

Local Jaycee chapter named tops in the state

The Westland Jaycee chapter has been selected as the top Jaycee group in Michigan for the first quarter (May through July). The announcement was made at the quarterly Michigan Jaycee assembly last weekend at the Sugarloaf Resort near Traverse City. The chapter and its president, Cheryl Booterbaugh, were singled out for "having successfully involved members in management development, individual development and community activity programs which

are exemplary of the Jaycees organization." Joining Booterbaugh on the executive board are Tammy McKinstry, management vice president; Sue Hatfield, community vice president; Bob Checchi, membership vice president, and Mike Kehrer, individual development. Booterbaugh, 34, took over as president in May. She works as secretary at the Westland Sports Arena and has been a Jaycee for nearly three years.

The Westland chapter has 118 members and participates in a wide variety of management, fund-raising and governmental activities. THE ANNUAL haunted house in October is the group's largest fund-raiser. Last year's haunted house raised some \$38,000 for Jaycee coffers and more than 80 percent of that went back into community programs, said Booterbaugh. In the last year, the Westland Jaycees have supported the city's July 4th festival and contributed funds to

figure skating and hockey booster clubs. Booterbaugh said the group plans to distribute 250 food baskets to deserving families around holidays this year. Other groups aided by the local chapter include the Muscular Dystrophy Association, March of Dimes, environmental groups and the local DARE (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) program. The local chapter has hosted a meet the candidates night and has been active in community develop-

ment and self-improvement programs for its members and the community. Booterbaugh said the state award was a surprise — albeit a pleasant one — at last weekend's northern Michigan meeting. She said the group plans to continue its successful ways. This fall, the Westland chapter plans to help revitalize its neighboring Wayne chapter. Earlier this year, the Westland group helped the Dexter chapter recruit more members and become a viable or-

ganization once again. The Jaycees are a leadership training organization for young people, ages 21-39. Leadership opportunities are available through active community involvement, development courses and practical management experience. More than 7,500 Michigan Jaycee members are involved in 164 chapters across the state. For more information about the Westland chapter, call Booterbaugh at 729-5083.

Award honors area business people

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sioned by the chamber and was designed by Michigan State University fine-arts student Linda Ackley. THE AWARD is an abstract figure of a woman with uplifted arms holding a crystal prism. The prism symbolizes the multifaceted nature of women and their ability to shed light on the community. Impetus for the local award came from Phyllis J. Wordhouse of Wordhouse & Associates Inc., Certified Financial Planners and Financial Education of Plymouth. Wordhouse and Associates will provide the award to the winner.

The award is an abstract figure of a woman with uplifted arms holding a crystal prism. The prism symbolizes the multifaceted nature of women. More than 350 local chambers nationwide are expected to participate in the Athena program by the end of this year.

Zoning ordinance trespass stings Councilman Mehl

By Ralph R. Echlinaw staff writer

Westland City Councilman Kenneth Mehl and his business partner have been cited for zoning ordinance violations at their Warren Road bar. Mehl and partner Michael Scott of Livonia pled "not guilty" at their June 13 arraignment in front of 18th District Court Judge Gall McKnight. There is some question whether a trial will be held or not. Mehl said he feels the Westland city administration, particularly Mayor Robert Thomas, is harassing him for political reasons. He said that he wasn't ticketed until after Thomas took office in January. Mehl and Scott own the Blarney

Bay Pub through their company, Kesco, Inc. The bar, formerly Johnny's Bar, was reopened about a year ago after being closed for some time. The ordinance violations were for incomplete landscaping, an unfinished parking lot and the location of a dumpster. Mehl said he and Scott paved the parking lot last year in accordance with the city's requirement for opening the bar, even though contractors would not guarantee their work due to wet weather. Then they bought the residential lot behind the bar to add more parking spaces. The pavement began to break up as the contractors said it would. Mehl said he had plans to re-

pave it when the residential lot was also ready for paving. "By the time we had approval it was already too late in the year (to pave)," he said. "There was obviously one hangup after another." Mehl said he expects to have both lots paved before the end of September. Thomas denies harassing Mehl. "Ken Mehl has been moaning and groaning since the first of the year because his candidate didn't win," he said. "The facts are that he did have some violations there and he didn't want to take care of them. He's the same guy who sits up there (at council meetings) and wants us to go out and write tickets." Westland Chief Building Inspector Michael Cullity, who wrote the ordinance violation ticket June 5, said Mehl "isn't being harassed." He's not better than anyone else. I felt a court appearance was warranted because nothing was being done (at the bar)." While no trial date has been set yet, Mehl said he'll be in compliance with all ordinances before he gets into court. "We didn't do anything wrong," he said. "Thomas" knows there aren't any violations." In fact, Mehl doesn't believe Judge McKnight will agree to bear the case.

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'Say no to drugs' fund-raiser planned

By Tom Henderson staff writer

Bennie McQueen said no to drugs and turned his life around. Now, as manager of one of the Valvoline Instant Oil Change outlets, he'd like to help others turn their lives around, too. This weekend, the four Instant Oil Change outlets in Livonia will host their second annual Say No To Drugs and Yes To Life fund-raiser. All proceeds will go to the Adolescent Recovery Center at the Whitler School on Ann Arbor Trail in Westland. All four stores will donate \$3 for every oil change from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Friday and from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday.

Those stores are on Five Mile, one block west of Merriman, at Plymouth and Farmington, at Joy Road and Harrison and at Middlebelt and Six Mile. In addition, a car wash and food and beverage sale will be held all day Saturday at the Five Mile store. McQUEEN, A REDFORD resident who just bought a new house, manages the Valvoline store in Farmington. A year ago, he was an employee at the Plymouth location and ran the first promotion. This year, he will be at the Five Mile store overseeing all activities. "You start feeling better about yourself when you get off drugs, not only better about yourself, but about

your whole family. It's a family disease," said McQueen, a recovering drug and alcohol abuser. Saturday's activities include an all-day car wash, with the price being a donation of any amount; the sale of hot dogs, coffee, doughnuts and pop; an on-site appearance by WCSX-AM radio personalities from 10 a.m. to noon; and a display of var-

ious race cars, including the Valvoline car raced by Al Unser Jr. Unser is captain of Valvoline's Say No to Drugs team. Unser will not be at the store, though. McQueen said the program raised \$2,700 for ARC last year and that the goal this year is to raise at least \$4,000.



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"Yes, because we're protecting our country, our rights and our oil rights. Bush is doing the right thing."

— Dorothy Roth



"Yes, because I think it's right. I think (the military) should stand up for our country."

— Dena Drobnič



"Yes. This is the support we have to show our allies. We've always been the peacekeeper."

— Mike Loftus



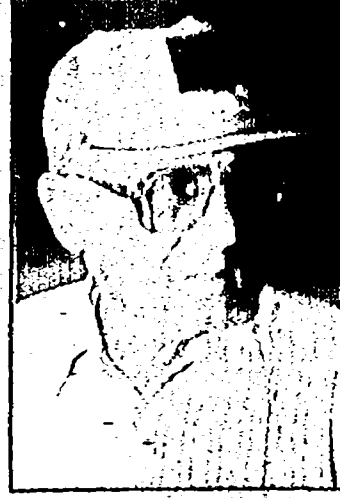
"I think we should be because we agreed to help them. The countries there just need help. It's affecting Americans and we should have the right to step in and do something."

— Angela Zazula



"Yes. We've got to be involved. Otherwise we shouldn't be there. Just wipe (Saddam Hussein) out. We're helping those countries all the time. We are involved so we should stay involved."

— Larry Ciszewski



"Yes. I think we've got a lot of interest over there. I don't think much of this Saddam. I think he's out to rule the world."

— Henry Kolm

'Catch-all' job suits 'Smokey' Gunther

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WHILE AT 60 Gunther is too mature to get in fights or run away to the carnival again, he still doesn't find much time for recreation in between 50- to 70-hour weeks. "I love to fish, but I don't get to go very often," he said. "My wife says I die (when I get home). I hit the chair and I die."

Yet Gunther manages a few diver-

sions. With his attention directed to a pelican statue in his office, he said, "That's my favorite bird. I just love to watch them. They're so graceful in the air and so clumsy down on the ground. And so ugly."

Gunther also collects pin-on badges, and apparently, just about everything else. "I'm sort of a collector of all things," he said. "I don't throw anything out. I'm a bum, in other words."

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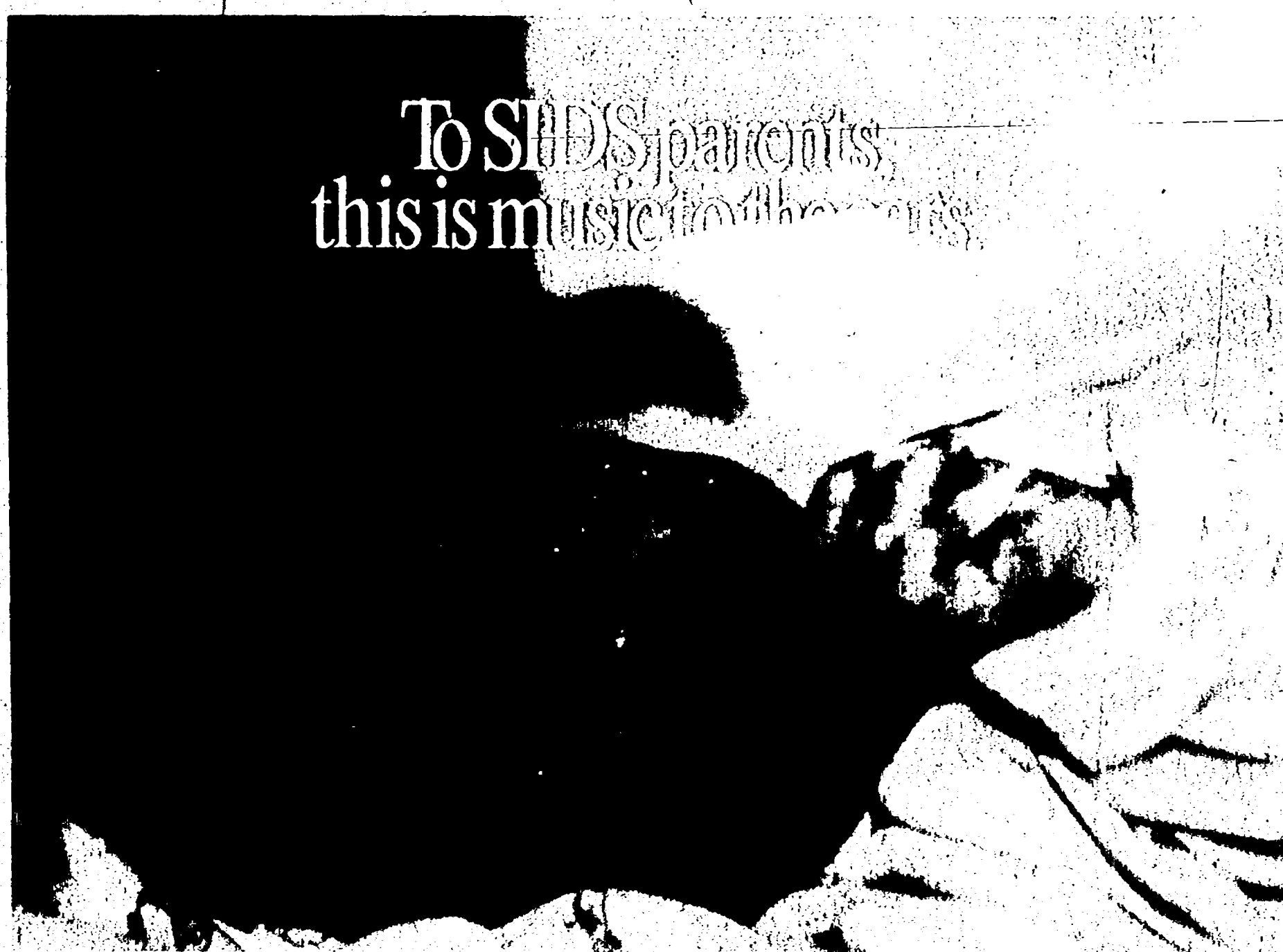
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Birthday celebration

These four women celebrated their 100th birthdays together last Friday at Nightingale West, a Westland nursing home. Celebrants are (from left) Anna Kislozke, whose birthday is next month; Margaret Kuhn, who turned 100 in February; Edith

Robertson, whose birthday was Aug. 17; and Elizabeth McCullough, whose birthday is this December. The 238-bed nursing home has 45 residents more than 90 years old and four more who turn 100 next year.

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military news

PVT. IC JEFFREY SULLIVAN II has completed an aircraft armament/missile system repair course at the Army Transportation School, Fort Eustis, Va.

A 1989 graduate of Garden City High, he is the son of Jeffrey Sullivan of Garden City.

STAFF SGT. TIMOTHY UNOLD has graduated from the Air Force noncommissioned officer leadership school and is an information management specialist with the 379th Bombardment Wing at Wurtsmith Air Force Base.

Unold is the son of Thaddeus and Paula Unold of Westland and a 1980 graduate of John Glenn High School.

PVT. RICK RUTLEDGE has completed a unit and organization supply specialist course at the Army Quartermaster School, Fort Lee, Va.

Rutledge is the son of Thomas and Sharon Rutledge of Westland and a 1988 graduate of Redford Union High School.

PVT. SAMUEL CREEKMORE has completed the Mobile Subscriber Equipment Operator Course at the Army Signal School, Fort Gordon, Ga.

He is the son of William Creekmore of Westland and a 1988 graduate of Wayne Memorial High School.

PVT. ROBERT FROREICH military police corp, has completed one station unit training at Fort McClellan, Al. He is now serving in Panama.

Froreich is the son of ISG Robert and Nancy Froreich of Westland.

STAFF SGT. FRANK HOWELL has graduated from the Air Force telephone equipment installation course at Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas and has also earned credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

The airman is a 1985 graduate of Wayne Memorial High School. His wife, Cindy, is the daughter of V. Paxton of Westland.

SGT. JAMES PAPIN has arrived for duty in South Korea. He is a jet engine mechanic with the 8th Component Repair Squadron.

A 1983 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School, he is the son of James Papin of Westland.

AIRMAN GWENDOLYN CUSSON has graduated from the communications-computer systems operations specialist course at Keesler Air Force Base, Biloxi, Miss.

She is the daughter of Lloyd Cusson and stepdaughter of Mrs. Lloyd Cusson of Westland.

PVT. JOSEPH SANTELIO has graduated from the Army Signal Center's single channel radio operator course at Fort Gordon, Ga.

A 1989 graduate of Garden City High School, he is the son of Joseph and Carol Santello of Garden City.

SGT. LAYNE LADA has arrived for duty in West Germany. Lada is a military police specialist with the 204th Military Police Company.

He is the son of Gabriel and Elizabeth Lada of Westland and a 1979 graduate of Wayne Memorial High School.

AIRMAN IC NATHAN ROSE has been named airman of the quarter. Rose is an aerospace ground equipment specialist with the 48th Equipment Maintenance Squadron in England.

He is the son of Nathaniel and Linda Rose of Westland.

STAFF SGT. ROBERT GLEASON has been decorated with the eighth award of the Army Achievement Medal in West Germany. He is an ammunition section chief with the 5th Field Artillery.

Gleason is the brother of Theresa Malecki of Westland.

SGT. IC MICHAEL JONES has participated in exercise "Team Spirit '90" in the Republic of Korea. He is a military police specialist with the 25th Military Police Company at

Schofield Barracks, Hawaii.

A 1971 graduate of John Glenn High School, he is the son of Nancy and Delmar Kille of Westland.

AIRMAN CHRISTOPHER BRETHEN has graduated from the electro-environmental system specialist course at Chanute Air Force Base, Ill.

Brethen is the son of Richard Brethen of Westland.

AIRMAN DAVID KNOCH has graduated from

the communications-computer systems operations specialist course at Keesler Air Force Base, Biloxi, Miss.

Knoch is the son of Arthur and Mary Knoch of Westland and a 1989 graduate of John Glenn High School.

CAPT. JULIE KECK recently participated in the Strategic Air Command exercise, "Global Shield '90." She is an instructor navigator with the 384th Bombardment Wing at McConnell Air Force Base, Kan.

Her husband, Capt. Keith Keck, is the son of Arthur and Darleen Keck of Garden City.

obituaries

MELVIN WEAVER

Services for Melvin Weaver, 66, of Westland were Aug. 20 in the Harry J. Will Funeral Home. The Rev. Les McCabe officiated. Burial was in Oakland Hills Memorial Gardens, Novi.

Mr. Weaver died Aug. 16 in St. Mary Hospital. A former Redford Township resident, he was a pilot in the U.S. Air Corps during World War II.

Survivors include wife, Shirley; sons, Dennis of Flint and Randall of Saginaw; daughter, Melanie Talbot of Venice, Fla.; sister, Marian Burke of Lake City; eight

grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

SALLY ANN TINKLE

Services for Ms. Tinkle, 37, of Westland were held Aug. 18 from St. Theodore Catholic Church, with Rev. Roger Knapp officiating. Burial was in Cadillac Memorial Gardens West, Westland.

Ms. Tinkle died Aug. 14 in St. Mary Hospital, Livonia. She was a beauty consultant for Dayton Hudson's.

Survivors are her mother, Dorothy Tinkle; and grandmother, Cecilia Dzieszko.

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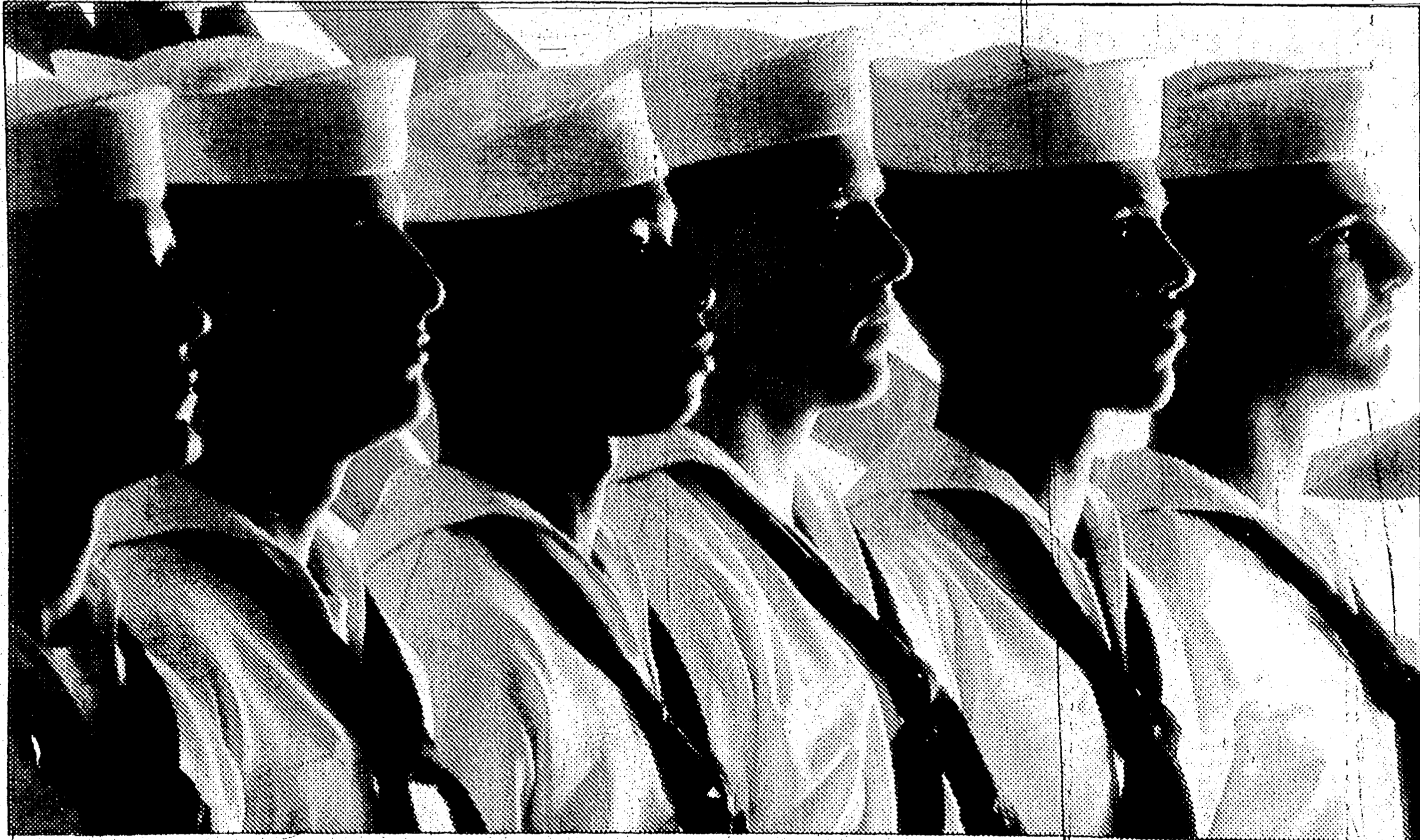
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BOWLERS
Tuesdays — Bowlers 50 and older are wanted for mixed leagues. Bowling will be 9:30 a.m. in Plymouth Bowl. For more information, call Dick Decey at 427-9454 or Lee Jackson at 421-1357.

RUMMAGE SALE
Saturday, Aug. 25 — Garden City Presbyterian Church will hold a rummage sale from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the church basement, 1841 Middlebelt, two blocks south of Ford. There will be clothing, household items, furniture and appliances, books, sports equipment and more.

MARCHING MUSIC
Saturday, Aug. 25 — John Glenn High School's marching band will be in neighborhoods to play selections

at your request from its repertoire. Donations accepted will benefit the marching band fund.

BAND CONCERT
Sunday, Aug. 26 — The Westland Cultural Society will sponsor a concert of Country/Western Music at 7 p.m. in Jaycee Park, Wildwood and Hunter. There is no admission.

SCHOOL OPENS
Monday, Aug. 27 — St. Dunstan School will open its doors at 8:15 a.m. and classes will begin at 8:30 a.m. The first week of school will be half days, with classes terminating at 11:30 a.m. St. Dunstan School is at 1615 Belton, two blocks west of Inker Road, a half mile south of Ford. Openings are available at all grade levels. For information, call Sister Mariella at 425-4380 or 425-6750.

SOCCER
Through Monday, Aug. 27 — Registrations are being accepted for girls and boys born in the years 1972-1985 for Westland soccer teams. For information, call 721-6229.

CARD PARTY
Tuesday, Aug. 28 — VFW Post 7575 will hold its monthly card party and luncheon at noon in the post hall, on Ford west of Venoy.

OPEN HOUSE
Tuesday, Aug. 28 — Garden City Figure Skating Club will hold its open house 7-9 p.m. in the Garden City Civic Arena, Cherry Hill and Merriman. There will be free skating, refreshments, no admission fee.

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.

skate and dress sale and membership sign-up. For more information, call 522-5590.

SKATING TRYOUTS
Tuesday, Aug. 28 — Precision team tryouts will be 6-7 p.m. in Garden City Civic Arena, 200 Log Cabin Road, north of Cherryhill and east of Merriman Road. For more information, call 421-0837.

CHORUS AUDITIONS
Tuesday, Aug. 28 — The Plymouth Community Chorus will hold auditions for all voice parts at 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Aug. 28 in the First United Methodist Church, North Territorial, just west of Sheldon Road.
For more information, call the chorus office at 455-4080.

STORYTIME REGISTRATION.
Tuesday-Saturday, Sept. 4-8 — Registration for Fall Storytime at Noble will be in person only at Noble. Monday evening storytime for 3-year olds will be 7 p.m., 4- and 5-year olds will be 7:30 p.m. Sept. 17-Nov. 5. Tuesday morning storytime

for 3-year olds will be 9:30 a.m., 4- and 5-year olds will be 10 a.m. Sept. 18-Nov. 6. Hey Diddle Diddle will be on Fridays, Oct. 19, 26 and Nov. 2.

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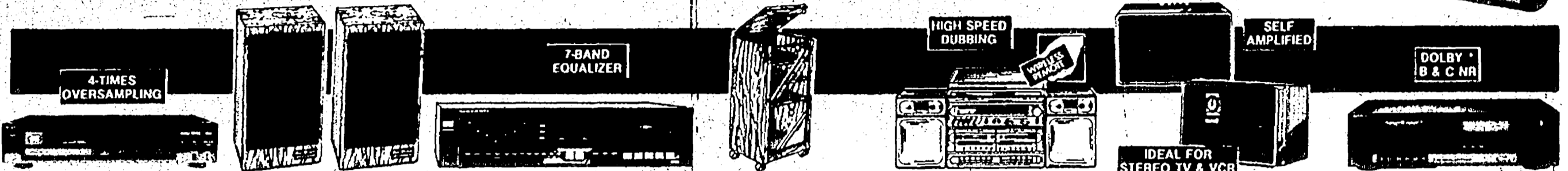
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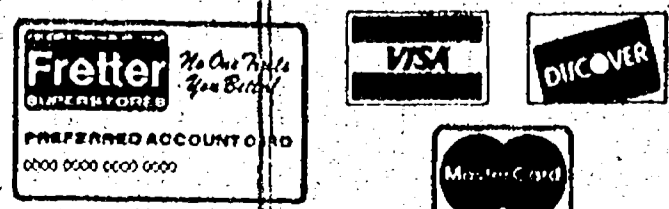
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Local conventions to rally parties for state meet

By Tim Richard
staff writer

Democrats are the defending champions for 13 state offices as the two major parties hold district conventions this week prior to state nominating conventions.

