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Recall effort goes 'on hold' pending results of appeal

By Sandra Armbruster
editor

Phyllis Runlon is "putting on hold for a month or so, maybe a couple of months," her efforts to recall two state legislators from Westland.

Runlon's attempt to recall Senate Majority Leader William Faust and State Rep. Justine Barns, both Democrats who voted for an income tax hike, have been stalled by numerous court appeals.

"On top of that, who wants to circulate petitions during the holidays?" she asked.

Calling those who are helping her a "bunch of grass-roots people," Runlon said it would take about 6,000 signatures of registered voters to force a recall election for Barns and about 18,000 signatures for Faust.

After having petition language rejected several times by the county election commission and losing the battle in Circuit Court, Runlon was finally successful in getting approval to circulate petitions that state the entire tax hike provision.

"The Democrats say it's not clear, but they demanded that it be on there. Now they say it's unclear," Runlon said. "Their attorney goes into court and argues both ways depending on what's convenient at the time."

Last fall, attorneys for the Democrats had requested an emergency appeal to the Supreme Court on the petition issue. The appeal was rejected and the case is now in the state Court of Appeals.

RUNLON SAID that she had been agreeable to an emergency appeal because "it appears the Democrats will go all the way in protecting these legislators." Appealing to the Supreme Court would have avoided "dragging out" the case, she said.

"They've filed appeals as a stalling tactic, and we don't want to fall into that," Runlon added.

The process has left Runlon "discontent or dissatisfied with the justice system."

Runlon believes that the Circuit Court "had no right to rule on the fairness of the petitions," and she says that the same language that she was prohibited from using was used on petitions to recall two state senators in Oakland County.

"Wayne County hasn't been as fair to people as they have been in Oakland County," said Runlon, who belongs to a coalition of recall organizations that met recently to celebrate the two successes in Oakland County.

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MARGENE JOHNSTON/staff photographer

Snuggling up

Jennifer Tolsdorf, 4, snuggles up to this life-size bovine, part of the nativity scene on the grounds of Westland City Hall. Jennifer and her family were on hand for the city's annual Christmas tree lighting ceremony Monday night. For the story and more pictures, see page 3A.

Council urges mayor to act on expansion

By Sandra Armbruster
and Mary Klemic
staff writers

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Councilwoman Nancy Neal voted against the resolution at the Dec. 5 regular meeting. Councilmen Charles "Trav" Griffin and A. Kent Herbert were absent.

A CITIZENS committee recommended that a portion of the \$400,000 reprogrammed from previous years' Community Development Block Grant funds be set aside for the Friendship Center expansion.

The committee, the Community Development Citizens Advisory Committee, made its recommendation after a public hearing in June 1983. The city council allocated \$240,000 for the expansion the following month.

"Nearly five months later, the mayor and/or administration has made no progress to implement council's directive to construct aforementioned expansion," the resolution states.

The mayor, however, had appointed his own study committee to review the proposal. The committee met only once during August.

In the meantime, the Community Development Commission reconsidered its recommendation, calling unanimously in November for a maximum \$10,000 expenditure for a study of senior citizen needs. That move resulted in charges and counter charges that some say could threaten the future of citizen committees in Westland. (See separate story, page 2A.)

The administration has "dragged its feet" on the subject, Councilman Robert Wagner said.

"This is only to spur the administration," he said.

NEAL WANTED to amend the reso-

lution so that the bids wouldn't exceed \$240,000, "as originally proposed," she said. However, her motion to amend the resolution died for lack of support.

"I would like to specifically state that my vote is a reflection of the lack of this council to set a definitive limit," Neal commented after the 4-1 vote. "There is no limit and no parameters to what this council is willing to expend for that expansion."

"To complete it would take more funds next year," Wagner admitted. "The \$240,000 will not do all the things we want it to do."

"There is no way you can set a limit at this time," Council President Thomas Artley said. "We set a limit in 1977 for \$51,000 on the Rowe House. It's really hard to set a limit today."

"We've always set a limit, and made transfers if we had to," Neal responded.

THE MAYOR said that his concerns about the project include that it would cost "much more than" the \$240,000 allocated.

"That's just for the shell. It doesn't include equipment and doesn't address the parking situation," Pickering explained.

"There is hardly enough parking during the day now."

Pickering said he was "not happy with the way the committee (that he appointed) was conducting itself." He said that it appeared that everyone except Deborah Block-Tollison, parks and recreation director, had made up his mind on what was needed.

"I have not met with them for a couple of months, and I'll have to see if I'll continue the committee," he said.

The mayor noted that the Community Development Advisory Commission wanted a study on "what are the true needs of seniors, and I still feel that's what has to be done."

BUT WAGNER criticized the mayor for saying "we need another committee to study the other committee."

"We've already got a committee. Why do we need another one?" Wagner asked, noting that the Commission on Aging had rejected the proposal for a \$10,000 study.

"So the council feels that if the Com-

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City plans Warren sewer line

The Westland City Council has reprogrammed \$5,200 in Community Development funds for a sanitary sewer line project at Warren Road.

The council had approved the project for \$5,100, an estimate given by the in-house contractor. A complete cost estimate — including the addition of one manhole, additional sewer construction, air testing and engineering — totals \$10,300.

Completion of the project will bring relief to residents along Warren Road

who had feared they would lose their homes after the county health department ruled that their septic lines must be disconnected from a line leading directly into the Rouge River. The improper connection was discovered during planning for the widening and repaving of Warren Road.

Eugene Hudson, community development program director, suggested at Monday's regular council meeting that the funds be reprogrammed from the Adams Swale Enclosure, also called

the Alberta Drainage Ditch, which was approved by the city council Nov. 7 for \$9,086.

ALSO AT the meeting, the council increased, by 1 1/4 feet, the height limit of a sign at the Wayne Plaza Shopping Center, 8042 Wayne Road, north of Cowan. When the council approved the site plan six months ago, the maximum sign height was set at 14 feet.

Mike Nelson of The Sign Place asked the council to increase the height of the

sign by 4 1/4 feet. It would then reach a total height of 18 1/4 feet and be 138 square feet in size. Nelson requested a seven-foot clearance from the bottom of the sign.

A larger sign is needed at the shopping center entrance because the buildings are set back from the street, Nelson said. He said a low sign will block the buildings, endanger traffic and be subject to vandalism.

Eleven stores will be on the property, but eight signs will be sufficient for those businesses, Nelson said.

However, the council voted to follow the recommendations of the planning department. The department recommended that if the sign was to be increased, it be to a maximum height of 15 1/2 feet. It also recommended that the sign size be reduced to not more than 90 square feet.



DAN DEAN/staff photographer

Meow

These cool cats will be among the 20 members of John Glenn High School's Dance Company performing in this week's presentation of "Legs — A Dance Concert." Dancing to the score from the musical "Cats" will be Cindy Shoritt (front row, left) and Sheri Buckley, Sandy Allwood

(back row, left), Teri Proffitt, Katy Dall and Kelly Featherston. Performances are at 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday at the Glenn auditorium, Marquette west of Wayne Road. Tickets are \$2 at the door.

Be wary

'Tis the season for con games

By Mary Klemic
staff writer

'Tis the season to be wary.

It's a busy time of year, and the thoughts of many people are of holiday preparations and goodwill to men. But Westland police warn the public to watch out for several types of con games that often show up at this time.

Strip malls and shopping centers are frequently scenes of con games against the elderly, says Westland Police Sgt. Leonard Goodlesky. In the "pigeon drop" scam, the con artist approaches the victim and claims to have found some money. The con artist will try to talk the victim to put up some of his own cash as a sign of good faith, then switch the money with cut paper or play money.

"You don't get something for nothing. You should direct them to the security officer, or have them go into a store and call the police," Goodlesky advised.

WHEN SOLICITED for a contribution to a charity, those in doubt should call the charitable organization and ask, Goodlesky says. He says that a person should look the number up in the phone book instead of asking the collector, as a false collector could give the phone number of an accomplice. Collectors should have some type of identification, he says.

"You could mail the money, by check, directly to the organization," Goodlesky said. "A check is the record of your contribution."

Persons who advertise items in trading newspapers should be cautious in accepting money orders from "buyers," Goodlesky says. Stolen money orders and ones that have been altered have been passed in Westland by people who answer the ads.

"(The seller) is out the merchandise, and has pieces of worthless paper," Goodlesky said.

ADVERTISERS CAN take some precautions, according to police. These include:

- Don't accept a money order after normal business hours. Money orders presented during the day can be checked out.

- Ask for some identification, preferably a driver's license and vehicle registration.

- Look at the vehicle the caller arrives and leaves in, to see that it matches the registration.

It's easy for shoppers to be distracted and forget about their purses, Goodlesky says.

"They should make sure they always have the purse with them," he said. "Keep physical contact with the purse. If they pay with a credit card, make sure they have it back from the clerk."

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Committee member charges council harassment

By Claude Howarth

Alleged "harassment" by a Westland city councilman has led to the resignation of a member of a city advisory board in a dispute that the member claims could affect the future of all such groups.

Claude Howard, a Realtor, has re-

signed from the board of directors of the Economic Development Advisory Committee and from the Community Development Advisory Commission.

"All recommendations (from citizen groups) mean literally nothing," Howard said. "Money is dispersed totally politically. So what function does a committee have?"

A resident and longtime businessman

in the community, Howard submitted his resignation to the mayor in a letter dated Nov. 19. In his letter, Howard said that the "politics in this community has deteriorated to the point that I feel it is detrimental to my health and business to be a part of the bureaucracy even in such a small degree."

HOWARD SAID he decided to resign

after Councilman Robert Wagner phoned Howard's co-worker, Beverly Stanton, who represents the Westland Chamber of Commerce on the advisory commission.

"It was harassment," charged Stanton. "He didn't call to say why did you make that decision? He can lobby, but there's a difference between lobbying and harassment."

Howard added that if all council members made such phone calls to committee members, it would "destroy the system" of asking for input from residents.

Wagner admits making the phone call, but denies that there was any harassment.

Wagner reportedly called to dispute a unanimous vote of the commission, reconsidering its earlier call for the allocation of \$240,000 to expand the senior Friendship Center. According to Eugene Hudson, director of the federal programs, the commission called for an "independent" \$10,000 study of senior citizen needs in the community.

Hudson added that the advisory role of the commission is required by legislation governing the use of federal block grant funds. The city council,

however, makes the final determination on fund use.

"We thought we were doing it (recommending expansion) originally on information that was well-founded, but in talking further we found that facilities were available, but there was a big problem of coordination," Stanton explained. "If we feel we've made a mistake and want to correct it, we have that right."

"He (Wagner) said the mayor told me to do it. I never discussed it with the mayor."

WAGNER CONTENTS, however, that he "merely called and told her that the council had already made up its mind. We weren't going to go back and take another \$8,000 to \$10,000 for a study."

The councilman called the proposed study a "stalling, delaying tactic," and Wagner said that he had been asked by the council to make the call to Stanton to convey the council's position.

"So the council feels that if the Community Development Advisory Commission didn't do its homework, shame on them," he said.



Suspect sought

Westland police are seeking this man in connection with a first degree criminal sexual conduct charge involving two 14-year-old girls at Adams Junior High School last week. The man is described as white, in his late 20s to early 30s and 5 feet 7. He has a heavy build with a "beer belly," medium brown curly hair, mustache and a deep voice.

Expansion costs worry mayor

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Community Development Advisory Commission cannot do its homework, then shame on them," he continued. "We (the council) did our homework, and we feel it's needed."

"The mayor is just dragging his feet."

Pickering agreed with the council that parking could be expanded behind the Rowe House adjacent to the Friendship Center. The land could be cleared of trees at a profit to the city, according to the mayor, but clearing the area of stumps would be costly.

BUT THE MAYOR objects to criti-

clism from council members like Wagner who claim the city is spending \$218,000 to renovate the Rowe House while objecting to the Friendship Center's expansion.

"The only reason they're making that comparison is because I supported the Rowe House even before I became mayor," said Pickering. "It's a totally separate project. There's no comparison. They (the buildings) have different functions, and they're (council's) figures are way out of line."

Pickering said the Rowe House's renovation has cost \$46,000 in Community Development funds and \$60,000 in a Comprehensive Employment Training

Act grant. "He said that all other services were either paid for by the Wayne-Westland Arts Association or were covered by in-kind work performed by Wayne-Westland Community Schools."

The cost of operating an expanded senior citizen center also concerns the mayor.

"You can't just build it and operate with no money," he said. "Community Development funds have been used for two years to operate it, but the new regulations say that in 1985 only 10 percent of the funds can be used for public services."

"Where will we make cuts?"

Court case

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"It just doesn't seem right to me that they give themselves this authority," she added.

THE OPPOSITION she has encountered has made Runion all the more determined to meet her goal.

"When I got into this, I wasn't sure I would do it. But when the election commission put up such a protective front, I got mad," she explained. "Every legislator has to be accountable for his actions — not to the election commission, but to the people." Runion accuses the Democrats of "hiding in court."

"If they can really justify the tax increase, why aren't they willing to do it? Why won't they face the public at the polls?"

Now Runion says that Faust is "trying to void the recall process" by suggesting that legislators facing recall resign and run for election to fill their vacant office.

"They still haven't gotten the message," she said.

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Sara Felix, 7, seems delighted to talk with Santa when he appeared in Westland Monday night. Santa shook hands with youngsters, heard their requests and gave them candy canes.



Norm Logan (right) leads the John Glenn High School band as it performs several Christmas songs on the steps of City Hall.



Kale Leftwich, 1, appears to be caught up in the holiday spirit as the youngster sits near Baby Jesus in the city's nativity scene.

Ho-ho-ho!

Santa comes to town as trees are lit

"It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas."

That may have been the tune running through the minds of Westlanders Monday night as the city's annual Christmas tree lighting ceremony took place near City Hall, on Ford Road between Wayne and Newburgh roads.

The ceremony featured music and an appearance by Gene "Santa" Reeves. Among some 250 persons present were members of the Westland City Council, city officials and state Rep. Justine Barns.

PUBLIC SERVICES director Henry Lundquist, recreation supervisor Ina Matzo and Darlene Artley, the wife of council president Thomas Artley, led the crowd in singing several holiday melodies on the steps of City Hall. They were accompanied by the John Glenn High School band, under the direction of Norm Logan.

Mayor Charles Pickering announced the winners of the parks and recreation department's second Christmas card contest and presented those present with certificates. The winners were called up front and their prize-winning

cards were shown to the group.

Amy Kumm, 10, and Ricky Downey, 9, were named first- and second-place winners, respectively, in the fourth-through-sixth-grade category. Amy is in the fifth grade at Edison School, while Ricky is in the fourth grade at Hamilton School. Jessica Adams and Michael Obyrcki, both 8 years old and in the first grade at Hamilton, were named first- and second-place winners, respectively, in the kindergarten-through-third-grade category.

Santa arrived in an open white car. He was escorted by a police car, its siren blaring and lights flashing.

Santa circled the area, waving to the excited group from the vehicle, then walked through the city hall building and led the crowd in a hearty rendition of "Jingle Bells." The mayor welcomed Santa to Westland and gave him the key to the city.

PICKERING AND Kip Martin of the Tri-City Therapeutic Program then threw a switch, and hundreds of tree lights along Ford Road, in front of City Hall, burst into color.

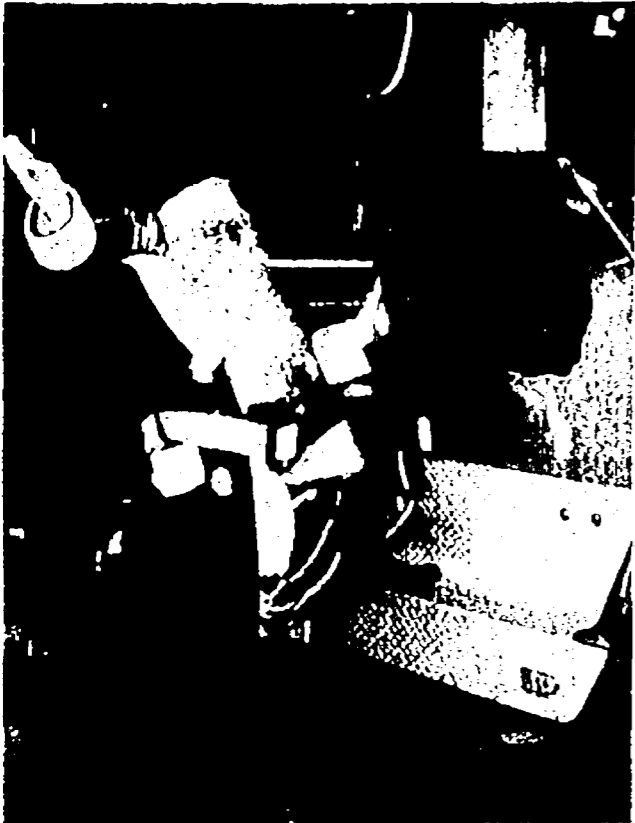
After the trees were lit, children of

all ages swarmed over to fire station No. 1 for some hot chocolate and cookies and a chance to talk with Santa. Seated on a special throne, Santa shook hands with the youngsters, heard their Christmas requests and gave them candy canes.

Young volunteers from the parks and recreation department lent helping hands at the fire station. Steve Arcuragi and Lynn McCormick, both 14, handed out Santa candy canes. Michael Kotowski, 14, Jeff Kotowski, 12, Eddie Stoll, 14, Nick Matzo, 15, and Dean Matzo, 12, gave out cookies and hot chocolate.



Kip Martin pulls the switch that turned on the tree lights.



Gene "Santa" Reeves waves to the excited crowd that came to see him as he visited Westland. He received the key to the city and greeted youngsters of all ages.



A string of lights on one of the trees along Ford Road fascinates Luke Leftwich, 3, (left) Jennifer Tolsdorf, 4, Danny Tolsdorf, 8, Marty Leftwich, 5, and David Tolsdorf, 5.

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"Here Comes Santa Claus" is playing as carolers watch Santa arrive at the scene.

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Autism week marked as students enjoy new 'home'

As National Autism Week is observed this week, the developmental learning program in Garden City, center of a Wayne County program, is getting comfortable in a new home.

When it became apparent that the Vogel Center on Henry Ruff near Marquette, needed major repairs, the school district decided to move the two programs, Vogel and Marquette, to the vacant Burger Junior High School building, south and east of the Ford-Merriman intersection.

Burger Center now houses more than 200 autistic impaired students in the children's program (12 and younger) and the adolescent/adult program (13-26 years).

A school spokeswoman said children diagnosed as autistic impaired have difficulty relating to people, events and objects. Language, speech and communication may not develop normally. Autistic children respond differently to stimuli, such as sound or movement, exhibit repetitive behaviors, such as rocking or staring, and show stereotyped play patterns.

Autism is a lifelong disability believed to be related to a chemical imbalance in the brain. It is more prevalent in males than females.

The developmental learning program (DLP) is unique to Wayne County and services all 36 school districts, including Detroit, the spokeswoman said. Program funding comes from coun-

ty, state and federal sources.

The program's new home offers the same basic facility as did Vogel and Marquette, according to Angus McMillan, director. The benefits of combining the program have been rewarding to both students and staff, he said.

ONE BENEFIT has been the transition of the younger students to the adolescent program. Staff members are now able to work together to ease the move for the child and relieve many anxieties, McMillan added.

The strongest benefit, according to McMillan and his counterpart, Judith A. Gapp, director of the adolescent/adult program, has been the relationship of the two staffs.

Sharing professional ideas, working together to improve instruction of all the students, and blending in new staff members, all characterize the spirit of the Burger staff, said Gapp and McMillan.

There is a "unity of purpose, a feeling that we're all in this together" that has impacted the climate of the school positively, McMillan said.

Three separate school climate groups meet regularly to deal with program concerns at both levels, as well as general building concerns. The staff also has monthly social get-togethers.

The task of getting Burger ready for the more than 200 students and more than 100 staff members fell to the

building and grounds department of the Garden City School District.

Some improvements were made when Northville Public Schools used Burger for a program for mentally handicapped children. However, the building had been vacant and used as a school district warehouse for two years.

WORK CREWS spent last summer paneling, dividing large rooms into smaller ones, gearing the building to

the unique needs of the autistic impaired students, moving everything from Vogel and Marquette, and setting up classrooms.

McMillan and Gapp are pleased with the results and continue to work on adapting the building to their programs' needs.

The focus of the DLP is on three areas — language and communication development, personal adjustment, training, and pre-vocational education.

Much of the vocational training pre-

pares the students for work in sheltered workshops after they leave the program, and all students who have completed the program have been placed in sheltered workshops, Gapp said.

Members of the program staff have worked tirelessly on fund-raising projects. Their most recent project was a crafts bazaar. Many of the items sold were made by DLP students.

The program receives financial help through benefits co-sponsored by the

Garden City Police Officers Association and the Brick Shirlhouse through its annual golf outing.

The Garden City Lions and Redford Suburban League have contributed funds used to purchase verbal computers, an idea pioneered at the DLP.

The Alhambra sponsors Christmas parties and picnics for the students, and Burger students also participate in the Special Olympics for physically, emotionally and/or mentally handicapped youngsters.

Farmington wins flag football title

Farmington Elementary School recently won the Garden City Parks and Recreation Department fourth annual elementary flag football tournament, beating Lathers 19-6 for its third title in four years.

Farmington scored first on a 15-yard pass from Scott Hessling to Matt Bonkowski. Joe Borack scored on a 28-yard run to make the first half score 12-0 in favor of Farmington.

Lathers closed the gap in the second half on a 45-yard pass from Mark King to Paul Donaldson. Farmington then wrapped up the title late in the game on Jim Horvath's 2-yard touchdown reception from Joe Gorack. Matt Bon-

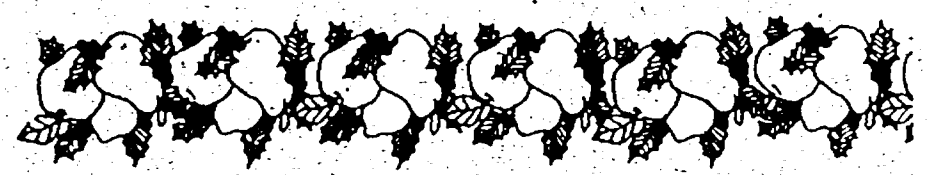
kowski added the extra point to make the final score 19-6.

Farmington got to the finals by defeating Douglas 25-6, while Lathers whipped league champion Memorial 12-0 and Henry Ruff 32-13 to reach the finals.

The members of the Farmington team were: Chris Armstrong, Chris Brooks, Danny Brooks, John Butch, Joe Capperrelli, Lee Donaldson, Joe Gorack, Scott Hessling, Jimmy Horvath, Danny Maronis, Jim Pelzman, Tony Phillips, Chris Preston, Scott Pummill, Jason Terpervich, Kevin Wight, and Matt Bonkowski. Coach is Mike Shelton.

Memorial Elementary School won the league title with a 4-0 record and finished 4-1, while Farmington ended at 3-1, Lathers 3-4, Douglas 2-3 and Henry Ruff 0-5.

Danny Vercande of Lathers led the league with six touchdowns and 36 points. Jason Black, Memorial, and Mark King, Lathers, both let with six touchdown passes.



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'Diversity' drains clout from Great Lakes states

By Tim Richard
staff writer

Unity, Coalition, Regional agenda. The sunbelt has political clout because of them. Why can't the Great Lakes states get together, too?

"It's difficult to achieve because of the enormous diversity in a complex industrial region," answered U.S. Rep. Carl Pursell, R-Plymouth, the 2nd District congressman who once led a group called the Gypsy Moths.

"It's not like the sunbelt, where they're interested in 1) defense contracts, 2) the oil depletion allowance and, 3) tobacco subsidies and agriculture. That's about the three basic priorities of the sunbelt."

"We have about 17 major priorities," said Pursell, whose current project is selling the lakes states, Canada, the Reagan Administration and Congress on a \$1 billion-plus modernization of the St. Lawrence Seaway.

PURSELL WAS asked about a remark at the Congress on the Economic Future of the Great Lakes that lakes state congressional delegations "are the easiest ones to roll" because they lack cohesion.

"In all honesty, I think it's an excellent point because of the diversity," he said. He added that there is a generation gap in the Michigan delegation.

