth and Mary Stout of Bloomfield Hills announce the engagement of their daughter, Heather Marie, to Timothy Olen Goodchild, the son of Keith and Susan Goodchild of Canton.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Michigan State University with a bachelor's degree in management. She is employed as a department manager by Hudson's.

Her fiancé is a graduate of University of Michigan with a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering. He is employed as an automotive project manager for Hut-Tennessee, an automotive parts supplier.

An October wedding is planned at St. Regis Catholic Church in Birmingham.

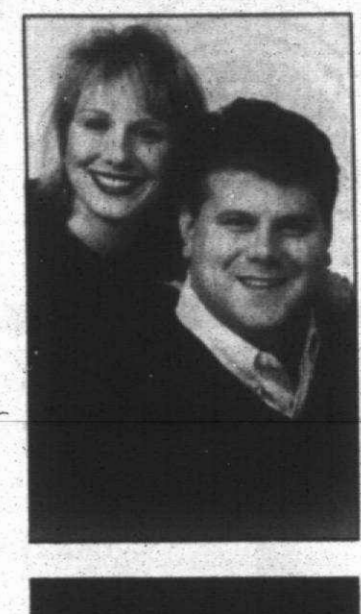
Luelleman-Kapitan

Thomas and Carol Luelleman of Canton announce the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer Ann, to George Scott Kapitan of Plymouth, the son of Dean and Martha Fleury of Plymouth.

The bride-to-be is a 1994 graduate of the University of Michigan-Dearborn with a bachelor of business administration degree. She is employed as an auditor by BDO Seidman.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Wayne State University with a bachelor's degree in accounting. He is employed as an auditor by Arthur Andersen.

An April wedding is planned at Greenfield Village in Dearborn.



Kittleson-Krafft

Russel and Kathleen Kittleson of Plymouth announce the engagement of their daughter, Kerri Anne, to Daniel Edward Krafft, the son of Louis and Ardis Krafft of Frankenmuth, Mich.

The bride-to-be is a 1991 graduate of Plymouth Canton High School and a 1995 graduate of Alma College. She is employed as a substitute teacher by Dearborn Heights, Wayne-Westland and Northville school districts.

Her fiancé is a 1986 graduate of Livonia Stevenson High School and a 1990 graduate of Michigan State University. He is employed by Lou LaRiche Chevrolet in Plymouth.

A March wedding is planned at



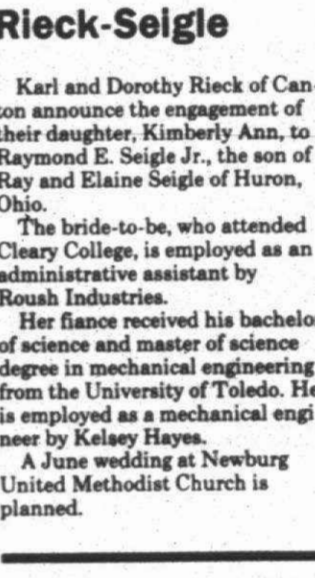
Rieck-Seigle

Karl and Dorothy Rieck of Canton announce the engagement of their daughter, Kimberly Ann, to Raymond E. Seigle Jr., the son of Ray and Elaine Seigle of Huron, Ohio.

The bride-to-be, who attended Cleary College, is employed as an administrative assistant by Roush Industries.

Her fiancé received his bachelor of science and master of science degree in mechanical engineering from the University of Toledo.

A June wedding at Newburg United Methodist Church is planned.



Blackburn-Mick

Thomas and Beverly Blackburn of Canton announce the engagement of their daughter, Stacy Marie, to Dennis G. Mick, son of John and Joan Mick of Brighton.

The bride-to-be, a 1986 graduate of Plymouth Canton High School, is employed at Garden City Hospital.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Assumption High School and is employed at Hawk Tool in Wixom.

An early May wedding is planned at St. Thomas A' Becket Church in Canton.



Schlegel-Penland

Pamela Sue Penland and Thomas Koren Schlegel, both of Chicago, Ill., were married Sept. 2, 1996, in St. Michael Lutheran Church by the Rev. Jerry Yarnell.

The bride is the daughter of William and Carolyn Penland of Plymouth; the groom is the son of John and Alice Schlegel of Dearborn.

The bride is a 1992 graduate of Michigan State University with a degree in chemical engineering. She is employed in research development by Helene Curtis.

The groom is a 1990 graduate of Notre Dame University with a degree in mechanical engineering and industrial design. He is employed as a product engineer for MB Sales, making Happy Meal toys for McDonald's.

The bride asked Lori Hibner, Tracey Pappas, Jennifer Hawkins and Darlene Swiatek to serve as her attendants. The flower girl was Amanda Penland.

The groom asked Rob Schlegel, Bill Dunn, Robert Sedlack and Glenn Perkins to serve as his attendants. Ring bearer was Jared Penland.

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FRED and **LAURA GELETZKE** of Livonia announce the birth of **MADALYN ELISABETH** Dec. 10 at William Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak. Grandparents are Lee and Alice Geletzke of Somerdale, N.J., and Bob and Bev Sudek of Livonia. Great-grandparents are Ray and Wanda Sudek of Livonia and Sally Jamula of Dearborn Heights.

GURVINDER and **AMRIK MAHAL** of Westland announce the birth of **AMANPREET SINGH** Dec. 12 at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne. He has a sibling, Manpreet Kaur.

EDDIE FRANKLIN and **LORI LARKINS** of Canton announce the birth of **ASHLEY NICOLE** Dec. 20 in the Birthing Center at Garden City Hospital in Garden City. She has a brother, Kenneth Ray, 24. Grandparents are Thomas and Joyce Tuttnell of Taylor and Kenneth and Joyce Morton of Detroit.

PATRICK and **LINDA McKAY** of Livonia announce the birth of **KAITLYN PATRICIA** Oct. 12 at Providence Medical Center-Providence Park in Novi. She has a sister, Kelly Kathleen. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Charles Horke of Livonia and June McKay of Livonia.

JERRY and **BETH CONNER** of Farmington Hills announce the birth of **CATLIN ELIZABETH** Dec. 22 at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne. She has two sisters, Stephanie, 5, and Alexandra, 15 months, and a brother, Daniel, 4. Grandparents are Paul and Marge Reichenow of Bedford and Herm and Sandra Conner of Brighton.

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Items for the religion calendar should be submitted no later than noon Friday for the next Thursday's issue.

"HEART OF A WOMAN"
Holy Cross Lutheran Church will host "The Heart of a Woman," a St. Joseph Mercy Hospital program about coronary heart disease, at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 8, at the church, 30650 Six Mile, Livonia. Registered nurse Martha McClain of the Michigan Heart and Vascular Institute will present a video, followed by a question-and-answer period. For more information, call the church at (313) 427-1414.

SINGLE POINT
Single Point Ministries of Ward Presbyterian Church will present Joanne Perkins in Focus and Development for Talk It Over at 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 9, in Knox Hall at the church, Farmington and Six Mile roads, Livonia. She will talk about developing and maintaining quality relationships in "Love Is a Verb." Free child care will be available. The Friday, Feb. 23, TIO will feature "Learning To Love and Be Loved" with certified clinical social worker Larry Heron.

Single Point also offers BYOS (Bring Your Own Sneakers) for adults only at 8 p.m. to midnight the second and fourth Saturdays of the month at the Livonia Family YMCA, Stark Road north of Schoolcraft, and volleyball in Knox Hall at 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays. For more information, call the Single Point office at (313) 422-1854.

FAITH PROMISE
Plymouth Church of the Nazarene will have a Faith Promise Conference Friday through Sunday, Feb. 9-11. Faith Promise is the method for supporting world evangelism and members will be asked to make a pledge to the world mission program.

The conference will feature the Rev. Brian and Joan Wilson, missionaries to South America, who will be the guests at a walk-in reception at 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 9. The Wilsons will be in both the morning and evening worship services Sunday, Feb. 11, and she will be the guest speaker at a women's breakfast at 8:30 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 10, in Room 108. Church members are invited to an international dinner, featuring food from 12 countries, at 6 p.m. that same day.

Plymouth Church of the Nazarene is at 45801 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth Township.

VALENTINE PARTY
St. James Presbyterian Church will have a Valentine Party 7-10 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 10, at the church, 25350 W. Six Mile, Redford. Also on tap are a series of 7:30 p.m. Lenten services beginning on Ash Wednesday, Feb. 21, and running through Holy Week, and a trip to Henry Ford Museum by the Youth Mix and Christian Education 10 A.M. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 24. The adult charge is \$5. For more information, call the church office at (313) 534-7730.

WORLD MARRIAGE DAY
The beauty of married life will be celebrated for World Marriage Day with an ecumenical prayer service and dinner 3-6 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 11, at the newly renovated St. John's Center for Youth and Family, formerly St. John's Seminary, Five Mile and Sheldon roads, Plymouth. A \$30 per couple donation is requested. For

more information and a reservation form, call (313) 237-5892.

WEEKEND IN VEGAS
The St. Genevieve Parish Festival 1996, "A Weekend in Vegas," will be Friday and Saturday, Feb. 16-17, at the church, 28955 Jamison, Livonia. The event will include a raffle with a \$5,000 grand prize and bingo 6:30-11 p.m. Feb. 16. Admission will be \$1 and the kitchen will be open 5:30-11 p.m. On Feb. 17, a Vegas Night will be 6 p.m. to midnight with winnings limited to \$500. The kitchen will be open 6-11 p.m. and there will be a cash bar with beer and wine available. Admission will be \$1.

40TH ANNIVERSARY
Tickets are on sale through Friday, Feb. 16, for the 40th anniversary dinner-dance at St. Mel's Parish. The dinner-dance will be at 6 p.m. Saturday, March 2, at Joy Manor, 28999 Joy, Westland. Tickets cost \$25 per person. Music will be by Trademark and beer, wine and setup will be available. For ticket information, call (313) 274-0684 or (313) 522-5440.

YOUTH CONVENTION
A "This Generation" Youth Convention with Eastman Curtis will be held Friday and Saturday, Feb. 16-17, at the Tri-City Christian Center, on Michigan Avenue east of I-275, Canton.

LENTEIN RETREAT
Madonna University will conduct a Lenten retreat, entitled "Lent: A Time for Getting in Touch," 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 24, in the Founder's Room of the university, Schoolcraft and Levan in Livonia. The Rev. Tom Moore will be facilitator for the retreat. Cost is \$12, including lunch and refreshments. The deadline for registering is Wednesday, Feb. 21. For more information, call Madonna University at (313) 432-5419.

The focus of the convention will be to fill middle and high school and college students with vision, purpose and a passion for God and life. Hosted by Clarenceville United Methodist Church, Livonia, the hours will be 5:30-11:30 p.m. Feb. 16 and 8:45 a.m. to 7 p.m. Feb. 17.

Eastman Curtis currently is host of the highly acclaimed TV show, "This Generation," which airs on the Inspirational Network. The convention will combine state of the art video, big sound, bright lights, live drama and skits with the anointing of Curtis and the music of the This Generation Live praise and worship band.

The convention cost \$12 for those who pre-register and \$20 at the door. To pre-register, call 800-5-ON-FIRE. For more information, call Clarenceville United Methodist Church at (810) 474-3444.

First Church welcomes interim pastor

The Detroit First Church of the Nazarene has extended a special Michigan welcome to Dr. Donald Irwin and his wife, Lillian, who arrived earlier this month from Little Rock, Ark.

On Jan. 7, Irwin assumed the duties of senior interim pastor at the church on Haggerty north of Eight Mile, Farmington Hills. He replaces the Rev. Holland Lewis, immediate past senior pastor, who accepted a new assignment as senior pastor of a Nazarene church in Yakima, Wash.

"Since arriving here, I have discovered that the people of Detroit First Church are excited about their present and their future ministry in metropolitan Detroit," Irwin said. "I certainly invite anyone who is looking for a church to get in on the many activities at First Church and find out first hand how God will work through people who are optimistic about tomorrow."

Combining a ministry of pastoring, evangelism, education and administration, his preaching underscores and emphasizes the positive values and virtues of the Christian life. His Bible-centered messages are focused on meeting today's needs.

Before accepting the assignment at First Church, Irwin and his wife traveled together in ministry throughout the United States and abroad, preaching, teaching and conducting missionary conventions. They also were involved in compassionate ministries through Nazarenes in Volunteer Service.

First Church has morning worship at 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. and evening worship at 6 p.m. It also offers Sunday school for all ages.

Wednesday night Bible study at 7 p.m. and a full range of programs for children, youth, singles and adults and other ministries aimed at meeting the needs of people where they are and then striving to lift people to new levels of life.

For more information about the church, call Irwin at (810) 348-7600.

Church for Olivet Nazarene University in Kankakee, Ill., which is the university serving students in Eastern Michigan District.

"Thank You for Saying Yes to Michigan," held Jan. 14.

Detroit First Church is presently conducting a national search for a new pastor. Irwin will lead the congregation until the position is filled.

A retired minister of the Church of the Nazarene, Irwin has served as president of Eastern Nazarene College for five years, as district superintendent in New England and south Arkansas, and as pastor in Florida, California, Tennessee and Illinois.

Among his pastoral assignments are senior pastor of College



Virginia Luella Gibson



Donald and Lillian Irwin

her father, Frederick.

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PAMELA KERSTEN
Services for Pamela Kersten, 52, of Canton were Saturday, Feb. 10, at L.J. Griffin Funeral Home.

She was born May 31, 1943, in Anderson, Ind. and died Friday, Feb. 2. She was an accountant for General Motors.

She is survived by her husband, John C.; son, Timothy Lee; daughters, Sheri Lee, Dawn Evans, Joelen E.; mother, Eloise Pigg; one sister, one brother, two grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

MILLER L. ROSS
Services for Miller L. Ross, 92, of Ann Arbor were Monday, Feb. 5, at Oakland Hills Memorial Gardens in Novi.

He was born March 7, 1903, in Miami, Fla., and died Wednesday, Jan. 31. He lived in Florida until the age of 6, when the family moved to South Lyon. He lived in Plymouth as an adult, worked as a grower for Nielsen's Greenhouse in Ann Arbor from 1958-1968 and was the owner of Ross Greenhouse located on Ann Arbor Road between Joy and Ridge roads. He was a member of the Kiwanis of Plymouth, holding the post of past president and member for more than 35 years. He was an avid gardener and enjoyed taking short trips and dining out.

He is survived by his two children, Elizabeth M. "Betty" Soden of Ann Arbor, and Beverly J. Dildine of Lombard, Ill.; three grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; half-brother, Robert L. Ross; and half-sister, Marilyn C. Fleming.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Margaret Ross, and his second wife, Betty I. Ross.

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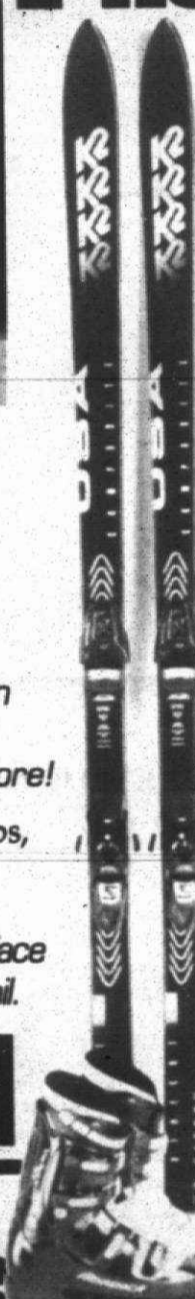
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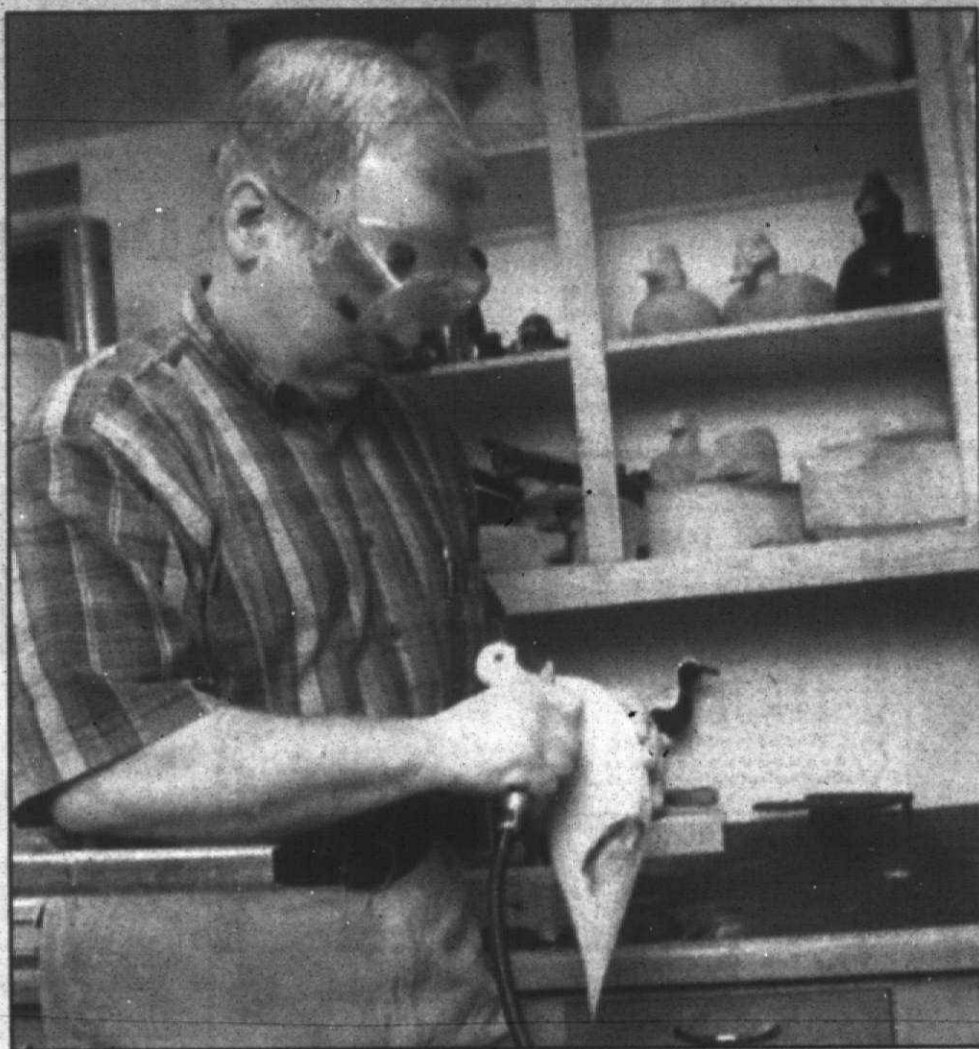
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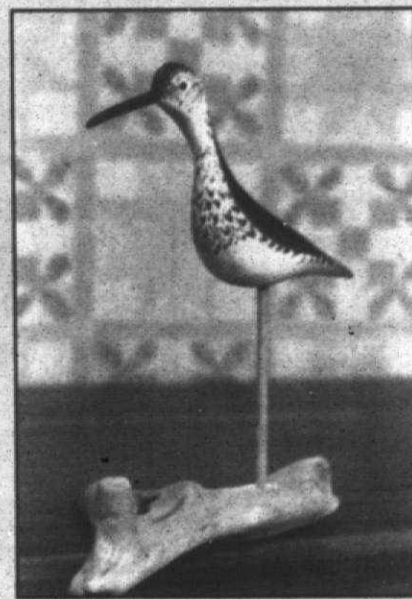
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Artist at work: Using a power tool, Graham Martin hand crafts birds and waterfowl in his Plymouth home workshop.

THE PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY ARTS COUNCIL'S FIFTH ANNUAL GALA



Greater Yellowlegs: Graham Martin has donated a woodcarving of a shorebird to the Plymouth Community Arts Council's Feb. 17 art auction.

Jazzy arts evening warms the heart

BY LINDA CHOMIN SPECIAL WRITER

razy about Cole Porter? Love to dance? Looking for a one-of-a-kind gift for your sweetheart? The Plymouth Community Arts Council's fifth annual gala benefit for the arts featuring Ursula Walker and the Buddy Budson Band with guest saxophonist Larry Nozero offers all this and more.

For the Love of Art — an evening of live music, dancing, a silent art auction and dinner at Fox Hills Country Club, is a romantic way to celebrate Valentine's Day.

Thanks to the generosity of Observerland artists, galleries and businesses, a variety of paintings, pottery, jewelry, and wildlife photography and prints will be offered for bidding. After a gourmet dinner, guests will enjoy a jazz concert.

"It's an evening of easy listening jazz with dancing following the entertainment," said PCAC publicity chairperson, Nancy Pilon.

Well-known in the Detroit area for engagements at Baker's Keyboard Lounge, Appeteezer in Birmingham and Rik's in West Bloomfield, Walker will run through a repertoire of standards and jazz by the likes of Gershwin and Dizzie Gillespie.

Over the years, Walker's worked around the city with a number of musicians including Matt Michaels at the London Chop House and Bess

Bonier at Australian vibist Jack Brokenshaw's Restaurant.

Best-remembered for the two decades she sang with the 21 piece Brookside Jazz Ensemble, Walker at one time or another had offers to tour with Stan Kenton, Tony Bennett, the Count Basie Orchestra and Motown but chose to stay home to raise her four children.

Married to Budson for 20 years, Walker made her singing debut at age 11 on the Auntie Dee television program. By 17, she was a ballad singer making commercials, one of which won her a CLIO for best vocal performance.

Accompanying Walker will be Budson on keyboards, Tom Brown on drums, Dan Kolton, stand-up bass, and Nozero on sax. An accomplished composer and orchestrator, Budson has played with the Four Tops, Henri Mancini, and Buddy Rich.