That's because Gov. James Blanchard and the Democrats won everything in sight eight years ago, when most of the posts were filled.

"Nothing I hear nothing," said Wayne County Commissioner Susan Heintz, R-Northville, about who might fill the top posts on the GOP ticket under gubernatorial nominee John Engler.

"Engler had a bunch of meetings," said Heintz, whose own name is in speculation for lieutenant governor.

"NOTHING HAS been decided. They've left me out of the discussion," said Engler's press secretary, John Truscott, who is unable to provide inquiring newsmen any speculative names for lieutenant governor, secretary of state and attorney general.

Most frequently mentioned is for-

mer Oakland prosecutor L. Brooks Patterson for lieutenant governor. Patterson, now in private practice, has said he would rather crawl across I-75 over broken glass during rush hour than run for lieutenant governor.

Another Republican source said rumors are circulating about Oakland County Executive Dan Murphy and economist Martha Seger, a Federal Reserve Board member, for the No. 2 position.

Most political observers say Engler, a state senator with a rural district, needs a running mate from the metro Detroit area.

Until she got bad publicity over a mail parking incident last year, GOP national committeewoman Ronna Romney of Bloomfield Hills topped most lists as a secretary of state contender.

The gubernatorial nominees in 1982, Richard Headlee, and '86, William Lucas, put together slates for the top of the ticket. The GOP state conventions dutifully nominated their choices. But the state conventions also must nominate candidates for eight education posts and two Su-

preme Court posts.

Truscott was unable to say whether Engler would do the same this year.

REPUBLICAN district conventions will be held at 7:30 this evening, attended by precinct delegates elected in the Aug. 7 primary. Officially, district conventions only pick state convention delegates. Unofficially, they begin looking over the field of candidates for state offices.

The GOP state convention will be Sept. 7-8 in Detroit's Cobo Hall.

Most Democratic district conventions are Saturday morning. The state convention will be Sept. 8-9 in Flint, the same place as in 1982.

This year Blanchard was unopposed for renomination for a third term. At this writing, Lt. Gov. Martha Griffiths, Secretary of State Richard Austin and Attorney General Frank Kelley are expected to be renominated.

For months there was speculation Griffiths, 78, would retire in favor of Macomb prosecutor Carl Marlinga, but the feisty veteran of more than four decades of politics slapped

down that story.

DISTRICT POLITICAL conventions are open by custom to the public. The Republican schedule for Thursday:

- 17th Congressional District (includes Redford Township) — Divine Providence Lithuanian Church, 25655 Nine Mile (near Beech Daly), Southfield.

The Democratic schedule for Saturday:

- 17th Congressional District — 1 p.m. in the VFW Hall, 24222 W. Nine Mile (west of Telegraph), Southfield.

The Wayne Republican schedule for Thursday:

- 2nd Congressional District-Wayne — Plymouth Township Hall, Ann Arbor near Lilley Road.
- 15th Congressional District will meet in Livonia's Civic Center Library, Five Mile east of Farmington Road.

- 17th Congressional District — Divine Providence Church, Nine Mile at Beech Daly, Southfield.
- The Wayne Democratic schedule for Saturday:
 - 2nd District-Wayne — held last week.
 - 15th Congressional District — 10 a.m. in Wayne-Ford Civic League, Westland.
 - 17th Congressional District — 1 p.m. in the VFW Hall, 24222 W. Nine Mile (west of Telegraph), Southfield.

Fashion show to benefit humane society

Tickets are available to the First Annual Doggie Duds and Feline Fashions Celebrity Fashion Show, a fund-raising event to be hosted by the Michigan Humane Society, 2-4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 8, in the Northland Shopping Center, 21500 Northwestern Highway, Southfield.

Vinnie Johnson, guard for the Detroit Pistons, will be master of ceremonies for the event. Other celebri-

ties expected to participate are news anchors Sherry Margolis and Dayna Eubanks of WJBK TV-2, Colleen Burcar of WKQI-FM, Kristi Kreuger of WDIV, Channel 4, John Klekamp of WXYZ, Channel 7, Harry Hairston and Andrew Amdor of WKBD TV-50 and Jim Harper of WNIC-FM.

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Bad habits District needs to change

SOMETIMES BAD habits develop out of neglect, almost a benign neglect.

Benign neglect occurs when conditions change but we don't. No evil is intended but bad things happen because good people aren't paying attention to changes occurring around them.

That seems to be the situation with some bad environmental habits acquired by the Livonia school district which includes the northern section of Westland. The district finds itself doing things now that once were appropriate but now are improper. Over the years, conditions and attitudes have changed — but the old ways remain.

SPECIFICALLY, the district continues to use plastic foam cups in its cafeterias and continues to burn trash in incinerators at every school building.

Both practices have always been damaging to the environment, but were started in a less environmentally conscious era.

In that era, not really so long ago, most of us were in the same position when it came to using foam cups. Plastic foam cups became very popular and few thought about what happened when the cups were discarded in landfills or burned. Many good people still use foam cups for hot drinks. And so the description "benign neglect" seems fitting when considering how these bad habits came to be in the school district.

A few weeks ago, residents Cynthia Gray and Scott Heinzman appeared before the school board and during the citizens comment section of the meeting asked trustees to use paper cups instead of plastic foam containers, to stop burning trash, and to expand environmental science in the curriculum.

They received two responses. First, some trustees suggested the board would be looking into a new type of plastic foam cup that would be biodegradable and would not release toxic fumes when burned. The superintendent also mentioned that the issue was before the administrative cabinet, which might be developing a report for the board.

Having something before the administrative cabinet is a euphemism for "being in committee." Something might or might not happen. Who knows?

THE RESPONSE a week or two later was a little more favorable when the superintendent announced that he will appoint a committee to examine actions the district can take to help the environment. Hopefully that committee will contain residents, including representatives of Livonia Citizens For Recycling, as well as administrators, teachers and other staff members.

A district administrator also responded later that it would cost an additional \$28,000 a year for the school district to use paper cups instead of plastic foam cups. That does not seem to be an unreasonable added cost. Figures are relative and so \$28,000 does not seem unusually significant when compared to a \$10 million fund equity or for \$1 million spent for a single program on student fitness.

Before coming up with final recommendations, the administration may want to check with neighboring school districts on what some of their bad environmental habits are and whether and how they plan to change. The district, after all, isn't alone in using plastic foam trays and cups in their cafeterias and isn't the only school system incinerating trash at school sites.

For schools, however, an added incentive exists. In the classrooms, our instructors hopefully are urging students to be responsible citizens of planet earth by preventing waste and by avoiding actions that are harmful to air, water and soil.

The lesson plans can and should be reinforced by using paper products in cafeterias and by recycling waste instead of burning. When dealing with young minds, there's more involved than dollars and cents.

When we teach, we also must do.

Food for thought Take meals off meeting agenda

SOME OF OUR elected boards, particularly school boards, follow an unsavory recipe: they eat and meet.

A review of the Michigan Open Meetings Act doesn't reveal any direct references to elected officials dining while they meet. But the Open Meetings Act demands accessibility of public bodies.

Wouldn't you feel like an intruder if you were invited to someone's house and they served dinner for everyone but you?

It's just plain awkward for the public (and the press) to attend meetings where the board is eating and they are not.

Unfortunately, this is common practice.

The Southfield Board of Education rather regularly has dinner as its first agenda item, hamburgers and fries or deli, while the Farmington Board of Education generally sticks to ordering in a deli tray.

(The Bloomfield Hills Board of Education held regular dinner meetings nine times during 1988. They have curbed their appetites significantly since then.)

THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE boards which serve us are also guilty.

Oakland Community College this very night will hold a 6 p.m. dinner meeting in the chancellor's conference room of its administration center where major capital projects will be discussed. Then, the board will recess until 7:30

where "the balance of the meeting will be held in the board room." The same scenario occurred last month.

At Schoolcraft College, trustees sometimes meet in area restaurants where the meal is by invitation only and the regular meeting follows.

Our city commission and township board officials manage to eat on their own, and their meetings are as they should be — strictly business. The only exception we could find was Lathrup Village where officials do eat and meet.

However, earlier this summer the city councils of Southfield and Farmington Hills met for dinner and an agenda of mutual interests at the Skyline Club in Southfield, reportedly sharing dessert with members of the public who made their way to the top of the Prudential Town Center to attend.

DINNER MAY be a nice perk at taxpayer expense for officials who have to dash from their office to an early board meeting. But these are elected officials who have chosen to run for office and should know what's in store. They should be prepared for the rigors of political life — dashing into a fast food restaurant for a burger or salad on the run.

Dinner meetings violate the spirit of the Open Meetings Act. Holding open meetings where residents feel comfortable and welcome is our just dessert.

Loose talk Thompson errs on death penalty

PROSECUTOR Richard Thompson of Oakland County gets a ho-hum for his guilt-rattling threat to take drug lords to federal court so they can be given the death penalty.

Michigan has prohibited the death penalty as a constitutional right since territorial days after a jury made a big mistake. Federal courts, however, may impose the death penalty for a federal crime.

Killing its own citizens is too much power to give government. It's highly un-Republican of Thompson to seek it. Republicans sound best when they advocate limited government.

Wayne County Prosecutor John O'Hair won't

use the federal courts. He said, quite accurately, that drug kingpins kill one another in profusion without hurting the business.

Go to courts. Watch judges and jurors. Mostly they're good people, but they're human and fallible, and some are even corruptible. One must have a simpleton's faith in judges and jurors to give them the power to take life.

Over the years, there has been too much loose talk about the death penalty. One year it's death to those who kill cops, then death for killers of firemen, then death for those who kill helpless old people, now death for drug kingpins. Enough. Save government-inflicted death for declared wars.



New prank is hoisted in prosecutor's office

JUST WHEN we thought some rational legal thinking had been put back into the Oakland County prosecutor's office, our hopes have suddenly been dashed.

For years, our ears were scorched with the harsh and sometimes hysterical musings of L. Brooks Patterson, who strode mightily on his steed, charging every political windmill in sight.

From massage parlors to porno book stores to capital punishment, L. Brooks entertained us with his antics. And in some ways, even though many of us disagreed with the former prosecutor, he was charming in his own sort of way. In reality, Patterson's charm was in his openness, his almost naive eagerness to convert the unwashed, whether they be members of the media or the general public, at large.

Brooks always returned a call, always was willing to explain.

When Brooks decided to hang up his John Wayne spurs, we were confronted with a new image in the persona of one Richard Thompson.

SERIOUS MINDED, official, nonsense legal brain who had for many years played straight man in Patterson's vaudeville act, Thompson came out from the shadows to take charge.

Many found it to be a relief. After all, the tomfoolery would be over, many thought. Thompson, after all, meant business. The new prosecutor, who acts more the role of TV's

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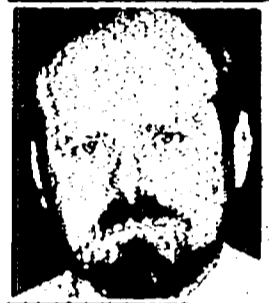
Freem Zimballist Jr.'s FBI character, held out hope that silly crusades would come to a halt and serious law enforcement would take hold.

Oh well, so much for hope. The nonsense factor has once again reared its ugly head.

Last week Thompson put back up the circus tent by announcing that he had figured out a way to circumvent state law in order to kick the switch to the on position for capital punishment.

God, how Brooks must be kicking himself in the hind end. For years he begged and cajoled for enough signatures to place the capital punishment issue on the ballot, always frustrated, always losing in the end.

Now comes Thompson with a scheme which would completely negate the role of the electorate in



Steve Barnaby

determining the kind of society in which they want to live.

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Thompson's scheme is to refer some murder cases to the U.S. District Attorney's office where defendants could be subject to the death penalty.

For years Michigan has stood against the tide of public hysteria which has opened up the death chambers in several states. Certainly, there are those in Michigan who believe in implementing the final solution.

But capital punishment is a significant moral issue which should be decided by more than one man who happens to be clever enough to thwart the state law.

Steve Barnaby is the managing editor of the 13 Observer & Eccentric newspapers.

from our readers

Board action insults voters

To the editor:

Is our Wayne-Westland school board making a legitimate decision or are we receiving a slap on the hand for not passing the millage they requested in June?

The state Legislature recently recaptured another \$50 million in categorical aid from out-of-formula school districts in hopes of decreasing the gap between in-formula and out-of-formula school districts in the state.

The governor has signed the school state aid bill which means we, in Wayne-Westland, will realize an additional \$1.38 million to run our schools.

Extensive cuts were made to balance the 1990-91 school budget including a reduction of hours in the junior high school day. This reduction saved the school district \$1.1 million.

Common sense would make you think that the junior high day should and would be restored to six hours, with this additional money, so the students had a full day of education.

On Monday, Aug. 13, the school board did not have this very import-

ant item on their agenda, so I brought the matter to their attention.

Yes, they did know the state was sending the additional money, but no — they would not restore the junior high day. Nor would they reinstate the two principal positions (also cut) at the elementary level, which they could now also afford.

Another figure, which may be of interest to the community, is the 2.75 mill renewal which was defeated Feb. 8 would have now (with the recapture in categorical aid) meant a per pupil guarantee of \$4,195 or \$6.74 million to the school district.

The decision the school board made in April to place only one millage question on the ballot for the voters to decide on in June (the 2.75 renewal was included in a 7.75 mill increase) looms even larger now and is seriously jeopardizing the future of our children, our teachers and our community. (Sylvia Kozorosky-Wiack did vote no on that decision with good reason and I applaud her efforts.)

However, the school board still has the nerve to blame the current dilemma our schools are in on those voters who said no and continue to make devastating decisions. The people who are directly affected by the current posture the school board has taken must stand up and let their

voices be heard until we have the accountability from our elected officials that we and our children deserve.

Laurel Raisanen,
Westland

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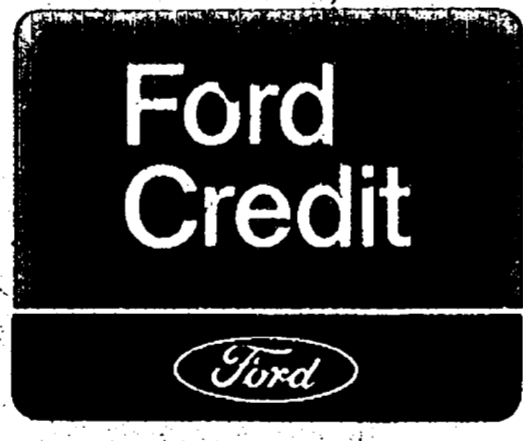
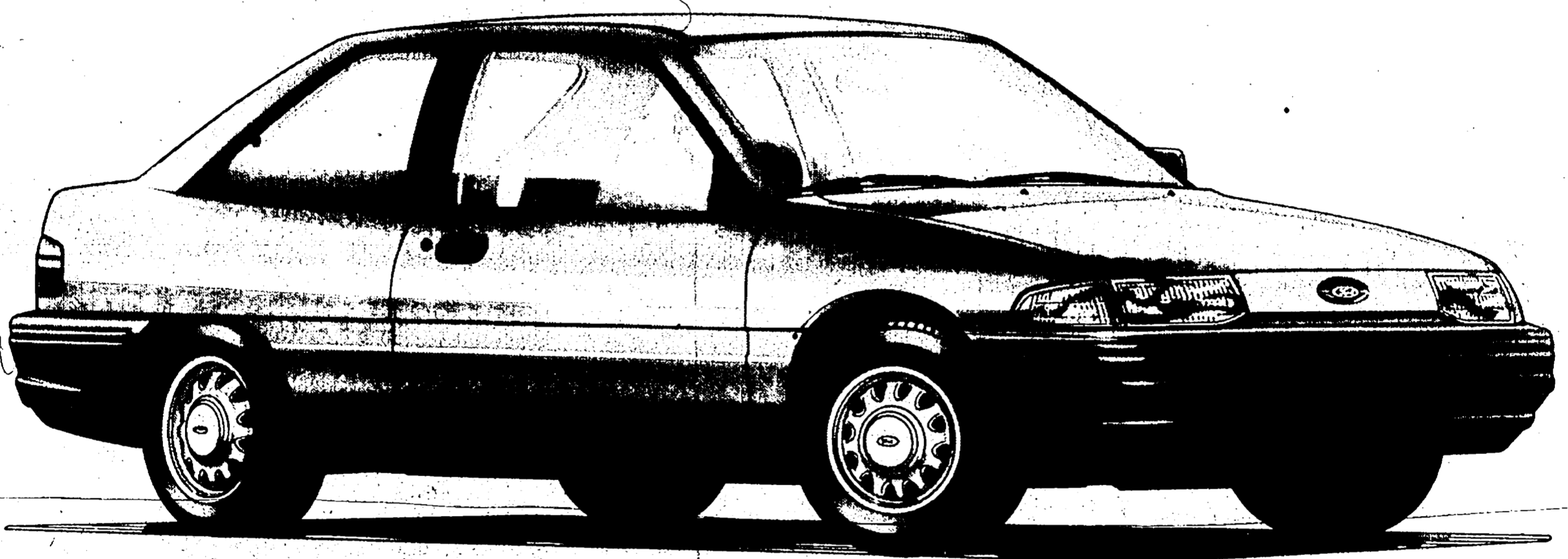
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Archbishop brings skill to new post

By M.B. Dillon
staff writer

Archbishop Adam Malda arrives in Detroit hailed as a warm pastor, tough bishop, smart lawyer and skillful administrator with close ties to Rome.

While the new leader of the nation's fifth-largest archdiocese is highly qualified to tackle the problems Cardinal Edmund Szoka leaves behind, one can't help but sense his humility, vigor, genuine love for people and eagerness to listen and work.

In a wide-ranging interview, the Pennsylvania native talked about his appointment; his hopes for Detroit and suburban Catholics; education; vocations; a recent trip to his father's birthplace in Poland; and the reception he's enjoyed since taking up residence on Washington Boulevard in June.

"IT'S VERY difficult to know why a particular person is chosen to come to a see like Detroit," said Malda in his chancery next door to St. Aloysius. "Most of the archbishops in the country were asked their opinion. Ultimately, recommendations were made to our Holy Father and were also reviewed by the cardinals in Rome."

"One of the things that gives me great confidence is my peers, who know me the best. I have greater confidence in the Lord and the grace he gives us to do the work."

Describing himself, Malda said, "I'd like to see myself as a person who is very pastoral, very loving, caring and compassionate, and willing to give his life to the people."

"If I have legal knowledge and experience and financial skills that can serve the people, then I am grateful," the 60-year-old archbishop said, adding that he's counting on help from the gifted people who surround him.

After learning of his appointment to Detroit, the former bishop of Green Bay said friends offered their condolences.

"As you know, I'm a newcomer to Detroit. But I read the New York Times' story 'The Tragedy of Detroit,' and you want to cry,"

said Malda, a graduate of St. Mary's High School in Orchard Lake.

"I hope the article is wrong. But in that story, we all have a challenge to address those issues that make a community which is caring and loving. And we must do that."

MAIDA, WHO holds degrees in canon and civil law, said he can identify with suburban Catholics.

"Back in Pittsburgh 45 years ago, my dad built a house in the country which ultimately became a big suburb. I know the life of suburbanites. I know the shopping malls and the type of life they lead."

"I think they have opportunities to ponder the goodness of God, the beauty of our creation and the natural beauty that surrounds so much of our territory here in Michigan."

"My hope is that we'd be anxious to share and be concerned about those who don't have the same opportunity and access, and that we would not become just concerned about ourselves."

"The gifts of race and tradition are beautiful realities. How do we meld that together to build a beautiful community?"

Malda said he wants to foster healing in the aftermath of the recent church closings. He also wants input.

"I'm getting out to meet parishioners and people one-to-one," he said. "My first priority is to get to know the people. I want to know what their problems are and to what extent I can be helpful."

"One of my deep concerns is our seminary and our shortage of priests. How do I ask the Lord to send more vocations, and how do I ask our young men to respond generously to the call God gives them? I want to be close to the seminary community and call forth young men to the priesthood."

HIGH ON Malda's agenda is

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JIM JAGDFELD/staff photographer

While Matthew Mayes (from left), goes for speed on his touring bike, his mother Rosemary (center) and Kelly Kendall go for endurance on their mountain bikes in the American Lung Association's Bicycle Across Michigan treks.

BAM: 'Up north' at its best

By Sue Mason
staff writer

There'll be a hint of fall in the air, and maybe a bit of color on a few leaves. Ah, the sites and sounds of northern Michigan in September. The perfect getaway for a weekend or two.

If you don't think so, just ask Rosemary Mayes, her son Matt and her co-worker Kelly Kendall. They'll be spending the weekend of Sept. 8-10 touring the Leelanau Peninsula and the weekend of Sept. 15-17 touring the northern tip of the Lower Peninsula and Mackinac Island, all for a good cause.

The three Livonia residents will be participating in the American Lung Association's Bicycle Around Michigan benefits. They'll be treated to the sites and sounds of "up north," meals and accommodations "that are out of this world."

Of course, there's a catch. They have to come up with the \$25 entry fee and \$225 in pledges for each of the rides... plus pedal 50 miles a day.

"It's the kind of thing where you can go fast or you can go slow," Matt said. "There's such a wide variance. You can go slow and not feel pressured to go fast."

Rosemary Mayes and Kendall got into bicycle rides like BAM in 1985, when they did a ride for Multiple Sclerosis. The two women work together at Metro Home Health Care Services Inc. in Dearborn. Mayes, 57, is the administrator/nursing director, while Kendall, 29, is executive coordinator of services.

THEY LIKED the first ride so

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— Rosemary Mayes

much, they decided to give BAM a try in 1986 and have been making the trek up north ever since. Matt, 25, a Northville Township police officer, joined them on the rides last year.

"I've been biking for a long time and I got Kelly into it; then we got Matt to get a good bike," Mayes said. "My whole family is avid bikers. My son Mike and his wife are biking through Europe again."

The Leelanau Lakeshore Loop begins in Suttons Bay, following the shores of Lake Michigan and taking in Leland Harbor, Northport and the Sleeping Bear Sand Dunes. The overnight stay will be at Sugar Loaf Mountain Resort in Cedar.

The Mackinac Island tour begins in Mackinaw City. Bicyclists ride to Cheboygan, around Douglas Lake and Cross Village before returning to Mackinac City for a ferry ride to the island. Overnight accommodations will be at the Michigan Biological Station in Pellston and the Murray Hotel on the island.

In addition to accommodations and meals, there's a sag wagon for bicyclists with problems during the rides, a mechanic from a bike shop to make repairs and even a therapist

who provides rub-downs at the end of the day.

"When we started out, it took us eight hours; we were the last ones in," Mayes said. "Now, we get in line for the rub-downs with everybody else."

THE SAG wagon and mechanic are handy on such lengthy rides, according to the trio. The mechanic helped put Matt's bike back together last year after he broke it down into three pieces to fit in the trunk of the car.

"It was the only way I could figure out to get three bikes up north," he said. "The bike rack only held two."

Only once have they had to use the sag wagon. It was the year Kendall got her new mountain bike the night before the ride. It may have been new, but she found it difficult to pedal, so much so that she thought there was something physically wrong with her.

Mayes finally insisted that she use the sag wagon. Kendall did and the sag wagon crew eventually found the source of the problem. Her tires had 15 pounds of air, instead of 60 pounds.

"It's kind of embarrassing when you have to use the sag wagon,"

Mayes said. "If you do, you sort of slink in and don't let anyone see you."

After four years of BAM, Mayes and Kendall tend to look on the get-together as a reunion. There are, they said, a lot of people like themselves who make the rides year after year.

"It's like a reunion," Mayes said. "You make a lot of real good friends that you don't hear from throughout the year and are happy to see on the rides."

MAYES AND Kendall have been preparing for the trips by riding back and forth to work — 31 miles roundtrip. Matt, too, has taken to riding to work especially after seeing how much it cost to fill up his car two weeks ago.

"It's just fun," he said. "It's fun to ride to work, to get outside, especially since all I do is sit in a car and ride around all day."

As the weekend rides approach, the trio also is focusing on getting their \$225 in pledges. That, they admit, is the down side of the benefit.

"A lot of people don't like to do the fund raising," Kendall said, "but if you're aggressive, you can do it."

"Oh, if there are any generous souls out there who want to pledge, I'm more than open to the offer. My dance card is still open."

Ditto for Rosemary and her son Matt.

For more information about the Bicycle Around Michigan treks, call the American Lung Association of Southeast Michigan at 559-5100 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.



BILL BRESLER/staff photographer

Archbishop Adam Malda admits that when he received the appointment to the Archdiocese of Detroit, friends offered their condolences. But he feels the challenge is to address those issues that make a community which is caring and loving.