"The junior members are attracted to these regional ideas, and the senior members are somewhat reluctant because they've been targeting their fields of expertise. I'm not criticizing that. It's the nature of the game."

"Democrats and Republicans think an awful lot alike, in the sunbelt, but we don't see that up in our region. We have major philosophical differences within our delegation."

Pursell was interviewed by a panel of reporters for the Nov. 27 "Spotlight on News" program on WXYZ-TV (Ch. 7).

Afterwards he observed, "I walk into the

Capitol restaurant every Tuesday, and there's the Georgia delegation meeting for breakfast." He said the Michigan delegation has rarely met as a unit since the Chrysler loan package bills of three years ago.

OF THE SEAWAY, Pursell said interest is picking up in his modernization proposal. It involves building a second lock at Sault Ste. Marie capable of handling 1,000-foot ships and parallel locks on the St. Lawrence River to accommodate two-way traffic.

"The Canadians feel it's an opportunity to modernize the Seaway because it's 25 years old. Fact is, the Midwest must modernize the Seaway if we're going to be able to compete in the world marketplace. Farmers, manufacturers and new industrial leaders are looking to the Seaway as a chance to move their products to the export market."

"The (U.S. Army) Corps of Engineers has a congressional study under way. We're in phase II of that. Our decision should be completed in 1986, and I'm interested in the United States' being ready to plan with the Canadian government rather than being behind," he said.

Pursell referred to Canada's decision in the early 1950s to go ahead with the locks to enable ocean-going ships to reach the Great Lakes — with or without U.S. involvement. With then-Congressman George Dondero, R-Royal Oak, leading the way, the U.S., after decades of debate, agreed in 1954 to join the project.

Build new 'Soo' locks, Michigan senators ask

U.S. Sens. Carl Levin and Donald Riegle have introduced legislation authorizing the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to build a second large lock at Sault Ste. Marie for ship passage between Lake Superior and Lake Huron.

The new lock would supplement the Poe Lock in handling so-called Class X ships — those 1,000 feet long and 105 feet wide — that move raw materials to industries in the Great Lakes area.

The new big lock would replace either the Sabin or Davis lock, which, along with the MacArthur Lock, handle smaller ships, the two Michigan Democrats said.

THE "SOO" expansion is part of a program for modernizing the St. Lawrence Seaway proposed last spring by U.S. Rep. Carl Pursell, R-Plymouth.

"Increasingly, industry is replacing its existing fleet of smaller, bulk-carrying vessels and relying to a greater extent on large,

Class X vessels," Levin told his colleagues in the Senate.

"As the Great Lakes fleet modernizes, and additional Class X vessels come into service, the potential for a bottleneck at the 'Soo' Locks increases," Levin said, adding:

"A second large lock at the 'Soo' would improve efficiency, remove sole reliance on the Poe, and provide for potential increased demand in a national emergency."

LEVIN NOTED that the locks "are vital to the economic health of the entire Great Lakes region" for vessels moving iron ore from upper Michigan and Minnesota to steel mills along southern Lake Michigan and Lake Erie.

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Schools, YAA benefit from wild game dinner



Serving customers at the 12th annual wild game dinner Monday are waitresses Carol Mikelsavage (standing at left) and Jeannie Drogowski (right) in the benefit to raise funds for reading and athletic

organizations. Enjoying a meal are Art Tatro (from left), his wife, Rose, and Bud Vermillion of Plymouth Wayne Welding.

MARGENE JOHNSTON/staff photographer



Roger Cameron, 9, of Garden City, enjoyed a plateful of spaghetti Monday when the Leather Bottle Inn sponsored its 12th annual wild game dinner. The event raises money for the Garden City school district's Reading is FUNDamental program and the Garden City Youth Athletic Association. The Leather Bottle Inn's manager and employees donate their time and food to the event to raise money for the two organizations. Hundreds of persons took advantage of the dinner and raised funds for young people.

MARGENE JOHNSTON/staff photographer



The Jim White family enjoys a wild game dinner Monday at the Leather Bottle Inn while helping to raise money for two organizations. Waitress Gail Cannon serves Jim White, (from left) parents Sharon and Paul White, sister Elissa, and brother Joe, who was visiting from Miami.

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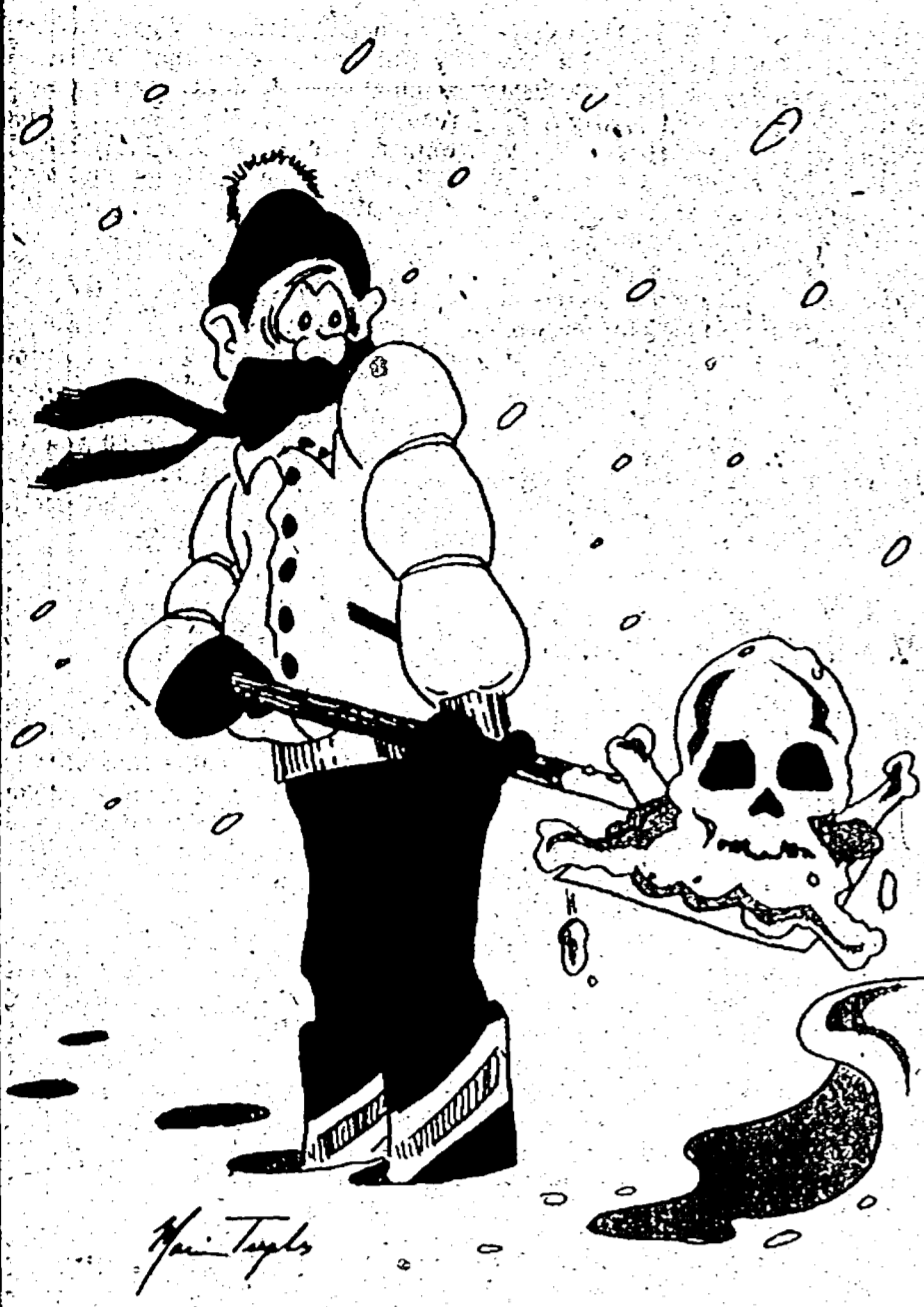
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Aside from the minor complications of frostbite, sore muscles and low back strain, snow shoveling can be deadly. During winter, these news reports are common:

"Nine men from the county collapsed and died yesterday while cleaning snow from their homes. The deaths brought to 13 the number of weather-related fatalities since frigid air and heavy snow slashed into the Midwest Tuesday."

The link between snow shoveling and heart attack is probably no coincidence. Snow shoveling is an extremely strenuous activity, requiring seven to nine times as much energy as resting.

THE STRAIN of shoveling is compounded by the disproportionate heart rate and blood pressure responses that occur with arm exercise, isometric exertion, and the inhalation of and exposure to cold air.

Arm exercise is associated with higher heart rate and blood pressure responses than leg exercise. Consequently, arm work is deceiving as it creates an excessive demand on the heart.

Isometric exertion, sustained muscle contraction with little or no movement, occurs when one strains to lift or push heavy loads. Blood pressure increases dramatically. Unfortunately, the cardiovascular demands of isometric exercise are dangerously camouflaged, so the usual warning signs of overexertion — such as rapid heart rate, sweating and breathlessness — are absent.

Finally, exposure to cold air further increases blood pressure, while breathing cold air may evoke a reflex narrowing of the heart's own blood vessels.

Among persons with heart disease, these stresses may lead to an inadequate oxygen supply to the heart muscle, perhaps with chest pain, irregular and potentially dangerous heart rhythm, or both.

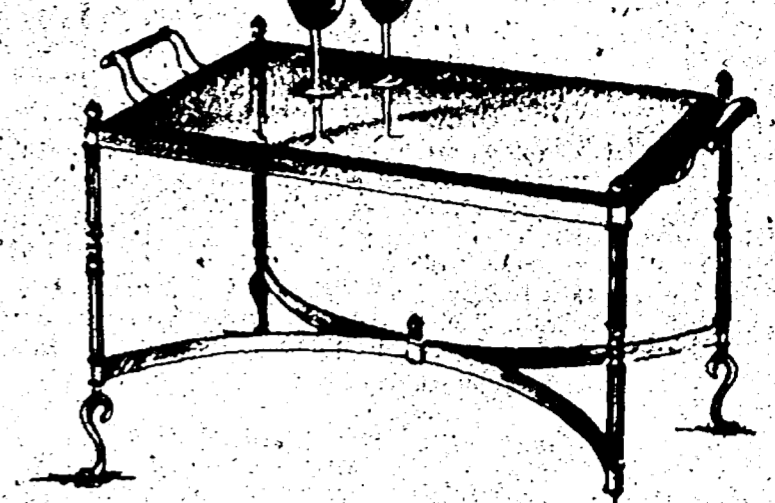
HERE ARE several general and specific recommendations:

1. Elderly persons, people with high blood pressure, or those with a history of heart disease simply should not shovel snow.
2. The older you are — particularly over age 40 — the more you need to pace yourself. Adopt an interval or work-rest approach. Take frequent breaks.
3. Avoid sudden strenuous exertion. Begin your shoveling gradually.
4. Lift small loads rather than large, heavy loads.
5. Wear a winter mask or scarf to avoid inhaling cold air and to protect the face and neck from exposure.
6. Avoid large meals, alcohol and tobacco both before and after shoveling.
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Energy audit can benefit homeowners

First of two articles.

By Penny Wright special writer

"If I couldn't save a homeowner \$100 to \$150 a year off his utility bills, I wouldn't be doing the audit," said Ron Wrublewski.

Wrublewski of Livonia is a trained energy auditor employed by Brothers Energy Resources of Dearborn to do residential energy auditing on a subcontract basis for Detroit Edison and Michigan Consolidated Gas Co.

Based on estimates compiled by the Michigan Energy Administration, the utility cost savings Wrublewski mentions for audited households are possible. Statewide, however, most savings are in the \$45-\$55 ballpark.

The audit process is conducted under a federally mandated plan called the Residential Conservation Service (RCS) program. Its aim: to promote energy cost reductions for customers using natural gas and electricity.

THE PROGRAM works like this:

For a fee of \$10 (free to qualifying low-income households), an energy auditor will come into a home and conduct a walk-through survey of the interior building envelop. Looks at the furnace, hot water tank and plumbing systems are included.

Based on the findings, the auditor will recommend energy-saving improvements. These are ranked with the aid of an on-site computer analysis according to costs and projected savings.

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THE ONE- TO two-hour visit shows people that they don't have to spend \$100 to \$1,000 to gain control over energy costs, Wrublewski said.

"They learn that the return on a relatively small investment is very good."

Michigan leads the nation in completed audits, with a total of nearly 400,000 visits. The energy cost savings from the two-year-old program have been documented in a study by the Michigan Energy Administration entitled "Fuel Consumption Impacts of the Michigan RCS Program" by Marty Kusler.

Comparing fuel consumption of audited and non-audited households over the same time period, figures show both groups have reduced energy usage, yet the audited group of households has saved more.

In 1981-2, the first year of the program, the study shows a difference of 3.5-percent savings between the monitored groups. A year later, the difference in savings had increased to 4 percent.

"**THE EVALUATION** results surprised many people," said Reg Whalon, staff engineer for the State Public Service Commission, the agency that oversees the RCS program. "No one expected to see the difference in the rate of savings increase."

Whalon credits the savings to the educational aspects of the audit, particularly the computer-derived payback analysis.

"People learn the most cost-effective measures they can do to reduce energy consumption. In the process, they become smarter investors," he said.

The 397,000 audits conducted between June 1981 and August 1983 represent a savings of \$18 million per year for customers of participating utilities, Whalon said.

That amounts to \$45 per audit.

CASH OUTLAYS for this savings effort are another matter.

The \$10 charge for a home energy audit does not reflect the true cost of each visit. When administration and advertising costs are included, the tab is about \$190 per visit. To date, the expenditures for the entire audit program are running just over \$20 million per year.

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Schools plan for future

(Editor's note: This is another in a series of articles on Garden City Public Schools.)

In ancient times, soothsayers predicted the future. Since then, tea leaves and palms have enjoyed their share of notoriety.

But modern times have brought a new level of sophistication in sketching an accurate picture of the years to come.

The process has different names, from "futuring" to "five-year plans," but the result is the same.

Charting a proper and well-founded course of action for the future is imperative in any organization, and our schools are no exception. The need for this type of study was identified by

Supt. Michael Wilmoth when he assumed the top administrative post July 1.

Garden City administrator Mark Gutman, heading the five-year planning study for the school district, expects to have a preliminary report outlining the school's future completed in April.

The process through which a plan is developed is comprehensive, according to Gutman, and it is on-going. Southfield schools, for example, have already started on their second five-year study.

GUTMAN HAS identified nine topic areas that indicate the scope of the project. These include staff development, administrative support services, curriculum and instruction, building maintenance, and transportation, com-

munity education, extra curricular, community relations, employee relations, and business and finances.

Long-range planning in these areas is the basis of the project and will involve numerous groups of people who will act in an advisory capacity.

"These groups will include parents, non-parents, boosters clubs, city government and Schoolcraft College.

"We are looking for input from all segments of the community," Gutman said. "The task force on finance will be asked for input, probably at their next meeting," he added.

Administrators will chair the nine areas of study.

"A study such as this one, requires constant review. The recommendations will be comprehensive and realistic," said Gutman.

The initial phase of the plan will be implemented during the 1984-85 school year, after all the recommendations have been evaluated.

Assisting Wilmoth and Gutman in this project are other district administrators who are participating at an Interinstitutional Workshop, a seminar which is held at the Wayne County Intermediate School District once a week for three-hour sessions and is structured to help find viable solutions to district concerns.

THE WORKSHOP, which uses the expertise of educators from University of Michigan, Michigan State University, Wayne State and Eastern Michigan University, provides a forum through which district administrators can work through issues together, in an uninterrupted setting.

Other committee members are Steve Kelly, ocate superintendent; Cheryl Willett, director of curriculum and instruction; Geraldine Klesse, junior high school principal; Angus McMillan, one of two administrators at the Burger autistic center, George Richards, executive director for classified personnel; Richard Witkowski, research director; Donald Beatty, business manager; Richard Enos, Lathers School principal; Margaret Naums, special education director; and Norman Stevens, assistant community education director.

Skating instruction to start next week

A new session of ice skating lessons will start next week through the Garden City Parks and Recreation Department.

Sessions will start Monday at the Civic Arena, on Cherry Hill east of Merriman.

Skating instruction is offered for all ages and ability levels, the department said.

U.S. Figure Skating Association basic skills program is used in the city and a series of badges developed by the group is used to measure a skater's progress.

Skating lessons consist of three eight-week sessions, with seven weeks for classes and the final week to test the skater's progress.

Lessons are 30 minutes once a week, held between 4-6 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays, although not all levels are held daily.

Registration fee is \$12 for residents and \$18 for non-residents.

Other programs offered at the arena are pre-school, adult, and advanced power skating.

Pre-school classes are held at 1 p.m. Mondays and 10 a.m. Fridays, covering 30 minutes of instruction and 30 minutes of practice time. The fee is \$12.

Adult lessons are held at 10 a.m.

Without the discount tag, admission is \$1 for children and \$1.75 for adults.

The charge for all open skating sessions from 1-2:45 p.m. Monday and Friday is 25 cents for children and 50 cents for adults.

The Garden City Youth Athletic Association will host the top house teams, in the Squirts through Midgets divisions, from Mississauga, Canada, Saturday and Sunday.

Game times are 4 p.m. for Midgets; 5 p.m. for Bantams; 6 p.m. for Pee Wee; and 7 p.m. for Squirts.

Sunday's games are 8 a.m. for Squirts; 9 a.m. for Pee Wee; 10 a.m. for Bantams; and 11 a.m. for Midgets. The games are free to the public.

FOR ADULTS, there is an over-30 hockey association's first Christmas Classic Dec. 28-29.

The city's figure skating club will host the top skaters in the midwest at an annual competition Feb. 24-28. There is no admission.

Drop-in hockey is offered from 11 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. Monday, Wednesday, and Friday for \$2.50 admission. Goals are admitted free.

The arena's business office is open from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays.

campus news

JOHN PARRY II, received his master of science degree in materials science and engineering from Washington State University, Pullman, Wash.

GARY ALLEN has been named to the 1983 spring/summer semester dean's list of the Wayne State University School of Business Administration.

Eligibility requires that students' grade point averages for the semester be in the top 10 percent.

RAE MELENDEZ, Garden City High School senior, has been accepted to Siena Heights College in Adrian, Mich., beginning with the 1984 fall classes.

BERTINE FAIR AND DOROTHY PAUL, both of 1846 Gilman, were among 70 students who attended and Elderhostel conference at Albion College this summer.

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The current law requires a mandatory imprisonment of a person convicted of possessing or carrying a gun during the attempt or commission of a felony.

"The approval of Senate Bill 297 is a strong, positive vote in favor of effective law enforcement," said Sen. Patrick McCollough, D-Deerborn, said.

His district includes Garden City.

"Police officers are still responsible for any criminal action on their part -- should an officer commit one, such as robbing a store," he said.

The senator, who sponsored felony firearm legislation a few years ago, said it's a good law aimed at discouraging people from using guns to commit crimes.

"But it was never intended to be applied against police officers and thus to have the effect of disarming on-duty police."

"In at least one case that I know of, an attempt was made to use the law against a police officer," said McCollough, the chairman of the Senate Health and Social Services Committee.

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Others discern ways to defuse creche conflict

CHRISTMAS CAROLS carried over a public address system carry a message about Christ being born on Christmas day. School pageants re-enact the story of a carpenter and his wife seeking shelter in a stable and giving birth to a son named Jesus. And green boughs hover over gifts while the scent of pine mingles with the fragrance of baked goods.

The two sides of Christmas greet us each year — the secular and the spiritual. For many dealing with the dual nature of the holiday is a personal challenge. There is an assortment of secular yuletide obligations to meet, with barely enough time left to remember the spiritual reason for the Christmas commemoration: the gifts of love and kindness, the lesson of humility and the shared experience of the human condition.

The dual meaning of Christmas also is a public challenge which, in some cases, has provoked a clash.

IN WESTLAND, city folks gather on the steps of city hall to sing carols awaiting "Santa" who here arrives in a white, four-wheeled convertible that he decorates for the occasion. A switch is thrown, illuminating trees decorated with hundreds of lights. Parents and kids alike then troop over to the fire station to sip hot chocolate and whisper a secret or two in Santa's ear.

And nativity scenes are erected on the grounds of city hall, facing Ford Road, and in front of the Wayne-Westland library on Sims. That's what has sparked controversy in some communities, like Birmingham, which is being sued by the American Civil Liberties Union to halt the display of religious symbols during the Christmas season.

The ACLU is using Birmingham as a test city. It claims that the display of religious displays sponsored by city governments to celebrate religious holidays violates the First Amendment, barring government from establishing a religion.

While Westland was not named in the ACLU suit, it could be affected by the outcome.

OTHER COMMUNITIES have reached a successful compromise and managed to preserve community harmony along with Christmas spirit. Westland began doing just that last year when city unions and the mayor pooled their funds to purchase new lights for the annual display.

But Westland could go farther in achieving a compromise that wouldn't offend Arabic, American Indian and other ethnic groups in the city by observing the customs in other communities.

In Kalamazoo and Plymouth, for example, the nativity scene is erected not in front of city hall, but in a park. The placement away from the seat of government removes some of the stigma of having a religious display so closely associated with the secular government. Unfortunately, Westland doesn't have a park fronting on a major road. Central City Park is located behind city hall. Another suitable location could be found, perhaps on an expanse of lawn at Westland Center or one of the churches along Wayne Road.

A few changes could prove to be more aesthetically and artistically pleasing. In Plymouth, a community ritual has developed around the park. The figures of the three Wise Men are moved across the park, ever closer to the manger as Dec. 25 approaches. The countdown to the holiday is chronicled by the journey of the Wise Men.

THE DILEMMA of using tax money to support the display of an established religion also has been bypassed in some communities, such as Kalamazoo, where other groups outside the realm of government have agreed to sponsor the display and pay any costs involved. That removes government sponsorship of a religious display, but retains a community tradition.

In Westland, however, the department of public service erects the display, and the city pays for lighting.

The outcome of the Birmingham case, and a similar one being heard by the U.S. Supreme Court, are in the hands of justice. Westland needn't wait for a court ruling to begin thinking about next year.

It is ironic that a Christmas display designed to foster reflection on the peaceful meaning of the holiday should instead provoke a controversy. But peace on earth and good will among all the people of Westland are best encouraged in an open society which allows practice of many religions. The debate is a reminder of that.



Can Detroit afford a zoo?

DETROIT'S ZOO, which has been denied accreditation by a professional group, is a perfect example of Richard's Law of Economics.

Richard's Law, named after myself, holds that you can afford anything you want but not everything you want.

Zoo Director Steve Graham failed to get accreditation from the American Association of Zoological Parks and Aquariums. He estimates it will cost \$10 million to \$20 million to correct some of the zoo's major problems — maintenance, deterioration of exhibits, inadequate collection of animals. Some animals have had to be sold off; elderly tigers have had to be "put to sleep."

YET THERE IS method to Detroit's apparent madness, and suburbanites should recognize it before they do something foolish, such as take up a collection to help the zoo.

Look at the pattern:

- The city no longer gives major support to the Detroit Symphony Orchestra. DSO's major governmental funding comes from the state.

- With a budget running into the tens of millions, the Detroit Institute of Arts gets a token \$100,000 from the city government. The state contributes \$16 million. Yet the DIA remains a department of city government.

- The Main Library on Woodward is largely financed by the state, which views it as a state resource. The idea is fine, but



Tim Richard

note that the city maintains operating control.

- Detroit is threatening to close 14 libraries. Ordinary people, many of them suburbanites, are seeking to raise \$1 million to keep them open.

And now the beloved zoo is in trouble. Some observers suggest Detroit forget about operating a zoo, an anachronism in these days of nature films. But Mayor Coleman Young insists it will be kept open — and under city control, of course.

THE PATTERN is quite clear. The city withdraws its support of a cultural facility, leaving it to the state or suburban contributors to kick in the bucks.

Yet Young and the council manage to find money to subsidize the city bus system — something SEMTA has been unable to do. They find money to run an expensive general hospital.

They find money to pay boiler inspectors, building inspectors, electrical inspectors, elevator inspectors, heating inspectors, plumbing inspectors, refrigeration inspectors and sign inspectors.

They find money for senior citizens

programs, a suicide prevention center and 11 neighborhood city halls.