"I hope people will come out and support the arts. Whenever Buddy and I have the opportunity we go out to support the arts and the musicians in the community," said Walker.

Graham Martin is supporting the arts by donating a woodcarving of a Greater Yellowlegs shorebird to the auction, which raised \$4,000 last year. An arts teacher for Plymouth Canton Schools since 1972, Martin says it's his way of thanking the PCAC for grants and classroom pre-

sentations presented to his students through the years.

The non-profit PCAC provides art classes for children and adults, teacher assistance grants, and student fine arts awards and scholarships as well as classroom programs about visual art and sculpture.

An extensive art rental gallery, youth theater program, Art in the Park in summer, Artists and Craftsmen Show in fall, and a winter dinner theater performance round out PCAC offerings in the community.

"I've been involved with the arts council since its inception (26 years ago). As a teacher they've helped me out," said Martin, a self taught carver who earned a master of fine arts degree from Eastern Michigan University.

The Plymouth resident has carved more than 100 canvasback ducks and geese in the last 16 years, many of them around campfires in the upper peninsula. Perched on a piece of driftwood scavenged from the beaches of Lake Superior, the bird is based on an antique.

"It's very stylized and kind of streamlined. The trend today is toward realism with every feather hand cut. I prefer a stylized approach, modifying it to be a more artistic form," said Martin, director of the Upper Peninsula Bible Camp southeast of Marquette.

Every summer for the last 17 years, Martin and his family have

For the Love of Art

What: The Plymouth Community Arts Council presents Ursula Walker and the Buddy Budson Band for an evening of jazz, dinner, dancing and a silent art auction.
When: 6:30 p.m. to midnight Saturday, Feb. 17.
Where: Fox Hills Country Club, 8768 North Territorial in Plymouth.
Cost: \$45 per person. Tickets are available in Plymouth at Little Professor on the Park, 380 S. Main; Frances Jewelry Gallery, 470 Forest and PCAC office, 774 N. Sheldon, or by calling the arts council (313) 416-4ART.

spent the summer at the camp. "I'm involved with the outdoors a lot. We enjoy watching the birds as a family," said Martin, a Plymouth Salem High School art teacher.

Along with Martin's woodcarving highlights of the auction include a silver ring by Judith Braun of Plymouth, hand painted Adirondack chair by Livonia artist Debbie Malek, wildlife prints from Wild Wings Gallery with framing by Creative Framing, hand made quilt by Bonnie King of Plymouth, Alvarez acoustic guitar from Plymouth guitar, serigraph, Native West, mirror, Chameleon Galleries; hand woven basket by Scott Smith of Penniman Showcase; one troy pound silver heart in a heart-shaped box of candy from Francis Jewelry Gallery, painting by Tom LeGault and five floral arrangements from Heide's Flowers of Plymouth.

THEATER PREVIEW

Piano key to family's history in drama

A musical instrument holds the keys to an African American family's past and future in Meadow Brook Theatre's production of August Wilson's "The Piano Lesson" opening Friday, Feb. 9 and continuing to March 3. There will be preview performance 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 8.

"The Piano Lesson" won the Pulitzer prize for drama in 1990 as well as the Drama Desk and New York Critics Circle awards for "best play."

"It is Meadow Brook Theatre's first production by an African-American playwright, and our first production with an African American director," said Mike Vigilant, public relations manager at Meadow Brook Theatre.

"This is part of a trend to express the

ethnic voices that are indigenous to the Detroit metro area."

In "The Piano Lesson" Boy-Willie comes to Pittsburgh in hope of raising enough money to buy some prime farm land back in Mississippi. To make the full purchase price, the ambitious Boy-Willie intends to sell his family's antique piano, an heirloom covered with intricate carvings chronicling his forebears' rise from slavery.

Boy-Willie's sister, however, also owns half of the piano. Confrontation occurs when she refuses to mortgage the family's past for her brother's future.

Set in 1936, "The Piano Lesson" is one in a series of plays in which Wilson explores the black experience in America during the 20th century. Another one

of his plays, "Fences," won a Pulitzer in 1986.

"The reason he's (August Wilson) a double Pulitzer Prize winner is he tells a very good story," said Geoffrey Sherman, Meadow Brook Theatre's artistic director. "If you love people telling you stories, you will love this story, because it's told through the eyes of many different people." Meadow Brook's production of "The Piano Lesson" will feature Eric Payne as Boy-Willie and Elaine Graham as his sister Bernice.

Payne has co-starred in a number of films for Spike Lee including "She's Gotta Have It," "School Daze" and "Malcolm X."

Graham has performed on Broadway in "Chronicle of a Death Foretold,"

"Playboy of the West Indies" and "The Talented Tenth."

Others in the cast include Ron Bob-Semple as Doaker, Danny Robinson Clark as Wining Boy, Tamika Lamison as Grace, Anthony LaMont as Lymon and Daniel Whitmer as Avery.

All performers will be making their Meadow Brook Theatre debuts.

Debra Wicks is directing "The Piano Lesson." She is a former professor of theater at Pennsylvania State University and Iowa State University.

Wicks is also the co-author of the play "First Ladies of the Stage" which has been performed at several regional theaters.

See DRAMA, inside



Drama: Danny Robinson Clark (left to right), Ron Bob-Semple, Anthony LaMont and Eric A. Payne are featured in Meadow Brook Theatre's production of "The Piano Lesson."

FINE ARTS

Livonia painter works in 'eggs-acting' medium



LINDA ANN CHOMIN

Artistic Expressions... Vic Vicini goes through a long involved process before beginning a painting.

Vic Vicini practices an art as ancient as the Roman civilization. Egg tempera originated in medieval Europe. It was the primary process used for easel painting until oil painting developed in the 15th century.

"I always wanted to get into color. With egg tempera you're using the ground dried pigment. It's a very methodical and technical medium much like printmaking."

Sometimes Vicini exhibits places as many as 10 to 12 layers of color on top of a gessoed board. Since egg tempera colors do not blend the point of a brush must be used for cross-hatching to build up color gradually in layers.

immigrated here from San Marino on the border of Italy. It's one of the oldest republics in the world with a long tradition in painting and sculpture.

Drama from Front

Sherman said he first saw "The Piano Lesson" in New York on Broadway when he was the artistic director of the Hudson Guild Theatre.

"The Piano Lesson" is co-produced with the Pioneer Theatre Company of Salt Lake City, Utah.

In the performance, Amos portrays an 87-year-old man who shares the memories of a lifetime with Halley's Comet, which he saw 76 years earlier as an 11-year-old boy. Amos takes the audience on a life journey in which he has encountered not only the old west, world wars, and nuclear threats, but shy youngsters, home cooked meals, and fast food restaurants.

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The show will feature original productions and music composed from the state and screen to showcase the athletic abilities of the skaters, exactly the concept envisioned by 1984 Olympic Gold Medalist Scott Hamilton 10 years ago.

For the seventh consecutive year, the official charity for Stars on Ice will be the Make-A-Wish Foundation of America, an organization which grants wishes to children with life threatening illnesses, and part of Discover Card Youth Programs.

"Every year the lights and sound system get better," said Browning who will tour with the show until May. "The lights create a mood, and helps enhance our skating. Usually you're skating with white ice. It's fun for skaters, and the show gives people something to smile about."

Among the highlights will be music from "A Little Bit," "Casper," and "Desperado." Yamaguchi will skate a solo routine to the classical piece, "The Seasons," by Glasnov. Witt is featured in the Stars on Ice version of "A Spaghetti Western," highlighted by music from "Don Juan DeMarco." A memorable finale includes the entire cast and will include ice interpretations to the music of The Beatles.

Skaters: Scott Hamilton and Rosalynn Summers are featured in The Discover Card Stars on Ice 10th Anniversary Tour.



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Musical "Big" based on the Twentieth Century Fox film, pre-Broadway engagement, Feb. 13 to March 10. Tickets \$22.50 to \$60. (313) 645-6666 (tickets) or (313) 872-1000. Ext. 0 (information)

PEASE AUDITORIUM
John Amos presents his one-person show "Haley's Comet," 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 11, in the auditorium on Eastern Michigan University's campus. Ypsilanti. Tickets \$15, \$12, and \$9. Seniors and children under 12 receive a \$2 discount. (313) 487-1221 or (810) 645-6666

STUDIO THEATRE
An 114 Women's presented by the Wayne State University Theatre Trouping Company, 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 9, 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 10, in the theater on the lower level of the Hilkey, 4743 Cass, Detroit. Tickets \$5, \$3 students and senior citizens. (313) 577-2972

WINTER WARM-UP
The Ann Arbor Symphony Festival presents Patti LaBonne in concert with the Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 17, Hill Auditorium, 825 N. University, Ann Arbor. Benefit and social event in Eastern Michigan University's gymnasium. Ypsilanti. Tickets \$15, \$12, and \$9. Seniors and children under 12 receive a \$2 discount. (313) 487-1221 or (810) 645-6666

JOEL MABUS
Concert 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 9, at the barn at Gretchen's House V, 2625 Traver, Ann Arbor. \$5 adults, \$3 children. Presented by the Ann Arbor Council for Traditional Music and Dance. (313) 769-1052

MEADOW BROOK HALL

The Friends of the Paint Creek Center for the Arts will present a luncheon lecture on Jean Matzke by Michael Farrell 11:45 a.m. Friday, Feb. 16, at Meadow Brook Hall on the campus of Oakland University. Advance reservations must be made with the PCCA by Friday, Feb. 9. Register early to ensure space. In his side presentation, Farrell will explore Matzke's expressive career from its roots to its culmination in colorful paper cutouts. Farrell, who is professor of art history at the University of Windsor and director of Art House in Detroit, is well known to general audiences in the metro area for his dynamic and entertaining art appreciation talks. (810) 651-4110

BLACK MARKET

9 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 15, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (reggae) (810) 543-0917

HEMATOMA

With Surge to Union, Red Tree and Die Grander, 8:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 16, Magic Bag, 22918 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$5, 18 and older. (rock) (810) 544-3030

AL HILL AND THE LOVE BUTLERS

8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 10, Moby Dick's, 5452 Schaefer Road, Dearborn. Cover charge 21 and older. (buses) (313) 581-3650

HOWLING DIABLOS

8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 8, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. 9 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 11, Bear's Den, 2972 Coolidge Highway, Berkeley. Cover charge 21 and older. 9 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 15, Q Club, 29 S. Saginaw St., Pontiac. Cover charge 21 and older. (buses) (810) 543-0917/(810) 545-2246/(810) 334-7411

SHADES APART

With Shm, 6 p.m. Friday, Feb. 16, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$7 in advance. All ages. (alternative rock) (313) 961-MELT

SLOT

9:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 16, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 19 and older. (alternative rock) (313) 996-8555

ROULETTE

With Stan and With Hatred, 9 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 10, Giff's Grill, 49 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Cover charge. 21 and older. (rock) (810) 334-9292

FAIRMINGTON PLAYERS

"Dancing at Lughnass," 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, Feb. 9 to March 2, 7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 11; 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 18, 32332 W. 12 Mile Road (1/4 mile west of Orchard Lake Road), Farmington Hills. (810) 553-2955

THE COMEDY ALL-STAR

Features Cedric the Entertainer, D.L. Hughley, Laura Hayes, Sommore 8 p.m. & 11:45 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 10. Fox Theatre. Tickets \$25. (810) 443-1515

PRESTON BURKE GALLERY

"The Women I've Known," a collection of cast paper sculpture by internationally known artist Preston Burke, will be exhibited to March 16 at the gallery at the Halsted Village Center, 12 Mile and Halsted in Farmington Hills. The artist will be present to sign, dedicate and discuss his new works noon to 5 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 10. Galko's works can be found in major museum collections worldwide. His art reveals the exquisite beauty, the everyday that is seen but never truly seen, of the world around us. (810) 488-0200

BUCKWHEAT ZYDECO

8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 8, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. \$12.50 in advance. 18 and older. (zydeco) (810) 335-8100

1 STAND MUTE

With Skull Trophy and Rhino Star, 9 p.m. Friday, Feb. 9, Giff's Grill, 49 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Cover charge 21 and older. (rock) (810) 334-9292

NIKKI JAMES AND THE FLAMETHROWERS

8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 9, Moby Dick's, 5452 Schaefer Road, Dearborn. Cover charge 21 and older. (buses) (313) 561-3650

KILLER FLAMINGOS

8 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 13, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (vanity) (810) 543-0917

SUN MESSENGERS

8 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 14, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (vanity) (810) 543-0917

WHIRLING ROAD

With The Impassents and Plain, 9 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 16, The Foundry, 18000 E. Warren Road, Detroit. \$5, 18 and older. (alternative rock) (313) 996-8555

JERRY SPRAGUE

8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 16, Old Woodward Grill, 555 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Cover charge 21 and older. (vanity) (810) 642-9400

VIOLA PEACOCK

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FOSTER BROOKS

Appearing 8 p.m. Sunday, Monday & Tuesday, Feb. 11-13, Jacks Waterfront Restaurant, 24214 Jefferson St., Clear Shores. Music by Al Whyte. Tickets \$30. (810) 445-8000

BROWN BAG LECTURE SERIES

In celebration of Black History Month, the series presents "Michigan's Underground Railroad," a lecture about the American slaves' struggle to flee captivity, noon to 1 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 15, in the auditorium of the Oakland County Information Technology Building, Willie Payne, an author and former reporter, will illustrate with songs and photos the journey that brought Southern fugitive slaves through the underground Railroad to the North. He will also name people and places in Oakland County instrumental in the flight to freedom. Call the Office of Arts, Culture and Inclusion for more information. (810) 858-0415

CROSSED WIRE

With Zeke and Mountain Boys, 9:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 9, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge 19 and older. (alternative rock) (313) 996-8555

KAMPOM VIDEO APPRECIATION NIGHT

8 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 13, 3-0, 1815 N. Main St., Royal Oak. Free before 9 p.m. 21 and older. (video) (810) 548-3344

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DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS

A drop-in family workshop will take place 1-4 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 10, in the Education Studio at 5200 Woodward. Detroit Public Schools art education teams will lead a hands-on workshop in which students learn about traditional finger pianos used for ceremonies and rituals throughout Africa and then create a hand-held piano based on this fascinating custom. A 30-minute video, "Koi and the Koi Nuts," will be shown 2 p.m. Saturday in Lecture Hall. The film, suitable for all ages, is a classic African folk tale narrated by Whoopi Goldberg and has a musical score by Herbie Hancock. The DIA's popular "Brunch with Bach" concert series will continue 11:30 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 11, in Kresge Court featuring the Marcus Belgrave Quartet performing a tribute to jazz legend Miles Davis. Concert tickets are \$21 adult, \$10 child, \$5 standby (no brunch); call (313) 833-2323 for reservations. In a lecture 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 11, in Lecture Hall, Sonya Clark will discuss the craft of headressing in many African cultures, highlighting the Nigerian Yorubas, the largest ethnic group in western Africa, and the belief that the head is a "second place." Clark, who has a master's of fine arts degree from the Cranbrook Academy of Art, also explores the African influence on African-American head-dressing traditions. Thirty-minute guided tours of the African galleries take place noon Saturdays and 3 p.m. Sundays in February; meet in the North Court. (313) 833-7900

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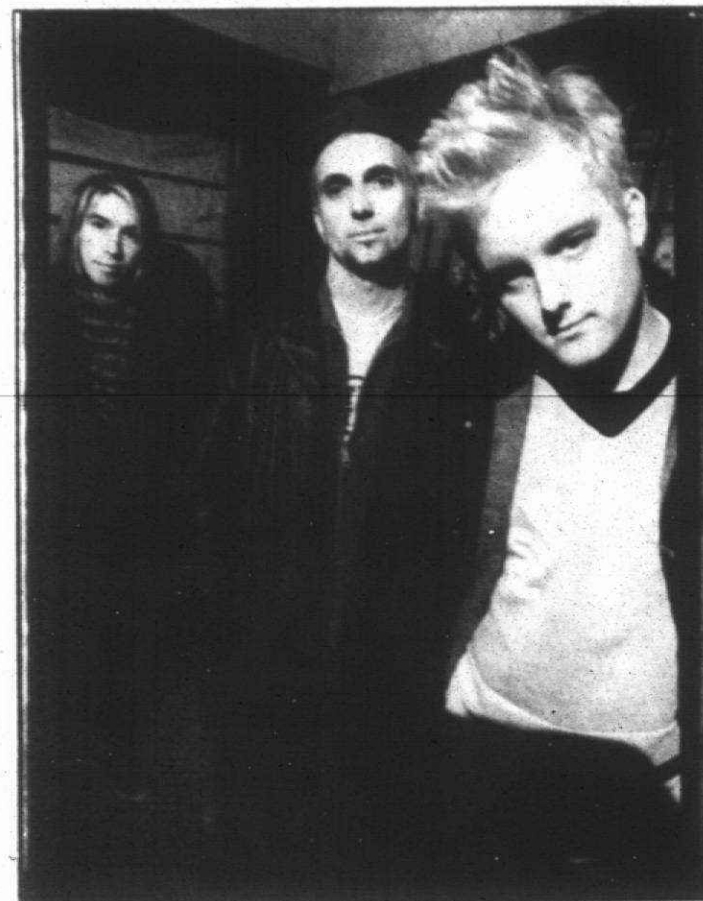
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STREET SCENE



See Dick Run misses radio play

By CHRISTINA FUOCO STAFF WRITER

See Dick Run witnessed the power of radio during the first half of its career. The band packed concert halls and clubs from 1990-92, due to the intense airplay of singles off its albums "Itchin'" and "Whack! Ding!!!"

Now the Royal Oak-based pop rock band is embarking on the second phase of its career, re-entering the scene after a two-year break.

Although Charm Farm, Speedball, Hoarse and Solid Frog have been on rotation at Detroit radio stations, See Dick Run singer Jim Edwards said that radio and the public have very little interest in local bands.

"We're living proof of that theory because when we had support from radio — and I'm not talking about one stupid, patronizing local show — there was a crowd there (at shows) whether we put one flier out or 10,000 out. The minute we fell off the thing (radio playlists), you can see a real quick decline because it wasn't in people's faces all the time."

He compares the situation to a stool. "The whole scene is a three-legged stool. You've got musicians. You've got the radio and you've got the fans. The musicians and the fans are still there. It's the radio that's completely lost. Without one leg, the stool falls over."

"They don't see that they've completely destroyed (that). It will ultimately be their demise too because they'll have to change formats. They'll have to change DJs. They've got to chase their tail continuously."

See Dick Run is hoping that radio will catch on to its latest album "The Other White Meat," a six-song collection of pop songs that tells stories about A&W restaurants and BMW cars ("A&W/BMW"), a shaky relationship ("Run Away"), and a potential relationship ("Gimme Some More").



Back making music: See Dick Run — from left, guitarist/vocalist Mark Campbell, bassist/vocalist Charlie Francuch, lead vocalist Jim Edwards, and drummer Randy Gacki — is back from hiatus and promoting its new record "The Other White Meat." The band's next show is Saturday, Feb. 17, at Lili's in Hamtramck.

"When we started Circus Boy, it wasn't a conscious decision to get a little tougher and a little meanier," Campbell said. "It was kind of the way we were feeling at the time, plus we had been called 'Light Pop' one too many times."

"The lyrical content got a little more cynical and some of the songs carried over like the 'A&W/BMW' song, and 'Painted Lady Clown.' Gimme Some More' kind of grew out of that. It gave us a little more of a rock edge, which we always had — especially live."

The power-pop band came onto the Detroit music scene in the late 1980s. Besides winning multiple Detroit Music Awards, the band was a semifinalist in Musician Magazine's "Best Unsigned Band" contest, and Spin magazine called them "a song-serving power-pop foursome."

As the prizes came, and radio stations started playing the band, talent representatives from record companies and managers came along. A management deal with a New York firm fell through setting the stage for an anti-climactic ending to See Dick Run's reign. Always a do-it-yourself kind of band, See Dick Run continued management duties while acting as printers, mastering facilities, and mailing room employees.

"I went to a couple shows and I couldn't stand it anymore... I said, 'Wow. What a great line-up.' There was a good, strong rock drummer and I kept watching Circus Boy painfully. Finally, I was the last one to come back on my belly."

Having learned the ups and downs of the industry, See Dick Run is taking a relaxed approach this time around, not concentrating so much on getting a deal — although the musicians hope that's in the future. "You can end up chasing a lot of apparitions that way that just never materialize."

Schoolcraft College offers romantic dinner options

Schoolcraft College in Livonia is offering delicious ways to celebrate Valentine's Day and Mardi Gras.

Two romantic Valentine's Day dinner options are being offered by Schoolcraft's award-winning Culinary Arts Department. Dine out at the American Harvest Restaurant for a Valentine's Day celebration featuring delicacies from countries of love.

Two settings are available 6 p.m. and 7:45 p.m. The buffet-style dinner is \$16.95 per person. Call (313) 462-4488 for reservations.

Take home "Hearts Afire," the Menu of Great Desire featuring three courses: First course: Citrus marinated shrimp with a passion fruit salsa, young baby field greens with purple onions, toasted pinenuts, and a sundried vinaigrette in a heart-shaped savory scope.

Second course: Choose between Beef or Chicken Wellington "Nu Bistrot" layered with a light Mousse, fresh herbs and spices elegantly wrapped in puff pastry dough and baked to perfection.

Hearts Afire dinners will be available for pickup noon to 6 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 14 at either the Schoolcraft College Professions' Pantry or The Townsend Bakery in Birmingham. The cost is \$34.95 per couple. Call (313) 462-4491 to place your order.

