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Toxic waste check

Solid wastes from deteriorating barrels in a former landfill were inspected this week by the private Maecorp. of Grand Rapids under the direction of the Michigan Natural Resources Department. Barry Selden, a DNR environmental quality analyst, said that the site south of Ford and west of Hix was scheduled to be inspected this week. Selden said an air moni-

tor failed to detect any toxic materials in the atmosphere. A lab analysis of the barrels' contents will be completed in several weeks, he said. Selden added that the property was formerly used a landfill for many years and is now considered for industrial development.

Plan for new city library in circulation

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By Todd Schnelder
staff writer

A new, independent public library for Westland — which voters have rejected twice since 1985 — could be built with \$2 million in state money, city and state officials confirmed Tuesday.

State Sen. William Faust, D-Westland, has included funding for construction of a new library and money for an extensive renovation of the existing Wayne-Westland Public Library on Sims in Wayne in a proposed allocation request.

The measure was approved by the Senate's Capital Outlay Committee Sept. 13.

It still must be approved by the appropriations committee and then the full House and Senate before being signed by Gov. James Blanchard.

Mayor Robert Thomas confirmed Tuesday that the proposed library appropriation was on his agenda of a scheduled meeting with Faust in Lansing. Thomas said he was going to Lansing "to lend my support" for the proposal in hearings before the appropriations committee.

"HOPEFULLY, THIS is going to be a new dawn for library services in our area," Faust said Tuesday.

However, the senator remained cautious about eventual approval of the measure. "We've only made it past one step. There's still a long way to go," he said.

Faust's proposal calls for an allocation of \$1.375 million for construction of a Westland library in the state's 1990-91 budget. An additional \$625,000 would be appropriated in the 1991-92 budget.

The Wayne-Westland library would get \$600,000 for a major expansion and renovation, bringing the total value of the package to \$2.6 million.

Faust said he began working on the proposal after meeting with the Wayne-Westland library board last winter. "They told me of their frustrations with the Wayne building. I know that federal funds have dried

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— Mayor Robert Thomas

up (since 1980) and I told them I would try to do something (at the state level)," Faust said.

The money would pay for construction of a Westland library, but not operating expenses.

Thomas said Tuesday when Faust first approached him with the proposal last spring he assured the senator the city could find a way to support a new library.

HE SAID volunteers, possibly members of the library board could be asked to contribute time or services until additional money becomes available.

"They (voters) defeated a couple of millages but there's still a lot of support in the community," Thomas said Tuesday. "I think a lot of people would still want to have a library. They just weren't happy with proposals that asked them to pay for construction."

Voters rejected a millage for construction of a new library by 53 to 47 percent in 1985.

In 1987, a similar tax increase proposal lost by a 2-1 margin, although backers conceded it may have been hurt by a tax increase proposal to pay for increased fire protection services on the same ballot. That proposal was also beaten handsly.

The cities of Westland and Wayne approved \$35,000 in renovations at the existing library following the defeat, including replacement of worn ceiling panels and new carpeting for the facility, originally built in the mid-1950s.

Three years ago, construction was pegged at \$2 million and preliminary plans for a 25,000 square-foot

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Stay tuned

Council turns channel, considers televised meetings

See related editorial, Page 10A

By Todd Schnelder
staff writer

After years of disinterest the Westland City Council appears ready to consider broadcasting its meetings on cable television.

City Councilman Charles Pickering

Monday asked council legislative assistant Joseph Benyo to research how other communities have handled televised meetings. He requested a report by Nov. 30 and urged the council to look into the matter at a study session the second week in December.

Pickering said the council should consider either live or taped broadcasts on Channel 8, which is operated by the city.

The request appeared to be motivated in part by Mayor Robert Thomas' plan to host a regular cable call-in show. The council voted 4-3 Monday to buy a four-line telephone/audio system for \$1,730 for the mayor's live show.

Some council members said they were concerned about the mayor's increasing presence on cable television and the planned subject matter of his show.

BUT PICKERING also spoke about making use of the technology to better inform Westland residents.

Benyo said Tuesday the request caught him by surprise, but added that he planned to begin mailing out survey forms as early as this week.

"Whatever they (council members) want, I'm going to give them — in depth," Benyo said.

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City tests junkyard for toxic materials

By Todd Schnelder
staff writer

A Newburgh junkyard will be allowed to continue operating while officials soil test the city-owned site for toxic and flammable chemicals, Mayor Robert Thomas said Tuesday.

