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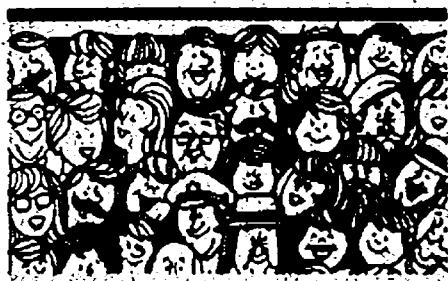
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VANDENBERG

Elementary School students will have a new roof over their heads soon.

The Wayne-Westland school board Monday approved the project as part of the work being done with a \$12.9 million bond issue passed by district voters last January.

Replacement of the 21,000-square-foot roof will be done by Lower Peninsula Roofing, which turned in the low bid of \$48,579.

THE WILLIAM D. Ford

Vocational/Technical center is looking more and more like a used car lot these days.

But that's a good sign, according to school officials. As long as the donations keep rolling in, the center's student auto mechanics will be assured of getting hands-on training in repairing increasingly complicated automobiles.

Chrysler Corp. and the Ohio-based Northwestern Business College and Technical Center teamed up last month to donate a turbo-charged 1988 Dodge Lancer.

Now the center will be the recipient of a 1987 Buick Wildcat, Chevrolet Cavaliers and two Chevy trucks courtesy of General Motors, and a 1977 Lincoln donated by Glen Allen of Canton Township.

A PROGRAM on new developments in the fight against Alzheimer's disease will be held 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Westland Convalescent Center, Warren Road west of Wayne Road.

Marjorie Fuller, program coordinator for the Alzheimer's Association, is the featured speaker. Fuller will also present a videotape, "When Love Gets Tough," which addresses the anxieties involved in placing families who must place a loved one in a nursing home.

Admission is free and the program is open to the public.

IF YOU took a shine to the Stripes or the Beatles were your bag, then Saturday, Oct. 8, could be your night.

The John Glenn High School Football Boosters will sponsor its second annual '88 and '89 dance 8 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at the Wayne Ford Civic League.

Tickets are \$12.50 per person and admission includes pizza, refreshments and of course dancing to all those rock 'n' roll classics.

Proceeds will go to support the school's football program.

For advance tickets or information, call Ed Wagar, 334-1251.

THE FRIENDSHIP

center will hold a pre-retirement planning seminar next week.

The comprehensive, educational seminar will cover six topics over four days and include lectures by experts in several fields.

All of the topics to be covered are designed for retirement investing, medicine, planning, housing and estate planning.

Seminars begin at 7 p.m. Monday through Friday, at the center, 20 Hawthorn Court, Marquette.

The program is open to people 55 and older. Admission is a \$10 donation.

For more information, call the center, 334-1251.

IN OTHER credit activities, Westland School PTA is planning an arts and crafts show from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, at the school on Westland at Cherry Hill.

Registration is \$5.00 for the show.



THOMAS ARNETT/staff photographer

Crowned

Tanya Thigpen is crowned the 1988 Homecoming Queen of John Glenn High School Friday evening during halftime ceremonies. Thigpen is crowned by the 1987 Homecoming Queen Jamie Kolodzie.

Firm asks court to reinstate award

By **Tedd Schneider**
staff writer

The Michigan Supreme Court will hear oral arguments Thursday in a five-year-old Westland case regarding the city's right to ask for land in exchange for granting a building permit.

The plaintiff, Electro-Tech Inc. of Westland, is asking the court to review a 1987 ruling by the state Court of Appeals that reversed a previous award of \$438,052 in damages by a Wayne County Circuit Court jury.

The case stems from a 1983 refusal by the Westland City Council to grant a building permit for a proposed expansion of Electro-Tech's manufacturing plant on S. Newburgh.

The building permit was turned

down after Electro-Tech refused to dedicate a 27-foot strip of land fronting on Newburgh to the city for future road improvements.

The city eventually started condemnation proceedings and took the land, paying Electro-Tech \$18,000 for the property.

ELECTRO-TECH, which employs 40 people and manufactures electronics components, claims it lost several U.S. defense department contracts when it couldn't build the expansion.

"Primarily, the work we do here is on contract from the federal government," Jack Beauchamp, company president said last week.

Wilson Jackson, a Warren attorney representing Electro-Tech, said Thursday the company is basing its

appeal to the Supreme Court on "the fact that we believe the denial of the permit and the taking of property without fair payment is a violation of due process."

Electro-Tech had hired a contractor, Campbell Construction, for the expansion project and Campbell was to obtain the building permit.

"The city repeatedly postponed the hearings, finally denied the permit, and my client lost out on a number of opportunities," Jackson said.

The Livonia firm of Cummings, McClorey, Davis and Aho is representing the city. An attorney from that firm failed to return phone calls this week to discuss the case.

Briefs have already been filed with the court. After hearing oral ar-

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Nature preserve study is nearing completion

By **Leonard Poger**
editor

An environmental study of a proposed city golf course site is expected to be completed by next Monday.

The study, one of three projected for the site in the city's northwest corner, is being done by Dr. F. Glenn Goff, a Michigan State University faculty member and a certified pro-

fessional ecologist.

The study, ordered by the ad hoc golf course advisory committee, will determine the effect a golf course would have on the area's wild life and plant life, said George Gillies, Westland parks and recreation department director and chairman of the advisory committee.

The \$1,250 charge for the environmental study is being paid by the

Municipal Service Bureau, a city agency that administers the existing municipal nine-hole golf course and other city programs.

The study is the first of three proposed by the city administration, which disclosed its intentions earlier this year.

The next two studies will cover

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election '88

Barns says elderly are her top priority

By **Tedd Schneider**
staff writer

Working to improve conditions for Westland's growing senior citizen population and strengthening Michigan's crime laws are the top items on state Rep. Justine Barns' agenda.

Barns, a Democrat, is seeking her fourth term representing the 38th District in the state House in elections Tuesday, Nov. 8.

"We've finally begun to pay attention to the plight of senior citizens, but I don't think we're at the point yet where we're doing everything that can be done," Barns said in an interview last week.

Barns, who chairs the House Committee on Senior Citizens and Retirement, said one of her top ac-

complishments last term was sponsoring House Bill 4141, which called for less expensive prescriptions for seniors without health insurance.

"When the bill was rejected (by Gov. James Blanchard) the first time, we worked out a compromise and got it passed within 48 hours," Barns said.

Although the bill did eventually become a law, Barns and a majority of her House colleagues rejected a move to designate a specific amount of funding for it.

BARNs ALSO cited her work to enact legislation that mandated placement of an ombudsman for convalescent homes.

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Rep. Justine Barns seeking re-election

- name: Justine Barns
- age: 63
- party: Democrat
- experience: State Representative, 1983-present; Westland City Council 1985-82.

Raupp says funds are 'squandered'

By **Tedd Schneider**
staff writer

Kenneth Raupp says taxes are a fact of life in Michigan and that's fine.

But the Republican challenger for the 38th District state representative seat said Thursday he can't tolerate "the constant squandering of our tax money by the current crop of politicians in Lansing."

"When our legislators agree to spend \$12 million a year for the care and feeding of horses, there's something wrong," Raupp said in an interview. The legislature approved the funds to aid the racing industry.

Raupp hopes to unseat incumbent state Rep. Justine Barns, D-Westland, in elections Tuesday,

Nov. 8. Raupp, who beat George Erdel in the Republican primary, said his top priority is the elimination of "wasteful government spending." With a tighter budget there will be more money for programs of real concern to district residents, he said.

RAUPP ALSO said he favors the elimination of tax abatements. Granting abatements, or property tax breaks to encourage business creation and expansion, is a widespread practice in Michigan.

"The way to make up for eliminating abatements is to enact more pro-business legislation," Raupp said.

Referring to the Job Providers Index published by the Michigan

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Kenneth Raupp seeks House post

- name: Kenneth Raupp
- age: 44
- party: Republican
- experience: Ford Motor Co. engine development technician since 1970; Republican precinct delegate.

Westland man, 34, killed in collision

A 34-year-old Westland man was killed and two others were injured Sept. 20 in a head-on collision on Middlebelt, south of Joy, police said.

Killed was Thomas Kovacs.

Gary Olsen, 46, of Westland suffered multiple injuries, including two broken ankles, in the accident, police said. Louise Campbell, 34, of Inkster was treated and released from a local hospital for minor injuries.

Police said Kovacs was driving south at an undetermined speed in a 1988 Pontiac Fiero when he crossed the center dividing line and crashed head on into a car driven by Olsen.

Campbell, who was driving north behind Olsen, apparently couldn't stop in time and hit the rear end of Olsen's car, police said.

An autopsy of Kovacs was incomplete, and police couldn't determine whether alcohol or drug use was a factor in the accident.

But witnesses told police they saw Kovacs' car swerving between lanes a short time before the collision.

"People even said they tried to get him to pull over or slow down, but he just ignored them," said officer Terry Donohue of the Westland traffic bureau.

Police charge man in boxer's injury

By **Bill Casper**
staff writer

Redford Township police have charged a 22-year-old Westland man with felonious assault in connection with a Wednesday incident in which retired boxing champion Milton McCrory was hit by car.

The assault on McCrory, 26, followed a rock-throwing incident behind a Redford bar, Club Mayhem, Telegraph at Joy.

Gary M. Kingins stood mute Wednesday to the charge before Redford's 17th District Judge John

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In Today's Issue

Stamper found guilty in girl's death

By Peggy Auino
staff writer

Steven Stamper was convicted of second-degree murder Friday in the 1986 shooting death of 13-year-old Mary Anne Hulbert. The jury deliberated for seven hours over a two-day period before reaching the verdict, which carries a sentence of up to life in prison.

Both defense attorney Jeffrey Strouss and the defendant's mother, Tiddle Braddam, expressed relief that the jury did not find Stamper guilty of first-degree murder. That crime carries a mandatory life sentence with no chance of parole.

Second-degree murder is "still a substantial crime," Strouss said. "It's not like he's just going to get his

hand slapped." Those convicted of second-degree murder typically get sentences of 10 to 20 years in prison, he said.

Stamper is to be sentenced Friday, Oct. 21, by Judge Henry T. Conlin, who presided over the two-week circuit court trial.

The 18-year-old defendant, who stands 6 feet, 7 inches tall and has shoulder-length brown hair, was expressionless upon learning the result of the jury's deliberation. Braddam, who is his natural grandmother and adoptive mother, cried as the verdict was read.

"I'M JUST relieved," she said later. "It's been almost 21 months, and it's been awful."

Debbie Hulbert, the victim's mother, rushed from the courtroom

without comment after the verdict was announced. She said earlier she would be disappointed if Stamper was convicted of the lesser crime.

Mary Anne Hulbert of Canton Township was shot seven times Dec. 30, 1986, in a Superior Township field. Her body was found eight days later. Stamper and Machacek were arrested that night. Both defendants, who were 18 at the time, admitted being at the scene but blamed the other for doing the shooting.

On the day she was killed, Hulbert called the defendants and told them she was pregnant by Machacek and wanted to discuss the matter. An autopsy indicated she was mistaken in that belief.

Stamper, in a statement taped by Washtenaw County Sheriff's Depart-

ment detectives at the time of his arrest and played for the jury last week, said Machacek wanted to shoot at Hulbert to scare her into having a miscarriage.

"HE WAS too worried about her being pregnant and ruining his life," Stamper said in his statement.

Stamper, whose semi-automatic rifle was identified as the probable murder weapon, drove Machacek to pick up Hulbert on the day she was murdered. He told investigators Machacek "said we were going to scare her. That's all I knew."

The verdict indicates the jury may have believed the defense's contention that Machacek did the shooting and Stamper was ignorant of his intention to commit murder. To be guilty of first-degree murder, there

must be proof of premeditation on the part of the defendant.

"I absolutely believe that Steven Stamper never knew this little girl was going to be murdered," Strouss said.

Several witnesses testified that Stamper told them he was going with Machacek to pick up Hulbert and that he waved to the friend who drove the victim to meet the young men. In his closing argument, Strouss said that if Stamper was planning to commit murder, he would have tried to hide the fact that he was picking up Hulbert.

PROSECUTOR ROBERT Cooper argued that Stamper and Machacek were "equally engaged in . . . the

shooting . . . of Mary Anne Hulbert."

Early in the trial, Cooper said Machacek probably pulled the trigger, but in his closing argument he said, "We are not suggesting . . . that Steven Stamper did not shoot Mary Anne Hulbert. Evidence as to who did the shooting is equivocal at best."

Cooper would not comment on the verdict Friday.

Strouss said the conviction will be appealed on the grounds that Stamper's statement should not have been admitted as evidence. Machacek's lawyer has also said he will appeal the conviction of his client, who was found guilty of first-degree murder in a trial that concluded in mid-September. He will be sentenced Friday.

cop calls

A GUNMAN escaped with an undetermined amount of cash Wednesday night after holding up the Gas and Go gasoline station, 31295 Ann Arbor Trail, police said.

A station employee told police two men pulled up to the station in a brown, older model Ford Thunderbird at 9:27 p.m. The man in the right front seat came into the station and walked toward the cooler, the employee said.

The employee said the man

asked if she was working alone and when she said she was he pulled a handgun out of his pocket.

The gunman walked over and locked the station door and put a "closed" sign in the window, the clerk told police.

He then demanded cash from the register and the safe.

During the robbery, at least one car pulled into the station driveway, police said. The gunman ordered the clerk to use the

public address system to tell the driver that the station was closed.

After taking the money, the gunman left in the car driven by his accomplice.

The clerk described the gunman as a black male, 5 feet 7 inches tall and 135 pounds with short-hair and a thin mustache. He was wearing a red, silk shirt, blue jeans and had three gold chains around his neck, the clerk said.

The clerk told police she didn't

get a close look at the accomplice.

A CANTON Township woman told police someone stole her car Tuesday while it was parked outside Westland VFW Post 3323 Hall, on Wayne Road at Avondale.

The 1988 Pontiac Firebird was taken between 6 and 10 p.m. while she was inside the hall, the woman said.

Barns says elderly are her top priority

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"We need to improve the quality of homes and that's a long-term project," she said. "In the meantime we can get someone into homes that can react to resident concerns and problems."

Should she win re-election, Barns said she will continue to focus on senior citizen problems, including an ongoing effort on behalf of the planned campus development and

Alzheimer's disease treatment center at Carlson and Marquette.

Barns said she supports measures such as the Crime Forfeiture Act to help combat crime in Michigan. The act, of which she was a chief sponsor, allows confiscation and sale of property owned by convicted criminals if that property was bought with money generated by illegal activity.

But Barns said a new county jail, which was approved by voters last

August, should be built outside of Westland.

"We had a jail annex (on the Eloise site at Michigan Avenue and Merriman) for eight years and then the county tore it down," Barns said.

"Where was the planning when they did that? That's the real issue."

Barns said there is "a real possibility" that the Eloise site can be developed for use by private industry, which would generate tax revenue

for the city and school district. A jail would be tax exempt.

THE INCUMBENT candidate said she favored a 2-cent increase in the state sales tax to help finance schools, relieving the burden from property owners.

Barns served on the Westland City Council for 16 years before winning the House seat previously occupied by Tom Brown in 1982. She served as council president from 1976 to 1978.

Raupp says tax money is 'squandered'

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Chamber of Commerce, Raupp said Barns supported only six of 21 key pieces of legislation during 1987-88

that were designed to improve the state's business climate.

Raupp said the state's single business tax "discourages business" and he would work to repeal the law if elected.

Raupp said he favored more gradual development in the Westland Center area, which has become the city's business-retail hub. "I think (city officials) have gone too fast in their effort to develop that area," Raupp said.

"The poor planning has resulted in a traffic situation that is far more congested than it should be."

Raupp said he favors reforming the state's school aid formula by increasing the state sales tax and decreasing the tax burden on property owners. He also said the state has allocated too much money (about \$5 million in the current budget) for AIDS education in schools.

ON POSSIBLE construction of a

county jail in Westland, Raupp said "no (community) is immune from a prison." But the candidate said he would consider taking action to oppose prison construction in Westland since a majority of local voters opposed the jail millage, approved by county voters in the August primary.

Before the primary, Raupp said he would agree to a jail on Westland's Eloise property, site of the former county hospital, if it were suggested. Raupp is an engine development technician for Ford Motor Co., where he has worked for 18 years.

He is a member of the Westland Republican Club, the Michigan Chapter of Americans for Tax Reform and Justice Pro Se. He practices karate and plays chess in his spare time.

Firm asks court to reinstate award

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arguments, the court will issue an opinion on the case, although there is no timetable or deadline for a decision, according to Jackson.

SHOULD THE court uphold the original award, the Michigan Municipal Risk Management Authority, which is the city's insurance carrier, would pay out the balance of the

judgment. The city would be responsible for the first \$50,000 though.

Interest and court costs could be added to substantially increase the original award, Jackson said.

In a separate but related lawsuit, Electro-Tech was awarded an additional \$45,825 in a consent judgment by the circuit court judge. That lawsuit is not being appealed.

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Jason Molnar, John Glenn baritone player, held to raise money for the high school band.

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Wayne Memorial High School percussionists Clayton Barries took part in the halftime review performance Wednesday.

Annual review fills air with 'sound of music'

THERE WAS a lot of the "sound of music" at the John Glenn High School athletic field Wednesday. The reason was the sixth annual "halftime review" musical program sponsored by Glenn's Rocket marching band.

Joining the Rocket group were bands from Wayne Memorial, Livonia Churchill, which serves northwest Westland, Brother Rice, Livonia Stevenson, and Walled Lake Western. Joining in the high school musicians was the Eastern Michigan University band in a special performance.

Norman Logan, Glenn band director, said from 900 to 1,000 persons attended the event with about another 1,000 musicians on the fields. He said the review is held by the school Band Boosters to raise money for band members' scholarships, fees, uniforms and other expenses.

New group plans pond cleanup

It has a name, now it's going to sparkle.

The Hazelwood Neighborhood Watch Group will hold a Spruce-Up Day at Lake Friendship in Central City Park beginning at 10 a.m. Saturday. Volunteers are invited to join

the effort to help clean up the pond in Central City Park and the immediate surrounding area.

Meanwhile, the Westland City Council is expected to approve the name for the pond at its regular meeting 7:30 p.m. today. Lake Friendship was selected as the win-

ning entry in a contest sponsored by the city last August.

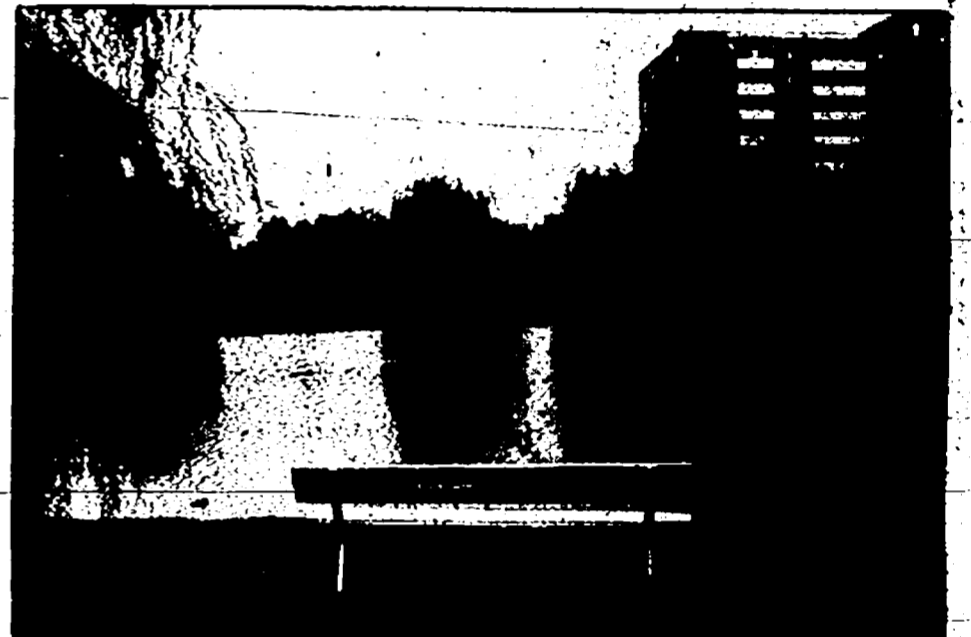
"We feel the entire community is our neighborhood," said Jan Lester of the Hazelwood group. This will be the third clean-up effort by group members at the pond.

Lester said the group is looking

for someone with hip waders to help pull large debris out of the pond.

Volunteers may bring a picnic lunch, Lester said. Anyone with musical talent is welcome to help provide entertainment as well.

Call Lester at 722-6528 after 4 p.m. for more information.



ART EMANUELE/staff photographer

Volunteers are needed to help clean up Lake Friendship Saturday at 10 a.m.

Council OKs site plan for condominium project

The apartment/condominium district south of Westland Center is set to expand with the construction of the Castle Place Condominiums.

The site plan for the 238-unit condominium development, to be built south of Hunter and west of Yale, was unanimously approved last week by the Westland City Council.

The city's planning commission

recommended approval Sept. 9.

Keith Lawrence, representing the project developer, said construction would begin "immediately."

The condominiums will be built on 20.3 acres of vacant land zoned for garden apartments.

Lawrence said the project would include 38 one-bedroom units at 740 square feet each and 202 two-bedroom units at 950 square feet each.

There will be parking spaces for 464 cars.

The area is currently home to Westland Towers, the Landings and several other mid-rise apartment or condominium developments and a number of single-family homes.

The Liberty Park congregate housing development for senior citizens is also under construction in the area.

Man charged in two deaths

Walter Edward Collie, listed by police as one of the state's 10 most wanted fugitives, will face a preliminary examination Friday, Oct. 7, in 18th District Court in connection with the May 13 killings of a 40-year-old Westland woman and her 25-year-old son.

Collie, 36, pleaded not guilty Thursday at his arraignment before District Judge Gail McKnight.

Collie, who is charged with two counts of first-degree murder, is being held without bond in the Wayne County Jail.