Young even found \$100,000 — enough to operate 1.4 branch libraries — for a grant to Africana World Theme Park Cultural Complex Inc. The money will be used to rehabilitate the interior of a former movie theater on Livernois near Davison, improve the intersection and acquire and improve a nearby parking lot. Chairman of the Africana group is former state Rep. Edward Vaughn, now an aide to Young.

WELL, IT'S Detroit's money. Young and the council are Detroit's elected leaders. We suburbanites have no business criticizing Detroit's priorities.

Yet we would be foolish to make voluntary contributions to Detroit's branch libraries and its zoo.

Detroit would be within its rights — indeed, wise — to charge suburbanites higher admission to the zoo than it charges Detroit residents. Dearborn charges a premium to non-residents for use of Camp Dearborn. Oakland County Parks Commission charges a premium to non-Oakland residents.

If the state, Wayne County, Oakland County, any regional agency or any private non-profit group bails out the Detroit zoo, it should also insist on a new operating arrangement whereby Detroit surrenders some of its control.

This craziness of Detroit controlling an institution while non-residents subsidize it has gone far enough.

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Bill Stockwell

DID YOU know that even before the year 1900, there were nearly 300 companies organized to manufacture automobiles or automotive products? If you had invested in any of these companies, you probably would have lost all your money.

from our readers

Writer omitted top publication

To the editor:

There is no question that in recent years, the number of sources for information on high technology has grown at a rate matched only by the recent growth of technology itself.

In Dr. Ron Watchke's recent column, "Here are 4 Good High-tech Magazines," appearing in the Oct. 20 edition of the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, Dr. Watchke profiles a number of undeniably good sources for high-tech information (although "Technology Illustrated," cited as one of them, has recently ceased publication).

Surprisingly, your author omitted the publication responsible for the "new sci-fi" category, OMNI Magazine, first published in October 1977, recently celebrated its fifth anniversary. OMNI was named by the publishing industry as one of the most successful launches in magazine history. Today, with more than 5 million readers, OMNI is number one in total male readers, number one in total female

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OMNI has received numerous awards for its journalism, including Magazine of the Year for 1980 from the American Society of Journalists and Authors, the 1979 award for science writing from the American Institute of Physics.

We hope that the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers and Dr. Watchke will come to see OMNI as one of the most important sources of information on science and technology available today so we've commissioned a complimentary subscription to OMNI for Dr. Watchke and your editorial department.

Gurney Williams III,
Executive editor,
OMNI Magazine

Few parents attend conference

To the editor:

Attention Wayne-Westland Parents: We missed you Thursday, Nov. 17, at John Marshall Junior High School. The evening was planned for you. I can't believe fewer than 100 parents, in our entire district, cared enough to attend.

Administration and teachers were there, in force, to hold small group sessions, to inform you about every phase of our children's development and education. Those of us who did attend found a wealth of information and an exciting speaker, Mary Bigler, professor of education at Eastern Michigan University.

It truly was your loss.

Anne Green
Wayne Westland
Parent

Council winners thank city voters

To the editor:

We want to thank the voting members

of our community who gave us a vote of confidence in our struggle to improve the government in Westland. Our victory, through your vote on election day, was particularly satisfying given the vast amount of misinformation put out by our opponents. You sorted through the facts and made your decision at the polls.

We are ready to continue serving you and with your continued support we will work to solve the problems of recent years.

Thanks again to you, this newspaper for its careful review of the local situation, and to our many workers including the Seniors. We intend to fulfill the trust you have put in us.

Thomas C. Artley
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Act like it's still the day before

To the editor:

Thank you for your many articles educating readers about "Nuclear War."

As a mother who wants to become a

grandmother someday, I watched the recent ABC-TV movie, "The Day After." There it was for all to see — what would actually happen if there was a nuclear war. Yes, it's true. It could happen. We are only a button away.

I'm sure no sane person wants this to happen, but what can we as individuals do about it?

Let us all add President and Mrs. Reagan to our Christmas and Hanukkah card lists. Sign it with a message to stop the arms race from yourself and your children. Please do this while it is still the "day before."

Linda Cohn
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An 'online' quiz to boost your computer IQ

APPLÉ Computers has sold more than a quarter-million computers since 1977 and is selling more than 20,000 every month.

In 1977, only 50 stores catered to computer hobbyists. By 1982, there were 10,000.

In 1982, Time magazine selected a computer as its "man of the year." Colleges and universities across the country cannot begin to keep up with the student demand for courses in computer science.

In addition, microcomputers are available to most high school and elementary school students, and even to preschoolers. Texas Instruments, which recently dropped out of the home computer market, is running a TV commercial with a 3-year-old computing at home.

At last count, there were more than 40 computer magazines, many appearing on street corner newsstands. Numerous daily and weekly newspapers have columns devoted exclusively to computers.

Like all recent social phenomena, computers also have their jargon and

high tech Ronald R. Watcke

buzz words. To help you get over being intimidated by people talking "computerese," I am offering this short quiz to increase your computer literacy:

1. Software.
 - a. Designer line of knits.
 - b. Tupperware's new competitor.
 - c. Programs, procedures and documentation concerned with the operation of a data processing system.
2. Hardware.
 - a. Store where computer products are bought.
 - b. What public access computer terminals usually get.
 - c. Physical equipment, as opposed to a computer program.
3. CPU.
 - a. Communist Party of Uruguay.
 - b. Acronym for a rare blood disease.

c. Central processing unit, the "brain" of the computer, where instructions are carried out.

4. CRT.
 - a. Canned red tuna.
 - b. Cincinnati Rapid Transit system.
 - c. Cathode ray tube — an electronic vacuum tube like a TV picture tube, used to display images in data processing.
5. Dump.
 - a. Your teenager's room.
 - b. A place where you leave trash.
 - c. To copy data from computer storage, usually from an internal to an external storage. A dynamic dump is one done during the execution of a program.
6. Megabyte.
 - a. A dieter's downfall.
 - b. A big bite.
 - c. A big byte.
7. IK.
 - a. A vitamin-enriched breakfast cereal.
 - b. A disease of fish.
 - c. A unit of measurement that indicates the capacity of a computer, particularly for storage.
8. Online.
 - a. A line dance similar to the hustle.

b. Open checkout lane at the supermarket.

9. Modem.
 - a. An avant-garde Democrat.
 - b. The first name of Mussorgsky, a famous Russian composer.
 - c. Modulator-demodulator; device that "translates" from one form to another.
10. Floppy disk.
 - a. Major cause of lower back pain in the United States.
 - b. Condition of a record after a beach party.
 - c. A type of computer storage device.
11. Silicon chip.
 - a. Regularly lost in Las Vegas.
 - b. A subtle, bust-size enhancement for the moderately endowed.
 - c. A type of transistor cut from a large wafer of silicon.
12. Turnkey system.
 - a. System for latch-key children of working mothers.
 - b. New experimental organization of guards in state penitentiaries.
 - c. Computer package, including hardware and software, that you buy from a single seller.

Microcomputers are available to most high school and elementary school students, and even to preschoolers. Texas Instruments, which recently dropped out of the home computer market, is running a TV commercial with a 3-year-old computing at home.

13. RAM.
 - a. A male sheep.
 - b. Model number of a type of Russian missile.
 - c. Random access memory; data is stored in non-sequential manner.
 14. Match-merge.
 - a. A successful blind date.
 - b. An expressway maneuver.
 - c. The sequential combination of two sets of information (files).
 15. Interface.
 - a. California-ese for a type of humanistic psychological analysis.
 - b. A product of the home sewing industry.
 - c. A shared boundary — usually a machine that links two other machines so they can communicate with each other.
- As I'm sure you've noticed, the correct answers are obvious. However, I do hope this has reduced your computerphobia. If not, see next week's column, in which I will review several recent books on the topic.

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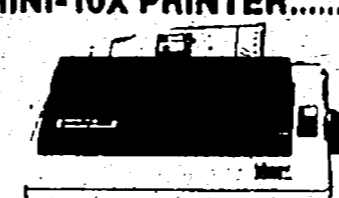
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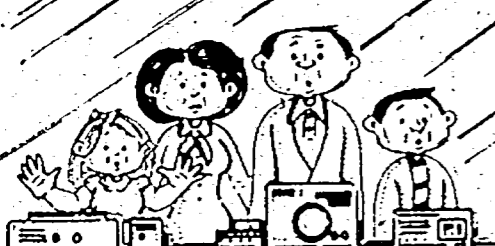
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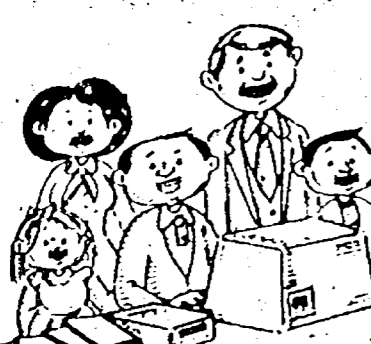


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Most nuclear foes home for the holidays

By Tim Richard and Kathy Parrish staff writers

Lawyers for Williams International Corp. and anti-nuclear demonstrators will have to wait until Dec. 27 to finish arguing whether the demonstrators violated a Circuit Court injunction.

against trying to shut down the defense subcontractor.

Circuit Judge George LaPlata Monday postponed further hearings because of another trial he is conducting.

But LaPlata reduced bonds for a dozen or so demonstrators from \$5,000 to \$1,000 personal bond, enabling most to spend the holidays at home in the De-

troit suburbs, western Michigan, Cleveland and Waukegan.

Williams International, a Walled Lake manufacturer of most of the engines powering the low-flying cruise missile, is seeking 30-day jail terms for demonstrators accused of trying to block employees at the Maple Road entrance during six morning confrontations last week.

THE INJUNCTION was issued May 18 by Oakland Circuit Judge James S. Thorburn against an E. Lansing-based group called Covenant for Peace.

The nine-member Covenant has been joined by 40 or more people in so-called "affinity groups" who have taken turns sitting, dancing and standing in front of the plant gate.

Last week an undercover State Police trooper, two Oakland County sheriff's deputies and a Williams employee testified as Williams attorney Dawn Phillips sought to prove the others had acted with the Covenant and in full

knowledge that their blockade was prohibited by court order as well as an anti-trespass law.

"If we cannot connect these people with the people in the injunction," said the Troy attorney, "we know we can't fulfill the burden of proof."

When several defendants admitted violating the order but declined to plead guilty because they considered Williams' products "madness," Judge LaPlata told them:

"We're here to determine whether there's been a violation of Judge Thorburn's order, not whether they're right or wrong... I'd like nothing better than to discuss philosophy with you. But not now."

WILLIAM GOODMAN, a Detroit lawyer representing some of the defendants, said he would ask LaPlata to dismiss the charges on three grounds:

• Williams is charging them with civil contempt but failing to offer a way for them to purge themselves of

the charge. When the company attorney said, "If they will agree to obey this court's order, we will consider it purgation," Goodman called the remedy "improper" because, "In extracting a promise, Williams is asking them to deny a right - freedom of belief."

Goodman said Williams should be charging criminal contempt, not civil contempt. Criminal contempt is harder to prove and allows for no purgation.

• Williams is "unable to prove prior knowledge" on the part of non-Covenant demonstrators of the injunction.

• Demonstrators were making a public statement under the Nuremberg principles.

Last week's hearings were complicated by the fact that several demonstrators attempted to argue their own defense. Phillips, the Williams attorney, was upheld as she repeatedly objected to their cross-examination questions as repetitious and irrelevant.

DEBBIE LAPP, a State Police

trooper, testified she and another officer in plain clothes were assigned to observe the demonstrators' Nov. 27 afternoon prayer vigil and discussion session in the gym of a Pontiac church.

While Lapp picked up several pieces of the group's literature, she was unable to say that specific defendants had been informed of the court order.

Phillips pointed to sections in the literature which made references to the court injunction, summarized the legal issues and revealed the consequences of violating it.

When Lapp testified she had signed a mailing list with her maiden name and parents' address and that she had been asked but not subpoenaed to testify, Neal Bush, another defense attorney, said:

"Williams International can snap their fingers. Williams International seems to have a lot of strength in Oakland County. I've represented a lot of private clients and corporations, and no one had that much clout."

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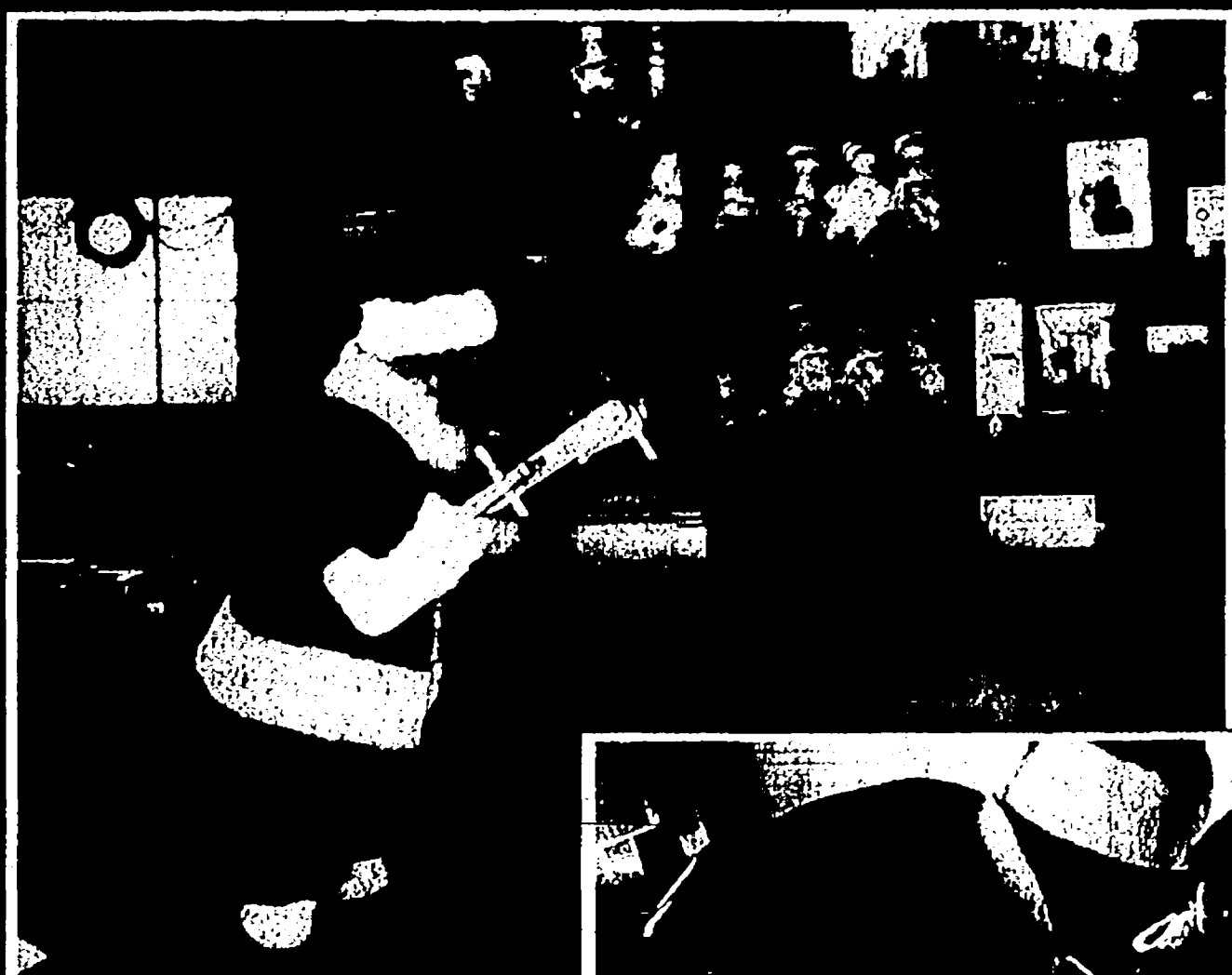
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'Papa' Santa renews a tradition

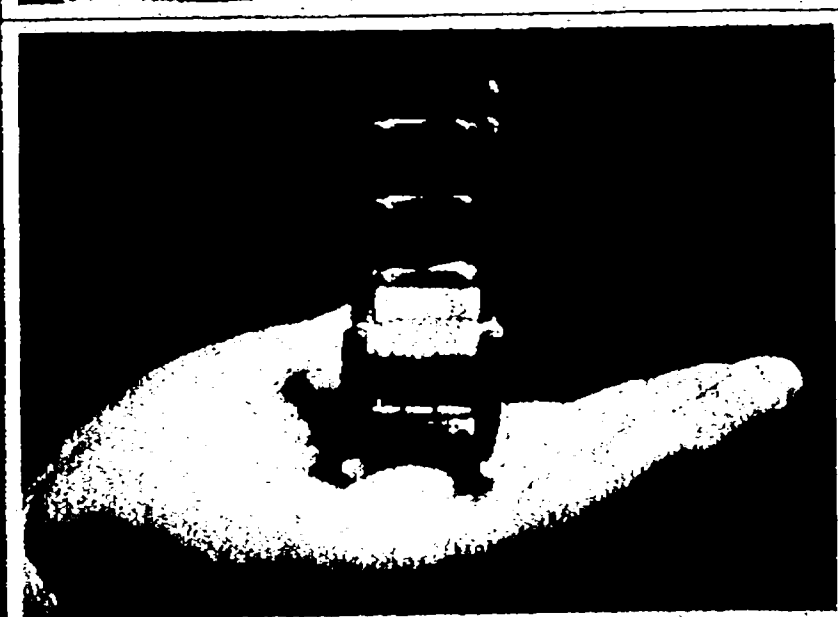


A photo from the Ford archives (top) shows Santa making toys on the grounds of Fair Lane, the home of Henry and Clara Ford. The tradition has returned — thanks to Otto "Papa" Stout (inset photo) and the restoration of the farmhouse/playhouse that has become Santa's workshop for the Christmas season. "Papa" Stout will put his woodcarving skills to work while the children make toys in his workshop weekdays until Dec. 21. Shown with him is Oliver Berry.



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Otto "Papa" Stout (at left) peeks through the doorway of one of his castles. Below, with the tools of his trade spread on the table, Stout stands beside a lighthouse he made for his daughter. It is complete with flashing light and a winding staircase through the interior. It took a gallon of Elmer's glue in the construction.



"Papa" Stout uses a scale of 1/2 inch to equal an inch in building his castles and the furniture to go with it, like this chair.

By Marie McGee
staff writer

LITTLE DID Otto "Papa" Stout know 50 years ago when he went cruising down the Rouge River that he would someday help restore a tradition at the historic Henry Ford estate of Fair Lane that was started years ago by the auto magnate Ford, himself. It has nothing to do with river boating. It has everything to do with Christmas and playing Santa Claus. In those early days, it was Ford who dressed as Santa to entertain his nieces, nephews and local children. That "Papa" will now be filling his boots would have Ford chuckling, if he was around to see the genial West-

land retiree in an expanded rendition of the original role.

Ford and Stout are old "buddies" of sorts.

They met 53 years ago when Henry Ford invited the then 10-year-old Stout to join him for breakfast after the child was spotted floating down the Rouge River on a homemade raft.

STROKING THE beard he grew for his new role, Stout remembers the incident quite vividly.

"I've always wanted to be an explorer," said the 63-year-old Stout. "Me and another kid made a raft out of an old galvanized water heater. We kept it afloat with three water-filled coal #1 cans and a gallon glass jug and went down the Rouge River.

"That day, we saw this man standing on the bank and he called to us. He wanted to get on and go for a ride. So we let him on. He never said who he was. Then he asked us to come back to his house for breakfast.

His house happened to be Fair Lane and the elderly man turned out to be another adventuresome soul, Henry Ford.

But before the trio could bring the craft in, Papa recalls, the raft began to list and they eventually all ended in the drink.

They all laughed about it, he continued, and went on to breakfast in the dining room of the stately mansion.

Breakfast was an oatmeal porridge and apple juice.

"WE GOT TO BE good buddies," he laughed.

So good, in fact, that Ford offered to get young Stout a coveted spot attending the Henry Ford Trade School.

The offer came the following Monday when Stout went to fourth grade class in the old Hunter School in the old Oakwood district of Detroit.

"The teacher called me aside after school and said that the following Monday I was going to Henry Ford Trade School. I said 'No, ma'am. I'm not going.' She said I was and that it was all arranged.

"But I told her I wouldn't go. She said I was 'crazy.' You see, it was a great opportunity to get into that place. But I explained that I couldn't go because it would disappoint my mother."

His widowed mother, he explained, had only had a third grade education and it was "her dream for me and my brother to graduate from high school.

"I TURNED IT down because I couldn't disappoint her."

Stout went on to graduate from Cass Tech/Western High School and became an apprentice tinsmith with the General Motors Ternstedt Division. He retired from GM about 10 years ago after 35 years as a tinsmith. He and his wife Donna then bought a camper/trailer and began to explore the U.S.

It was on one of those trips that Stout stumbled onto a hobby that ironically helped him renew his ties with Fairlane through a maze of castles, doll houses, woodcarving and working with children.

It has culminated with his playing Santa in the estate playhouse that will serve as his workshop.

"It all began on one of our trips to Florida. We had stopped to visit my brother in Murphy, N.C. He was a teacher and was teaching a class in woodcarving. I went along with him to class one day. I found I could do wood carving."

His first venture was a castle requested by his oldest grandson, who incidentally gave him his nickname of "Papa." After that, came a dollhouse for a grand-daughter. To date, Papa has built six castles and five dollhouses for his 11 grandchildren in the past decade.

ONE OF HIS creations is a combination castle-lighthouse, that is electrified, used as an educational tool by a daughter, a fourth-grade teacher in Lansing. In fact, he makes regular visits to the class and conducts craft-making sessions. The latest was in corn husk dolls.

But it was another daughter who got him involved at Fair Lane last Halloween. She's employed in the Child Development Center on the campus of nearby University of Michigan-Dearborn.

She asked "Papa" to display his castles.

The sister in Lansing then helped out even further by having her class come up with spiders and giant spider webs three-to-four feet in diameter to create a spooky setting.

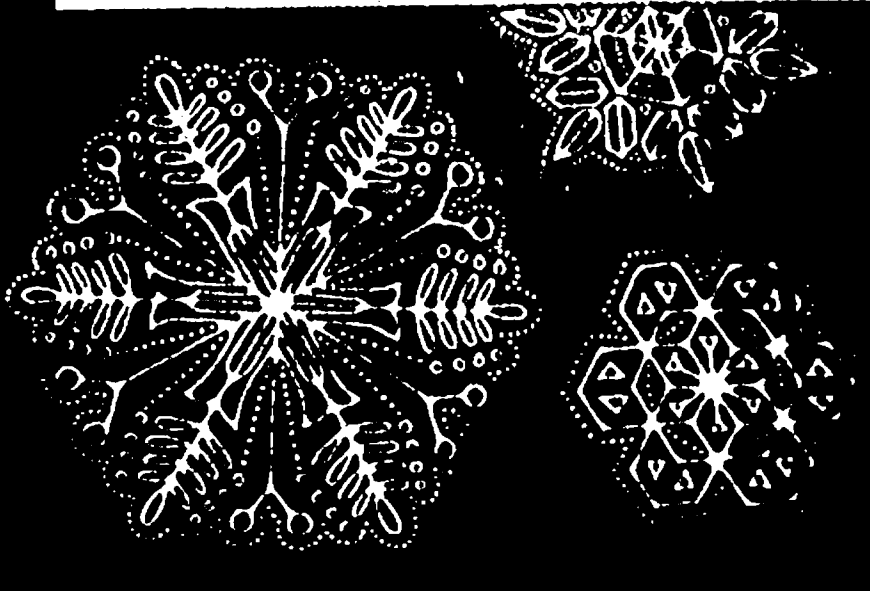
The event turned out to be very successful and caught the attention of Fair Lane historian Donn Werling.