He concocts a recipe for success

By Sue Mason
staff writer

In wine making, meritage means a blending of different grapes. It's also the name of a line of wine introduced last year and the name Tom Palushaj chose for his latest endeavor.

The 29-year-old Livonia man chose Meritage for the name of his new restaurant because it had "a nice ring to it." He also saw it as a symbol of a blending of different cuisines.

A native of Albania, Palushaj is best known for Archlo's Family Restaurant. He and his brothers opened the restaurant 10 years ago. He was 18 at the time and with his brothers worked 16 hours a day, seven days a week to get the place up and running.

Archlo's is doing fine now, but Palushaj is still putting in long hours at Meritage, which he opened on East 12 Mile across from the GM Tech Center in Warren just a year ago.

"When you're young, you don't mind working those hours," he said. "When you want to do something, you just do it."

His brother George runs the front of the restaurant, while Palushaj takes care of the kitchen. He happened on the idea of a "fine" restaurant, after the brothers were unable to get approval from the city of Livonia to add a banquet hall to Archlo's.

WHILE THE emphasis at Archlo's is family style — homemade food at reasonable prices — Meritage is its pricier cousin. Drawing on workers at the Tech Center, Meritage offers some standard lunch fares — burgers, Ruebens and club sandwiches.

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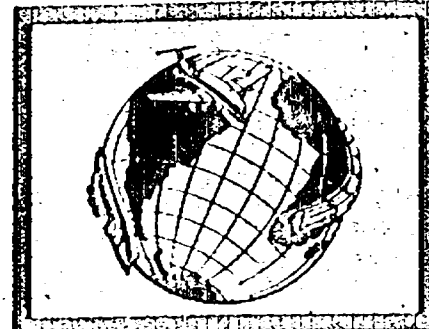


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Tom Palushaj hasn't had any formal training in the culinary arts, just Meritage in Warren. hands-on experience that is pro-

Travel Scene

Iris Sanderson Jones editor



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Historic York blends medieval and modern

Explore, shop the walled city's streets

Philip Sanderson Jones, travel editor

IT IS AMAZING how you can spend a whole day in a famous city and miss most of the official tourist sights.

I had the tourist literature on my lap as we drove into York, England, built by Romans 1,900 years ago, and I knew exactly what a conscientious tourist should do: walk along the ancient stone walls, tour the largest medieval cathedral in northern Europe, see The Story of York and the Jorvik Viking Center, plus the Castle Museum and...

It's a full day for a traveler who loves to stop at every tea shop, browse the markets and meet other people, especially English people with Yorkshire accents, while watching the street dancers at work.

I had done a little homework as we drove north through England on the motorway. York was a Roman fortress built in the first century at the junction of the Foss and Ouse rivers and was then the most important city in northern England.

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ANY TOURIST driving into York should have a good map and a navigator in the passenger seat. The city is small enough to be manageable on foot, but you can't drive by day inside most of the walled city and you can easily get lost on the Inner Ring, which circles outside the city walls.

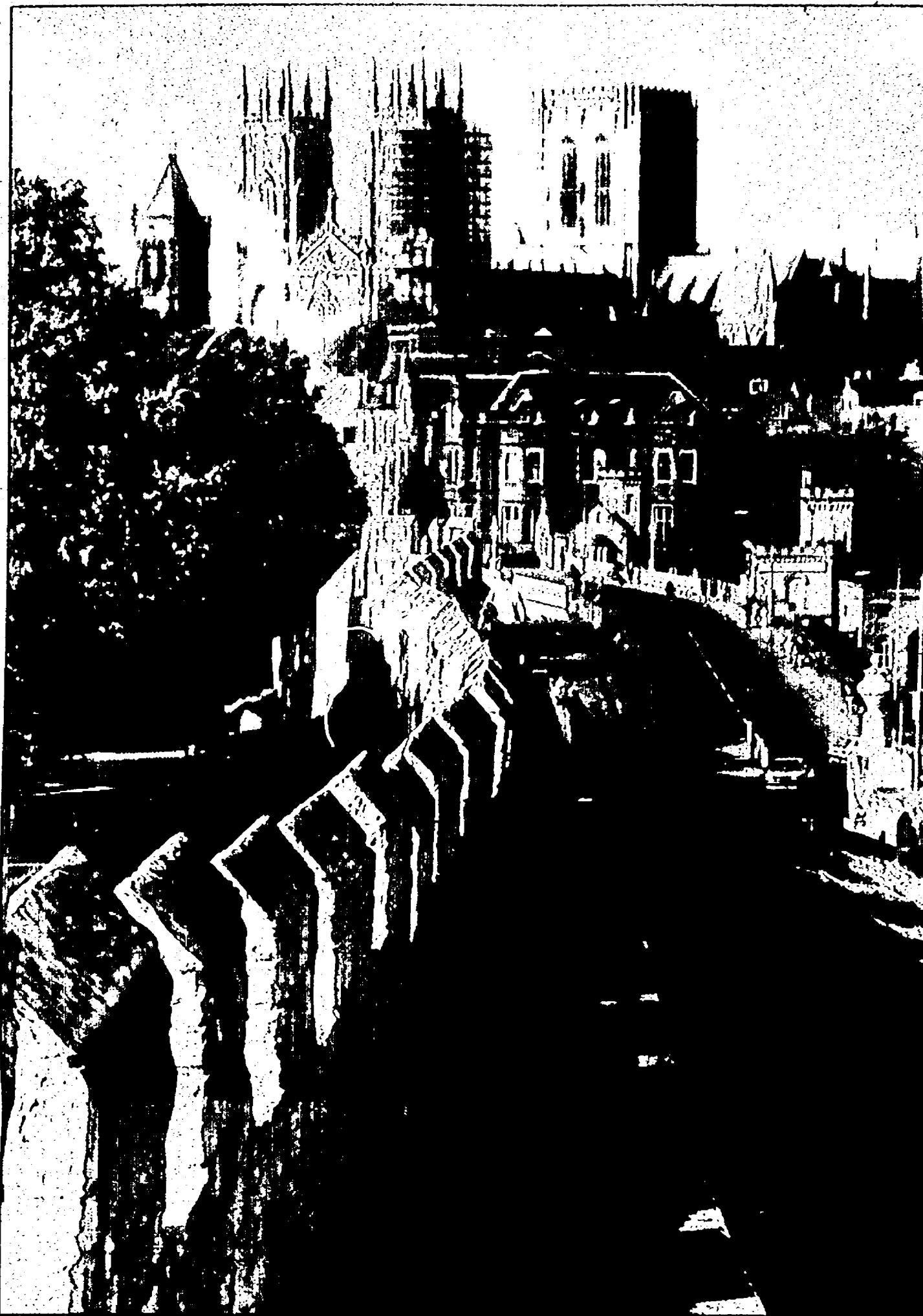
There are hundreds of bed-and-breakfast places in the city, and we had decided to stay about a mile outside the wall to save our sanity while parking.

The Clifton Green Hotel a clean and cheerful place run by Joan and David Tree, are among a dozen bed-and-breakfast hotels in well-kept three and four story buildings around Clifton Green, a mile northwest of Bootham Bar on Highway A-19.

Bar was the Viking word for gate and gate is from the Viking word for street, so you soon find yourself exploring the four gates in the medieval wall: Bootham Bar, Micklegate Bar, Monk Bar and Walmgate Bar, and streets called Stonegate, Petergate and the Shambles.

That's where the trouble begins for a traveler who likes to mosey and poke. If it's morning, the ladies of York, in smart skirts, no sweats or slacks, carry wonderful smells out of bake shops: whole meal breads, ginger cakes, curd tarts, sausage rolls, and an unknown treasure called "white bloomers."

They linger over tea or coffee and cakes in the tea shops. Men in tweed caps lead their dogs along the narrow winding streets. Tourists shop in Mulberry Hall, a 15th century house with three floors of china, glass and tableware, or in the half-timbered shops that lean over the streets.



The Romans created the walled city of York, one of the few in England. Photos by MICKY JONES

If it's evening, especially a weekend evening, the young people are out in packs, cruising the pubs and clubs where brawny bouncers guard the door against drinkers with too much enthusiasm.

ON SATURDAY morning, you loathe to leave the colorful street life of Parliament Square. Spectators watch Irish dancers or a rock group in action, tables of political causes scour the street, shoppers scan goods in the nearby market square, lunchtimers buy baked potatoes, crepes or shellfish from a restaurant stall, and a grandfather and young boy play walk-on checkers on a board painted on the street.

All this is very hard on a conscientious traveler who would rather meet locals while eating fish-and-chips from a street shop than explore Roman artifacts in a museum or take a cruise down the Ouse River.

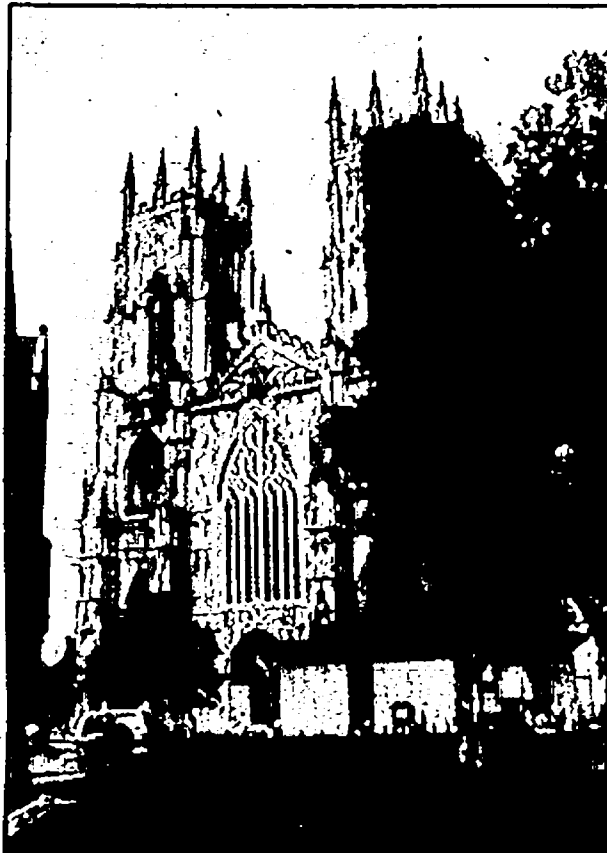
Fortunately, York Minster towers over this busy little city so it is easy to be distracted by its magnificence. We walked through into the magnificent nave, begun in the year 1291 and completed in 1350. It is hard to describe a cathedral like this without saying "awesome, overpowering or grand."

The 12th century Five Sisters stained glass window is the largest expanse of ancient grisaille glass in existence. The ceilings in the north and south transepts are so high that they have placed mirrored tables on the floor beneath them so that you can admire the intricacies without breaking your neck looking up!

Two 400-year-old wooden figures high on the wall strike the quarter hour, and if you're lucky you'll hear the great bell ring. The bell booms across the old half-timbered houses and down the crooked stone streets at midday on Saturday and by that time things are really



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Minster Cathedral dominates the cityscape.

hopping on Parliament Square. It is time for Yorkshire Pudding at Grandma Batty's. York's famous namesake pudding is regularly sold by itself or filled with other foods, although it often disappointed me. My mother's was better.

BY THIS time my conscience was hurting so I tore myself away from the Morris Dancers and the young people writing names on handkerchiefs for sale in King's Square and went to walk the walls.

I didn't do the nearly three mile walk, but enough to see the historic city spread out before me: the castle, the ruins of Clifford's Tower, started by William the Conqueror in 1068, and all the other historic treasures of York.

Wall walking is not only good for your heart, but it takes you to the Castle and the attractions nearby: the

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Rain doesn't spoil travel agent outing

By Iris Sanderson Jones travel editor

The Sandpiper was docked at the foot of Jefferson, beside the park where the people of Toledo celebrate life with stagshows and music every Friday night. We crossed the gangplank in a pouring rain and settled our wet bags on the wooden benches that run down the sides and the middle of the 65-foot-long open-sided tour boat.

I poked my head up a short flight of stairs, saw Captain Robert Brooks tightening a bolt on a very wet roof.

"Is this where we sunbathe?" I asked.

"In your string bikinis," he said cheerfully.

THE OCCASION was the annual picnic of the Great Lakes chapter of PATA: the Pacific Area Travel Association. Members are primarily metro area travel agents but also include representatives of airlines, hotels, cruise lines etc.

Most PATA meetings are educational seminars in which a Far East industry spokesman, someone from the Japan National Tourist Organization for example, brings members up to date on Pacific travel. This picnic was an annual social outing to let friends and associates enjoy one another under the summer sun.

As the Sandpiper pulled out onto the Maumee River, past the Toledo skyline, and the wind blew rain through the open sides of the boat, I thought about how flexible we all need to be to really enjoy ourselves when we travel.

Somebody should engrave this motto on every traveler's forehead: "Follow your dream but be flexible because things change and you must grow and change with them."



crossroads
Iris Jones

PATA Chairman Eleanor Callahan of Medical Center Travel in Detroit had led us cheerfully out of the bus. Oscar Manzoni of The Travel Market in Southfield, who had planned this trip as a Mystery Tour, was lighting the barbecue in the middle of the deck.

Vice-chair Ellen Worthy, It's Worth Travel Inc. (sic) in Brighton, was trying to dodge both the smoke and the rain as she moved among friends. Bernadette Van Lenten of Travel Agents International in Canton, a fairly new member of PATA, watched the shoreline go by in the rain as Captain Brooks steered the Sandpiper up the river.

THE SANDPIPER is a replica of one of the three types of canal boats that changed the face of Ohio in the 19th century. Ohio was isolated until a 1,000-mile-long network of navigable canals was built between 1825 and 1847, providing transportation for agriculture and industry going out through the Great Lakes, and for settlers coming in through the Erie Canal.

Only a few of the deep excavations, the high earthen embankments or the timber and stone structures of the canal system are left today. But any map shows the path by showing the cities that grew along the canals: the Miami-Erie from To-

ledo to Cincinnati, the Ohio-Erie east and north to Columbus and Cleveland, with feeders from towns like Marietta, Ohio.

To put that in a world perspective, 1847 was the year that San Francisco became a city, five years after the Chinese gave Hong Kong to the British. There was no PATA and few, except merchant sailors, ever went to Asia.

Captain Brooks was a modern sailor in the U.S. Navy, and he had to grow and change too. He started a steam railroad and later a steam boat for tourists near Grand Rapids, Ohio, waited a long time for one of the old canals to be restored, gave up and had the Sandpiper built to carry groups up and down the Maumee.

You, the individual traveler, can ride the Sandpiper Saturdays and Sundays if Capt. Brooks doesn't already have a charter. He charges individual travelers rates of \$4 adults, and \$2.50 children for a one-hour ride.

BY NOW the scent of Kielbasa and burgers was wafting through the wet boat, drinks had been pulled from paper bags and poured into plastic cups. Most of the old hands from PATA were talking shop.

PATA Secretary Sharon Keyes of Travel Counselors in Bloomfield Hills; Board members Ann Langlois of Hamilton, Miller, Hudson, Fayno in Southfield; Shirley Long and the 'Kaye' of Kaye Britton Travel in Farmington Hills.

Rodney Johnson of Northwest Airlines didn't make it this trip, but Fred Woodward, who is retired from Eastern Airlines is there in the wet wind. Treasurer Elsie Trapp of Hansen Travel in Bloomfield Hills is celebrating her birthday with her Hansen cohort Ann Siraik and nobody is talking about the birthday cake yet to come.

Niagara-on-the-Lake is expensive, but enjoyable

FEEDBACK: Niagara-on-the-Lake

DAVID AND MELODY ARNDT, NORTHVILLE: We've been to Niagara-on-the-Lake a number of times. I call that area the garden district. We have a special interest in gardens and in the architecture of older buildings.

We always stay at bed-and-breakfasts, that's the way we travel. We happened on the Kieley House because we had made reservations elsewhere and the reservation was given away by accident.

The price of the Kieley House is fairly high (U.S. \$75-\$100) We found the breakfast a little lacking. It was a cold breakfast. They did have bicycles, however, and we spent a lot of time enjoying houses and architecture on our bikes.

You always find a dozen B&B's on the round board in the middle of town, so don't get the idea that everything in Niagara-on-the-Lake is expensive. We love to have breakfast in the ice cream

shop, which has great bran muffins and waffles.

We usually take in a play but that's not what we go for. We are backroads people. We love to bike around at night because it gives you a different view.

RABBI CHUCK DIAMOND AND MICKIE DIAMOND, SOUTHFIELD: We took our first trip to Niagara-on-the-Lake in July. We saw "When We Are Married" at the Royal George Theater.

We stayed at Kieley House, very cute. We would have preferred the second floor, our room on the first wasn't great. It was small and it had views of the bushes and the kitchen. If we go back, we'll try something closer to the water.

I'm from New York and I've been searching for good theater. The quality at Niagara-on-the-Lake is superb. We ate at The Buttery, the food was good, also not cheap. You can spend a ton of money in that little town.

Editor's note: We covered Niagara-on-the-Lake on the travel page on August 2.

Toronto, Montreal, Boston, just a 'leisurely' drive east

By William Coutant
staff writer

When I first told a friend about my vacation plans, which included Toronto, Montreal, Boston and Niagara Falls, his response was 'that's a lot of driving.'

True enough, especially in an eight-day vacation. But if you don't mind driving, there are a lot of trips and cities within a day's drive, much less a week's.

While the drive to Toronto on QEW-401 is mostly flat farmland, its direct and gets you there in about six hours, depending on the driver. And, if you've never been, it's well worth going a bit off the beaten path to Stratford for the Shakespeare Festival during the warmer months.

Accommodation is a Toronto strength. About \$100 dollars gets you room on a weekend at a top-quality hotel such as the Sheraton Center, Chelsea or others. Rail and air packages are a deal, especially if you want to stay at one of the fancier places, such as the Royal York.

Toronto has a good subway-tramway-bus system. If you don't like to walk, you can still take in the Italian neighborhood, where some of the movie "Moonstruck" was shot; the Portuguese neighborhood near Spadina Avenue, with the small but beautiful front yards; the long expanse of the Chinese neighborhood on Dundas Street and many other distinct areas out of the way.

TORONTO, LIKE Chicago, is city where bad dining choices are hard to make. Japanese steak houses and sushi bars, all varieties of authentic Chinese, good Thai, Italian and

French cuisine abound. For something different, try the Ukrainian Karavan. The eastern European cuisine is good and hearty, and so is the entertainment. Entertainers, in authentic costume, regale diners with Ukrainian song and dance (including the dance — ouch — performed in the squatting position with arms folded).

Our favorite part of this year's stay in Toronto was seeing "Phantom of the Opera" performed at the Pantages Theatre. The theater, on Young Street, is not that impressive from the outside, but exceeds anything it could have been in its Vaudeville heyday of the 1920s and '30s.

The tickets aren't cheap (we paid \$70 apiece to sit in the mezzanine), but the special effects, music and costumes make this well worth it. Just don't sit behind someone tall.

GETTING TO Montreal is easy enough. Just get back on 401. The drive is a little more interesting than the Detroit-Toronto leg, but nothing to write home about.

Hospitality in the beautiful, old (by north American standards) city is good. For some reason, French Canadians do not enjoy a reputation as great hosts. I don't speak French, but had no problem.

And in fine French tradition, Montreal enjoys a reputation as a gourmet's delight. Old Montreal, with its narrow streets and buildings with stone facades is the perfect setting, whether you prefer an outdoor cafe on the Rue de Jacques Cartier or one of several good spots on Rue de St. Paul. Prices are reasonable to downright cheap.

The city's far-reaching under-

ground is clean and convenient. Montreal has a nice, but small, fine art museum (the works of Spanish surrealist Salvador Dali were on display when we visited). The city features about any kind of entertainment, much of it in English.

Montreal also features a large, beautiful park, Mount Royal Park, right in the city.

But the architecture, combining the old world and new, and the atmosphere add a certain Continental flavor to everything about the city. After all, how many baseball games can you go to where the PA announcer tells you who is "au baton."

THE DRIVE from Montreal to Boston means more than getting from A to B.

The change is noticeable when you first cross the border from Quebec into Vermont. But don't go directly to Boston on I-89. Take a side trip from St. Albans east on highway 2 and travel through the Champlain Islands in Lake Champlain. A great place to stop and picnic. You might even be tempted to end your trip here. But keep going.

The smooth drive on I-89 will take you through the Green Mountains and by all the small towns (each one complete with a tall-steeped church).

The Granite State of New Hampshire also offers some great scenery, but not a breathtaking as what you'll drive through in Vermont. Still, once



Niagara Falls continues to fascinate tourists.

through Manchester, you're practically to Boston.

Accommodations are a little more expensive in beantown, but not outrageous if you plan. The city has a good transit system and almost every street has a place in the nation's history.

Much of the stuff of history is within easy walking distance in Boston's downtown. Beacon Street, the Boston Public Public Gardens, Faneuil Hall and the old City Hall are all within a short, enjoyable walk. The Old North Church and the USS Constitution and museum are a quick ride by subway to North station. The ship, still on active duty, is really worth the time, and the museum is one of the best of its kind.

Boston's art museum is excellent, with many famous paintings of the American Revolutionary War period

along with a good collection of French Impressionist works. Boston is often a contrast of historic and modern, but always ready for tourists. There are several outdoor cafes in the city and, as you would expect, seafood is a specialty at many restaurants. Try Legal Seafood at the Plaza Hotel for a reasonably-priced, delicious meal.

It's also worth the time to take the subway (red line) across the river to Cambridge and Harvard Square.

We drove back to Michigan on the Connecticut and New York turnpikes

to make good time. The scenery from Albany to Syracuse was especially beautiful, with rolling hills and vast valleys.

If you stay in Niagara Falls, reserve ahead. And yes, the falls are worth visiting, but most of the rest of the attractions are concocted and not really worth visiting unless you have plenty of time. Take the maid of the mist, and if you stay, stay on the Canadian side.

Gas up in the United States before your final leg home. The prices in Canada for gas are much higher, even in liters.

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Historic York offers medieval with modern

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Castle Folk Museum, the York Story, the Jorvik Viking Center.

There was only time for one, so I chose the Viking Center, an excavation of an ancient Viking Street called Coppergate. Ride a "time car" back 10 centuries to an authentically rebuilt village and explore the actual archeological finds of an ongoing project.

No traveler in his right mind would try to see a 2000-year-old city like York in a day or two, but sometimes that's all we have. The ancient stones and the ancient history are only part of the enjoyment. There is also the pleasure of experiencing 20th century life in a medieval setting, savoring the sights and sounds of modern Yorkers, who live, work, shop, eat, skateboard and cruise its historic streets.

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 Aug. 30 to Sept. 3 DALMAC Bicycle Tour, Lansing-Mackinaw City
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 Sept. 2 St. Anthony's Fall Festival, Mackinaw City
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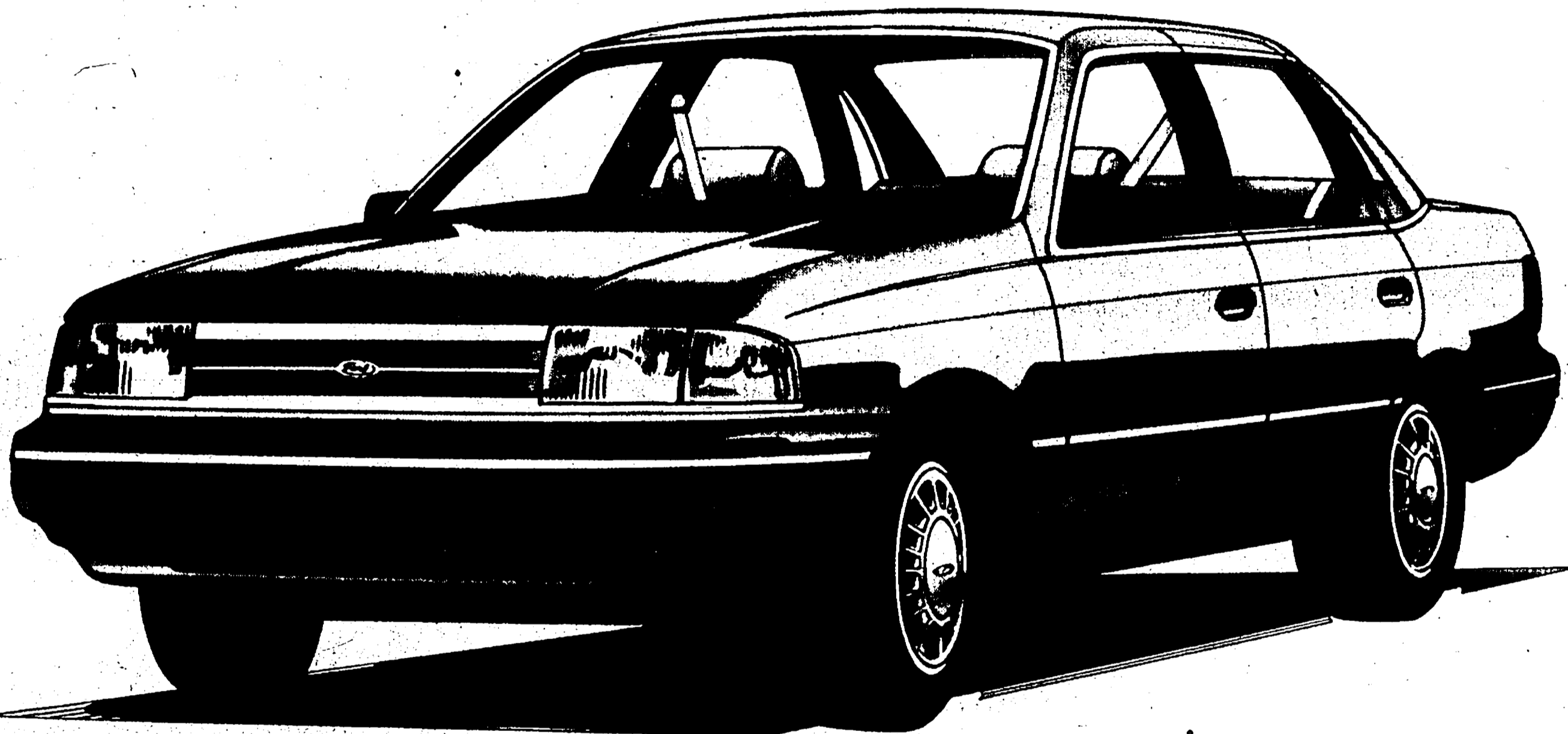
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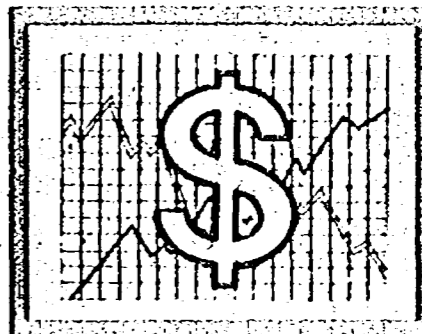
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Credit unions on guard against regulations

Strength in numbers is rally point

By Doug Funko
staff writer

Sometimes, the best defense is a good offense.