Collie was arrested in Detroit last week by a task force of state police

and FBI agents. He was turned over to Westland police Wednesday night, said detective Sgt. Robert Barthold.

LAW ENFORCEMENT officials had been tracking Collie in Detroit, St. Louis and Chicago for more than two months, according to published reports. Collie's last known address was in Detroit.

Police allege Collie stabbed Patricia Casey and her son, Louis, during an altercation in a field on the 29000 block of Richard. The Caseys had intervened in a fight between Collie and another man, police said.

Patricia Casey died two hours after the May 13 incident while undergoing treatment at Westland Medical Center for a stab wound to the upper back. The knife apparently punctured one of her lungs, police said.

Louis Casey, who was stabbed in the chest, died June 14 at Westland Medical Center while undergoing surgery as a result of the knife wound.

Collie's arrest warrant was amended to include the second charge following Louis Casey's death, Barthold said.

Westland man charged after retired boxer is hit by car

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Dillon, who entered a not guilty plea on behalf of the defendant.

Kings, who was released Thursday on \$500 bond, faces an Oct. 11 district court preliminary examination on the charge, which carries a maximum penalty of two years in prison and a \$1,000 fine upon conviction.

REDFORD POLICE are seeking misdemeanor warrants to charge a second man with destruction of property and assault and battery in connection with the rock-throwing incident in a parking lot behind Club Mayhem, investigators said.

The man, a 30-year-old Detroit resident, was released Thursday after posting \$200 bond, police said.

McCrorry suffered cuts and bruises but was not seriously injured, police said. He was taken by ambulance to Redford Community Hospital, where he was treated and released, police said.

McCrorry fought as a welterweight out of the nationally prominent Kronk gym in Detroit. He was the World Boxing Council's champion in 1983.

One other man, a bar customer, was hit on the head with a stick or piece of wood during the assault in Club Mayhem's parking lot, investigators said. The Detroit man suffered a minor cut and did not require hospitalization, police said.

No one else was injured, but several cars in the bar parking lot were dented and the windshield of one auto was broken, police said.

MCCRORY WAS hit by the car in front of a McDonald's Mini-Mack restaurant on Telegraph, north of Joy, police said.

The driver left Telegraph and drove onto the sidewalk, running head-on into McCrorry, investigators said.

Redford officers apprehended the driver of the car and one of the two passengers after a short chase but

another passenger escaped on foot, police said.

The incident began shortly before 2 a.m. when four men in their early 20s were denied entrance into Club Mayhem after they were unable to produce driver's licenses at the request of a bar employee to prove they were of legal drinking age, police said.

They apparently returned to their car parked in the lot behind the bar, where they began throwing rocks and sticks at other cars parked in the lot, investigators said.

The foursome then hurled rocks and sticks at a few bar customers, including McCrorry and his two friends, as they were leaving around closing time and heading to their cars in the lot, police said.

McCrorry ran after one of the assailants but gave up the chase at the Mini-Mack, police said.

Shortly afterward the car, driven by one of the assailants, ran into McCrorry, police said.

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● CRAFTERS WANTED

The P.D. Graham School PTA in Westland is renting tables for crafters to display their wares for a Dec. 7 show. Interested people may call 593-6781.

● PATRIOTS CLUB

Monday, Oct. 3 — Franklin Patriots Club monthly meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the north cafeteria of Livonia Franklin High. All Franklin parents and alumni are invited.

● COOPER DEDICATION

Tuesday, Oct. 4 — The dedication of a state historical marker for Cooper School will be held at 6:30 p.m. at the school, 28611 Ann Arbor Trail, Westland. A book, "Tracing Our Roots, Cooper School Past and Present," detailing the school history will be sold at the event.

● NATURE GROUP

Wednesday, Oct. 5 — The Holiday Nature Preserve Association will meet at 7 p.m. in Johnson Elementary School, on Ann Arbor Trail east of Newburgh. Dr. Ward Stone will narrate a video on the use of pesticides. The meeting is open to the public. The meeting location is being relocated from Churchill High School.

● FASHION SHOW

Thursday, Oct. 6 — A dinner/fashion show for Angela Hospice Home Care will be presented by Twelve Oaks Fashion Guild at 6:30 in Roma's of Livonia, 27777 Schoolcraft. Tickets are \$30 each, tax deductible. Men's and women's formal and casual fashions will be modeled. Special guests, door prizes and raffles will be featured. All proceeds will be donated to the Angela Hospice Home Care, an organization caring for the terminally ill and their families. For reservations, call the hospice office at 591-5157.

● EPILEPSY SUPPORT

Thursday, Oct. 6 — Beginning with the October program Epilepsy Support will meet once a month in Resurrection Lutheran Church, 8850 Newburgh, Livonia. For more information, call Helen Gleichauf at 532-5692.

● JAYCEES MEET

Thursday, Oct. 6 — The Garden City Jaycees will hold a membership meeting at 8 p.m. in the banquet room at Silver Saloon, on Middlebelt, just north of Ford. The Jaycees is an organization open to men and women ages 21-40 who would like to develop leadership and management skills through community involvement. For more information, call Frankie Koepke, president, at 421-3889 or the Jaycee hotline at 525-7444.

● MARATHON BINGO

Saturday, Oct. 8 — Veterans for the Retarded will sponsor marathon bingo noon to 10 p.m. in the VFW Hall, Ford Road and Venoy. Admission is free. Refreshments are available.

● FREE SCREENING

Saturday, Oct. 8 — American

community calendar

Non-profit groups should mail items for the calendar to the Observer, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150. The date, time and place of the event should be included, along with the name and phone number of someone who can be reached during business hours to clarify information.

Heart Association offers free blood pressure screenings 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Wonderland Mall near the Montgomery Ward's store.

● MARCHING BAND CONCERT

Saturday, Oct. 15 — The John Glenn High School Instrumental Music Boosters present the fourth annual marching band invitational marching band contest beginning at 6 p.m. Tickets available at the gate, \$3 adults, \$1 students. Senior citizens admitted free with ID.

● DINNER DANCE

Saturday, Oct. 15 — The Metro Wayne Democratic Club will hold its annual dinner dance at 7 p.m. Dinner at 8 p.m. The dance will be held in St. Simon and Jude Hall, Palmer Road, between Merriman and Venoy, Westland. Price is \$15 per person. For more information, call Marie Johnson, 729-8881, or Phyllis Warner, 722-7942.

● OPEN HOUSE

Saturday, Oct. 15 — The Garden City Jaycees and fire department will co-host an annual open house at the fire station from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. There is no charge for the tour of the station; photos will be offered for \$2 each.

● BOWLING TOURNEY

Sunday, Oct. 16 — The Garden City Jaycees will sponsor a 9-pin, no-tap bowling tournament to benefit the Michigan Humane Society. The event will be at Oak Lanes in Westland. There is a \$10 entry fee. Interested persons may contact Oak Lanes at 422-7420 or the Jaycees at 478-4677.

● MINI BAZAAR

Thursday, Oct. 20 — Annual harvest dinner and mini bazaar to be held 5-7 p.m. in St. John's Episcopal Church, 555 S. Wayne Road, Westland. Donation is \$5 adults, \$2 children 10 and under. For more information, call 721-5023.

● CRAFT FAIR

Saturday, Oct. 22 — St. Richard's Women's Guild is holding its 17th annual craft fair 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in St. Richard Social Hall, 35851 Cherry Hill Road (1/4 mile west of Wayne Road).

● BUSY BEE BOUTIQUE

Saturday, Oct. 22 — St. Theodore's Confraternity of Christian Mothers will hold a craft boutique 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., 8200 Wayne Road (across from Westland Mall). Hourly raffles will be held all day. Refres-

ments are available and there will be a baked goods table. Proceeds from the bazaar are used to help community organizations, such as First Step (victims of domestic violence), the Rose Fitzgerald Kennedy Respite Center and others.

● CRAFT BOUTIQUE

Saturday, Oct. 22 — St. Theodore's Confraternity of Christian Mothers is renting tables for its annual boutique. Six-foot tables will be rented for \$18. Those interested may call 422-8253.

● CRAFT SHOW

Saturday, Oct. 29 — A craft show will be held 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in John Glenn High School, 38105 Marquette. Table space is \$15. For more information, call Mary Fletcher at 722-8181.

● BOUTIQUE

Saturday, Oct. 29 — St. Dunstan Church in Garden City is renting tables at \$15 each for the annual boutique. For more information, call 425-8282.

● CRAFTS SHOW

Saturday, Nov. 5 — The Wildwood

School PTA is having a craft show from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The school is at 500 N. Wildwood, Westland. For more information, call Ann Donawick at 728-1628 or Sylvia Bennett at 721-0669.

● VOLUNTEER WORK

Family and Neighborhood Services is looking for individuals, male and female, 18 years of age or older, who are interested in volunteering their time to work with youths, young-adults, individuals and families. Those interested may call 782-0600 or 582-0800.

● YMCA

The Wayne-Westland YMCA is registering youngsters for summer swimming lessons. New lessons begin every two weeks, for ages 6 months through adults. For more information, call 721-7044.

● SOCCER

The Wayne-Westland YMCA is taking registration for the fall soccer league. Registration is taken from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Friday and Saturday 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The league is open to all boys and girls ages 5 through 10 years old. For more information, call 721-7044.

● SUPPORT GROUP

A family support group for caregivers of those afflicted with Alzheimer's disease and other related disorders is held every fourth Wednesday at 7 p.m. at Four Chaplains Convalescent Center, Activity Office, 28349 Joy Road, Westland. For more information, call 261-9500.

● AWARENESS GROUP

First Step, a private, non-profit group that provides spouse abuse services and shelter, will sponsor an awareness/empowerment group 1-3 p.m. Fridays at First Step, Farmington Road at Ann Arbor Trail. For more information, call 459-5900 or 525-2230.

● POLISH DANCERS

The Polish Centennial Dancers is accepting registrations for fall. Students ages 3 through adult will learn Polish folk dancing, American polkas, along with an introduction to pompon and gymnastics. Members will have an opportunity to dance at community events. For more information, call 427-2885 or 522-3777.

● SMOKERS ANONYMOUS

An ongoing "12-step support group" for those who have the desire to — or who have already quit smoking. Meetings are at 7:15 p.m. Thursdays at Garden City Hospital and Education Center, 6701 Harrison St., in Classroom 5. For more information, call 421-3300, Ext. 266.

● YMCA

The Wayne-Westland YMCA offers swimming 3-4 p.m. and 7-8 p.m. Monday through Friday, Saturdays, 1-3 p.m. Cost is \$1.50 for 18 and under, \$4 for adults. For more information, call 721-7044.

● TOASTMASTERS

The Advocates Toastmasters Speakers Club provides advanced technology in the art of training of speakers. The group meets at 8 p.m. Thursdays at Big Boy Restaurant's

private meeting room, 6360 Wayne Road, Westland. For more information, call 427-5005.

● TELECARE

Telephone Reassurance Program, City of Westland's Department On Aging is reaching out to seniors who are shut-ins, lonely or sick. The Telecare women make 250 calls daily to seniors. For more information, call 722-7660 or 722-2661.

● CERAMICS

Ceramics classes are held at the Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh Road, Hall A, Mondays and Thursdays from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

● MEDICARE ADVICE

Medicare advice will be available Mondays 1-3 p.m. at Westland Senior Friendship Center. Retirees may bring bills, statements and questions on Medicare, Medicaid, HMOs, supplemental insurance and nursing homes to an authorized consultant. Appointments are required. They may be arranged by calling 722-7632.

● JUST ONE MORE

Garden City Co-op Nursery, 1841 Middlebelt Road, Garden City, is accepting applications for fall for 3-year classes. Classes will meet Monday and Thursday from 9:15 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. For more information, call 422-5118.

● PWP DANCE

The Wayne-Westland Parents Without Partners chapter holds a combined meeting and dance every first and third Tuesday at Roma's of Garden City.

CITY OF GARDEN CITY
NOTICE OF HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a SPECIAL MEETING will be held by the Zoning Board of Appeals at the Civic Center, 4000 Middlebelt Road, Garden City, Michigan on Wednesday, October 12, 1988, at 7:30 P.M., for consideration of the following appeal:

Item 9-44-001 Request by Nick Lavdas, 4471 13 Mile Road, Warren, MI, for a Variance of City Code, Section 153.49 (E), 153.41 (D), and 153.44 to erect a 60 sq. ft. sign at 40113 Ford Road in a C-3 District. The legal description of this property is Lots 275-277, Folker's Full Acre Farms No. 2 Subdivision, also W. 40.80 feet of Lot 116, Folker's Full Acre Farms No. 1 Subdivision, and is located on the North side of Ford Road between Brandt and Henry Ruff.

RONALD D. SHOWALTER,
City Clerk-Treasurer

Published: October 4, 1988

CITY OF GARDEN CITY
REGISTRATION NOTICE
FOR
GENERAL ELECTION
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 1988

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the last day of registration for the GENERAL ELECTION is TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11, 1988.

The Office of the City Clerk at the City Hall, 4000 Middlebelt Road, will be open for the registration of all qualified electors, not already registered, Monday-Friday, 8:30 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.

In addition to the regular hours the Office of the City Clerk will be open for registration on SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8, 1988, from 8:00 A.M. thru 2:00 P.M.

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Bidders may obtain specifications from the office of Ulrich C. Bauser, Executive Director, Incinerator Plant, 4901 S. Inkster Road, Dearborn Heights, Michigan.


Proposals must be submitted on the form provided therefore and must be accompanied by a certified check, payable to the Central Wayne County Sanitation Authority, in an amount of not less than 5% of the bid. No proposal once submitted may be withdrawn for at least 30 days after the actual opening of bids.

The Central Wayne County Sanitation Authority reserves the right to waive any informality in the bids, or to reject any or all bids, in whole or in part, should it be deemed in its best interest to do so.


Central Wayne County Sanitation Authority
By: Ulrich C. Bauser, Executive Director

Published: October 4, 1988

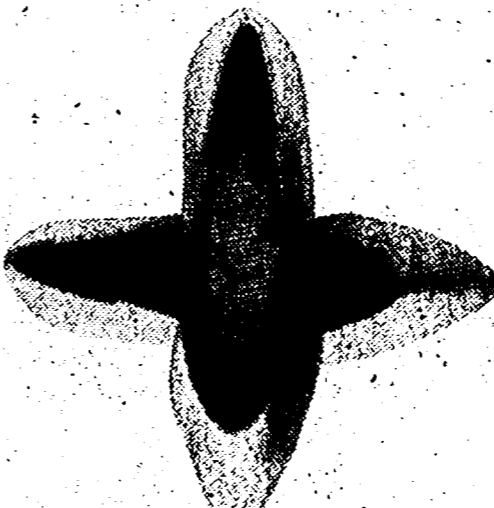
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Rouge gains federal help

By Wayne Peal
Staff writer

Rouge River restoration turned a major corner late Friday with authorization of a \$34.7 million federal grant to help divert waste from the heavily-polluted river.

Wayne County should receive the first \$8.4 million installment on the Federal Environmental Protection Agency grant this week, sources said.

Grant money will go to the North Huron Valley/Rouge River "super-sewer." The 15-mile sewer interceptor is expected to be completed by mid-1993.

County residents could begin canoeing in parts of the Rouge by that date, McNamara said, although that assessment is considered optimistic.

The grant's authorization came after 17 years of negotiations between the county and federal government.

"NEXT TO the county equity package (approved by the state Legislature in December to repay county debt), this is the second miracle of our time," County Executive Edward McNamara said.

The federal grant will reduce substantially local payments on the super sewer project for communities including Livonia, Westland, Garden City, Plymouth and Redford Township. Those communities and seven others, however, will still have to provide nearly \$43 million for the super sewer and related sewer projects.

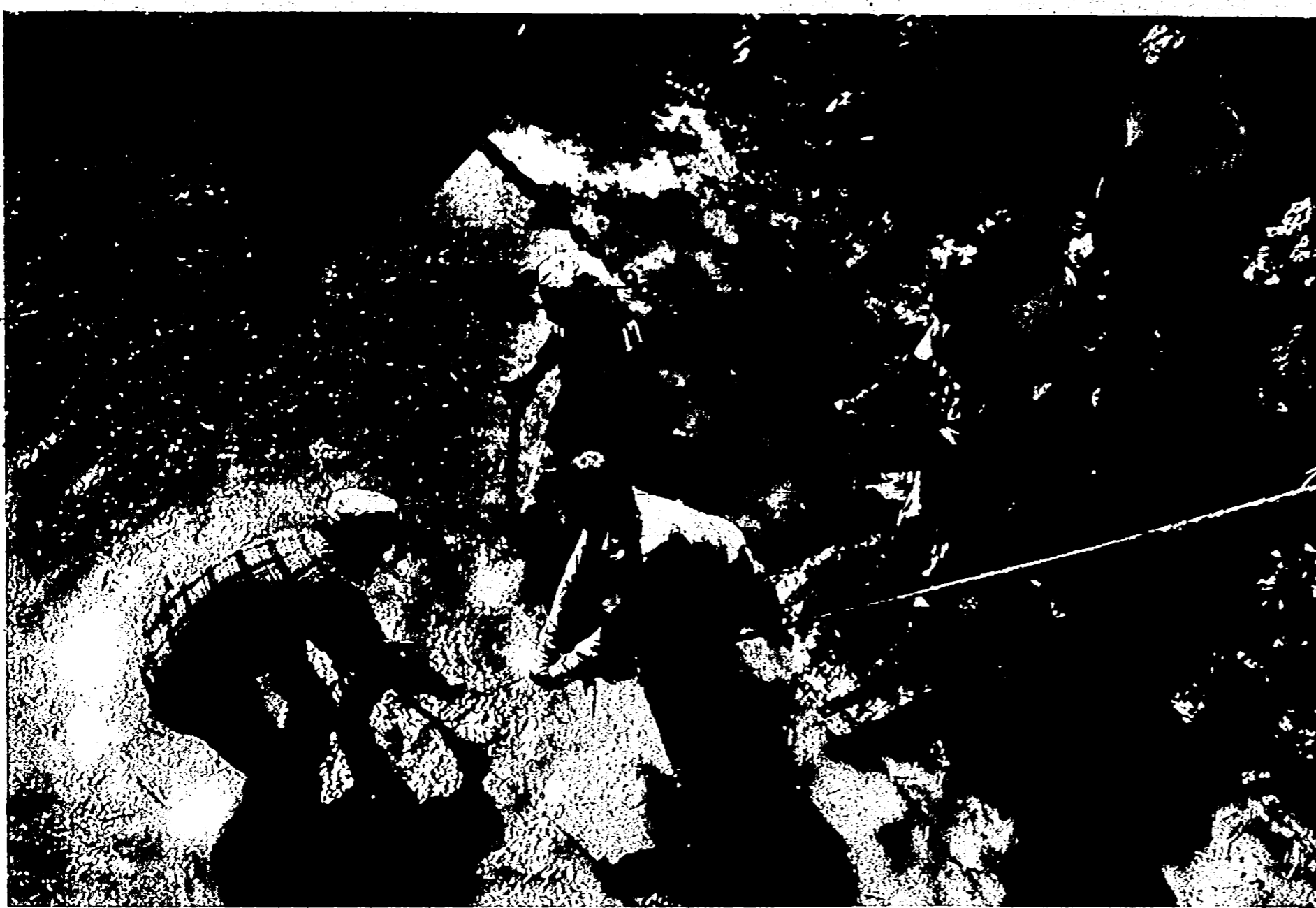
Without the federal grant, area communities may have had to pick up the full cost.

U.S. Rep. William Ford, D-Taylor, who lobbied for the money, said the grant was authorized around 8:30 p.m. Friday, just beating the federal fiscal year's midnight deadline.

"SOME OTHER communities might not have received grants," said Ford.

Projected local shares are: Garden City, \$424,000; Livonia, \$9.46 million; Plymouth, \$272,000; Redford Township, \$2.64 million; Westland, \$3.82 million.

The super sewer will transport waste to the Detroit Treatment Plant. Canton and Plymouth townships, planning to ship waste to Ypsilanti, won't directly benefit from the grant.



The Rouge's restoration faces a long, costly future but the volunteers that turned out in June for the annual cleanup cast their own votes on the future of the river.

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points of view

Jackson had impact on state's universities

A FEW WEEKS ago, I wrote a piece referring to the "Jackson Depression" of the 1830s and its wreckage of Michigan's statewide university system.

"Jackson Depression? I hadn't heard of that one. At first I thought you meant Jesse Jackson," said a colleague. "You've got a column topic."

Actually, there was such a period. In 1816 Congress chartered the Bank of the United States, which functioned much like a central bank. In 1837 bank chief Nicholas Biddle asked, four years ahead of schedule, to have its charter renewed. Those were fighting words to President Andrew Jackson, seeking re-election.

JACKSON VETOED the re-charter bill, ranting that "the rich and powerful too often bend the acts of government to their selfish purposes."

The president declared the act unconstitutional. Jackson overruled Chief Justice John Marshall's earlier decision, *M'Culloch vs. Maryland*, that the bank was indeed constitutional. Jackson even overruled Marshall's decision that states couldn't tax federal bank notes out of existence. Jackson raved against foreign ownership of bank stock.

To investors, particularly foreigners willing to plunk needed capital into the fledgling United States, Jackson earned as much respect as Khadafi has today.

(Incidentally, Jackson's veto was ghost-written by attorney general Roger Taney, later a U.S. Supreme Court justice and author of the infamous, pro-slavery *Dred Scott* decision.)

Result: The Bank of the United States called in its loans, depressing the economy. The federal government deposited its money in state banks. Their lending capacity expanded, the state banks promptly went haywire.

MICHIGAN JOINED the Union in 1837, the year Jackson left the White House. Naturally, the state and its settlers were heavy borrowers.

Writes Michigan historian F. C. Lever Bald:

"By the fall of 1839, the nation was in the painful grip of the panic. In Michigan wildcat banknotes had depreciated, prices of farm produce had fallen, land which had formerly been selling at inflated figures now



Tim Richard

had no purchasers, and mortgages were being foreclosed.

"Construction of the railroads and canals, which had been begun with high hopes for the future, lagged for lack of funds."