New Orleans Cuisine lovers and fans of vocal jazz will want to plan their Mardi Gras celebration for the Schoolcraft College annual dinner 7:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 16 in the Waterman Center. The audience will be treated to the College's S'Cool Jazz vocal ensemble followed by dancing to the music of Bobby Schneider and His Dixie Bouncers, tickets are \$30 per person and benefit student scholarships. Call (313) 462-4417 for tickets.

The band will play a selection of big band, jazz greats and Dixie and music. Schoolcraft's Culinary Arts Department will prepare traditional Mardi Gras fare.

Seafood Buffet advertisement. Buy One Seafood Buffet Dinner at \$11.95. Get the 2nd Seafood Buffet Dinner at \$1/2 Off. The Hatford Inn Farmington Hills (810) 474-4800.

Don Pedro's advertisement. 24366 Grand River (3 blocks W of Telegraph) OPEN 7 DAYS 637-1480. Flutterby Appearing (CLO) SAT. FEB. 10th 8-9 p.m. Tableside Tricks Pocket Magic • Balloons Kids COMPLETE MEAL ONLY \$2.99. FREE BANQUET ROOM AVAILABLE FOR PARTIES SHOWERS, WEDDINGS, ETC.

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Corsi's advertisement. Italian Restaurant & Banquet Facilities. 7700 W. Seven Mile. Wednesday Valentine's Buffet Available for Parties from 4:30 - 8:30. \$5.00 OFF Any Two Full Dinners (1313) 531-4960.

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R+A Westside B-B-Q advertisement. 8774 Grand River (at 8 mile rd.) Farmington Hills, MI. 48335. 810-471-0601. FREE DELIVERY ANYTIME.

Westland Center's Arts & Crafts Show advertisement. February 15-18, 1996 (Regular Hours) Featuring: Pottery Fabric Crafts Stained Glass China Painting and more! Westland Center 35000 West Warren Road Westland, MI

Superior Pasties advertisement. 31840 Plymouth Rd. Just W. Of Merriman 313-425-9300. FREE PASTY Buy 3 Pasties at regular price and get ONE FREE 1 coupon per purchase.

Buddy's advertisement. COME IN AND LUNCH SPECIALS. LIVONIA 33605 Plymouth Rd. (West of Farmington Rd.) (313) 261-3550. Other Buddy's Locations: Farmington Hills, Waterford, Royal Oak, Bloomfield Hills.

Himalaya Restaurant advertisement. Fine Indian Cuisine • Cocktails. Buy One Entree and Receive a 2nd Entree of Equal or Lesser Value... 1/2 OFF. 44282 Warren Rd • Canton • (313) 416-0880

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Portland band finds celebrity can be trouble

By CHRISTINA FUOCO STAFF WRITER

The Portland, Ore., trio Everclear can't get any peace since "Santa Monica" became a hit single and video.

"Thirteen-year-old kids follow us around downtown (Portland). I turn around and say, 'What's up?' and they want to know what I'm doing there," said drummer Greg Eklund via telephone from his bed in his Portland home where he peacefully has some peace.

"If I'm shopping for shoes at the mall, it's really uncomfortable. They think I should have someone doing the shopping for me."

Teenage fans even weaseled their way into a show that Everclear did at singer/songwriter Art Alexakis's daughter's preschool. "We played Art's daughter's preschool once. Later, the little kids wrote us another letter asking us to come back," Eklund said.

"We did and all the parents whose little kids were there brought all their teenage kids. Last time it was cool. They (the toddlers) danced around and sang and stuff. This time there were all these 12-year-olds there going, 'Hey can I get an autograph?'"

Jack Logan's story is incredible saga

By TODD WICKS STAFF WRITER

Jack Logan's story would make a great musical. A singing electric motor repairman from Georgia has the usual rock 'n' roll aspirations but resigns himself to simply jamming with friends and writing songs at night as a hobby.

Bands form as splinter, the home demos pile up, until someone has a tape made up in the hands of an established rock star. The rock star is impressed and passes word to a record label president. In short, motor repairman gets a deal, his work receives critical raves, he and a few buddies set out to conquer the world.

It's got that human interest angle. "Logan himself agreed over the phone recently. 'Working slob makes good.'" That's one way of describing his incredible saga. But no matter how you look at it or how much Logan downplays it, his is an amazing success story.

In reality, the man who can claim credit for bringing Logan to the masses is Peter Jespersen, the legendary owner of Twin/Tone Records and the visionary who discovered the Replacements.

Jespersen had heard raves about Logan through another Georgian, R.E.M. guitarist Peter Dinklage. Logan sent a few tapes over; imagine his surprise when Jespersen offered to release a Medium Cool double-disc "Bulks" came out in 1994.

Back making music: See Dick Run — from left, guitarist/vocalist Mark Campbell, bassist/vocalist Charlie Francuch, lead vocalist Jim Edwards, and drummer Randy Gacki — is back from hiatus and promoting its new record "The Other White Meat." The band's next show is Saturday, Feb. 17, at Lili's in Hamtramck.

"When we started Circus Boy, it wasn't a conscious decision to get a little tougher and a little meanier," Campbell said. "It was kind of the way we were feeling at the time, plus we had been called 'Light Pop' one too many times."

The power-pop band came onto the Detroit music scene in the late 1980s. Besides winning multiple Detroit Music Awards, the band was a semifinalist in Musician Magazine's "Best Unsigned Band" contest, and Spin magazine called them "a song-serving power-pop foursome."

As the prizes came, and radio stations started playing the band, talent representatives from record companies and managers came along. A management deal with a New York firm fell through setting the stage for an anti-climactic ending to See Dick Run's reign. Always a do-it-yourself kind of band, See Dick Run continued management duties while acting as printers, mastering facilities, and mailing room employees.

"I went to a couple shows and I couldn't stand it anymore... I said, 'Wow. What a great line-up.' There was a good, strong rock drummer and I kept watching Circus Boy painfully. Finally, I was the last one to come back on my belly."

Having learned the ups and downs of the industry, See Dick Run is taking a relaxed approach this time around, not concentrating so much on getting a deal — although the musicians hope that's in the future. "You can end up chasing a lot of apparitions that way that just never materialize."

Machus Red Fox closes

Machus Red Fox and Telegraph and Maple closed on Feb. 5. The Machus Bakery, at the rear of Machus Red Fox, will continue operations. The Red Fox has been a tenant of 6676 Telegraph Road for more than 30 years, said Robert Machus, President of Machus Enterprises, Inc. "When our lease came up for renewal last year, the leasing agent for the property owner, Schostak Brothers, Inc., reviewed numerous restaurants interested in the space."

"We presented extensive architectural designs to the leasing agent, including a new restaurant concept and a significant financial commitment on our behalf. The landlord has not accepted our offer and is currently negotiating with another tenant. At this point, we have decided that it is economically unfeasible for us to continue operating a restaurant at that location."

Machus Red Fox Executive Chef Tim Cikra will join Machus' City Grill in Birmingham as Executive Chef. Prior to joining Machus Enterprises, Cikra was Executive-Corporate Chef with Unique Restaurant Corporation. In an effort to retain as many Red Fox employees as possible, several others will also be transferred to existing company restaurants.

"We have enjoyed 30 years of providing fine dining to our patrons and truly appreciate their loyalty," said Machus. "Our primary emphasis is to now focus on the highly successful City Grill at 725 Hunter in Birmingham and reinforce efforts at Rochester City Grill and our other dining and bakery establishments."

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SINGLES CALENDAR

Send items to be considered for publication to: Keely Wygonik, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150; or fax to (313) 591-7279.

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- WEDNESDAY DANCES**
Wednesday Suburban Singles hold "single mingle" dance parties every Wednesday 8 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at Bonnie Brook Country Club, Telegraph Road south of 8 Mile. Note, new location. Admission \$4. No jeans. Must be 21 or older. Arrive early for hot hors d'oeuvres. (313) 842-0443
- ENTERTAINMENT AT THE FARMINGTON ELKS**
The Mike Wolverton Band will provide music for dancing 8:30-11:30 p.m. following a 6-9 p.m. dinner, on Friday, Feb. 9, at The Farmington Elks, 23666 Orchard Lake Road south of 10 Mile. Cover charge \$3, buffet or regular menu is \$6.95. (810) 476-1940
- THURSDAY DANCES**
The Ultimate Singles Dance Parties will be 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. every Thursday be-

- ginning Feb. 15, at the Farmington Elks, 23666 Orchard Lake Road, south of 10 Mile. You must be 21 years old. Cover charge of \$4. Draft beer and wine \$1. Hors d'oeuvres served 8-10 p.m. No jeans. (810) 476-1940
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- TRI-COUNTY SATURDAY DANCES**
An "Astrology Dance" Dance will be 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 10, at Burton Manor, 1-96 and Inkster Road, Livonia. Admission \$4, or \$3 before 8:30 p.m. Ages 21 and older. Fashionable attire. (313) 842-7422
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VALENTINE'S

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- BETHANY VALENTINE'S DANCE**
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The Stilettoes (50's Nostalgia Club) sponsors its annual Valentine's Dance 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 10, at St. Kevin's Hall, 30043 Parkwood between Middlebelt and Henry Ruff. Featured will be the Larados and George Bedard and the Kingpins. Admission \$20/person includes food beverages, setups, beer, snacks and door prizes. (849-0233, 722-7907, 513-4118.

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CANTON SPORTS SCENE

Cruiser award-winners

The Plymouth-Canton Cruisers Swim Club was well-represented at the invitational swim meet hosted by the Pinckney Swim Club last weekend. Award-winners were:

Eight-and-under division: Billy Horgan, second in the 25-yard freestyle and 25 butterfly, fifth in the 25 breaststroke, and seventh in the 25 backstroke; Chris Bennett, sixth in the 25 free, 50 free and 25 back, and seventh in the 25 fly; Nick Dixon, third in the 100 individual medley, fifth in the 50 free, and ninth in the 25 back; Rob Cyrek, seventh in the 50 free and 11th in the 25 back; boys relay of Horgan, Cyrek, Bennett and Dixon, first in the 100 free in a new meet record; Amanda Fricke, eighth in the 25 breast; Patricia Ahern, sixth in the 100 IM and 50 free, 10th in the 25 back.

9-10 division: Ben Dzialo, first in the 200 free, 50 breast, 50 free (new meet record) and 50 fly (new meet record); Jeremy French, fourth in the 200 free and 50 fly, fifth in the 50 free, and sixth in the 50 breast; Mike Horgan, third in the 100 IM, fifth in the 200 free, 100 free and 50 back, seventh in the 50 breast, and ninth in the 50 free and 50 fly; James Sovine, 10th in the 200 free; Kyle Silbernagel, first in the 100 IM and 100 free, second in the 50 free, 50 back and 50 fly, and fourth in the 50 breast; Matt Lipford, seventh in the 50 back; boys relay team of Silbernagel, French, Dzialo and Horgan, first in the 200 medley; Jessica Fricke, 11th in the 50 free and 12th in the 50 breast.

11-12 division: Adam Sonanastine, first in the 200 free (new meet record) and 500 free, third in the 50 breast, 100 free, 50 back and 100 IM, and fourth in the 50 free and 50 fly; Garrett Stone, third in the 200 free and 500 free, fifth in the 50 fly, 100 free and 100 IM, sixth in the 50 back, eighth in the 50 free, and ninth in the 50 breast; Ryan Ahern, fourth in the 500 free, fifth in the 50 back, sixth in the 200 free, 100 IM, 100 free and 50 fly, ninth in the 50 free, and 10th in the 50 breast; Ben Mellis, fourth in the 50 back, seventh in the 100 IM, and eighth in the 100 free; Mike Knight, ninth in the 100 free and 50 back; boys relay of Ahern, Sonanastine, Stone and Knight, second in the 200 medley; boys relay of Mellis, Ahern, Stone and Sonanastine, second in the 200 free; Sara Higgins, sixth in the 200 free, ninth in the 50 free and 50 fly.

13-14 division: Jason Rebarchik, second in the 100 breast, third in the 50 free, fourth in the 100 fly, and sixth in the 200 free; Aaron Reeder, second in the 100 fly, sixth in the 50 free, eighth in the 200 free, and ninth in the 100 breast; Chris Lafond, seventh in the 100 breast and 100 fly, ninth in the 50 free; Nathan Roeser, eighth in the 100 fly, and 11th in the 100 breast; boys relay of Reeder, Lafond, Rebarchik and Roeser, first in the 200 medley; Andria Cizewski, fourth in the 100 breast, fifth in the 200 free, and sixth in the 50 free; Loris McKay, second in the 200 IM, third in the 100 back, fifth in the 500 free, sixth in the 100 fly, and seventh in the 200 free; Stephanie Tyler, first in the 100 back, second in the 100 free, and third in the 500 free.

Open division: Amy Sonanastine, first in the 200 IM, 100 free and 500 free; girls relay of Sonanastine, Tyler, McKay and April Feijoo, first in the 200 free.

Quite a force

The Canton Force, an under-12 girls premier soccer team, finished second in Division I competition at the just-completed first winter indoor session at the Wide World Sports facility in Ann Arbor.

Team members are Sarah Amos, Cindy Bennett, Lindsey Birchmeier, Meghan Bruner, Jennifer Curran, Jessica Dean, Mickell Eplett, Katie Good, Jenna Hamilton, Julie Jastrzebski, Rachel Lindman, Lauren Marzolf, Elise Miesowicz, Sarah Plymale, Natalie Thomas, Erica Trainor, Allison Vernile and Kim Wood. The team is coached by Eric Dean and Jim Good.

U-M baseball banquet

The first annual Geoff Zahn Dugout Club Banquet and Auction will feature former University of Michigan baseball great Jim Abbott Saturday at the Sheraton Inn in Ann Arbor.

Zahn, the Wolverines' first-year coach (succeeding Bill Freehan), earned letters in 1966-67 at U-M and played 12 years of major league baseball.

Abbott earned three U-M letters while helping the Wolverines win two Big Ten championships. He posted a 25-8 record.

Ticket information is available through the U-M baseball office, at (313) 747-4550.

Baseball, softball sign-up

The Plymouth-Canton Junior Baseball League will have registration for the upcoming season this Saturday, Saturday, Feb. 17, and Wednesday, March 13. All registrations will be at the Canton HS cafeteria.

The Saturday sign-ups will be from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m.; the Wednesday, March 13 registration will be from 7-9 p.m. Boys 7-15 years-old and girls 7-16 are encouraged to participate. Fees range from \$55 to \$65 per player, with family plans available for \$140. Birth certificates are required.

For more information, call Milt Thackaberry (453-2040) or Tom Alberty (455-1402) for baseball, or Tom Modole (455-3422) for softball.

Anyone interested in submitting items to Sports Scene may send them to sports editor C.J. Risak, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150; or may fax them to (313) 591-7279.

Canton draws high scorers

Early in the season, Canton coach John Cunningham pointed to a few invitationals on the schedule — those hosted by Salem, Rockford and Canton — as events that would separate the state title contenders from the pretenders.

BY C.J. RISAK
STAFF WRITER



If this was a preview of what lies ahead at the state tournament — look out.

At last year's state gymnastics finals, four teams surpassed 140, with Plymouth Canton being fourth among them. The eighth-place team was Rochester Adams, scoring 137.55.

At last Saturday's Plymouth Canton Invitational, three teams scored better than 140 and six teams beat Adams' total from a year ago. Take it a bit further: Of the 19 teams that competed at Canton Saturday, 13 scored better than 130.

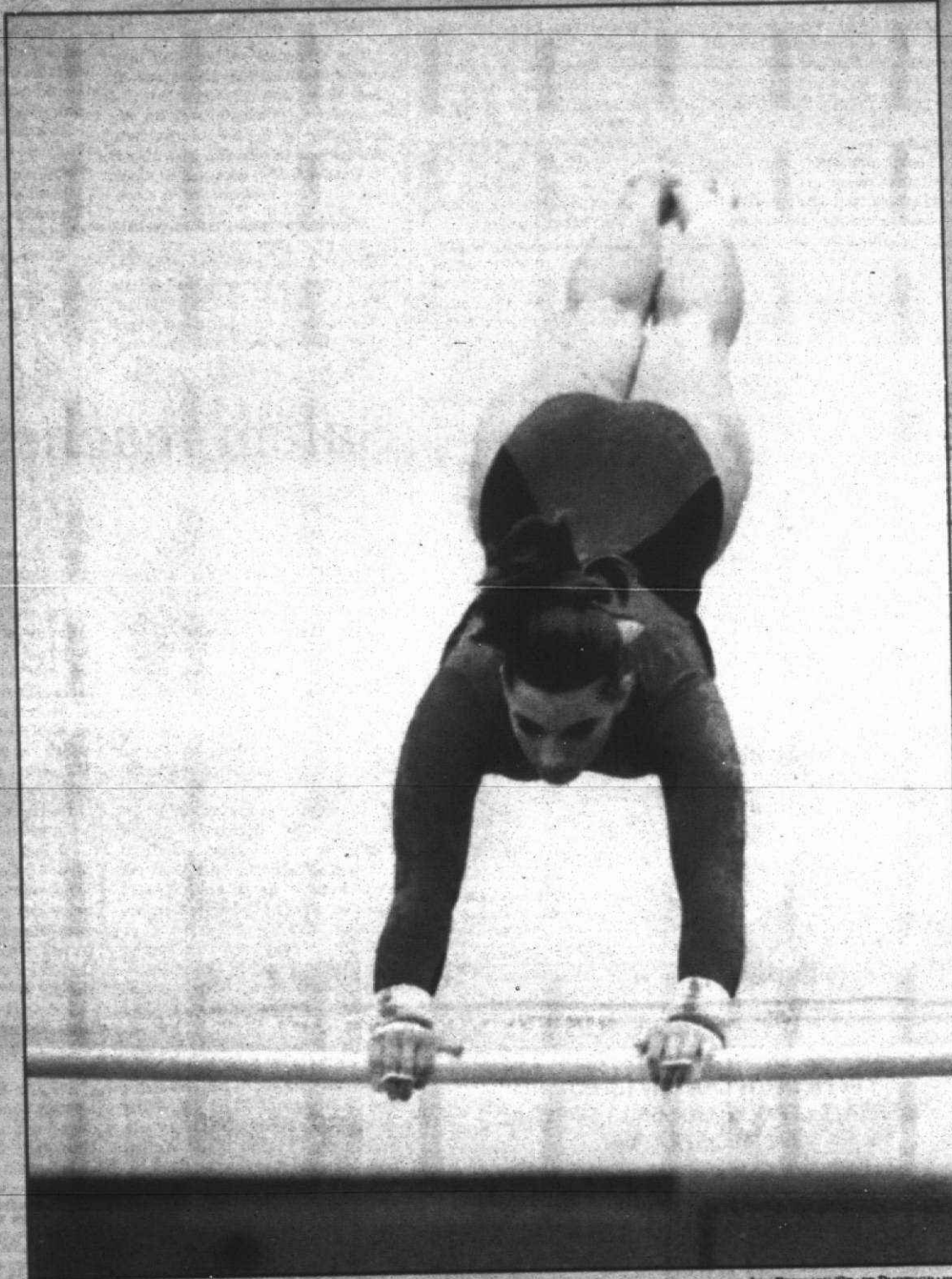
"I told you we'd have a letdown," Canton coach John Cunningham said, at least partially in jest.

Letdown? Well, the Chiefs scored 143.00 in beating Hartland last Thursday, just four-tenths shy of the school record. On Saturday, they scored a "mere" 141.20 — a good score, sure, but no better than third against this field.

Adams was the winner, but not by much. The Highlanders finished with 141.95, just ahead of Northville-Novi (141.50) and Canton. Traverse City was third (139.50), followed by Freeland (138.20), Troy Athens (137.80), Hartland (136.30), Birmingham Seaholm (135.65), East Kentwood (134.70), Plymouth Salem (133.80), Westland John Glenn (132.10), East Lansing (130.30), Farmington (130.20), Brighton (127.85), Rochester (126.10), Vassar (123.10), Jackson (121.85), North Farmington (104.50) and Livonia Clarenceville (102.95).

The all-around title went to Adams' Erin James, who scored 36.95 — just ahead of Canton's Katey Gilles (36.90) in Division I competition. Other Observerland top 10 finishers in Division I were Farmington's Sarah Nolan, 12th (34.95); Salem's Kristen Kosik, 15th (34.60);

See GYMNASTICS, 3C



JOHN FREELICH/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Big boost: Katey Gilles' return to Canton's team has done just that, providing the Chiefs with another quality gymnast. She was fourth in the bars Saturday.

Fundamentally sound

Chiefs hand Rockets 1st league loss

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

Fundamental basketball may be a dinosaur in this day and age, but Plymouth Canton's boys basketball team remains living proof that basics still work.

The Chiefs are not flashy, but they made things look simple Tuesday in disposing of host Westland John Glenn in a battle for the top seed in the Western Lakes Activities Association Tournament, winning 71-57.

State-ranked Canton improved to 13-1 overall and 7-1 in the WLAA (tied with Glenn) with a precision-like display of crisp passing, teamwork, help-side defense and deadly shooting from the floor (26 of 42 for 61.9 percent).

"The thing we stressed in this game was team defense and keeping their players in front of us," Canton second-year coach Dan Young said. "We knew they were going to score their points because they're so talented, but we had to keep their spurts to a minimum. We couldn't guard them individually, but we had to guard them collectively."

"We also had to play together. The last three games we've moved the ball well and been able to take great shots, which sets up our defense."

Coming off a career-high 18-point effort Friday against Farmington Hills Harrison, 6-foot-2 senior guard Mark Bray continued his sterling play, scoring a personal-best 29 points. He also contributed seven rebounds, six assists and five steals in

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a fine all-around effort. Point-guard Nick Hurley, a senior, was also effective, adding 20 points, five assists and four steals.