Credit unions here and around the country, perceiving that they're under attack in Congress from the banking industry, have marshaled their members to respond with petition drives and letters to federal lawmakers.

The goal — to nip in the bud any new regulations and tax proposals that could raise operating costs and impact services to credit union members.

"We do the job. Consumers get a better buy. Leave us alone," said William Austin, president and chief executive officer of Livonia Community Credit Union.

Operation Grassroots was launched last fall by the Credit Union National Association and the Michigan Credit Union League, which is based in Southfield.

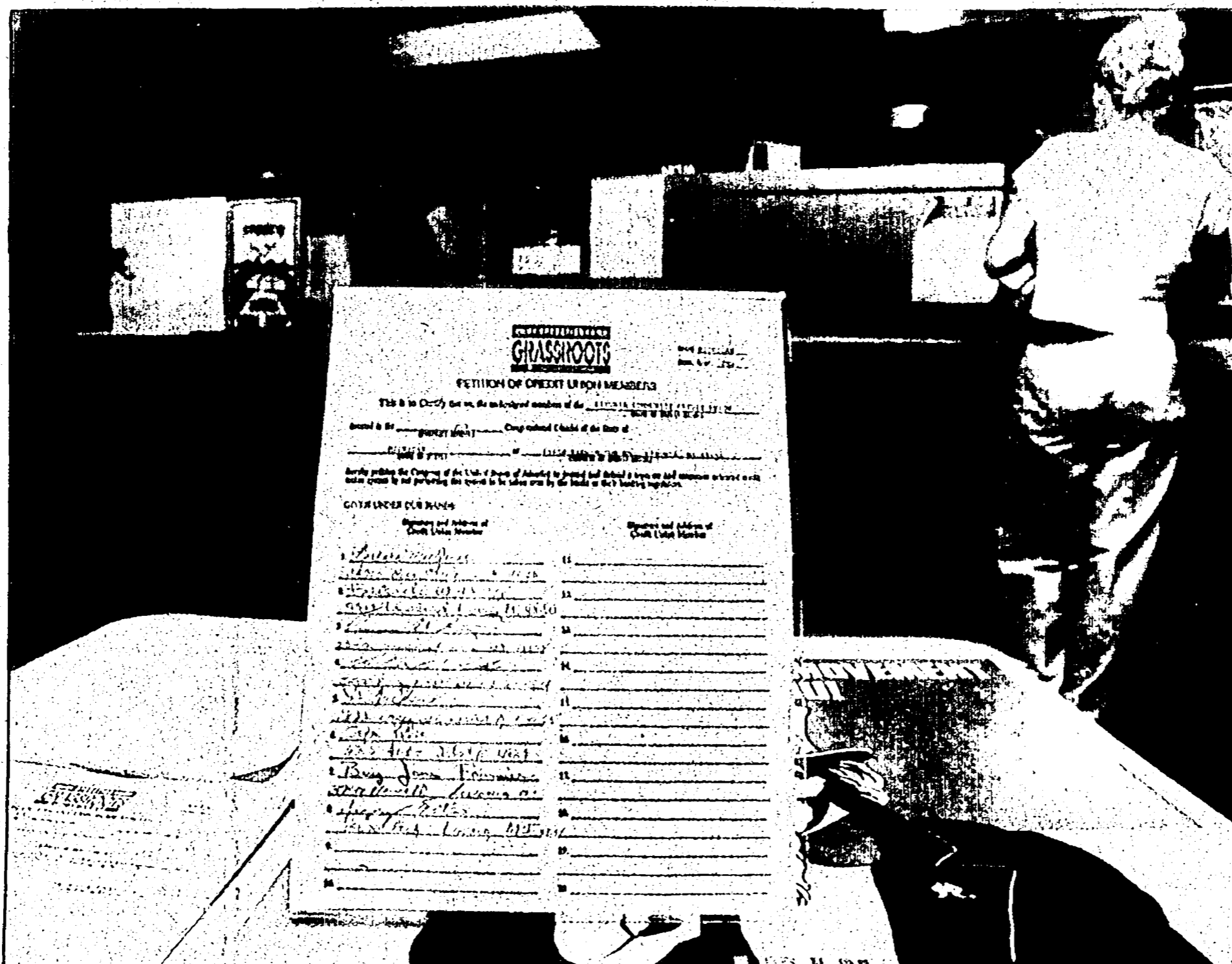
"There is no pending legislation," said Judy Stern, spokeswoman for the Michigan Credit Union League. But that doesn't mean all is quiet behind the scenes.

BANKS HAVE been crying the blues to Congress that credit unions have unfair competitive advantages, Austin said.

Banks, corporations owned by stockholders, are taxed. Credit unions, non-profit cooperatives owned by members, aren't.

Banks also want to bring credit unions, savings and loans and banks under one federal insurance depository, Austin said.

Credit unions would pay more than they do now if brought under banking standards established for the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp, credit union officers worry.



Credit unions are urging members to mobilize against efforts to regulate their non-profit financial cooperatives more like banks.

ART EMANUEL/staff photographer

Upwards of 2,000 of Community Federal's members have signed petitions asking Congress to keep hands off. Livonia Community has collected more than 1,800, Oakland Catholic some 1,000.

As of Aug. 7, the Michigan Credit Union League had received petitions with nearly 93,000 names.

THE ASSOCIATION will forward the petitions to their members' congressmen now and take copies to Washington, D.C. for a national rally next February.

"I think awareness is starting," Stern said. "It took a long time to build it. People are leary about financial institutions. It's just a matter of taking the time and putting it out to members."

Credit union officials are optimistic that Congress won't monkey with their operations now.

There's strength in numbers, they say. Community Federal reports some 23,000 members, Oakland Catholic and Livonia Community, 10,000 each.

"I suppose we're working class people by and large in credit unions," Cantrell said.

"At this point, we're not anticipating this will even become law," Baker said of the banking industry's proposals.

AUSTIN'S MESSAGE to Congress: "If you have any intention of taxing credit unions, you'd better know this is a hot issue. Leave us alone. We're not going to reduce the national debt by taxing credit unions. Consumers would be hurt."

Said Cantrell, "I think they (members of Congress) are supportive at this point."

Austin believes banks should take a long, hard look at their own operations if they want to level the playing field to compete with credit unions.

"I joke banks are the best marketing people I've got here," he said. "Walk into a bank and look at pricing, look at service. Here, they're members, not customers. I tell my employees everyone who comes through that door is your boss."

Then, there's the added exposure to potential bailouts.

Reports from the General Accounting Office and Treasury Department on financial institutions in general are expected early next year.

Uncertain developments in the savings and loan industry also

prompted credit union officials to start a lobbying effort of their own to keep their status quo.

"WE WOULD have to add some service charges probably to a lot of things if we have to pay taxes," said Warren Baker, treasurer/

manager of Oakland Catholic Credit Union in Troy.

Credit unions generally offer money credit cards and checking accounts with no annual fee or at a lower fee than is offered by banks and S&Ls. Credit unions also generally offer slightly higher rates on

savings and slightly lower rates on loans.

"We've had quite a few people send letters to their congressman and two senators asking that we not be included in the same category as banks," said James Cantrell, general manager of Community Federal Credit Union in Plymouth.

Superstores take center court in sporting goods

By Gerald Frawley
staff writer

There's a new sporting goods retail chain in town, ready to take on a share of the expanding sports-retail market.

Unlike the rest of the retail market, which has struggled in recent months, the sporting goods retail market in general is going through a mint-boom.

The Sports Authority, which threw its hat into the southeastern Michigan retail ring at the beginning of August, intends to capitalize on that, according to Sports Authority chief executive officer Jack Smith.

The Sports Authority, a subsidiary of K mart, has already opened doors in Livonia and Madison Heights by converting two previous K mart endeavors — Sports Giant stores — and will be opening stores in Waterford Township, Clinton Township, Ann Arbor and Grosse Pointe by the end of 1991.

Three other stores in Lansing, Flint and Grand Rapids are also planned for Michigan, Smith said.

While still a relatively new chain, Smith said sales are expected to top \$1 billion by 1994.

"I don't think that's unreasonable," he said, adding one of his chief national competitors, Herman's World of Sporting Goods, topped \$680 million last year, Smith said. Smith was chief executive officer for Herman's through 1987, when he left to start his own company.

FRED MARX, of Marx Layne Marketing and Public Relations in Bloomfield Hills, agreed that sporting goods sales are bucking the retail trend. "We've seen a major explosion in this area."

Coupled with the superstore or megastore concept, sporting goods should continue to do well in sales, he said. "Superstores are category killers," he said.

Superstores, which generally have

between 30,000 and 50,000 square feet of retail floor space, specialize in one retail area like toys (Toys R Us), hardware (Builders Square) and office products (Office Max), he said.

"By the same analogy, what works well for these should work well for sports," he said. "The Sports Authority is a good parallel to the office superstores — the smart person is not saying (why is there only one), but he's saying where's the next one."

Smith of the Sports Authority said the market is growing so quickly that the launch of a new chain will probably have little effect on competitors. "There ought to be enough for everyone — I don't think anyone's going to get squeezed out of the market."

"But I do think that we can beat them, though," Smith added. Just as important as sales, he continued, is market share.

Or in other words, while everyone still makes a profit, Smith intends to make sure the Sports Authority makes more of a profit than anyone else.

MOLLY DRAUER, marketing director for the retail division of Arthur Andersen & Co., said that sporting goods has moved beyond mere recreational goods and become part of the luxury market.

The rules that apply to other retail market segments, therefore, may not apply to sports, she said. "It's like with the automotive market, the industry may see sales slow down, but Cadillac always sell."

Also in sporting goods favor, she said, is that while people may give up other luxury items, they may be less inclined to give up something that they perceive as good for their health.

Sports and exercise equipment — and the coinciding apparel — benefit from the good health wave consumers have been riding for much of the past decade, she said.

Southeastern Michigan is a particularly good area for sporting goods because sports is a significant part of the region's culture thanks to its four seasons, four major sports teams and the availability of sports activities, Brauer said.

Smith of the Sports Authority said the key to winning market share is selection and service. From simple greetings at the door, to knowledgeable staff, service will separate the sports retail wannabes from the big movers and shakers.

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Superstore becomes a player

business people

John W. Gryczko, an agent in the Garden City district office of American General Life and Accident Insurance Co., has marked 15 years with the firm.

Miké Asquini of Canton Township and Brian Burns of Canton Township were among 18 ProColl Corp. employees honored with an award of excellence at the company's first employee meeting and awards presentation. The awards recognized completion of a 14-month training course that qualified them to inspect the output of ProColl's slitting, cut-to-length and blanking lines. ProColl, which is in Canton Township, provides steel for automotive companies.

David C. Scully was appointed general manager of the Fairlane Club and Manor in Dearborn. A Michigan native, Scully had been with a hotel company in West Palm Beach, Fla.

Liada Lukens of Livonia was named a vice president and officer of Campbell-Methun-Esty, an advertising firm in Southfield. Lukens is business manager/traffic supervisor. Shortly after joining CME in 1982, Lukens was instrumental in setting up a production/traffic department where none had existed. She also helped establish procedures



Gryczko



Asquini



Burns



Scully



Lukens



Gryczko

for a print billing department and organized and maintained an art filing system. Before joining the company, she had worked as a substitute teacher in the Dearborn Public School District and for the Michigan Democratic Party 1978-81. She also is a professional piano accompanist for professional and amateur musicians. She is a graduate of Illinois State University, where she majored in music education.

Peter Skorich of Dearborn was promoted by The Palace of Auburn Hills and the Detroit Pistons organizations to director of the newly created multi-media communications department. He is responsible for producing Palace and Pistons television shows and advertising. He also will coordinate special projects including Pistons movie theater promotions and the video scouting program for the Pistons coaching staff. Skorich had been the executive producer for The Palace and the Pis-

tons. He began working for the Pistons organization in 1981.

Lou Pangel of Livonia qualified as a member of the Mary Kay Cosmetics Consultant Queen's Court of Personal Sales. She received a symbolic diamond bee pin and her choice of a diamond ring or a mink jacket.

Lisa M. Greifenberg of Redford Township joined the law firm of Bodman, Longley & Dahling in Detroit as an associate. She is a 1990 graduate of the University of Michigan law school, where she was business manager of the law school's newspaper, The Res Gestae, and participated in moot court competition. She holds a degree in honors English and honors political science from Wayne State University. Greifenberg graduated from Redford Union High School in 1982.

Roger Fraser of Livonia spent four days at Walt Disney World in

Orlando, Fla., as winner of the 1990 United Technologies Automotive Award of Excellence. The award of excellence rewards employees for exemplary service to UTA or their communities. The award is based on productivity, quality efforts, innovation, leadership, teamwork, positive attitude and involvement in UTA and community activities. Fraser is manager of manufacturing systems for UTA's automotive products division in Dearborn. He earned the award for helping to streamline the way the division orders raw materials for its manufacturing plants. Fraser helped design computer software that allows many plants to order raw materials weekly instead of monthly, reducing inventory costs. Fraser began his career at UTA 16 years ago as a draftsman, progressing to positions in material control and information systems.

Cass F. Beals of Redford Township was promoted to associate with

Plante & Moran, an accounting and management consulting firm in Rochester Hills. Beals joined the firm in 1988 as a member of the audit department. Before that, he was a senior accountant at an accounting firm in Troy. He earned his bachelor of arts degree in accounting at Walsh College in 1983. Beals is involved in community and professional organizations such as the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the Michigan Association of Certified Public Accountants.

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selection than any other reason — a typical store will carry two, maybe three, brand names of an item; a superstore will carry 10," Smith said. "That's the difference."
The proliferation of superstores stems from a lack of leisure time for consumers. "Rather than waste that time going from store to store for an item, consumers want to be using their leisure time for leisure."

BUT THE SPORTS Authority will be more than just a store with great selection, it will also practice an everyday low price strategy, Smith said. "You won't ever see a sale at The Sports Authority."

Everyday low pricing, he said, is an added incentive. "We will never have a sale, but we will always be lower than everyone else," Smith said.

In everyday low pricing, Smith said anytime a different store puts an item on sale, the Sports Authority lowers its price as well. "The difference is that when his sale ends, his price goes back up — ours doesn't."

Marx of Marx Layne said although every day low pricing strategies have had mixed results in the past, there is nothing wrong with the strategy — just the application of it.

Superstores depend on heavy traffic to maintain sales so carrying a large selection is critical to a store's success. Correspondingly, large selections and big sales helps to bring down prices.

"Volume brings down name brand prices down so people buy," he said, "but the real magnet in superstores is selection."

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The Professional Center, 30900 Ford, Garden City, was acquired by an investment group headed by David G. Miles. The Professional Center leases medical suites to physicians at Garden City Osteopathic Hospital, Annapolis Hospital in Wayne and St. Mary Hospital in Livonia.

Cornwell Pool & Patio, which has a store on Ann Arbor Road in Plymouth, hired the Proctor Agency to handle the Ann Arbor showroom as well as the Plymouth showroom.

Foodland Distributors of Livonia is now supplying Vic's Foodland in Big Rapids.

MRL Engineering Co. of Plymouth received an award from Caterpillar Tractor Co. for its high quality. As a result of the company's qual-

ity levels, MRL has been commissioned to manufacture products previously produced in other countries.

Interlock Corp. of Westland received the Ford Q1 Preferred Quality Award. Interlock Corp. makes electrical components for Ford vehicles.

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Tiny cars lead Japan to high mileage — at a price

Now that we are in the midst of yet another gasoline panic, it might be worthwhile to see why the Japanese seem so complacent.

After all, they import all their oil, not by virtue of a twisted marketplace that makes it uneconomical to tap the deep pools in Texas, but because there simply isn't any in Japan.

Part of this peace of mind comes to Japan by virtue of a superior public transportation system, which lets nearly everybody get to work on time if they get up at 4 in the morning or so, and back home again after the bars close. One side effect of public transportation in Tokyo is that about a fourth of all Japanese married men don't know their wives

well enough to spell their middle names correctly, and about 10 percent wouldn't recognize them if they showed up at the office at noon.

TOKYO HAS a pragmatic law about driving a car, which is that you must prove access to a parking space before you can buy one. This means a real parking space, too, not the kind you save by putting a chair next to the curb as they do in Hamtramck. This makes owning a car tough, but there is a loophole, which is the main reason why Japanese aren't too worried about the price of gas.

The exception to the parking space requirement is owning a car with an engine smaller than 660 cc. There are model airplanes with en-



auto talk
Dan McCosh

gines larger than 660 cc, which gives you a hint as to how small we are talking here.

THE JAPANESE minicars also get a hefty tax break and cheap license plates, all of which adds a healthy incentive to price tags that rarely get over four grand for a fully-equipped car.

Of course, for four grand you get mainly four wheels and two or four

marginal seats. The size does nothing to inhibit the basic Japanese tendency toward automotive weirdness, and you can see miniature vans, pickups and even cargo trucks, all puttering along on about a gallon of gasoline every 50 miles.

There are supercharged minis, turbocharged minis, as well as a few so spartan they resemble a couple of pool chairs on wheels. Today, about a third of the Japanese auto business

is in minicars, which builds a mighty cushion against fuel shortages in the whole vehicle fleet.

BY NOW, you might be getting interested enough to wonder why these vehicles aren't sold in the U.S. Mainly, it turns out, because we have made them illegal.

Apart from the incredible mileage, the minicars fly in the face of every safety and environmental law enacted in the U.S. in the past two decades. Most have the crashworthiness of a hard-boiled egg, even without the chance of being flattened by a chunk of full-sized domestic iron, which would inevitably happen if they were exported.

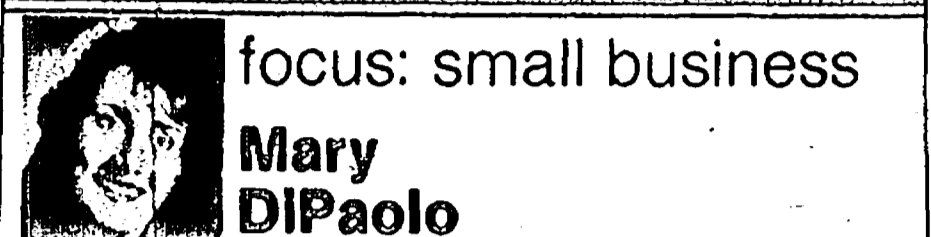
Curiously, the Japanese have rigorous safety standards, in the sense

that they have extremely tough vehicle inspections that quickly take marginally maintained vehicles off the road. (Subsequently, they are exported to underdeveloped countries, a solution to recycling as well.)

BUT THE crashworthiness of the minicars hasn't come into question up to now, although a fledgling consumer safety movement is rumored to be getting started.

The safety issue aside, today's Japanese home market gives an interesting insight into what kind of vehicle it takes to really have an impact on mileage, as well as what kind of compromises result.

Dan McCosh is the automotive editor of Popular Science.



focus: small business
Mary DiPaolo

Learn what not to do if you sell to youngsters

Because promotion is all about effective communication, small business owners serving the youth market should be aware of the most common mistakes made in youth-directed advertising.

In their book, "YouthTrends," Lawrence Graham and Lawrence Hamdan state that knowing what not to do when developing paid ads and promotions for youth is a first step toward creating a successful campaign.

PORTRAYING STEREOTYPES of how young people act and look is a very common error, and one that can do real damage to any promotional program effort.

This problem is further compounded when negative stereotypes are used in an attempt to get the youth market's attention. Although it may seem humorous to present young people as irresponsible, hyperactive or silly, this logic serves no other purpose than to insult youth.

Panasonic Typewriters "Letter to Mom and Dad," Calvin Klein's "Obsession for Men" and Casio's "Music on the Subway training" are three examples of ads that flopped because of the way teens were characterized.

Another mistake occurs when marketers misuse the language of young people by relying on inappropriate or obsolete expressions and slang. When this occurs, little is taken seriously by the target audience including the product or service being promoted.

THIS PROBLEM was most evident in R.J. Reynolds' public service ad, "How to Handle Peer Pressure," which encouraged young people not to smoke. Although the intention of the ad was good, it failed miserably by including outdated phrases such as: "Come on, all the cool kids smoke," "Go ahead and take a puff," and "What's the matter, are you chicken?"

Linking a product to the wrong spokesman also can create disastrous results, as Ford found out when sponsoring Rick Springfield's music concerts to promote the Mustang. Although they were correct in noting Springfield's great popularity as a pop singer/soap opera star, they didn't recognize that his popularity was divided between two entirely different groups: those who knew him as a singer (11- to 15-year-olds), and those who knew him as an actor on General Hospital (over 18). Members of the younger group were unable to either afford or drive a Mustang.

OTHER MISTAKES include changing ads too rapidly, failing to maintain a continuing, youth-appealing impression through all promotions, sponsoring a contest or event not connected with your product, placing "standard" ads in a youth-oriented medium, receiving negative publicity about your company or its product(s) and ignoring obvious opportunities to advertise within the high school or college campus setting.

You CAN meet cost of college education

By Sid Mitra
special writer

One of the frightening questions constantly asked by both young and old readers of this column is: How can we afford to pay the escalating education costs?

The reason for this concern is clearly revealed by the accompanying table. Today's newborn will enter college in 2007 and during the next four-year period will pay a \$150,000 tuition bill.

That is the good news. The bad news is that if you are ambitious enough to send your child to an Ivy League university, you will pay in excess of \$242,000 for that child's education.

THINGS GET a bit gloomier (I have a son in Pennsylvania Medical School) if your child is fortunate enough to get into an Ivy League medical school.

It all seems utterly hopeless, doesn't it? Not only is finding money to pay for education extremely difficult, but the new tax law made it worse by introducing the infamous "kiddie tax." Maybe the best thing to do is to throw up your arms and give up.

That is hardly advisable. However, the name of the game is sophisticated education planning, both for parents and grandparents. Since the planning techniques are both diverse and complicated, I will offer two seminars on this subject (see below for details).

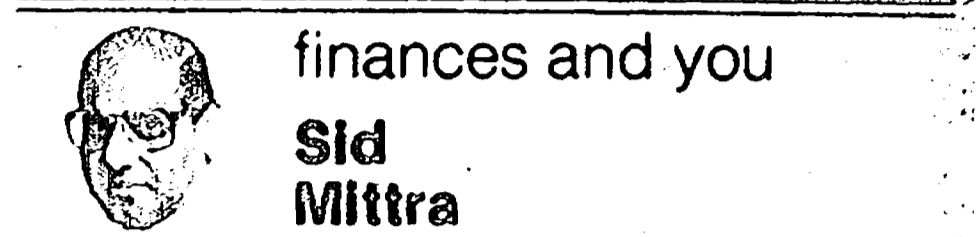
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In an UGMA account, gifts are limited to cash, securities and mutual fund shares. UTMA's usually allow the same, plus real estate, collectibles and paintings. Another major difference between the two is the age at which the assets come under your child's control. In the majority of states that have adopted UGMAs, the age is 18, while in most states with UTMA's, the age is 21.



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2003-2007	120,000
2007-2011*	150,000

* Today's newborn will enter college during this period.

UNDER FEDERAL law, your spouse and you can give up to \$20,000 per year free of gift taxes, to each child's custodial account. These same rules apply for grandparents. However, you must consider kiddie tax before making a move.

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International investing can be done several ways

Q: I have been thinking about investing in a mutual fund that buys stocks that are located overseas. Could you tell me some of the things I should be thinking about?