Michigan had had grandiose plans for three cross-state railroads and two canals — including one from the Clinton to the Kalamazoo rivers. The projects were never completed, and the bonds went into default.

IN THE MIDDLE of all this, the state Legislature authorized the Uni-

versity of Michigan Board of Regents to establish a system of prep schools and teacher training schools — in Pontiac, Monroe, Kalamazoo, Detroit, Niles, White Pigeon and Romeo, in addition to the main campus in Ann Arbor.

Given the bad conditions of the day, those branches ceased to get U-M funds after 1846.

For reasons that confound me, Andy Jackson is a hero of the Democratic Party. Each year in Cobo Hall, Michigan Dems have a "Jeff-Jack" dinner.

I can suggest a more appropriate site.

Out around Utica, you can still see a ditch that 150 years ago was the beginning of one of our state canals. Rather than a banquet with Andy Jackson's name attached to it, they oughta have a short picnic there.

Don't bother to bring swim suits.

from our readers

Letters must be original copies and contain the signature and address of the sender. Limit letters to 300 words.

Debate isn't mom vs. mom on day care

To the editor:

Applause for Rich Perlberg's Sept. 1 column: Exploding day care myths.

Applause for A.M. Shelton (whose letter to the editor takes exception to Perlberg's article) who chose not to return to work after the birth of her first child: As a working mother, I know this can be a hard and difficult decision.

However, A.M. Shelton totally missed several of Perlberg's points. The first being that, though the "experts" have divided themselves into day care pro and con camps and while the war wages on the beneficial and detrimental effects of day care, there is no clearcut evidence that children in day care either prosper or are placed at a disadvantage.

Conversely, there is no clearcut evidence that a child with a stay-at-home mother develops into a better adjusted adult. There are loving responsible working mothers and non-working mothers; there are non-caring irresponsible working mothers and non-working mothers. As a professional who daily deals with youngsters, I have seen them all.

Second, Perlberg is not attacking the non-working mother. Rather, he is chiding the working father, challenging him to accept full and equal responsibility for the overall development of his child, suggesting that fathers come to the realization that paternal love is equally important as maternal love, and demanding that fathers support their child's mother in her decision to be a working mother — and, all within the eyes of the male business fraternity.

Third, Perlberg suggests that, if men's biological function was a birthing one with the historically attached child care responsibilities, they — as the businessmen with the

Presidential debate

Thinking about things like

Values.

I've heard all about values. The word is beginning to wear thin from overuse and has taken on a meaningless quality, like "awesome."

The values that matter to me, as a resident of a western Wayne County suburb, have nothing to do with the things plopped into the values category, by one candidate and several commentators, during Sunday's presidential debate.

While watching the debate analyses, in 10 languages on three networks with 50 experts of the first-order proclaiming George Bush or Michael Dukakis the winner, were you thinking:

• About Dukakis' claim that Bush's tax plan would benefit only that 1 percent of the population making more than \$200,000 annually? Many of the on-screen commentators later said Bush was the better debater and "had command." Many of those commentators are making more than \$200,000 annually.

• The media panel was not subtly biased against Bush? Two of three panelists weren't biased — they were just pressing for answers to questions Bush has ignored. Which brings us to Peter Jennings, ABC na-



Philip Sherman

tional anchor, who might as well have been wearing a Dukakis lapel pin. Regardless of his preference, he, and we, are expected to maintain at least a modicum of objectivity. Except in columns.

• That Bush was rubbing the same salve on a multitude of ailments? Traipsing out the Sousa band for repeated romps around the stage only stretches so far these days. If I stand up and say I believe in great American values, the flag, outsmarting the Russians on defense and making this great land of ours greater, everyone will think I'm wonderful, a hell of a guy and an earthly delight. But no one will make me president based on that. However, based on those thoughts alone and the fact that Bush is about five inches taller than I am, there is no differ-

ence between us.

• Dukakis was attacking Bush?

That's his job.

• Dukakis could have called Bush a no-good, thieving cattle-rustler who rides sidesaddle in pink chaps and Bush wouldn't have debated the issue? You're right. Bush isn't skilled enough to debate Dukakis on fact or fiction, so what makes him qualified to negotiate with those pesky Russians?

• That Bush sees things we don't? Right again. He has selective vision, which enables him to peer deeply into the fur-clad land of the well-to-do, where schools are just great, business is just great, the proposal to forbid abortions is just great, minorities have all the just-great minimum wage jobs they can handle and there's no weirdo down the street waving an ACLU card. The deficit? Must be those damn congressmen again.

• President Quayle? The thought runs parallel to shaving your own head with a cheese grater.

• That just because Bush says something, it's so? Remember the opening statement of his closing remarks — "I thought this was going to be a friendly exchange." It was a friendly exchange. You want discord? Listen to Morton Downey. You want friendly? Then don't imply someone's unpatriotic because they carry an ACLU card. But Bush implies the debate wasn't friendly, and the commentators line up, lockstep: "It wasn't a very friendly debate there, Peter..." The debate took on a decidedly unfriendly tone, John...

They were at each other's throats, Dan... Which debate were they listening to?

• Bush is going to charge like a wounded rhino in October's debate? You bet.

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I hope that when my 5-year-old daughter enters the work force and if she becomes a working mother that this country and its businesses provide her with the same opportunities to pursue her career goals and fulfill her potential as a human being as it would for my son. I hope that when my 3-year-old son enters the work force and if he becomes a working father with a working wife that he would recognize that he holds full and equal responsibilities for child care.

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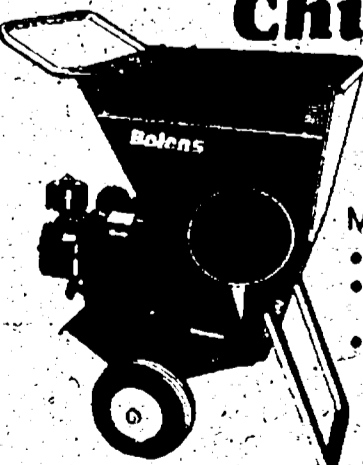
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County group recommends wetland swap

By Wayne Peal
staff writer

It's a common story, according to developers.

Schoolcraft College would like to break ground for a 735-acre commercial development near Six Mile. But the Livonia-based community college has a problem. The Michigan Department of Natural Resources said 4.3 acres of the site are wetlands and cannot be developed.

Schoolcraft and its development partner, Duke Associates, are wrangling with the DNR over changes that would have to be made to accommodate the wetlands, delaying the ground breaking.

Under a new program proposed by a Wayne County task force, however, there would be neither wrangling nor delays.

Schoolcraft could be allowed to develop the entire parcel in exchange for 4.3 acres of man-made wetlands that would be built either in Livonia or any other Wayne County community.

CREATION OF a countywide land bank is the most important — and controversial — of the county task force's recommendations.

As envisioned, the land bank would include county land holdings. But task force members said it could include private land as well. A county Land Bank Authority would be created to administer the property.

Economic development has been a key McNamara Administration goal, but task force members denied the

recommendation would allow developers free reign over environmentally sensitive areas of the county.

"In a county like this, it's easy to say we should have economic development at all costs, but that's not the case," task force chairman Don Ju-chartz said.

Land bank holdings would be flooded and converted to man-made wetlands equal in size to the wetlands destroyed by commercial or industrial projects.

County executive Edward McNamara made task force recommendations public Thursday. Task force members were appointed in January, to strike a balance between developers and the DNR.

Wetlands squabbles have cost the county "at least one major development" and could jeopardize others, McNamara said.

Environmentalists, however, say wetlands are vital to preserving the ecological balance. Wetlands are home to various animals, birds and fish and also filter ground water. Their destruction, environmentalists say, not only threatens plant and animal life but also endangers water quality.

THE DNR has no official position on the task force recommendations as yet, a spokeswoman said. But



FILE PHOTO

Wetlands areas could be developed if man-made wetlands were created elsewhere, under a recently released county task force proposal.

even McNamara acknowledged the DNR has been less-than-receptive to off-site wetlands creation in the past.

"They've said wetlands mitigation hasn't worked in other states, but there are some differences here," he said.

Task force members recommended McNamara begin talks with Gov. James Blanchard and the DNR to give the county greater development options under proposed "urban county" status. That status would be conferred through a letter of understanding between the county, state and DNR.

Wayne County wetlands would then be ranked under three proposed headings.

Those deemed "most significant," including those along rivers and streams, couldn't be exchanged for land bank wetlands.

Wetlands deemed "significant" could be eligible for exchange, depending upon circumstances.

Those deemed "least significant" would be eligible for exchange in all circumstances.

Rankings would be based upon water storage capacity, water quality protection, stream bank protection, wildlife present, size and potential for recreational use.

TASK FORCE recommendations met with approval from one knowledgeable source. Former state representative Thomas Anderson, whose name graces the state's 1979 wetlands protection law, said suggestions "kept the spirit" of the law.

"The overall goal is to protect wetlands, and that's in keeping with the spirit of the law," Anderson said.

"But they have some more work to do with regard to setting up a land bank, and there could be some problems with the Level One classification. If you're telling somebody he can't touch that property forever, there could be trouble."

Ceremony honors new U-M president

James J. Duderstadt will be officially inaugurated the University of Michigan's 11th president during ceremonies Thursday, Oct. 6.

Duderstadt, former U-M provost and vice president for academic affairs became president Sept. 1.

Duderstadt, 45, joined the U-M faculty in 1969. He holds a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering from Yale University and a master's and doctorate in engineering science and physics from the California Institute of Technology.

Inauguration ceremonies begin at 10:30 a.m. at Hill Auditorium.

State treasurer Robert Bowman and Michigan State University president John DiBiaggio are among those who will appear at the ceremonies.

A reception for the new president, his family and those who attended the inauguration will be held 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the adjacent Ingalls Mall.

Duderstadt will also speak at a student picnic later that afternoon.



James J. Duderstadt

Ceremonies conclude with a public reception 3-4:30 p.m. in the Power Center for the Performing Arts lobby.

Exec raises \$400,000

Wayne County Executive Edward McNamara's fund-raiser breakfast last Friday raised \$400,000 for the county executive's campaign fund, an executive's department spokeswoman said.

An estimated 2,000 supporters attended the breakfast at the Westin Hotel Detroit.

Those honored by McNamara included Sister Mary Francilene Van De Vyver, president of Madonna College, Livonia, Teamsters 2nd vice president Robert Holmes and U.S. Appellate Judge Damon J. Keith.

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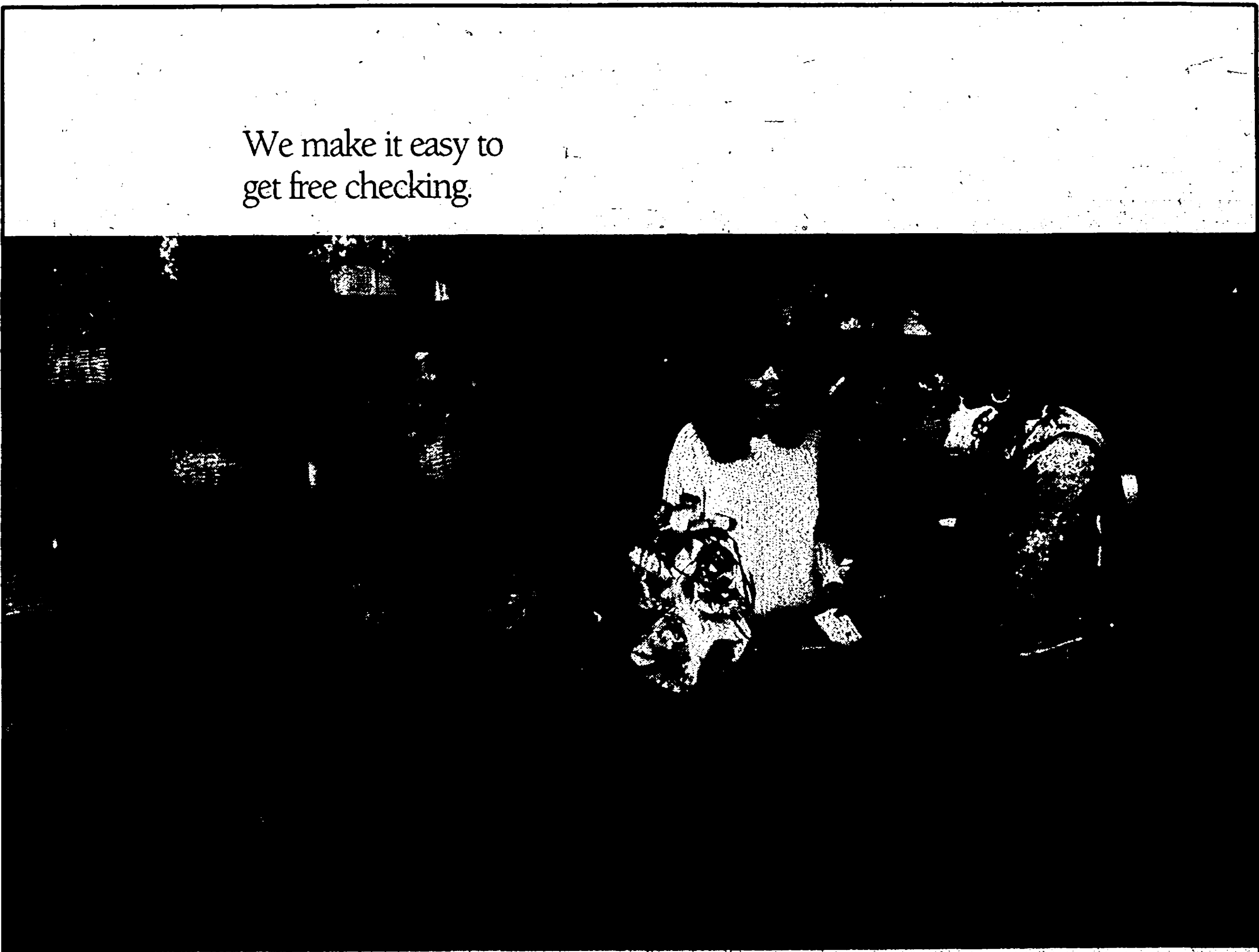
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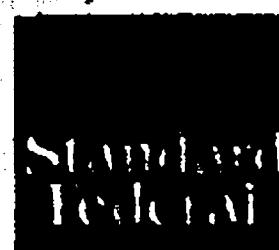
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Stylish benefit

Hair Extravaganza, a benefit hair design show, will be held 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 9, in the Hubbard Ballroom of the Hyatt Regency, Dearborn. Stylists from six area Crowley's Essanelle Salons and 30 models will participate. Stylists participating in the benefit are (front left) Linda Cothran, Maria Delibero, Tami Cooper, Debbie Brewer and Margaret Hurley, (back left) Debbie Shemwell, Christa Stieber, Delanie West, Dawn Smith and Jackie Wallace (not pictured). Tickets are \$15. Admission in-

cludes a free gift, complementary refreshments. The show will feature a performance by dancers from Sheryl's School of Dance in Livonia. Connie Cothran of the school will choreograph both the models and the dancers. Former Miss Livonia Julie Fitzpatrick also will entertain. Proceeds will be given to Children's Hospital of Michigan. Additional information is available by calling 745-5375.

SC faculty to get 17.3% pay raise over 3 years

Full-time Schoolcraft College instructors will receive a combined 17.3 percent increase over the life of a new three-year contract.

College trustees unanimously approved the contract Wednesday night.

Schoolcraft's 135 full-time instructors will receive a 5.9 percent increase for the current school year, a matching increase in 1989-90 and a 5.5 percent increase in 1990-91.

The average salary for full-time instructors is \$40,664.

Average increases for the college's 150 part-time instructors will be 6.25 percent in the first year, 5.67 percent in the second and 5.9 percent in the third.

Instructors ratified the contract 103-49, according to the Schoolcraft Faculty forum. Union representatives said bargaining was tough, but they were pleased with the results.

"We made it through without blood-letting and that says a lot," faculty forum president Lowell Cook told trustees.

Park trail named for naturalist

A portion of the William P. Holliday Forest and Wildlife Preserve has been rededicated in honor of Mary Catherine Ellsworth, the county park system's pioneering naturalist.

Ellsworth Trail was dedicated Sept. 17 by county executive Edward McNamara. The former Acorn Trail was renamed in memory of Ells-

worth, who served 1955-86 caring for injured wildlife and promoting environmental information for children.

Ellsworth developed the Nankin Mills Nature Center and established the Holliday Preserve trails.

Additional park system information is available by calling 261-1990.

SC offers family relations class

Raising children's self-esteem and helping them deal with stress is the focus of a Schoolcraft College family relations course.

The two-week course will be of-

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Another condition, called the TMJ syndrome, resembles the type of jaw problems facing a patient with arthritis. However TMJ syndrome is different since the individual has no joint swelling or pain in the hands, wrists, shoulders, knees, or feet.

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SEASONABLE SEASONINGS

Windowsill herbs ready in kitchen

By Marty Figley
special writer

ALTHOUGH SUMMER is past, your herb garden can still be a wonderful source of seasonings and surprises until old Jack Frost really does it in for the year.

The tender annuals such as basil will be the first to go, but others seem to be quite vigorous and can withstand some pretty cold temperatures. Dill, fennel and summer savory will probably be fine to use for awhile yet, while sweet marjoram, winter savory, sage, thyme, French tarragon and chives may be used a little longer.

The perennials may seem to be dead, but their root systems are still thriving and getting ready for next year's growth. Many of the perennials can be divided and/or newly planted in the fall to give them a good start for the spring season.

For those of you who would like an indoor herb garden, now is the time to take cuttings and pot up herbs for winter use. They can be grown in hanging pots, marching along a windowsill or among houseplants.

One favorite herb can become a focal point on a kitchen table or counter if adequate light is provided. A sunny window, preferably facing south, is the ideal indoor location. Grow lights will give an even more robust harvest.

IF YOU DON'T wish to bring herbs in from the garden or bother with seeds, or if this is a first time undertaking, there are a number of herb centers from which plants for indoor gardening can be ordered.

If plants are mail-ordered, keep them in the small pots in which they arrive for two or three weeks so they can become acclimated to the home environment. Transfer to the next largest size pot when necessary. Keep the plants trimmed by frequent use, and they will live happily for the winter in the home and not outgrow their pots. Most herbs thrive best indoors when they are somewhat potbound, so choose the container size according to the plant.

Overwatering may be the biggest cause of failure, and if fertilizer is used, ¼ solution of the recommended amount is quite sufficient. Watering needs differ for specific herbs, so those requirements are given with each description.

When taking root cuttings, trim the roots and branches back by about a third to lessen transplant shock. Exceptions are chives, parsley and basil.

A sterile potting soil with perlite added for good drainage (1 part perlite to 4 parts soil) makes a good medium for the plants. Equal parts of sphagnum-peat moss, perlite and vermiculite is a recommended soilless mix.

It may be wise to begin with one or two favorite herbs and then expand as you gain confidence and your success and interest grow along with the herbs. Following are a few suggestions to get you started on a new growing experience.

THYME

Lemon and common thyme are both easily propagated by removing some of the plants with a good root system. A soilless mix works well. Keep the plant moderately moist, but not soaked.

SWEET MARJORAM

Root cuttings made by pulling the clump apart will prolong the life of this annual. Pick the leaves a few at a time from around the plant so that it will keep its nice shape. Add some sand to the potting soil. Keep moderately moist.

BASIL

Best started from seed or purchased plants. Keep the seeds well-watered but not soaked. Nip the plants back when they are 2-3 inches tall so that the side shoots will develop for a more compact plant. You may bring in a plant from the garden and use it while the seeds sprout. Do not let this plant go to seed.

CHIVES

Pot this up from a clump for winter use. Keep it well watered and harvest the leaves by snipping them as needed. They can be frozen in a plastic bag quite easily for a special treat for a friend.

PARSLEY

If care is taken to dig up the long tap root, parsley can be lifted from the outdoor garden. It is preferable to sow seeds (after soaking them overnight). Place the pot in a plastic bag until seedlings appear. Remove the covering gradually, then thin so that three or four husky plants remain. Mist occasionally and water well. These plants grow from the center, so harvest the outside leaves so the inner ones continue to develop.

ROSEMARY

Cuttings of rosemary 4-5 inches



long will produce a new plant. Strip off the bottom leaves and use a potting mix as described previously with ¼ cup of sand and 1 tablespoon limestone added to each quart of soil. Set the pot in a plastic bag and keep it well watered. After the cutting has rooted, gradually remove the plastic covering. The roots should never be allowed to dry out; therefore a plastic container is recommended for this herb. Keep the soil moist, but not soggy mist often.

FRENCH TARRAGON

Stem cuttings should be taken as with rosemary. Water regularly and harvest after the plant is well established. A root cutting can be

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your taste). Bake 350 degrees until cheese is browned.

MARJORAM
Slow-Oven Beef Stew
2 pounds beef stew meat (1 ½ inch cubes)
2 medium onions, cut in eighths
3 celery stalks, cut 1-inch diagonal slices
4 medium carrots, pared, cut half crosswise and lengthwise
3 cups tomato juice (or vegetable juice cocktail)
½ cup quick-cooking tapioca
1 tablespoon sugar

2 teaspoons salt and ¼ teaspoon pepper
1 bay leaf
2 medium potatoes, pared, cut ½ inch slices
1 small sprig of marjoram

Put all ingredients except potatoes and marjoram into 3-quart casserole. Bake, covered, 300 degrees for 2½ hours. Remove bay leaf and add potatoes. Bake an additional 1 hour or until vegetables are tender. Twenty minutes before done, add marjoram, then remove before serving. Serves 8.

BASIL
Pasta-Staffed Tomatoes
6 medium tomatoes
½ pound vermicelli

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Frog legs delicious despite tadpoles

I can remember growing up in Wyandotte and after school, hiking down to the tracks with a few buddies, searching for stagnant ponds and armed with Mason jars that would hold what-seemed-to-be giant tadpoles.

Jimmy Millstein (whose father had all sorts of fishing equipment and nets) would sneak a long-handled seine net out of his garage so we wouldn't get our sneakers too muddy.