But Thomas said he hopes to be able to eventually close down Worldwide Auto and Truck Salvage on Newburgh, south of Cherry Hill, which he called "a disaster" and "a pigsty" during Monday night's Westland City Council meeting.

The council meanwhile tabled a renewal of World Wide's already-expired license until a Sept. 25 trial in 18th District Court for 17 outstanding ordinance violations issued against the business last summer.

Violations included one for improper storage of compressed gas cylinders and another for failing to provide an approved metal storage locker for combustible/flammable liquids.

Other violations concern a 2,500 cubic-foot section of the yard stacked with old tires, which Thomas called a major fire hazard and a fence surrounding the property that has fallen into severe disrepair.

THOMAS AND councilwoman Sandra Cicirelli also questioned what they said was a poor payment history by tenant and business owner Barbara Taylor.

The mayor said that although Tay-

'Is it personal? You bet it's personal. He just wants us out of business.'

— Barbara Taylor
business owner

lor paid up three months of back rent (\$1,950) Monday, "that would not be the first time their check has bounced."

Taylor, who requested a public hearing in front of the council, admitted after the hearing that her rent had been in arrears and that she has had rent checks returned by the bank for insufficient funds during the eight years she has owned the business.

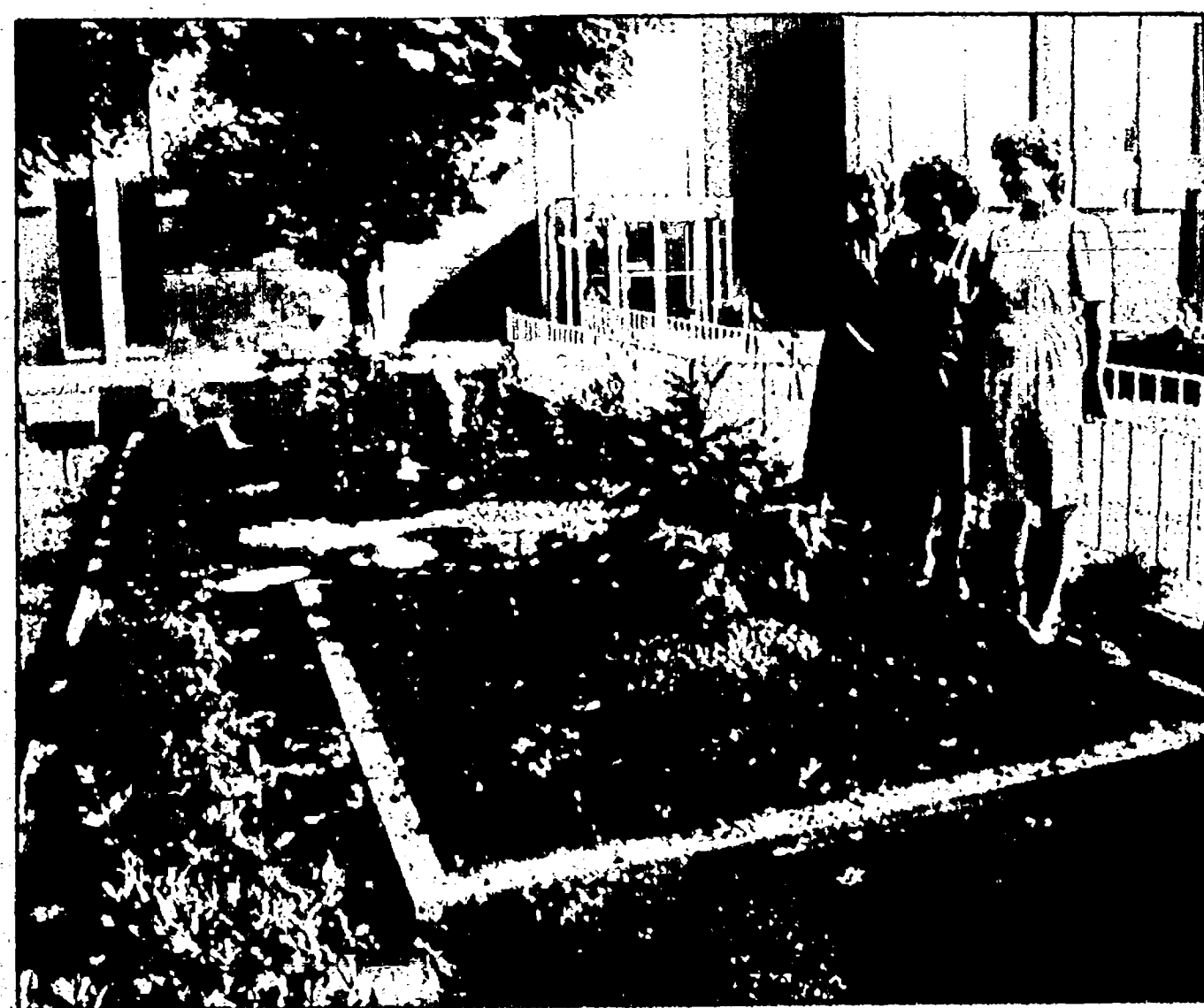
Taylor's business license expired June 30.