A: You asked the question at the right time. Alexandra Armstrong, a financial planner who writes for *Better Investing Magazine*, has just written an article on choosing a mutual fund that invests overseas. Armstrong points out that to begin with, you probably want to decide whether to buy a fund that invests all over the world or confines its investing to one area, such as Europe, the Far East or to just one country.

INVESTING IN a fund that in-

vests in just one country is good because that gives you a concentration that can be important. On the other hand, a fund that invests in one country also will face the full force of any currency adjustment between the two countries.

Armstrong says there are more than 70 funds that invest overseas. She suggests that one of the things you should do is check how many years they have been in business.

She favors Capital Research, which runs the American Funds, GT Global and the Templeton Group. She favors all of these because they have a record of successful investing for 30 years.



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A SECOND feature she looks at is if they have an office and personnel located where they are investing or if they have analysts located near the companies and the economies in which they are investing.

Another point is the commission. Do you pay it up front or do you pay it over a period of years? She suggests that you only buy such a fund

for a period of five years or longer and that you should check which would have the lowest commission over a five-year period.

Another point you will want to consider is whether the fund invests in stocks or bonds. Recently both Germany and New Zealand government bonds have been paying more than the United States bonds. Histori-

cally non-U.S. bonds have done considerably better than U.S. bonds and have produced a higher total return.

HOWEVER, THERE have been shorter-term periods where that has not been true. For instance, in 1989 the two strongest bond markets were in the United States and Canada. This is one reason why the average person is better off in a mutual fund, in which you are likely to have a professional staff that is better informed.

Armstrong suggests the investor consider having 10 percent of his portfolio invested internationally. A lot of investors prefer to do that by investing in American-based compa-

nies that have substantial operation overseas.

Thomas O'Hara welcomes your questions and comments but will answer them only through this column. Readers who send in questions on a general investment subject or on a corporation with broad investor interest and whose questions are used will receive a free one-year subscription to the investment magazine *Better Investing*. For a sample copy of *Better Investing Magazine* or information about investment clubs, write *Today's Investor*, P.O. Box 220, Royal Oak, MI 48068.

Michigan needs unified effort to expand international trade

A new, unified effort to create an international trade culture in Michigan is one of more than 70 recommendations that the Michigan Task Force on International Trade identified as key to strengthening Michigan's leadership in the global marketplace.

Nearly 150 members of the Task Force, created at the request of Gov.

James J. Blanchard, reconvened earlier this month for its second meeting. Task Force subcommittees in the areas of organization, counseling, marketing, finance and education/training presented their recommendations to the full Task Force for inclusion in the final report to the governor.

The report will provide a strategic

plan for the use of Michigan's international trade resources.

The major recommendations of the Task Force include a call for

- Consolidation of Michigan's international trade activities and programs into a single delivery system,

- Expansion of counseling networks for minority firms and small-to medium-sized firms,

- Strengthening international education in K-12 and higher education institutions,

- Increasing the number of lending institutions involved in international trade

- Spending more money for trade shows, trade missions and buyer missions.

Task Force subcommittees are meeting to formalize additional recommendations developed at the meeting. A final report will be presented to Gov. Blanchard in mid-September.

The governor is expected to act on the recommendations by Sept. 30, and implementation will begin shortly thereafter.

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• JOB INTERVIEWING

Thursday, Sept. 6 — Free one-hour workshop, "Job Candidate Interviewing and Selection," begins at 3 p.m. at the fieldhouse of the University of Michigan-Dearborn, 4801 Oakman Blvd., Dearborn. Information: Roxanne Lopetrone, 581-4400 Ext. 249. Sponsor: Detroit College of Business.

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Thursday, Sept. 6 — Free one-hour workshop, "Twenty Different Ways to Ask For The Order," begins at 4 p.m. at the fieldhouse of the University of Michigan-Dearborn, 4801 Oakman Blvd., Dearborn. Information: Roxanne Lopetrone, 581-4400 Ext. 249. Sponsor: Detroit College of Business.

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• MARKET RESEARCH

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• WILLS SEMINAR

Wednesday, Sept. 19 — Free seminar on wills begins at 7 p.m. in the residence hall dining room of Madonna College, 36800 Schoolcraft, Livonia. Information: Nancy Torple, 591-5123. Sponsor: Manufacturers National Bank.

• ENGINEER REVIEW COURSES

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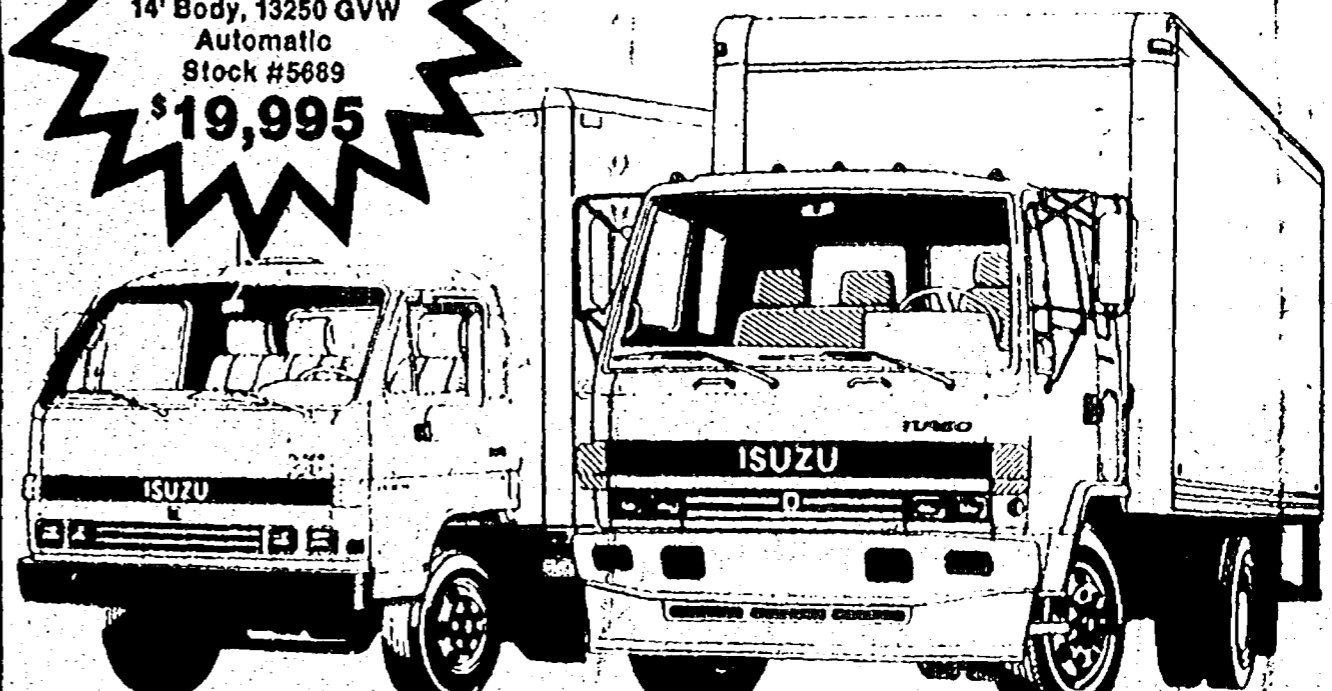
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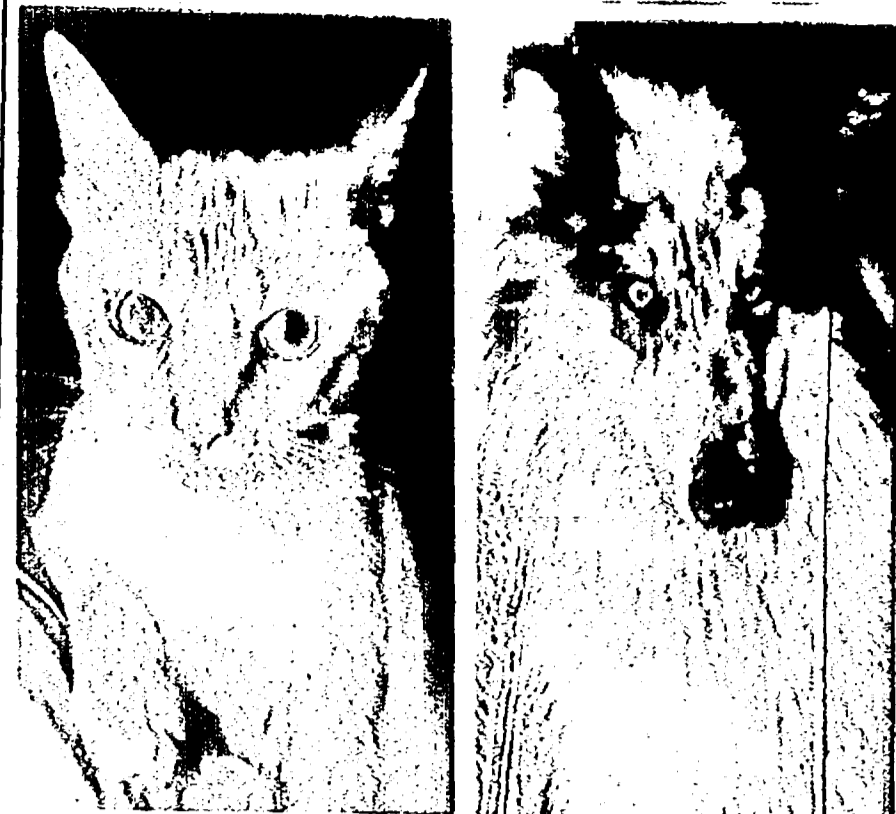


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Look alikes found in nature too

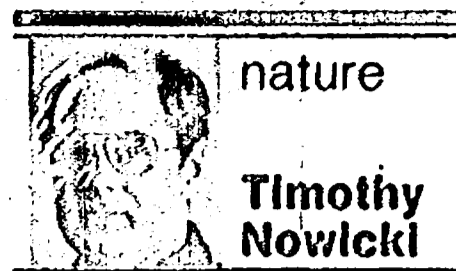
I do not know if it is true or not, but I have always heard that every person has a double, or someone that looks like them somewhere in the world. If you consider the number of people in the world and the number of facial characteristics that can vary, chances are we do have doubles.

Casual observations of plants and animals will also reveal doubles. Many different kinds of plants look similar because they are very closely related. Those who think there is only one species of goldenrod should look more closely.

THERE ARE some plants, like ash and walnut, which have similar looking leaves but are not closely related at all.

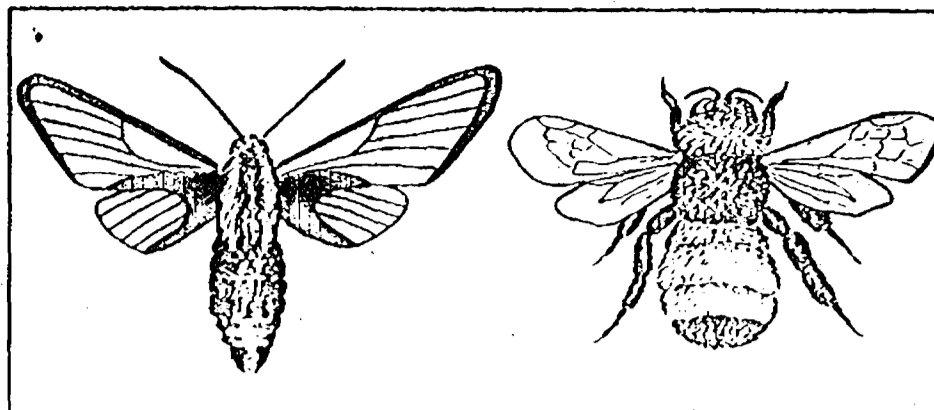
Look alikes are often found in the animal world too. A classic example known by many people is the similarity of the Viceroy and Monarch butterflies. Orange and black coloration of the Monarch warns potential predators that it is distasteful. These bold colors help the predators to remember that they are not suitable for eating.

Viceroy butterflies do not eat milkweed, which is what makes the Monarch taste bad, and thus are very palatable to predators. They also have orange and black coloration like the monarch and thus are not preyed upon.



nature

Timothy Nowicki



TIM NOWICKI/illustration

Moths (left) can look like hummingbirds or bumblebees. Smaller moths with clear wings like a bumblebee and yellow and black coloration in the same pattern as a bumblebee resemble this stinging insect as a means of protection.

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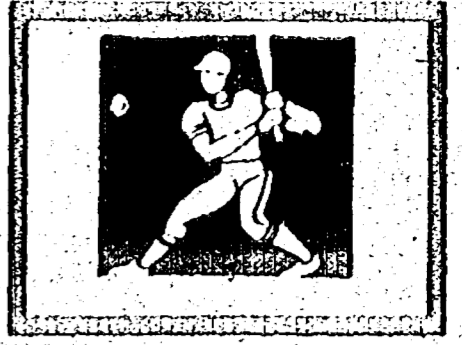
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Focused

Despite tough schedule CC will contend again

By Steve Kowalski
staff writer

Tom Mach, the Redford Catholic Central football coach, stops short of evaluating most of his players because he's still getting to know them. It's not easy for Mach to memorize about 50 of his players' names, especially since preseason conditioning (without pads) didn't start until Aug. 13 — five days later than in previous years.

Teams across the state have been in pads for only eight days so Mach is more outspoken about the shortened practice time than he is about his team.

"I hope it changes back to where we have a full week without pads and a full week with pads," Mach said. "The new system hurts the conditioning and it hurts the coaching because you have less time to teach them football techniques. Kids win awards in the summer at camps without wearing pads. But you can't tell a football player without pads on, because football is a game of contact."

CHANCES ARE, Mach will know all he needs to about the Shamrocks before they open the Catholic League Central Division schedule, Saturday, Sept. 22, at Warren DeLaSalle.

CC starts its season Saturday, Sept. 1 against Temperance Bedford at the Pontiac Silverdome, followed by dates with Lansing Sexton and Detroit Public School League power Martin Luther King.

King advanced to the Class A final a year ago before losing to Muskegon.

"We have three tough ones and our goal is to win each by one point," said Mach, tongue in cheek. "We always play a tough schedule and this year we're not overly worried about

football

our schedule, but it's tougher than usual. I don't know what the other teams are like, yet all we can do is coach and work as hard as we can and go after everybody."

CC, WHICH lost in the Class A final in 1987 and '88, failed to make the state playoffs last year and finished at 7-2 overall. The Shamrocks (who were 3-2 in the Central Division) lost seven players to graduation on offense, including All-Observer first-team players Dave Owens, Ryan Bell and Rich Walsh.

Owens, trying to make it as a tailback at the Naval Academy, gained 1,011 yards rushing and scored six touchdowns from his tailback position. Bell, headed for Vanderbilt, was a standout two-way tackle, while Walsh led the team with 66 tackles at defensive end.

Three players are vying for tailback, with 6-foot-1, 190-pound senior Mike Thomas having the inside track. Senior Brian Chaney (6-2, 195) is the most experienced of the returnees while junior Jeff Tibaldi (5-7, 180) is also challenging.

Thomas, a starting safety on defense, was impressive in CC's first intra-squad scrimmage Sunday, Mach said.

"He hasn't run a lot and he might miss a few holes now and then but he has a lot of natural running ability," Mach said. "And he has speed and size to go with it. Chaney is a slashing runner and he's bigger and stronger than a year ago."

Tibaldi has a lot of natural ability and reads holes and sets up blocks

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Eric Henderson hopes to give Livonia Churchill's offense the spark it needs from the quarterback position this season.

Brooks to carry load for Chargers

By Brad Emons
staff writer

Mike Brooks is looking for a few good friends.

The 5-foot-10½, 190-pound senior tailback from Livonia Churchill High, was surrounded by good company last season, gaining 799 yards on the ground.

But lost to graduation is All-Area flanker/linebacker Trent Naumcheff, now on a football scholarship at Central Michigan University, along with bruising fullback Andy Saplenza and speedy tailback/quarterback Mike Spaccarotella.

"The key is what can we do to balance up the offense?" said sixth-year head coach Herb Osterland. "We have to keep the heat off Mike and we can't let people gang up on him. He'll get his yards, but we're looking for that other guy. Last year we had a guy like Naumcheff who made great plays in key situations."

After losing its first five games, Churchill won four straight to finish with a 4-5 record in 1989.

The Chargers, however, were hard hit by graduation and face a numbers problem. The roster tallies only 26 for the varsity squad.

THAT IS WHY Brooks, who reminds some of former Churchill standout Jim Nalf, needs some support.

"He looks good and is really in a class by himself," said Osterland. "Tailback is his natural position although we ran him some at quarterback last year. He's very similar to Nalf. He's about the same size and has the same attitude."

At 5-6, senior Eric Henderson inherits the quarterback job after starting last season at defensive back and wide receiver.

"We expect Eric to fill in, but he's just really learning the position," said Osterland. "He needs to be able to run the offense."

Junior fullback Ryan Kukla (5-6, 165), a two-way starter last year, is strong and quick. He will also play

linebacker. Senior Matt Jeska (5-11, 190) is also expected to get a crack in the backfield along with the team's Jack-of-all-Trades, senior Joe Cecelon (5-10, 175), who started at linebacker last year and will kick this season.

Osterland is seeking help at wide receiver, but returns a steady line led by senior co-captain Bob Coppola (5-11, 225), an experienced player.

TIGHT END Marc Collins, a 6-1, 195-pound senior, is another returning starter.

Newcomers on the offensive line include senior guard Glenn Senczynski (5-10, 170), junior center Dave Nichols (5-10, 175), senior tackle Christian Cicchella (6-1, 195) and senior tackle Shane O'Connor (5-10, 170).

"We may have to move some people around," cautioned Osterland. Defensively, the Chargers will run a 4-4 alignment.

Cicchella, hurt all of last year and with no varsity experience, will start at one tackle with Coppola getting the nod at guard.

The linebackers include Cecelon and junior Doug Reum (5-10, 170), the latter whom started as a sophomore.

The defensive backfield includes senior Dave Mazur, along with juniors Mark Bryant and Craig Shepley. Brooks, meanwhile, will roam between linebacker and safety.

The team's lone sophomore, hard-nosed Clint Shepley (5-6, 140), is also expected to help at inside linebacker and at fullback.

"It's a new year with a new bunch of seniors with a new personality," said Osterland. "Even though we have seniors, we're inexperienced. That's why we need Henderson to do a good job at quarterback. We also need that other person to pick up the offense. I think we have some capable kids, but who are they? And who will be able to fill that role?"

Maybe Nalf, now starting at Kalamazoo College, can come back for a guest appearance.

Major league?

Wilkins wins, but do Tigers notice?

MIKE WILKINS FACES a steep, uphill climb. Still, he knows it. He knows it because he was not a high draft choice of the Detroit Tigers in 1987. He also does not possess the kind of talent — most notably, an overpowering fastball — a pitcher needs to impress people in positions of power.

"I'm pretty much in a tough situation," he admitted. "Baseball's a game of business and politics."

Which means top draft choices who sign for lots of money will get loads of chances, leaving lower draftees whatever's left over — in both money and opportunities. Success does not always figure into the equation.

Wilkins, a 24-year-old former star at Livonia Franklin, figures he might get one shot at the big time, while a top pick will get a half-dozen. Wilkins also vows to be ready.

EVEN THOUGH he's not a big strikeout pitcher, and he throws only in the mid-80 mph range, Wilkins may force the Tigers to give him his chance. Because despite any of his perceived deficiencies, there is no denying he does one thing extremely well.

He wins ballgames. Playing for the London Tigers, Detroit's double-A team, Wilkins ranks among the top pitchers in the Eastern League. Through Saturday's start, he was 12-4 with a 2.55 earned



C.J. Risak

run average. He was tied for third in the league for victories (two others had 13) and was seventh in ERA.

It might have been better. His game against Williamsport Saturday was one of his poorest outings of the season. The worst hitting team in the league, Williamsport tagged him for five earned runs and 11 hits in five innings. He got no decision; London rallied to take a three-run lead into the ninth, then lost it and the game 10-8 in 12 innings.

"I THOUGHT that was a nightmare, a dream," said Wilkins. Further analysis led him to be less critical. "I didn't feel bad about (my performance)," he said. "The change-up I wish I had back, but that's all part of the game."

The change-up Wilkins referred to was tagged by Williamsport's Tom Alfredson for a three-run homer in the third inning. Still, London pitching coach Dyr Miller agreed with Wilkins' assessment.

"He gave up that three-run homer on his third-best pitch, but other than that he did OK," said Miller.

A game like Saturday's is a rarity for Wilkins. He remembers just one

worse this season; last year, which he split between the Tigers' Lakeland Class A team and London, Wilkins was a combined 13-9. He lost four consecutive 1-0 games while with Lakeland.

Wilkins relies on control rather than power to be effective. In 158½ innings, he has issued just 45 walks, about 2½ per nine innings pitched.

But that's not his only weapon. "HE'S A helluva competitor, I'll tell you that," said Miller. "That's the best thing about him. He goes out there with marginal stuff sometimes and gets it done. He knows how to pitch."

"He's not a high prospect-type guy, but he gets the job done." And his chances of getting it done on a higher level?

"He'll be in triple-A next year, I'll tell you that," answered Miller. "He keeps winning everywhere. All he has to do is stay healthy and keep winning."

Wilkins' approach is simple: "I just try and pitch smart. I've got to go with what I've got."

What he's got that's good is "a sinking fastball when it's working." His other pitches are a slider and change-up.

All are effective, none overpowering. Which is why Wilkins remains a major-league longshot.

His record, fueled by his bulldog-like tenacity — "I go out every time and just try to win" — is his greatest asset, maybe his only one. Asked if he thought he would be playing at triple-A Toledo next year, Wilkins replied, "I surely hope so. But (the Tigers) have got a basic plan. They're going to give their high draft picks every chance to succeed.

"There's no telling what they're going to do."

Unless Wilkins keeps winning. Then he might finally get his chance, at the corner of Trumbull and Michi-



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Steve Clemmons gives Livonia Franklin much-needed speed from the wide receiver position. The Patriots are coming off a 4-5 season in

1989. They open Saturday, Sept. 1, at home against Lansing Sexton.

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Franklin trying to round into shape

By Brad Emons
staff writer

The high school football season is less than two weeks away and Armand Vigna is hoping to make up for lost time.

The Livonia Franklin coach has been conducting triple sessions trying to get his team rounded into shape for its Saturday, Sept. 1, home opener against Lansing Sexton.

"When the state (High School Athletic Association) took away three less days in pads (for practice), it hurts everybody," said Vigna. "We've been going two sessions of hitting and one session conditioning because we came in in such poor shape. A lot of our kids did nothing during the summer and now they're paying the price. We're behind."

Vigna, however, is pleased with some of his players, particularly Bobby Johnson, the 6-foot-1, 230-pound senior returnee who is moving to center on the offensive line after spending much of last year at linebacker.

"He's lost 30 pounds and he's quicker (4.9 in the 40-yard dash)," said Vigna, now in his 16th season. "Bobby wrestled last winter at 275. He's much slimmer. I don't know how he did it, but give him credit."

VIGNA said he took a cue from Plymouth Salem coach Tom Moshimer in moving Johnson to center.

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"Moshimer always believes that you put your best athlete at center," Vigna said. "He (Moshimer) has had some good ones I'm beginning to feel that he's right."

If Franklin is to improve on last year's 4-5 mark, the offensive line must produce, according to Vigna.

"The defense has to carry us early until some of our kids mature on the offensive line," he said. "Nobody is really coming back. The best six blockers will play the line, but it hurts when you have to move an end to guard."

Senior Brian Whetstone (6-3, 195) will open at tight end, but may have to switch jobs on the interior front, joining the likes of senior tackle Matt Thom (6-2, 200), senior guard Dan Miller (5-11, 160) and senior guard Kirk Evans (6-11, 190).

The quarterback job goes to 5-10, 160-pound senior Mike Gelger.

"He played a few downs for us last year," Vigna said. "His best strength is his scrambling ability and we'll try to take advantage of that. He's also very intelligent."

COMPETITION at running back is between seniors Joe Trola (5-4, 150) and Mike Kompatic (6-1, 165),

and juniors Fred Vargas (6-5, 160) and Aaron Shakarian (5-10, 170).

"We'll be better-skillet," said Vigna. "We'll scramble and try to hit quickly with split, tandem backs. Our offense is a very big concern."

Vigna has some experienced flankers in speed burner Steve Clemmons (5-9, 150) and Tony Facione (6-0, 170), both seniors. At split end will be two more seniors, J.J. Drabicki (5-8, 150), likely to back up Gelger at quarterback, and Rahul Jadia (5-6, 120).

Facione, who plays strong safety, is perhaps the Patriots' best all-around athlete, according to Vigna.

He anchors a formidable 4-3 defensive unit which also includes Whetstone and senior John Revels (6-6, 235) at the ends, along with defensive MVP Brian Polsson, a 5-7, 170-pound senior, at linebacker.

Johnson, meanwhile, will play either tackle for linebacker. Also expected to see time at linebacker is 6-2, 180-pound sophomore Jason Facione, who started slowly in camp, but has shown immense promise. Polsson's twin brother Pat could also move in at linebacker.