We used to call them pollywogs, and everyday I would venture to the basement and check the progress of my catch, only to begin noticing little legs sprouting and tails shrinking. Within a week or two, I'd have a mess of baby frogs.

I can't ever remember keeping them around for long, usually because Momma would smell the stagnant water and order them removed. It was then we discovered shoeboxes make great frog castles and brought to school a shoebox full of frogs that would always make the girls scream.

Of course, in addition to making the girls scream, it also riled the guys who, in turn, would make us get them free in the field behind the school. Those were the days. We wouldn't dare think of eating something like that. Ah, but times, they are a-changin'. Now, whenever I visit a restaurant and notice frog legs on the menu, my mind is made up. I love frog legs.

taste buds
chef Larry
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SO WHAT'S HAPPENING to the frog leg industry in Michigan? A call to Kevin Dean, manager of Superior Fish and Seafood in beautiful downtown Royal Oak, shed a little light on where the frog come from, and where they're going.

There are presently three major exporters of frog legs to the United States — Bangladesh, Indonesia and the State of India. However, that will soon change as Bangladesh has just imposed a ban on production.

Dean says that the old frogs have legs. With growing measures to increase productivity of farm yields, Bangladesh is using more pesticides to control the frog population and, in turn, is lowering

the frog population, making it just too darn expensive to feed the frogs. Dean says not to worry, however, as Indonesia and the State of India will surely increase their exports to counteract any depletion of supply.

Presently, Superior Fish and Seafood sells about 30 pounds over the counter in retail sales per week, but a whopping 2,000 pounds wholesale. Apparently folks like me would rather eat in greenhouse at a restaurant than at home.

Frog legs are sweet and very mild, and most who have tried them say they taste very close to chicken. I agree with the sweet and mild part, but frog legs can't come close to chicken in flavor because, in my opinion, they are tender and succulent with a far more delicate taste than plain old chicken.

In all honesty, they do look a little like chicken, especially because the meat turns a pale white when cooked, but at between 90-94 per pound, retail, I want more flavor and texture than plain chicken.

Dean says the best way to prepare frog legs is to pan fry or saute over high heat, using a small amount of garlic butter. Six to eight minutes of cooking like this is enough for a child of the succulent game.

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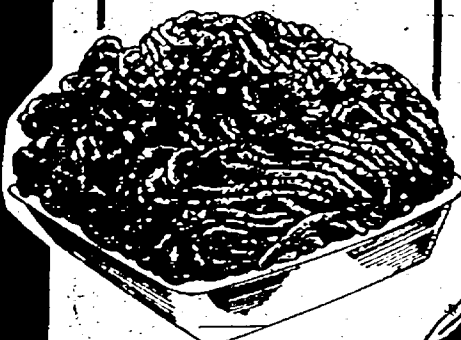
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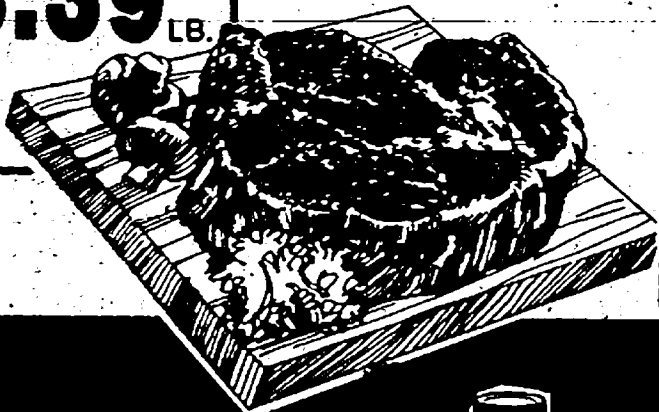
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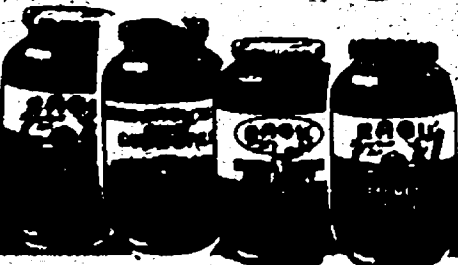
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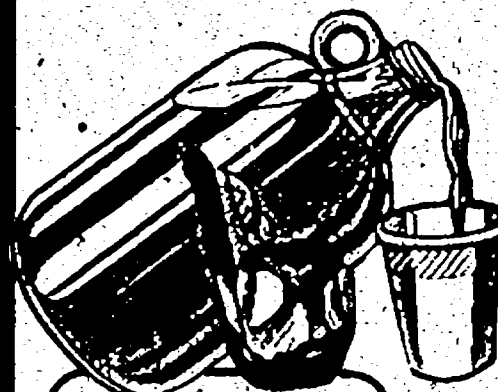
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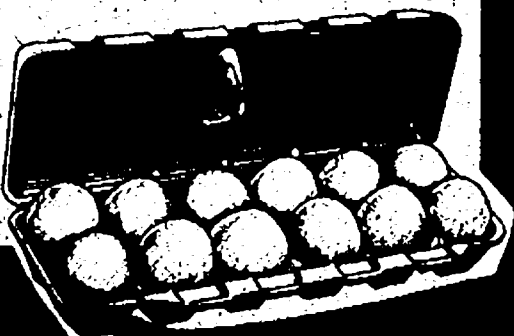
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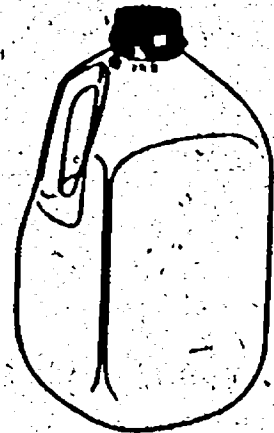
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Herbs brought indoors ready on windowsill

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taken if enough root system is obtained. The roots grow deep. Since this herb needs a 40-60-day dormant period, leave it outside in the pot for three frosts in the fall or until late December. It may be put in the refrigerator for three months instead. When it begins to grow, a light liquid fertilizer can be applied.

Two herbs to plant now for future use are ginger and garlic.

GINGER

For this you will need to purchase a piece of ginger root from the market. Plant a plump root just below the surface in moist soil in a 6-8-inch

container. The tuber can be cut into pieces, each having three or four eyes and then left to dry a couple of days before planting. Keep the mix damp until shoots appear, then increase watering and give a high-phosphorus fertilizer monthly. The time until harvest will be about eight months, but the wait will be worth it. The foliage is not very attractive — an interesting plant to grow.

GARLIC

A garlic bulb from the market (firm and free of brown spots) can be planted outside a month before the first hard frost. Plant each clove (leaving the skin surrounding it), pointed end up, in rich well-drained soil. Find a sunny spot in the garden. Plant each clove about 4 inches apart, pushing it into the soil until

the tip is just barely covered. Next August will be harvest time for this well-loved herb.

Herbs have a way of making our culinary endeavors seem a little more special — especially if we use the fresh ones. If a recipe calls for an herb that is not growing on your windowsill, a dried one will do.

A general rule: When replacing a fresh herb with a dried one, the

amount of the dried herb is 1/4 that of the fresh, because the oils are usually more concentrated in dried herbs. When using the more pungent ones such as rosemary, savory or thyme, you may wish to use 1/2 teaspoon of the dried in place of 1 tablespoon of the fresh herb.

That is the pleasure of herbs, each cook can adjust amounts to suit his or her own taste.

If you use the right spice, everything will taste nice

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1/4 cup olive oil
1-1/2 tablespoon lemon juice
1/2 cup chives, chopped
6 whole basil leaves for garnish

1/4 cup mayonnaise
1/4 cup sour cream
1/2 cup fresh basil leaves, chopped fine
salt and pepper to taste

Cut off ends of tomatoes, remove seeds and pulp. Drain upside down while preparing pasta. Cook pasta, drain and toss with oil and lemon juice. Cool, then toss with chives, mayonnaise, sour cream and basil. Season with salt and pepper. Spoon into tomatoes and garnish with whole basil leaves.

CHIVES

Creamy Cheese Potatoes
1 1/4 cup milk
1 8-ounce package cream cheese, softened
1 tablespoon snipped chives (or more)
4 cups cubed cooked potatoes
1/2 teaspoon minced instant onions
1/4 teaspoon salt
paprika

Blend milk, cream cheese over low heat. Stir in chives, onion and salt. Add potatoes — stir to coat. Turn mixture into 1-1/2 quart casserole, sprinkle with paprika and bake 350 degrees 30 minutes. Serves 4-6

PARSLEY

Parsley Biscuits
2 cups flour
4 teaspoons baking powder
1/2 teaspoon salt
2 tablespoon butter or shortening
1 small bunch parsley
1/2 cup grated American cheese
3/4 cup milk
1 tablespoon melted butter, extra

Wash and drain parsley well. Chop fine. Sift flour, baking powder and salt in large bowl. Cut in 2 tablespoons butter. Blend in cheese, then parsley. Gradually add enough milk to make soft dough, kneading gently. Roll on lightly floured board until 1/2-inch thick. Cut with round cutter 2 inches in diameter. Place on baking sheet and brush tops with reserved melted butter. Bake 450 degrees 15 minutes. Serve hot. Yield 14-16.

Chopped fresh rosemary can be substituted for parsley.

ROSEMARY

Autumn Bisque
1 pound butternut squash (halved, seeds removed)
2 green apples (peeled and cored)
1 medium onion (chopped)
4 cups chicken stock
2 slices white bread (trimmed and cubed)

1 teaspoon rosemary (fresh)
1 teaspoon marjoram (fresh)
salt and fresh ground pepper to taste
2 egg yolks
1/4 cup milk or cream

In heavy 3-quart saucepan combine first 8 ingredients. Bring to boil and simmer uncovered until squash is tender (40-50 minutes). Remove squash, scoop out pulp, discard skins and return pulp to soup. Puree soup in batches in blender until smooth and return to pan. In small bowl, beat together egg yolks and milk. Whip in a little hot soup, then stir mixture back into pan. Preheat but do not allow to boil. Can freeze for later use.

GINGER

Microwave Fish Chinese-Style
1 pound fish fillets
1/2 teaspoon salt (optional)
1 teaspoon grated fresh ginger root
1 green onion
1 tablespoon salad oil
2 teaspoon soy sauce
1 teaspoon dry sherry
1 tablespoon chopped green onion

Place fish in glass baking dish. Sprinkle with ginger and salt. Lay onion sliced lengthwise on top of fish. Microwave on high for 3 minutes, turn plate around and microwave for 3-4 minutes (depending upon thickness of fish). It should flake readily in thickest portion. Discard onion. Combine oil, soy and sherry. Pour over fish and garnish with chopped onion. Serves 2 or 3.

GARLIC

Chicken Italiano
1/2 cup freshly grated Parmesan cheese
2 tablespoons minced fresh parsley
1 teaspoon dried oregano
1 clove garlic, minced
1/2 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
2 whole chicken breasts, boned and skinned
3 tablespoons butter, melted

Combine first five ingredients. Dip chicken in melted butter, then in cheese mixture. Place in shallow baking dish. Drizzle remaining butter over chicken. Bake 375 degrees 25 minutes or until tender. Serves 4.

clarification

The photo that appeared without a caption in Taste on Monday, Sept. 26, was of Jan Breithaupt, co-manager at Plymouth Orchards, shown plucking Golden Delicious apples, one of the varieties at "U-pick" farms in the Detroit area. Bill Bresler/staff photographer, took the picture.

The recipe for Apple Drop Cookies that appeared with the article should have said 1/4 cup apple juice or milk instead of 1/2. The 2 cups pre-sifted

flour is the correct measurement but the flour should be added gradually.

A related story listed U-pick orchards in the Detroit area. Another nearby apple orchard that has a U-pick operation and 26 acres of apple trees is Obstbaum Orchards at 9252 Currie, north of Seven Mile Road, in Salem. For more information, phone 349-5589.

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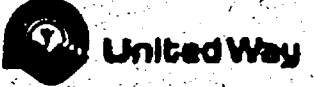


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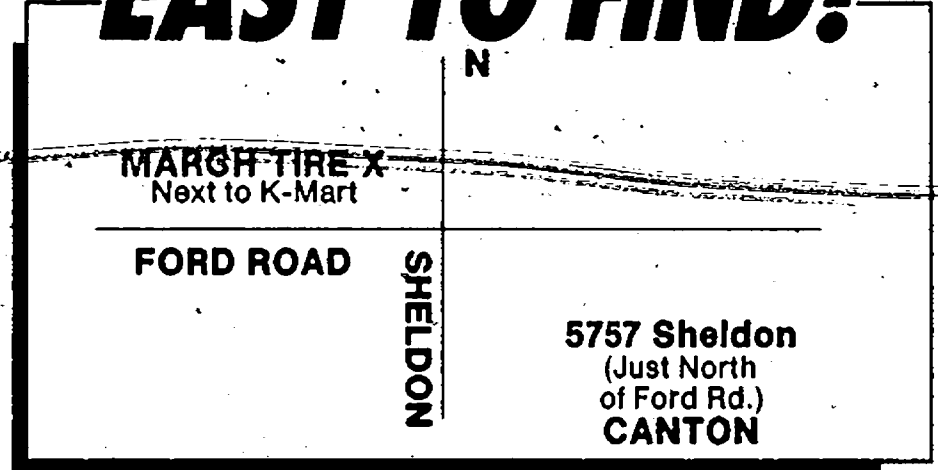
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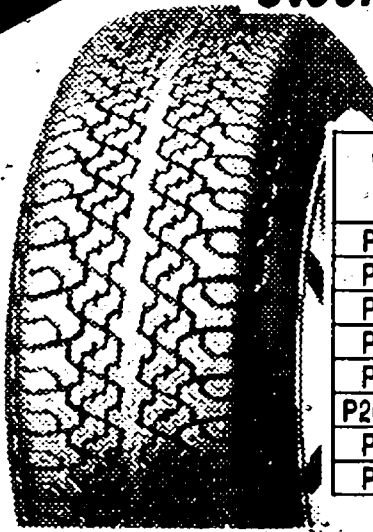
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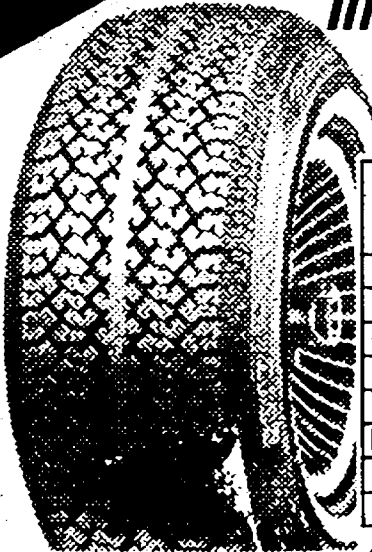


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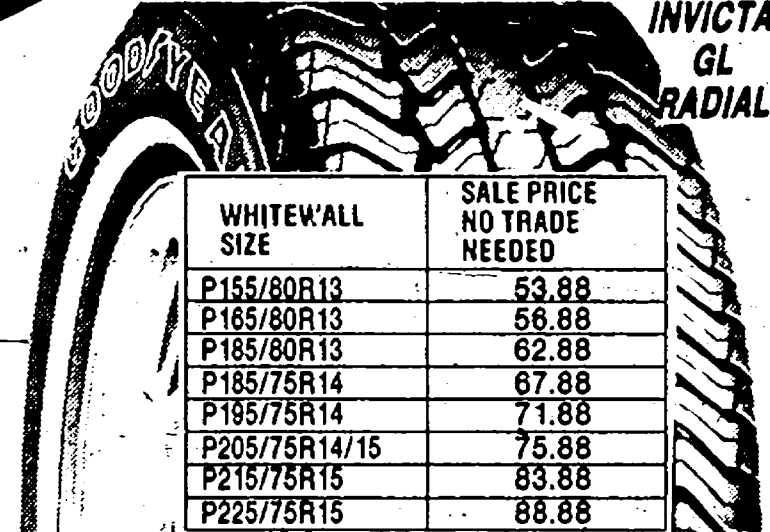
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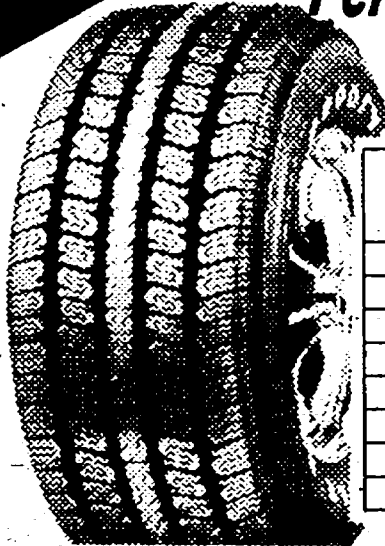
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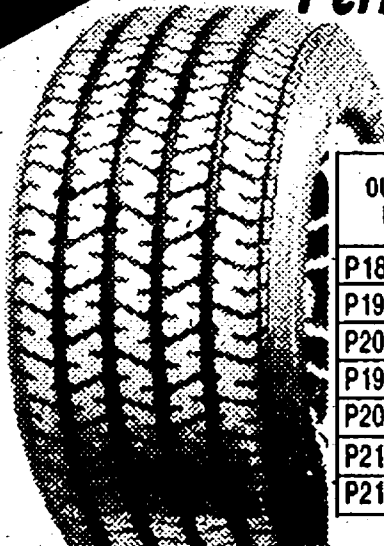
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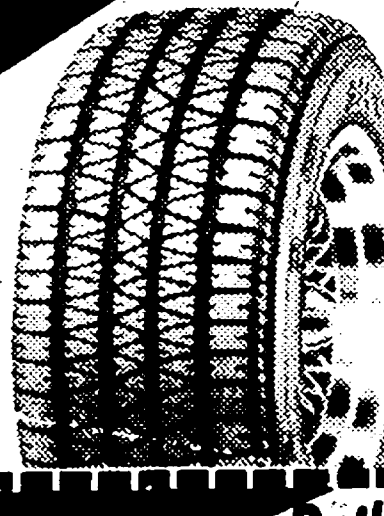
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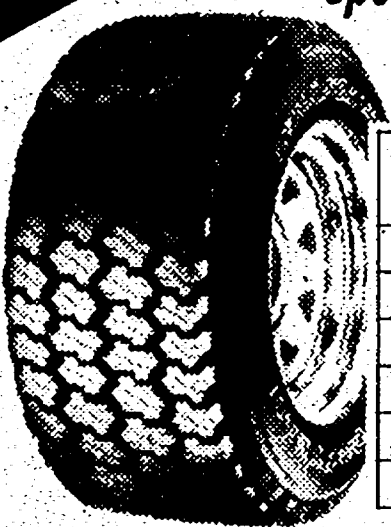
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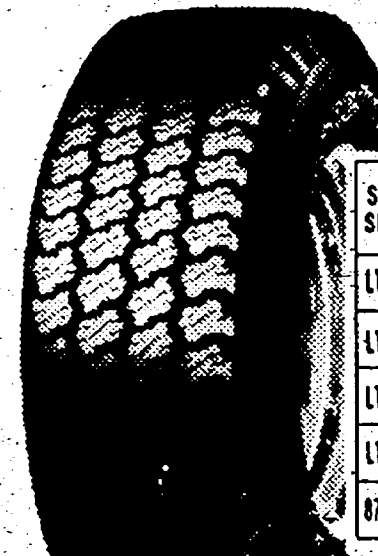
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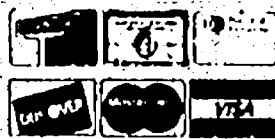
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Members of the Race/QP Team include Dave Bieneman (from left), driver/mechanic; Jeff Neal, designer/crew member; and Bieneman's son Matt, crew member.

Quarter mile quest: Doing it at 300 mph

By Bill Parker
staff writer

Dave Bieneman and Jeffrey Neal have been acquaintances for 18 years. They've been teammates for three. And now they're on a mission.

Their quest? To do what no man has done before. To reach 300 miles per hour in a dragster.

To break that magical barrier, the Race/QP Team, which includes Bieneman, driver/mechanic; his son Matt, crew member; Neal, designer/crew member; Ed Van Horn, crew chief; and Paul King, crew member, is redesigning its dragster.

The body of the vehicle will become longer and more streamlined. The engine will have more horsepower. These changes are geared to produce a new force in drag racing's premiere class, Top Fuel.

"They have tried to make changes in dragsters in the past, but haven't been able to adapt," explained Bieneman, who owns Transmission Specialists in Troy. "When you get into a specific type of racing, a lot of times you get stuck in that technology. We're using a variety of technology to make these changes."

MOST OF THE technical changes are designed by Neal, who has held both technical and managerial positions with General Motors, Bricklin, Ford Motor Co. and Triathlon Corp.