In a brief interview outside the council chambers, Taylor referred to the violations as "housekeeping problems" and said that the mayor had personal reasons for wanting to close her yard.

"Is it personal? You bet it's personal. He just wants us out of business," Taylor said.

She declined to speculate on Thomas' reason for wanting the business closed.

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Beauty job

Three employees of the Westland city clerk's department admire the recently installed beautification project at City Hall. The shrubs were installed on the south side

of the building as well as at the nearby Bailey Center. Getting a close look at the plantings are Wilma Elkins (from left), Marilyn Eaddy and Diane Cyn.



Football winners

Four Westland students, the only ones to enter the annual punt, pass and kick competition Saturday, were all winners since they were the only contestants in their age groups. Winning ribbons and the right to advance to the regional competition to be held in Plymouth next month are Robert Elliott (from left), sister, Christina, Michael Hoad and Bill Jayska. The local event was held by the Westland parks and recreation department at Central City Park.

Lunch menu for seniors

The senior citizen nutrition program will serve these hot meals the week of Sept. 24:

Monday — Beef stew, asparagus, wheat bread with margarine, tapioca pudding, milk.

Tuesday — Fried chicken, au gratin potatoes, peas and carrots, nectarine, bread with margarine, milk.

Wednesday — Hamburger on bun, corn on the cob, stewed tomatoes, apple slices, milk.

Thursday — Swedish meatballs, mashed potatoes, pickled beets, Mandarin oranges, pumpernickel bread with margarine, milk.

Friday — Roast pork with gravy, mashed potatoes, carrots, wheat bread with margarine, strawberries, birthday cake, milk.

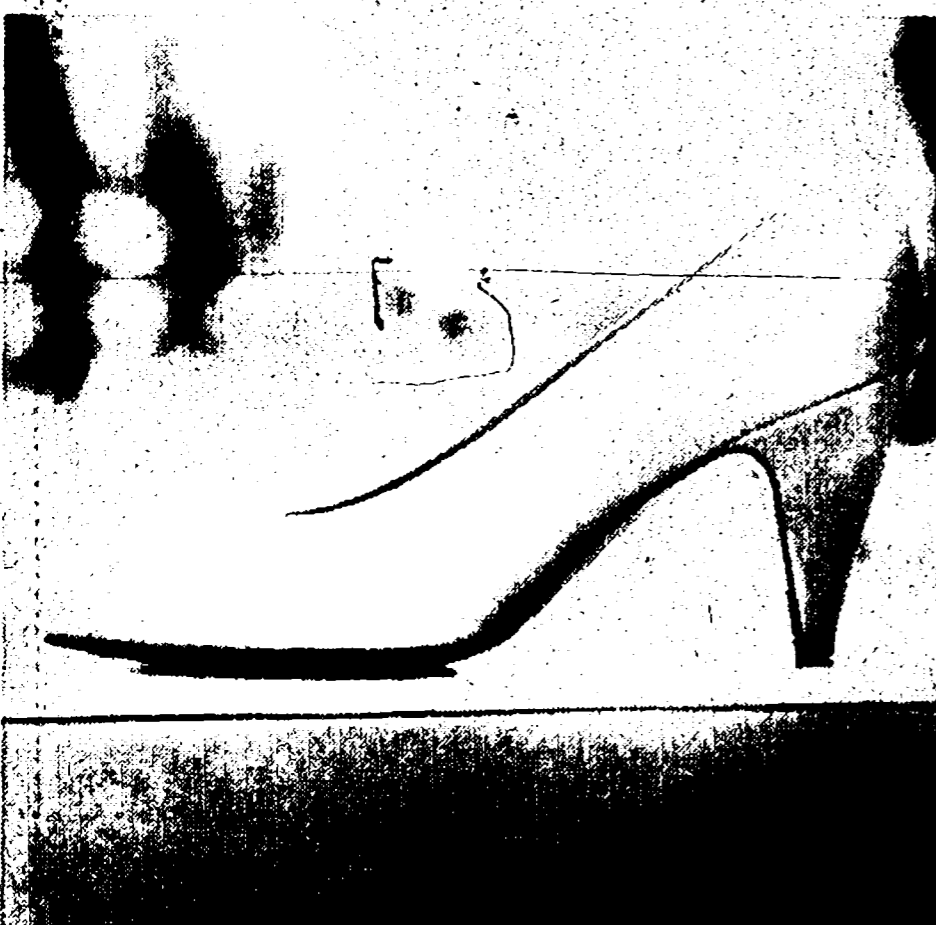
Meals will be served at noon at the Westland Friendship Center, on Newburgh near Marquette; Whitler Center, on Ann Arbor Trail west of Inkster Road, and Kirk of Our Savior Church, on Cherry Hill between Wayne Road and Newburgh.