Joining Facione in the backfield defensively is Clemmons and Drabicki.

"Right now the defense is ahead of the offense," Vigna said.

By Sept. 1 the Franklin coach hopes his offense will have caught up by then.

Bazylewicz puts in OT at Borgess

By Steve Kowaleki
staff writer

Redford Bishop Borgess coach Walt Bazylewicz finally found himself a couple ball boys, but he might not have enough ball carriers to be competitive in the Catholic League.

Depth is once again a problem for the Spartans, who have left the rugged Central Division and joined powerful teams like Orchard Lake St. Mary and Saginaw Nouvel in the Tri-Sectional League.

Enrollment has declined steadily at Borgess and so has the number of players coming out for the team. As of Monday, only 31 players had come out for the entire program (including the junior varsity).

There won't be a freshman team, but at least Bazylewicz has a pair of ball boys in Mike Florkowski and Ron Matchett. Bazylewicz found the two seventh-graders one day playing touch football near the school and he asked them to join his staff.

At Borgess, that's progress.

"IT WAS THE best coaching move I ever made," joked Bazylewicz, a 68-year-old Catholic-League coaching legend who won four Central Division titles while coaching Harper Woods Notre Dame. "We didn't have ball boys last year (Bazylewicz's first at Borgess), so it's an improvement."

"I came in late last year to the job and didn't get a chance to do what I've done this year — getting the kids in the weight room, making sure they work on grades and stay eligible. Like all coaches, we have no time limit. We start in the morning and work all day."

Although there are some encouraging signs at Borgess, it will still take a lot of hard work to improve on last year's 1-8 overall record.

The Spartans are most impressive in the offensive backfield where halfback David Dobbn and fullback Anthony Hood each return for their senior years.

Dobbn, a 5-foot-11, 165-pounder, missed the last seven games with a broken ankle, but is once again healthy. Hood, a 6-0, 200-pounder, was one of the fastest trackmen last spring in the Catholic League.

Bazylewicz calls Dobbn a slashing runner who "has great speed and is elusive."

"If we had Dobbn (the entire season), we would have had a couple

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(wins) on the other side of the ledger — definitely," Bazylewicz said.

BAZYLEWICZ IS praying neither runner gets injured because the only immediate help comes from Wesley Boyd, a 5-7, 140-pound junior tailback.

Returning to quarterback the proset offense is Tom Cole, a senior who started a year ago. Backups include junior James Brown and freshman Nigel Brown, but Bazylewicz is counting on Cole, who has "been a big improvement."

His favorite targets are likely to be junior J.C. Wilson, who spent most of his time a year ago in the defensive backfield, and senior Bob Carlton. The tight end will be 6-4, 195-pound Nate Auld.

The Spartans also are lean on the offensive line, especially with the loss of two-way player Dennis Parker, a freshman at Eastern Michigan University. Leading the linemen returnees are Emmanuel Walker (6-1, 235) and Thelester Mahone (235). Both will see action in the Spartans multiple defensive scheme.

Bazylewicz is counting on seniors Al Fernandez (6-1, 180) and Justin Gugala (6-2, 214) to anchor the linebacking corps, but he will miss defensive back Ron Miles, also a freshman at Eastern Michigan.

THE KICKING GAME poses severe problems, and Bazylewicz admits the Spartans might throw on fourth down instead of punt and "hope the ball gets intercepted," he said. "Our punting game is not good at this time."

First-year player Dave Rose, a senior, will handle the placekicking but his range is limited.

Bazylewicz offers no predictions for the coming year, but said the Spartans will be competitive. Borgess was at its best against the toughest competition, losing to Redford Catholic Central, 10-0; Birmingham Brother Rice, 24-14; and Warren DeLaSalle, 12-8.

"We did real well against people, we just ran out of gas because we had no subs," he said. "We're going to upset some people. We feel like we are."

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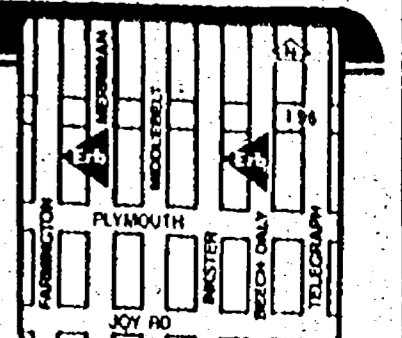
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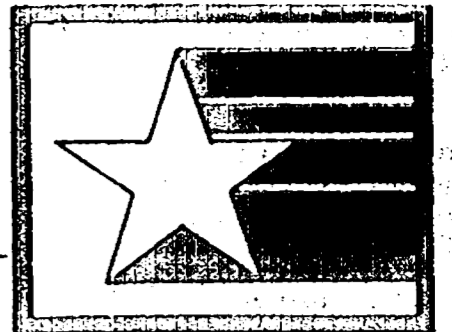
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Future's bright with 'Darkman'

By Dan Greenberg
special writer

INTELLIGENT, personable, articulate and very much devoted to films, particularly horror films — that's Sam Raimi of Renaissance Pictures.

A Detroit native and graduate of Groves High School in Birmingham, Raimi has had a lifelong interest in film. He hit the big time with the national opening last week of Universal's \$14 million "Darkman."

Raimi's father, Leonard, a Detroit area furniture-retailer, used to make movies of his children's birthday parties with 16mm equipment that had been a wedding gift. "I had always been fascinated with the concept of making movies," Sam said.

He has an older brother, Ivan, who is a doctor, and a younger brother, Theodore, an actor and former student at Oakland Community College's Orchard Ridge Campus in Farmington Hills. Both brothers have credits on "Darkman" — Ivan as co-scenarist and Theodore as one of the bad guys.

RAIMI WAS BORN at Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak and spent his early years in Detroit's Six Mile-Livernois area. Then his family moved to Birmingham, where he attended junior high school and Groves before spending a year-and-a-half at Michigan State University.

In junior high he was assigned to do either a paper or a short film in a social studies class. Nat-



Liam Neeson plays the little role in "Darkman," as a victim disfigured in an accident who seeks revenge.

urally, he picked the film project. At Groves he met Bruce Campbell, who became the star of "Evil Dead I" and "Evil Dead II," the films that propelled Raimi onto the international film scene.

Scott Spiegel — another former OCC student — also was a high school chum. Raimi remembers, "We'd make films for high school and show the kids and they'd either laugh or boo. We learned how to make movies from those experiences."

Crediting the excellence of professors he studied with at Michigan State, Raimi emphasizes the need for young filmmakers to

know and appreciate good literature, good stories and understand history.

"The technical aspects can always be learned later. Keep making movies and reading good literature," he said.

Raimi's advice to young filmmakers parallels his rise. He and his partners, Bruce Campbell and Robert Tapert, first made a short Super-8 version of "Evil Dead I" because, "Young filmmakers should work in an affordable medium where you can learn the techniques." And, incidentally, keep working, without a big budget.



Sam Raimi directed "Darkman," now playing is known for his cult horror films "Evil Dead I" at Detroit-area theaters. The filmmaker, who and "Evil Dead II." attended Groves High School in Birmingham,

THE PARTNERS used this Super-8 film to interest backers and raised enough money to make a feature-length version in 16mm. That was successful, particularly in videocassette in Europe. Dino DeLaurentis ultimately backed the production of "Evil Dead II."

Fans of such cult horror films, take heart: "Evil Dead III," also backed by DeLaurentis, is underway, with filming scheduled for December. The story takes place in the 14th Century.

After the financial success of "Evil Dead II," Universal gambled Raimi could make a mainstream film that appealed to wider audiences than usual for "small cult pictures" — which is his description of the "Evil Dead" series.

"Darkman," Raimi claims, "has elements of the horror film but also has elements of a love

story. I tried to give the central character some human emotions for a change.

"Usually in my pictures it's low on character and high on octane. In this one, I tried to actually tell a story."

When queried about continuity and credibility gaps in "Darkman," Raimi explained he loves straining credulity and expects the audience to take the leap of faith with him. "Because either they're along for the fantasy-show ride or not. Those people who can't take the fantasy ride, maybe this picture isn't for them."

Raimi discussed at some length the impact of screen violence on viewers. "I guess," he said, "there's arguments both ways. I don't know." He had his villain (Robert G. Durant) in "Darkman" do dastardly deeds because, "It

would be unnatural if there wasn't violence in films since it exists in real life."

RAIMI SAID violence on the screen also may stem from the need for an adrenalin rush that people used to get from the hunt. "Maybe motion picture violence offers a safe way for people to experience what they naturally have to experience anyway," he said.

In response to queries regarding the U.S. Surgeon General's 1972 findings that there is a correlation between televised violence and violence in people, Raimi professed interest in scientific studies of this question but said, "It's just not as simple as to say, 'Well, the surgeon general says it's so — who cares?' I guess there's arguments both ways. I don't know. I'd like to see a scientific study."

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MUSICAL COMEDY

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bal and the Headhunters, Jewel Akens, Bobby Day, Donnie Brooks, Tot's Bobby Kimball, Three Dog Night's Chuck Negron and Mike Pinera (former lead singer for Blues Image and Iron Butterfly). For more information, call the Palace box office, 377-8600.

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hour musical extravaganza, featuring a cast of 150 young people from around the world, is sponsored by Agape Smiles Foundation as a benefit for its work serving the elderly. Tickets are \$10, adults, and \$7, seniors and children, in advance; \$12, adults, and \$7, seniors and children at the door.

"Face to Face" is the Silver Celebration Edition of the Up With People Show, featuring a new set, costuming and lighting, marking 25 years of entertaining millions

around the world. The concert includes everything from rock to gospel, folk and traditional, international pagentry, rhythm and blues, pop hits from the 1960s, raps, contemporary ballads and be-bopping dance numbers.

Area residents not only are being invited to attend the show but also to have the opportunity to host one of these international students. Young men and women between the ages of 18-25 may even interview for application into a future cast. For more information on Up With People's visit to Novi call 473-1172.

STATE FAIR

Free concerts are in abundance at the 1990 Michigan State Fair (Friday, Aug. 24, through Monday, Sept. 3, Labor Day). Top national acts range from country western to gospel. Country music king Willie Nelson heads the all-star medley of performers. In addition, Sweethearts of the Rodeo and Garth Brooks will make special appearances.

For those who long for the days of hamburger drive-ins and poodle skirts, the state fair presents a golden oldies parade of stars. Bo Diddley, Paul Revere and the Raiders, Bowzer and the Stingrays, and the Mamas and Papas, will sing the hits that made them an integral part of '50s and '60s nostalgia. In gospel music, superstars Take 6 and BeBe and CeCe Winans take the stage. The state fair's musical roster also includes Top 40 acts Expose, the Osmond Boys and Barry White, in addition to musical impersonator Bob Anderson.

MUSICAL 'GREASE'

The Players Guild of Dearborn summer musical "Grease" continues at 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Aug. 24-25. Tickets are \$8. For reservations or ticket information call 277-5164.

BIRMINGHAM THEATRE

The stage version of the 1952 Oscar-winning film "Singin' in the



Fate Domino appears with Hank Ballard and the Midnighters and Bill Haley's Comets at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 29, at the Meadow Brook Music Festival. For tickets, call 377-2010.

Rain" will open the 1990-91 Birmingham Theatre subscription season Tuesday, Sept. 11, through Sunday, Nov. 4. James Mellon plays the role originated by Gene Kelly in the movie, Wendy Oliver has the Debbie Reynolds part and William Akey, the Donald O'Connor role. Tickets will be available beginning Sunday, Aug. 28, at the Birmingham Theatre box

office, phone 644-3533, and at all Ticketmaster outlets.

MUSICAL REVUE

Ridgedale Players will present its second annual dinner theater musical revue, "The Melody Lingers On," Friday-Saturday, Sept. 7-8, and 14-15, at the playhouse in Troy. The evening includes hors d'oeuvres, dinner and a nostalgic trip through the golden age of Tin Pan Alley. The song and dance extravaganza was created and directed by Gwen and Michael Elbert, Ridgedale's husband and wife musical team. The show features the works of Cole Porter, George and Ira Gershwin and Irving Berlin. Dinner will be served at 6:30, with the show starting at 8 p.m. Tickets at \$18.50 per person may be ordered by calling or writing Donna Backus, 6845 Lahser Road, Birmingham 48010 (phone 644-8328).

JAZZ TEA

Traditional English tea has a new American twist — jazz music and jazzed-up iced tea, served up from 3-5 p.m. Monday, Aug. 27, at the Townsend Hotel in Birmingham's "Cool Jazz Tea." In the setting of the Townsend's Regency Room, there's listening and dancing to the Martin Koslins band, a Detroit-area four-piece jazz ensemble. The winning entry from the Townsend's recent "Jazzed Up Iced Tea Contest" will be served at the tea, as well as a selection of blended loose leaf teas and a variety of tea sandwiches, canapes, scones, tarts and pastries.

This is the same menu served Monday-Saturday for tea at the Townsend Hotel. Tickets for the "Cool Jazz Tea" are \$21.50 per person, including tax and gratuity. Call Paulino Palazzolo at 642-7900 for reservations.

COUNTRY STORY

Country superstar Reba McEntire, with special guests Ricky Skaggs and Mark Collie, will perform at 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 15, at the Palace of Auburn Hills. Tickets at \$18.50 reserved are on sale at the box office and all Ticketmaster outlets. Call 645-6666 for more information.

HAMTRAMCK FESTIVAL

The 11th annual Hamtramck Festival will fill more than a half mile of Joseph Campau in the heart of Hamtramck during the Labor Day weekend. More than 100 booths of fering food, beverages and games will line both sides of the city's main thoroughfare from Caniff to Carpenter streets. Continuous entertainment is provided on three stages, and midway rides anchor the north end of Joseph Campau. There is free admission and free parking. The festival opens at 6 p.m. Friday, Aug. 31, and runs to 11 p.m. Hours are 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Saturday-Monday, Sept. 1-3. On Labor Day, Monday, the Polish Day Parade begins at 1:30 p.m., starting at Holbrook Street, moving north on Joseph Campau to the festival area.

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Bridging classical and rock

By Larry O'Connor
staff writer

Pour a glass of chardonnay, slice a piece of cheese and crank up the volume. A neoclassical guitar god is born.

Or, so we are told. Don't believe it? Malmsteen would be the first to say so.

The Stockholm-born hard rock guitarist is not shy stating he's defined a new style of playing. He's been quoted as such in publications such as Guitar World Magazine.

"If something is true, you

shouldn't deny it," said Malmsteen, who opens Friday, Aug. 24, for Ronnie James Dio at The Palace in Auburn Hills.

What Malmsteen has created — in essence — is a bridge between classical music and rock'n'roll. So roll over, again, Beethoven.

While Jimi Hendrix and Richie Blackmore undoubtedly were influences at any early age, Malmsteen latched on to the likes of Paganini and Vivaldi. The end result is some burning guitar music that certainly transcends easy to affix labels as

heavy metal.

One thing Malmsteen can be labeled is a musician dedicated to his craft. Unlike some hard rock axe men who view their guitars as instruments to abuse, Malmsteen's is a symbol of his well-honed craft.

On "Eclipse" (PolyGram), Malmsteen's virtuosity on guitar is undeniable. The sound is orchestral — albeit pedestrian at times. Crescendos are as plentiful as donuts in a baker's shop.

HOWEVER, LYRICALLY much of "Eclipse" tends to be bogged down by hard rock's clichés. Song titles such as "Making Love," "Bedroom Eyes" and "Devil in Disguise" speak for themselves. Lyrics don't betray the titles.

Heard in "Making Love": "To be lonely is my only trust/In my silent movies I can expose my lust."

But few people buy Malmsteen's LPs for the lyrics.

Which explains why Malmsteen has received a grammy nomination for his guitar work on the instrumental debut "Yngwie J. Malmsteen's Rising Force" yet didn't receive an iota of radio air play. Subsequent LPs, "Marching Out" and "Trilogy" have included vocals but widespread acceptance had yet to come.

Malmsteen's career came to an abrupt halt three years ago after an automobile accident left his right

arm paralyzed. After rehabilitation, he returned with vocalist Joe Lynn Turner to release "Odyssey."

"I'm totally recovered now," Malmsteen said. "After that (accident) initially happened it was pretty amazing."

On "Eclipse," Malmsteen enlisted the services of fellow Swede Goran Edman as vocalist. Goran shares credit with Malmsteen on some of the song writing.

Malmsteen's new band also includes Mats Olavsson, bassist Svante Henryson and Michael von Knorring — all natives of Sweden. Everyone speaking the same language could bring some harmony to Malmsteen's brilliant, although unfulfilled career.

The Swedish guitar wants to reach a larger audience, beyond the black leather jacketed heavy metal crowd who call him their own.

"I don't think that's correct," he said. "It's much more melodic. It's hard rock, definitely. It's not wimpy. Obviously, it's much more intelligent music."

Yngwie Malmsteen will open for Ronnie James Dio on Friday, Aug. 24, at The Palace in Auburn Hills. For information, call 377-8600. Also, Malmsteen will make an in-store appearance 3-4 p.m. Friday, Aug. 24, at Sam's Jams, Plymouth Road, west of Middlebelt, Livonia.

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Swedish guitarist Yngwie Malmsteen performs Friday at the Palace of Auburn Hills.

table talk

Wine tasting

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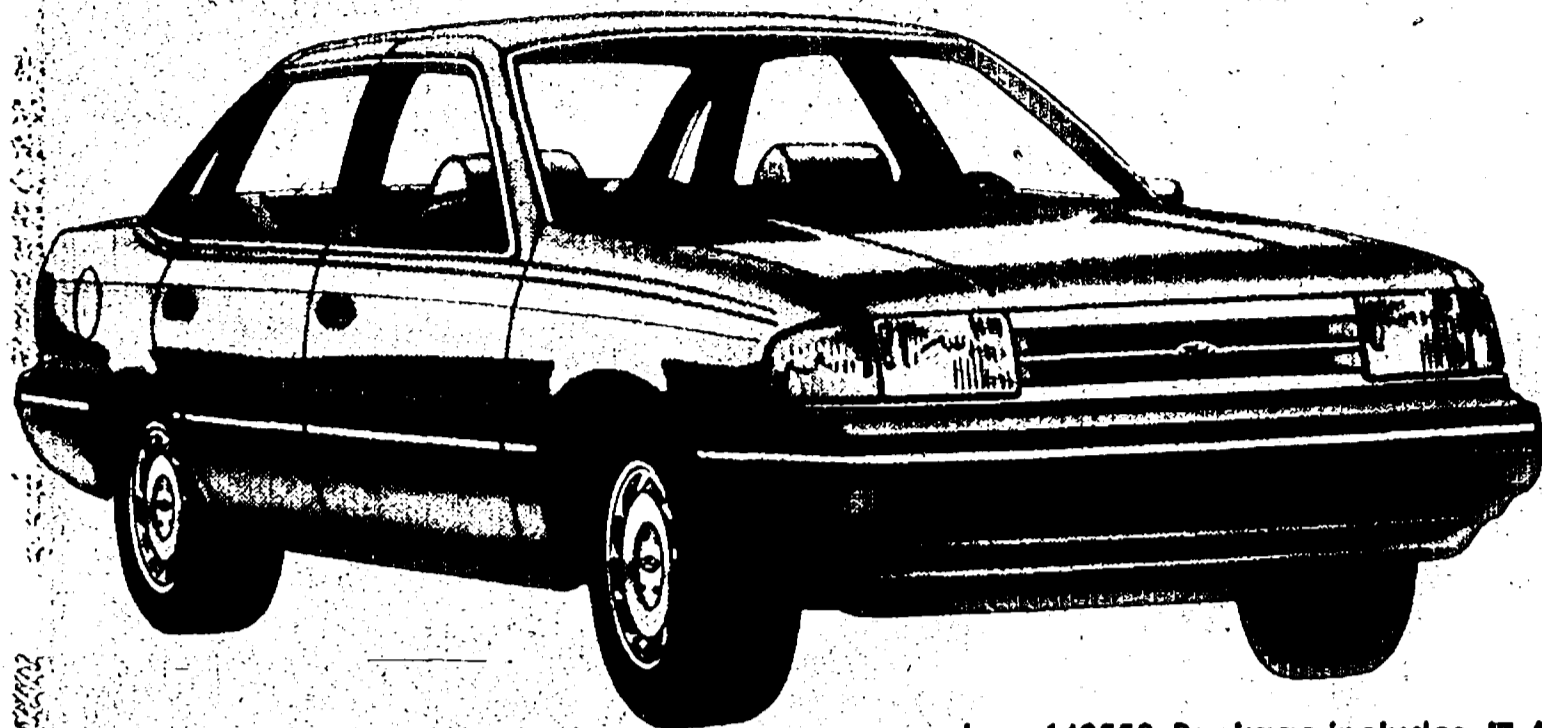
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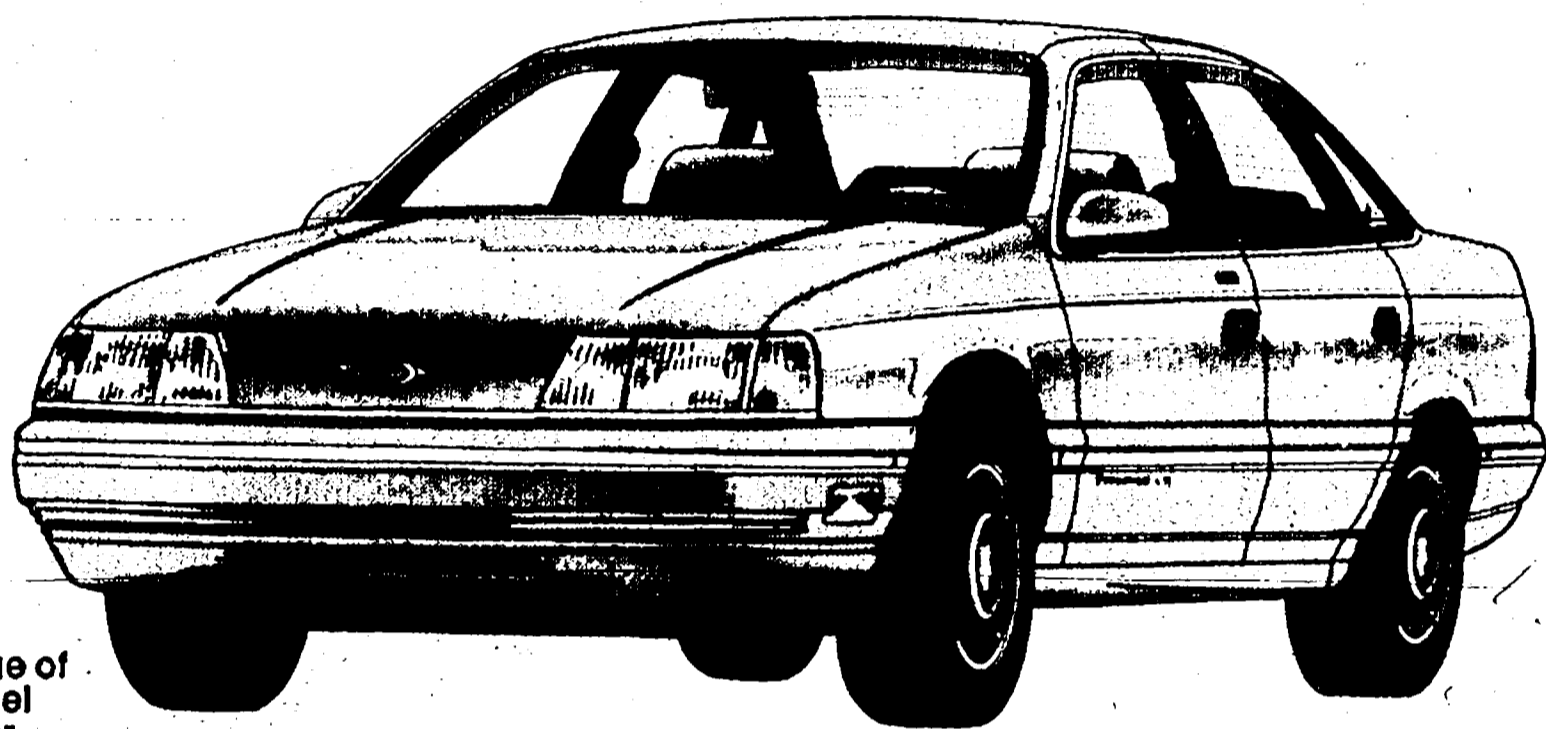
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Northville Schools
Come see this outstanding lot in one of Northville's most popular subdivisions...
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302 Birmingham Bloomfield - A budding floor-out. Buy at cost. Great renovation. Ranch overlooking Birmingham. 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths. New kitchen. Hardwood floors. \$229,000. Lowest on street. Call Mary Reppel at 664-6311.

OWNERS ARE SELLING WE ARE MARKETING 2000 Square Feet of old 1 1/2 acre lot. A beautiful, large Victorian in-law with wrap around veranda that still has room for your personal touch.