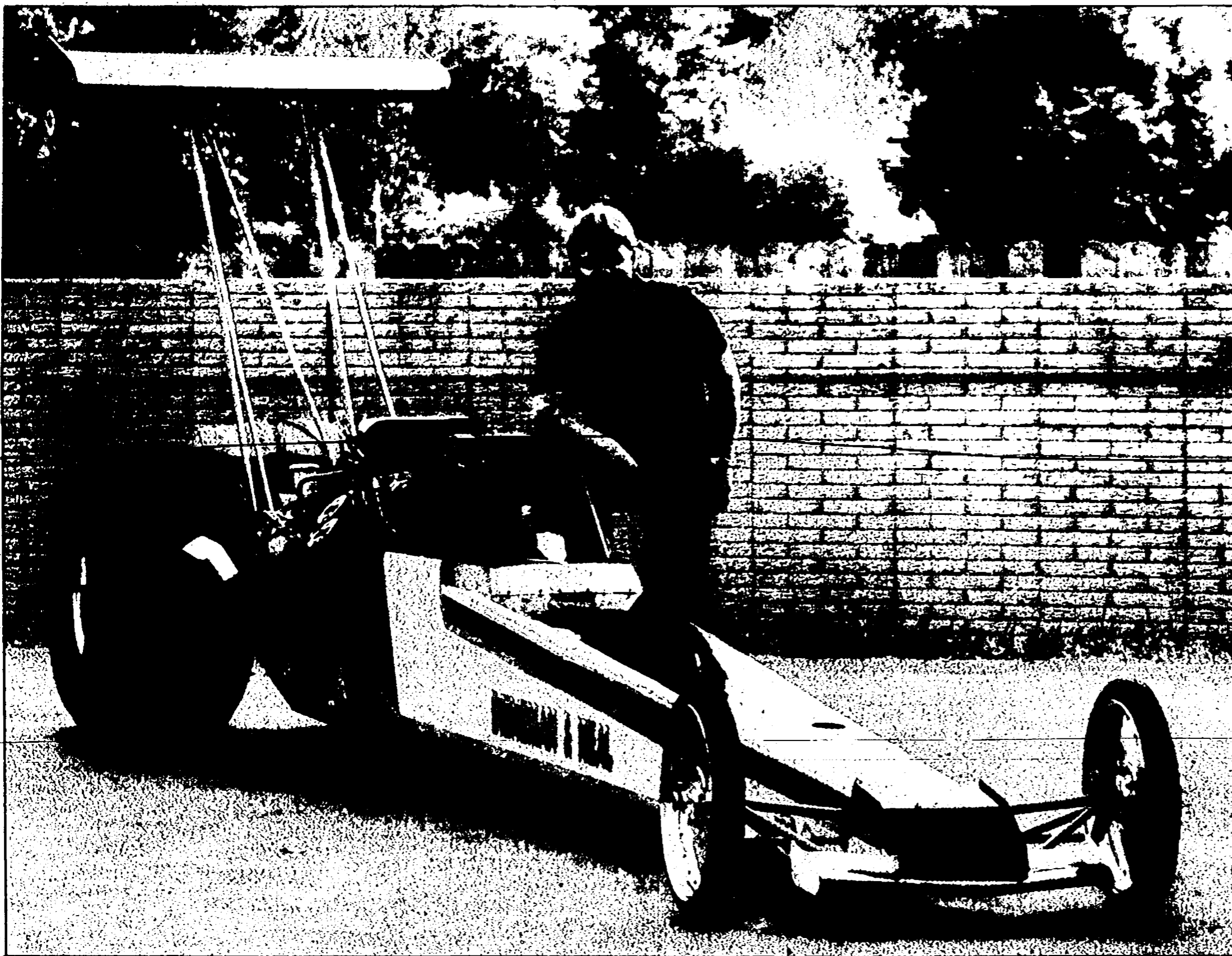
The new design will produce a car close to 50 inches longer than the standard dragster which has a 258-inch wheel base. The new body will be produced from a carbon fiber which is lighter and stronger than aluminum, the material from which most dragster bodies are currently made.

There also will be modifications to the wing at the rear of the car, which should help improve traction, and to "other body parts" as well as internal changes in the engine.

Race/QP is looking at the possibility of using a dual overhead cam engine — the same type of engine used in Indy and Formula 1 cars. This change would increase the power of the dragster from 3,500 horsepower to between 9,000 and 11,000 horsepower.

The new car should be ready for the track by January of 1989. The first goal of Race/QP will be to break the current quarter-mile dragster speed record of 288 miles per hour, set last spring by Eddie Hill of Texas. Then comes the task of breaking the 300 miles per hour barrier.

"We'd definitely like to be the first (to break the 300 miles per hour barrier)," said Bieneman. "But to do that you have to have everything perfect. The weather has to be perfect."



photos by DUANE BURLISON/staff photographer

Dave Bieneman shows off Race/QP team's new dragster that's close to 50 inches longer than the standard dragster which has a 258-inch wheel base.

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R.U. Syrius

Karlos Barney

Amelia, Biscayne: Islands to delight 'offbeat' traveler

By Iris Sanderson Jones
contributing travel editor

Q: I want to go to Florida before high season raises the prices too much. I've seen both the Gulf coast and Orlando. I would like to spend a day touring Miami and a few days a little off the beaten track.

A: There are two interesting islands on the Atlantic side of Florida that you may not have thought about. Amelia Island, near Jacksonville, and Key Biscayne, an island just across the Rickenbacker Causeway from Miami.

Amelia Island is a place of marsh grass and shrimp boats, separated from the rest of the Golden Isles by the Georgia-Florida border. You can choose between two quite different vacation styles.

One resort — Amelia Island Plantation — dominates the island. It is reminiscent of

South Seas Plantation on Captiva Island, on the gulf coast — condominiums, golf courses, tennis courts and other resort facilities.

A new definition of luxury may be renting a pool villa at the Plantation, where you can skinny-dip quite privately in a full-sized pool at the foot of your bed!

From the pool you can look through a screened wall to the birds skimming across a green marsh and the boats going by a mile away on the Intracoastal waterway. Nobody can get close enough on that marsh to see you through the screen.

The secret to enjoying an island like this is to know what gives you the best kick as a traveler. If big resorts don't do it, stay in a motel, seaside apartment or tiny bed-and-breakfast inn near the historic town of Fernandina Beach at the other end of the small island.



MICKY JONES

Sun, surf and sailboats abound along the resort beaches of Key Biscayne, Fla.

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"Since we're here, what say we do a little Fallopian tubing?"

'The King' does wonders in this 'Heartbreak Hotel'

RECENT RELEASES:

"Elvira, Mistress of the Dark" (D-) (PG-13) 96 minutes.

This hodge-podge tries everything and fails because you need a lot more talent than this crowd has to pull off a satiric-comedy-horror-sex film. Timing is off, pacing is erratic and everything is flat except Elvira.

"Gorillas in the Mist" (C-) (PG) 120 minutes.

Welcome to the wonderful world of gorillas. Sigourney Weaver's insipid performance and film's erratic pacing largely miss the point of Dian Fossey's life and her obsessive reverence for gorillas living freely in their natural habitat.

"Heartbreak Hotel" (B) (PG-13) 105 minutes.

Picture this, Elvis fans: Taylor, Ohio, 1972. Dad's gone, Mom's alcoholic, her boyfriend's abusive and she lives in a rundown hotel with her two kids. To the rescue, son Johnny (Charlie Schlatter), who gets mom (Tuesday Weld) a date with Elvis (David Keith) because the "King" can fix anything. He does in an entertaining, amusing film with 12 original Elvis songs on a great soundtrack. *Reviewed by Kim Brown.*

"The Year My Voice Broke" (D) (PG-13) 105 minutes.

Maudlin little artsy-craftsy Australian film about coming of age. Australian director is hard to understand and after a while one tends to give it up. Nice cinematography, but too much of it.

STILL PLAYING:

"Bagdad Cafe" (B) (PG) 91 minutes.

Except for a confusing opening, this is a wonderful comedy about friendship, love and understanding. Jasmine (Marianne Sägebrecht) leaves her husband in the middle of the Mojave Desert and winds up in Bagdad where she rents a room from Brenda (C.C. Pounder), who has kicked her husband out. The two women, who start out with nothing in common, form strong bonds. Jack Palance also appears. *Reviewed by Jennifer Morse.*

"Bambi" (A) (G) 70 minutes.

Short but good animated story of young fawn growing up. Great for kids and adults on a nostalgia trip.

"Betrayed" (A) (R) 115 minutes.

In the best Costa-Gavras ("Z") and



the movies
Dan Greenberg

lzi Bozyk) hires matchmaker Hannah Mandelbaum (Sylvia Miles) to arrange things with Sam, the pickelman. Don't worry about true love, this romantic comedy will charm and delight everyone.

"Dead Ringers" (F) (R) 115 minutes.

Can identical twin gynecologists (Jeremy Irons and Jeremy Irons) find happiness sharing girls, pills, patients and their practice? It's not worth watching this boring, slow-paced, sicko film to find out.

"Dear America" (A) (PG-13) 85 minutes.

Gripping, touching, horrifying, sad and finally, the inspiring story of our Vietnam tragedy told with actuality footage shot by television newsmen, armed forces cameramen and everyone else. It is the men, their courage and their high regard for comrades that make this documentary an inspiring, must-see event. Voice-over narrators reading soldiers letters home include Robert DeNiro, Michael J. Fox, Robin Williams and Kathleen Turner.

"Die Hard" (*) (R).

Bruce Willis and Bonnie Bedelia in story of hostages trapped in L.A. building seized by terrorists on Christmas Eve.

"Eight Men Out" (D) (PG) 115 minutes.

Say it ain't so, John Sayles ("Matewan," "The Brothers from Another Planet"). Tell us you didn't make a film with poorly identified characters, confusing plot, choppy editing and half-lit staccato images. But I guess you did. Music track is nice, but it is hard to believe the 1919 Chicago "Black" Sox threw the World Series just because Mr. Comisky paid them poorly. There had to be more to it than that. Same goes for the movie.

"A Fish Called Wanda" (A) (R) 110 minutes.

A very funny film with the whackiest gang in town. Principals include Jaime Lee Curtis as Wanda the Wonderful, jewel thief extraordinaire. Among her colleagues are Kevin Kline in an absolutely inspired performance as a beserk American gungel in London. John, Cleese is a proper barrister, but... The whole thing is beyond words. The only solution is to see the movie.

"Into the Fire" (*) (R)

The press agents describe this one



Anthropologist Dian Fossey (Sigourney Weaver) finds herself mesmerized by the mountain gorillas of Rwanda in Warner Bros. and Universal Pictures' "Gorillas in the Mist."

as a "seductive thriller" which probably means sex and violence.

"Kansas" (B) (R) 110 minutes.

While passing through Kansas on his way to New York, Wade (Andrew McCarthy) meets Doyle (Matt Dillon). He becomes Doyle's unwilling accomplice in a bank robbery and while running from the law saves life of governor's daughter and becomes unwilling hero. Resolution of all these problems makes an interesting movie. *Reviewed by Kathy Guyor.*

"The Last Temptation of Christ" (B-) (R) 164 minutes.

Controversial portrayal of Christ as a disturbed person who struggles with his duality and tries to reject his divinity. Well-photographed and has fine acting, but choppy editing in complex rendition makes this one questionable.

"Married to the Mob" (B) (R) 110 minutes.

Enjoyable and cute film, as Angela (Michelle Pfeiffer) is widowed when mob boss Tony "The Tiger" Russo (Dean Stockwell) loses her hit-

man hubby, Frankie (Alec Baldwin). She figures that's her ticket out of the mob but Tony wants her and so does FBI agent, Mike Downey (Matthew Modine), in more than one way. *Reviewed by Jennifer Morse.*

"Moon Over Parador" (C) (PG-13) 104 minutes.

Director Paul Mazursky ("Bob and Alice" and "Unmarried Woman") is so busy playing Jack Noah's (Richard Dreyfus) mother that there's nobody left to tend the store. Despite some funny stuff, this comedy falls flat as Noah is forced to impersonate the late and unlamented dictator of Parador, so police Chief Strausmann (Raul Julia) can maintain control. Sonia Braga appears as the dictator's mistress, but neither she nor stilted cameo by Sammy Davis Jr., Charo, Johathan Winters and Fernando Rey get this dud off the ground.

"Nightmare on Elm Street Part 4 - The Dream Master" (C) (R) 90 minutes.

Looks like Freddie's power is weakening and so's the series. Storyline is developed, but the expected

Grading the movies

A+	Top marks - sure to please
A	Close behind - excellent
A-	Still in running for top honors
B+	Pretty good stuff, not perfect
B	Good
B-	Good but notable deficiencies
C+	Just a cut above average
C	Mediocre
C-	Not so hot and slipping fast
D+	The very best of the poor stuff
D	Poor
D-	It doesn't get much worse
F	Truly awful
Z	Reserved for the colossally bad
*	No advanced screening

suspense and gore is lacking. Even "Nightmare" fans will be disappointed. *Reviewed by Jennifer Morse.*

"Patty Hearst" (*) (R).

Based on Patty Hearst's book, "Every Secret Thing," this film stars Natasha Richardson as Ms. Hearst. You've read the book, now...

"Sweet Hearts Dance" (B-) (R) 95 minutes.

Bittersweet comedy of middle-aged man (Don Johnson) uncertain about his life and marriage. Jeff Daniels is excellent as the understanding, sensible friend who helps him. Susan Sarandon is strong as confuse, hurt wife who hangs in there in this funny and sad, but very real life story. *Reviewed by Kathy Guyor.*

"Tucker: The Man and His Dream" (A) (PG)

Excellent production that really looks like the '40s. Soft-focus filters and lots of dusty old shots make this story of Ypsilanti machine tool shop-owner, Preston Tucker (Jeff Bridges), and his dream of the car of the future. Bridges, Joan Allen as Mrs. Tucker and Martin Landau as his financial adviser deliver fine performances. Entire supporting cast adds to production. Too bad Mr. Tucker tried to take on the Big Three.

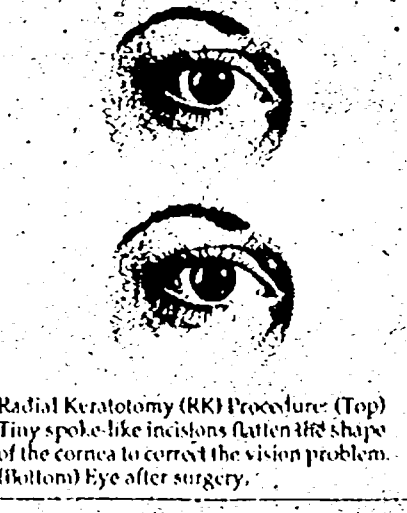
"War" (*) unrated.

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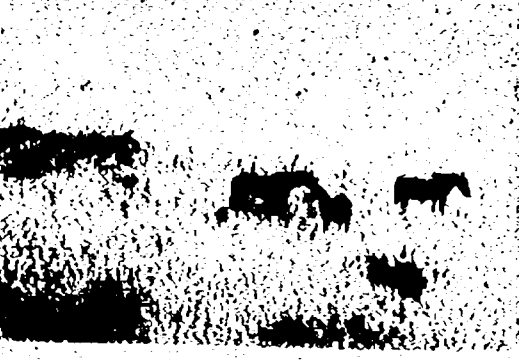
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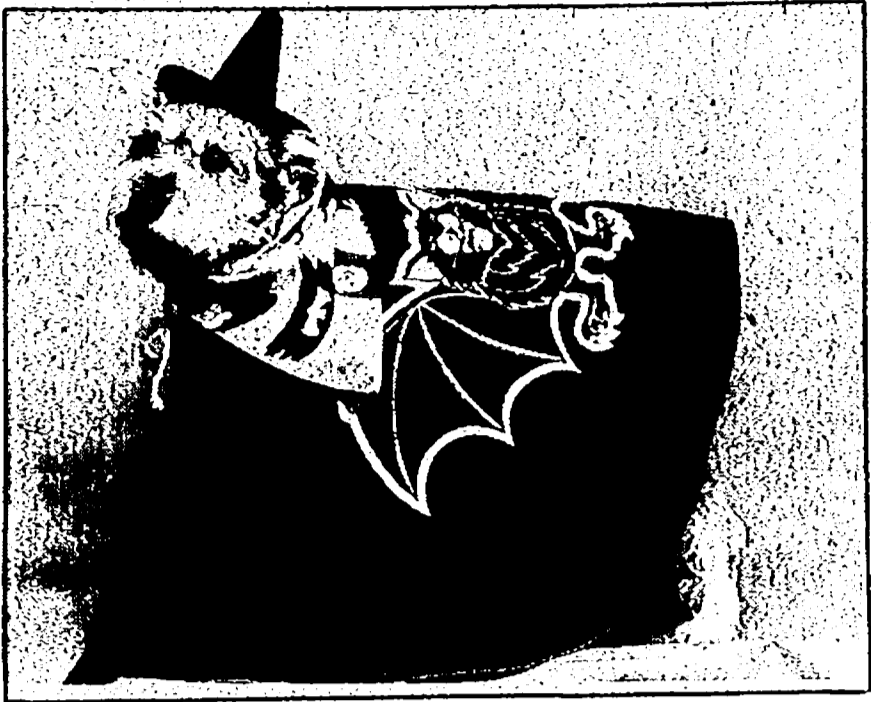


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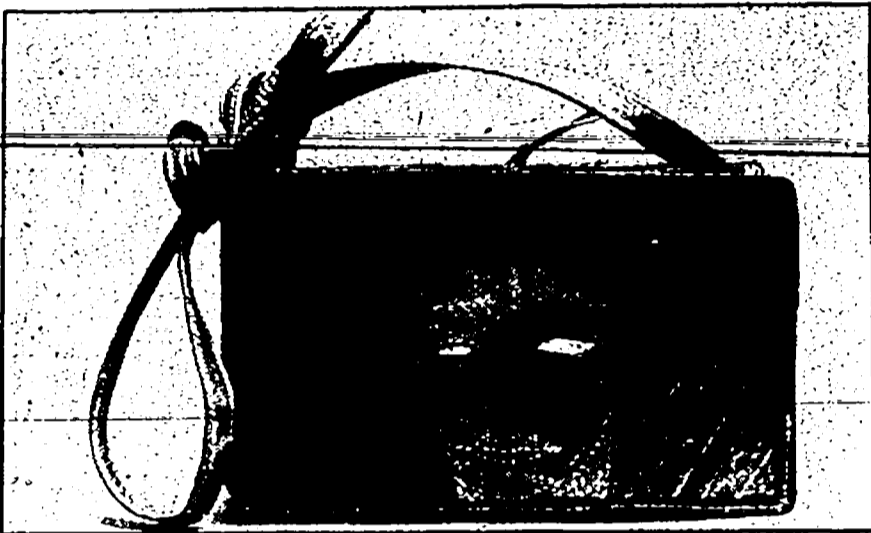


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STREET WISE

Moving indoors

It's like a harbinger of bad weather to come. Soccer is moving indoors and Total Soccer West in Farmington Hills is taking registration for leagues.

The first session begins Oct. 27 and leagues are available for youngsters and adults, men and women. Recreational and competitive soccer programs, instruction and tournaments are offered. The team fee is \$575.

For more information, call Total Soccer West at 471-0111.

Tasty Japan

A trip to Japan may be a little beyond your budget, but you can experience Japanese culture and cuisine at Cranbrook P.M.'s Mikado Dinner Wednesday, Oct. 19, at the Kyoto Steakhouse in Troy.

Your evening in Japan will begin at 7 p.m. with Kyotosushi, Kappamaki hors d'oeuvres and rice wine. Dinner in the wooden teppanyaki rooms will be prepared before your eyes with skill and artistry by authentic teppen chefs.

As the evening comes to a close, you'll share an international exchange of traditions by drinking Japanese tea. Each guest will receive a pair of lacquered Japanese chopsticks.

Nobuko Rooney will talk about Japanese cuisine and traditions throughout the evening.

The Mikado Dinner costs \$27.50 per person and limited seating is available. Call Cranbrook P.M. at 645-3635 for reservation information.

The Kyoto Steakhouse is at 1985 W. Big Beaver Road, between Coolidge and Crooks Road, Troy.

Discover Detroit

Way to go, Metropolitan Detroit Convention & Visitors Bureau.

The folks at MDCVB has produced two new publications that offer the "inside scoop" on area accommodations and points of interest.

The Detroit Hotel and Motel Guide offers a complete listing of all the area hotels and motels in metro-Detroit and Windsor. Listings include special hotel packages, current rates and a handy map to help you locate the hotel or motel of your choice.

The Detroit Visitor's Map assists visitors and locals alike in finding their favorite attractions, theaters and parks as well as major sports and transportation facilities.

For copies of the guide or map, write the Detroit Visitor Information Center, 2 E. Jefferson, Detroit 48226, or call 567-1170.

It's a first

The Upland Hills Ecological Awareness Center in Oxford will host the first Detroit area performances of "The Depot" Friday and Saturday, Oct. 14-15, at the Oakland Community College Royal Oak campus theater.

Written by Eve Ensler, the play is under the direction of Joanne Woodward and stars Shirley Knight.

"The Depot" is a moving, funny play about a middle-aged nurse who leaves home after a nightmare about nuclear war to join a woman's peace camp. During her one-sided conversations with a soldier at a missile site, she realizes her role and responsibility as a peace activist.

The play will be staged at 8 p.m. both nights and will be followed by a discussion, led by cast members.

Tickets cost \$15 for friends (general admission), \$25 for supporters (reserved seating) and \$50 for patrons (preferred seating and program listing).

Tickets are available by sending a check, payable to the Upland Hills Ecological Awareness Center, to 2575 Indian Lake Road, Oxford 48051.

Pewabic style

Pewabic Pottery will present a group exhibition, The Painterly Surface, Oct. 14 through Nov. 12 at its gallery, 10125 E. Jefferson, Detroit.

The show will explore the various treatment and approaches to the use of color and its application.

The gallery will be open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday.

In conjunction with the exhibition, a one-day workshop, featuring Suzanne Stephenson, will be offered for a cost of \$25 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 22.

Stephenson is nationally recognized for her work with color on clay. She will address surface, color and form and will explore the numerous methods of slip and glaze application for use at low temperatures during the workshop.

Secret passages

If you're thinking of heading out to the Chesaning area to see the fall colors, then get in touch with the Chesaning Chamber of Commerce.

The ever industrious Chamber has developed a series of road maps, designed to show travelers paved secondary routes that feature beautiful autumn foliage and lead around the historic village of Chesaning.

The program is called "Secret Passages" because the routes contain roads not shown on state highway maps.

To get a copy of "Secret Passages," write to the Chesaning Chamber of Commerce, Chesaning, Mich. 48816, or call (517) 645-3055.

Team seeks record breaking ride

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Duane Burleson/staff photographer

Dave Bieneman adjusts the linkage on the intake of his Top Fuel dragster that he hopes will one day break the 300 miles per hour record.

"It HAS to be hot enough to put heat in the track (for ultimate traction), but cool enough to make the air dense (so there will be more air in the engine and in turn more fuel which will give the engine maximum horse power). Then everything has to be perfect on the car."

Another problem confronting Race/QP is money. Drag racing is not a poor man's sport.

For starters, in the Top Fuel Class, the dragsters run on nitro methane, which costs about \$30 per gallon. Between the race and the warm up, the normal dragster burns 10 to 12 gallons of nitro methane each race.