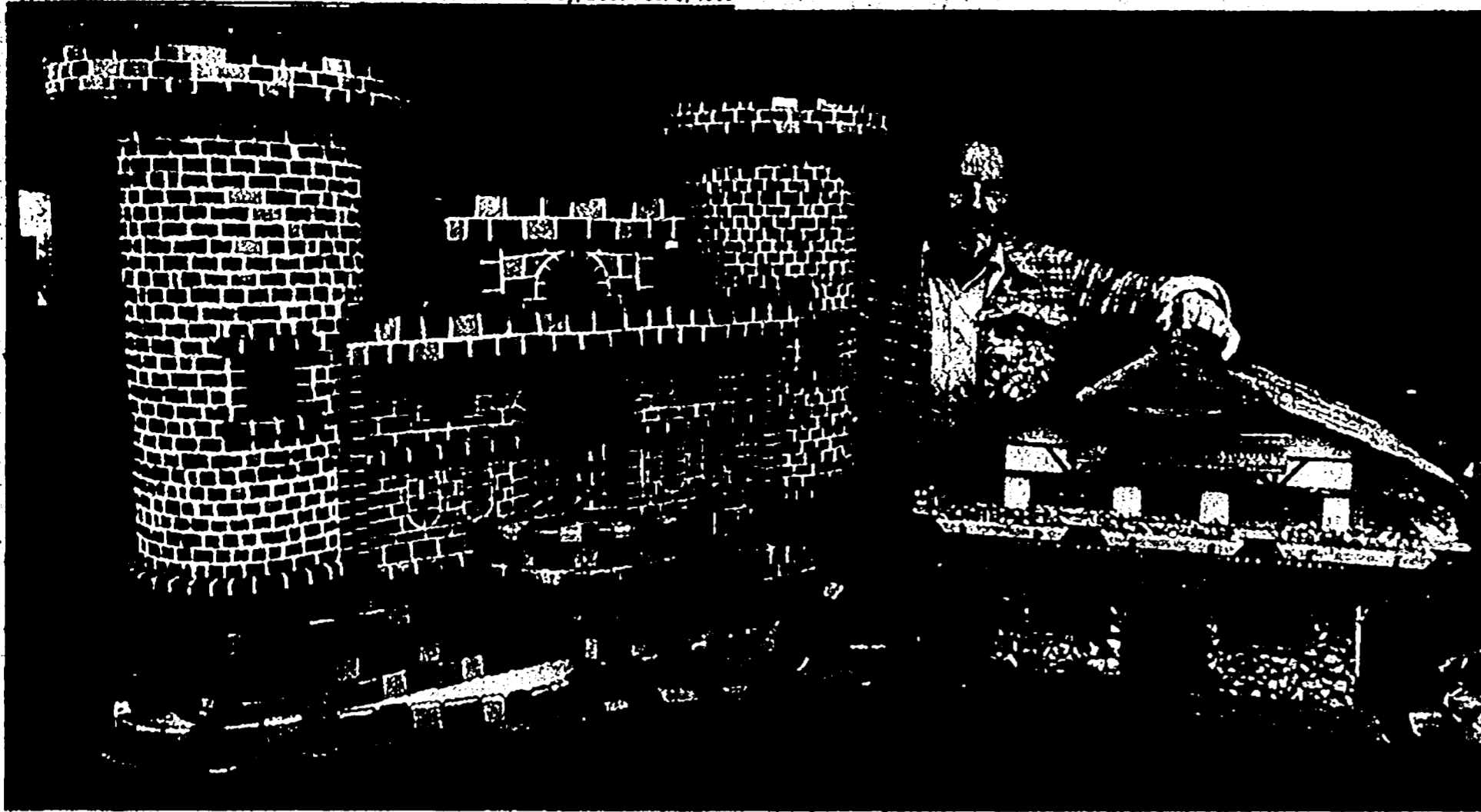
The special Christmas events in-

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One of several beautifully decorated trees (above) trimmed by area florists is this one on display in the Fairlane library. At right, Wanda Pousniak is one of the volunteer florists who turned the Ford mansion into a Christmas fantasyland. Included in the florists who decorated were Village Green, Weber's and Nick Bos, all of Livonia.





DAN DEAN/staff photographer

It's no wonder Otto Stout's castles and dollhouses attract attention. They're a mighty big accomplishment that feature stones gathered by the Stout and his wife Donna on their trips across the country.

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'Papa Santa' restores Ford tradition

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volving restoration of the Santa tradition were the result, especially after the Fair Lane staff learned of Stout's encounter with Ford.

WITH THE THEME "An Old-Fashioned Christmas for the Young at Heart," the schedule of holiday events began Dec. 1 with tours and elegant dinners plus the special attractions for children.

Youngsters 4 years and older will be able to visit Santa's workshop in the playhouse (moved back recently from Greenfield Village to Fair Lane) until Dec. 21 and take home a gift they make — with Santa's help.

With the help of two elves, "Papa" Santa will offer youngsters the choice

of four Christmas ornaments they can make.

Children who visit his workshop will also be able to watch him build a stagecoach he's building for an adult son.

Reservations are needed for these half-hour workshops (the \$4 charge includes a gift) and for breakfast with Santa on Dec. 10 between 9-11 a.m. Breakfast is \$3.50.

The mansion itself has been transformed into a Christmas fantasyland through the efforts of area florists, including Weber Florist, Village Green Florist and Nick Bos Florist, all of Livonia.

VILLAGE GREEN was in charge of the Ford's bedroom suite on the second floor, highlighted by a circular

sleeping/sun porch overlooking the Rouge River. The bedroom happens to be the only room in the house to have original furniture used by the Fords.

Weber's did the first floor sun porch that is directly off the sumptuous living room and is reputed to be the Ford's favorite room. Bos collaborated with another florist in the library decorations that have as focal point an exquisitely decorated Victorian Christmas tree.

The public is invited to take guided tours of the mansion Sundays Dec. 11 and 18 between 1-4:30 p.m. (\$4) or self-guided tours weekdays through Dec. 21 between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. (\$3.50). Reservations can be made for group tours.

Those interested in more information can call 593-5590.

All proceeds raised during the Christmas season will be used in the restoration of the 56-room estate, the 15th and final home of the auto magnate and his wife, Clara Bryant Ford.

As for "Papa," a lifelong ambition to be an explorer will get another boost next spring during another trip to Florida. He expects to help his boyhood Sunday School teacher take movies and slides of the Everglades — from a balloon.

"What we have to watch is the wind velocity or we could wind up in Cuba," he said wryly.

To his 86-year-old co-pilot, he isn't "Papa," however. "He calls me 'Stoutboy.'"

medical briefs/helpline

FOCUS ON LIVING

The American Cancer Society is sponsoring a "Focus on Living" program for cancer patients, family members and friends. This month's session is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 21, in the faculty lounge, first floor of St. Mary Hospital, 36475 Five Mile Road, Livonia.

This self-help program is designed to bring together cancer patients and family members who have questions or are experiencing special concerns relating to cancer. The group is moderated by a nurse and a social worker. For more information, call the AMC at 425-6380.

HEALTH CARE FACTS

As a public service, Upjohn Health Care Services is offering a free copy of the booklet "A Guide to Home Health Care" by Dr. Alan E. Nourse.

The booklet explains who can benefit from home health care, what services home care agencies provide, where the family fits in, how the home should be equipped, how to choose home health care services and what services are covered by medical insurance, Medicare and Medicaid. It can be obtained by sending a request together with a stamped, self-addressed, business-size envelope to: Upjohn Health Care Services, 1955 Pauline, Suite 110A-1, Ann Arbor 48103.

FAMILY ASTHMA PROGRAM

The American Lung Association of Southeastern Michigan's (ALASEM) Family Asthma Program, an educational and support group for asthmatics and their entire families, will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 15, in Doctors Dining Rooms C-D of Oakwood Hospital, 18101 Oakwood Boulevard, Dearborn.

Dr. James Bommarito will discuss "Emotions and Asthma." Bommarito will explore the role of emotions in the daily life of an asthmatic and the effect emotions have in the onslaught of an asthma episode.

The program is held the third Thursday of each month at Oakwood. For more information, call 981-1697.

EPILEPSY SUPPORT GROUP

A chance to talk out their problems and to learn more about handling their difficulties is offered by the Epilepsy Support Program Inc., a support group that meets twice a month (first and third Thursday) from 7:30-9:30 p.m. at

All Saints Lutheran Church, 8850 Newburgh Road, corner of Joy in Livonia.

Epileptics from Livonia and surrounding communities are invited to attend. Family and friends who want to know more about the disease are also invited. For more information, call Harriet Halsey, 721-2055.

'BLUES' HOTLINE

'Tis the season to be jolly, but not everyone is. In fact, holiday depression affects many people. Even those who readily cope with day-to-day frustrations and upsets may have trouble dealing with the chance of spending a holiday alone, with not having enough money for all the gifts on the shopping list, with going to party after party and where succumbing to alcohol is an ever-present problem.

To help people avoid the holiday blues, or to shake it if you're already feeling "down," Henry Ford Hospital's Health Care Hotline for December offers five suggestions. The hotline, a recorded message, can be heard 24 hours a day beginning Monday, Dec. 12, by dialing 878-7100.

Trip planned to Holy Land

Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Bethany, Jericho, Nazareth, the Sea of Galilee and Rome will be visited by those who decide to travel to the Holy Land and Rome in April with the Rev. Thomas R. Chalena of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Livonia. Participants will also participate in a public papal visit in Rome.

The trip will take place from April 1-13 at a cost of \$1,650.

This will include round-trip fare with Alltalia Airlines, first-class hotel accommodations, and breakfast and dinner daily in the Holy Land. Also included will be sight-seeing, transportation, admissions, an English-speaking guide and baggage handling.

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clubs in action

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● WOMEN'S DIVORCE SUPPORT

Cookies will be shared at the social hour of the divorce support group for women which meets under the sponsorship of the Women's Resource Center at Schoolcraft College. The meeting will take place 7-9 p.m. today in room B370 of the liberal arts building at the college.

● PARENTS WITHOUT PARTNERS

Dr. R.K. Bhatta, a psychiatrist, will speak on "The Value of Hypnosis" at an 8:30 p.m. meeting today of the Garden City/Dearborn Heights Chapter of Parents Without Partners. It will take place at Roma's of Garden City, 32550 Cherry Hill.

● PLYMOUTH AAUW

Music and craft demonstrations will be featured at the Christmas meeting of the Plymouth Branch of the American Association of University Women at 7:30 p.m. today at the First United Methodist Church of Plymouth, 45201 N. Territorial.

● CHRISTMAS SOCIAL

A Christmas dinner social planned by the Dearborn/Livonia Singletons will be Friday, Dec. 9, at Francesco's, 22302 Michigan, Dearborn. Cocktails will be at 7 p.m. followed by dinner at 8 p.m. Admission will be a \$3 gift plus canned or dry goods for a needy family.

● PROFESSIONAL WOMEN'S NETWORK

Women in the professional and business world can exchange information and make business contacts at the monthly meeting of the Professional Women's Network, which meets 7:30-9 a.m. Friday, Dec. 9, at the Farmington Community Center, 24705 Farmington Road. The meeting begins with breakfast and a speech. Reservations at \$4 should be made the Wednesday preceding the meeting. Call the center at 477-8404. Call the same number to make a reservation for a cocktail party hosted by the group 6:30-8:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 12, at the center.

● SINGLES DEPOT

Doors will be open 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. for the dance scheduled by the Singles Depot on Saturday, Dec. 10, in Parklane Towers, Hubbard and Southfield, Dearborn. Admission is \$4.

● SPIN

A workshop sponsored by Single Parent Instructional Workshop (SPIN) will feature a talk by Dr. Charles Meredith

on loneliness and the holidays. It will be 10 a.m. until noon Saturday, Dec. 10, in room F300 of the Forum building at Schoolcraft College. SPIN is a program to help single parents improve their home environment and the quality of family life.

● BETHANY

A Christmas meeting of Bethany, a group of divorced and separated Christians, will take place at 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 10, in St. Kenneth Church, 14951 Haggerty, Plymouth.

● UNITARIAN SINGLES

A Jingle Mingle Christmas dress ball sponsored by Unitarian Singles of Metro Detroit will be 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 10, at Red Cedars, 23055 Telegraph, Southfield. Cost is \$3.

● ALPHA CHI OMEGA

Epillon Epillon Chapter of Alpha Chi Omega will hold its third annual west-side alumnae Christmas brunch at 12:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 11, at 9475 Bradford Court, Plymouth. To make a reservation, call 459-5426 or 453-3867.

● ALPHA XI DELTA

Alpha Xi Delta alumnae will hold their annual Christmas party at the home of Jean and Fred Sigmon, 46803 Danbridge, Plymouth, from 6-8 p.m. Dec. 11. Dress casually and bring your husband or a guest along with an hors d'oeuvre. Beverages will be supplied. Make reservations with Jean Sigmon at 453-4458 or Fran Lang at 453-5064.

● SOLO FLIGHT SINGLES

An alternative to singles clubs will be explored at a meeting of Solo Flight Singles at 8 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 13, in Temple Beth El, 7400 Telegraph at 14 Mile, Birmingham. A Chanukkah social hour will follow the discussion.

● PROFESSIONAL SALESWOMEN

Carol Gies, who helped bring the Republican National Convention to Detroit, will speak on motivation at a meeting of the Greater Detroit Chapter of the National Association for Professional Saleswomen 6-8 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 13, in Ramada Hotel, Southfield. Cost is \$10 for members, \$12 for others. To make a reservation, call the organization 261-0410.

● FORD WIVES

The Franklin High School Ensemble of Livonia will perform at a meeting of the Ford Wives Club at 8 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 13, at Ford World Headquarters in Dearborn. The Christmas program will be under the direction of Robert Ballard, teacher of vocal music for 17 years at Franklin.

● MORMON RELIEF SOCIETY

Instruction on making holiday items

will be given when members of the Relief Society of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 13, in the Livonia Chapel, Merriman and Six Mile. Make reservations by calling Jeanne Morris at 421-1816 or Joyce Walker at 425-4484.

● WIDOW'S ORGANIZATION

Plans are in progress for the fifth annual Christmas party sponsored by the Widow's organization at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 14, in the Dearborn Civic Center, Michigan and Greenfield. For details, call the organization at 582-3792.

● GOP WOMEN

The Livonia Republican Women will hold their annual Christmas Glow from 1-3 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 14 at the home of Jean Ritters, 15770 Riverside Drive, Livonia. For reservations, call Betty Kleibir at 421-1361.

● NORTHWEST NOW

A film focusing on nursing and clerical workers called "You've Come a Long Way, Maybe" will be shown at a 7:30 p.m. meeting Wednesday, Dec. 14, of the Northwest Wayne County Chapter of the National Organization for Women. It will be in Stevenson High School, 33500 Six Mile, Livonia. The public is invited.

● GENEALOGY

Fern Freeman will talk on cemeteries and tombstones at a meeting of the Western Wayne County Genealogical Society at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 14, at Carl Sandburg Library, 30100 Seven Mile, Livonia.

● DELTA ZETA

Members of Western Wayne Alumnae of Delta Zeta sorority will bring

children's toys, games and books to donate to the needy at a Christmas social meeting at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 14, in the home of Marlene Berry of Livonia. For reservations, call Melinda Craig at 397-3166.

● NAIM

A meeting of the Wayne Chapter of NAIM, an organization for Christian widows and widowers not yet 60, will take place at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 14, in Msgr. Hunt Knights of Columbus Hall, 7080 Garling, Dearborn Heights.

● ALONE TOGETHER

A buffet dinner will be served at 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 15, at the Christmas meeting of the St. Edith Widow Widower social group in St. Edith Church, 15089 Newburgh, Livonia. It will be followed by a sing-along. Cost is \$6.50. Make a reservation by calling Sarah Skatkat after 5 p.m. at 464-3136.

● SPINNAKERS

Vans and cars will leave Northville Presbyterian Church at 5:15 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 17, for an evening of food and entertainment in Greektown. To make reservations, contact Ed Papclak at 420-0455 by Dec. 12.

● MERRI-BOWL TRIMMERS

Members of the Merri-Bowl Trimmers Chapter of Buxton Belles International meet at 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays in the Livonia Senior Citizens Activity Building, Farmington and Five Mile. They make weight-loss plans and participate in group therapy.

● VIP CATHOLIC SINGLES

Meetings of the VIP Catholic Singles Club are held on the second and fourth Sundays of the month at 7:30 p.m. in St. Maurice Church, 32765 Lyndon, Livonia.



Snuggled among her friends is Sr. Mary Ponciana, who will take off on Christmas to celebrate her 85th birthday. Otherwise, her fingers are flying making items like this collection of bears, dolls and "Miss Piggy" — all items for sale at the Felician Sisters' Boutique at Madonna College Sunday through Tuesday. Sr. Ponciana also works half-days in the library at Madonna College. The show will be from noon to 3 p.m. Sunday and from noon to 7 p.m. the other two days.

bazaars

MACGOWAN

The third annual Christmas crafts show will be held Friday, Dec. 9 from 4-10 p.m. at the school, Kinloch and Curtis, Redford Township. In addition to the crafts, a bake sale will also be featured. Refreshments and food will also be available.

MADONNA

Yarn clowns, Miss Piggy dolls and decorative Christmas items have kept the Felician Sisters busy in their spare time since July. All that activity culminates at a Holiday Boutique featuring

handmade needlework and crafts by the sisters at Madonna College Dec. 11-13.

The craft and bake sale will take place in the home economics classrooms at Madonna College, Livonia (wing between the Activities Center and the new library). Pizza, hot dogs and other refreshment will be on sale during boutique hours.

Madonna is located at I-96 and Levan roads in Livonia. Boutique hours are Sunday, noon to 3:30 p.m., and noon until 7 p.m. the other two days. For more information, call 591-5127.

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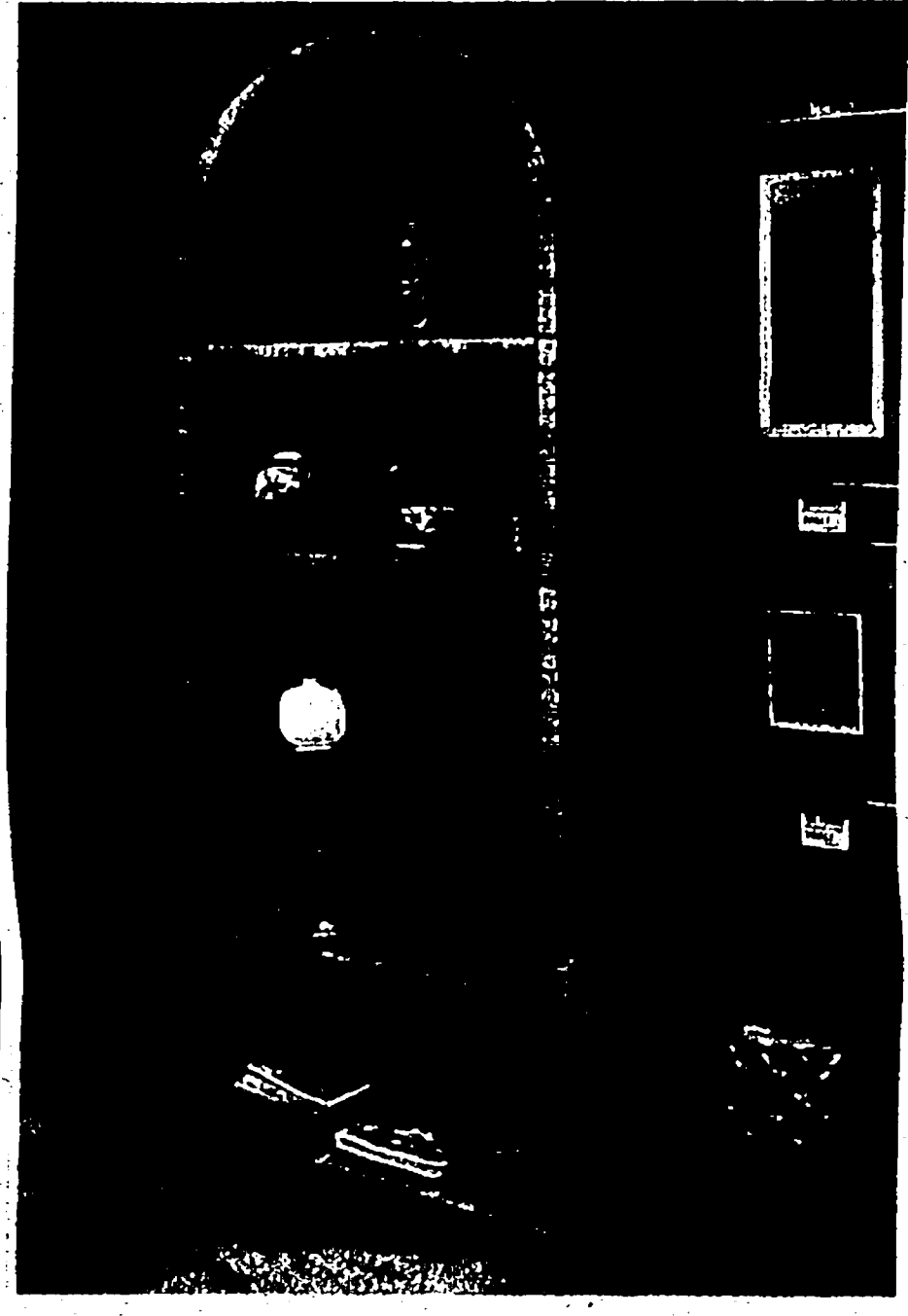
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bridal register

Boldea-Straub

A May wedding is planned by Diane Marie Boldea, daughter of Marilyn and Charles Boldea of Elsie Avenue, Livonia, and Kurt Michael Straub. He is the son of Dolores and Paul Straub Jr. of Ewell Court, West Bloomfield. They are former residents of Livonia. The bride-to-be is a 1978 graduate of Ladywood High School and a 1982 graduate of Madonna College. She earned a bachelor's degree in social work, and works as a program administrator at Adistra Corp., Plymouth. Her fiancé, a 1978 graduate of Catholic Central High School, is a senior at Lawrence Institute of Technology. He is majoring in mechanical engineering and plans to graduate in May. The wedding will take place in St. Eugene Church in Detroit.



Helzer-Wysocki

A Caribbean cruise followed the wedding in Our Lady of Loretto Church of Constance Lynn Wysocki and Thomas Jacob Helzer, both of Redford Township. She is the daughter of Thomas and Barbara Wysocki of Redford, and he is the son of Demar and Ruth Helzer of the same community. Matron of honor was Edith L. Wysocki. Bridesmaids were Joann Malarick, Kay Helzer and Gloria Swanter. Flower girl was Erin Louise Wysocki. G. William Trapp was best man. Ushers were David Helzer, Scott Burrows and Russell Austin. The bride attended Redford Union High School and Schoolcraft College, and works for Smith Lumber Co. The bridegroom also attended Redford Union and the University of Michigan-Dearborn. The couple is living in St. Louis, Mo.



Wendt-Hicks

A ceremony in Laguna Beach, Calif., united in marriage LaVaun Elaine Hicks and Gary R. Wendt, both of California. She is the daughter of Bea and Harold Hicks of San Bernardino, Calif., and he is the son of Gerry and Charles Wendt of Riverdale Drive, Livonia.

Rita Clark was matron of honor and Della Barela-Smith was an attendant. Michael York was best man and attendants were Dave Wendt and Glenn Warne.

The bride is a graduate of the University of California at Riverside, earning a bachelor of science degree in biology. From Loma Linda University she received a bachelor of science degree in dental hygiene. She is employed as a dental hygienist in Long Beach.

The bridegroom is a 1969 graduate of Garden City East High School and a



1973 graduate of Eastern Michigan University. He earned a bachelor of science degree and is self-employed. After a honeymoon to the Hawaiian Islands, the couple settled in Hunting Beach, Calif.

Barone-Munro

Wearing a white satin gown with a sweetheart neckline and a train of beaded Alençon lace, Trudy Munro was married to Joseph M. Barone. She is the daughter of William and Susie Munro of Pembroke Street, Livonia, and he is the son of Joseph and Mary Barone of Harper Woods.

The maid of honor was Sandra Cole. Attendants were Cindy Poltowicz, Cyndi Jugon, Maureen McDonald, Margaret Finney, Stephanie Green, Liza Humanic, Mary Jane Simon, Katie Mahoney and Annette Migliore. Flower girl was Melissa Coapman.

Ralph Gerz was best man. Attendants were Tom Maasha, Harry Munro, William Munro Jr., Craig Finney, Tom Green, Peter Humanic, David Palsley, Robert Munro and Pat Grace. Matthew Finney was ring bearer.