"Both Bray and Hurley have been solid all season," said Young, who continues to win despite losing a key starter, 6-4 junior Rob Johnson, to a knee injury in early January. "We've basically played with seven guys. Johnson was a huge piece of the puzzle, but the rest of the guys, people like Mike Elaner, have stepped up their play. We've been able to pick up the slack by doing things collectively."

Senior forward Ron Hunter returned to the lineup after missing two games with a sprained ankle. Although somewhat hobbled, the 6-3 forward chipped in with nine points and five rebounds.

"Hunter had not even practiced and did not have a lot of energy, but he hung in there and tried to go as long as he could," Young said.

Glenn led 14-13 after one period, but the Rockets were outscored 18-7 in the second quarter and found themselves trailing 31-21 at intermission.

Canton, in complete control, never let Glenn get any closer than seven points in the game.

Albert Jones, a senior guard, paced the Rockets in scoring with 27 points on nine-of-20 shooting. Junior for-

ward David Jarrett, who bagged 24 points in Friday's 64-61 win over third-place Walled Lake Central, added 14. De'Korey Albright, a senior forward, came off the bench to score nine.

"We missed some put-backs and we didn't go after loose balls like we could have," said Glenn coach Mike Schuette, whose team slipped to 9-4 overall. "And we didn't rebound in the first half."

Schuette opened the game in a man-to-man defense, then switched to a zone to help stem the Canton onslaught.

But the Chiefs' backcourt of Bray and Hurley were just too slick.

"I was also impressed with the quickness of their big people," Schuette said of the Chiefs. "You don't know how quick they are until you play them."

"With the zone we tried something different because they were real physical with their picks. We did OK. We stopped the run they had early in the game."

It was Glenn's first WLAA regular-season loss since Feb. 4, 1994 (against Farmington).

"It was a big win on the road against a very talented team," Young said. "I came in here wondering, 'Can anybody win a game in this place?'"

And how does Young sell his club on playing fundamental basketball?

"It's winning, and here are the results," he said. "You have to play together, and if you don't, you're not going to be successful."

Streak ends for Salem; Agape 6-0

Plymouth Salem got the next-to-last part of its season off to a good start.

Salem demolished Livonia Franklin 80-56 Tuesday night, snapping a five-game slide in the Western Lakes Activities Association.

"We came off those three tough games," coach Bob Brodie said, referring to consecutive losses to Walled Lake Central, Plymouth Canton and Westland John Glenn, "and I thought we'd bounce back."

"We didn't do as well as I thought we'd do against those other teams (Livonia Churchill and Livonia Stevenson, both losses). We talked about that and our goals for the rest of the season before the game, which is the first (in our drive) to reach the (WLAA) playoffs."

Salem is at Farmington Friday as it begins the pre-tournament portion of its schedule, and Brodie believes the Rocks may need a sweep of their Farmington-area foes to make the league playoffs.

The Rocks leaped out to an 18-8 lead after the first quarter and included a 30-12 third period in their third WLAA victory in eight tries. Salem is 6-3 overall, Franklin is 2-11 overall and 1-7 in the league.

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Plymouth clubs among many at precision meet

BY DAN O'MEARA
STAFF WRITER

"If you like ice skating, you'll want to be at the Farmington Hills Ice Arena Saturday. The new facility will be the site of the Tri-State Precision Team Competition, attracting 68 teams from the Midwest and two from Canada. Precision skating involves as many as two dozen skaters per team performing synchronized group movements in harmony with music. Skaters will execute such feats as egg-beaters, basket weaves and forward slices but no jumps, according to Carl Modetz of Plymouth, a driving force in the effort to host the competition. "Teams are judged on their interpretation of music, showmanship, actual ability within the movements, the movements themselves and transition between the movements," Modetz said. "You're depending on everybody around you to perform their roles."

Modetz expects several thousand spectators to pass through the arena during the daylong event, which starts at 8 a.m. and continues into the evening. The \$3 price of admission is reduced to \$2 for senior citizens and children age 6-12. There is no charge for children under 6. Modetz and his wife, Barb,

are Plymouth Skating Club board members and co-chairs for the event who worked with arena managers Jerry Nelson and Art Trotter to organize it. The reasons for wanting to have it in Farmington Hills were two-fold, according to Carl Modetz.

The Farmington Hills site was ideally suited since it has two rinks. "Teams can skate their entire program before they go on, and that does lead to a much better competition," he said. "There are still a lot of places where that isn't the case. "It makes a big difference between walking out of the locker room and putting on your skates. Skaters are able to stretch and warm up more."

A second reason was to promote the sport in Farmington Hills, which has no precision teams as yet. The Plymouth club is sending four, Fraser six, Great Lakes (Dearborn) seven, Ann Arbor five and Team Elan (Detroit) three.

"Last year we had two teams within our own club, and this year we have four. Next year we're hoping to add a senior team for parents of skaters."

"Now that they've seen some other adult teams, they realize they don't necessarily have to be the greatest skaters. They're going out there to have some fun and get some exercise."

The vast majority of the estimated 1,200 skaters who will compete are female between the ages of 10 and 18, but there are restrictions. The youngest is 5, the oldest 72; and about a dozen are male, according to Modetz.

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Churchill's comeback clips Canton

BY C.J. RISAK
STAFF WRITER

It was there for the taking. Problem was, Plymouth Canton's volleyball team took the taking for granted, and took off too early. After beating Livonia Churchill rather handily in the first two games in what figured to be the match to decide the Western Lakes Activities Association's Western Division title, the Chiefs lost their intensity. Which was a mistake against Churchill.

The Chargers rallied, and in a battle of divisional unbeaten, it was they who survived with a marvelous comeback, rallying after losing 15-5, 15-8 in the first two games to win the last three, 15-7, 15-12, 15-9 Monday at Canton.

"This was just a match that could have gone either way," said Churchill coach Mike Hughes, his team now 16-4 overall, 5-2 in the WLAAs and 3-0 in the division. "We made a lot of hitting errors early, then we kept it in the court later."

And although Hughes down-

"That was the difference — plus we covered their tips and center dumps better. And our serving got tougher."

Whether it was Churchill's serving or Canton's poor serve reception, the result was the same: point for Churchill. In the pivotal fifth game, Theresa Arciero served first for the Chargers and staked them to a 5-0 lead — after putting them ahead 3-0 — after the fourth game.

Churchill never trailed. If Arciero's flat, line drive-type floaters didn't confuse the Chiefs, it would be difficult to figure what did. She closed out the match with a six-point string, breaking a 9-9 tie in a run that included three unreturned serves.

"Our serve receiving is normally much stronger than that," said Canton coach Steve Anderson. "Against a team like that, you have to have your hitting and your passing, and you can't drink them. They're too good defensively."

Game No. 4 was the crucial set in the match. Again, Churchill broke out quickly, manufacturing a 7-0 lead before the Chiefs could

fly in its semifinal match against Bedford, winning the first game, 15-2. But the Vikings ran out of steam, dropping the next two, 15-6, 15-10.

"They (Central) are a very good team and they hit really well," Manore said. "They just bombed away in the first game, but once we started playing defense, we were able to come on strong."

Central came out of Pool B with an 8-0 record, including a 15-10, 15-12 victory over defending Western Lakes Activities Association champion Plymouth Salem.

In the elimination round, the Vikings ousted Grand Blain.

"I feel we can play with Bedford," Central coach Mike Lindstrom said. "We played them twice last year (both losses). And even though all our starters return, I'm not sure, in their heads, that they could go out and beat them."

"After the first game we got a little out of concentration and we were not functioning like we have been."

Despite the semifinal ousting, several Central players had big days, led by Central Michigan University volleyball signee Jessica Regentin, who recorded 65 kills and 22 blocks on the day.

VOLLEYBALL

Other standouts included 6-1 junior Becky Cummings, who attracted the attention of Michigan State coach Chuck Erbe on the day and finished with 56 kills, 25 blocks and eight aces despite a bruised knee.

Contributions also came from Nicole Mullins (27 kills/29 digs/56 of 57 serving), setter Jennifer Keeler (30 kills/60 assists), Haley Bremser (36 digs) and Jaclyn Pil-kiewicz (72 assists/55 of 57 serving).

Salem (27-6-2 overall), last year's SC runner-up to Bedford, appeared to be on the verge of reaching the finals after beating area rival Ladywood in a stirring first-round elimination match, 15-9, 1-15, 16-14.

Karen Springsteen's two late aces and four blocks by Amanda Abraham helped turn the tide in the final game.

But the Rocks could not stand prosperity, losing in the quarterfinals to South Christian, rated No. 4 in Class B, 15-12, 15-5.

"We beat South Christian 27-25 in the third game here last year in the semifinals and they had some incentive against us," Sa-

lem coach Allie Sufley said. "They were ready for us. And we had just come off giving everything we had in the third game to beat Ladywood."

"But it was a good tourney for us. We still have to get over the fear element of playing somebody better than us."

All six Salem losses this season have come against ranked teams. Senior Shellye Sills was Salem's top hitter on the day with 54 kills. The University of Toledo signed also had seven aces.

Karissa Socia added 41 kills and 19 digs, while Nicole Van Hees had 18 assist-blocks and five solos.

Other strong efforts by Rock players included Abraham (nine blocks), Kim Sheldon (44 for 44 serving/seven aces), Jenny Trott (38 digs) and Springsteen (64 assists/39 for 39 serving). Sheldon also made numerous key defensive plays.

Ladywood's top hitter on the day was senior Stacey Judd (42 kills for 34.0 percentage). Setter Nicole Vandracek had 62 assists, while Shannon Swish and Katie Brogan recorded 36 and 25 digs, respectively.

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Salem's Brooke Kilby, 21st (33.10), and Farmington's Brook Rubin, 23rd (32.05).

In Division II, Salem's Zoe Yockey was third (35.55), Canton's Brielle Wall tied for fourth (35.15), with John Glenn's Shelly Underwood ninth (34.65) and Sarah Coombs 10th (34.55), and Canton's Brooke Larson 11th (34.25) and Kim Nowak 12th (33.95).

The Division II all-around winners were Traverse City's Kristy Eldredge and Hartland's Holly Davis (35.60). Each won two individual events, Eldredge capturing the vault (9.15) and balance beam (9.10), Davis finishing first in the uneven parallel bars (9.00) and floor exercise (8.45).

Individual event scores were as tight as the team scores. Gilles was first in the vault with a 9.40; she was also second in floor (9.45), fourth in bars (9.20), and tied for eighth in beam (8.85).

For Gilles, who returned to the Chiefs less than two weeks earlier

after choosing to compete for her club team during the first half of the high school season, it was a solid performance.

Salem's Koisk placed third in Division I floor (9.30) and tied for ninth in the vault (9.05). In Division II, Canton's Wall and Sarah Yockey stood out. Wall took second in floor (9.15) and tied for second in the vault (9.10); she was also seventh in bars (8.70).

Yockey took second in bars (8.90), third in floor (9.10) and fourth in vault (8.95).

Other top-15 finishes for Salem and Canton: in Division II vault, Canton's Larson, seventh (8.95), and Kim Nowak, tied for 15th (8.65); in Division I bars, Salem's Koisk, 14th (8.65); in Division II bars, Canton's Nicole Vaagness, 15th (8.45); in Division II beam, Canton's Larson, third (8.95) and Salem's Yockey, 13th (8.55); in Division II floor, Canton's Larson, eighth (8.85).

The results brought the contenders for the state title into

sharper focus. Holland, which has won the last three state crowns, was absent but again appears to be the team to beat. Adams — ranked second in the state behind Holland, third-ranked Northville-Novu, and fourth-ranked Canton — should pose a threat.

Last Monday, the Chiefs ran their dual-meet mark to 9-0 (5-0 in the Western Lakes Activities Association) with a 159.80-156.15 win over John Glenn.

"The girls thought I was displaced tonight," Cunningham said, referring to his team's failure to reach 140 again.

Untrue, the Canton coach insisted. After a tough dual against 10th-ranked Hartland Thursday, followed by a very difficult invitational Saturday, what could a coach expect in a dual against another very formidable foe?

And the Chiefs did win by more than 3 1/2 points and with Gilles sitting out of the floor exercise after hurting her foot.

Wall was the best all-arounder, scoring 35.60 for Canton; she was first in the vault (8.75), second in both the bars (8.75) and floor (9.2), and third in the beam (8.9).

Gilles won the bars (8.85) and beam (9.15), tying for third with teammate Beth Muylaert in the vault (8.4). Larson was second in the vault (8.65) and fifth in the floor (8.9); she finished fifth in the all-around (33.25).

Other top-six scorers for Canton were: in bars, Vaagness, third (8.4); in Kim Nowak, fourth (8.4); in beam, Marcie Emerick, second (8.95) and Nowak, sixth (8.75); and in floor, Nowak, third (9.1).

Another tough week awaits the Chiefs. On Saturday, they travel to the Freeland Invitational and on Monday, they host third-ranked Northville-Novu in what looms as the meet between the WLAAs' top two teams.

Basketball from page 1C

"We still didn't put together all four quarters," Brodie said. "In the fourth quarter they still out-scored us (20-14)."

Andres Lopez led the Rocks with 21 points, Andy Power contributed 15, Nate Gray had seven assists plus six points while Mike Korduba and Phil Parker got six rebounds apiece.

Matt Bauman led the Patriots with 22 points. Nick Mongau and Mike Kilias got nine each.

■ Detroit CC 76, Notre Dame 69: Detroit Catholic Central's depth paid dividends Tuesday as the Shamrocks were able to hold off Harper Woods Notre Dame in a Catholic League Central Division game.

Senior guard Justin Hoener and senior forward Michael Jordan scored 23 and 21 points, respectively. Junior guard Marc McDonald added 15 points and senior guard Chris Misiak contributed 10.

Greg Stempin, a senior forward, led Notre Dame with a game-high 27 points. The Shamrocks led 15-14 after

one quarter and 31-26 at halftime. A 20-12 third quarter advantage gave CC a 51-38 lead heading into the fourth quarter.

The win improved CC to 12-2 overall, 7-2 in the Central Division.

■ Agape 91, West Highland 52: After coming out flat for one quarter, Plymouth Agape Christian did a little squashing in the next two periods.

After the lethargic first quarter Monday night let the Wolverines holding a 16-13 lead, coach Keith Anleitner switched defenses.

"We picked it up quite a bit," Anleitner said of his team's 67-14 margin over the next two quarters. "They went cold and we got real hot."

Like hot chili peppers. Senior forward Corey Mullen scorched the nets for 28 points while point guard Paul Salah contributed 18 as the Wolverines stayed on track to a conference title with a 6-0 league mark in an 11-2 season.

West Highland, which received 20 points from junior forward Jacob Stamm, is now 6-7 overall

and 2-3 in the conference. It posted a 25-8 fourth quarter against Agape's sophomores and freshmen.

■ Oak Christian 84, PCA 49: A 20-6 third period doomed Plymouth Christian Academy Tuesday against visiting Auburn Hills Oakland Christian.

The Lancers overcame a 15-11 first-quarter deficit to lead 27-26 at halftime. Eli Johnson scored 19 points and John Mills added 18 as visiting Oakland Christian remained unbeaten in 11 games this season, six of them league contests.

PCA got 11 points each from Chris DeRenzo and Jeremy Shia plus nine from Jim Neil. PCA is now 9-5 overall and 2-4 in the league.

"We can play with them," coach Dan Brandel said. "We just have to prove we can do it on a consistent basis."

"We're disappointed because we played with them except for one quarter. My kids are young mentally. By the end of the year, hopefully, we'll show we can play."

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Madonna mauls Siena Heights

They may not be rolling, but the Lady Crusaders are surely jumping along.

Madonna University's women's basketball team upped its record to 17-11 Tuesday night with an 82-47 victory over Siena Heights College.

Stacy Lamphe scored 20 points, Katie Cushman added 18, and Meegan Marlett had 12 as the Lady Crusaders broke from a 30-28 halftime lead to the win.

Siena Heights, 10-19, got 25 points from Sheila Landerschier

BASKETBALL

Lumberjacks scored to go up by one — committed a turnover that ruined any hope of victory.

Becky Billicki's 25 points led SC. Julie Schmidt had 19, with both Sheila Coulter and Jenny Markham scoring 11. Schmidt grabbed 17 rebounds and Kristi Engel nabbed 10. Markham also had four assists.

SC led by 13 at the half despite some defensive lapses. The Ocelots fell to 15-7 overall and to 5-3 in the MCCA's Eastern Conference.

Cornerstone bounces Crusaders

When these two teams met 2 1/2 weeks ago, Madonna University surprised and nearly upset Cornerstone College.

That was in Grand Rapids. On Monday, the two men's basketball teams met at Madonna, and there were no surprises: After a tight first half, Cornerstone — a leader in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference — pulled away to a 75-64 triumph.

The win gave Cornerstone a 14-7 overall record. Madonna suffered its 20th loss of the season, against six wins.

The Fighting Crusaders got another solid game from Jeff Kennedy, who led them with 21 points on 7-of-10 floor shooting (including 3-of-4 on three-pointers). Mike Maryanski added 13 points, 10 rebounds, three blocked shots and two steals, and Dan Pertulla (from Redford Thurston) had 10 points and three steals.

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MEN'S HOOP

all, 1-8 in the MCCA's Eastern Conference.

SC got 19 points from both Dave Pavlak and Jason Maschke (from Livonia Franklin), 14 from Rudy Hatfield (Livonia Churchill) and 13 from Bruce Goode. Alena was led by Scott Groesser with 28 points; Nate Tuori added 27, Michael Gunderson had 12, and both Christopher Leesberg and Shaun Craker netted 10.

On Saturday, SC hosts St. Clair CC at 3:30 p.m. in what will be coach Glen Donahue's 1,000th game as a collegiate coach.

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Westland Green at Liv. Stevenson, 7 p.m.
Ply. Salem at Farmington, 7 p.m.
St. Clair at Liv. Churchill, 7:30 p.m.
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St. Florian at St. Agatha, 7:30 p.m.
Ply. Christian at Inter-City, 7:30 p.m.
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Saturday, Feb. 10
Alpena at Grand Rapids, 2 p.m.
St. Clair CC at Schoolcraft, 3:30 p.m.
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Livonia, Feb. 10
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Liv. Churchill at S.P. North, 8 p.m.
Redford CC vs. Allen Park College at Redford Ice Arena, 8 p.m.

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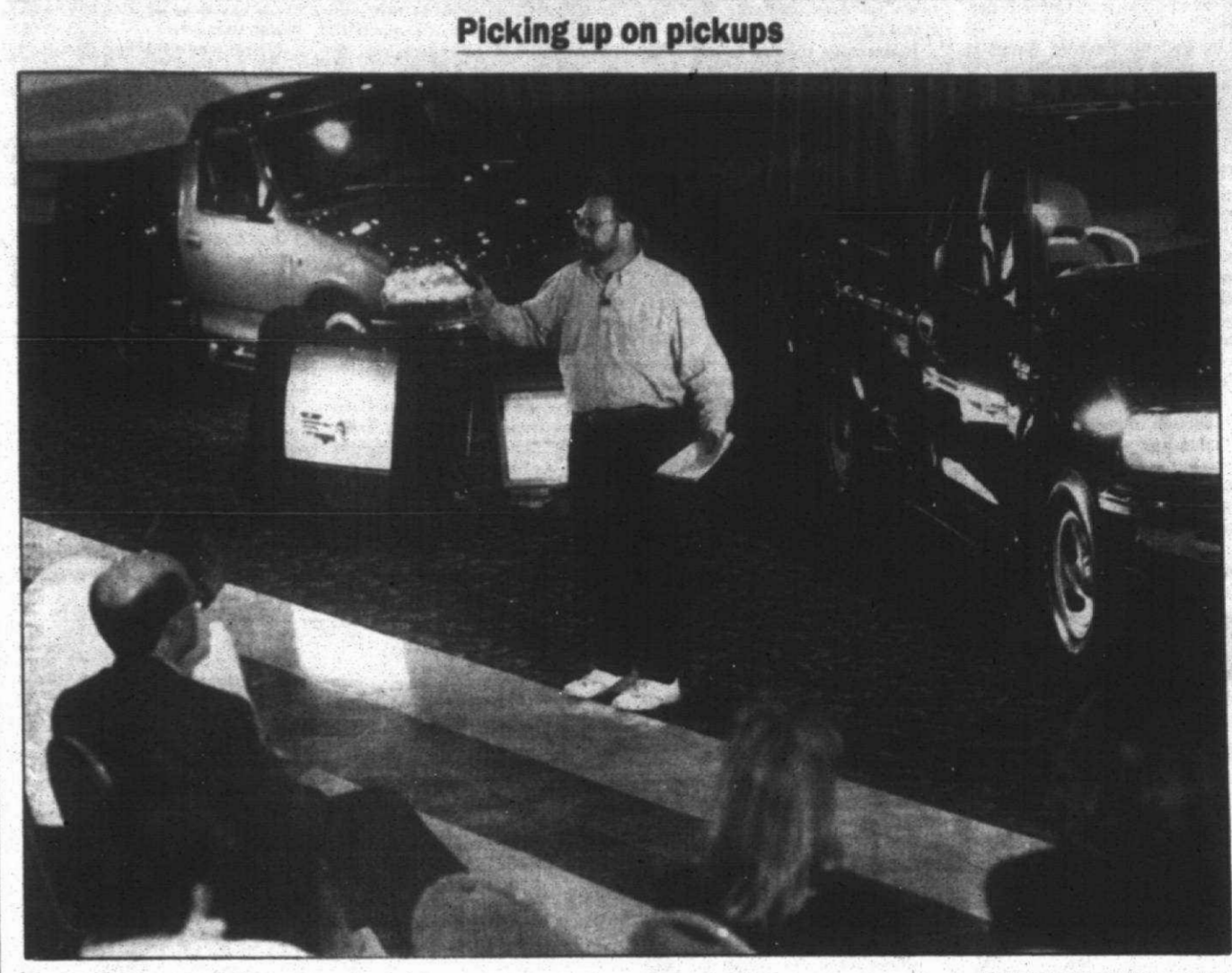
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Following is a list of the best observed boys swim times and diving scores. Coaches can phone updates to coach Ken Stark at the Livonia Church pool 4-8 p.m. Monday through Friday at (313) 523-9231.