Then there's the price of the chassis (\$22,000) and the drive train (\$50,000). Throw in the cost of travel, lodging and food and the bill becomes even higher.

According to Bieneman, the average cost is \$2,000 every time the Race/QP car runs down the track.

"It's gotten so complicated that a top car can win every race and still lose money," Bieneman explained. "You really need a sponsor. We're making a major sponsor push right now."

Credibility is everything when looking for a sponsor, and Race/QP just increased its credibility with a win recently at the Popular Hot Rodding Magazine Championships in Martin, Mich.

Bieneman piloted the car to first place in 5.70 seconds. His top speed was 248 miles per hour.

"THAT FINALLY gave us some credentials," Bieneman said. "The car started reacting to some of the changes we've been making. Now we can go out with some real credibility for picking up a major sponsor."

"The \$10,000 (first-place prize money) wasn't bad either."

In mid-September, Race/QP qualified for the final field of 16 cars in the Keystone Nationals, a race in which "all the big guys were there," Bieneman said.

In their opening run, Race/QP beat the legendary Shirley Muldowney. They were defeated in the second round, but dropped their time to 5.4 seconds and increased their speed to 260 miles per hour.

With improvements like these, and all the major modifications to the car still to come, the future of Race/QP is looking brighter and brighter.

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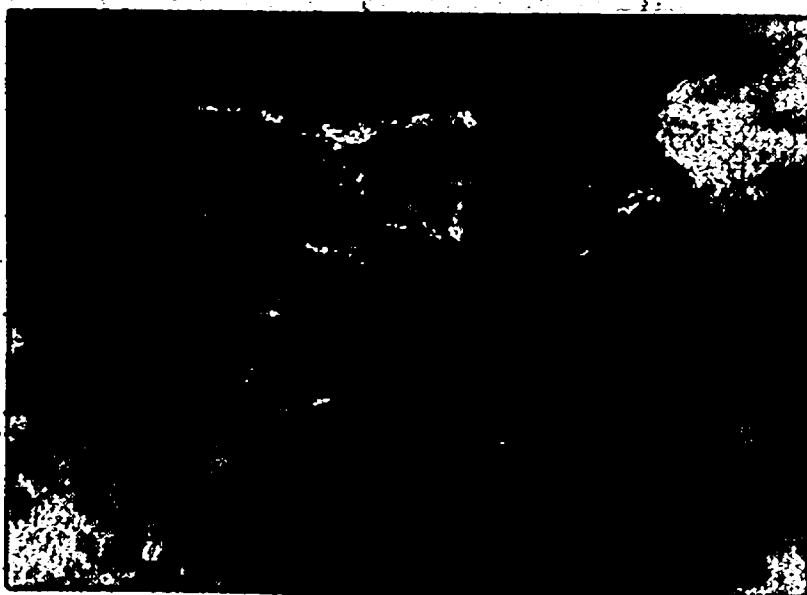
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On display will be an untitled pastel, painted around 1918 by James Scripps Booth and from the collection of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Booth.

Museum displays works of Saarinen and James Booth

If you're looking for variety in contemporary art, then the Cranbrook Academy of Art Museum is the place to visit.

Now through Oct. 30, the museum is hosting an exhibition of works by Eiel Saarinen, entitled "Saarinen at Cranbrook: Designs for Cranbrook and Kingswood Schools." The museum also is exhibiting the works of James Scripps Booth through Dec. 11.

The Saarinen exhibition explores the fundamental change which occurred in the architect's designs between the start of the Cranbrook School for boys in 1925 and the completion of the Kingswood School for girls six years later.

The exhibition reflects the Finnish-born architect's shift from European sensibility, exemplified by Finnish National Romanticism, to a more American design philosophy.

Highlight of the exhibition are six works that have never been on public display, "Drawings for Gates No. 1, 2 and 3." They were designed by Saarinen and drafted by his 19-year-old son Eero. The works demonstrate seemingly Nordic references which Saarinen incorporated into details of the school for boys.

There also are two watercolors

and a pencil rendering from the collection of Cranbrook Schools, examples of Saarinen's perspective renderings for Kingswood School.

ALSO INCLUDED are two large models of the schools, created for an exhibition, "Design in America: The Cranbrook Vision, 1925-1950," which were displayed at the Detroit Institute of Arts, the Metropolitan Museum of Art and the Suomen Taideteollisuusyhdistys in Helsinki.

Already a leading architect in his native Finland, Saarinen (1873-1950) traveled to the United States in 1923 as the result of his second-place prize entry for the Chicago Tribune Tower competition.

In 1925, he was commissioned by George G. Booth to develop plans for The Cranbrook Educational Community, including Cranbrook School.

With its references to medieval architecture and borrowings from numerous European sources, the school for boys must be viewed within the context of Saarinen's Finnish National Romantic architecture, an architecture which sought to create a national identity through indi-

genous architectural forms.

Since the English Arts and Crafts Movement was a primary source for both national romanticism and the aesthetics of Booth, the resulting form of Cranbrook School was an important achievement in the careers of both architect and patron.

With the Kingswood School, Saarinen searched for a new architectural vocabulary, one that would express his newly adopted American heritage. He found a new source in the "prairie houses" of Frank Lloyd Wright, an architectural style which was in communion with nature and looked to indigenous American forms.

THE SCHOOL for girls, with its horizontal emphasis, broad hipped roofs and overhanging eaves, is nestled into the slope of a hill overlooking Kingswood Lake. Even the columns and light fixtures now take on an organic form, rather than the more medievally inspired details of

the school for boys.

Saarinen's change in philosophy also can be seen in the site and floor plans of the two schools. Whereas Cranbrook is a pedestrian-oriented campus with a pedestrian gate and an open courtyard for circulation, Kingswood's main entrance is approached by a grand auto-court with all the spaces connected internally through grand hallways.

The "James Scripps Booth: Artist and Engineer" exhibition is in the museum's deSalle Gallery. It features 25 works that highlight the artistic and automotive design achievements of Booth.

Booth, the eldest son of Cranbrook's founders, George and Ellen Scripps Booth, was a multi-talented man who moved easily from pastel drawings to highly innovative designs for automobiles.

His formal artistic training consisted primarily of a brief stay at the Ecole Des Beaux Arts in Paris, in addition to time spent with Michigan-born artist Myron Barlow in Etaples, France.

Barlow taught Booth the fundamentals of working with pastels and they quickly became his favorite medium.

Between 1912 and his death in 1954, Booth produced hundreds of

pastel landscapes, portraits and figure studies. Constantly experimenting, his working styles included academic, caricature and impressionism.

A SMALL pastel, entitled "Scene at Cannes, France," featured in the exhibit, is a riot of gestural line and color. A large untitled piece of a nude woman swimming illustrates Booth's predilection for an impressionistic style.

Also included in the exhibition are eight works from two of Booth's most important commissions. One of these commissions resulted in an important series of pastel drawings of the early Detroit News Shelby Street

plant. The second commission features a variety of early scenes at Cranbrook.

Concurrent with his artistic pursuits, Booth was an impassioned and highly original automotive designer. Included within the exhibition are a number of his designs for automobiles, many of which were either privately built as prototypes or mass-produced by the Scripps-Booth Co.

The Cranbrook Academy of Art Museum is open 1-5 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday. Docent guided tours are available by advance notice. For tour information, call 645-3312.

Cranbrook is at 500 Lone Pine Road, Bloomfield Hills.



The "Saarinen in Finland" exhibition includes the artist's Hvittrask 1901.



Saarinen used ink and water color for his "Parliament House, Finland 1908."

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Art in the midst of the roar of engines

By **Tedd Schneider**
staff writer

Looking through the dirt, grease and grime of auto racing they see art.

Yes, art. For Ken Coles and Jim Bisignano, nothing is quite so poetic — or as much of an artistic challenge — as a Formula 1 racer twisting its way through the curves of Detroit's annual Grand Prix.

Coles, of Garden City, has been reworking photographs of dirt track sprint racers, Indianapolis 500 winners, even hydroplane drivers into paintings for more than 30 years.

"If it moves, I'll paint it," said Coles.

Bisignano, a Birmingham freelance artist, has been painting racing vignettes as part of a varied portfolio since the mid-1960s.

"I happen to like the sport, and I think it lends itself well as subject matter," Bisignano said. "There's a drama there just waiting to be captured."

Bisignano has worked the Grand Prix circuit from Detroit to Monaco. His paintings are done on commission, usually for the race team's sponsor or the driver himself.

The 49-year-old former General Motors employee will start with a photograph and go from there. But Bisignano doesn't always paint it the way the lens sees it.

HE'LL OFTEN paint the pictured car and driver with exacting detail and then add to the background using nearby (but unpictured) landmarks or his imagination.

For example, for a painting done at this year's Brazilian Grand Prix, Bisignano "moved" a mountain a quarter mile in order to get it into the background.

"The environment can be just as visually interesting as the car itself," he said. "Painting is a matter of interpretation, it doesn't have to be identical to the photograph."

His love of cars comes from a stint in automotive design at General Motors, Bisignano said. He has a bachelor's degree in fine arts from



Ken Coles begins oil work on a sprint car photograph in his basement workshop.

ART EMANUELE/staff photographer

Notre Dame University.

Coles' work is an offshoot of his friendships with drivers and a never realized desire to race himself (He has poor vision in one eye).

"I had been taking all these black and white photos when I began to hang around the dirt track circuit in the 1950s," Coles said. "I started adding color, though oils, and came up with this kind of old-fashioned, tinted look."

Coles, a retired industrial artist, also will sell his photographs to any of a dozen racing magazines.

The 57-year-old Detroit native has lived through racing's evolution from a "small-town, Saturday night diversion in the cornfield" into a high-tech, corporate sport. And along the way he has made friends with some of the world's top drivers.

HE POINTS to a Christmas card from Mario Andretti and can tell you stories about A.J. Foyt and Al Unser that will make your head spin.

"When you first meet them (drivers), you think 'boy, these guys really have big egos.'"

Coles said. "But then you realize that it's a survival sport and it probably takes a big ego just to come out alive."

Testimony for that theory is provided in the person of the late Ronnie Duman, Coles said.

Coles and Duman, a nationally known sprint car driver from Dearborn, became good friends in the 1960s. Duman was killed during a Milwaukee race in the summer of 1968.

"Since then, I decided I would work with the drivers and respect the drivers but not really get close to the drivers," Coles said.

Both Coles and Bisignano have had close shaves while at the track.

Coles was nearby when the driver of a Porsche lost control and the car flipped over, missing his head by a few feet.

Bisignano said a car ran over his foot once while he was taking photographs at Monaco.

"That was before there were guard rails for us to stand behind," he said.



Jim Bisignano painted this Ferrari going through the tunnel in Monaco six years ago.

FILE PHOTO

Amelia's quiet contrasts with Biscayne's fast pace

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IF AMELIA is too low-key for you, consider the slightly faster pace of Key Biscayne. The Indians called it the "island in the path of the rising moon." Explorer John Cabot, who landed on the island in 1497, called it "the Cape at the End of April." I call it a miracle, an island of sand, sea and pine trees 15 minutes' drive from downtown Miami.

This playground, set in a sea as green as any Caribbean water, is roughly divided into four parts, all available down the single main street of the island.

The entrance area, across the Rickenbacker Causeway, is where boaters park in marinas and locals, tourists and Miampians meet at bars and restaurants clustered around the marina. The Miami Seaquarium,

Planet Ocean, Museum of Science and Space Transit Planetarium are some of the major attractions here.

Another attraction, Crandon Park makes a great green patch across the causeway end of the island. Picnic under coconut trees or swim at the 2½-mile long public beach.

The village of Key Biscayne comes next, with a busy area of hotels, restaurants and sand beaches on the Atlantic side.

Finally, there's Bill Baggs Florida State Recreation Area and the lighthouse that marks the "Cape at the End of April," known around here as Cape Florida.

Tourists come to this park when it is too hot to stay for another sun-burned moment on their hotel beach or around the pool. Families drive in from Miami, children crowding the golden sand of the public beach, families speaking Spanish or playing dominoes at the picnic tables under the Australian pines.

THE SALT bush, seagrass and buttonwood are native here, as they are in most of Florida, but the Australian pines planted late in the 19th century have long ago taken over the park, making fringed green canopies



One of the attractions along Amelia Island's Fernandina Beach is meeting the local shrimp boats when they come in from a day of fishing.

MICKY JONES

over the roads and shaded groves beside the sea.

It is usually cool under the trees, within sight of both the public beach and the Cape Florida Lighthouse.

Low season rates on Key Biscayne are from Labor Day until Dec. 1. There are two hotels and a motel

side by side on the beach. Off season rates are: Silver Sands Motel, \$72; the high-rise Sheraton Royal Biscayne Beach Resort, \$66 to \$123; and the high-rise Sonesta Beach Hotel and Tennis Club, \$140 to \$215.

For more information on Key Biscayne, contact the Key Biscayne Chamber of Commerce, 96 West McIntyre, Key Biscayne, Fla. 33149, or call (904) 361-5267. Or you can contact the Greater Miami Convention and Visitors Bureau, 4770 Biscayne Blvd., Miami, Fla. 33137, or call (904) 575-4999.

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organizing
Dorothy Lehmkuhl

Q: I notice many people carry calendars with them and wonder if I should too? Also, is it a good idea to keep more than one?

A: Calendar systems are a matter of preference. Some people carry heavy cumbersome calendar books, treating them almost like security blankets. Others maintain duplicate schedules for home, work and their car. Different needs and preferences will dictate the right system for you.

I am often amused when people ask if I maintain separate calendars for my business life and my personal life. Since I have only one life and can be in only one place at a time, I need only one calendar. If you actually work in an office from 9 to 5, it is, of course, natural to keep your 9-5 calendar at work and a separate master calendar for after hours, so long as they don't overlap.

Experience has taught me one hard lesson: It is too easy to record conflicting appointments in different calendars for the same time. It's all right to maintain other reference schedules, but maintain only one master calendar to rely on.

If you have a sales job where you work out of your car, you probably do need to carry a full calendar at all times because making sales appointments on the spot is essential. However, when your career does not depend upon your diary, you may be wise not to carry one.

One advantage of not carrying a calendar involves your ability (or inability) to say No. If saying No is difficult for you, don't carry your schedule. If someone sees an open slot on your calendar, they immediately think they own that time. It is then difficult to say No and robs you of the opportunity to make a thoughtful decision. Instead, carry a 3x5 inch scratch pad. When someone asks you to help with a volunteer project, for instance, make a note (including their phone number) and say you will check your calendar and call them later with your answer.

After checking your master calendar and your To Do List, evaluate if this matter is worthy of your time. If you decide you want to be involved (and I certainly do encourage community service) call your confirmation. However, if you are already over-committed or need to catch up on work, call and say you are sorry but you have a conflict. It is not necessary to explain what the conflict is.

In summary, not carrying a calendar allows you to "sleep on it," avoid hasty decisions, and say no gracefully.

Breaking the rules

Whimsy is designer's trademark

By Joan Boram
special writer

JEFF FONTANA wants you to have a home. "How presumptuous," you say, "I already have a home. After all, everything I own is au courant, de rigueur, or, at the very least, Eurostyle. I even have grandma's sewing cabinet for a touch of tradition!"

"Ah, but do you have white ceilings? 'We've all been raised to believe that certain things are carved in stone,' believes interior designer Jeff Fontana. "We have to finish our vegetables before we can have dessert; all sofas have to face the fireplace (even though we only have fires twice a year), and all ceilings have to be white."

"I'm famous for my pink ceilings, they give a great glow. Not the same pink, mind you. Sometimes it's a rosy pink, sometimes a peachy pink, and sometimes a mauvy pink."

"I just did the offices for a TV station in New York," he continues, "I gave them pink ceilings, and they just hated them. I said, please be patient, wait until the wallpaper is up, wait until the carpeting is in, you'll love it. They just called me and said it's gorgeous, everybody who walk through is just fainting it's so great."

FONTANA EXPLAINS his design philosophy this way: "I expect a client to understand maybe 60 to 70 percent of what I'm doing, the rest is a learning experience; they'll grow into it. If I give them what they understand right now, a year from now, they're going to say, something needs to be done. That's not a good way for me to spend their money. I tell them what they can understand and then stretch it a little so they can grow into it."

"A client showing me her house wailed, 'I just hate this room. I got all my grandmother's furniture and it's so crummy.' Actually, the furniture was great. Part of the problem was that she was following all the so-called rules. The ceilings were white, and that makes you look straight up, away from what should be the focus of attention, the room itself."

"She had a pair of endtables, one at either end of the sofa, because we all know you need a pair of endtables. And all the furniture faced the fireplace. It was like being at a drive-in movie waiting for the feature to start," Fontana said.

"Her husband and I moved the furniture so that everything didn't look clumsy and austere. We turned the sofa away from the fireplace, at an angle, 'I don't know if I can stand that,' she

said, 'It's just not allowable.' I said 'Live with it, it's only a sofa, we didn't nail it to the floor. Give it a chance.'"

It took awhile, but now she loves it, Fontana said.

"She thought she needed furniture: all she needed was a little table and to have the sofa recovered. We're not an order store, we're here to try to create something that is yours."

FONTANA GOT his first recognition in the field when he was 16 years old. A bedroom he had decorated for a client's daughter was featured in Better Homes and Gardens, where it was labeled "whimsical."

Whimsy is Fontana's trademark, although he insists he doesn't understand it. "I put an Anita Flory papier mache facing itself in a mirror, and everybody said it was whimsy" he said. "I wasn't thinking of whimsy at all. This is a small shop. By putting a rabbit in front of a mirror propped up on a stack of books both the front and the back of the rabbit was visible, and it was easy for our sales staff to reach it. I guess it was whimsical, but it wasn't contrived whimsy, it just came naturally."

Fontana says he's very conscious of people's needs and their lifestyle.

"Sometimes they're traveling at a speed that they don't see. Some people say they don't entertain, but I see, because they are professionally or socially ambitious, or very out-going, that in a year or two, they'll be entertaining."

"Sometimes," he said, "I see that they're evolving faster than even they realize, so I see that the house has more potential for entertaining or whatever. I try to evaluate things. I interview people, and they, in turn, interview me."

Most of the houses Fontana does are eclectic. "I love a country this, an English that, a Manhattan-looking plexiglass coffee table. I see beauty in everything. A carved wood thing, a funny old stuffed pheasant, an old Chinese pot," he explains.

"I don't like to be labeled, but I guess the way I decorate is classical because I'm very European in my furniture groupings, in my drapery treatments, in the overall look of my room."

A very well traveled European, though. His groupings could include a table from China or a piece of Eskimo sculpture.

"If a person tells me they want one style throughout the house, or even one room, I won't work for them. There are designers who have a



DAN DEAN/staff photographer

Jeff Fontana sits in one of his "finds" surrounded by his acquisitions — many of them found in Europe — in his shop, Vieille Provence. Most of the houses he does are eclectic, Fontana says. "I see beauty in everything," and he will not take on an assignment if the client wants one style throughout the house or even a room.

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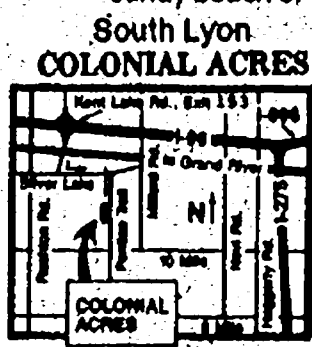
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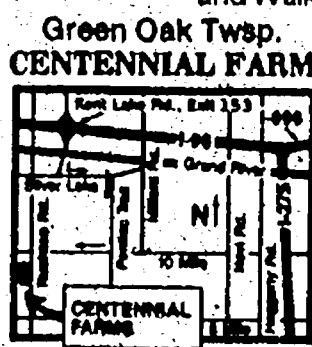


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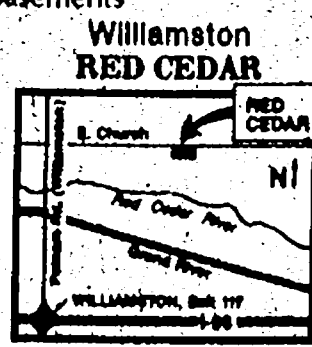
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Wall space in Fontana's shop is all but used up for displaying unusual objects he collects. His philosophy is: You never know what you're going to need, so you snap up things as they become available.

Shop resembles well-dusted attic

'I expect a client to understand maybe 60 or 70 percent of what I'm doing, the rest is a learning experience: they'll grow into it. If I give them what they understand right now, a year from now, they're going to say something needs to be done.'

— Jeff Fontana

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feel for that sort of thing who can do the best job for them. I do what I think people are all about, which is multi-faceted.

"I just did a dining room. We found a cabinet in England that fits almost wall-to-wall and we used a marble dining room table, with carved high-style country chairs. We added a Chinese stand and base, and a chandelier that came from California, very high-tech verdigris-green iron with gaslight-type volcanic glass shades. Then, for added elegance, lush, formal draperies."

FONTANA'S SHOP, *Vielle Provence*, reflects his philosophy. It has the look of a well-dusted attic in an English manor, with the taste of generations of collectors randomly placed. None of it says "decorator." You might have chanced across any of it on New York's Third Avenue or London's Portobello Road.

"You never know what you're going to need, so you snap up things as they become available," Fontana said, caressing some huge gold tassels that came from Detroit's Fisher Building.

"I bought these tassels because they had such a wonderful look to them, but I had no immediate use for them. But then, two years ago, I did a summer home on the Nile for a Saudi sheikh. His wife wanted an Arab sitting room next to the dining room where they could go after dinner.

"We hung yards and yards of fabric between the dining room and the Arab sitting room, bal-

looned it and used the huge gold tassels. It worked better than a partial wall: you could walk right into the sitting room, but you couldn't see it while you were dining."

FONTANA'S PROJECTS have ranged from senior citizen housing to "Sunset Boulevard"-style mansions in southern California. All his projects have one thing in common: "I guess if you could sum me up, it would be to say that I like to make a house a home and make it usable. People are comfortable in my rooms. They can walk in, sit down and put their feet up. Not just stand in the doorway and say, 'These rooms are lovely, just lovely.'"