The bride graduated from Stevenson High School in 1977 and is employed by Michigan Consolidated Gas Co., Detroit. The bridegroom, a graduate of Harper Woods High School, graduated



from Greenbriar culinary arts program in West Virginia. He is executive chef at the Bloomfield Open Hunt in Bloomfield Hills. The couple is living in Southfield.

Tell your happy news

The Observer Suburban Life section will be pleased to announce the news of your engagement, wedding or anniversary.

Forms are available for weddings and engagements and may be picked up at the Livonia office, 36251 Schoolcraft. All information submitted must include a telephone number so that it can be checked during business hours if necessary.

Pictures submitted with announcements must be clear so that good reproduction is possible. They may be of bride or bride-elect or the bridal couple.

Anniversary Informa-

tion forms also are available at the Livonia office. Pictures will be accepted only for couples married 50 years or more.

In all engagement, wedding and anniversary announcements, at least one of the parties involved must be a resident or former resident of Livonia, Westland, Garden City or Redford Township.

Pictures will be returned if an addressed and stamped envelope is included with the information submitted. All announcements will be printed as soon as possible, but we can't guarantee publication date or advise as to publication date.

Driving in darkness has additional rules

Night driving can be stressful, but that condition can be eased with some care. The Automotive Information Council (AIC) has compiled some tips pertaining to the car and to the driver.

It suggests that a driver sit in the car for a minute or two before starting to permit the eyes to adjust to darkness.

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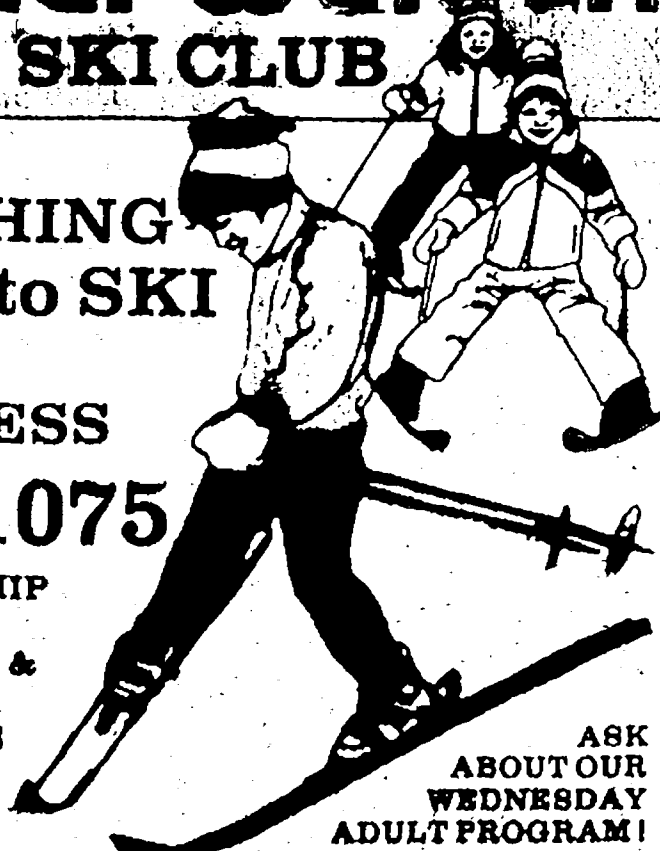


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Toys can be fun as well as teaching tools

By Sherry Kahan
staff writer

What are the qualities of a really great toy?

"Ninety percent child input and 10 percent toy," said Bonnie Virag of Livonia. She thinks a toy should challenge a child, allow him to use his imagination, have educational value and, most important, be fun.

A toy does not have to be electronic or battery operated to be fun.

More and more toys are coming on the market which manage to provide pleasure as well as education.

"The emphasis in toys now is on academic skills," said Virag, a representative of Discovery Toys. She can list the advantages of her educational toys at the drop of a puzzle.

"They are colorful, safe, stimulating, durable, educational, non-violent, non-sexist and non-frustrating," she said. "In addition, they will grow with the child, they are moderately priced, and can be saved by parents for later use by their grandchildren."

People interested in the toys she sells will have to hurry if they hope to place them under their Christmas tree. Orders must be in by Saturday, Dec. 10. Appointments can be made to view the toys by contacting Virag, who displays them in her home. Call her at 464-3529.

"What better way to start a child with a good educational footing than getting him good toys," she said.

VIRAG'S FAVORABLE opinion about educational toys was strength-

ened one Christmas many years ago when she bought a toy her son had admired on television.

"On TV it looked as though it could do all kinds of things," she recalled. "But it was a disaster toy. It didn't do half the things they said it would. It broke the same day. I returned it for a refund."

The toys she sells are divided into four age groups, the 0-3 age group, preschoolers, youngsters 3-5 and ages 6 to adult.

"Playthings for the 0-3 set should have no sharp edges or small pieces that could be swallowed," she pointed out. Teethingers are one of the items in this group. Made in the form of a hand and foot, they are soft vinyl plastic. Place them in the refrigerator awhile, and they become cold enough to soothe babygums.

The crawl-a-ball also can be a gum aid. It has small bumps for tiny teeth. The bumps also keep the ball from rolling too far for crawlers, and make it more easy for the ball to be caught by small people.

An activity calendar can be a way for the very young to understand how time is measured. It offers color forms that can be placed on it to mark important occasions.

Shapes and Stencils is a puzzle for the youngest group. When the pieces are not puzzling the kids, they can be used as cookie cutters. Later on they can be traced to make a tree or animal.

Puzzles, matching games, books, crayons and clay are also designed for the 3-5 children. One of the more color-

ful toys aimed at this group is that old favorite, the sand-water mill.

Children can learn about cause and effect in the bathtub when they see water pouring through a hole and then turning a wheel. In the sandbox, it responds the same way with sand.

SPELL MASTER is the name of an ingenious game that allows young spellers 5-8 to correct their own mistakes without embarrassment. It includes cards bearing pictures down the left side and a space for words on the right. Cardboard letters nearby look like Scrabble tiles, except that they have tiny prongs on the back. The child who uses them to spell tiger as tigar will find it doesn't work. When he puts the cardboard letter "a" down on the appropriate spot, the tiny spikes underneath won't fit the holes placed there. Only the letter "e" will fit correctly.

RING-A-ROUND is a math game involving dice. It can be played by those who only know addition as well as those who can draw on subtraction, multiplication and division skills.

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"It stimulates social skills and the ability to perform," said Virag.

Discovery Toys has also produced a book for doting grandparents. It allows them to keep a history of special events in the life of their grandchild.

"Each toy or game must teach at least two educational concepts," commented Virag. "It must also be fun."



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bridal register

Bacigalupo-Worden

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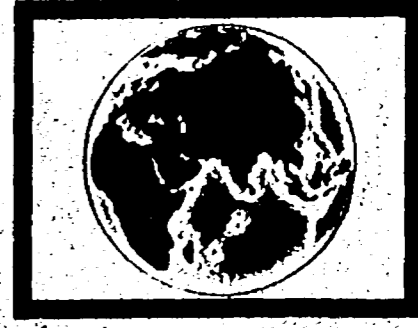
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AMTRAK has a new toll-free number, which can be used anywhere in the United States, so think of them when you are making holiday travel plans. The number is easy to remember: dial 1-800-USA-RAIL.

If you prefer numbers, that translates to 1-800-872-7245. The number is good for both information and reservations. It substitutes for the old system, in which there were dozens of different numbers for different regions of the country.

Anyone calling those old toll-free numbers will now get a recorded message telling them to call the new one. Even if you forget to write it down, you can remember it this way: you always dial 1 from the Detroit area at get a long distance number, 800 is the standard toll-free area code, USA-RAIL is easy to remember, even for those of us with short memories.

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If you are elderly or handicapped and need assistance, call ahead and request help in stations or trains along the way. That number again is 800-USA-RAIL.

HOLIDAY GETAWAYS IN CHICAGO are being offered for the first time by the Illinois Office of Tourism, which is part of the state department of Commerce and Community Affairs. A one-night, two day package with dinner at a fine Chicago restaurant, complimentary drink tickets, welcome cocktails and a Chicago Guide kit to help you discover Chicago on your own is available from \$83 to \$79 depending on hotels. Hotels range from the restored Midland Hotel to the Ambassador East or Hyatt Regency.

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ALSO IN CHICAGO, Christmas Around the World festival is being held at the Museum of Science and Industry through Jan. 8. Muppets and Friends will be on exhibit through Jan. 15.

TIGER TRAVELS, an unusual, small business operated by Patricia Carrier of Dearborn, suggests that you give a Christmas Gift Certificate applicable on any out-of-town trip to a Tiger game next spring and summer.

Summer may seem a long way away to you right now, when we are breathing cold winter air, but her trips include spring training in Lakeland, Fla., as well as the regular season. If you have a baseball fanatic on your list, it's not a bad idea.

Call Pat at 562-8810 or write to her at 810 Mayburn, Dearborn 48128.

CHRISTMAS IN SAVANNAH has an old-fashioned twinkle to it. Christmas caroling has started already. Santa arrived by horse-drawn carriage during the Riverstreet Christmas Parade Dec. 3. You can attend holiday events, and tour beautifully decorated centuries-old houses in the historic district, through the New Year.

A number of tours are available or you can find out own lodging at one of Savannah's restored historic inns. Contact the Convention and Visitors Bureau at 301 West Broad Street, Savannah, Ga. 31499 or call (912) 233-6651.

TWITTY CITY in Hendersonville, Tenn., near Nashville, is a fantasy world at Christmastime. Country music star Conrad Twitty, who runs the place as a tourist attraction year-round, has 20 major exhibits through Jan. 1. Live reindeer arrive with Santa and sleigh nightly through Christmas Eve.

CLOSER TO HOME, Battle Alley's Old-Fashioned Christmas is in full swing in Holly, Michigan. You'll find street vendors dressed in tattered old-London costumes selling sausages and baked potatoes as well as hot roasted chestnuts and mulled cider.

Inside the shopping arcade, crafts people are at work and Christmas gifts are being sold at a variety of small shops. They include not only gift shops but places that sell marvelous teas, coffees, candies etc.

Every weekend, you'll find carolers, musicians and other entertainers among the crowd. This weekend is "Victorian Costume Weekend." Contact the Holly Hotel, 110 Battle Alley or call 634-5208 for more information.

Ski events set for the holidays

The Traverse City Area Ski Council has pre-holiday and holiday events upcoming at Crystal Mountain.

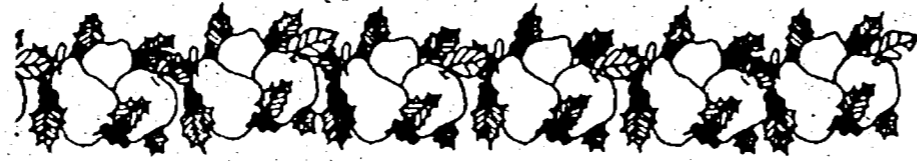
The annual NASTAR race camp runs Friday through Sunday. Cost for training, meals, lift tickets and lodging begins at \$69.

The Yopit Kids Race series begins Sunday, Dec. 18. The series consists of six season-long races and is for children 13 and under.

The annual "BBQ and Brew Bash," with a free chicken barbeque for every skier with a valid lift ticket, is at 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 18.

"The Santa Ski Special," Dec. 23-26, includes a Christmas tree, stockings for the kids, candlelight prime rib dinner on Christmas Eve, lodgings, lift tickets and lessons, plus two meals a day, beginning at \$149 per adult and \$65 for children under 12.

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Ban extended on credit card surcharges

Here's how area members of Congress were recorded on major roll call votes in the closing days of the 1983 session.

HOUSE

CREDIT CARDS: By a vote of 349-78, the House passed a bill that extended, from Feb. 27, 1984 to July 31, 1984, the ban on merchants charging more to customers who pay by credit card. The bill (HR 4278) was sent to the Senate.

Supporter Chalmers Wylie, R-Ohio, said the House need the extra time to fully study credit-card surcharges and the overall impact of retail credit on the economy.

No opponent spoke against the bill. The Reagan Administration opposes the ban as unwarranted meddling in the private sector and contends there is little difference between a discount for cash purchases, which is legal, and credit-card surcharges.

Members voting yes wanted to extend the ban on higher prices for credit-card purchases.

Voting yes: Carl Parsell, R-Plymouth, Dennis Hertel, D-Detroit, William Ford, D-Taylor, Sander Levin, D-Southfield, and William Broomfield, R-Birmingham.

PUBLIC BROADCASTING: The House rejected, 141 for and 277 against, an amendment to inflict a 10 percent cut — \$46 million — in the Corporation for Public Broadcasting budget for fiscal 1984-86.

The amendment was offered to a spending bill (HR 2755) that later was cleared by both houses and sent to the president. The bill authorized a \$460 million corporation budget over three years.

Although the agency also runs public television, it was National Public Radio that drew attacks during debate. NPR, which has 280 member stations, this year was forced to fire much of its staff and get new executives after mismanaging itself into deep debt.

Sponsor Mike Oxley, R-Ohio, said the budget cut was warranted in view of "serious questions that

roll call report

have been raised about the efficacy and the fiscal management of NPR."

Opponent Timothy Wirth, D-Colo., asked: "Do we want to have an informed American public, or do we want to continue to jab away and cut away at the ability of 230 million Americans to be informed?"

Members voting yes on the cut were Parsell and Broomfield.

Voting no: Hertel, Ford and Levin.

REFUGEES: The House passed, 300-99, and sent

to the Senate a bill (HR 3729) to extend for two years the program for resettling refugees — those who enter the U.S. to escape persecution.

Some 72,000 refugees are to be admitted in fiscal 1984 under quotas set by the administration: 1,000 from Latin America and the Caribbean, 3,000 from Africa, 6,000 from the Near East, 12,000 from the Soviet Union and 60,000 from East Asia.

The bill authorizes \$100 million annually for job training, English language training and other social services, \$50 million for communities with large refugee populations, and \$14 million for medical treatment of arriving refugees.

Supporter Roman Maxzoll, D-Ky., said the measure "will help refugees assimilate into the American mainstream quickly . . . without unnecessary reliance on the welfare system."

No opponent spoke against the bill.

Members voting yes favored spending \$100 million annually on refugee resettlement.

Voting yes: Parsell, Hertel, Levin and Broomfield.

Voting no: none.

Not voting: Ford.

SENATE

DISCLOSURE: By a vote of 51-40, the Senate tabled (killed) an amendment whose effect was to require publicly held corporations to continue providing stockholders with detailed information on the compensation of company executives.

Senators favoring full disclosure (voting no) were trying to block a Securities and Exchange Commission ruling that will enable companies to disclose the cost of salaries, fringe benefits and prerequisites in abstract form.

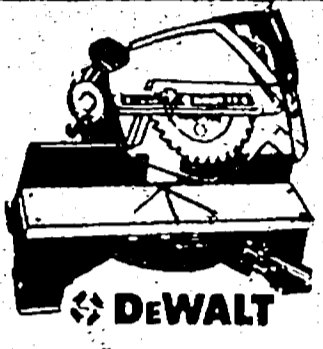
State taps illegal beer

Michigan investigators have begun watching the state border to stop holiday flows of illegally transported beer into the state.

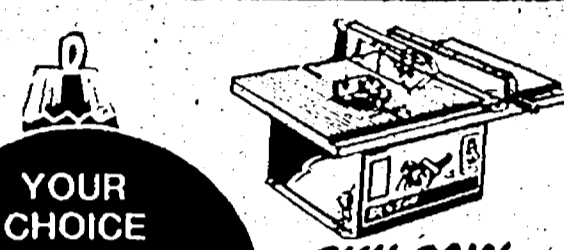
Illegal entry of beer into the state was said to be costing as much as \$5 million in lost state taxes, according to Michigan Beverage News, a trade paper.

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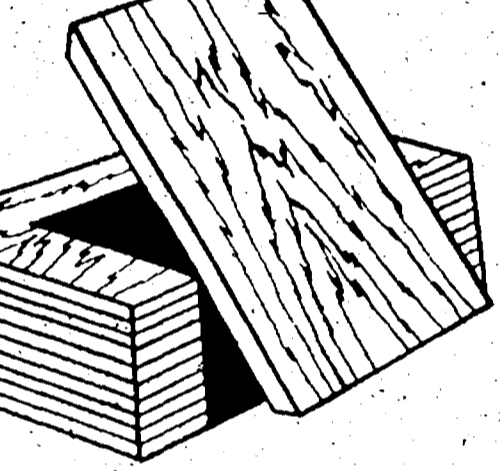
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More Vitality

Ex-Titan coach maintains hectic schedule

By Brad Emons
staff writer

Let's eliminate some rumors about Dick Vitale. No, he's not going to Atlanta. He's staying put in West Bloomfield.

No, he's not going to coach in the near future although he'd still love to.

The 43-year-old Vitale, once known as the "Noise from Livernois" during his days at the University of Detroit, still maintains a busy schedule.

"I can't complain about what I'm doing," said Vitale. "But I did send a resume to a CYO team and I was rejected."

"But seriously, I'm able to spend time with my family and I'm going to stay in West Bloomfield. The only reason I talked about going to Atlanta was because it could be a base for me. Because of all the traveling I do, I have to make a lot of connections there."

Vitale just signed a three-year contract extension with ESPN, the 24-hour cable sports station, as a college basketball analyst. He was recently added as an NBA commentator.

VITALE also helped author a highly acclaimed, pre-season basketball magazine, not to mention his endless speaking and motivational-type engagements.

"I did 24 talk shows in 14 days," he boasted.

Although he misses the "highs of coaching, the relationships with the players and the rapport with the media," Vitale seems almost content.

"I love my situation with ESPN," he said. "They've treated me fairly."

"I had a great game the other night — Philly at Boston."

Vitale gets into the meat of his basketball schedule beginning in January — the Big East games



Dick Vitale busier than ever

with Jim Simpson. That's also when he starts his weekly show on ESPN with Bob Ley on college basketball.

And without hesitation, Vitale offers his opinions on every facet of the college game.

Top five teams: North Carolina, in a class by itself; Kentucky, Georgetown, Houston and Memphis State. "They all have the giant in the middle. They all have one common denominator."

Top player: Michael Jordan, North Carolina.
Top conferences: 1. ACC (the best); 2. SEC; 3. Big 10; 4. Big East; 5. Metro.

Sleeper teams: Fresno State, Virginia Tech, Maryland and LSU.

Most underrated players: Calvin Duncan, Virginia Tech ("He's a guard who can really play"). Or Charles Barkley of Auburn, a 6-foot-6, 270-pound center. ("A human spaceship with the body of Wes Unseld. He can only stop himself.")

Freshmen to watch: Derrick Taylor, a point guard from LSU; and Pearl Washington of Syracuse ("This kid is super. Could be the greatest player ever to come out of there.")

On Michigan State: "Don't let (Jud) Heatcote give you the crying towel. They have all the ingredients."

On Michigan: "They could move into the first division. Bill Frieder is a workaholic and a winner. But he can't logically keep those guards happy. They've lost (John) Garris (to Boston College) and (Keith) Smith (to San Diego) in the past."

On U.D.: "I'm happy with the progress they've taken. Don Sisko is a hard worker, a good X-and-O man. They'll be extremely competitive. With their depth they could be the class of the Midwestern City Conference some day."

On the Midwestern City: "I'm not excited about the conference. You have to convince the Dayton, Marquette and DePauls to join. Geographically it's not feasible. The independent is a thing of the past. Think of what excitement they could generate. That's what the Big East did and their TV package is incredible. It's such a natural. It's time to put the egos away. It will help recruiting."

On NCAA tournament: "If you're going to have 64 teams then you have no byes. That means six games. But I think rewarding the 32 champions is the only way."

the week ahead

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| <p>PREP GIRLS BASKETBALL STATE TOURNAMENT SEMIFINALS</p> <p>at WMU's READ FIELDHOUSE (Class A)</p> <p>Friday, Dec. 9 — Farmington Hills Our Lady of Mercy (24-2) vs. Flint Northwestern (24-1), 8:30 p.m.</p> | <p>Ypsilanti at Catholic Central, 7:35 p.m. Flint Holy Rosary at St. Agatha, 7:35 p.m. Cavary at Deed, Temple Christian, 7:30 p.m. Phy. Christian vs. Oakland Christian at Pioneer Middle School, 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 10 Clarenceville at Inter-City Bapt., 7 p.m.</p> |
| <p>at KALAMAZOO CENTRAL (Class B)</p> <p>Friday, Dec. 7 — Livonia Ladywood (21-3) vs. Ovid Elsie-Manistee quarterfinal winner, 7 p.m.</p> | <p>BOYS HOCKEY</p> <p>Thursday, Dec. 8 Liv. Bentley at Southfield, 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 9 Liv. Stevenson vs. Liv. Franklin at Eddie Edgar Sports Arena, 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 10 Liv. Churchill at Harland, 9 p.m. Catholic Central vs. Fraser at Redford Ice Arena, 8 p.m.</p> |
| <p>BOYS BASKETBALL</p> <p>Friday, Dec. 9</p> <p>Liv. Churchill at Liv. Bentley, 7:35 p.m. Wald. John Glenn at Liv. Franklin, 7:35 p.m. W.L. Western at Liv. Stevenson, 7:35 p.m. H. Farmington at Garden City, 7:35 p.m. Farm. Harrison at Phy. Salem, 7:35 p.m. Phy. Canton at W.L. Central, 7:35 p.m. Northville at Farmington, 7:35 p.m. Redford Union at Red. Thurston, 7:35 p.m.</p> | <p>COLLEGE BASKETBALL</p> <p>Thursday, Dec. 8</p> <p>Oakland CC at Jordan CC (men), 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 9</p> <p>Schoolcraft CC vs. Madonna College (men) at EMU's Bowen Fieldhouse, 5 p.m.</p> |

Redford Union pins foes in C'ville meet

When was the last time Redford Union won a wrestling tournament?

So far back that nobody can remember.

The Panthers, scoring a total of 157 1/2 points, came out best in the eight-team Livonia Clarenceville Invitational field last weekend.

Lutheran West was second with 134 1/2 followed by Clarenceville with 129 (a complete summary appears on page 4c).

RU individual champions included Greg Bower (126 pounds), Jeff Hopp (119) and Ron Fox (155). Jerry Manus of RU lost to CC reserve Nick Varajon in the heavyweight final.

The host Trojans boasted individual winners Dave Berg (98), Dean Estep (138) and Jerry Lipka (198). They were joined by runners-up Joe and Tom Desjarlais at 145 and 155, respectively.

wrestling

Livonia Churchill, fourth in the team standings, won individual titles at 126 (Chuck LeDuff) and 185 (Dave Scott). Dave Dudek (132) and Sam Karadsabeh (138) each placed second for the Chargers.

CLARENCEVILLE defeated RU in a dual meet last week, 39-36, as Berg, Tony Garloneau, Mike Porfnaki, Estep, Joe Desjarlais and Lipka scored victories.

On Thursday, the Trojans suffered their first loss, 40-30, to Southgate Anderson.

Gorgas, Schlaepfer place at state swim

Livonia Stevenson was not the only area team involved in the state Class A girls' swim championships last weekend at Eastern Michigan University.

Gayle Gorgas of Livonia Churchill made a fine individual showing by grabbing fifth in the 100-yard breaststroke with a time of 1:09.59. She was also 10th in the 200 individual medley (2:16.27).

Bentley's Ann Schlaepfer was 13th in the 100 freestyle with a clocking of 55.82.

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Ocelot defense keys win

Rule No. 1 from the "How to be a Basketball Coach" manual: "Points get headlines, defense wins games." On Saturday, Schoolcraft coach Rocky Watkins finally got that message across to his players.

Because, as Watkins put it, "We started to play defense for the first time this year." The result was an 87-63 runaway at Margrove College, a victory that evened Schoolcraft's record at 4-4.

"We stepped up the tempo of the game," Watkins said in outlining his strategy that took the Ocelots to the eventual easy victory. "We took a

Schoolcraft sports

chance our big men could run and play defense."

They did, and with sound results. Eric Sink, a 6-foot-8 forward from Livonia Bentley, collected 10 points and grabbed 19 rebounds, while Pat Martin, a 6-7 center from Livonia Stevenson, had 10 points and eight rebounds.