CITY OF BLOOMFIELD HILLS - OPEN BUNDAY 1-4 - 162 Endicott (W. of Woodward & N. of Quanton)

OPEN HOUSE SUN. 2-5 - 32724 Frlar Tuck Birmingham - Charming Cape Cod on ravine lot backs to trees. 5 bedrooms, 4 1/2 baths, 3 fireplaces, charm blended with contemporary design.

303 West Bloomfield Orchard Lake - BLOOMFIELD HILLS SCHOOLS 4 bedroom Colonial. Immediate occupancy. Many extras. \$145,500.

304 Farmington Farmington Hills - Absolutely Amazing Farmington Hills New Construction 4 bedroom Contemporary with walk-out. 2 1/2 baths. Large wood deck. \$122,000.

304 Farmington Farmington Hills - FARMINGTON HILLS 3 bedroom ranch. 2 1/2 baths. Hardwood floors. Private road. 1/4 acre lot.

304 Farmington Farmington Hills - MEADOWBROOK HILLS. 3 bedroom ranch. 2 1/2 baths. Hardwood floors. Private road. 1/4 acre lot.

304 Farmington Farmington Hills - ABSOLUTELY AMAZING. 4 bedroom. Brick Colonial. Bright, modern kitchen. Open dining room. Family room w/ fireplace.

ANXIOUS OWNER - BRING OFFER - BLOOMFIELD HILLS SCHOOLS - Spacious open design throughout. Five fireplaces. In-law suite. Area with pride of ownership.

OPEN SUNDAY 1-4 - 524 Kingsley Trail (N. of Long Lake & E. of Kensington) - HANNETT, INC. REALTORS 646-6200

A SPECIAL SALE - Prestigious Birmingham Farms 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 baths. On large, unique lot. God how we love this house.

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LAKE PRIVILEGES - 6 BEDROOMS - Large family home with West Bloomfield schools. Flexible floor plan with lots of updating.

CENTURY 21 Hartford South 261-4200 - ATTRACTIVE. Spacious 4 bedroom colonial on premium lot backing 7 acres.

ACRE PLUS - Spacious brick ranch offers Country Club amenities. 4 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths. Family room with fireplace.

304 Farmington Farmington Hills - FARMINGTON HILLS 3 bedroom ranch. 2 1/2 baths. Hardwood floors. Private road. 1/4 acre lot.

304 Farmington Farmington Hills - ABSOLUTELY AMAZING. 4 bedroom. Brick Colonial. Bright, modern kitchen. Open dining room. Family room w/ fireplace.

BEVERLY HILLS - MOTIVATED - \$139,900 - Immediate occupancy on this spacious ranch. Great floor plan with hardwood floors throughout.

BLOOMFIELD RANCH - completely updated inside & out. In an approved subdivision. 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths.

OPEN SUN. 2-5 - 19710 W. 13 MILE - E. of Evergreen. 13 1/2 Acre. Estimator/Security system. beautiful 2 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath open, completely rebuilt in 1988.

OPEN SUN. 2-5 - 3505 Hollow Dr. - E. of Lakota. N. of Quanton. 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths. 2 car garage. 1 1/2 acre lot.

NEW LISTING - PROFESSIONAL LANDSCAPING. 3 bedroom ranch. Family room finished basement. Lake overlooks.

NEW LISTING - Charming Cape Cod featuring 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths and 2 1/2 car garage. Call for details.

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BIRMINGHAM - Beautiful Quanton Lake Estates. Birmingham Colonial with 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths. Family room, oak floors and loads of charm.

BLOOMFIELD TWP. - English Country style. 4 bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths, central air, oak floors. 1 1/2 acre lot.

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OPEN HOUSE SUN. 12-5PM - Last offering before listing. 5624 Fox Hunt. 1 1/2 blocks E. of Woodland Farmington & Orchard Lake Rd.

OPEN SUNDAY 1-4 - 1581 Lakewood Court - S. of Woodward. 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths. 2 car garage. 1 1/2 acre lot.

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BIRMINGHAM - Clean 3 bedroom brick ranch. 1 1/2 baths, freshly refinished hardwood floors, full basement with rec room, central air, garage & more. Reduced to \$110,000.

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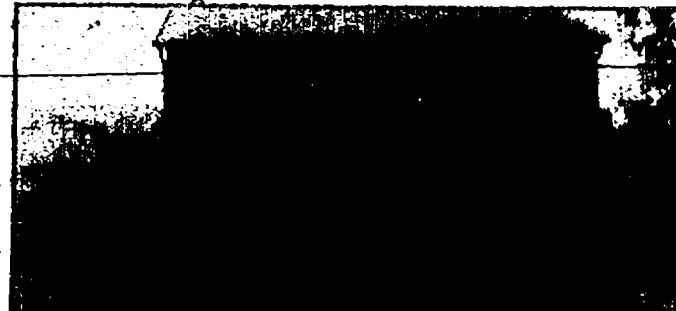
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CANTON

FREE PRIVACY - fast house on dead-end street is next to heavily treed property. The original owners put in quality! Three bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, first floor laundry, family room with wet bar.
\$132,500 455-7000



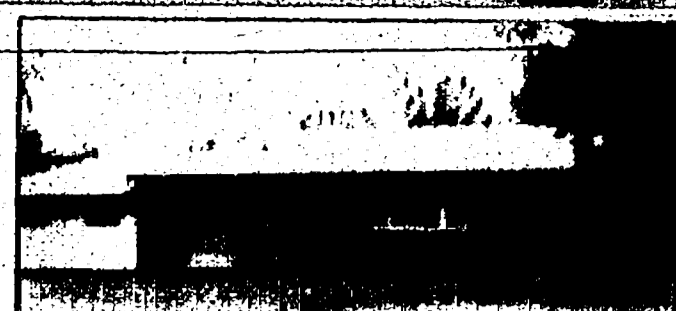
PLYMOUTH

RIDGEWOOD COLONIAL - Traditional Williamsburg elevation. Four bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, first floor laundry and den. Walkout lower level. Two floored docks. Sprinkler and central air.
\$229,900 455-7000



LYON TOWNSHIP

COUNTRY LIVING AT ITS BEST - Four bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, 2000 sq. ft. Brick Ranch on 5 acres with stream. First floor laundry, 2 fireplaces, walk-out basement, central air, 2 car attached garage. House 10 years old.
\$158,900 261-0700



LIVONIA

OPEN SUN. 2-5. 28120 ST. MARTIN - Immaculate Ranch on large lot. Remodelled recently, 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths. New carpets, updated kitchen. Oversized garage.
\$94,900 477-1111



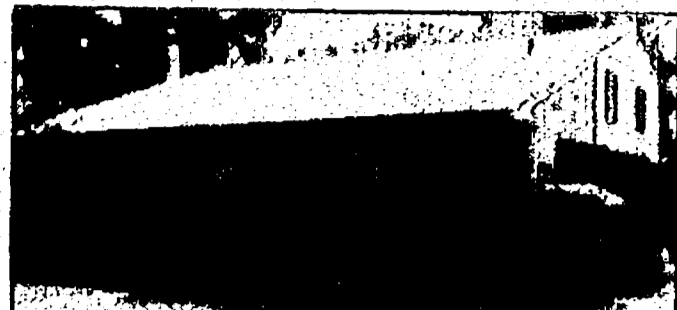
PLYMOUTH

WHY RENT? OWN IT! - Affordable home. Wonderful starter home on large treed lot. Newly remodeled bathroom. Large eat-in kitchen. Walking distance to downtown Plymouth.
\$69,000 455-7000



PLYMOUTH

RANCH CONDOMINIUM - Adult community - 2 bedroom, full basement, carport, central air, private entry and patio. Newer carpet and window treatments. Clubhouse with pool.
\$82,900 455-7000



LIVONIA

CHOICE BUY - Original owners. This home is neat as a pin with neutral decor. Three bedrooms and 1 1/2 baths. Central air, and many updates. A lot of home for the money.
\$82,500 261-0700



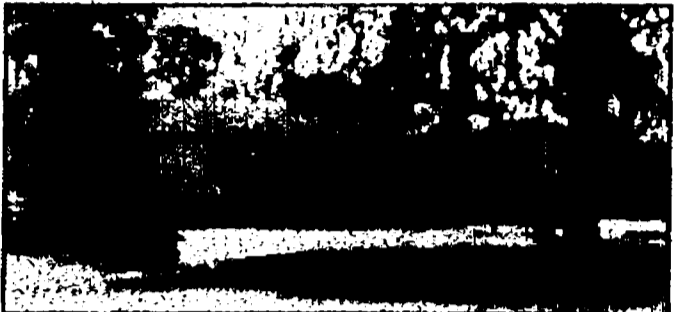
LIVONIA

THE WORK IS ALL DONE - In this beautiful 3 year old, 3 bedroom Ranchy. Ceramic tile floors-new carpeting, fireplace, Corian marble in the bathrooms, stained woodwork, country-sized lot, beautifully landscaped.
\$119,900 51-1900



CANTON

GOOD LOCATION - for this nicely updated townhouse. Newer carpet throughout, newer floor in kitchen, 1/2 bath and foyer. Newer vinyl coated windows throughout. Decorated in neutral colors.
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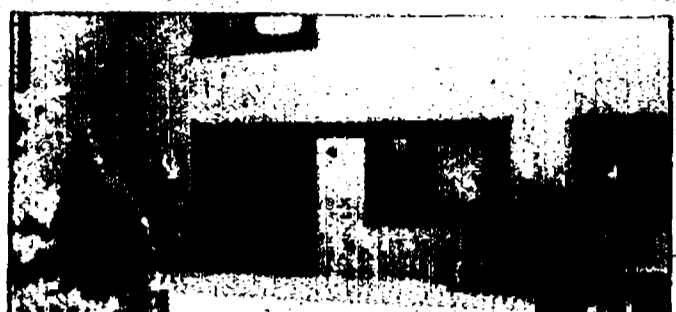
NORTHVILLE

RANCH - affordable 3 bedroom home on large lot. Extensive updating inside and out. Ready for your personal touch. Newer vinyl windows. Large family room.
\$89,900 455-7000



WAYNE

MOVE IN TODAY! - Lovely 3 bedroom Brick Ranch in quiet neighborhood. Enjoy the pools this summer! Partially finished basement, 2 car garage, immediate occupancy. Priced to sell.
\$59,900 261-0700



NORTHVILLE

EXCEPTIONAL VALUE! - Special Financing! Approximately 1800 sq. ft., 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath, townhouse condo. Neutral decor, rec room, fireplace, central air, large dock and 2 1/2 car attached garage.
\$115,500 851-1900



CANTON

LETS GO TO THE COUNTRY! - and live in the city. Four bedroom Cape Cod with garage. Conveniently located in a secluded setting on 2.63 wooded acres. Don't be sorry tomorrow. Dial today.
\$66,900 455-7000



LIVONIA

COUNTRY ATMOSPHERE IN LIVONIA - Large open family room plus charming cove ceilings, plaster walls and hard wood floors, all add to this quaint 3 bedroom ranch.
\$89,900 455-7000



REDFORD

PRICED TO SELL! - Cozy Brick Ranch in all-brick area. New carpeting in living room and hall, freshly painted, finished basement with fireplace. Many extra! East town!
\$62,000 261-0700



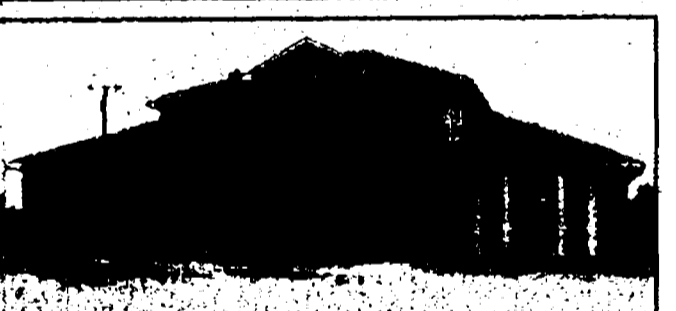
WESTLAND

WELL DONE. - You've decided on this wonderful Ranch. Three bedrooms, partially finished basement with dry bar. New thermopane windows, new garage, new cement.
\$69,900 328-2000

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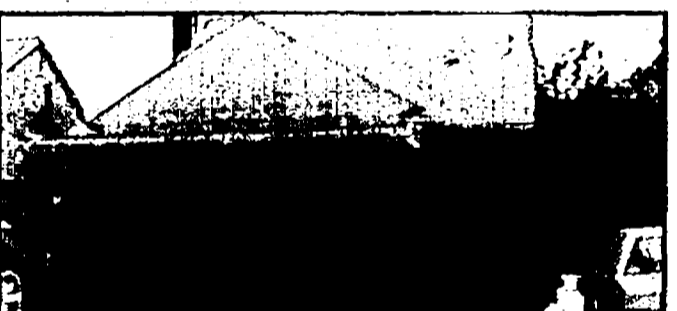
PLYMOUTH

LAKEFRONT TWO STORY. - On private spring-fed lake. Three bedroom custom built new home, living/dining room combination with Oak floor, bay window and doorwall. Attached garage. Much, much more.
\$289,900 455-7000



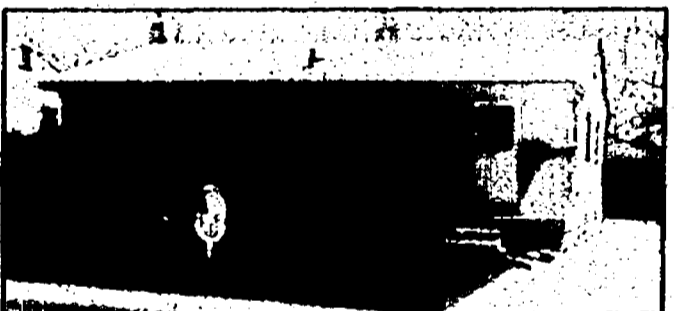
PLYMOUTH

GREAT FAMILY HOME - new carpet throughout. New (89) central air programmable thermostat humidifier. Finished basement with full bath, wet bar and ample storage. Sprinklers, 4 bedrooms, 3 bath Colonial.
\$199,900 455-7000



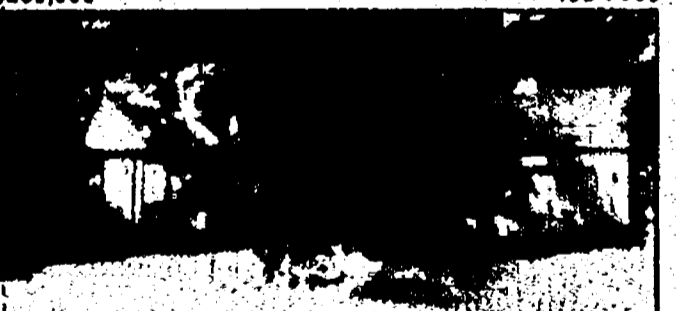
REDFORD

CIRCLE THIS ONE! - Large country kitchen with built-ins and lots of cabinets. Three bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, finished basement with fireplace and wet bar, new windows, and two car garage.
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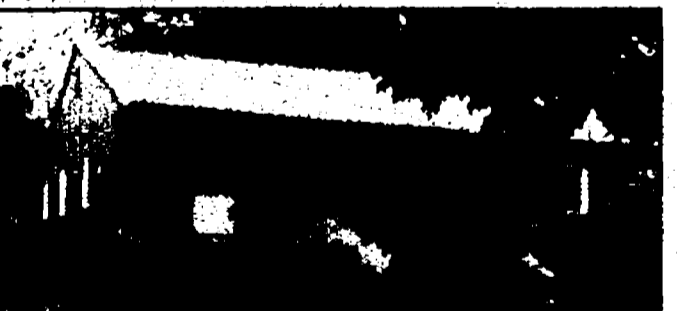
INKSTER

GOODBYE MR. LANDLORD - This 3 bedroom Ranch has basement party room, the kids will love. Wayne/Westland Schools. Take the first step to better living and call now.
\$49,900 328-2000



PLYMOUTH

ELEGANT COLONIAL IN WOODLORE - 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, family room with fireplace, central air. Wood floor in family room and den. Home on wooded lot on private cul-de-sac. Home protection plan offered.
\$190,000 455-7000



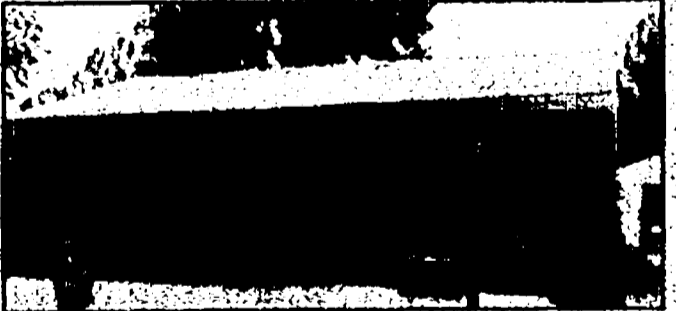
LIVONIA

BRICK RANCH - New windows! New carpeting! Three bedrooms, finished basement, newer furnace, two car garage, in a great area.
\$80,900 261-0700



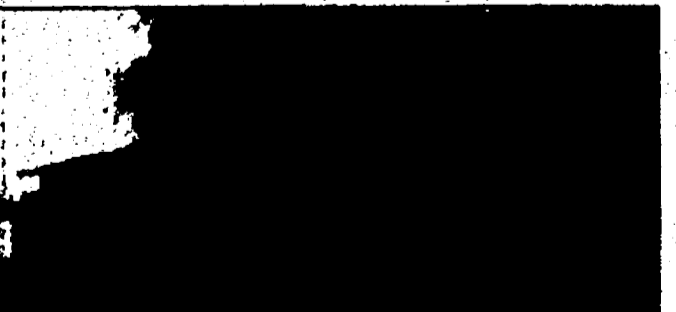
REDFORD

PRIME AREA - This 4 bedroom, 3 bath Cape Cod near Western Golf course has central air, inground pool, new kitchen in 1989, family room, finished basement, 3 car + garage and much, much more!
\$129,000 261-0700



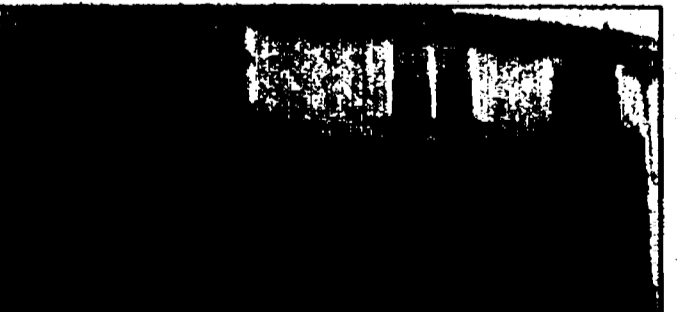
WESTLAND

TONQUISH RANCH IS THIS - 3 bedroom Brick and Vinyl upgraded bath, steel entry doors, full basement, 2 1/2 car garage with opener. New furnace and central air.
\$82,900 328-2000



LYON

SPECTACULAR VIEW - of Kent Lake. Large Brick Ranch on 1.3 acres. Additional acreage available. All the amenities are found in this one. Must see to appreciate.
\$189,900 455-7000



NOVI

SUPER CONDO - Three bedrooms, great area of Country Place. Nothing to do but move right in. Features new windows, fireplace in living room, large kitchen area, finished basement and detached garage.
\$88,900 261-0700



MILFORD

NATURE LOVERS DREAM HOME. - Picturesque setting on almost 4 acres with stream, newly decorated home. Large deck with hot tub and pool. Four-stall horse barn, 2 car attached garage, also detached garage.
\$105,000 477-1111



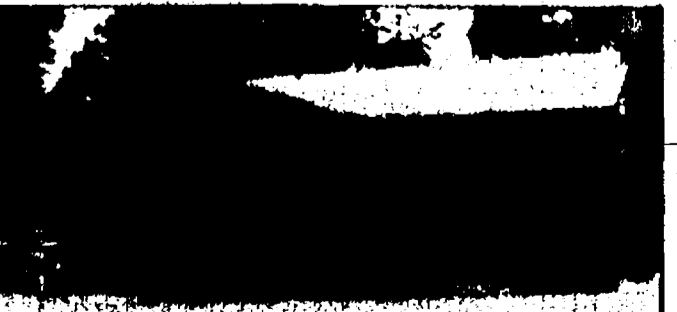
INKSTER

BRICK RANCH - Three bedroom brick Ranch, freshly painted, generous size rooms. Well maintained neighborhood.
\$24,000 328-2000



SOUTH LYON

REDUCED! - Quality throughout this 3 bedroom Brick Colonial. Ceramic tile and stained wood in all the right places. Workshop and office in finished basement. Central air.
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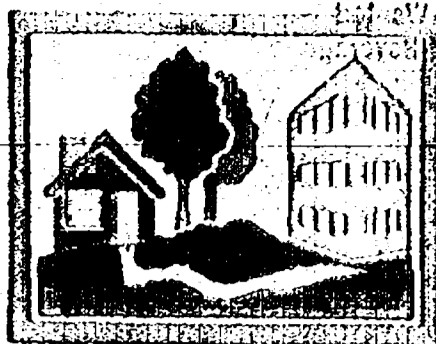
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New home buyers are advised to follow through during each phase of the construction process in hopes of avoiding problems.

Help avoid 'Money Pit' syndrome

By R.J. King
special writer

Having a new home inspected may seem unnecessary, but imagine how an improperly installed water heater could turn your basement floor into the Gulf of Mexico.

Worse, if there's any exposed wiring in the area, chances are your first call will be to the fire department, not your builder or plumber.

How to avoid such pitfalls? Although most professional inspections are done on homes being resold, it may pay to hire an inspection service before you take possession of your newly built house.

For a price ranging from \$200 to \$1,000, the inspector will look over specifications, recommend changes and examine the home several times while construction is under way, including a final check after it passes local scrutiny.

"An inspection on a new home is really a small price to pay in case something goes wrong later," said Barbara Baier, general manager of Amerispec Inc. in Livonia, which has been inspecting homes in the tri-county area since 1978.

"Nobody wants a new home to turn into a money pit, and a professional inspector can help avoid that. As for the number of inspections, it really de-

pends on how thorough the new owner wants to be."

AS WITH MOST professional inspections, both the buyer and the seller or builder meet at the site with the inspector. Following an exterior examination, the parties move into the basement and work up from there.

A home inspector will look for structural damage, inspect the roof, check the installation and efficiency of heating and central air systems and determine if the electrical and plumbing systems are adequate and safe.

"For a new or existing home, we check everything from the grading of the property to insuring that materials in the building contract are not substituted," said Doug Hurt, director of marketing and a licensed builder for Total Check of America in Southfield.

"For instance, does the ground slope away and down from the home to prevent water buildup along the foundation? If not, you're likely to have water problems almost immediately."

As a rule of thumb, Hurt said most houses, whether new or old, generally require one inspection. Not only do these on-site examinations spare later hardships, but they also provide strong support if conflicts arise with the builder.

While most inspections generally take 2 1/2 to four

hours, professionals recommend potential owners be present with both a notebook and camera.

"FROM OUR STUDIES, we've found approximately 83 percent of the homes we inspect, whether virtually new or somewhat older, have minor maintenance problems that could have been avoided had proper care been taken," Hurt said.

While such problems may seem minor, if let go, they can lead to major repair bills.

Buyers' advice: Hire reputable building firms

By Peggy Aullno
staff writer

Building a home may be part of the American dream, but for those who have to deal with unanticipated costs and disappearing builders, it can have a nightmarish quality.

A random selection of Wayne and Oakland county residents was asked recently what they would do differently if they ever decided to build another new house. The most often repeated response: Find a builder who wouldn't make himself scarce as soon as he received the final payment.

"Once you pay the builder or the landscaper, they drop off the face of the earth," said Jerri Harrison, who lives in the Farmington Ridge subdivision at 13 Mile and Haggerty Road in Farmington Hills.

Harrison discovered some major and minor defects after closing on the house, which was chosen from a model. A door was in the wrong place, for one thing, and a wall was also positioned wrong. When a certified letter didn't bring a response from the builder, the Harrisons took matters into their own hands.

"My husband happens to be very handy, so it was easier for him to make the repairs than to go through the hassle of small claims court," said Harrison.

Harry Click, a neighbor of Harrison's, doesn't have much faith in builders, either. He claims that a favorite trick of a builder he has dealt with is to "go out of business under one name and come back with a new one."

THE HOMEOWNERS said the only way to avoid the problem is to not let it happen in the first place.

But both agree that most people can't be at the site watching over the shoulders of workers as each beam goes up.

"The lending institutions have got you, too, because they know you want the loan," Click added. "Once you close, you're never going to get it fixed. But the bank's saying, 'Are you going to close or not?'"

A Westland couple who moved into the Westland Woods subdivision at Cherry Hill and Newburgh last November said they would have liked some leeway in the design of their home.

"What you see in the model is what you get — nothing more, nothing less," said Steven Mion. He said he had only two choices of interior paint colors. If he wanted a different color, Mion said, his only alternative would be to "get the roller out."

Janet Wiethorn had only a few choices when it came to decorating the Rochester Hills home she moved into about 2 1/2 years ago. But she said that made things easier.

"It was very limited as far as the choice but that was fine because how many choices do you really need?" With limitations, "you aren't running all over the place looking at different things, trying to decide on fixtures and stuff like that."