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condo queries

Robert M. Melsner

Q. I am interested in buying a condominium which is being referred to as a conversion by the sales person. Can you give me some idea as to what that means?

A. A conversion is a type of a condominium development where the physical structure was formally occupied as another type of legal entity before it was turned into a condominium. For example, typically conversions in the residential context refer to apartment buildings which have been turned into a condominium development. The apartment building may be six months old or 60 years old but may be classified as a conversion if, in fact, it was occupied by residents.

The condominium statute prescribes additional obligations on the converter, particularly in the area of disclosure. Additional caution on the part of the buyer is generally a good idea in a conversion because of the tendency of the buildings to have been used and purportedly sold without the same warranties which would attach to new construction depending on the circumstances.

Q. The developer in his disclosure statement has indicated in our conversion that he did not know of the extent of the condition of the premises prior to the conversion but has not provided any type of engineering report concerning the premises. This is a Detroit condominium. Do you have any suggestions as to what we should do?

A. Developers in Detroit who convert condominiums must, under a city ordinance, provide an engineering report to the prospective purchasers. That engineering report should be comprehensive, that is, an engineer's responsibility to adequately advise the prospective purchaser as to the physical condition of the major component parts of the condominium project as well as any other material and known defects about which the prospective purchaser should know in analyzing whether or not he or she should buy the condominium.

Keep in mind that when you buy a condominium you are not only buying your particular unit but an undivided interest in the common elements which may include the other buildings, roofs, etc. and amenities. Make sure that you have a full grasp of the physical condition of the entire condominium project before you consider purchasing that condominium, particularly in the case of a conversion. If the developer is not complying with the applicable laws, you may want to reconsider whether or not you are interested in even getting involved in that particular condominium project.

Robert M. Melsner is a Birmingham attorney specializing in condominiums, real estate and corporate law. You are invited to submit topics which you would like to see discussed in this column, including questions about condominiums, by writing Robert M. Melsner, 30200 Telegraph Road, Suite 467, Birmingham 48010. This column provides general information and should not be construed as legal opinion.

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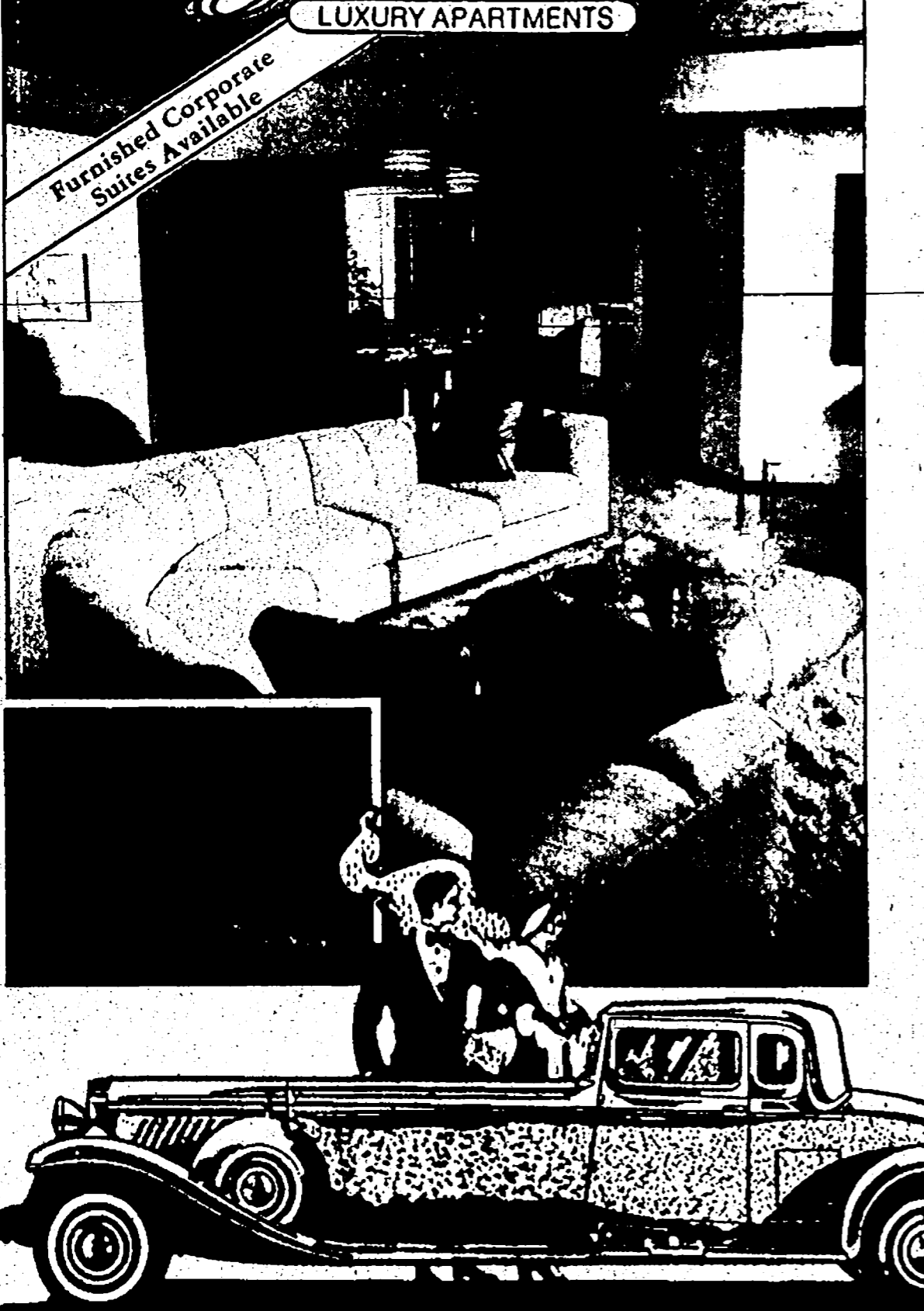


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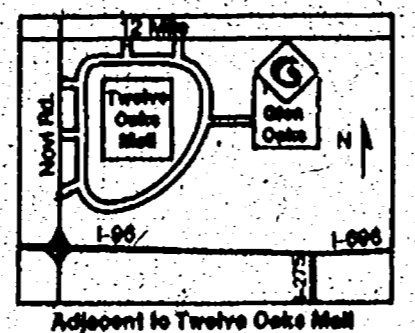
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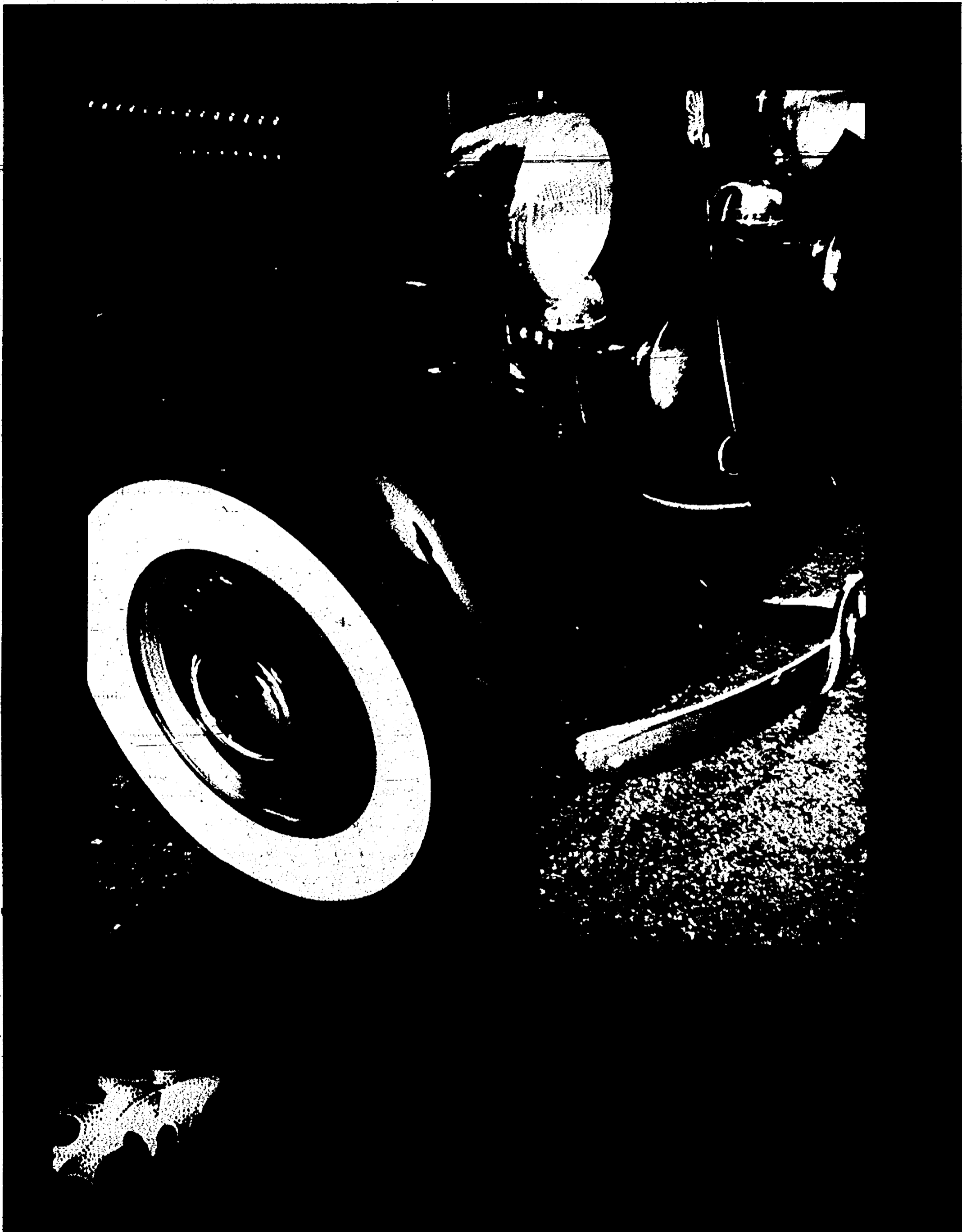
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Filling tank not wise idea

Do you try to "fill 'er up" to even money at the gas pump, causing the automatic nozzle to shut off several times before you're satisfied the tank is full?

Break the habit, urges the Car Care Council. Overfilling

can waste fuel and cause engine problems as well. Further, it pollutes the air.

The reason for this, says the Council, is that raw gasoline at the top of the tank enters a

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Why October will help you be a smarter motorist

"If it ain't broke, don't fix it" that seems to be the adage followed by American car owners. With the amount of money that people invest in a car today, it's surprising that a large percentage of American motorists ignore necessary maintenance. This could enable their cars to run more efficiently and economically, adding more years to the life of their vehicle and protecting their "investment."

Automotive technicians say a major reason for owners' failure to maintain their cars properly is because they do not understand the basics of car care.

Although most people know how to pump their own gas, many do not know how to find their way around a car, and are unable to spot minor problems before they turn into major re-



pair bills. Intensified efforts are needed to ensure that consumers take proper care of their cars.

To alleviate this situation, October has been designated as National Car Care Month (NCCM).

National Car Care Month was developed to educate American motorists about preventive maintenance for their cars. Its purpose is to improve air quality, highway safety and fuel consumption. National Car Care Month is staunchly supported by federal, state and local governments, public interest groups such as the Ameri-

can Lung Association and the American Automobile Association, and the media.

During National Car Care Month, communities will offer free safety and emissions check lanes. In keeping with the goals of NCCM, these programs are designed to encourage owners to get their vehicles in shape and to keep them that way.

Whether or not your community offers free testing, October (or NCCM) is an excellent opportunity for motorists to learn about preventive maintenance. Car owners are encouraged to take advantage of NCCM and have all necessary maintenance checks done. It not only improves car performance, but extends the life of the vehicle as well. After all, buying a car is a big investment, so why not make it pay off!

Car needs protective winter coat

Just like you, your car's body needs a good "coat" for winter-time, protecting it from ice, snow, salt and grime.

A basic step in preparing a car for winter weather is to wash and wax it thoroughly. However, many people risk ruining the car's shine because all they are determined to use for winter prep is a "durable" car wax.

Many car waxes that are dubbed "durable" also may be those that contain harsh abrasives that will damage the "clear coat" finishes of today's

cars. They end up doing more harm than good.

Since the 1980s, most cars have been painted with a clear coat finish that is actually a non-pigment layer of paint that adds depth and durability to the shine.

One problem with clear coats is that waxing them with highly abrasive wax will cause white "swirl" marks or hazing — resulting in a lackluster shine and damaged finish.

"Ideally, a wax should be durable, deliver a great shine, be easy to apply and not scratch

your car," said Dr. Jim Latty, Amror All Product Corp.'s vice president of research and development. "That's what we set out to do in our development of Armor All's first car wax product."

To locate ingredients that would be safe for clear coat paints, yet deliver a durable high shine, Armor All went to the jewelry industry to acquire the very same grade of polishing agents used by jewelers to shine crystal and gold. These polishing agents are five times finer than traditional automotive wax polishing agents.

"Super-fine polishing agents provide less surface resistance, allowing consumers to wax their cars in less time, while the superior silicones and waxes provide an incredible shine and outstanding durability," said Latty.

"In fact, tests show Armor All Car Wax significantly outlasts the current leading waxes," he said.

Consumer reactions seem to support Latty's contention that Armor All has developed an ideal wax formula for today's cars. According to a recent study by a leading marketing research firm, in just four months on retail shelves, Armor All Car Wax virtually has tied for the number-two sales spot and is already closing in on the category leader, Turtle Wax Hard Shell.



One of the most important steps in prepping a car for winter is to add a "coat" of wax. But make sure that the wax used is not too abrasive or it will end up leaving "swirl" marks on your car's painted finish. Choose one designed for today's "clear coat" finishes.



Installing clean air filter wise autumn investment

If you've planned on holding off until the nice weather to open your car's hood and put in a clean air filter, you may not want to wait that long. According to Car Care Council, you could already be wasting gas and polluting the air.

Vehicle checks have disclosed that more than one out of three cars are running with air filters dirty enough to be affecting the vehicles' performance and causing excessively high exhaust emissions.

Most cars use up to 14 gallons of air per gallon; that ratio increases to nearly 15 to 1 on newer cars with fuel injection.

When insufficient air is available to the engine the car acts as if the "choke" were on, sometimes spewing black smoke from the tail pipe. This condition also can cause fouling of spark plugs and damage to the catalytic converter.

Most manufacturers recommend changing air filters at about 7,500 miles. If you drive in dusty areas such as on unpaved roads, the filter should be changed more frequently.

Prices, sizes and shapes of air filters vary from vehicle to vehicle and from model year to model year. Changing them is relatively easy on older models. Often it is necessary only

to remove a thumb screw at the top of the air filter housing.

On many newer models the procedure still is easy, says the Council, but there are some engines equipped with fuel injection and other components which make the filter less accessible. To cope with various vacuum hoses, ducts, wires and breather lines it may be necessary to have a mechanic do the installation.

For an informative pamphlet on your car's various filters, send 25 cents and a stamped, self-addressed envelope to FILTERS, c/o Car Care Council, 600 Renaissance Center, Detroit 48243.

Tune up may improve slowness in shifting of car's transmission

If your car's automatic transmission seems to be taking longer than usual to shift through its gears, you may need a tune-up rather than transmission service.

A "sick" engine can cause a transmission to hesitate in lower gears and downshift.

The reason is that when the engine needs a tune-up, having lost some of its pep and performance, it will have to work harder to climb a hill, accelerate or otherwise operate under load.

The driver, subconsciously compensating for the poor performance, depresses the accelerator pedal a little further.

This extra demand on the engine causes a decrease in engine vacuum. Vacuum is one of

the main factors in transmission shifting control. The transmission responds by remaining in a lower gear longer or, sometimes, downshifting to lighten the engine's burden.

This sensitive interrelationship between the engine and transmission requires that both be functioning properly for efficient performance.

NOTE: High under-hood temperatures can cause deterioration of vacuum hose with resultant leaks. This can affect other components including cruise control, heater/air conditioner controls, retracting headlamp doors and the various mechanisms that affect engine operation.

Check periodically for

cracked or brittle hoses and replace as needed.

Credits

THIS Fall Car Care special section appearing today in all 12 editions of the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers was coordinated by Marie McGee, special sections editor.

Advertising coordinators were Brian Allen and Bob Dodd. The cover design was done by Glenna Merillat, O&E creative services director.

Questions should be directed to McGee at 591-2300, Ext. 313.

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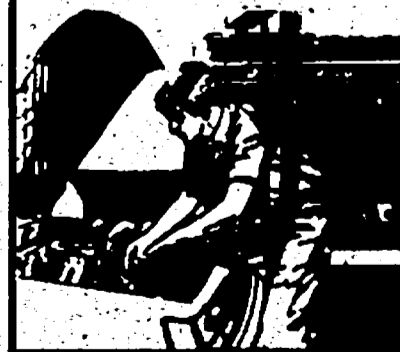
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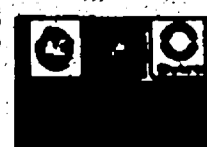
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Most of these emergencies should not be attributed to the weather but, instead, to neglected mechanical maintenance.

Most car failure can be avoided by basic preventive measures, says Car Care Council, who offer this check list for cold weather dependability.

1. BATTERY: Is it fully charged? If not, either the battery or charging system may need attention.

2. COOLING SYSTEM: Is your anti-freeze still strong enough to provide protection against freezing? Are belts and hoses OK? Are thermostat and pressure cap functioning like they should?

3. ENGINE: Time for a tune

up? The best battery cannot start an engine that needs maintenance. Malfunctioning emission controls are found to be a cause of erratic engine operation in cold weather.

4. OIL AND FILTER: An engine with dirty oil won't turn over as easily on a cold morning. Oil and filter should be changed as part of seasonal service.

5. TIRES: Avoid trouble by going into winter with good tires, properly balanced and aligned.

6. BRAKES: For safe, smooth stopping, check brakes

before ice and snow cover roads.

7. LIGHTS: All lights, including flashers, should be checked; burned out bulbs replaced.

8. WINDSHIELD WIPERS: Replace worn blades, ideally with winter blades that repel ice and snow. Keep a spare jug of windshield washer fluid in the trunk.

9. INSIDE THE TRUNK: How's your spare? Do you have a jack? A windshield scraper?

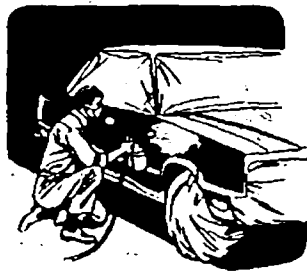
Car Care Council emphasizes that any car should

start and run dependably in even the coldest of temperatures (sometimes with the help of auxiliary heaters for frigid starting) but the decisive factor between "go" and "no go" usually is preventive maintenance.

For more information on cold weather car operation, write for the booklet: Are You Sure You And Your Car Are Ready For Winter. Send 50 cents and a stamped, self-addressed No. 10 envelope to: WINTER, Car Care Council, 600 Renaissance Center, Detroit 48243.

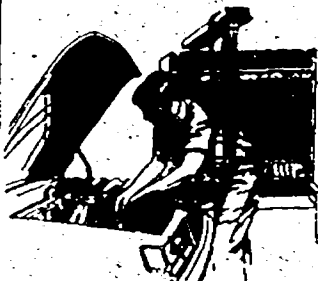
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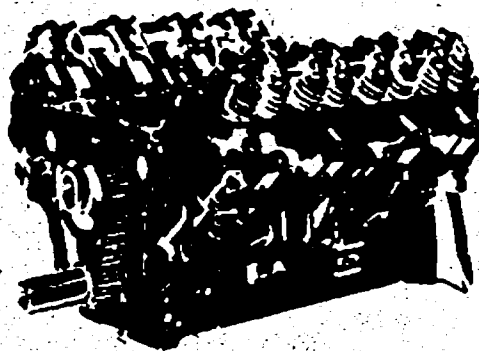
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Brown to be a hot color for 1991 cars

Brown, a color that was not even included in the 12 most popular 1986 car colors, is predicted to be among the hottest colors of the 1991 model year, according to Robert Daily, color marketing manager at Du Pont Automotive Products' Finishes Division.

Car buyers will show preferences for bolder browns, more vivid reds and more fully saturated blues in the early years of the next decade, the expert said.

In 1991, customer preference will diminish somewhat from the now-popular medium grays toward other color groups — most probably brown, red and blue — while grays will remain a staple color group, Daily added.

In a recent published annual report by Du Pont on car color preferences for 1986, the five most popular colors for full and intermediate size U.S. cars were: medium gray (14.9 percent); white (13.2 percent);

medium red (12 percent); dark blue (11.2 percent), and silver (10 percent). Red was the most popular choice for 1986 U.S. compacts, followed by white, medium gray metallic, black and silver metallic.

Moisture in tank brings fuel-line woes

Changes in temperature and humidity associated with winter weather result in condensation of water in the fuel tank.

This can lead to fuel-line freeze-up, corrosion of fuel tanks, poor engine performance, and starting problems.

Gas treatment additive, found in several brands on most automotive chemical shelves, is a ready answer to the problem.

Most gas treatment contains non-alcoholic water dispersal agents that help remove the water from the tank. This type of additive is also an aid in keeping the carburetor clean, thus leading to fuel savings.

Lighten up

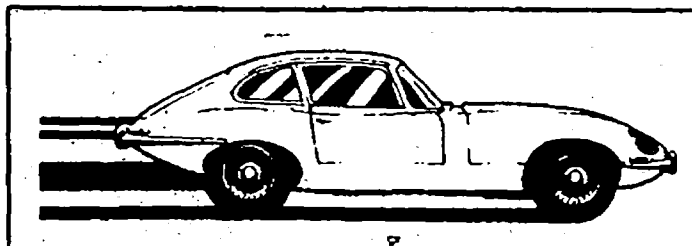
As the cold weather approaches, lighten up a little!

That is, consider a lighter weight oil in your car. If you haven't had your oil changed for several thousand miles, now may be the time.