Once again, Carlos Briggs proved

his all-around ability, scoring 39 points, hauling in eight rebounds, dishing out nine assists and making five steals for Schoolcraft. Vince Merriweather added 11 points and 10 rebounds.

THINGS DID NOT go quite as well on Nov. 30 for the Ocelots. They played well enough — in fact, Watkins called their performance "really one of our better games."

They hit 61 percent of their field goals, 91 percent of their free throws and made just nine turnovers. But still they lost, 83-78, at Owen Tech of Toledo.

"We'll never play them again,"

said Watkins. "It was a complete setup. It wasn't so much the fouls the officials were calling, but what they were not calling."

"They shot the bonus (free throws) for the last 10 minutes. We never got to the line in the second half."

Owen Tech hit 19 of 25 free throws. Schoolcraft was 12 of 14.

Briggs paced Schoolcraft with 28 points. He added four assists and three steals. Daryl Funchess and Sink had 11 apiece. Doug Gates had 10 points and four assists and Martin contributed eight points and nine rebounds.

Schoolcraft faces Maddona Saturday at Eastern M. . . .

Rollers top list

High honors are continuing to pile up for the bowlers who do most of their pin spilling in the western suburbs.

The latest to join the list is Mitch Jabczynski, who is battling for the average lead in the all-star leagues. He has been named "Bowler of the Year" by the Bonanza-Michigan Majors Association, and the honor came just a few days after he had been inducted into the majors Hall of Fame.

Others who were honored included Ken Kossick of Livonia, who was the leading money winner of the year with a total of \$3,230, and Dick Beatt, who finished second to Jabczynski in the balloting.

On the national front, Aleta Rzepeck Sill, who left Detroit in mid season to live in Florida, has been named to the "Furious Four," the top honor awarded by the Women's International Bowling Congress.

BEL-AIRE: Billy Golembewski. The veteran isn't letting age slow him. Bowling in the classic during the week, he added another 700 series to his list. He had games of 232, 224 and 268 for a 724. At that he trailed in third place. Terry Smith set the pace with 761, and Tim Dether took the runner-up spot with 737.

WOODLAND LANES: Jim Krajci, bowling in the senior house league, had a middle game of 287 in a 762 series, but the spotlight went on the S&S Mobil team that fired a 3191 series.

This was high for the season, and captain Greg Wlizar set the pace with a 619 series. In the same league, Ron Turner rolled a 692. That was 244 pins over his average.

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MERRI-BOWL: Ed Palino, with a 287 in 680, took high-scoring honors for the week. Meanwhile, Anne Troke showed the way in the early ladies league with a 214 in 618. In the Belle's loop, Linda Laetola closed with a 255 for 614.

WESTLAND BOWL: Tim Detherage showed the way in the classic with a 269 middle game for 728 and a place in the 700 club. And right behind him came Bob Rose with a 716 that was made by possible by a 286 opener. Tam Marly topped the Guys and Dolls with 645, and Alice Wolf was high in the Belle's circuit with 608. And to add to the high scoring, Doc Sirino went 114 pins over his average with a 282 game.

GARDEN LANES: Chuck Fogg with a 258 in 665 paced the Wayne County Road league, and Ray Joganic was king of the hill in the St. Linus loop with a 642.

COUNTRY LANES: Steve Laine had high game of the week with a 268 in the Monday men's league. This was four pins more than Jim Reynolds posted in the Monday loop.

SUPER BOWL: Rich Morgan had games of 236 and 232 in 619, and on the women's side, Donna Taylor had a 256 in 594.

Spartans set to defend GLI tourney title

"Back by popular demand . . . Or so it seems, attested to by the size of the crowds the Great Lakes Invitational College Hockey Tournament draws. Last year, 39,532 fans jammed into Joe Louis Arena for the two-day affair, captured by Michigan State.

The 21,347 who saw the Spartans whip Michigan Tech, 5-3, in the finals were a record for a hockey game.

This year's four-team, two-day tournament promises to be just as exciting. For only the second time in its 19-year history, the tournament will feature an all-Michigan lineup. Joining returns Tech, MSU and University of Michigan is Northern Michigan.

Northern's first-round opponent will be defending champ MSU, at 5 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 29. Tech and U-M will meet in the second game that evening.

The consolation finals begin at 4:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 30, followed by the championship contest.

Ticket prices are \$8.50, \$7.50 and \$6.50 and are available at the Joe Louis box office, CTC ticket outlets and participating universities. For more information, call 567-9800.

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INDIVIDUAL RESULTS

98 pounds — Dave Berg (Cville) pinned Henry Ingram (CA), 5:24.
105 — Greg Bower (RU) pinned Frank Vers (CA), 5:25.
112 — Tim Spence (LW) decisioned Dave Boone (CA), 6:4.
119 — Jeff Hopp (RU) dec. Paul Young (SA), 6:4.

126 — Chuck LeDuff (LC) dec. Brian Arr (SA), 10:8.
132 — Paul Johnston (LW) dec. Dave Dudek (LC), 8:1.
136 — Dean Estep (Cville) dec. Sam Karadshah (LC), 2:0.
145 — Dave Schwartz (CA) dec. Joe Desjarlais (Cville), 12:6.
155 — Ron Fox (RU) dec. Tom Desjarlais (Cville), 5:0.
167 — Tom Tuomi (LW) pinned Brad Mitchell (CA), 2:25.
185 — Dave Scott (LC) dec. Jeff Petrona (SA), 10:4.
198 — Jerry Lippe (Cville) dec. Bill Kittle (LW), 8:8.
Heavyweight — Nick Varjon (OC) pinned Jerry Markus (RU), 4:28.

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Learn signs of Reye's Syndrome

A Garden City mother wants to alert parents about the dangers of Reye's syndrome, a disease that stole away her 5-year-old daughter.

Shella Strong spoke up because of the concern of the Reye's Syndrome Association about "a heavy Reye's season ahead." The organization wrote its members about the importance of obtaining publicity about this disease which was virtually unknown 10 years ago. Today, it is ranked among the top 10 killer diseases of children.

In a letter to its members the associated says: "One of the ways we can make a difference is by alerting our own communities to the symptoms of Reye's syndrome and the availability of excellent treatment at Children's Hospital."

In her letter to this newspaper Strong wrote: "We had a 5-year-old daughter who we lost to Reye's because we didn't know anything about it. We did not know what it was when the doctor told us. We never heard of it."

"Had I read about it, saw it on TV or something, it would have made a big difference in her recovery. You see, it can kill a perfectly healthy child in 72 hours or three days, which is not a long time to try to get help."

"It's very important that the public is made aware of this terrible syndrome. So if it does hit home they can act immediately."

THE ORGANIZATION also pointed

out that people in this area are fortunate to have a Reye's syndrome treatment center at Children's Hospital in Detroit.

"Many Reye's syndrome patients have been treated successfully there," said a statement published by the support group. "Children's has a highly sophisticated staff — including specially trained nurses, respiratory therapists, resident physicians, neurologists and neurosurgeons whose efforts are directed by a specialist in intensive care. If necessary, a doctor can be assigned to be with a child 24 hours a day."

A pamphlet published by the association indicates that most cases of Reye's often follow a viral illness such as the flu or chicken pox, which lasts up to one week. In some instances, however, Reye's does not follow a viral illness but seems to start abruptly. (Flu symptoms in children may include a mild fever, runny nose, sore throat, earache, diarrhea and vomiting.)

There is a brief recovery period from the original illness, lasting 24 to 36 hours. During this time the child is not unusually sick, but not well either. The child's reluctance to resume normal activities and his undue laziness or listlessness are very important signs.

Here are symptoms characteristic of Reye's syndrome:

- Persistent, uncontrollable vomiting is almost always the first sign of RS. The child may vomit as many as

10-12 times in a few hours. This symptom may last 12-24 hours.

- The child becomes confused and seems to be lost in time and space. For example, he may find his way into the bathroom but not find his way out. He can carry out simple requests such as "brush your teeth," only if provided with the most deliberate and basic instructions. The pupils may be dilated.

- The child becomes irritable and negative. He wants to be left alone, and is unusually annoyed if anyone speaks to him or touches him. Extreme listlessness is typical. Some children will be unusually docile, and will follow instructions without understanding them.

- The child becomes hostile and is unable to recognize family members and familiar surroundings. He is frequently aggressive — kicking, lashing out and biting. He may demonstrate unusual strength, and use abusive, inappropriate language. This period lasts only a few hours.

- The child enters a semicomatose state, and responds sluggishly only after vigorous prodding. Soon deep coma develops with no response. Death may occur as a result of brain swelling.

Few children under the age 2 can accurately describe how they feel. For this reason it is important to watch carefully for early signs of Reye's in infants recovering from a viral condition. (Vomiting and diarrhea may be symptomatic of flu in younger chil-

dren, rather than upper respiratory symptoms.) Repeated vomiting and listlessness are the first signs. The infant may want to sleep and be left alone.

"There is no specific cure," the association's pamphlet says. "But with early diagnosis and appropriate medical treatment, most children survive and go on to complete recovery."

"It is not cause for panic, but it is important that parents are aware of the symptoms and the availability of the treatment program at Children's Hospital."

'There is no specific cure (for Reye's Syndrome), but with early diagnosis and appropriate medical treatment, most children survive and go on to complete recovery.'
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Solomons wed for 50 years

Mr. and Mrs. William D. Solomon of Garden City recently were guests of honor at a reception in Fairlane Assembly of God Church celebrating their



Mr. and Mrs. William D. Solomon

golden wedding anniversary. They moved into Garden City on New Year's Eve 40 years ago, when it was "a country town," as Mrs. Solomon explained. In the mid '60s, Solomon retired from the U.S. Postal Service after 20 years carrying the mail in Garden City and in parts of what are now Livonia and Westland.

Mr. and Mrs. Solomon are charter members of Bethel Missionary Assembly of God in Livonia. Solomon served the church as a deacon, board member and treasurer.

They have three children, all of whom are teachers. William Solomon of Grass Lake works in the Wayne-Westland School District.

CITY OF GARDEN CITY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE OF HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Hearing will be held by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Garden City at the Civic Center, 4000 Middlebelt Road, Garden City, Michigan, on Monday, January 18, 1984, at 7:10 P.M. for the purpose of discussing:

Request by Michigan Dynamics, 25100 Ford Road, for an Industrial Facilities Expansion Certificate under Act 109 of 1974.

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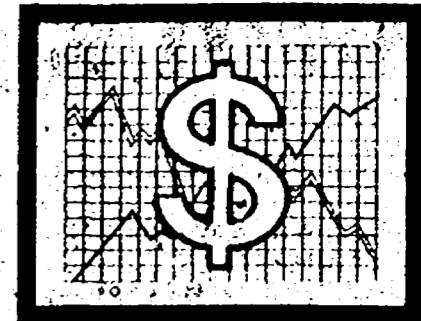
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What to compare in universal life

Part Two

Last week, we presented the essentials of Universal Life (UL) insurance. This week, we will develop certain key strategies for selecting the appropriate UL for you.

- **The promised rates.** The rates advertised by the UL policies can be misleading, so watch out for this pitfall. The advertised rates are paid on the money that goes into savings after load charges and the cost of insurance are deducted. Moreover, some companies pay less than the advertised rates on the initial money paid in premiums, such as the first \$1,000.
- **The load charges.** Check the loads carefully. They vary quite a lot and are imposed in different

ways. There may be a lump-sum deduction of several hundred dollars from the first-year premiums, plus deductions of 5 percent or more from future premiums.

- **The guaranteed rate of return.** Find out how the rate of return is calculated and how long it is guaranteed. Check the projected cash value at the end of the first year and compare it with the first year's premium.
- **Surrender charges.** It is important to know if there are surrender charges. If so, an estimate of how much these charges could add up to should be made.
- **Increase in face value.** What are the medical requirements for increasing the policy's face amount? If the policy has stringent

requirements, you may not be able to increase the coverage even if such an increase might be absolutely essential.

- **Multiple policies.** If a company has more than one UL policy, compare them carefully. Many companies sell two generic types. In one, the death benefit is limited to the policy's face amount, which includes the cash value. In the other, the cash value is added to the face



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value. Still other varieties are being offered. The newest version, due on the market in 1984, will allow policyholders to choose among several investment vehicles, including stocks, for their cash values.

For more information on UL policies, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to the National Insurance Consumer Organization, Rate-Of-Return Service, 344 Commerce St., Alexandria, Va. 22314.

business briefs

• **COMPUTER WORKSHOPS**
Computer Horizons of Livonia will host a series of free computer workshops Sunday, Dec. 11. The one-hour workshops will begin at 11 a.m., 1 and 3 p.m. at 3729 Six Mile in the Newburgh Plaza. The workshops will cover various computer functions and what to look for when buying a computer. For more information or to make reservations, call Theresa at 464-8088.

• **DATSUN DEALERSHIP**
The former O'Hara Datsun of Livonia is now Golling Datsun of Livonia. The Golling name is well known because of other automobile dealerships in the Detroit area bearing the name Golling.

• **GROWING RAPIDLY**
Computer Methods Corp. of Livonia made Inc. magazine's list of the 500 fastest-growing companies in the United States. To qualify for the Inc. 500 rating, a company must be an independent, privately held corporation with a sales history of at least five years and with at least a 200-percent increase in sales from 1978 to 1982.

Send information for business briefs to business editor, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 38251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150. Deadline is Monday for publication in the upcoming Thursday issue. If your item is about something to happen several weeks in the future, it will be run more than once, space permitting.

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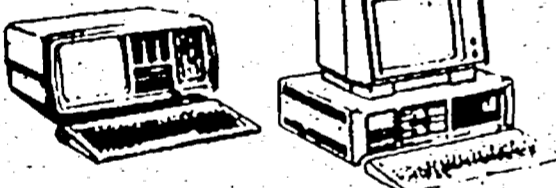
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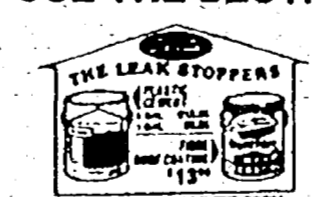
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business people

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Wright



Long

B.Ester B. DiLorenzo of Canton has been appointed field sales representative for the Automobile Club of Michigan. She will be involved in the sale of automotive, homeowner, renter, life, boat and motorcycle insurance.

Edward A. Sommerville of Livonia has been named a vice president for administration of Palme Webber Jackson & Curtis Inc. in Troy. Sommerville, assistant vice president for operations joined the company in 1969. He previously had worked at Merrill Lynch managing the stock clearing department.

Janie Wright of Redford Township attended a week of education, training and motivation at the headquarters of Mary Kay Cosmetics Inc. in Dallas, Texas. Wright was recently appointed director-in-qualification to prepare for the position of independent sales director. Upon fulfilling all qualifications,

Wright will be eligible for appointment to sales director March 1.

Please submit black-and-white photographs, if possible, for inclusion in the business people column. While we value the receipt of photographs, we are unable to use every photograph submitted. If you want your photograph returned, please enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope. Indicate in a margin on the front of the photograph that you want it returned. We will do our best to comply with your request. Send information to business editor, 39251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150.

Another tax

Social Security is taxable starting Jan. 1

The new Social Security law has some built-in surprises. For the first time since benefits began in 1940, some recipients will be taxed on their benefits.

In addition, payroll taxes for workers and their employers will be boosted on Jan. 1, with the steepest increases hitting the self-employed.

But understanding how the new levy affects you can shield you from some of the surprises. Certain measures taken before Jan. 1 can save you money.

THE MOST DRAMATIC aspect of the Social Security Amendment of 1983, which takes effect Jan. 1, is the new formula for determining if your benefits will be taxed and how much that tax will be.

Items to be taxed will include retirement benefits, disability benefits and survivor benefits. However, children receiving survivor benefits will have to earn \$25,000 before they are taxed. This is unlikely.

Lump sum death benefits will not be subject to Social Security benefits taxation.

Another new twist is that tax-exempt interest from such things as municipal

bonds will now be included in calculating the amount of Social Security benefits that will be taxed.

Here's how the new formula works: Each individual will have a threshold income of \$25,000, below which benefits will not be taxed. For married couples filing jointly, the threshold is \$32,000.

To calculate if you are above or below this threshold, simply add these three easy-to-get numbers: Take the sum of this year's adjusted gross income, add to it half of your Social Security benefits for the year and add to that any tax-exempt interest you receive.

IF THE RESULTING amount is less than the \$25,000 or \$32,000 thresholds, no additional tax is due. If the resulting amount exceeds the threshold, however, you will be taxed on half the Social Security benefits or half of the excess amount above the threshold, whichever is less.

Here's an example. Suppose that a 66-year-old retiree is filing an individual income tax return for 1984, the first year of the new law. He received a \$12,000 pension, \$3,000 in interest and

dividends from stocks and bonds, \$10,000 from tax-exempt municipal bonds and \$6,000 from Social Security.

His total 1984 income then, which includes only half of his Social Security benefits, would total \$28,000. After subtracting the base amount of \$25,000, he'd have an excess income of \$3,000.

TO DETERMINE his new taxable income, he would add \$1,500 (half the excess above the threshold, which is smaller than half the Social Security benefits) to his original taxable income of \$15,000 — the sum of the \$12,000 pension plus \$3,000 in interest from stocks and bonds.

From this income of \$16,500, he would subtract \$2,000 personal exemptions because he is over 65. His 1984 tax bill on \$14,500 would come to roughly \$1,901.

Without the new Social Security law, he would have paid about \$1,601 on a taxable income of \$13,000.

Can planning minimize the effects of the new law? CPAs say yes.

WHEN POSSIBLE, it is generally advisable to shift some income out of 1984, before Dec. 31, and move it into

1983. Perhaps you can take a larger-than-usual withdrawal from your retirement account (this year and a smaller one next year).

Or maybe you can sell certain assets now rather than waiting until next year when they will be included in the new tax formula and possibly push you across the threshold.

Another strategy involves delaying some expenses until next year, to reduce your gross income. For instance, you may be able to put off some deductible business expenses if you are self-employed. Or perhaps you can delay expenses on some rental property. How you plan depends on your income and your needs.

IN ADDITION TO taxing benefits, and including tax-exempt bonds in the formula, the new law has another wrinkle: Steeper payroll taxes will be imposed over the next six years.

While the effects on worker's paychecks will be buffered in 1984 — because a tax credit will offset the boost — those who are self-employed will feel the pain.

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FRI., DEC. 9
9-11PM NBC (8 Central/Mountain)

SEEMS LIKE OLD TIMES
CHEVY CHASE
GOLDIE HAWN
CHARLES GRODIN



SEEMS LIKE OLD TIMES Which is the main idea of this less than successful re-teaming of Goldie Hawn and Chevy Chase after their bright hit of several seasons past. **Foul Play** Neil Simon's script involves Hawn's marriage to a politically connected district attorney (Charles Grodin) being complicated when she agrees to help ex-husband Chase who is unintentionally involved with the law.

SAT., DEC. 10

9-11PM CBS (8 Central/Mountain)
VICTORY Sylvester Stallone, Pele, Michael Caine and Max Von Sydow in an absorbing yet lightweight tale of soccer playing in a WWII German prison camp. Directed by John Houston.

SUN., DEC. 11

9-11PM NBC (8 Central/Mountain)

COAST TO COAST

DYAN CANNON
ROBERT BLAKE

COAST TO COAST Screwball comedy about an escapee from a mental hospital whose spouse wants her permanently out of the way, and a trucker whose rig is repossessed if



they caught, and how they manage to triumph over the people who are out to ruin them. Surprisingly good effort from Dyan Cannon and Robert Blake.

9-11PM ABC (8 Central/Mountain)
THROUGH NAKED EYES Tense psychological thriller about a sensitive musician (David Soul) and a mysterious young woman (Pam Dawber) in a strangely exciting game of eyeing one another through the windows of their high rise apartments... until they discover someone else eyeing them! Binoculars, telescopes and murder!



MON., DEC. 12

9-11PM NBC (8 Central/Mountain)



LITTLE HOUSE: LOOK BACK TO YESTERDAY

MICHAEL LANDON
LITTLE HOUSE: A New Beginning A Look Back To Yesterday. Michael Landon, Victor French and Melissa Gilbert extend their series roles in a drama dealing with young Albert Ingalls (Matthew Laborieux) efforts to face his impending death.



TUES., DEC. 13

9-11PM CBS (8 Central/Mountain)

COOK & PEARY: THE RACE TO THE POLE

RICHARD CHAMBERLAIN
ROD STEIGER



COOK AND PEARY: THE RACE TO THE POLE Richard Chamberlain is Frederick A. Cook, the physician captivated by the lure of exploration, and Rod Steiger is Robert E. Peary,

the ambitious explorer who sought to discredit Cook's reports and claim the Pole for himself. The dramatization of the cold perilous journey was filmed in Montreal, Frobisher Bay and Greenland. Story of a struggle between two titanic men who were complete opposites, except in their desire to stand in a place where no man stood before!

FRI., DEC. 16

9-11PM NBC (8 Central/Mountain)
OH, GOD!, BOOK II George Burns returns in the role of the Supreme Being. With David Birney and Suzanne Pleshette.



MON., DEC. 19

9-11PM NBC (8 Central/Mountain)
FOUND MONEY Comic escapades of a pair of well-intentioned bank employees out to beat the system. Sid Caesar, Dick Van Dyke and Shelley Hack.

TUES., DEC. 20

9-11PM CBS (8 Central/Mountain)

THE GIFT OF LOVE: A CHRISTMAS STORY

LEE REMICK
ANGELA LANSBURY



THE GIFT OF LOVE: A CHRISTMAS STORY Lee Remick and Angela Lansbury in an uplifting drama showing how the power of love can defeat fear and hopelessness. Filmed entirely in and around Burlington, Vermont, was written by Earl Hamner. Cast also includes Polly Holliday, Joseph Warren, Michael Pearlman, Mart Hulswit, Samantha Atkins and Michael Higgins.

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SUN., DEC. 11

8-9PM CBS (7 Central/Mountain)

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sports

SAT., DEC. 10

12-30PM-7 NBC (11:30AM CT/MT.)
PRO FOOTBALL Pittsburgh Steelers at New York Jets.



4PM-7 CBS (3 Central/Mountain)
PRO FOOTBALL Atlanta Falcons at Miami Dolphins.

SUN., DEC. 11

12-30PM-7 NBC (11:30AM CT/MT.)
NFL: Regional telecasts starting at...

1PM NYT: Cleveland at Houston
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New England at Anaheim

12-30PM-7 CBS (11:30AM CT/MT.)
NFL: Regional telecasts starting at...

1PM NYT: Chicago at Minnesota
Detroit at Cincinnati
San Francisco at Buffalo
New Orleans at Philadelphia

4PM NYT: St. Louis at Los Angeles
Washington at Dallas

MON., DEC. 12

9PM-7 ABC (8 Central/Mountain)
PRO FOOTBALL: Green Bay Packers at Tampa Bay Buccaneers.

FRI., DEC. 16

9PM-7 ABC (8 Central/Mountain)
PRO FOOTBALL: New York Jets at Miami Dolphins.



SAT., DEC. 17

12-30PM-7 CBS (11:30AM CT/MT.)
PRO FOOTBALL: Pittsburgh Steelers at Washington Redskins.

3:45PM-7 CBS (2:45 Central/Mount.)
NCAA BASKETBALL: Louisville at North Carolina State.

4PM-7 NBC (12 Noon Cent/Mount.)
PRO FOOTBALL: Cincinnati Bengals at Minnesota Vikings.

11:30PM-7 NBC (10:30 Cent/Mount.)
NCAA BASKETBALL: Memphis State at UCLA.

SUN., DEC. 18

12-30PM-7 NBC (11:30AM CT/MT.)
NFL: Regional telecasts starting at...

1PM NYT: Buffalo at Atlanta
Denver at Kansas City
Pittsburgh at Cleveland

2PM NYT: Houston at Baltimore

4PM NYT: San Diego at Los Angeles
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12-30PM-7 CBS (11:30AM CT/MT.)
NFL: Regional telecasts starting at...

1PM NYT: Anaheim at New Orleans
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Green Bay at Chicago

4PM NYT: Tampa Bay at Detroit

MON., DEC. 19

9PM-7 ABC (8 Central/Mountain)
PRO FOOTBALL: Dallas Cowboys at San Francisco '49ers in the final game of the regular season. Next Saturday... the playoffs, and January 22nd, 1984... Super Bowl XVIII!