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Council OKs DPS building renovations

The city of Westland's department of public services building on Marquette, east of Newburgh, is next on the city's remodeling list.

The City Council voted unanimously Monday to approve \$92,200 in renovations for the city structure. The city completed \$400,000 worth of renovations at city hall last year and earlier this month authorized an additional \$31,644 for replacement of that building's air conditioning system.

The DPS building work, to be done by low bidder Corona Construction Inc. of Livonia, includes remodeling the general offices and superintendent office areas and replacing existing windows with energy-efficient glass.

The work should begin next week, said Richard Dittmar, DPS director. Although the project was approved, the amount of money previ-

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ously budgeted for it was cut by nearly \$23,000 and some council members questioned the way such projects are funded.

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budgeted funds, Dittmar said the department would purchase new office furniture with any left-over money. "Some of our secretaries' desks are 20 years old," he said.

But councilmen Thomas Artley and Ken Mehl said additional money for the DPS and similar projects should be returned to the city's surplus fund and then re-allocated by the council.

"Twenty-three thousand dollars can buy a whole lot of desks," Artley said. "That's 25 percent over what the job will cost."

Dittmar said the \$92,200 bid didn't include architectural costs for the project, which he estimated at about \$10,000.

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Senior Olympians shine at area games

WESTERN WAYNE County senior citizens competed Tuesday in the 1990 Senior Olympics held at Madonna College.



Warren Manning of Monroe was among the hockey competitors.

photos by ART EMANUELE/staff photographer

The events were baseball, golf, 50-foot dash, hockey, quarterback pass and winners received gold, silver and bronze medals.

The Wheelchair Parade started at 1 p.m., followed by a flag presentation by Denise Radtke, field representative for U.S. Rep. Carl Pursell, R-Plymouth. Presiding over the Torch Lighting was Otto Hillstead of Middlebelt Nursing Centre.

The honorary chairman was sports columnist Mitch Albom, author of "Bo" and "The Live Album." The honorary co-chairwoman was Barbara Levin, attorney and wife of Sen. Carl Levin.

The judges were Rosalie Glynn of Adult Protective Services, State of Michigan, and Kathleen Needham, director of the gerontology department at Madonna College.

Musical back-up was provided by the Church Hill High Pep Band directed by Jim Murphy.

Among the 17 nursing homes participating were Cambridge West of Redford, Hope of Westland, Middlebelt of Livonia, Bedford Villa of Southfield and centers from Bay City, Belleville, Madison Heights, Clawson, Birmingham, Mount Clemens, Trenton, Monroe, Flint, Detroit, Riverview and Warren.



Otto Hillstead of Livonia was lights the "torch" during the opening ceremony at Madonna College Tuesday afternoon.

The quarterback pass, in which a competitor tossed a football through a hoop, was one of the several competitive events in the fourth annual Senior Olympics held Tuesday at Madonna College in Livonia. Beulah Jarvis of St. Anthony nursing center shows her form in the football toss.



Livonia Churchill High Pep Band provided the background music Tuesday.