Ask for a lighter, winter-weight oil, to ease starting strain on your engine on cold mornings.

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● **TIRE INFLATION** — Proper inflation extends tire life and saves fuel. You can't tell when tires are underinflated just by looking at them. Since air pumps are not always accurate, NTDRA recommends that you either stop by a tire dealer for an inflation check or carry an air gauge in the glove compartment. Tires should be checked at least once a month and before any long trip. Underinflation creates excessive heat, which seriously reduces tire life and can cause tire failure. Also, underinfla-

tion can increase rolling resistance and lower miles per gallon.

● **TIRES** — Don't go bald early. At least once a month, inspect tires closely for signs of uneven wear. Uneven wear patterns may be caused by improper inflation pressures, misalignment, improper balance, or suspension neglect. If caught in time, the cause may be corrected. When the tread is worn down to 2/32nds of an inch, or wear bars, which look like thin strips of smooth rubber across the tread, appear on the tire, it's time to replace the tire. Don't wait.

● **SUSPENSION** — Suspension systems in need of repairs send out warning signals — excessive bounce at front or rear end when you push down on the bumper — rough, uncomfortable ride — leaking seals or deteriorating rubber bushings in shock absorbers. If any of these problems are noticed, motorists could avoid excessive and expensive damage

to their cars and tires by having the suspension system checked.

● **BRAKES** — Squeaky not always bad, but be careful. All brakes are susceptible to slight occasional squeal or grinding. This occurs after the vehicle has been idle overnight or in unusual damp weather conditions. This noise will dissipate quickly, and has no effect on brake operation. However, if the noise continues, or brake linings haven't been changed for 20,000 miles, a professional check could be in order.

● **ALIGNMENT** — Keep it going straight. If the car seems to pull to one side or appears to be traveling at an angle while all four wheels are straight, and the tire tread is wearing unevenly, the car is probably out of alignment. This could happen to either a new or older car. To avoid permanent damage and the risk associated with driving a vehicle in this condition, NTDRA suggests a professional opinion.



The pressure's on

Engineers at the Kelly-Springfield Tire Co. contest the popular belief that decreasing tire pressure allows for better traction on snow and ice. In fact, they believe it to be detrimental to traction, stability and durability. To obtain the optimum cold weather performance from your tires, Kelly-Springfield engineers recommend maintaining the vehicle manufacturer's specified air pressure plus two to three pounds when lading the vehicle with winter gear.

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ABCs of finding a good mechanic

October has been declared National Car Care Month by the nation's governors, and with good reason. Fall is an ideal time to get our car or light truck ready for winter driving. Autumn's weather is usually temperate enough to let you work on your vehicle in relative comfort, and parts stores and repair facilities often run specials.

But if you are not inclined to do-it-yourself repairs, take heart. Finding a good, competent auto technician need not be a guessing game. Here are some hints:

Ask a number of friends, co-workers, or business associates if they can recommend someone; a consensus is usually more reliable than counting on

one person's judgment.

Be sure to call the local Better Business Bureau or consumer organization and ask about the reputation of the place(s) of business in question. Any business may have a few complaints, but be wary if the shop in question has a high number of unresolved complaints lodged against it.

Check around for auto technicians certified by the non-profit National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence. ASE determines the competence of technicians by means of written tests designed to correlate to real-world repair problems.

THE VOLUNTARY exams are administered twice a year

at over 350 sites throughout the country. Technicians take tests in from one to eight automobile specialties, such as engine repair or brakes. Those who pass one or more tests and have at least two years' hands-on work experience are awarded ASE certification. Moreover, ASE technicians must recertify every five years in order to keep current.

Once certified, ASE technicians are eligible to wear the blue and white ASE shoulder patch. They also often carry pocket credentials and give their employers special ASE-issued wall certificates to display in the customer service area. Not only are these credentials meaningful to the technicians, they are reassuring to his em-

ployer, and important to you. They are the extra assurance that your job will be done right the first time.

With over 200,000 ASE technicians at work nationwide, finding one right for your car shouldn't be difficult. ASE technicians are employed at new car dealerships, service stations, independent garages, tire dealerships, and volume retailers.

The easiest way to find these professionals is to look for establishments that display the ASE "Blue Seal of Excellence" outdoor sign. It means one or more ASE-certified technicians are employed there. The sign features a blue seal with white "ASE" letters and a slogan: "We employ technicians certi-



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Keeping car cozy in cold weather

Do you hear a chirping or screeching sound when you turn on your car heater? This noise, most prevalent in cold weather, usually comes from a worn bearing in the fan motor. It's an indication of pending failure.

This is just one of many parts we take for granted until, usually too late, we discover they were calling for attention. That's when the cold ride to work becomes misery.

Most of this discomfort and inconvenience can be avoided by being more aware of pending failure of a heating system component, says Car Care Council. In addition to the fan or blower motor, other components of the system which may give warning signals of failure are as follows:

- The heater control valve, which may become sticky or totally inoperative. You're likely to notice stiffness in the panel control lever.

- The heater core, a miniature radiator which, like its big brother at the front of engine, eventually may seep or leak. Your first tip-off will be an accumulation of moisture inside the car, where even defrosters won't help.

- Heater and defroster duct hoses carry fresh air into the system and warmed air to locations beyond the heater core. When they're leaking, you'll lose heating/defrosting efficiency.

- Heater hoses are the smaller hoses in the cooling system that direct the hot coolant from the engine to the heater core. A leaking heater

hose goes beyond simple discomfort and can ultimately leave you stranded on the side of the road.

Because of the safety aspects of driving comfort and clear vision, the heating/defroster system is a vitally important part of the vehicle, emphasizes the council, and

should be taken seriously when failure is indicated. Be alert to early warning signs such as inefficient heating or defrosting, unusual noises or smells. It's quicker, more convenient and usually less expensive to have these malfunctions taken care of while they are only minor problems.

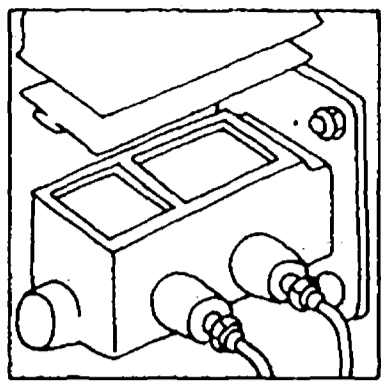
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- AFTER STARTING THE ENGINE, ALLOW IDLE SPEED TO SLOW TO NORMAL BEFORE SHIFTING.
- AVOID HOLDING ONE FOOT ON THE BRAKE, THE OTHER ON THE ACCELERATOR.
- NEVER ROCK YOUR CAR MORE THAN A FEW TIMES WHEN STUCK IN SNOW. ROCKING OVERHEATS THE TRANSMISSION.
- CHECK TRANSMISSION FLUID REGULARLY.
- IF FLUID HAS TURNED BROWN OR SMELLS BURNT, CHANGE FLUID AND FILTER.
- IF YOU NEED TO ADD FLUID, CHECK FOR LEAKAGE.

NOTE: IF YOU ARE A "SEVERE SERVICE" DRIVER (TRAILER TOWING OR OTHER ABNORMAL LOADS) CHECK YOUR OWNER'S MANUAL FOR SPECIAL SERVICE REQUIREMENTS. CONSIDER INSTALLING AN AUXILIARY TRANSMISSION COOLER.

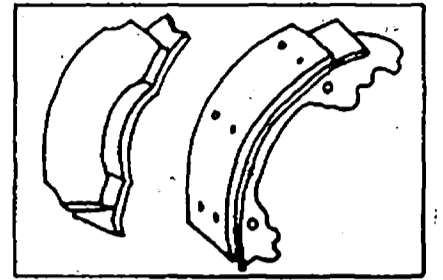
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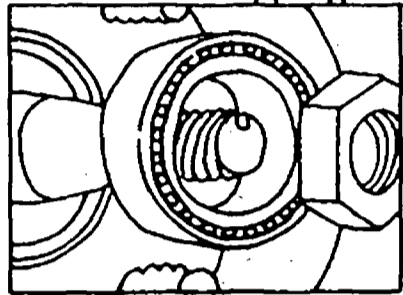
1 MASTER CYLINDER
THE MASTER CYLINDER, HEART OF THE BRAKE SYSTEM, CONTAINS A RESERVOIR FOR BRAKE FLUID. IT IS LOCATED ON THE FIREWALL AND SHOULD BE CHECKED PERIODICALLY TO ENSURE THE PROPER FLUID LEVEL.

2 BRAKE LINES
ATTACHED TO THE MASTER CYLINDER, STEEL BRAKE TUBING RUNS TO ALL FOUR WHEELS. BRAKE LINES SHOULD BE INSPECTED FOR RUST, WHICH CAN LEAD TO LEAKS. IF THE LINES ARE DAMAGED THEY SHOULD BE REPLACED.

3 BRAKE HOSES
RUBBER BRAKE HOSES RUN FROM THE BRAKE LINES TO THE BRAKE CALIPERS AND WHEEL CYLINDERS. CONSTANT EXPOSURE TO ROAD GRIME, DIRT, SALT AND OTHER ELEMENTS CAN CAUSE THE RUBBER TO BECOME BRITTLE AND CRACK, LEADING TO BRAKE FAILURE.

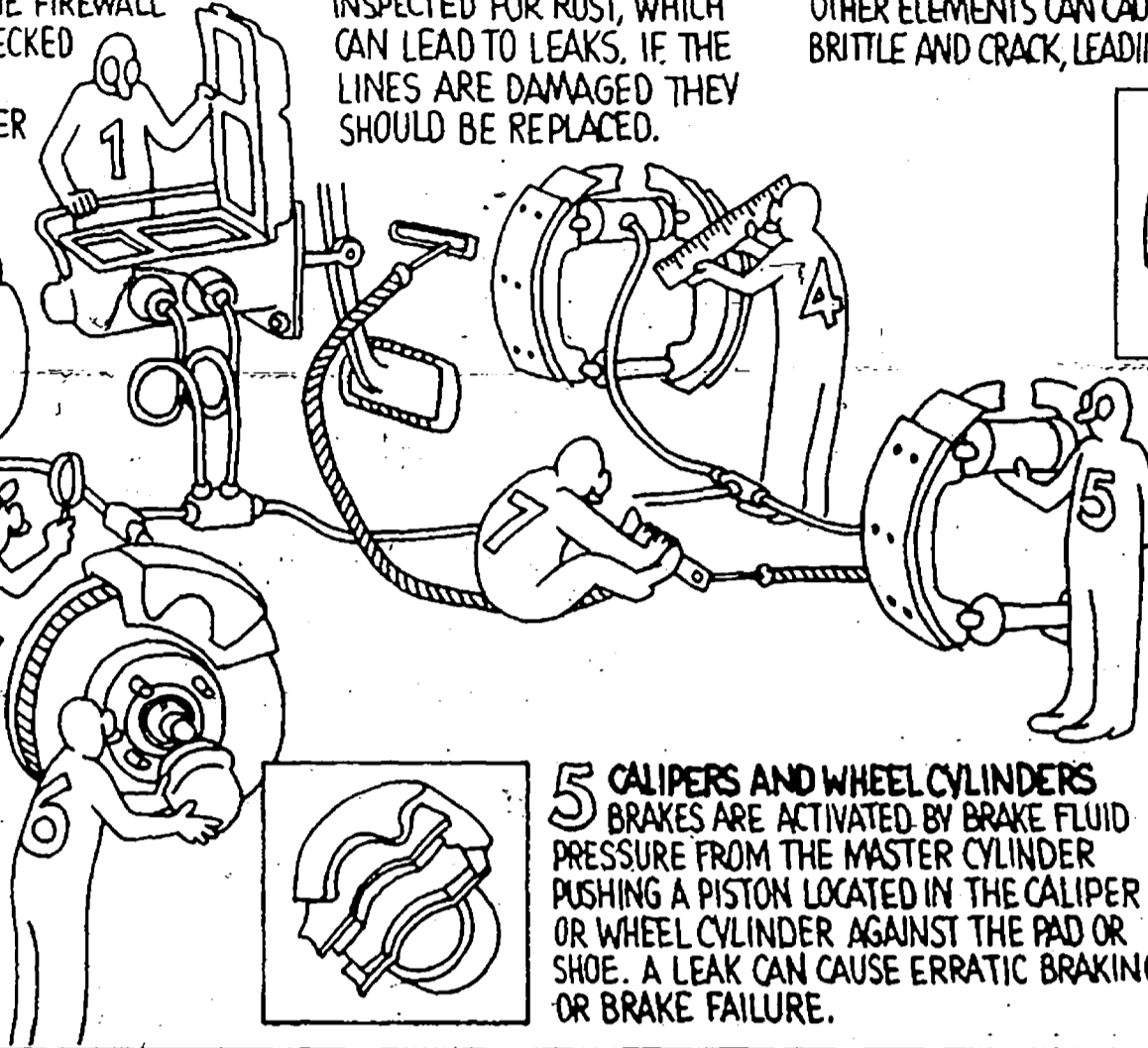


4 LININGS AND PADS
THE PADS AND BRAKE SHOE LININGS SHOULD BE CHECKED PERIODICALLY FOR UNEVEN OR EXCESSIVE WEAR, GLAZING, OR SATURATION FROM BRAKE FLUID OR GREASE.

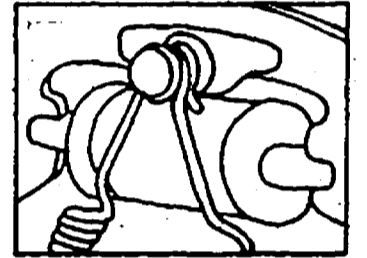


6 BEARINGS AND SEALS
WHEEL BEARINGS SHOULD BE INSPECTED AND LUBRICATED PERIODICALLY. WORN WHEEL BEARINGS, WHICH CAN CAUSE FAULTY STEERING AS WELL AS ERRATIC BRAKING, SHOULD BE REPLACED.

7 PARKING BRAKE THE PARKING BRAKE SHOULD BE ADJUSTED PERIODICALLY.



5 CALIPERS AND WHEEL CYLINDERS
BRAKES ARE ACTIVATED BY BRAKE FLUID PRESSURE FROM THE MASTER CYLINDER PUSHING A PISTON LOCATED IN THE CALIPER OR WHEEL CYLINDER AGAINST THE PAD OR SHOE. A LEAK CAN CAUSE ERRATIC BRAKING OR BRAKE FAILURE.



Brakes deserve special attention

Brake failure is the leading cause of motor accidents due to mechanical deficiencies. The vast majority of these failures can be traced to neglected maintenance. Car Care Council offers this basic information to help owners better understand their vehicles' braking system.

When you step on the brake pedal, you create friction that resists the wheels from turning. Eventually, friction causes the brake parts to wear out and require replacement. You can make your brakes wear better

and keep repair costs down by using good driving habits.

When you stop, let the vehicle slow gradually instead of stopping suddenly. Never ride the brakes on long hills.

For maintenance, check the fluid level in the master cylinder once a month and add heavy duty brake fluid if the level is low.

Be aware of the symptoms of brake trouble and seek the advice of a qualified technician when brakes act erratically. You cannot put a price tag on

the security of knowing you have a good braking system under foot.

In order to take care of your car's braking system, you should understand it. Use the accompanying diagram to familiarize yourself with its major components.

For further information, send 25 cents along with a self-addressed, stamped envelope to Brakes, Care Care Council, 600 Renaissance Center, Detroit 48243.

Unwise to fill tank to the brim

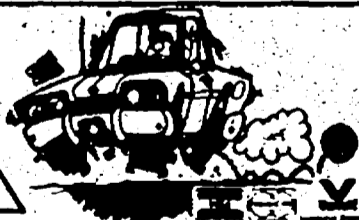
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tube leading to a vapor recovery container under the hood. The charcoal filled canister is supposed to send gas vapors to the engine where they are burned off, but the raw gas presents a problem. It creates an over-rich mixture and causes poor combustion in the engine.

The result: poor gas mileage, rough running and possibly hard starting. You may also notice a gas odor in the car.

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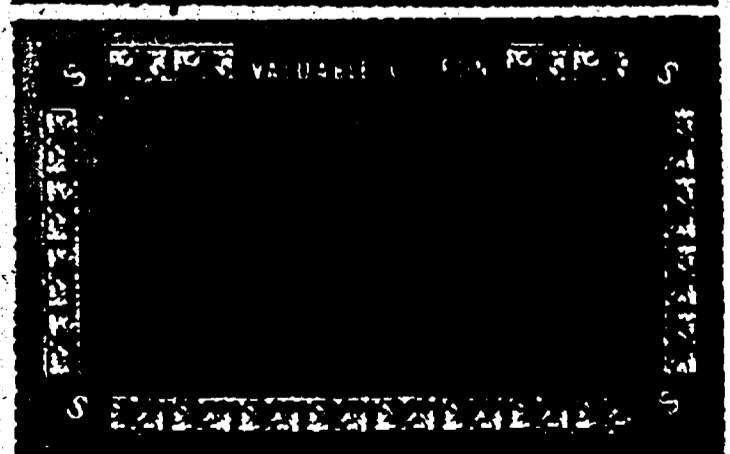
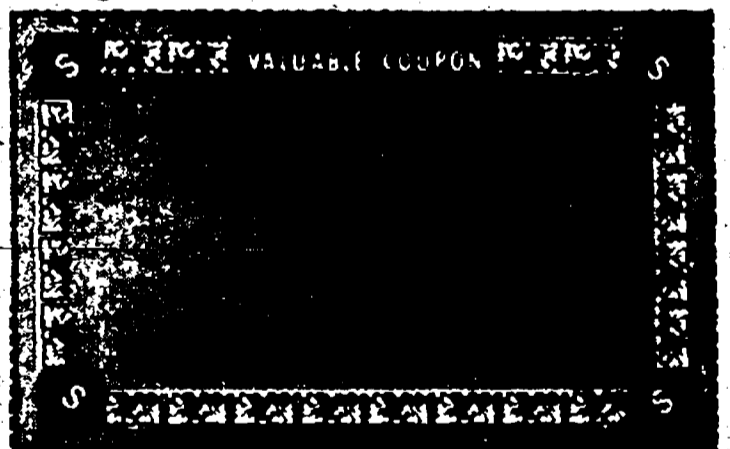
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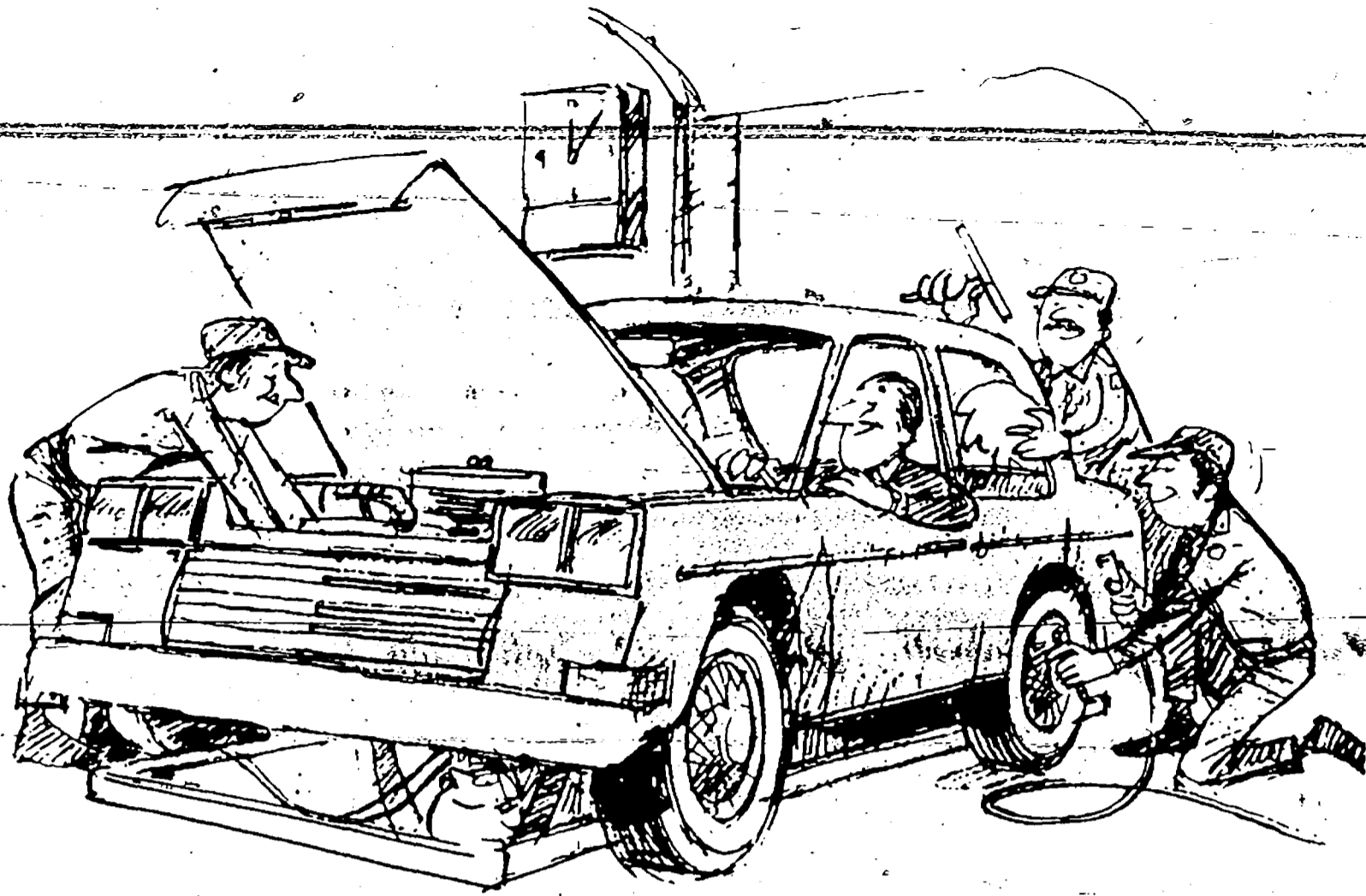
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