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North Farmington	1:43.40	Brian Green (Redford CC)	1:51.06	
Livonia Stevenson	1:44.24	Mark Campbell (Churchill)	1:51.47	
Plymouth Salem	1:45.23	John Hawkins (Farmington)	1:51.55	
Redford Catholic Central	1:45.82	Keith Falk (Stevenson)	1:51.64	
Plymouth Canton	1:47.19	Mark Campbell (Churchill)	1:52.58	
300 FREESTYLE (state est. 3:04.18)		100 BUTTERFLY (state est. 55.59)		
Dan Belanger (Farmington)	2:02.78	Steve Dornier (Stevenson)	56.17	
Keith Falk (Stevenson)	2:05.67	Mark Detting (Salem)	56.60	
Alex Rotberg (Canton)	2:06.12	Patrick Duthe (N. Farmington)	56.70	
Kyle Petrosky (Salem)	2:06.37	Paul Merandi (John Glenn)	56.78	
Nick Scornowski (Redford CC)	2:07.89	Tim Buchanan (Salem)	57.46	
Rob Grant (Churchill)	2:07.89	Mark Detting (Salem)	58.52	
Ted Bumester (Stevenson)	2:08.17	Nick Scornowski (Redford CC)	58.52	
Brian Matella (Salem)	2:10.02	Rob Grant (Churchill)	58.52	
Mark Detting (Salem)	2:10.02	Mark Sgricca (Stevenson)	58.52	
Tim Buchanan (Salem)	2:11.07	Jason McMinn (Canton)	1:00.46	
50 FREESTYLE (state est. 22.69)		100 FREESTYLE (state est. 49.49)		
Jason Speer (N. Farmington)	22.49	Jason Speer (N. Farmington)	49.60	
Mark Campbell (Churchill)	22.86	Mark Campbell (Churchill)	50.18	
Darren Draper (John Glenn)	22.99	Nick Corden (Salem)	50.36	
Steve Dornier (Stevenson)	23.23	Brian Green (Redford CC)	51.06	
Paul Merandi (John Glenn)	23.28	Pat Morgan (Salem)	51.25	
400 FREESTYLE RELAY (state est. 3:23.09)		200 FREESTYLE RELAY (state est. 1:31.99)		
Jason Speer (N. Farmington)	3:24.98	Plymouth Salem	1:32.79	
Mark Campbell (Churchill)	3:29.44	North Farmington	1:34.35	
Livonia Churchill	3:31.06	Westland John Glenn	1:35.74	
North Farmington	3:35.19	Livonia Canton	1:36.11	
Plymouth Canton	3:35.70	100 BACKSTROKE (state est. 56.59)		
800 FREESTYLE (state est. 4:58.29)		Dan Gabriel (N. Farmington)		55.64
Jason Speer (N. Farmington)	4:57.15	Nick Scornowski (Redford CC)	55.67	
Keith Falk (Stevenson)		John McMinn (Canton)	57.54	
100 BREASTSTROKE (state est. 1:09.19)		Chris Bailey (Livonia)	57.90	
Iht. Zaid (N. Farmington)	1:03.18	Kevin Renick (Redford CC)	58.47	
Alex Rotberg (Canton)	1:03.40	Brian Dutko (Stevenson)	58.98	
Ted Bumester (Stevenson)	1:03.56	Brian Matella (Salem)	58.74	
Dan Belanger (Farmington)	1:03.68	Mark Detting (Salem)	59.33	
Rickon Trombley (Livonia)	1:04.52	Jason Speer (N. Farmington)	1:00.96	
Paul Connolly (Redford CC)	1:05.67	Ryan Meekins (Redford CC)	1:01.27	
Matt Walker (Livonia)	1:06.85	400 BREASTSTROKE (state est. 3:23.09)		
Ryan Zourimans (John Glenn)	1:08.80	Plymouth Salem	3:24.98	
Kyle Petrosky (Salem)	1:07.06	Redford Catholic Central	3:29.44	
Keith Falk (Stevenson)	1:07.53	Livonia Churchill	3:31.06	
1500 FREESTYLE (state est. 9:58.29)		North Farmington	3:35.19	
Jason Speer (N. Farmington)	9:57.15	Plymouth Canton	3:35.70	
Keith Falk (Stevenson)				

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Truck training: Craig Singhaus, an automotive journalist for Motorweek television show, addresses a group about the 1997 Ford F-150 pickup trucks behind him at Laurel Manor in Livonia recently. About 650 sales consultants from around the state attended the program in preparation for the trucks' introduction to the public.

A taxing time returns

Internet source for forms, advice

Most of us are beginning to get our W-2 statements and year-end interest statements from banks, credit unions, mortgage companies, etc. Some of us have our tax software installed on our hard-drives and are almost ready to start.

When thinking of support and insurance, which we all need when it comes to the IRS, let's not overlook the Internet. Using a lot of free advice might save having to invest in a book or magazine. The Internet also is a very good source to get tax forms — from the heavily used common forms to the hard-to-get forms.

One useful multi-purpose income tax site I've come across and included in my personal book marks can be accessed at <http://www.2.best.com/tildemarket/mexpat.html>. The "/html/" extension is very unorthodox construction, but I've tested it and it works. In my notes, I also have "taxites.html" as the final extension but the last couple times attempted it failed the test. At this site, no matter how you arrive, you will find IRS forms, instructions and publications plus state forms, instructions and publications.

There's also a Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) and Discussions of Tax Issues area, income tax articles, US tax law for legislative (including Tax Code and General Printing Office online access), judicial and administrative, state tax law and government information, links to tax software, Social Security tax information, newsletters, new and proposed income tax changes, and gateways to other Internet tax sites. There are links to mailing list discussion groups on taxes and to Usenet Newsgroup tax discussions for possible comfort, support or confusion.

The IRS has an official Website at <http://www.irs.ustreas.gov/prod/cover.html> which is quite useful if you want an official answer. Follow the links at the IRS site and you'll find all the details needed to file your tax form via the telephone this year. You also will find forms and publications, tax information for business, tax statistics, taxpayer help, "tax regs in English," the IRS Newstand, Comments & Help, and more.

Another source of tax information, which will include some outdated and useful sites, is the column I wrote roughly a year ago which can be accessed at <http://oeonline.com/tildemarket/ryd/dan33.html>. The column leads off with information on Black History; tax information follows in the middle.

The Taxing Times 1996 Website offers tax forms from the states and can be accessed at <http://www.scubed.com/tax/index.html>. Also at Taxing Times are: links to tax software, getting tax forms via e-mail, the entire tax code, Tax Digest, a personal finance resource center, a taxes newsgroup, and to the Adobe Acrobat Reader. Taxing Times is furnished by Maxwell Laboratories.

You can fill out your tax form on-line and submit it if you are a 1040EZ filer. For the 1040EZ forms, point to <http://www.coe.uncc.edu/cgi-bin/tax/tax.pl>. This is an experimental site conducted by the University of North Carolina-Charlotte. The word "experimental" has the ring of a disclaimer so maybe we are supposed to cross our fingers when we submit our 1040EZ electronically. Not very reassuring, is it? This seems to be a "nice to look at but don't use" site.

The Adobe Acrobat Reader is necessary for reading some tax forms and convenient to read others. A copy of an Adobe Acrobat Reader for reading IRS forms is available free from the IRS and can be downloaded by pointing to <http://www.ustrea.gov/treasury/bureau/ira/acroread.html>.

Other tax site information follows:

- AM & G-Accountants and Consultants at <http://www.amgnet.com>;
- Tax Discussion Groups at <http://205.177.50.2/groups.htm>;
- Recent Tax Developments at <http://www.halcyon.com/lesourd/recent.html>;
- US Income Tax Law—GPO Access to the federal government General Printing Office at <http://sdc.uscd.edu/gpo/>;
- Tax Planning for Business and Individuals at <http://www.hooked.net/users/mhbcpa/plan/index.html>.

You can direct questions to Emory Daniels by e-mail at emory@oeonline.com or fax number 591-7279. To sign up for O&E On-Line, dial (313) 591-0903, at "log-in" prompt type "new" and at "Key" prompt type GL6NY2. Past columns may be accessed on-line at <http://oeonline.com/tildemarket/ryd/archive.html>.

Mercury collection offered

The Detroit Water and Sewerage Department is conducting a bulk mercury collection program, in cooperation with the Michigan Dental Association, National Wildlife Federation and state and federal agencies.

The one-time, six-month pilot program is targeted to dentists. The collection effort, which began in January, will provide disposal of raw mercury at no cost.

Three methods of collection are available under the program:

- On-site pickup of dental mercury supplies by medical waste haulers;
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- Mail-in to a central collection facility.

For information call Joan Hughes at (313) 214-2104.

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BUSINESS DATEBOOK

Review portfolio as interest rates go down



BETH ALLEN

The Federal Reserve Board is decreasing rates in the same fashion they were raised back in 1994, a quarter point at a time.

The seven members are appointed for 14-year terms, while one of them serves as chairman for four years. The current chairman's position is up for reappointment in March.

news involves changing the discount rate.

In January, the Fed lowered the discount rate a quarter of a percent to 5 percent.

The rates that consumers need to be lowered the most are those associated with credit cards.

issued with a variable rate and that is not likely to change with recent interest rate decreases by the Fed.

I spoke with Marilyn Gunther, president of the Michigan Society of Financial Planners.

For people who depend on fixed incomes from the savings, lower interest rates mean a tighter budget.

examination of the risk associated is important.

lower rates again in the near future, now is a good time to review portfolios and prepare for changes that may be needed.

Questions and comments are welcomed. If you would like to have a particular financial subject addressed, contact Elizabeth A. Allen or Thomas E. Hogan at the Observer Newspapers Editorial Department.

Elizabeth A. Allen, a certified financial planner practitioner, is a registered representative with Sigma Planning Corp. in Livonia.

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PAINLESS PROSPECTING A "Five Star Chambers" business luncheon and expo will be at Woodlands of Van Buren.

RETIREMENT

A free seminar on retirement and estate planning will be 7-9 p.m. at 1-275 and Seven Mile in Livonia.

TUESDAY, FEB. 20

MANAGEMENT SEMINAR Credit Bureau Inc. is sponsoring a seminar geared to area medical and dental facilities.

LIVING TRUST

A free seminar on living trust and wealth preservation will be 7-9 p.m. at 1-275 and Seven Mile Road in Livonia.

QUINER MEETING

Lisa Jesswein of the Dick Puritan radio show will be the guest speaker at the Oakland County Chapter of Professional Secretaries.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 21

PRESENTATION STYLES "Make it Sparkle, Presentation Styles and Techniques," a program given by the Society for Technical Communication.

MEDICAL NEWSMAKERS



Items for Medical Newsmakers are welcome from all Observer-area hospitals, physicians, companies and residents active in the medical community.

Denise Brown has joined United Home Health Services, Inc. in Canton as the Clinical Supervisor for the Early Postpartum Discharge Program.

Five family practitioners will greet guests at an open house from 4-8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 22, at the expanded and relocated Oakwood Healthcare Center.

Donald Brook serves as vice chairman of the board. The board has also elected two new members, William Huppenbauer and Jerrold Jung.

Dr. Brock received his medical degrees from Wayne State University School of Medicine in 1980 and is certified by the American Board of Pathology.

Thomas A. McNish, vice president and corporate secretary for CMS Energy Corp. and its subsidiaries.

MEDICAL BRIEFS

Items for Medical Briefs are welcome from all Observer-area hospitals, physicians, companies and residents active in the medical community.

DIABETES INFORMATION A diabetes support group meets at 2:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month at Garden City Hospital.

MORE FOR SIBLINGS A two-hour class to help siblings prepare for the arrival of the family's new baby is recommended for children 3 to 8 years old.

FIRST AID An American Red Cross first aid class to help people learn how to respond in emergency situations.

CHOLESTEROL SCREENING Area residents interested in this screening can visit Garden City Hospital between noon and 2 p.m. on the first Tuesday of every month.

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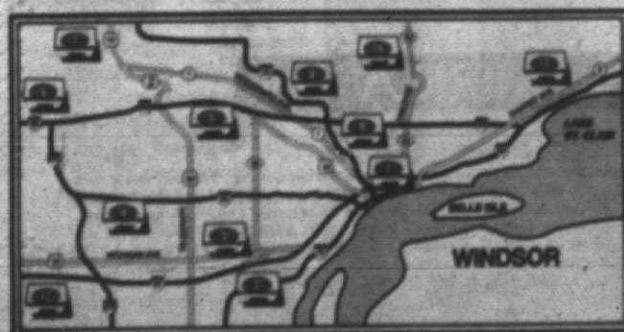
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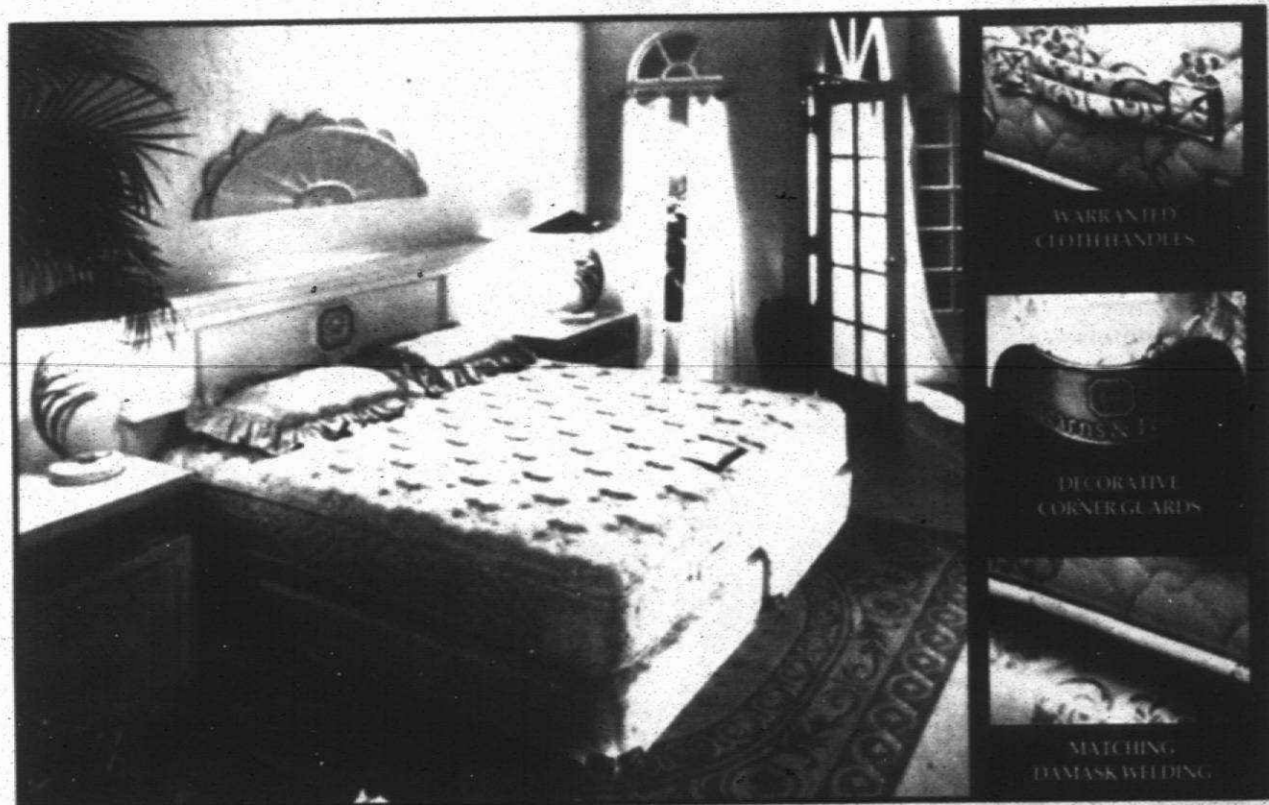
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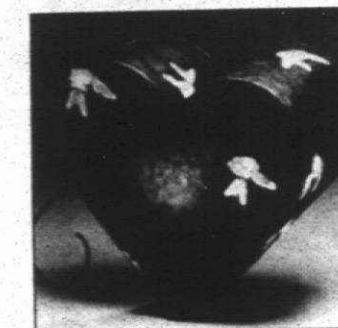
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AT HOME

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We are looking for your ideas for At Home and for the Market Place roundup of new ideas. Send your comments to Mary Klemic, At Home,

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Get those favorite photos up on the wall



Special photo: Mel Goldstein of Birmingham has "lived" with photographs for many years. This one he took in Israel is proudly displayed in his home.



MONTE NAGLER

As my photography students all know, I'm constantly stressing the importance of having photographs hanging in their homes or offices. Today, I'm going to stress this in my column.

I firmly believe that anyone with an interest in photography can greatly benefit from what I call "living with photographs."

Let's begin with some of your own pictures. I know that all of you have some favorite slides or prints tucked away that you can't wait to get and brag about whenever a friend or relative stops over. Well, why not permanently display those favorites? Perhaps it's that dramatic sunset you just took on your last vacation or it's the shot of your child that captures that special expression of childhood delight.

Whatever the case, it's easy to get pictures up on the wall. Just take those prized slides and negative to your photo dealer for the enlargements. Any 35mm shot will blow up fine to eight by 12 without losing quality. Many dealers, local frame shops, even your local Kmart will stock pre-cut mats and frames that require minimal effort to assemble.

You'll be proud of that special group-

ing of your favorite pictures and grateful you took the time to assemble them.

As your interest in photography increases, you'll find yourself wanting other photographs to "live with." There may be that memorable shot you fell in love with at the art fair or that striking poster you couldn't resist at the book store. Well, why not buy them? Often, a modest investment of dollars will pay off in big dividends of satisfaction.

You'll also discover that "living with photographs" will keep your level of photographic interest and excitement high. And having photographs to look at constantly will serve as a teaching device — the more you look, the more your knowledge and understanding of photography will increase.

People I know who "live with photographs" tell me how beneficial it is and how their pictures help keep the "creative juices" flowing and their appreciation of photography growing.

Try it for yourself — you'll be glad you did. "Living with photographs" is gratifying indeed.

Monte Nagler is a fine art photographer based in Farmington Hills. You can leave him a message by dialing (313) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, then his mailbox number, 1873. His fax number is (810) 644-1314.