Chamber to host candidate talks

The Westland Chamber of Commerce will join the Livonia and Plymouth business groups to host separate legislative breakfasts featuring Gov. James Blanchard and John Engler.

Engler, state Senate majority leader, will be the guest speaker beginning 8 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 9, at the Radisson Hotel (formerly Plymouth Hilton) at 14707 Northville Road at Five Mile, Plymouth Township.

Honored five times as Legislator of the Year, Engler has served in the state legislature for more than 19 years. This year he challenges Blanchard for governor.

The charge for the event is \$15 per person. A full breakfast buffet is offered.

The chambers will then host a second legislative breakfast featuring Blanchard at 7:30 a.m., Wednesday, Oct. 31, at the Laurel Manor Ban-

quet and Conference Center, 39000 Schoolcraft west of Newburgh in Livonia.

Seeking his third term, Blanchard will discuss his candidacy. The charge for this breakfast also is \$15 per person.

Either or both breakfasts may be attended. Reservations can be made by calling the Livonia Chamber at 427-2122.

Golf, reception to help make history

Westland history buffs will have a chance to socialize and raise money for two local organizations.

The first will be a Friends of the Westland Historical Museum golf outing 1-5:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 6-7, at the Westland Municipal Golf Course, on Merriman south of Cherry Hill.

Donations are \$20 each with proceeds to benefit the museum support group.

Tickets are available at the Westland City Council office in City Hall, 467-3163; Westland Historical Museum, 326-1110; Community Relations Department, 467-3198, and the golf course, 721-6660.

People may also call the golf course for tee-off times.

The benefit will be the group's 11th annual golf outing.

The other benefit will be sponsored by the Friends of the Nankin Mills, which raises money to the preservation of the 140-year-old mill on Ann Arbor Trail at Farmington Road.

The group will hold its second annual wine and cheese reception 5-8 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 18, in the mill. Donations are \$10 a person or \$15 a couple.

cop calls

A 19-YEAR-OLD Westland man was treated and released from Garden City Osteopathic Hospital for a stab wound and other injuries suffered in a fight early Saturday, police said.

The victim and two friends said they were assaulted by three youths carrying baseball bats and other weapons about 3:30 a.m. near the corner of Hubbard and Bertram.

The victim had a small stab wound in the right thigh and cuts and bruises to his face and head, police said.

The victim told police the unidentified assailants drove up in an older model Chevrolet Monte Carlo, got out of the car and threatened him and his companions. The youths drove home after the fight before a Westland rescue unit took the victim to the hospital, police said.

THE PERSIAN Gulf conflict hit Westland in an unusual way last weekend when a local hotel owner, mistakenly taken for an Arab-American, reported receiving a bomb threat Sunday afternoon.

The owner of the Paradise Motel, 38219 Ford, told police a male telephone caller told him "we will blow up your motel at midnight. Go back to Iraq," before hanging up.

The call, which came in at 2:17 p.m., sounded like it

was made by a teenager, the motel owner told police. The owner told the Observer he was a native of India.

A RESIDENT of the 29100 block of Brody told police his wallet was stolen while he slept Sunday morning.

The man, 63, said the wallet contained credit cards and identification, but no cash.

The wallet was stolen from an end table adjacent to the couch he was sleeping on between midnight and 6 p.m., the man said.

The thief apparently entered the house by cutting a hole in the screen of an open living room window, police said.

POLICE are investigating a Sunday arson fire in the parking lot of the Hawthorne Valley golf course, 7300 Merriman.

Burned was a van that had been parked in the lot for several months, police said.

There was no Vehicle Identification Number on the van and the license plate didn't show up in a computer check, police said.

Police said the van had been vandalized before Sunday's fire.

Raupp: Gulf troops deserve bonus

Kenneth Raupp, a state House of Representatives nominee, wants to give money taken from Michigan residents to soldiers in Saudi Arabia.