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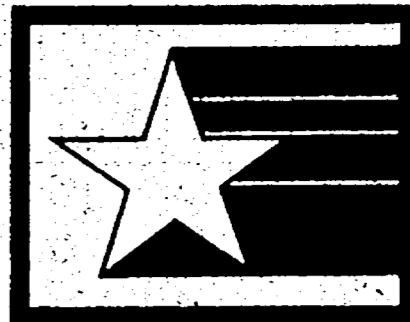
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Entertainment

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Mexican food It's the hottest restaurant

By Ethel Simmons
staff writer

EVERYWHERE YOU LOOK these days, there seems to be a Mexican restaurant — and more are on the way.

Flashy newcomers with innovative menus vie with older establishments serving traditional dishes. At Mexican eateries with liquor licenses, the margarita is the cocktail of choice.

"We started Mexican food before it was very popular in Michigan," said Audrey Baler, owner of El Nibble Nook, 27725 Eight Mile at Grand River, Livonia.

El Nibble Nook moved from its original nearby location in Farmington after that restaurant burned down. Now there's a Taco Bell across the street.

Baler said her parents started El Nibble Nook 30 years ago after travels to Mexico. Dad was the cook, and they had a Mexican chef.

"TODAY CUSTOMERS come from as far as Lansing and say the drive was worth it," she said.

Baler trains the chefs and has one who has been with the restaurant 10 years. "Everything here is cooked fresh," she said. "Mexican beans are cooked from scratch. It takes about three hours. Sauce is made in the morning."

There are some recent changes on the menu, with lighter dishes added. One new entree is El Burro del Jardin, fresh broccoli, mushrooms and onion wrapped in a flour tortilla topped with cheese.

Most popular appetizer is churros — taco chips with two cheeses and bacon, plus avocado dip. Combination plates also are favored. Desserts aren't a big item, but there's a strawberry ice cream taco.

In the bar, a huge glass dispenser whirls margaritas round, awaiting cus-

table talk

tomers' orders. Fruit margaritas and slush margaritas are available, as well as pitchers of sangria.

"ON THE weekends, there's a big lineup and sometimes an hour's wait for tables," Baler said, "but once they're seated they don't have a wait."

Two strolling Mexican musicians play guitar and sing Thursdays-Saturdays. Diners are seated at tables inlaid with blue-and-white tiles, and the intimate seating areas are decorated in a Mexican motif.

El Nibble Nook is not a franchise — yet.

TEQUILA WILLIE'S Saloon & Grill at 26551 Evergreen, Southfield, is part of a franchise. Its parent company, El Torito, started some 30 years ago in California.

Jim Braidwood, general manager of this newest TW's, which opened in May, explained that El Torito restaurants are more family-type, while the Tequila Willie's concept is "to appeal to family-oriented food and capitalize on the singles bar scene, where you can have a good time in a saloon."

The local TW's took over part of the Southfield Athletic Club and is built onto the side of the Traveler's Tower. Its dining areas are large, seating 250 people, and the saloon can accommodate some 200 drinkers.

"This is Tequila Willie's 'meat market,'" Braidwood said, with a sweep of the hand, as he showed the expanse where area singles mingle. Customers are seated in the greenhouse or courtyard, and food service includes Mexican Munchies from an exhibition grill or sandwiches from a deli.

The TW burger of seasoned ground beef is charbroiled, flamed in tequila and served on a grilled onion roll, with french fries. Braidwood claims the tequila is not just theatrics but does add flavor.

HOUSE SPECIALTIES include Macho Nachos and Traditional Nachos.

One of the biggest sellers is the Outrageous Chimichanga, served on a 13-inch platter and made from a 17-inch tortilla. The Stampede is a platter for four, that Braidwood said he has never seen anyone finish.

A Mexican-style seafood menu is being introduced this month, to supplement the regular seafood offerings, and more new menu items are coming in the spring. "We're Midwesternizing the menu," he said.

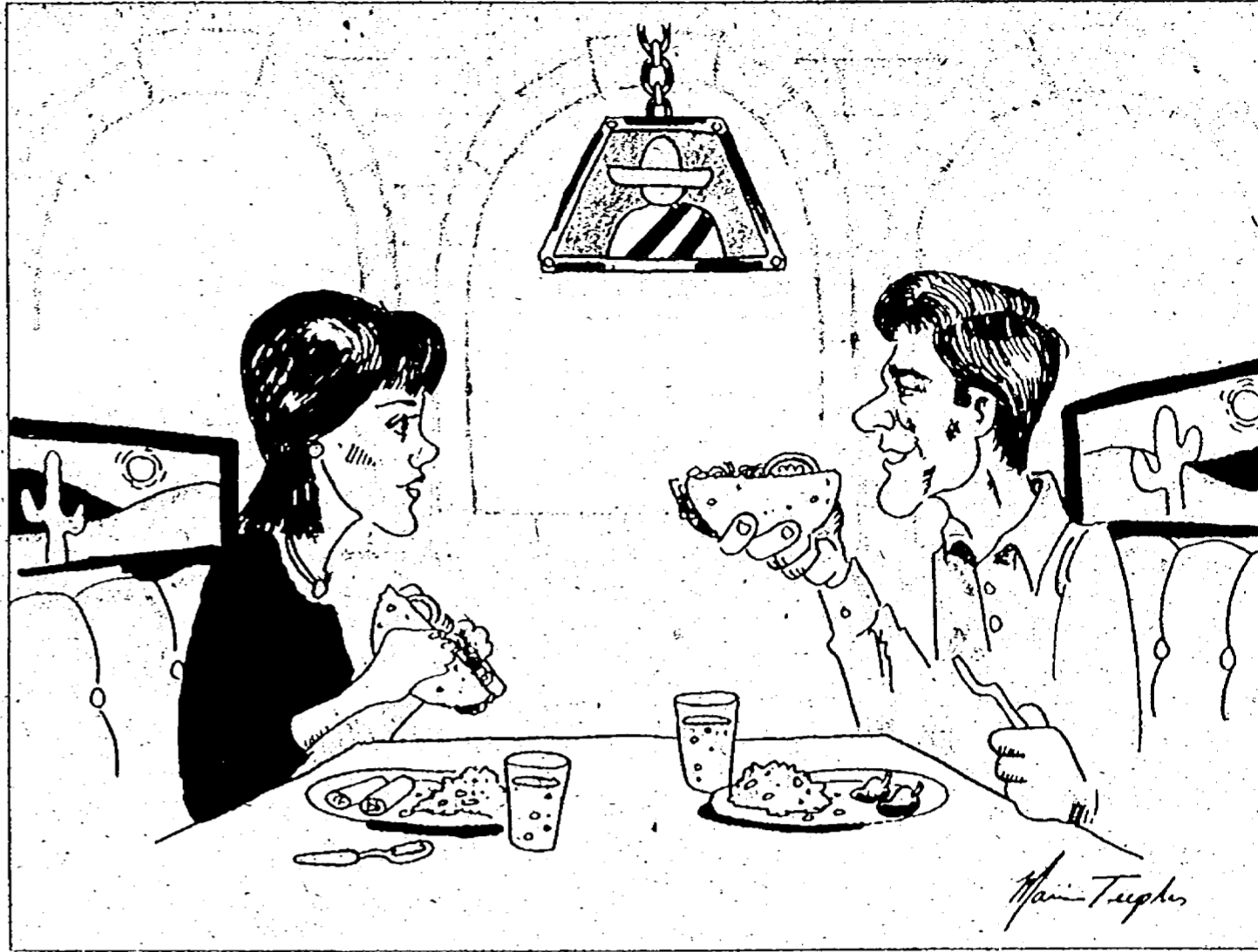
Tequila Willie's restaurants have featured a border-town atmosphere and decor. "But we looked at the area and decided it needed something more upbeat," Braidwood said.

The result is a stunning art deco look, in shades of off-white, maroon and green; pinkish-lavender walls, and turquoise and black accents. Special seating areas include booths draped for privacy, the Palm Room that seats six and the Flamingo Room for 30-35.

Braidwood said El Torito originated use of the goblet that has become traditional for serving margaritas. The chain also developed the tostada with an edible shell.

TW's offers eight margarita specialties, including an Apple Willie that's "like drinking an apple pie," Braidwood said. The Margarita is a traditional margarita with Grand Marnier float.

Menu prices range from \$4-\$7.



sketch by MARVIN TEEPLES

Dining in a Mexican restaurant can provide lots of filling, inexpensive food. Even with drinks (margaritas preferred), the tab can be under \$20

for two. Most food is mildly seasoned, but you can add hot stuff.

There's a \$1.99 children's menu, and kids eat free on weekends during December and January.

NOPALITOS Restaurant and Cantina has recently opened in the old location of the Magic Pan at Somerset Mall on Big Beaver and Coolidge roads in Troy.

Richard Kerchenko, manager, said the new restaurant is still owned by the Magic Pan. "It's one of the few free-standing restaurants owned by the Magic Pan." Nopalitos is a test pilot, the first Mexican restaurant in what may become a chain of such eateries.

So, it's not just that the public may have become too accustomed to crepes that led to the original restaurant's demise. "This Magic Pan wasn't doing badly," Kerchenko said.

Nopalitos (named after the edible nopal cactus) prides itself on its "Especialidades," eight entrees that are different than what is often found on Mexican-restaurant menus. Huachinango a la Veracruzana is red snapper sauteed with tomato-based Veracruz sauce, and Arroz con Pollo is breast of chicken sauteed, then covered with mild red-chile-based ranchera sauce. A shrimp dish and a marinated steak in lime

juice are other featured entrees.

The usual burros, tacos and enchiladas are also on the menu.

Cocktails include the margarita, in regular strawberry or peach. "We have fruit drinks and use freshly squeezed orange and grapefruit juice," Kerchenko said of the Sonora Sunrise, the Sierra Sunset and Si Senorita.

Just around the corner and down the street, Casa Lupita, a restaurant with a Spanish/Mexican motif, is scheduled to open in a few months on the site of Eden Glen on Big Beaver Road in Troy.

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Kathryn Cooke is the Sugar Plum Fairy and James Dunne is the Cavalier and the Snow King in the Oakway Symphony Orchestra production of "The Nutcracker Ballet," performed with the Contemporary Civic Ballet Company, directed by Rose Marie Floyd. The performance will be at 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 18, at Mercy High School Auditorium in Farmington Hills. Guest artist Dunne has been a lead dancer with major ballet companies and has danced in Broadway shows. Tickets are \$7 for general admission and \$4 for students and senior citizens. For further information call 476-6544.

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CHRISTMAS CONCERT

The Madonna College Chorale will present its annual Christmas concert at 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 11, at the Felician Motherhouse Chapel, 36800 Schoolcraft, just west of Livonia. The chorale is a mixed ensemble under the direction of John Redmon, professor of music at Madonna. The program will consist of traditional carols as well as a major work, "A Christmas Cantata," created by Daniel Pinkham. A brass ensemble composed of Eastern Michigan University students will accompany the cantata. The Madonna Chamber Singers also will sing. Solists will be Louise Fisher of Livonia, Christine Hughes and June Anthony of Redford and Donna Niefert of Garden City. Admission is \$2 for adults, \$1 for students.

SPOTLIGHT PLAYERS

A production of "Holiday Musical Cabaret" will be presented by the Spotlight Players at 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 9, 2 and 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 10, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 11, at Westland Center Auditorium on the mall's lower level, 35000 W. Warren, Westland. The cabaret is a collection of favorite holiday entertainments featuring song, dance and dramatic readings. Included are the song "New Deal for Christmas" from "Annie," dancing to "Babes in Toyland" and the story of "Silent Night," plus other numbers. The story, written by Debra Polich-Swain, is about a traditional family gathering on Christmas Eve. Admission is \$3 for adults, \$1.75 for children 12 and under.

YOUTH SYMPHONY

The Michigan Youth Symphony will

celebrate its 33rd season with a concert at 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 11, at Hill Auditorium in Ann Arbor. The free performance will feature 75 young musicians from throughout the state. Ranging in age from 10-18, they will present a program of symphonic music that includes Schubert's "Unfinished Symphony," "Coriolan Overture" by Beethoven, "Prelude to the Afternoon of a Faun" by Debussy featuring 13-year-old Kirsten Agresta on the harp and "The Hary Janos Suite" by Kodaly. Symphony members include Livonia residents Steven Harrington on French horn, Beth Bryngelson on flute, Leslie Kachnowski on violin, Ken Rakowicz on trumpet, Brian Kachnowski on trombone and Richard Fontana on trumpet.

COMEDY NIGHT

Four Detroit-area comics will star at Comedy Night IV at 8:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 9, in the Waterman Campus Center at Schoolcraft College in Livonia. Four members of the Detroit Comedy Society will perform. They are Bill Thomas, Sheila Kay, Tim Lilly and Van Gunter. This is the fourth comedy night sponsored by the Student Activities Office and the Last Drop Coffeehouse. Tickets are available at the Student Activities Office and at the door for \$4.50. The Comedy Night will be in a nightclub-like atmosphere. Because alcohol will be available (at additional cost) to those over 21, no one under 18 will be admitted.

Seating blocks view of dancers

By Mary Jane Doerr special writer

The Malaguena, the Jota, the Furruca, and the Sequidillas, done with flashing fans, castanets and tapping feet, are not exactly dances we see every day. But the influence of those Spanish styles have reached into our culture so predominantly that the rhythms and melodies we associate with them are thoroughly familiar even if we don't readily associate the composers with the famous melodies.

Local dance troupe Grupo Espana, led by soloist Maria Del Carmen, performed Sunday afternoon with the Oakway Symphony Orchestra at Madonna College in Livonia. A number of famous Spanish dances were choreographed to the music of Manuel de Falla ("Three Cornered Hat"), Marquina ("Espana Cant"), Granados ("Intermezzo from Goyescas"), and Lecuona ("Andalucia").

During the first half of the program I had the same problem many others seemed to be having in the audience. With only a view of the back of the trombone section of the orchestra, I saw nothing of the first two dances. I have no idea how they performed the "Miller's Dance" from de Falla's "Three Cornered Hat." The ballet is one that I have never seen and to miss this performance was disappointing.

The group is composed of Patricia Ernesta, Evangelina Guzman, Mari Montes, Teresa Perella, Mara Romero and Raquel Schreier. The two men are Larry Lopez and Gabriel El Jarrá.

CARMEN, WHO leads the group, is of Spanish parentage but from New York. She has studied with famous dancers and toured in Canada, Puerto Rico, and Mexico. She is adept in flamenco as well as other types of Spanish dances. This year she is a recipient of a grant from the Michigan Council for the Arts for the expansion of Hispanic culture.

review

During the second half of the program Carmen performed an elegant solo to Granados' "Intermezzo from Goyescas." Dressed in a red dress topped with black lace and carrying a black fan and castanets, she developed a strong interplay with the rhythm of the orchestra and her feet and hands.

The troupe was brightly clad for the final number Lecuona's "Andalucia" in red, green, blue, yellow, pink, and aqua. Shawls were traditional with embroidered flowers. Carmen was costumed in purple making a strong visual impression on the stage.

Much of the appeal of Spanish dancing is subtleties of the feet movements and the mannerisms. None of this could be appreciated with the seating arrangement at Madonna College. Since I missed so much of the program, I cannot make any judgment as to the quality of "Grupo Espana."

THIS CONCERT was named "Spanish Spectacular" but it also could be termed as either "Spanish Influence on French Composers" or "French Influence on Spanish Composers." Music director and conductor Francesco Di Biasi selected mostly Spanish composers but he also included Bizet's Excerpta from "Carmen," the opera which actually took place in Seville; Paul Dukas' "Fandare," and Chabrier's "Espana."

The Bizet had some fine solos from the flutes (Roger Walton was principal flute with principal flutist Pamela Hill playing piccolo) and from the oboe section.

The orchestra gave a spirited performance of Waldteufel's "Espana" and Chabrier's "Espana," but on the whole the orchestra has sounded better on many other occasions. But then, no orchestra concert should be critiqued from the bass section.

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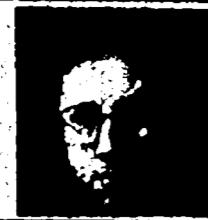


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"The Day the Earth Caught Fire" (1962), noon Friday on Ch. 9. Originally 99 minutes. TV time slot: 120 minutes.

It's not special effects but realistic settings that give this British import an edge. The film was shot in and around

the Daily Express newspaper offices, Fleet Street and other London landmarks. And the plot concerns itself less with sci-fi devices and more with public hysteria when the earth is jarred from its orbit and sent on a course toward the sun. Leo McKern, Edward

Judd and Janet Munro co-star in this original, steamy film directed by Val Guest.

Rating: \$3.25
"Victory" (1981), 9 p.m. Saturday on Ch. 2. Originally 110 minutes. TV time slot: 120 minutes.

John Huston's "Victory," the story of soccer-playing POWs, suffers from the most improbable plot you'd ever want to see. Yet Huston has a way with actors, the film is tightly edited and quickly paced and, in the long run, not a bad way to spend a couple of hours.

Sylvester Stallone, Michael Caine, Max von Sydow and soccer great Pele co-star.

Rating: \$2.85
"Abbott and Costello Meet the Killer, Boris Karloff" (1949), 9 a.m. Sunday on Ch. 7. Originally 94 minutes. TV time slot: 90 minutes.

Bud Abbott and Lou Costello were paired in some improbable-sounding comedy/horror films starting with "Abbott and Costello Meet Frankenstein" in 1948. They met Karloff a year later, and then "The Invisable Man" (1951), "Capt. Kidd" (1952), "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde" (1953), and "The Mummy," and the "Keystone Kops" (both 1955). Oddly enough, the earlier films

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— which co-starred such fright veterans as Karloff, Bela Lugosi, Charles Laughton and Lon Chaney — are respectable works with neat blends of frantic humor and conventional film horror. Unfortunately, as is evident by the time frame above, Ch. 7 is squeezing this film for all its worth.
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Mexican dining leads the way

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A million-dollar renovation of the building by the Ponderosa chain is in the works. The new restaurant will seat 280 diners, and prices will range from \$4.95-\$8.95.

THE CHI-CHI'S Restaurant group has been making inroads in the metropolitan Detroit area, with one of the newest ones opening recently at 29330 Schoolcraft and Middlebelt, Livonia. With its distinctive light stucco exterior, in a Mexican-style structure, it's easy to guess what kind of food is inside. The interior is striking with authentic Mexican wall hangings and pottery as bold, colorful accents against white walls.

Pete Tucker, area supervisor, said, "The margaritas are really the star of the show." Chi-Chi's serves them regular or jumbo size, or by the pitcher, in regular or strawberry flavors. Tuesday's Margaritaville, with \$1 off in the lounge or dining room.

Ingredients for Chi-Chi's margaritas are all bottled separately for the company, everything from tequila to coarse-grain kosher salt.

Tucker said that in the newer Chi-Chi's more capacity has been added to the lounge, for people waiting or Happy Hour when drinks are priced two for one.

WHEN IT COMES to food, "The Chimichanga is what we're noted for," he said. "It comes with a variety of fillings. The newest is chicken."

Tucker said, "We serve Sonoran-style cooking, which is not as spicy as Mexican foods can tend to be." Hot and mild sauce is served on the side, with chips and with dinner.

"One of the problems Mexican restaurants are facing is that customers think Mexican food and they think hot," he said. Chi-Chi's food is mildly seasoned, and the server lets the customer know the sauces can be used to enhance the taste of the meal.

Corn tortillas are used for enchiladas, tacos and chips, and the flour tortilla for anything that has to go in the oven. Burros are served with enchilada sauce. The chimichanga is fried and served with a special, meat-based sauce.

Other menu items frequently ordered include all the dinner combinations, especially the Cancun (seafood enchiladas), the El Grande Burro, or Chi-Chi's Special Dinner sampler plate.

"PEOPLE WHO have eaten a lot of Mexican food tend to like it spicier," Tucker said. They might prefer con carne, which is a little more spicy, or the tamale. "We make the tamale here

from scratch. A lot of restaurants don't offer it because it is time-consuming to prepare."

"We emphasize all meals are prepared fresh on the premises. Nothing is packaged or pre-made. It's a quality difference," Tucker said.

Besides the regular low dinner prices, there are promotional nights and kids' meals are priced at 75 cents Sundays.

The Livonia Chi-Chi's is not far from the Detroit Race Course, and it gets a lot of customers from the track before and after the races during the season.

CARLOS MURPHY'S Irish-Mexican Cafe at 29244 Northwestern Highway, Southfield, has what appears to be the world's largest menu, measuring a folded-out-size of 30 inches by 20 inches. It numbers some 120 items.

"We're not just a Mexican restaurant," said Mike Lee, general manager. "About 60 percent of the menu is Mexican." The other offerings answer the need of a non-Mexican-food fan dining with those who do prefer Mexican dishes.

Many diners like Carlos Murphy's Mexican Platters for Two, serving two people for \$9.95. Two of these platters are on the regular menu, and there are four specials this month. Most popular entree is the Mexican

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THE RESTAURANT has a decor Lee described as "bright, lively, entertaining." A bear on a swing hangs over the bar in the lounge. In the elevated dining area, Mexican chairs have striped upholstered seats and there are oilcloth tables covers in red, green and yellow.

Although the Carlos Murphy chain's home office is in Southern California, the Southfield location was the first one to open. "You wouldn't open a Mexican restaurant in Mexico," Lee replied, when asked why the first one was opened in the Detroit area. An attractive new building was put up especially for the Southfield restaurant.

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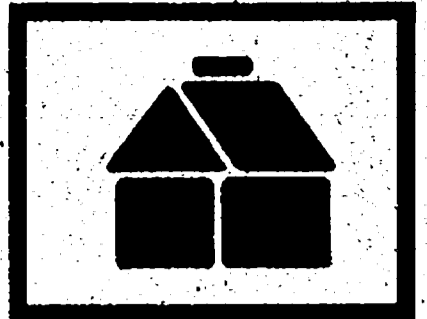
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Victoriana Artist's wooden figures bring back another era

By Mary Klemic
staff writer

MAYBE IT'S the way "Anna Maria" sits daintily on the carousel horse, holding a pretty parasol above her head, or the elegance with which she wears her ribbons and lace. It is as though she was found in an old relative's trunk after many years.

Anna Maria is carved from hardwood. She and the horse together stand approximately 14 inches high. She may remind one of a bygone era, but Anna Maria and similar wooden figures are the present-day creations of Plymouth resident Lillian Renko Bledow.

Bledow has been carving Victorian-style works for five years, since she quit teaching art. Her pieces have become popular and are in great demand, she says.

"The women are all surprised at the detail, and the husbands appreciate the woodworking," the artist said.

BLEDOW'S WORK may be seen at Meadow Brook Hall now through Dec. 11. A Christmas tree filled with her carvings will be on display in Staff Room No. 2. Bledow's sister Renetta Bloomfield of Livonia decorated that room with wreaths and garlands.

Also, Bledow designed a double wreath ornament exclusively for Meadow Brook. The ornament was inspired by a canopy of flowers and cherubs that cover the ceiling of the dining room there.

Working from her home, Bledow keeps busy filling custom and store orders. Her carvings are sold at the Vil-

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— Lillian Renko Bledow

lage Barn in Franklin and Judy's Country Curtains in Northville. Her ornaments, which may be used as wall hangings, average in price between \$22 and \$35. Bledow also carves figures on carousel animals, which cost from \$45 to \$145.

"It depends on the work," Bledow said.

BLEDOW DESIGNS and paints all her figures. She uses a jigsaw to cut them from hardwood. The carousel figures fit together exactly, and the arms and legs are moveable. Bledow uses a magnifying glass to check the detail work.

"Each is an individual," Bledow said. "I don't use stencils. It's the same (Victorian) style, but nothing is a copy."

Bledow paints the faces with pen and ink. Often she will paint several figures at once.

"I make a little assembly line," Bledow said with a laugh. "Sometimes I feel like I'm playing God."

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tail work. I do the faces first. They're the most important. If they're ugly, I sand them off and start over. Everybody looks at the faces. They choose the face they like best."

The artist averages 30 hours a week on her wood pieces. Her work is done in her basement and in a first-floor room overlooking her yard.