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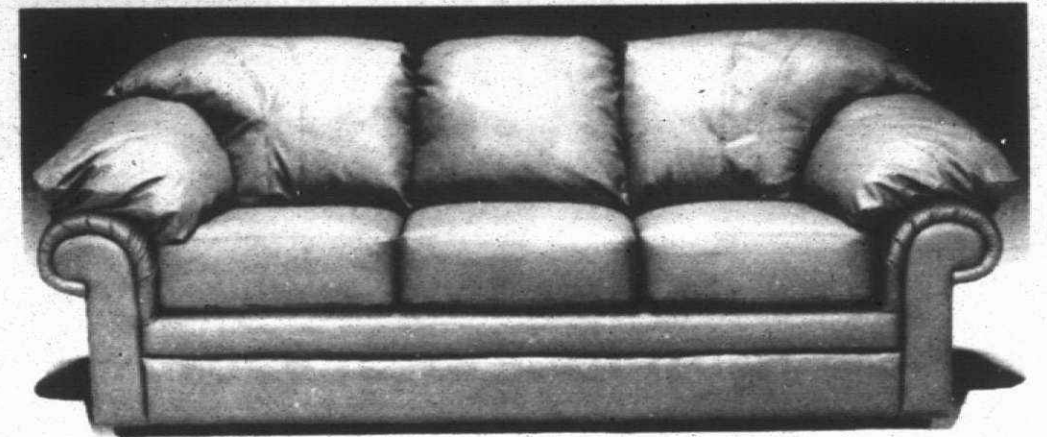
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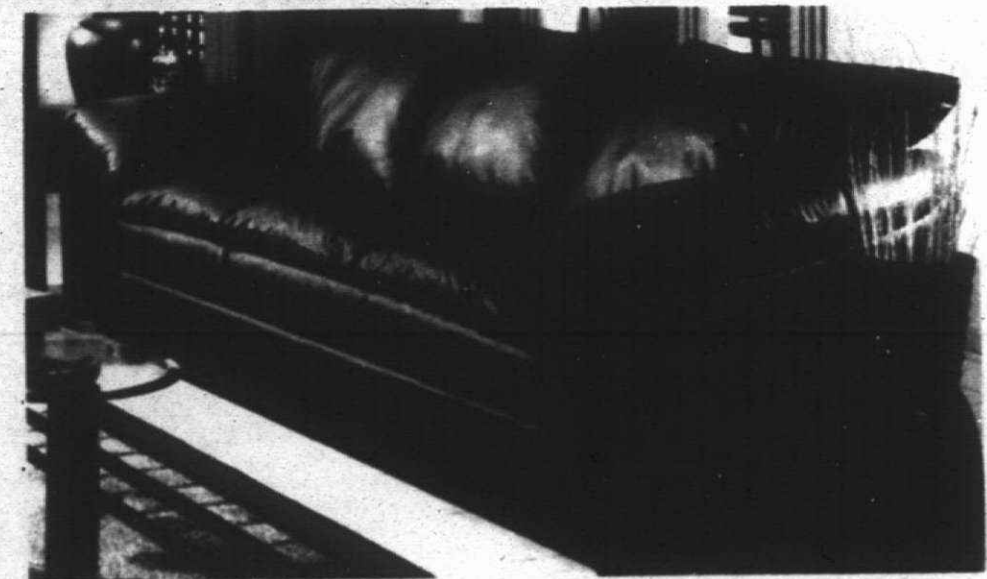


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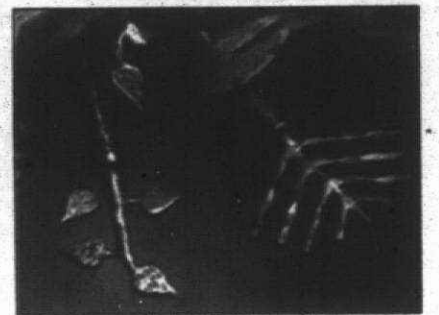
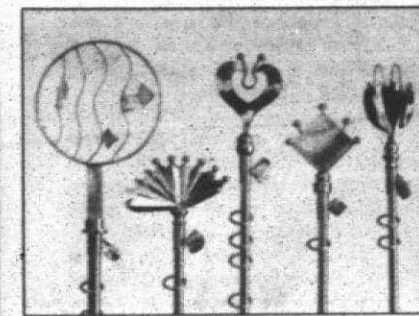
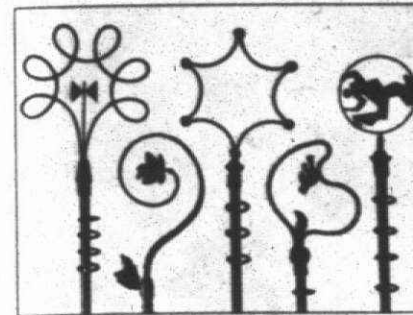
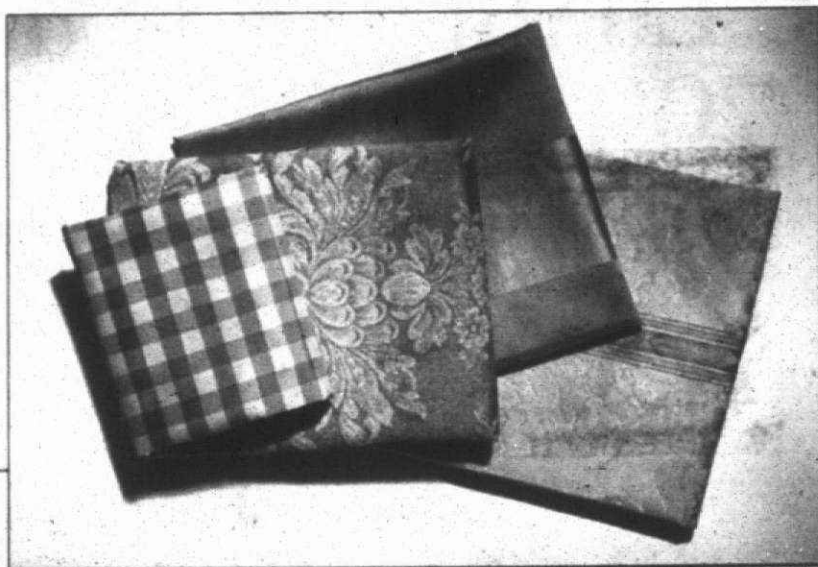
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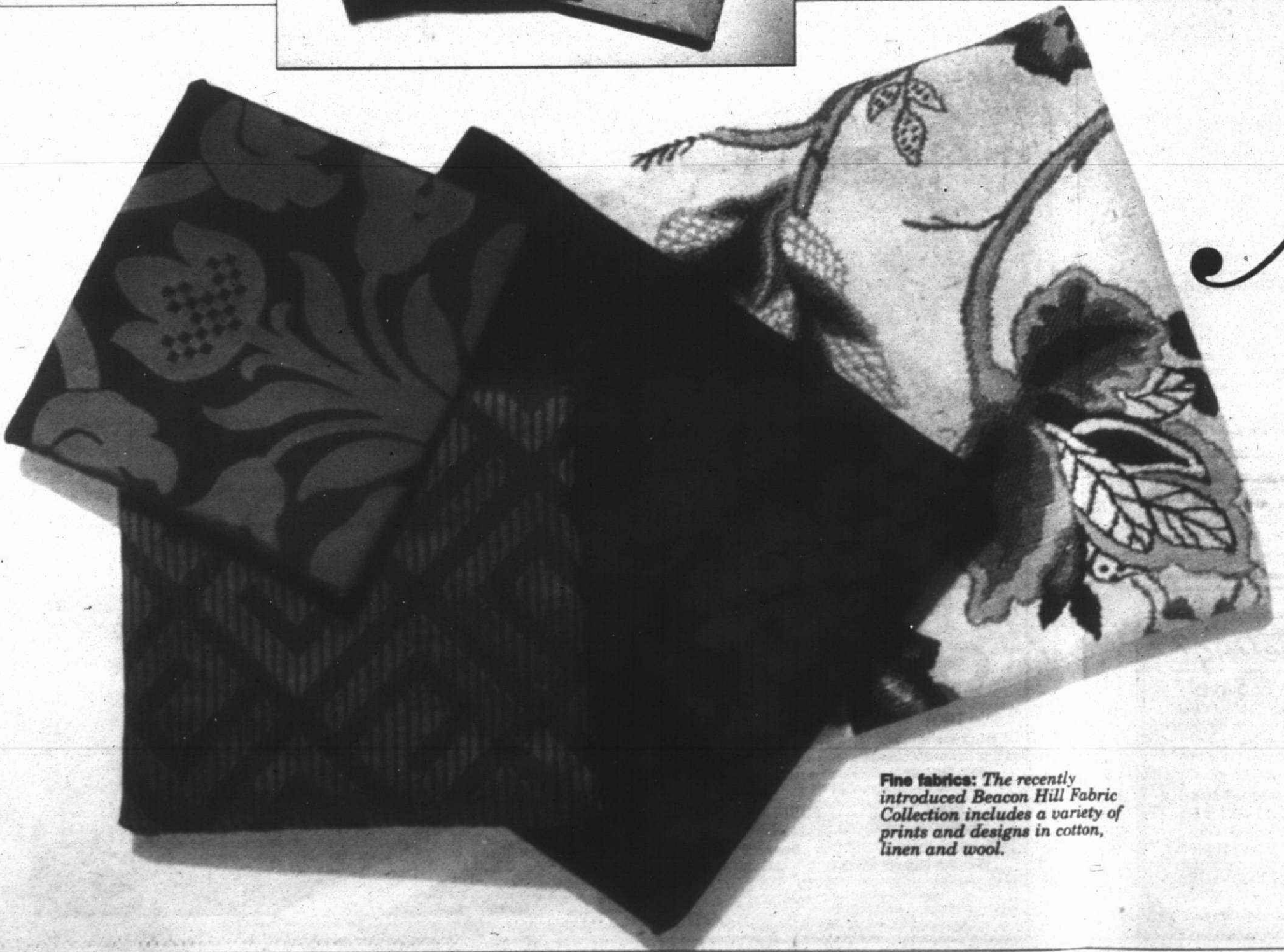
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COVER STORY

On the cover:
 Florida Tile's "Excavare" at Beaver Distributors at Michigan Design Center in Troy combines high style with durability.



Window treatment: Recently introduced products at Michigan Design Center in Troy include Blome's drapery hardware. Among the pieces are artistic and whimsical designs for finials, holdbacks, hooks, brackets and rings.



Fine fabrics: The recently introduced Beacon Hill Fabric Collection includes a variety of prints and designs in cotton, linen and wool.

New products help with new look

STORY BY MARY KLEMIC • AT HOME EDITOR

If you made a new year's resolution to spruce up or spice up your home, there are many ways you can fulfill that goal.

Michigan Design Center in Troy is full of new products, large and small, that can dazzle the decor of any room. Here is a sampling, some of which were featured at the center's 1995 fall market.

Examples of furnishings that would shine in starring roles in the "theater" of a residence were found at The Designer Group, Carlton-James Galleries, David St. Edwards Collection and Baker Knapp & Tubbs.

The Elio "Curtain Call" entertainment center or home office at The Designer Group features electronic remote control doors, painted glass or 12 different wood veneers and glass shelves.

At Carlton-James, the Jeffco dining room set and the Giemme breakfast are elegant pieces. The Jeffco table has glass in the center and leaves that pull out from the end. The Giemme breakfast has gold carving and beveled and inlaid glass.

At David St. Edwards, the Cashmere Collection by Century features a breakfast with light finish and serpentine design.

Baker Knapp & Tubbs offers the Parish Hadley Bed. The four-poster, '50s contemporary has wood posts and metal finials, and comes in black and gold or flat red.

The recently introduced Beacon Hill Fabric Collection includes romantic prints, intricate paisley designs, classic decorative jacquards and fresh textures in cotton, linen and wool.

Among other new fabrics and textiles is "Bellissima Gold" at Decorators Walk, ebony and satin wool inlay.

New upholstered furniture includes the "Monique" sofa with toss pillows at Grange Furniture, a new showroom at MDC. The celadon sofa with a diamond pattern is good to "float" in a room, as it is attractive from all sides.

Tomlinson's two lounge chairs and ottoman at Carlton-James are tarnished silver color and comfortable.

What's new to put under your furniture? The Decorative Rug Center offers "antiques of the future," Azeri tribal rugs with floral and animal patterns. The rugs are indigenous to Turkey, India and China and show folk art.

The Ghiordes Knot presents Asmara Aubusson rugs, made of three-ply worsted wool.

The Shaw "Surfaces" carpet at Flooring Design Distributors Inc. is 100 percent pure wool and features printed needlepoint designs. The color can be customized.

Smaller in size but equal in style are new window treatments. Drapery hardware pieces (such as finials, holdbacks, hooks, brackets and rings) by Blome at Tennant & Associates and by Claesm Collection at Blinds & Designs are like jewelry for your windows.

Blome's Vulcanus Collection has four design groups - arrow, crook, club and leaves. The decorative elements are handcarved first, then cast in stone. Blome's Magic Metal Collection features whimsical designs that include leaf, bird, clown and flower, made of steel and brass with polished brass, copper or anthracite finish.

The Hunter Douglas "Vignette" Roman shade at Kaleidoscope comes in a variety of pleat sizes. The shade can be pulled out of sight.

Tiles have new looks as well. Florida Tile's "Excavare" at Beaver Distributors has a natural stone look that is popular. Animal Relief tiles by Surving Studios at Virginia Tile Co. are handpainted in a wide range of colors and adorned with insects, leaves or fish. Indus ceramic tile in the American Legend Series at Flooring Design Distributors Inc. features the old or natural stone type look and a wood grain look. Pottery type fixtures such as little shelves are coordinated with the tile.

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GARDEN SPOT

On Valentine's Day men prefer to give roses



MARTY FIGLEY

Valentine's Day is next week. Will you get your loved one cut flowers or a living plant?

I spoke to Gary Olsen of English Gardens and he said, "Eighty-five percent of men prefer to give roses." He also said at this time of year the prices go up, not because of the special

day but because grower costs are up. The last big demand for roses is at Christmas, and because they grow in an eight-week cycle, they have to be hurried along to bloom at the proper time.

Joe Douglas of Bordine Nursery Ltd. agrees about the rose being the number one choice, but said "Carnations are second in popularity."

In order to extend the life of cut flowers, cut about an inch off the stems to allow the water to enter it. Replace the water every day or so and re-cut the stems. Cut roses under water so an air bubble won't enter and cause the blooms to droop. Use the package of floral preservative that comes with the flowers. Keep them away from drafts and place them in a cool room during the night.

Potted plants

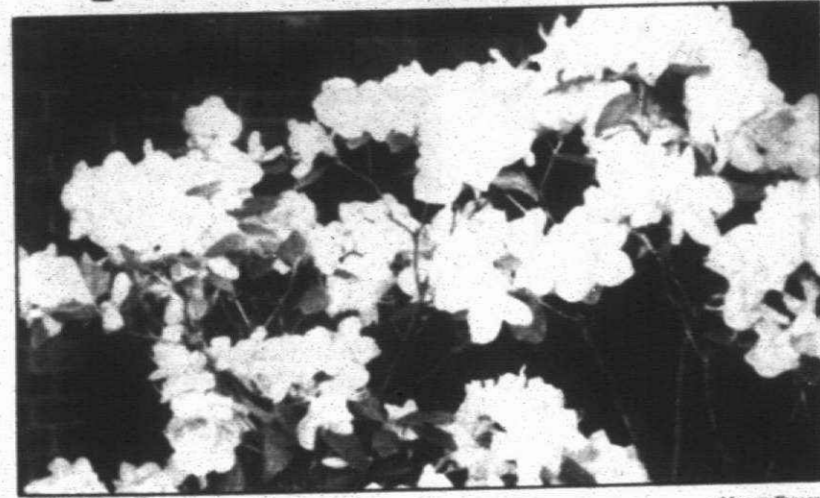
Douglas said that the benefit of giving flowering potted plants as opposed to cut flowers is that they last longer, generally four to five weeks.

Both men agree that cyclamen are first on the list, and the azalea and peace lily (Spathiphyllum) are close behind. For an evergreen plant, Olsen recommends Aglaonema, the genus name for Chinese evergreen, a perfect low-light plant. New cultivars are becoming available. Look for variegated leaves with green and silver, cream, etc.

Douglas also said mums are sometimes bought and Reiger begonias make an unusual gift, but miniature roses are high on the list for Valentine's Day giving. Roses can be kept indoors in a south or west window until warm weather arrives and then set in the garden to be enjoyed for many more years.

All potted plants should be kept out of drafts hot or cold, and placed in an area that has high light. Cyclamens need constantly moist soil — avoid extremes of wet and dry. When watering, let the water run out the drainage hole, then let the pot set in the water for about 15 minutes; pour off excess. Humidity is important as is fresh air circulation.

To keep blooms on azaleas for a longer time, try to duplicate airy spring weather. Remove blossoms when they



MARTY FIGLEY

Heart to heart: Azaleas are a popular plant for valentine giving.

fade. The roots need moisture at all times. Apply fertilizer regularly — for acid-loving plants, or use one teaspoon cider vinegar to one quart of water, each month. Set the azaleas outdoors during the summer.

An exception to the high light is the peace lily that does better with less light rather than more. Be sure there is plenty of water at the roots but don't let them stand in water. Fertilize lightly every week or two at half-strength.

Reiger begonias like at least four hours of curtain-filtered sunlight, a south, east or west window and an average room temperature (cooler at night). Well-circulated moist fresh air is important. Keep the soil evenly moist and fertilize regularly with a 15-30-15 solution, or use fertilizer pellets. Chrysanthemums need ample water and a half-day or more of sun.

Roses

Miniature roses need a bright spot with full sun or at least four hours of direct sunlight in winter — a west or south window is fine.

To keep the plant healthy indoors, Douglas recommends to let it dry out completely between waterings and then

thoroughly soak, getting the pot totally wet. They like cool, well-circulated air; high humidity is a must. Fertilize about every two weeks, as you would if they were outside. If plants are rinsed twice a week, spider mites may be prevented.

Avoid direct sunlight on Chinese evergreens; keep humus-rich soil evenly moist (somewhat drier in winter). Don't let pot set in water. Fertilize regularly with an all-purpose solution. You may be rewarded with creamy, calla lily-like blooms, which are followed by yellowish red berries.

Britain bound

Notice: The itinerary about the Great Britain trip in May is in the mail! Don't miss out. Call my voice mail number (listed below) or Barbara at (800) 451-0637.

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Marty Figley is an advanced master gardener based in Birmingham. You can leave her a message by dialing (313) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, then her mailbox number, 1859. Her fax number is (810) 644-1314.

BOOK BREAK

Some rooms to remember



VICTORIA DIAZ

"Home: American Writers Remember Rooms of Their Own," ed. by Sharon Sloan Fiffer and Steve Fiffer (235 pp., \$22.00, Pantheon).

"Where I live becomes partly office supply store, partly a tragicomic thrift shop attempt at... a little bourgeois comfort... partly the toy strewn nursery of a... not quite spoiled child... Mostly it's a beloved yeasty petri dish for ideas, friendship, hopes... Yeats's rag and bone shop of the heart."

I wish I'd said that, since it so perfectly describes my home. But, since I didn't, I'm glad that Allan Gurganus ("The Oldest Living Confederate Widow Tells All") said it so eloquently of his own in this eclectic collection of essays written by 18 contemporary American authors.

Strolling through a home can provide not just a look at a hearth, of course, but — more importantly — a glimpse at the hearts of those who live there. In catching that glimpse here, a fresh, invaluable dimension of each writer's work may be gained. The worth of this collection lies not only in something it can lead to. It is a literary jaunt highly rewarding in and of itself.

Novelist Jane Smiley ("Moo," "A Thousand Acres") writes engagingly and with subtle Smiley-esque humor of

what has been her most favored room for years: the bathroom. She feels driven, we learn, to take three or four baths a day (not really for cleanliness, but simply to assuage a desire to sit in hot water), and so has become a kind of bathroom maven. She has developed a philosophy of the bathroom: Tiles should be cold, water should be hot, whirlpools, frosted glass, and carpeting should be absent. She can wax poetic (and does) about an ordinary bathtub, a small mirror "to silver the salient light," and "the only place in the house where you can bleed in peace." If she has ever written a single paragraph in the bath, she never mentions it here. She has been known, however, to read, to talk on the telephone, and to make many Fig Newtons disappear in this "core of the house" where we "take refuge in the eternal now of the physical life."

An oak tree, fifty-feet high, shaded the house where award-winning author Mona Simpson ("Anywhere But Here") spent much of her childhood. The house was not really her home, but her grandmother's, where she and her two siblings were fed and sheltered as their parents "tried to untangle forbiddingly adult lives." In the house was a big, square country kitchen and in the kitchen a chrome-and-plastic dinette set under which Simpson tells us, she spent much of her time, drawing pictures of the world around her, which in-

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Cactus society sets field trip Sunday

The Michigan Cactus and Succulent Society will have a field trip to the Anna Scripps Whitcomb Botanical Conservatory on Belle

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Garden center presents orchid display

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cluded dogs, kittens, ducks, and a rabbit who slept in an old sock in a corner of the redolent kitchen. Here, with words, she's still drawing those pictures.

Henry Louis Gates, Jr. ("Colored People") is now chairman of Afro-American Studies at Harvard. When he was a little boy in Piedmont, West Virginia, his family's living room was like a small theater, opening up a window to the world. The family's new television presided here and as the late '50s segued into the controversial '60s, the TV became a "ritual arena for the drama of race." Newton Minnow's "vast wasteland" aside, the Gates' TV set "functioned like a fireplace in the proverbial New England winter, ushering in to Piedmont the images of a civil rights era before the era had reached the town. In his succinct and immensely readable style, Gates literally brings history home in "The Living Room."

Picture this: An unremarkable brick house in Dearborn. A corner of its basement is a tiny workroom "set apart by an L-shaped wall of then-ubiquitous knotty pine . . . heavily lacquered to a spotty orange-chestnut." At the workbench, a man soaking paintbrushes in turpentine "within arm's length of (an) old furnace . . . always with a Winston in his mouth."

Thus writes James Finn Garner ("Politically Correct Bedtime Stories"), who reminisces here about his father and his father's sanctum sanctorum, the afore-

mentioned workroom. This was not a place where Garner and his father held long, bonding conversations, or where he learned important facts of life. It was not even a place where he learned to distinguish between a grommet and a flange, since his father, despite the workroom, had no gifts as a "fixer-upper." Nevertheless, it made its mark on the future writer, who evokes it here with genuine sentiment that is never marred by sentimentality.

Other stand-outs in the collection: Richard Bausch ("The Last Good Time") recalls his grandmother's front porch during a family get-together; Bailey White ("Sleeping at the Starlite Motel") writes of "The Garden"; and Susan Power ("The Grass Dancer") remembers family detritus discovered in an attic.

LAST WORDS: "Legends and Legacies," a collection focusing on the Greek-American immigrant experience, is now available at selected area bookstores. The books can also be purchased for \$16.95 plus tax, by writing LEGNA Press, Box 1814, Ann Arbor 48106. The author is former editor and journalist, Pearl Ahnen, of Brighton.

Victoria Diaz of Livonia, a longtime member of Detroit Women Writers, has a lifelong interest in reading "everything from great novels to cereal boxes." You can leave a message for her on a Touch-Tone phone by dialing 953-2047, then her mailbox number 1854.

Famous speakers to visit symposium

BY MARTY FIGLEY
SPECIAL WRITER

Four internationally renowned speakers will participate in a not-to-be-missed symposium, "Gardens of Nostalgia and Romance," 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, March 2, at the Michigan State University Management Conference Center, 811 W. Square Lake Road, east of Crooks in Troy.

To register, mail a check or credit card information in the amount of \$80 to The Gardeners' Guild, P.O. Box 33081, Bloomfield Hills 48303. The fee includes lunch and the detailed symposium booklet. Call (810) 646-9554 or (810) 645-1976 for more information.

The program is presented by The Gardeners' Guild, "an organization of Michigan gardeners dedicated to bringing new ideas and the latest horticultural information to the local gardening community." Telly's Nursery and Greenhouse of Troy is the sponsor.

Speakers and their subjects are:

■ **Cathy Wilkinson Barash** — "The Evening Garden." Barash is a well-recognized photographer as well as author and lecturer. Her articles have appeared in numerous magazines specializing in gardening and food. She has appeared on television, has been an instructor and guest lecturer at many Botanic Gardens flower shows, and is a gourmet horticulturist. She has also designed several naturalistic gardens. Her book "Evening Gardens" (Chap-

ters, \$29.95 hard, \$19.95 soft) explains and illustrates what to plant, lighting, etc. to create an illusion. The eclectic choice of plant material includes grasses, trees and other plants with interesting silhouettes that add interest, when lighted or at sunset. The selections run the gamut from bulbs and cacti to water lilies.