Raupp, Republican nominee for the 38th state House district, said that if elected he will introduce leg-

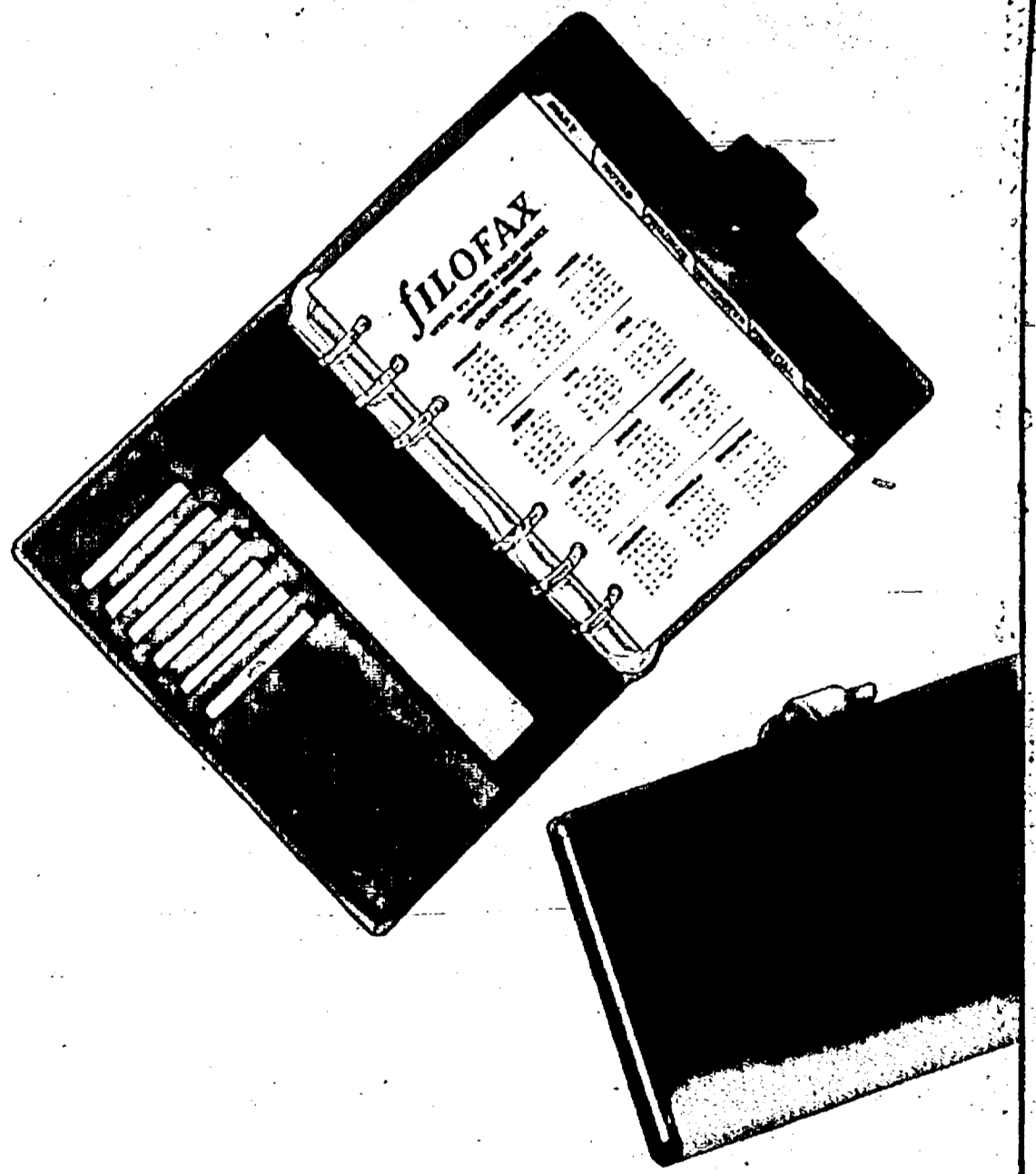
islation to give money to U.S. military personnel in Saudi Arabia, calling it a "State of Michigan Kuwait Defense Forces Bonus."

Raupp said the money should come from surpluses in the Department of Agriculture budget, that is,

money given to horse breeders.

The nominee is making his second run for the House seat. He is running against Rep. Justice Barns, who defeated him two years ago.

The 38th district includes most of the city of Westland.



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Do you think Detroit Tigers first baseman Cecil Fielder will hit 50 homers by the end of the baseball season Oct. 3?

We asked this question Monday to Westland residents outside the post office on Wayne Road.