WHEN SHE COMPARES herself to other owners of new homes, Wiethorn considers herself one of the lucky ones.

"We've been so happy. I guess it's unusual for a new house," said Wiethorn. Her home came with a year's warranty from the builder, and the builder responded promptly when she called for service.

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Walk-through marks start of ownership

It is called a final walk-through, but it's not a procedure to be taken lightly and it isn't final.

According to Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan President James Bonadeo, the final walk-through is just the beginning of customer service on a new house. It's the time for the home buyer to check and accept the house that was contracted.

"The home buyer and builder, or a representative for the builder, tour the home room by room as well as the outside of the house. List any problems in workmanship or needed repairs with a completion deadline and have the builder sign it. Retain a copy for yourself and provide the builder a copy."

The walk-through lays the groundwork for "the continuing buyer/builder relationship" — one that will be ongoing and should result in a satisfied customer.

Bonadeo says the walk-through should not be the final meeting with the builder. The builder may want to make another site inspection six to eight months after the buyer settles into a new home to see if any problems have developed.

THE WALK-THROUGH should be a demonstration of the house's features, equipment and functions and is a good time to go over the builder's service and warranty program. It's also the time to review the call-back, repair and maintenance policies and discern what responsibilities are the homeowner's.

One of the goals of the walk-through is the new home owner's understanding of how all fixtures and mechanical systems operate and what to do if they should need repair.

On the outside of the house, the builder is primarily concerned with three areas: the grading of the property, the roof structure, and the general appearance of the house.

"For example, your builder should check to be sure the ground around the foundation slopes away from the house, and that roof shingles are flat and tight."

Bonadeo advises new house buyers that maintenance goes a long way in keeping the house functioning properly.

For example, many types of heating and air conditioning systems contain filters to remove dirt and

dust from the air that need to be changed periodically.

DUST AND DIRT, if allowed to accumulate, can harm the finish on Venetian blinds, cabinets, countertops, floors, sinks, tubs, walls, tiles and other items. Outside, gutters and downspouts should not be allowed to get clogged with leaves and other objects. The exterior of the house is built to withstand exposure to the elements, but a periodic cleaning will improve the appearance, and in many instances, prolong the life.

"When you bought your home, you probably received a warranty from the builder on workmanship and materials, Bonadeo said. "This warranty applies to problems related to the construction of the home, but it does not apply to problems that arise because of failure to perform routine maintenance."

"For example, if your roof begins to leak after six months because of faulty workmanship, your warranty would cover that. If you develop a problem because water backed up in clogged gutters, the builder is not responsible for repairs."

Some items such as appliances, may be covered by manufacturers' warranties and are not the builder's responsibility.

You should fully familiarize yourself with the terms of your warranty soon after you move into your home, Bonadeo advises. If you find a problem that is covered under the warranty, follow these procedures to have it corrected.

"First, notify your builder about the exact nature of the problem," Bonadeo said. "Except for emergencies, notify your builder in writing. Include your name, address and home and work telephone numbers. If you don't type the letter, make sure your handwriting is legible. Make the letter brief but include all relevant details. State exactly what needs to be done and specify a reasonable amount of time in which you would like it completed (usually a few weeks for non-emergency items)."

Do not send original documents with the letter, and keep a copy of your letter for your records. If your home has an insured warranty (such as under the HOW program), send a copy of your letter to the warranty company.

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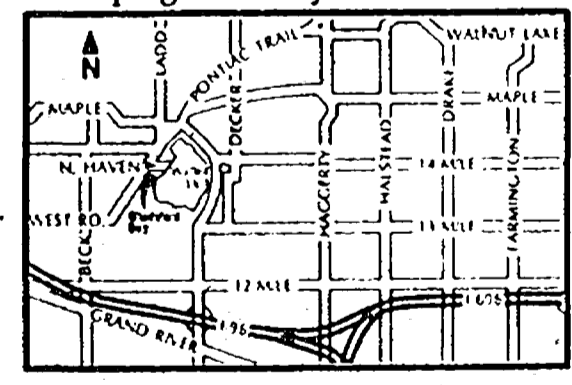
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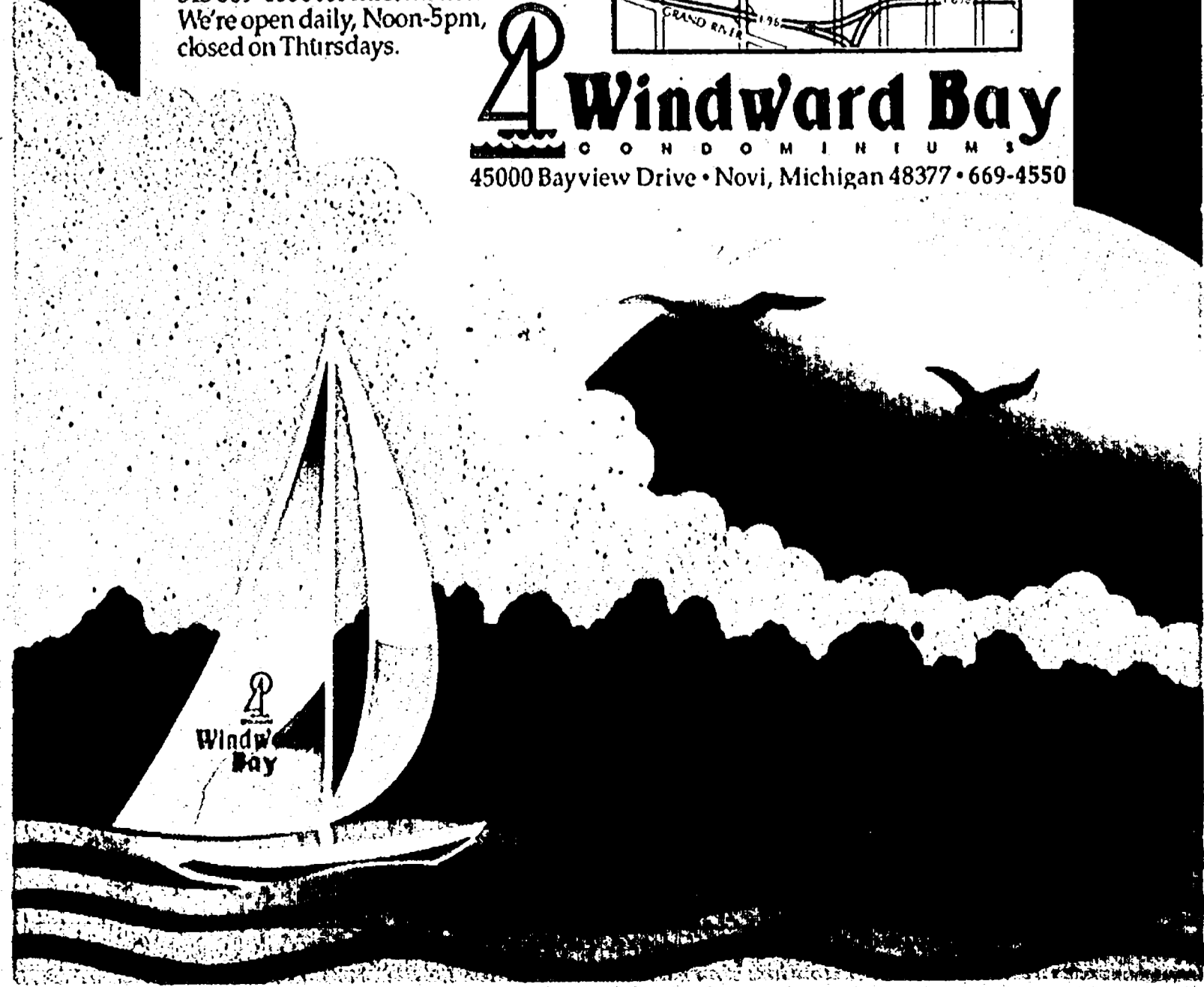
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Wood flooring: 'furniture you can walk on'

(AP) — Michael Purser, a wooden floor restorationist, believes the aging hardwood surfaces he refinishes are "furniture you can walk on."
 "A second-generation, Atlanta-based craftsman, Purser says, "I don't see any difference between a floor and a piece of furniture because they offer many of the same challenges in terms of building and finishing."
 While there has been a virtual explosion in the use of natural wood

flooring for new homes and commercial projects, the bulk of work at Michael's Rosebud Co. is refinishing. "About 20 years ago, everything went under carpet," Purser says. "Hardwood literally went dormant."
 But today, people everywhere are rediscovering the beauty and utility of hardwood flooring.
 According to Country Home magazine, in any floor restoration project, the homeowners will have to decide how authentic they want their

finish, how they will remove the old surface, and what new topcoats they will use. Here are the questions Purser clients often ask:
 • Should a floor's original finish be restored or replaced?
 Floors in the 18th and 19th centuries were usually painted or stained with heavily pigmented materials, totally obscuring the natural grain and color of the wood. Earlier floors were left bare and simply washed with a solution of water and lye and

periodically treated with a pumice-like material. Stenciled designs or faux finishes were also used. Because all these original coatings are less durable than today's, most homeowners prefer modern materials, Purser says.
 • How are old finishes removed?
 Basic options include: Removing old paint and varnish with chemical strippers; mechanically grinding off the old finish with sanding equipment; and reconditioning floors by

cleaning thoroughly, spottanding, and applying a new finish.
 Purser avoids chemical removers because of the inherent health hazards. But stripping has some advantages. It removes just the old finish, which saves wood and protects the patina's mellow glow.
 Sanding floors is the common way to remove old finishes. "Most people want a decorative, good-looking, low-maintenance floor. Invariably that means machining off the old finish," Purser says.
 "But grinding takes a deft hand. Sand a spot for an instant too long and the machine can burrow into the wood. Resulting scars may permanently ruin a floor."
 Purser cautions do-it-yourselfers about the difficulty of the job. The object is to remove minimal surface while cutting through old finishes. He approaches the task with \$15,000 worth of equipment.

that doesn't require chemicals or sanding. Floors can be reconditioned by laying a new finish coat over an old one.
 Surfaces must be thoroughly cleaned. Rough up the old coat with sanding or a chemical gloss cutter. Any spot damage must be filled and sanded.
 Once the floor is ready, pick a small, out-of-the-way patch to test the new finish. If it performs well and gives the look desired, do the whole floor.
 • What kind of finish coating should be used?
 After years of testing, Purser believes old-modified urethanes are the best compromise because they are safe, durable and offer a pleasing finish. Unless a basketball court is being finished, avoid the plastic look of polyurethanes.
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(AP) — "On parle Français" in home decor these days, but with a strong American accent.

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In France, the armoire's place is in the bedroom and its function is to store clothing, says furniture importer Philippe Geisler. If there is a mirror in the room, it's most likely inside the armoire. In America, the armoire may be in the family room — as a cabinet for the entertainment system.

For the American bedroom, an importer of French furniture has to offer a double or triple dresser with a mirror to hang above it if he wants to do much business, says Geisler, president of Tradition France Inc., of Morganton, N.C. And while double beds are most common in France, queen and king size beds are essential here.

Once we have our "French" bedroom furniture, we make up the bed in printed sheets with matching dust ruffle, duvet cover and pillow shams. For Americans, you see, there's nothing more French than Provencal print fabrics or blue and

white toile. Yet, French sheets traditionally are white and embellished with family initials and perhaps some embroidered trim, says Pierre Hivert, president of Pierre Deux in New York.

THE FRENCH USE Provencal print fabrics to line their armoire and bureau drawers, closets and cupboards. They also use them as curtains behind the bed and at the window and for cushion covers, tablecloths, napkins and placemats. But never do they use the fabric as bed sheets, says Hivert. (Pierre Deux, however, will accommodate American taste next year with a line of bed sheets in "French" patterns made in America.)

The French kitchen, unlike the American kitchen, is rarely a gathering place for friends. It's for cooking, with a small table and a couple of chairs in a corner for a quick meal.

"I visited a lovely American home recently. We had all three meals in the kitchen. This would never happen in France," says Hivert.

To an American, there's nothing more typically French than the wicker or fruitwood bread holder known in France as a panetiere. In France, a panetiere would be hung in the kitchen and used to store bread and other foods. In the United States, it's hung on the wall in the family room as decoration.

The family room itself, with its TV set for the family to gather around, is all but unknown in France. The French TV is most likely in the living room or dining room, says Hivert.

"Irrespective of period, French furniture sells best in the United States when it's been modified to American standards," says Geisler.

AS AN EXAMPLE, upholstered easy chairs with exposed wood arms and legs known as bergeres would be covered in velvet or damask back home. They look great to Americans in bright plaids, stripes or contemporary prints. Americans will use rustic iron table bases with more formal glass or marble tops. The French would keep it authentic with well-worn wood.

"A standard cherry finish sells in France because it looks new," says Geisler. "In the United States, painted and distressed finishes sell well because they look old."

Geisler predicts that French beds with cane and upholstered headboards will overtake the sleigh beds and paneled headboards so popular in the United States now. Emerging

directions are the directoire and empire styles of the 19th century, he says. The directoire period began in 1795. Influenced by a taste for Greek and Roman antiquities, woodwork was often painted in gold and gaudy colors. The Empire period, which began in 1804, saw the return of a more sober look in square edged pieces often done in mahogany.

Hivert says the whole concept of Pierre Deux is American rather than French. The New York-based company's imported accessories, fabric and furniture represent the quintessence of French style to many. But it is a concept that is more American than French because it mixes regions, farm and city, pewter and silver plate. The French would not put a Normandy dining room in a Provencal farmhouse.

"You have to be very attentive to discover the American way of doing things," says Hivert, a Frenchman. "Americans are more oriented to the functions of the room. Then they think about how to dress it up with warmth."

"In France, we still do things the same way we have been doing them for years."

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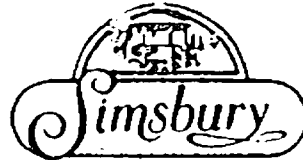
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"It was nice to just pick up the phone and say come fix this," she said.

Karen Prater solved the case of the disappearing subcontractor by withholding 10 percent of her payment until she did a final inspection.

"If you've got that 10 percent, you will get him back," she said.

Prater, who described her 6,500-square-foot Rochester home as "a mansion, practically," acted as the contractor for the building of the place. She estimated that she saved 30 percent by supervising the job herself, but that required getting a builder's license. For her own piece of mind, Prater kept a close eye on the workers she hired.

"This is a full-time thing and I think if someone goes into subcontracting their own house they've got to be here," she said. "Even if the blueprint is very precise, there are a lot of things that the designers put in that do not work. You have to make a decision on the spot."

HER ADVICE to people building a customized home: Hire reputable subcontractors, those who work for reputable builders.

"When you find a builder who's not working at the peak season, there's a reason he's not busy," she warned.

New home buyers also complained about unanticipated costs involved in adding finishing touches.

"It's kind of like that movie, 'The Money Pit.' You think you don't have repairs to do. What you don't realize is there's no wallpaper, no sod, no deck," said Harrison. "By the time you do all that, it's time to replace the carpet. So it seems like it never ends."

Flooded basement tips

(AP) — A flooded basement can be a shocking sight, but with special equipment it can be returned to normal.

It's important, however, to remove the water as quickly as possible. If the cause is a ruptured pipe, first shut off the water supply.

Shallow flooding, up to an inch deep, can be handled with buckets, mops, sponges or a wet-dry vacuum cleaner.

Deeper flooding must be pumped out. This can be done by a plumber or waterproofing contractor, or perhaps your municipal public services department. Or you can do the pumping yourself with special equipment.

Caution. Because water conducts electricity, flooding poses a danger. It is best to have the electric company turn off the power to your house before you enter a deeply flooded basement. If this is not possible, put on high, heavy rubber boots and thick, dry rubber gloves. Be sure they don't leak.

Go down to turn off the power. Standing on a wooden stool or chair, use a long, dry piece of wood

or plastic, such as a broom handle, to flip the main switch or pull out the main fuse block. Do not touch a wall or anything else in the basement until the power is off.

Here are the steps to follow with a flooded basement:

- If you bail out the water by hand and if your house has its own septic system, carry the buckets outdoors to be dumped to avoid overloading the septic system.

- You can rent a submersible electric pump, known as a puddle sucker, which sits on the floor, drawing water through the case and pumping it out through a garden hose.

- Lower the pump until it rests on the basement floor. Plug the cord into a neighbor's outlet. Keep debris away from the pump's intake as it may clog the machine and burn out the motor.

- Some electric and marine supply stores sell submersible pumps powered by a 12-volt automobile battery. Be sure to put the battery in a dry place and put the pump into the water before attaching the battery.

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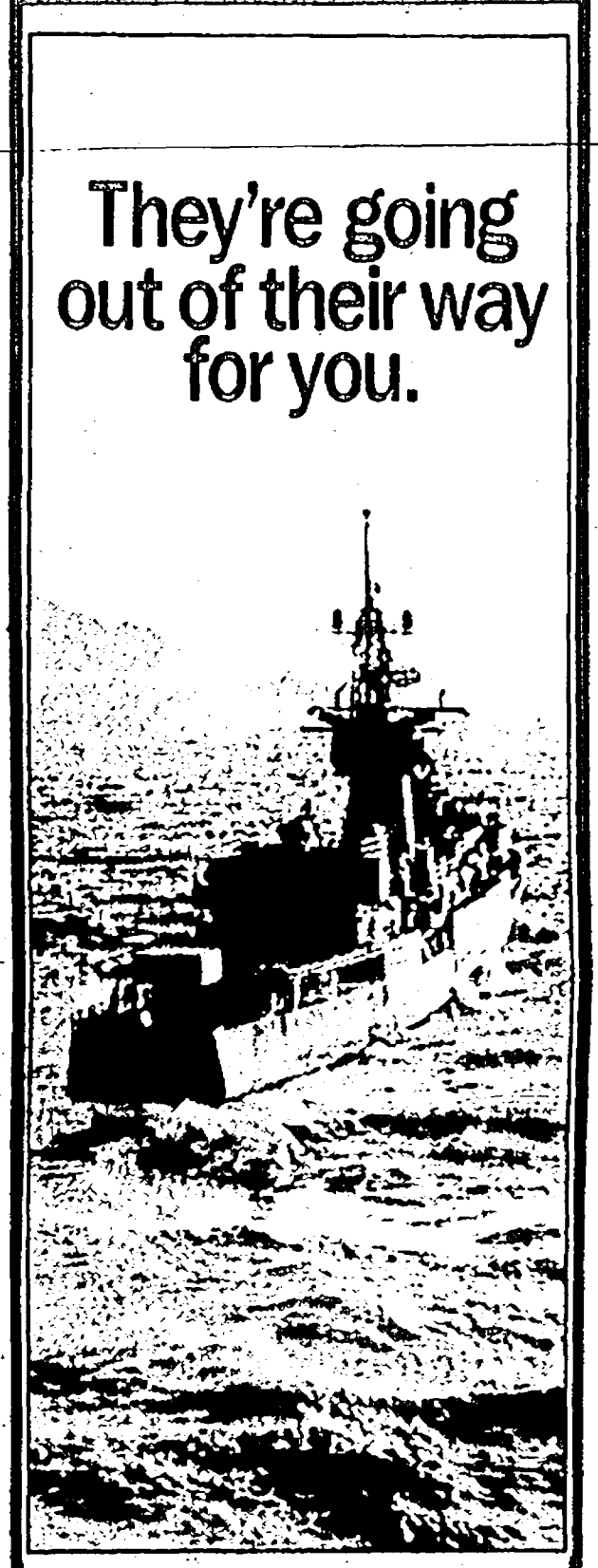
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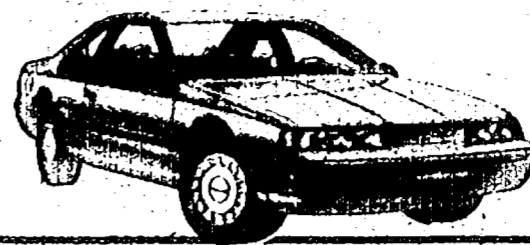
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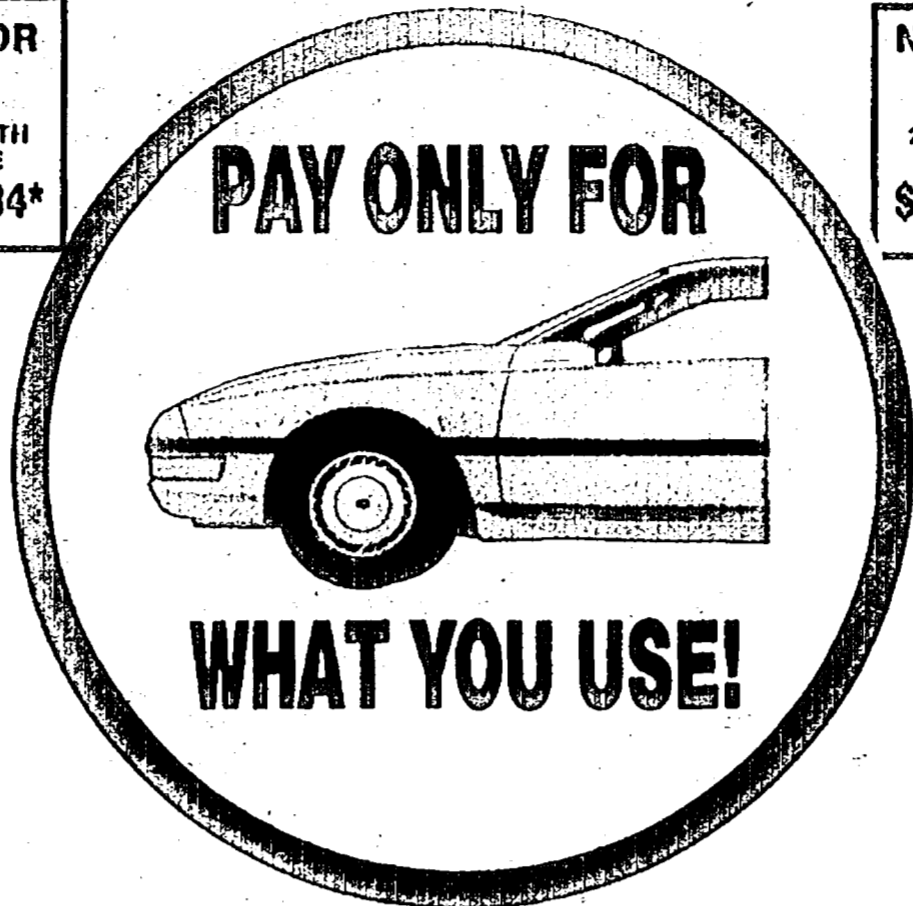
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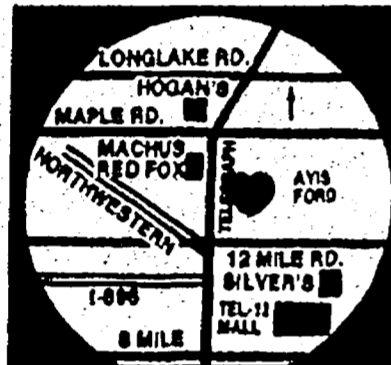


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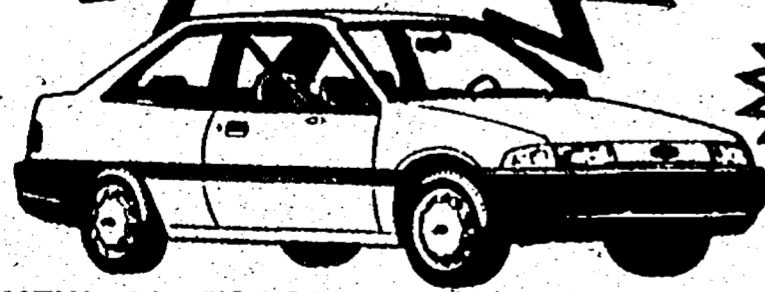
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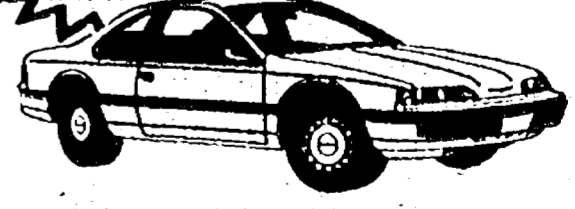
Power steering, power brakes, tinted glass, air, console, automatic transmission, rear window defogger, console, rear spoiler, power door locks, power windows, speed control, AM/FM stereo cassette, body side moldings, light group. Stock #1068.
 WAS \$12,915 IS **\$9594***

29 M.P.G.
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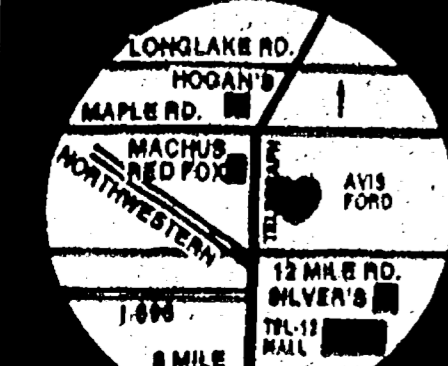
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