Barash is also the author of "Edible Flowers" (Fulcrum, \$29.95 hard, \$22.95 soft), which includes cultural information for 69 edible flowers — original recipes and more.

■ **Elvin McDonald** — "Vertical Gardens: Structures and Vines." McDonald is a foremost gardening authority and is known nationally for his knowledge and expertise and has recently been appointed garden editor of Traditional Home magazine. He has held many responsible positions in the gardening field. His work has appeared in newspapers, television syndication, videos and still photography. A teacher, he is also a prestigious garden designer.

McDonald is the author of more than 50 books on gardening. "The New Houseplant" (Macmillan, \$40) is filled with complete information on houseplant care and will help the experienced as well as novice indoor gardener. "The 400 Best Garden Plants" (Random House, \$40) is geared to the beginning gardener, but much can be learned from the information it contains. "Traditional Home Rose Garden-

ing" (Meredith, \$29.95) covers all aspects of rose gardening from propagation to using the flowers in crafts and culinary endeavors. Cultural information includes specific chores for each season of the year. The encyclopedic section highlights all types of roses, with distinctive color photographs.

McDonald's lecture has been inspired by "The Lattice Gardener" (Macmillan, \$35), written by his late partner, William Mulligan. It takes the reader to the heights of using lattice-work to embellish, support and surround. The beautiful examples will inspire whether wood, bamboo, iron or some other product is used. Included are descriptions and illustrations of the 100 best vines.

■ **Stephen Scanniello** — "Old Roses in the Garden." Scanniello is curator of the Cranford Rose Garden in the Brooklyn Botanic Garden where he grows 1,500 different types of roses. This expert rosarian has traveled across the country and throughout Europe sharing his knowledge.

He has co-authored two books about roses, including "Climbing Roses" (Prentice Hall, \$30). The book concentrates on this versatile rose and includes cultural information, siting and other innovative ideas of using them in the garden.

Scanniello is a consultant for the magazine Martha Stewart's Living. A regular contributor to the New York

Times, his articles have been published in other magazines, and he is a frequent guest on television. His credentials are many; his interest in rose history and preservation is ongoing.

■ **Phillip Watson** — "Creating the Romantic American Garden." Watson is the owner of Washington Gardens in Fredericksburg, Va., a rare plant nursery with extensive display gardens. He is in great demand as a lecturer and designer of gardens that evoke a warm, inviting and intimate feeling at any time of the year.

Watson's garden has been featured in many publications, including Southern Accents and Horticulture magazines, as well as "The Victory Garden" and "The New Garden" television shows. His published articles are eagerly anticipated. His lectures have taken him across the continent. He has also exhibited at garden shows in the United States and the Chelsea Show.

McDonald served as editor in chief and Scanniello was a consultant for "The American Horticultural Society Encyclopedia of Gardening" (Dorling Kindersley, \$59.95). This large book covers all aspects of gardening, from every type of plant to structures, tools, soils, climates, pests, diseases, propagation, etc. The "how-to" illustrations are meticulously clear. Much, much good advice.

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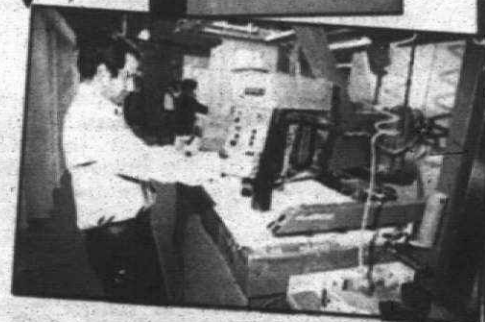
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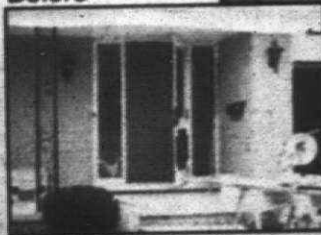
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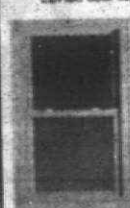
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McLeod name president



Mary McLeod, an associate broker with Coldwell Banker Schweitzer in Northville, is president of the Western Wayne Oakland County Association of Realtors for 1996.

The executive committee also consists of **Michael Bartlett**, Real Estate One in Farmington Hills, president-elect for 1997, and **Larry Martin**, Remerica Suburban Living in Livonia, treasurer. The executive committee heads a 12-member board of directors which oversees activities of the 2,800-member association.

Susan Rion gets GRI



Susan B. Rion, a sales associate with Re/Max West in Livonia, has received the professional designation of Graduate Realtors Institute.

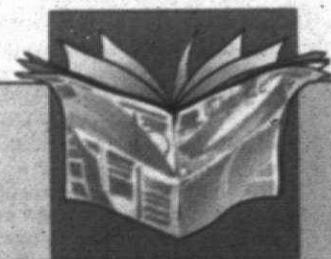
Rion, a Livonia Churchill graduate, holds a degree in finance and marketing from Cal State University. She had sales last year in excess of \$6 million. Susan and her mother, **Rachel Rion**, a member of the Re/Max Hall of Fame, work together as a team with the motto, "Customer Satisfaction... a Family Tradition."

Fattore joins Trerice

Robert J. Fattore, a Rochester Hills resident, has joined Trerice Tosto Colliers International, a commercial/industrial real estate firm as a sales associate. He will be responsible for industrial properties in northern Macomb and northeast Oakland counties. Fattore has six years experience in real estate and holds a degree from Michigan State University.

Jacunski earns award

Charlotte Jacunski, a Realtor associate with Century 21 Row in Livonia, has been honored with the company's Centurion Award in recognition of customer service and sales performance. Jacunski has achieved a high level of performance reached by only 2 percent of the 70,000 sales associates in the Century 21 system.



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Stadium replacement: Architects, general contractors and the Tigers, themselves, are ready to get going on a new baseball stadium.

Local talent to build new stadium

By **DOUG FUNK**
STAFF WRITER

The corner of Michigan and Trumbull is one of the most famous pieces of real estate in southeastern Michigan. And if a new Tiger Stadium ever arises, architects, contractors and suppliers with local connections can take a bow for bringing a 25-acre parcel bounded by Park, Fisher Freeway, Grand River and Bagley to the public eye.

Many will be involved, and most will labor in anonymity. Few people can name who participated in the most recent upgrading of Tiger Stadium, let alone the designer and builders of the original Bennett Park.

Yet, without their efforts, there will be no new baseball stadium. "This is going to be the project, I think, that will be most remembered in the rebirth of Detroit," said David B. Hanson, senior vice president of Walbridge Aldinger. "To be involved is a source of pride and honor."

Walbridge, now headquartered in Detroit but formerly in Livonia, Perini Building in Southfield and White Construction of Detroit will combine forces to serve as construction manager for the \$250 million project.

"We demonstrated expertise in both building type and the ability to make things happen in the city of Detroit," Hanson said. "We went out and hired architects after we were chosen."

Walbridge-Perini-White has put together a lead architectural team of Smith Hinchman & Grylls of Detroit and Hellmuth Obata & Kassabaum of

Local architectural, building and supply people are getting ready to build a new baseball stadium for the Detroit Tigers — once the political questions surrounding a new stadium have been resolved.

Kansas City. Smith Hinchman designed Joe Louis Arena. HOK was involved with Jacobs Field in Cleveland and Oriole Park at Camden Yards in Baltimore.

To date, only conceptual designs have been prepared for a new stadium here.

"The major challenge is bring together the vast number of firms that will have to interact to make this happen," Hanson said. "There will be 12 to 15 design firms involved, 50 major subcontractors and under them literally hundreds and hundreds of material suppliers."

"We'll be looking for the most qualified companies in the country to do this and, very specifically, how we can involve Detroit-based and minority-based contractors."

"We'll be looking to develop interest in the best of class, then bidding various pieces," Hanson said. "Basically, you can pick up a phone book and that's who would be interested in doing work, but at this point, no selection has been made."

John McHale Jr., president of the

Tigers, believes that a new 42,000 seat stadium will happen in spite of a legal challenge to state financing and an election challenging Detroit's financing role.

"I'm sure they're bumps in the road, not a threat to our ultimate success," McHale said.

Hanson projects a construction timetable of two to 2 1/4 years once work begins.

"Originally, we thought we'd be under way now for a 1998 opening," he said. "Now, we think the absolute best case is construction starts in the summer of this year."

"We think peak employment will be in the 800- to 1,000- person range," Hanson said. "It will be, without a doubt when it gets going, one of the biggest construction projects in Michigan."

"A general rule of thumb on this type of construction is one half of the cost is materials, one half labor," Hanson said.

That would mean a payroll of about \$100 million spread around the community based on a stadium of \$250

million less soft costs including land acquisition and legal/accounting fees of \$50 million.

There's something about a high-visibility project like a new sports stadium that brings a special pride to the trades people involved in its construction, Hanson said.

"One thing that distinguishes a project like this from others is all tradesmen and women who work on it are going to be able to visit again and again in terms of normal living," he said.

"This job will instill tremendous pride. You see maximum enthusiasm. They will be able to come back with a son or grandson and say "We were here. We made this happen," Hanson said.

For now, not much is happening behind the scenes, Hanson said.

"We're basically waiting. Very little work is going on until the legal issues are resolved and we have a clear direction."

Challenges to financing a new stadium also are holding up land acquisition, which necessarily precedes construction.

"The city had started the appraisal process. That's now on hold," said Tom Shields, spokesman for the Tigers. "There's been no offers made, no negotiations."

For now, the construction principals are biding their time.

"We're trying to keep the team together by having regular meetings, updating people," Hanson said. "We want to make sure we're ready to jump out of the gate."

South Beach is worth the demanding regulation

REAL ESTATE QUERIES



ROBERT M. MEISNER

Q. I have been approached to buy a condominium in a conversion of a hotel in the South Beach area of Miami. I am wondering whether there is any regulation concerning these condominiums.

A. I can tell you from personal observation that the South Beach area of Miami Beach is extremely hot, both as a tourist attraction and as a rejuvenated residential area. Florida is extremely highly regulated in regard to the sale and development of condominiums, there being amendments and additions to the statute almost yearly.

Also, much of this area is designated as a historic preservation area. In addition, there are a plethora

of court decisions regarding the operation of condominium associations and its co-owners.

As in any other purchase, it is highly recommended that you confer with a knowledgeable real estate person or appraiser regarding the location of the unit where you are buying to learn as much about the area as possible.

You should also consult with an experienced attorney who can point out to you the various intricacies of Florida law and your rights and remedies in regard to a purchase.

Q. I am in the process of selling real estate and personal property, and I am wondering how the new law regarding state transfer taxes applies.

A. If the sale or transfer is a combination of real estate and personal property, the new state transfer tax is imposed only on the transfer of the real prop-

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Robert M. Meisner is a Birmingham area attorney concentrating his practice in the areas of condominiums, real estate, corporate law and litigation. You are invited to submit topics which you would like to see discussed in this column, including questions about condominiums, by writing Robert M. Meisner, 30200 Telegraph Road, Suite 467, Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025.

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Realty firm joins Prudential to serve Livonia and Plymouth

Accent Realty has joined the Prudential Real Estate Affiliates as its newest franchise in Livonia and Plymouth.

The announcement was made by Dave Owens, broker of Accent Realty, and Robert Vedral, senior vice president of Prudential Real Estate Affiliates.

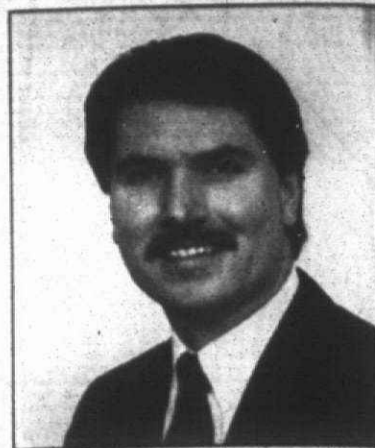
The newly-affiliated firm will be known as the Prudential Accent Realty.

"Our goal is to provide unparalleled service to our customers with the newest, most advanced technology and the best management and sales training available in the industry," Owens said.

"The benefits that Prudential offers to our clients and agents, and its superior national image made this affiliation a logical step in the progression of our company," Owens said.

"We are extremely pleased to welcome the Prudential Accent Realty into the Prudential real estate network," Vedral said. "It's a company with an incredible quality reputation, one that will certainly add to the strength of our network."

Prudential Accent Realty, founded in 1989, has offices in Livonia and Plymouth and 40 sales associates. As a franchise, the firm will remain independently owned and operated.



Dave Owens

HOUSES SOLD IN WAYNE COUNTY

These are the Observer-area residential real estate closings recorded January 2 - 5 at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office and compiled by Advertising That Works, a Bloomfield Township company that tracks deed and mortgage recordings in Southeastern Michigan. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

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PLYMOUTH	• 2842 River Meadow Cir 155,000	• 42482 Saratoga Rd 73,000	• 45248 Seabrook Dr 215,000	• 45302 Seabrook Dr 214,000	• 44698 Tillotson Dr 159,000	• 42386 Trent Dr 207,000	• 44001 Umbertan Cir 154,000	• 883 Willoward Dr 120,000	GARDEN CITY	• 30229 Baunoral St 100,000	• 32751 Cambridge St 260,000	• 32717 Oakley St 128,000	• 27533 Pembroke St 67,000	• 18291 Pershing St 102,000	• 28577 Rickford St 126,000	• 38739 Pinetree St 112,000	• 30961 Puritan St 138,000	• 15407 Richfield St 150,000	• 14378 Riverside St 216,000	• 16973 Ryan Rd 216,000	• 35377 Score St 60,000	• 20080 ShadySide St 155,000	• 33001 W Chicago St 143,000	• 27898 W Stanmore Dr 143,000	• 18126 Wooding Ct 214,000	PLYMOUTH	• 39834 Birchwood Dr 135,000	• 40865 Crabtree Ln 175,000	• 41468 Greenwood Dr 152,000	• 11326 General Dr 37,000	• 106 Hamilton St 32,000	• 217 Hamilton St 40,000	• 14955 Summer 64,000	• 9912 Virgil 54,000	• 10047 Virgil 70,000	• 15393 Wakenden 84,000	• 15454 Wakenden 65,000	• 18742 Woodworth 81,000	WESTLAND	• 33942 Arrowhead St 90,000	• 32531 Bertram St 103,000	• 34525 Blackfoot St 107,000	• 35582 Dove Tr 138,000	• 35588 Dove Tr 115,000	• 35594 Dove Tr 100,000	• 6262 E Morgan Cir 127,000	• 33438 Farmington Ct 105,000	• 30451 Gladys Ave 74,000	• 8160 Huntington St 38,000	• 31261 Mackenzie Dr 114,000	• 7309 Manor Cir 53,000	• 34228 Marquette St 63,000	• 8134 Melvin St 82,000	• 7895 Moonwood Pl 158,000	• 164 N Liville St 67,000	• 7736 Princeton Ct 83,000	• 7541 Randy St 94,000	• 22850 Shackett St 101,000	• 1202 Shoemaker Dr 68,000	• 1596 Shoemaker Dr 69,000	• 34455 Tonquish Tr 88,000	• 38267 Warner Farms Dr 89,000	• 38279 Warner Farms Dr 89,000	• 7610 Woodview St 51,000

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The future of house building

As the 21st century approaches, will it bring anything new to house building? The answer is yes, new things are coming. Many of them are on display at the NAHB National Research Home Park in Bowie, Md., in houses featuring innovative ideas and materials built by the NAHB Research Center. If you want to see the future, this is a good place to start.

You will notice that, according to the Research Center, near-future houses aren't likely to look that different from today's houses. The design of the research houses is not radically different from standard new houses built everywhere. But some other things are very different.

Concrete Masonry Anew
Let's begin with the house that's called the Lifestyle 2000 House. You have to look twice at this house to realize that the entire visible exterior is made, not of wood or composition wood materials, but of concrete masonry. With their beautiful shades and coloring, these materials have the traditional warmth of wood but will never need painting or repair.

Other features of the house include light wells that allow daylight into the basement; concrete masonry joists that were fabricated on-site; special blocks placed over the joists to create a concrete masonry ground floor and a heat exchanger system that utilizes heat in the utility and fireplace flues for the whole house.

Home Living with Disabilities
To the left of this house is a house of such standard design that you wonder why it is in the park. In fact, it is a standard modular house made by a leading manufacturer, but it incorporates many subtle features to make the house more accessible to persons with disabilities.

The changes include doors that are 36 inches wide rather than the standard 33 inches to improve wheelchair access; casement windows in the living room that are installed at below-usual height so the operating cranks are available to a person in a wheelchair, and first- and second-floor closets that are lined up one above the other making it possible to break through their common ceiling/floor to install an elevator without tearing the house apart. Most impressively, all the modifications added just 2 percent to the cost of the house.

Resource Conservation House
Next door is the Resource Conservation House, built with materials that conserve the nation's resources. These include: a cast-in-place foundation system utilizing insulation panels made partly from recycled plastic; roof panels made from recycled computer housing; photovoltaic panels for generating electricity from sunlight, built into the housing of a garden swing; and a ground-source heat pump that draws on the steady, 55-degree temperature five feet below the surface of the earth to heat and cool the house.

The 21st Century Townhouses
Across the street, four townhouses are under construction. They are the 21st Century Townhouses and will feature two themes: using alternatives to lumber in house building and advanced energy efficiency.

Key features include: preinsulated foundation panels; lightweight aerated concrete units that can be cut with a handsaw; steel framing and roofs; spray-applied modified urethane foam insulation that contains no CFCs, and photovoltaic panels made in the form of roof shingles.

What happens to all of these products and ideas? Those that pass the tests of research and demonstration head toward the mainstream of U.S. house building. The Research Center plays a major role in keeping the path between new and better products and ideas (and their use in U.S. houses) direct and short.

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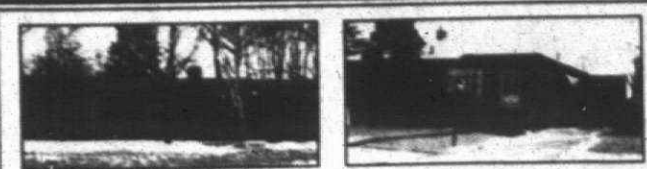
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BUILDERS CONVENTION
The Michigan Association of Home Builders holds its annual convention Feb. 15-17 at the East Lansing Marriott Hotel. Twenty-two seminars are scheduled under the theme "Take the Next Step." Cost is \$170 for members, \$220 for non-members. To register, call Chris English at (800) 748-0432.

REMERICA TRAINING
Plymouth-based Remerica Real Estate recently held a relocation referral certification class which 61 agents from 19 offices attended. The two-day seminar was presented by the Women's Council of Realtors.

Get the lead out of drinking water

The beautiful old house you just bought to renovate and fill with character may also have tap water loaded with lead. Many people are aware of lead in older paint, but may not be aware of lead in older plumbing that can contaminate drinking water and have permanent effects on physical and mental health.

A recent trend indicates that younger house buyers lean toward certain elements of charm and character in a house, qualities such as hardwood floors, high ceilings and archways that are mainly found in older houses. Unfortunately, these older houses and apartments built before 1930 are very likely to have older plumbing. Older plumbing used solder that has a high lead content, which can leach lead and cause high concentrations of lead in drinking water. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has found that lead in drinking water is one of the leading sources of lead in the bloodstream, contributing to 20 percent of total lead exposure for an average person.

Most drinking water is naturally lead free. Lead leaches into water when it sits in a house's pipes. Unfortunately, lead is a colorless, odorless, tasteless hazard, and the full extent of its harmful effects are not yet known.

For infants and children, the effects of lead ingestion can begin with premature birth and low birth weight. Lead poisoning can also be linked with slowed mental and physical growth, decreased intelligence and other measures of cognitive function, such as attention span. Anyone at any age can experience damage to the nervous system, red blood cells and kidneys, elevated blood pressure and hearing loss.

Those most at risk include infants, children under age six, pregnant women and adults exposed to lead in their workplace. Children are at the highest risk of lead ingestion because they play in the dust and dirt, put things in their mouths, and drink a higher percentage of liquids. Their bodies are small and tend to absorb more lead into their bloodstreams. Infants and toddlers can be at higher risk due to juices and formula mixed with water.

Recent studies by Harvard University doctors at a lead poisoning clinic in Boston found that the primary source of lead in the bloodstream of about 15 percent of lead-poisoned infants treated at the clinic was from lead-tainted drinking water used to make formula.

The EPA has set a lead limit of 15 parts per billion (ppb). Reaching or exceeding this limit forces public water systems to reduce and monitor lead levels, and notify the public of elevated lead levels. To illustrate how small 15 ppb is, consider that 1 ppb is about equal to 1 drop in 36,000 gallons of water. Just fifteen drops in a large swimming pool would reach the lead action level. This shows how toxic lead is, even in very small quantities.

Fortunately, simple tests, performed by an independent water testing lab, can determine the lead level and overall water quality in your house. Once you know whether lead exists, there are several ways to reduce or remove it, thus improving water quality.

One of the easiest ways to reduce lead levels is to let your tap water run cold for 30-60 seconds to flush out any lead that has leached into water standing in the pipes. Hot water tends to draw out more lead so if you need hot water, the best idea is to take cold water from the tap and boil it on the stove.

To ensure that lead is being removed from tap water, you can install a lead-removing water filter. If you purchase a lead-removing filter, be sure to work with a reputable company that can help you decide which system is best for you," said Dick Elliott, president of EcoWater Systems, the world's largest manufacturer of residential water treatment systems. "Ask whether the product has a seal of approval from a recognized independent testing lab. Also ask if there are performance data sheets giving detailed breakdowns of exactly how much lead and other contaminants are removed by filtration. Finally, ask about the refund policy in the event you decide to return the filter. Some companies offer a no-questions-asked refund policy up to 90 days after purchase."