"Possibly. I don't have real strong feelings about it but I'd like to see him do it."
— Karen Saad



"I think Cecil will hit 52 home runs this year. That's just a guess. He seems to average nine or 10 a month."
— Harry Karapellian



"Yes I do. I was there the other night. Yes, I'm confident."
— Betty Proctor



"Yes, I would say for sure. He's got a lot of chances left to do it."
— George Dosjardins



"I really haven't followed the Tigers this year. I have no idea."
— Carol Licht



"Oh, I think he'll have no trouble. He's got a lot of power in those big arms. He can bang 'em."
— Leonard Moneyppenny

Junkyard operates while city tests soil for toxins

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Last winter the mayor had a public dispute with another local salvage yard operator after a family car was towed to the Worldwide yard.

THOMAS DENIED any personal reasons for wanting the yard closed. "I never met (Taylor) until she came to the meeting tonight. I didn't even know she was the one who ran the business," Thomas said.

Thomas said the city has been equally hard since he took office last January on other businesses and residents with ordinance violations.

He cited a pledge by Kroger supermarket executives to repave the parking lot of the former Great Scott! store at Ford and Wayne Road. Kroger recently acquired the

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Great Scott! stores.

"We threatened them with a violation every 24 hours until the problem is corrected," Thomas said.

In recent weeks the mayor has ordered building inspector Michael Cullity to issue more tickets and has instructed city attorney Charles Bokos to eliminate plea bargaining on ordinance violations.

Council to study TV meeting coverage

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Benyo said his initial plan was to survey neighboring communities but could expand the study to a 50-mile radius.

He said he saw no problem meeting the Nov. 30 deadline.

Council President Tom Brown voiced early opposition to any council coverage proposal, saying televised meetings could become a long-playing "circus."

"It's 10:30," Brown said pointing to a wall clock in the council chambers. "This meeting has already gone three hours."

"If it were on TV I'm sure we'd be here until 1 a.m."

Pickerling, a strong supporter of

televised meetings in the past, acknowledged possible problems but said he thought "the pros will outweigh the cons."

"I hope I have the support of the council at least to conduct a study on this," he said.

THREE OF SIX council members surveyed by the Observer last April endorsed the concept of televised meetings, but until Monday even supporters hadn't made the issue a priority.

Supporting televised meetings were Pickerling, Thomas Artley and Sandra Cicirelli.

Brown, and Ben DeHart were strongly opposed. Their reasons ranged from disrupting the legisla-

tive process to seeing no demand from residents.

Terri Reighard Johnson said she didn't have "any problems" with the idea but had other issues as top priorities.

Councilman Kenneth Mehl couldn't be reached for comment at

the time of the survey.

Dennis FASSETT of Cable Management Associates, who runs the city's CATV/community relations department, said televising council meetings properly and unobtrusively would require thousands of dollars for new equipment.

Livonia Public Schools School District
15125 Farmington Road
Livonia, Michigan 48154

The Livonia Public Schools School District will receive sealed proposals until 3:00 P.M., E.D.T. on September 27, 1990 for the construction of an addition to the existing Nankin Mills Elementary School at 8100 Hubbard Westland, Michigan.

Proposals shall include all trades. All proposals should be addressed to Mr. Art Howell, Livonia Public Schools School District, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia, Michigan, the mailing address of the Board of Education up to the time noted above, at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud.

Plans and specifications may be obtained after submittal of pre-qualification documentation at the offices of the Architect:

LINDHOUT ASSOCIATES, architects a.i.a., p.c.
39201 Seven Mile Road, Livonia, Michigan
on or after September 10, 1990

A deposit in the sum of \$30.00 is required for each set of plans and specifications to be refunded when they are returned.

Each proposal must be submitted on forms furnished by the Architect and must be completed in full. Each proposal shall be sealed in an opaque envelope and marked with the name of the building project and the name of the bidder.

A bid bond executed by an approved security company or certified check in the amount of at least 5% of the sum of the proposal shall be submitted with each proposal.

The successful bidder will be required to furnish one hundred percent (100%) Performance, Labor, and Material Bonds.

All proposals submitted shall remain firm for a period of 30 days after the official opening of bids.

The Board of Education reserves the right to reject any and all proposals, in whole or in part and to waive any informalities therein.

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'Freedom of choice', paternity testing bills moving forward

By Tim Richard
staff writer

Two of the Michigan Legislature's best known women — Rep. Maxine Berman and Sen. Connie Binsfeld — advanced pet bills toward final passage Tuesday.

Berman, D-Southfield, saw the House Judiciary Committee give a bare majority to her one-sentence "freedom of choice" bill that says, "A state law shall not compel a pregnant woman to terminate or continue her pregnancy."