"Sometimes I'll stay here five hours at a time, and other days I'll work 15 minutes," Bledow said.

Bledow will limit the number of pieces she will make of the same design.

"I would never have time to do my new things," she explained. "I love designing and coming up with new ideas."

BLEDOW, WHOSE interests include writing, took up carving after she left teaching. At first, she made "primitive" wooden toys for Greenfield Village in Dearborn, she said.

"When I quit, I wanted to do something," Bledow said.

A collection of Victorian cards inspired Bledow's present works. She added wood appliques to the figures and made them more and more detailed, she said.

"I applied what I liked about the cards to the wood," Bledow said.

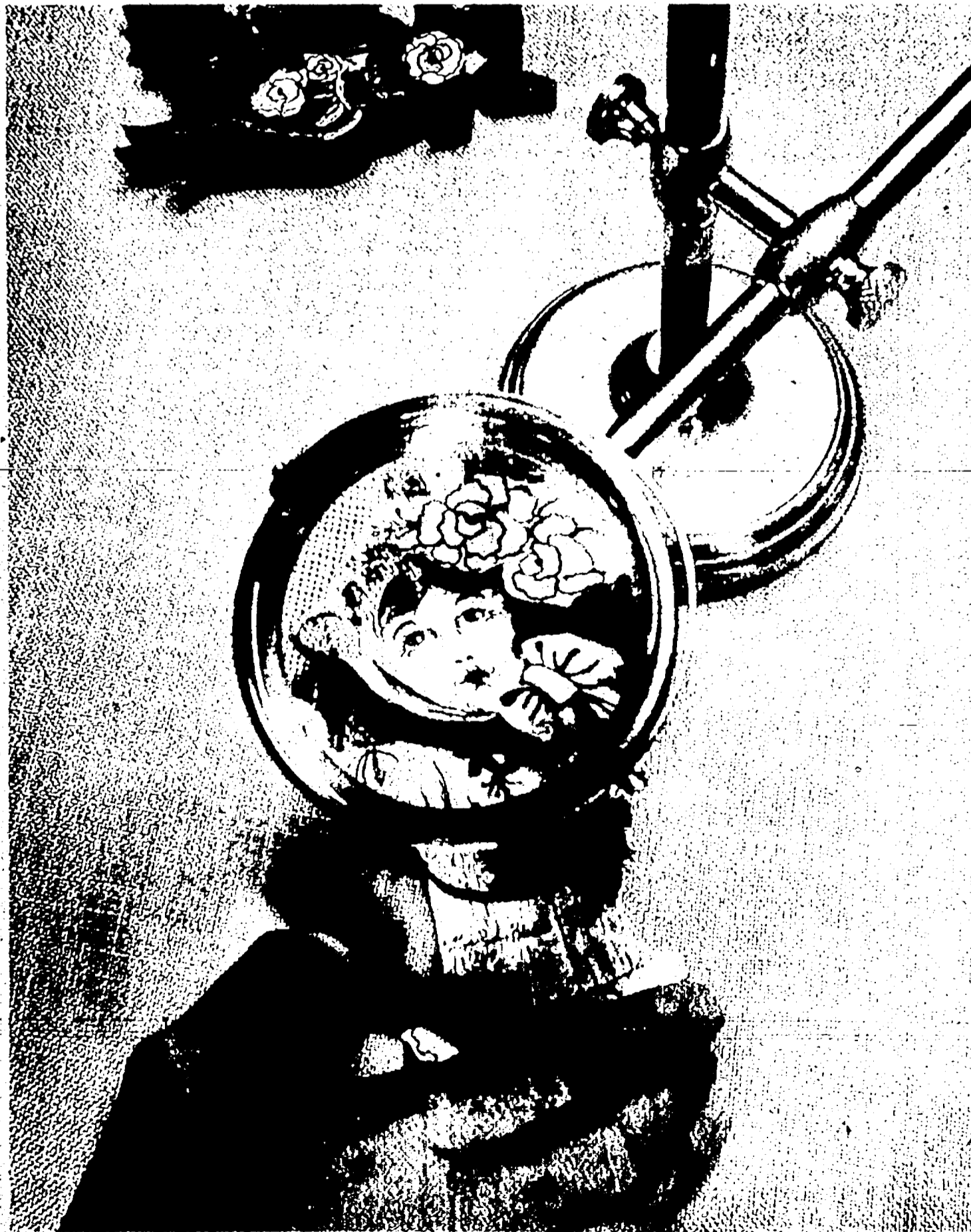
One of Bledow's more intricate works measured approximately one yard long. It featured nine miniature reindeer and a tiny Santa Claus. But she keeps busy making figures year-round, not just at Christmastime.

"I'm busy all the time," the artist said. "I'm already working on next year."



Lillian Renko Bledow works both in her basement and on a table in a room overlooking the yard of her Plymouth home.

She paints the faces of her wooden figures first.



A look at one of Bledow's finished works through a magnifying glass reveals the details she includes.

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Bledow's Victorian-style figures on carousel animals have moveable arms and legs. She uses a jigsaw to cut the intricate hardwood figures such as "Anna Marie" and her horse.

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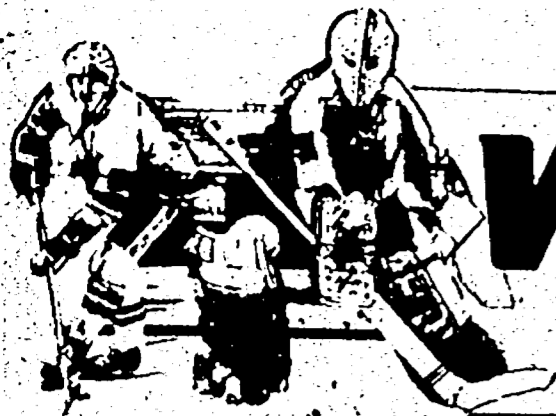
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There's a little Scrooge in everyone, psychiatrist David D. Burns says.

Having no joy in the present and no faith in the future, Burns says, this crotchety old fuddy-duddy emerges at Christmastime to paralyze holiday plans and pulverize year-end resolutions.

But everyone is his own Santa Claus, too, Burns says. Most people realize this and simply obliterate old Scrooge in a round of tree-trimming and holiday good cheer, coming out on the other side of New Year's resolved to carry on.

Burns is a kind of Santa Claus himself. An assistant professor of psychiatry at the University of Pennsylvania, he's author of a book entitled "Feeling Good, The New Mood Therapy." It outlines techniques for combating depression without drugs.

Burns calls depression the "common cold" of mental disorders.

About 80 percent of Americans have it at one time or another, he says, with about 20 to 25 percent getting serious doses. The more serious cases can lead to suicide or other self-destructive behavior. These arise when the depression lasts two weeks or more.

He says depression is "a syndrome characterized by 'blue' moods, being down in the dumps, feeling like a failure, not 'as good' as others, attended by crying, irritability, trouble making decisions, difficulty sleeping, loss of appetite for food or sex, social overeating and preoccupation with physical aches and pains."

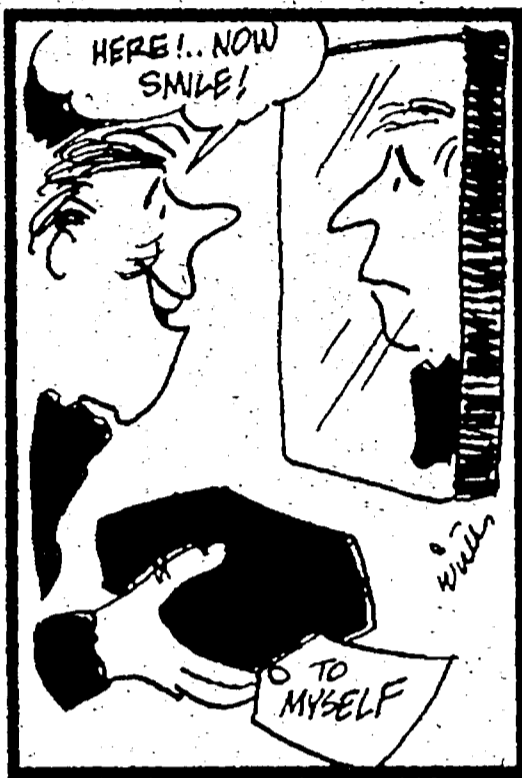
That in itself is depressing. And Burns himself admits to being "less than joy-

ous" during this time of year. But Burns has a method he uses to overcome his own blue moods and it is the same one he suggests for others.

"Don't measure your self-esteem by what you do or by what others think of you."

He says most human beings predicate their sense of self-worth on four value judgments:

- I must be perfect in everything I say and do.
- I must be loved by other people.
- I must have other people's approval.



- I must be successful.

HUMBUG, BURNS says.

The hardest one to overcome during the Christmas-Hanukkah period, he says, is the "I must be loved" statement. At New Year's, it's the "I must be successful" statement.

"Loneliness is in the culture," he says. "It takes its toll every day of the year. But around Christmas and Hanukkah we raise our expectations. Even people who have families feel this sense of loneliness and excess of expectations."

"Make a list of the advantages and disadvantages of the belief," he says. "Then go through the list and rewrite it. Do you really have to be 'successful'? Or are you doing all right, right now?"

"You will find that you're already worthwhile. The trick is to stop being dependent on external events and people for your feelings of happiness."

After the person has changed his value judgments, the next thing to do, Burns says, is to "see what you're telling yourself."

To do this, he advises, subjects should list their "negative" statements and their "positive," or opposite possibilities.

For example, one negative may be: "I'm not as far along in my career as I should be." Its opposite or positive is: "I'm lucky to be here. I can enjoy what I'm doing now."

Another negative may be: "I'm not participating enough in Christmas with my family because I have to work this job." Its converse is: "I'll do what I can and give myself credit for being a good

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provider. On Christmas Eve the kids and I will . . ."

Finally, Burns says, the subject is ready to play Santa Claus. Even the lonely can participate. This is the "change of behavior" stage.

"To act in a more productive way, write down the things you'd do if you were 'feeling good,'" Burns says.

"At this time of year, it may be things like buying yourself a gift, fixing a beautiful meal for yourself, going shopping, decorating a Christmas tree for somebody or joining a group and going Christmas caroling.

"The trick is to predict on a piece of paper how satisfying you think the thing will be, go and do it and then write down how satisfying it actually was.

"For example, you may write down that buying a gift for yourself will be only a '2' experience on a scale of 1 to 10. Afterward, you may find it was an '8' or even a '10.'

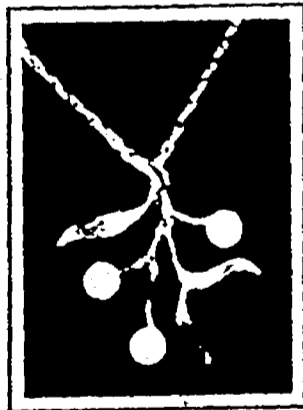
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Holiday gatherings help preserve family folklore

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"Do you remember the time," one relative asks — and of course everyone does because this story is told at every holiday gathering — "when the plum pudding wouldn't flame and mother drenched it with a bottle of brandy trying to get it lighted . . . ?"

There is more going on at these family gatherings that meets the palate or the ear. Often-told tales featuring the likes of puddings and other special memories are more than just enjoyable, time-passing moments, family folklore experts tell us; rather, such stories are the sound of a family celebrating, renewing and reestablishing itself. And repetition plays a large part in this process.

"For some families, these tales may be their most important way of expressing kinship," noted the authors of "A Celebration of American Family Folklore," a collection of stories and photographs gathered during the Smithsonian's annual Festival of American Folklife in Washington, D.C. "For others it is here, over dinner or picnic table, that family members renew a dedication to one another

Mealtime turns out to be the time when family members are most at home with each other physically and psychologically. "Perhaps it is not a coincidence," the authors said, "that we satisfy our emotions along with our appetites."

UNTIL RECENTLY, folklore students were more interested in traditional folktales than family stories, neglecting the local yarn or the little known but colorful character for the tall tales about the country's Davy Crocketts and Buffalo Bills.

"Family tradition is one of the great repositories of American culture," said Amy Kotlin, one of the authors of "Celebration." The others are Steve Zeitlin and Holly Cutting Baker. "It contains clues to our national character and into our family structure," she said.

What is family folklore? It's a family's creative expression of its common past, distinct from the facts that make up its history. A family's stories, photographs and traditions are "personalized and often creative distillations of experience, worked and reworked over time," Zeitlin said. "When a family tells of that glorious moment when a relative just missed sailing on the Titanic, the lore is precisely that: A glorious moment carefully selected and elaborated through the years."

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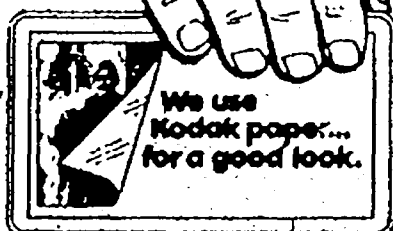
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America's great diversity shapes its folklore, Appalachian families often tell stories of longstanding feuds, third-generation Americans recall their ancestors' perilous escapes from the old country and Westerners tell of their kin's journeys over the Oregon Trail.

In researching "Celebration," the au-

thors found that in the stories about memorable relatives, the most common protagonists were mischief makers, heroes, villains and innocents. Although these originals most likely were complex personalities, they linger on in a "simplified though satisfying way."

Parents love to tell their children about their youthful antics, even while discouraging them from the same behavior. One person interviewed by the authors remembered his father warning him not to play with firecrackers while in the same breath telling him about the fun he had with firecrackers as a boy.

Americans seem to love to tell tales of how their ancestors lost the fortune that would otherwise have gone to them. As one professional genealogist observes, whatever city our ancestors came from, their farms always seemed to have once covered what soon became the busiest part of town.

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In the storied Black Forest of Baden-Wurttemberg, almost half of the trees are suffering from the apparently irreversible illness.

The German word for it is waldsterben, forest death. A new government survey shows that 35 percent of the nation's 17 million acres of forest are diseased.

The agent of destruction is acid rain, an airborne poison that originates in factories, power plants and automobile engines. In a chemical reaction still not fully understood, when the effluent sulfur dioxide and nitrogen oxides are brought down out of the atmosphere by rain, the resulting liquid renders both

water and soil unable to support the life that has flourished there for millennia.

For most Americans, acid rain has been a threat, not a depressing fact of daily life. For Germans, some of the future predicted by environmental Cassandras has arrived.

A word has been coined to sum up both the domestic and international challenges that face the Germans. It is Hochschornsteinpolitik, which sounds as formidable as the concept it names: smokestack politics.

"Our forests are of inestimable importance for the water cycle, for our climate, for our health, for our recreation, and for the identity of the German landscape," says West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl. "If we do not succeed in saving our forests, the world in which we live will be changed beyond recognition."

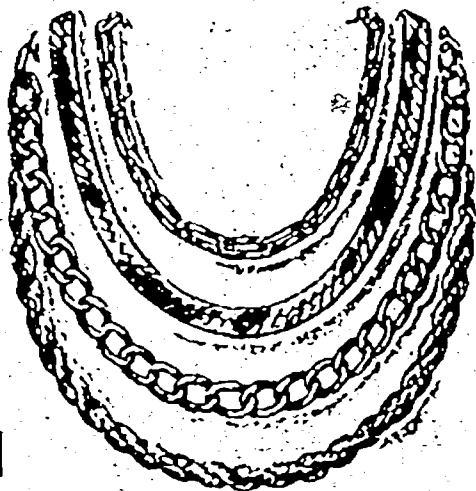
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An example of an evergreen forest in the Harz Mountains of West Germany that has fallen victim to acid rain. These spruce are only a few of the billions of dead and dying trees all over central Europe. Are American forests next?

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Here are some guidelines for evaluating educational software from Elaine Glasser, home economist from the Cooperative Extension Service of Oakland County:

- Be sure the program is appropriate for the age of the child. While older children may want complicated graphics, they may overwhelm a young child. Does the program make good use of the computer's abilities with graphics, movement, sound and color? The computer

has the capability of being much more than a static book on a screen.

- Does the program have different skill levels that lets the child progress? If not, you may find the child can master it very quickly and then be bored.

- Can you delete or add information to make the program more personal? Spelling programs may allow words to be added so that it teaches what the child needs. The same goes for math skills.

- Can the child direct the pace of learning? Or do screens of information move at a predetermined pace that may be too fast or too slow for that child?

- Does the documentation that comes with the program suggest other

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• Does the program handle errors well? Children may not always find a keyboard easy to use in the beginning. What happens when an incorrect response is made? Does the program help you give a correct response, or does it stop with no directions?

When purchasing software, remember to check out the hardware requirements for each package. Does it need a joystick or anything else to really make it work to full advantage? Always check its requirements against the system you own.

Where can you find out about soft-

ware that is well written and currently available? Many of the computer magazines review software each issue. Look at current issues. There is even a new magazine devoted to family computing.

Ask other parents for their experiences. They can offer a wealth of information.

Don't overlook word-processing programs or data management programs that all members of the family can use, or the software that helps children learn to program the computers. The world of educational software is growing. If your child is so inclined, he or she can constantly be finding new uses for the computer.

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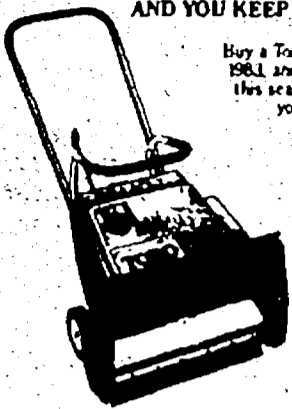
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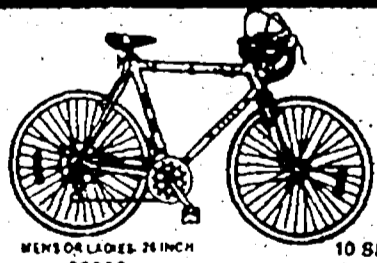
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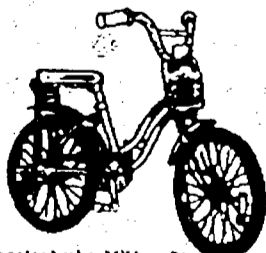
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Gagarine and his staff tested a full menu of foods, including gravy, cranberry sauce, beets and cherry pie stains on fabrics that they felt people would most likely wear during this time of year: wool, linen, ordinary polyester, Visa polyester, nylon and several natural and synthetic blends. It was found that the synthetic fabrics came out cleaner after an ordinary machine-washing in hot temperatures and a cup of detergent.

Of the natural fabrics tested, cotton came out of the wash cleaner than wool and linen. Fabric blends of polyester-wool and polyester-cotton also had fair-

to-good stain release after an ordinary washing. The stains were the most difficult to remove from natural fibers and fabric blends because of their high-fat molecular structures.

"Wear clothing made of synthetic fabrics at holiday times for the best and easiest maintenance," says Gagarine.

Gagarine suggests pre-spotting natural fabrics which are stained in one-quarter cup bleach for every gallon of water at 70 degrees Fahrenheit for approximately 15 minutes. (This applies to only to washable natural fabrics and will work better if the fabric is a light color). Then squeeze out the fabric and put the clothing through another wash cycle. Most holiday stains will disappear, except on cotton when turkey-dressing stains will still persist. A fabric blend of cotton-ordinary polyester will also show turkey-dressing stains after this procedure, and even rice-gravy stains will still be there.

Your next step would be to take these clothes to the dry cleaner. Tell the cleaner where the stains are and what caused them so he/she can pre-spot the fabric with special solvents. "All of the stains came out when we discussed the particular problem with the cleaner," says Gagarine.

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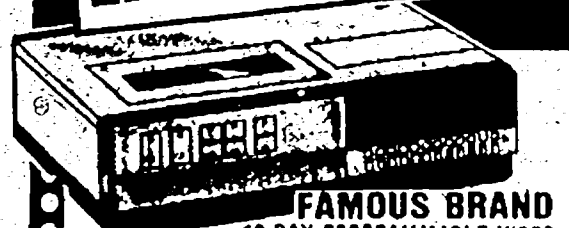
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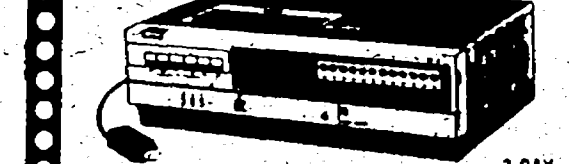
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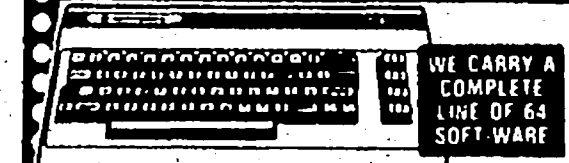


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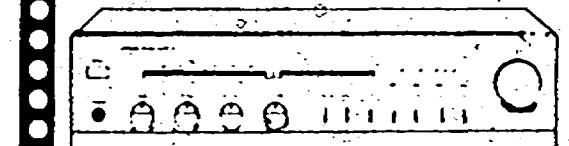


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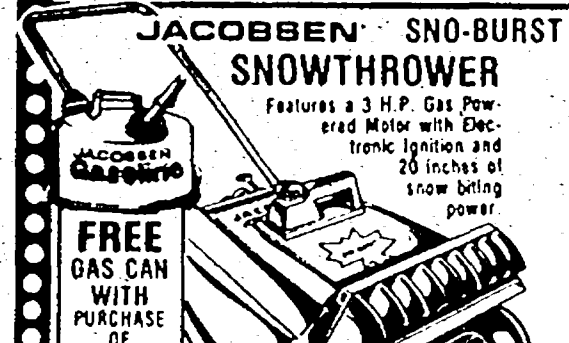
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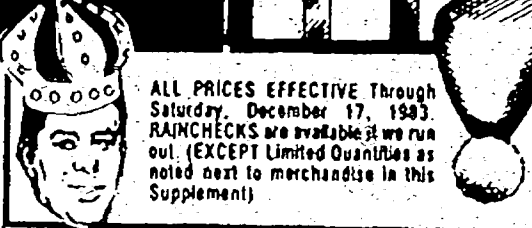
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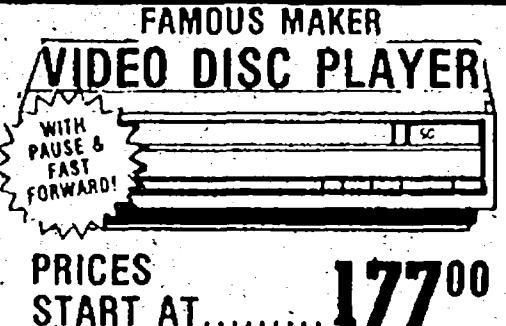
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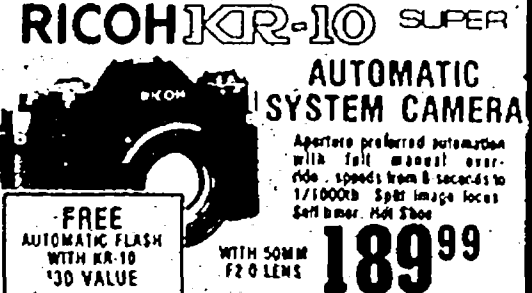
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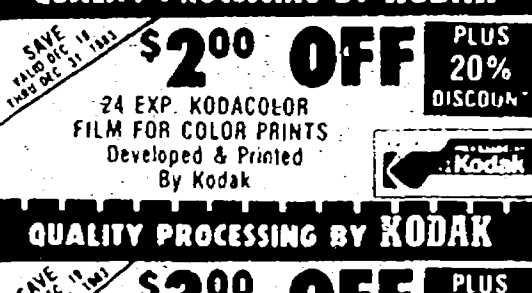
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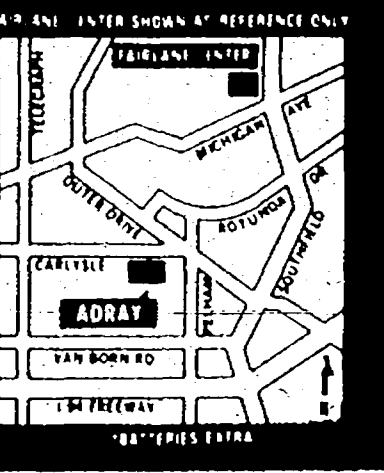
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