There are three primary types of lead-removing filters. The first is an ion-exchange filter, which is the least expensive and removes lead by filtering water through a resin that breaks down and absorbs impurities, including lead. A distillation system raises the water temperature to boiling, turns the water into vapor and leaves contaminants behind. The water vapor enters a condenser where it returns to a liquid state. This system is moderately priced and removes up to 95 percent of all contaminants.

Reverse osmosis filtering systems force pressurized water through a semipermeable membrane with microscopic pores. This membrane rejects contaminants suspended in water. While these are the most expensive option, they remove up to 98 percent of the lead.

So, as you're inspecting your new house for authentic woodwork and high-quality hardwood floors, be sure you also check those water pipes. Not everything crafted in the old days is better, some things need to be brought up to date.

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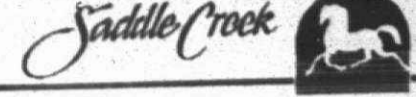
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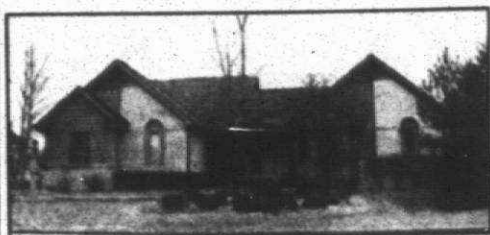
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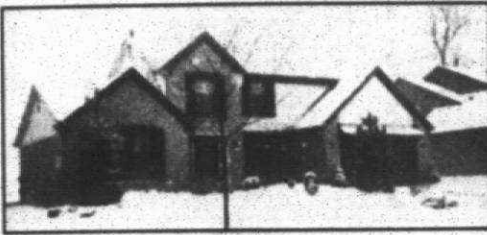
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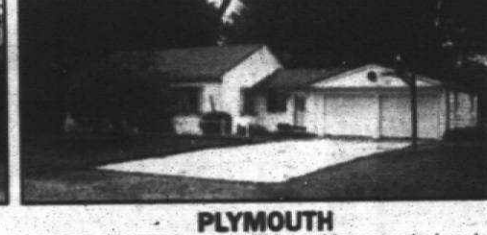
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Chase Farms offers a builders' showcase of styles

If you can't find a plan you like from the four residential builders at Chase Farms in Novi — Superb Homes, Stewart Homes, Scaccia Building and Potach Homes — you must be one fussy prospect.

Combined, they offer 26 plans, all with different exterior elevations at the large subdivision off Eight Mile between Meadowbrook and Novi roads.

Prices start at \$325,000 and go upwards through the middle and upper \$300,000 range. Work started in the development about 4½ years ago and it's about two thirds sold out. Some 330 houses will dot the landscape when completed.

"At this point, it has an excellent reputation because of the fact we've built so many beautiful homes," said Stuart L. Michaelson of Stewart Homes.

"We pay a lot of attention to detail," said Al Kligman of Superb.

"We give you value and quality for a house," said Harry Potach.

"It's a place you really want to raise your kids," said John Scaccia. "Homeowners have activities planned all year."

"Even though we're competitors, there's a spirit of cooperation among the builders," Michaelson added.

All four builders offer the same basic amenities as part of their standard prices.

Those include three-car garage, air conditioning, fireplace, first floor laundry, basement, and an appliance package consisting of double oven, cooktop, microwave and dishwasher.

Floating vanities in powder rooms, whirlpool tubs, curved staircases, kitchen islands and crown moldings also are standard on most plans.

Each of the builders has an on-site model.

Superb showcases its Franklin plan, a 3,400-square-foot two-story that carries a base price of \$364,900.

The model features a living room with cathedral ceiling, formal dining room, kitchen/eating nook, study and family room.

The upstairs master with a pan ceiling has a dual sink vanity with make-up/dressing area, separate tub and shower and two walk-in closets.

Two of the other three upstairs bedrooms have walk-in closets, one a cathedral ceiling. The second upstairs bath also has a separate tub and shower.

The on-site model with a finished basement, landscaping and



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Stuart L. Michaelson
Stewart Homes

an extra fireplace, is priced at about \$430,000.

"The floor plan really maximizes space," said Richard S. Kligman, Superb vice president.

Scaccia presents the Huron plan, a colonial of 3,550 square feet.

This model contains a living room, study, family room with two-story ceiling, formal dining room, butler's pantry with wet bar and kitchen/eating nook.

Two separate staircases lead to the second floor, which features a loft area and bonus closet in addition to the master and three other bedrooms.

The master has a pan ceiling, dual sink vanity with dressing area, separate tub and shower and walk-in closet.

"What people like best about our house is the back staircase," Scaccia said. "We have a computer on site. If a customer wants changes, we can show them right here."

The Huron's base price is \$364,000. With upgrades, the model is priced at \$424,000.

Stewart's Ashbury, 3,000 square feet, places a living room, dining room, kitchen/eating nook, family room with cathedral ceiling, den and an optional sunroom on the main floor.

All four bedrooms are upstairs.

The master has a cathedral ceiling, separate tub and shower, dual sink vanity with sitting area and walk-in closet. The second full bath upstairs has a step-up tub/shower combination.

"This has been an excellent seller," said Linda K. Skiba, marketing director for Stewart. "It's a traditional floor plan and has a



Chase Farms: Luxury houses like this, constructed by Potach Homes, are typical of the work of the four builders in Novi's Chase Farms.

real nice flow to it."

The base price is \$341,900, \$358,400 with the sunroom.

Potach features the Concord, a two-story of 3,500 square feet.

The main level has a curved staircase off the foyer and a separate way up off the family room, living room, dining room, kitchen/nook, family room, study and a mud room between the garage, laundry and kitchen.

The upstairs master has a separate tub and shower, two separate vanities, two walk-in closets and cathedral ceiling.

Three other bedrooms are upstairs. The second full bath also has a separate tub and shower.

"People love the floor plan, they love the openness," Potach said.

Base price is \$379,900. The model, with upgrades, would go for about \$400,000.

Typical buyers at Chase Farms

have built new before. They have children. Both parents work outside the home in a good percentage of households. The subdivision is popular with executive transferees.

Another reason for the sub's popularity is freeway access to I-275 and from there to I-96 and I-696.

Exterior construction materials must be brick, wood or stone. Vinyl and aluminum siding aren't allowed.

Chase Farms is serviced by city water and sewers. It's in the Novi schools. The property tax rate is \$36.29 per \$1,000 of state equalized valuation, half of market value.

That means the owners of a \$350,000 house there would pay \$6,350 the first year.

An annual association fee not to exceed \$125 per house is expected down the line.

'It's a place you really want to raise your kids. Homeowners have activities planned all year.'

John Scaccia
Scaccia Builders

Models at Chase Farms are 348-3288, Stewart at (810) 380-6161, Superb at (810) 380-5440 and Potach at (810) 348-9125. Scaccia can be reached at (810)



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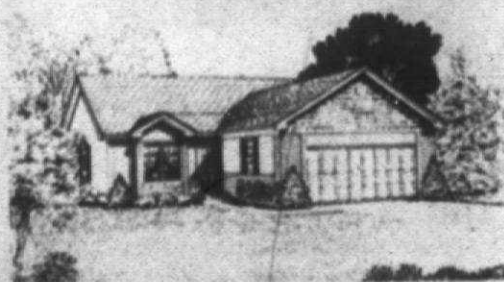
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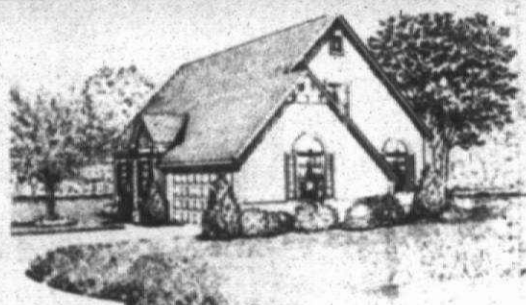
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Group warns home equity loans can be costly

Americans are sinking deeper into debt, even risking losing their homes, as banks promote home equity loans and lines of credit, warns Mirada Home Strategies, a national consumer education group for homeowners.

"Right now, banks are luring more and more homeowners into taking out home equity loans, claiming these loans are easy and smart," said Dan Lieberman, director of Mirada Home Strategies.

"To homeowners, this extra money is as tempting as getting dozens of new credit cards. But now, instead of being overextended on a \$2,000 credit limit, you have a debt of \$50,000," Lieberman said. "And if you can't pay it back, you can lose everything — including your home."

Home equity loans are used for a variety of purposes including home improvements, college education and consolidation of personal debt. Interest is tax deductible, offsetting income subject to taxation.

But you have to be careful, Lieberman maintained. Consumers can wind up paying much more than they initially expect despite advertisements of easy,

low minimum payments.

"Transforming a short-term debt into a long-term debt using a home equity loan can be very expensive and dangerous," he said. Lieberman suggests three action steps.

■ Forget the lender's repayment schedule. Set your own. Use your credit line wisely. Pay off as soon as you can. By not stretching the loan out longer, you can save hundreds of dollars in interest.

■ Make your line of credit tougher to use. If your bank offers you credit card access to your credit line, don't take it. Use the loan

only for what you intended. Leave the equity line checkbook at home to combat impulse spending.

■ Don't be swayed by the need for tax deductions. Given the choice between no deduction or a deduction, the deductible expense is always better. But no expense is better than both. Only when you must spend money are tax breaks important.

Mirada Home Strategies offers a 32-page, step-by-step booklet — the *Insiders Guide to Home Equity Loans* — to help consumers learn risks, save money and protect their houses. Cost is \$5.

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A free supplemental booklet, *Your Home Equity Shopping List*, is included with the guide. To order, write Mirada Home Strategies, 75 Vernon St. Suite 100, Oakland, Calif., 94610.

Window Savers keep out draft

Since winter has arrived in full fury with bitter cold temperatures and winds, we're more likely to notice drafty windows.

Now, homeowners and remodelers have a clear choice in kits for making inside storm windows.

New Window Savers replace the old single-use, stretched film kits with long-life Plexiglass panels, or other brand of acrylic plastic, held firmly in place with magnetic strips like those closing refrigerator doors.

"Our design eliminates the annual hassle of stretching plastic film over drafty windows to keep a home comfortable," said Prescott Behn, president of Window Saver Co. in Massachusetts.

"What's more, because Window Savers are inexpensive and reusable, they usually pay for themselves in a season or two. This is especially true in buildings having single-glazed or drafty windows, where annual energy savings of 40 percent are possible," Behn said.

Window Savers' magnets create an airtight seal that prevents drafts and condensation regardless of expansion or contraction in the Plexiglass.

They also permit seasonal mounting and removal in mere seconds per window. Mounting can be on the casing or wall inside the room or to supporting cleats tacked inside the window opening.

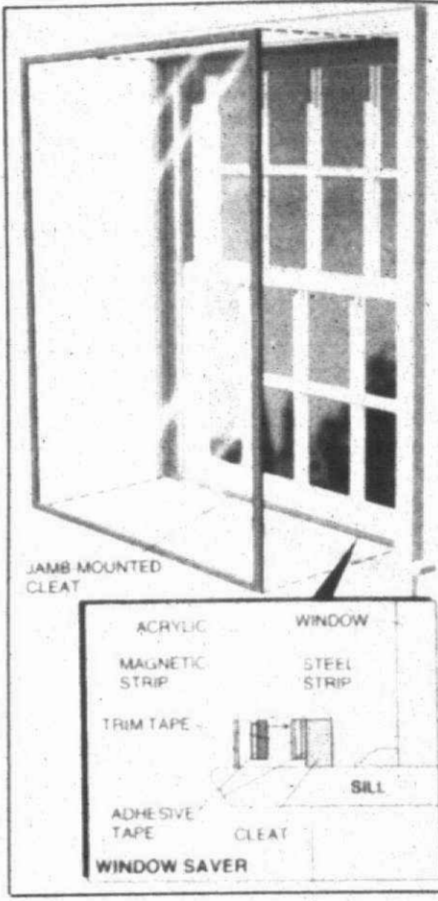
The advantage of building your own inside storm windows is primarily much lower cost with no penalty in performance, the company maintains.

A 30-by-48 inch Window Saver costs as little as \$16, plus 1/4-inch Plexiglass bought locally by the kit builder for about \$20.

By contrast, custom-made inside storm windows work the same way and perform no better but can cost three or more times as much, Window Saver claims.

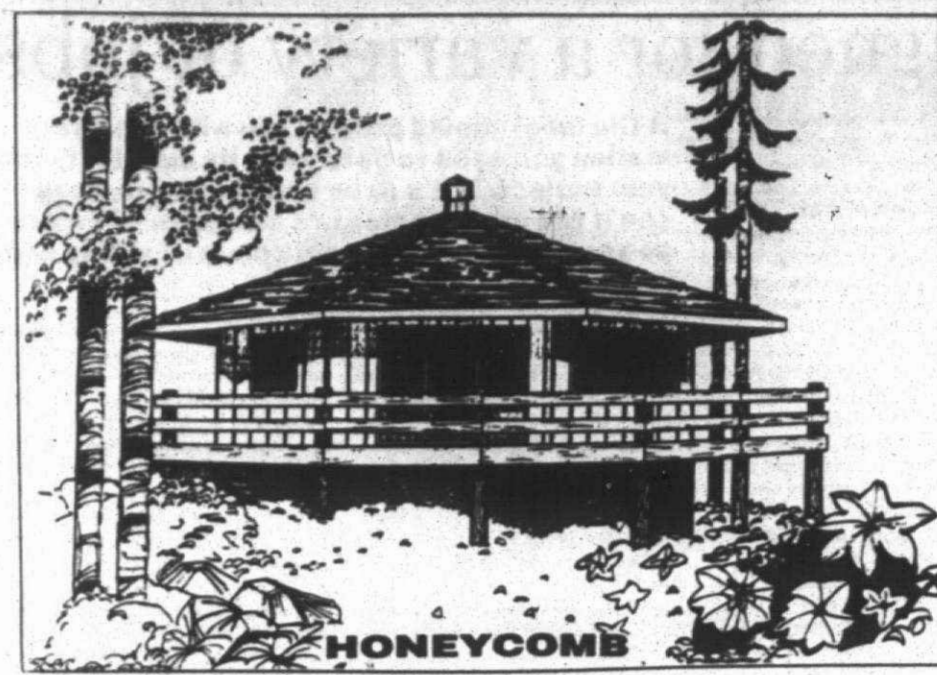
The kits come with illustrated instructions.

Materials are supplied as coils of rubber magnet, galvanized steel, two-sided foam adhesive tape and trim tape — everything needed for installation except the Plexiglass.



Window Saver: There is an alternative to stretching plastic film over inside windows to reduce drafts.

For more information, call Behn at (800) 321-9276 or write Window Saver, 177 East Riding Drive, Carlisle, Mass., 01741.



The Honeycomb: This eight-sided cottage fits nicely into a seaside, mountain or woodland setting. It's an ideal summer get-a-way.

Honeycomb is cozy cottage

The Honeycomb is a delightful and cozy cottage for seaside, mountain or valley property. It nestles easily into its natural surroundings and is therefore an ideal leisure home for use as a vacation cabin, retirement home, or residence for a small family.

The unique eight-sided structure allows a complete 360 degree view of the majestic country side or shore property and has a deck set up on posts around five of those eight sides as another of its distinctive features. Enjoyment of the outdoors while providing a cozy retreat from its rigors is the main theme of the livable Honeycomb.

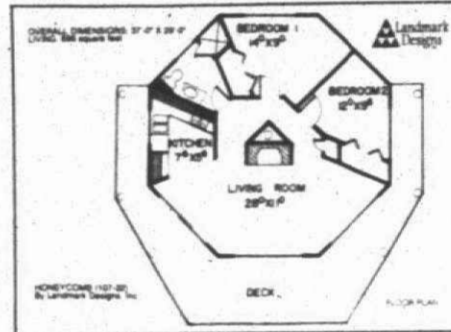
Inside the many-sided home, through the sliding glass doors from the deck, we find the large, light-filled living room which offers quite a panoramic view. Centrally located in this area is a masonry fireplace where friends and family may gather after skiing, fishing, or any activity, in the warmth of hearth and home.

Adjacent to the 308 square foot living area is the convenient and efficient kitchen whose small work triangle between sink, refrigerator, and range saves steps as well as time.

Next to the kitchen is the family-sized bathroom which boasts of a trapezoidal shower and plenty of floor space. The main bedroom is located next to the bathroom and is comfortable in size, unique in shape and offers a large closet for storage. The same can be said for the second bedroom which is only

slightly smaller in size and holds its own unique shape.

The honey comb is cozy small as its name suggests; yet it also is efficient in its space and therefore quite comfortable for those who love the outdoors as the Honeycomb is for the honeybees.



Easy living: The layout for the Honeycomb is simple but efficient and includes everything needed for vacation relaxation.

For a study kit of the HONEYCOMB (107-32), send \$10.00, to Landmark Designs, P.O. BOX 2307-OE48, Eugene, OR 97402 (Be sure to specify plan name & number) For a collection of plan books featuring our most popular home plans, send \$20 to Landmark, or call 1-800-562-1151.

New appliances are energy efficient

Many homeowners want to make their kitchens as environmentally friendly as possible. But, according to Whirlpool home economists, remodeling "green" doesn't mean you have to give up all the conveniences or time-saving features you have come to expect. Many of today's appliances are more energy efficient than you realize.

No doubt about it, since refrigerators run all the time, they do use more energy than other appliances. But you may be surprised to learn how much more energy efficient they have become in recent years. In 1972, the average frost-free refrigerator used 1,986 kilowatt-hours per year. By 1994, that number had dropped to only about 700 kilowatt-hours per year — a real savings on the utility bill.

Study the yellow EnergyGuide labels when you shop to make sure you're getting the "greenest" refrigerator. These labels, mandatory on all major refrigerators beginning in 1995, give you the product's annual energy usage in kilowatt-hours of electricity and make for easy comparisons.

But, say Whirlpool home economists, if you are truly concerned about the environment, your best bet is one of the new CFC-free refrigerator systems.

CFCs are chemicals believed to deplete the ozone layer, the part of the atmosphere that protects the earth's surface from ultraviolet radiation. For years the chemical has been used in both the sealed refrigeration system and foam insulation of refrigerators. However, a 1993 contest sponsored by the Super Efficient Refrigerator Program (SERP), a nonprofit corporation of public and private utilities, helped bring the first energy-efficient CFC-free refrigerator system to the market.

These SERP refrigerators not only have all the features of other refrigerators, but 1995 models also beat 19 federal efficiency requirements by much as 41%!

Dishwashers are another appliance that

many consumers believe are bad for the environment. However, report Whirlpool home economists, the reality is that hand-washing dishes uses an average of 5.8 gallons of water more than a fully loaded dishwasher. An Ohio State University study showed that washing eight place settings and serving pieces by hand used an average of 16 gallons of water. In comparison, the normal cycle, the most commonly used cycle on a new dishwasher, uses approximately 7 gallons — less than half the water of hand washing.

And, like with refrigerators, a newer dishwasher is going to reap you the benefits of newer energy standards. All dishwashers produced after May 14, 1994, are required to use no more than 2.17 kilowatt-hours per wash cycle, an improvement of about 25 percent over previous standards. These new machines also use less water than older ones.

To further cut energy costs, the home economists at Whirlpool suggest choosing a dishwasher with internal heating — it ups temperatures to grease-dissolving levels so the machine doesn't place extra demands on your hot water heater.

Looking for other areas in the kitchen where you can help the environment? How about a trash compactor or in-sink garbage disposer to help reduce the volume of trash that you send to the land fill. Also, why not set up a recycling center in your kitchen? Consider buying or building cabinets with separate bins to help make sorting items easier. By locating these cabinets near the kitchen's back door or door leading to the garage, you minimize the effort required to get recyclables out of the house and to the recycling center.

So, forget the idea that you can't have a wonderful, new kitchen, full of all the conveniences you've dreamed about and still be a good friend to Mother Earth. Today, you can have the best of both worlds!

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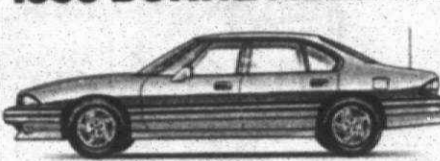
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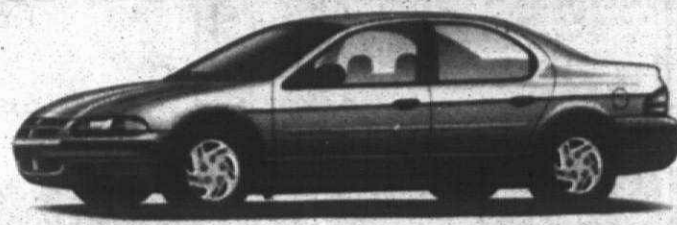
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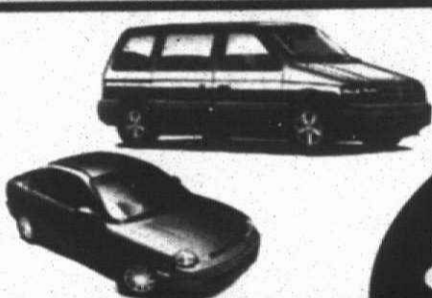
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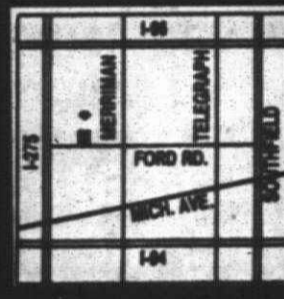


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