Binsfeld, R-Maple City, saw her bill to allow genetic testing in paternity suit advance toward a final vote on the Senate floor. Binsfeld is her party's candidate for lieutenant governor.

DECRYING "government intrusion into private decisions," Berman got votes from 10 of the 19 Judiciary members for her House Bill 5211.

The action came six days after the Legislature adopted a "parental consent" law under which girls 17 and younger seeking an abortion must obtain the written consent of a parent

or probate judge. Berman had bitterly fought the initiative by Right to Life of Michigan.

Chair Perry Bullard, D-Ann Arbor, used the one-hour hearing to berate the opposing RTL lobbyist. "Ed Rivet has to earn his grits today on behalf of the so-called organization," this so-called organization.

Rivet called Berman's bill "extremist — more radical than Roe v. Wade (the 1973 U.S. Supreme Court decision overturning anti-abortion laws) because it (the court decision) at least recognizes the rights of unborn children."

Rivet said the bill would allow abortion at any time during nine months of pregnancy for any reason, paid for by government. He said it would repeal the parental consent bill, the ban on Medicaid-funded abortions and time limits on when an abortion could be performed.

BERMAN OFFERED to amend the bill to apply only to adults (over 18) if RTL would support that compromise.

"That's pie in the sky," said Bul-

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lard, implying RTL would turn down the offer. He was right. Rivet said no.

Rep. Michael Bennane, D-Detroit, lost an amendment to require that if a fetus survives an abortion, it would become a ward of the state.

The only Observer & Eccentric area member, Rep. David Honigman, R-West Bloomfield, didn't attend the meeting. With such soft committee approval, the bill's chances on the floor appear weak and its chances in the Senate almost nil.

BINSFELD'S Senate Bill 262 would amend the 1956 Paternity Act to allow DNA profiles to determine the father of a child.

DNA is the chemical in chromo-

somes, which carry hereditary traits.

"The test has 99.99 percent accuracy," Binsfeld said on the Senate floor. "The burden of proof is, then shifted to the alleged father rather than the mother, who may lack finances."

"Children deserve the right to have their paternity established," she said, citing health care and education funding a father could provide.

"Michigan is tied with Mississippi as the two states with the highest proportions of their populations on AFDC (aid to families with dependent children)."

Binsfeld was the lone speaker as the bill routinely advanced to third (final) reading at press time.

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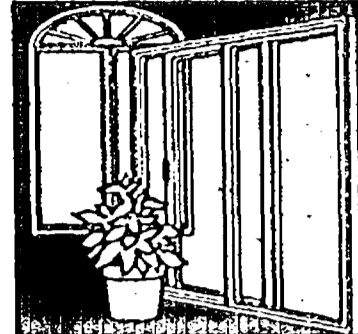
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County parks sets sight on a 'garden spot'

By Janice Brunson
staff writer

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The setting, six acres of rolling land in Westland, is a vision yet to be developed. But if all goes well, county officials said, an outdoor rose garden suitable for weddings, garden

parties and other social galas and receptions may well be reality by late next summer.

"It's to be the kind of place anyone can come and use. Everyone will be welcome," said George Cortso's, co-owner of the Hawthorne Valley Golf Course who is spearheading the project.

Of the six acres slated for use, two belong to the Hawthorne golf facility. The remaining four are public lands maintained by the Wayne County Division of Parks. Estimated cost to develop the project, is \$500,000, according to Cortso's.

THE COUNTY PARK DIVISION is supportive of Cortso's idea, according to park director Hurley Coleman, who said the project will result in improvements the park system could otherwise not afford.

"We always try to work with the private sector. It's important," Coleman said.

As conceived, the area will be planted with multiple rose bushes. Two old structures on the property, a century-old pump station and a house dating to the 1930s, will be renovated and a memorial will be erected to Rev. Marcus Swift, a

19th-century abolitionist who once lived nearby.

Swift's home was burned to the ground by protesters who opposed his work in freeing slaves. The area where the house stood is now a designated historical site.

The pump station and old house are to be converted into a reception hall with complete catering facilities and a bridal suite where women to be married will prepare for the big event.

THE OVERALL INVESTMENT is "a hefty sum of money," according

to Gary Warnell of the Michigan Travel, Tourism and Recreation Resource Center maintained by Michigan State University's College of Agriculture and Natural Resources.

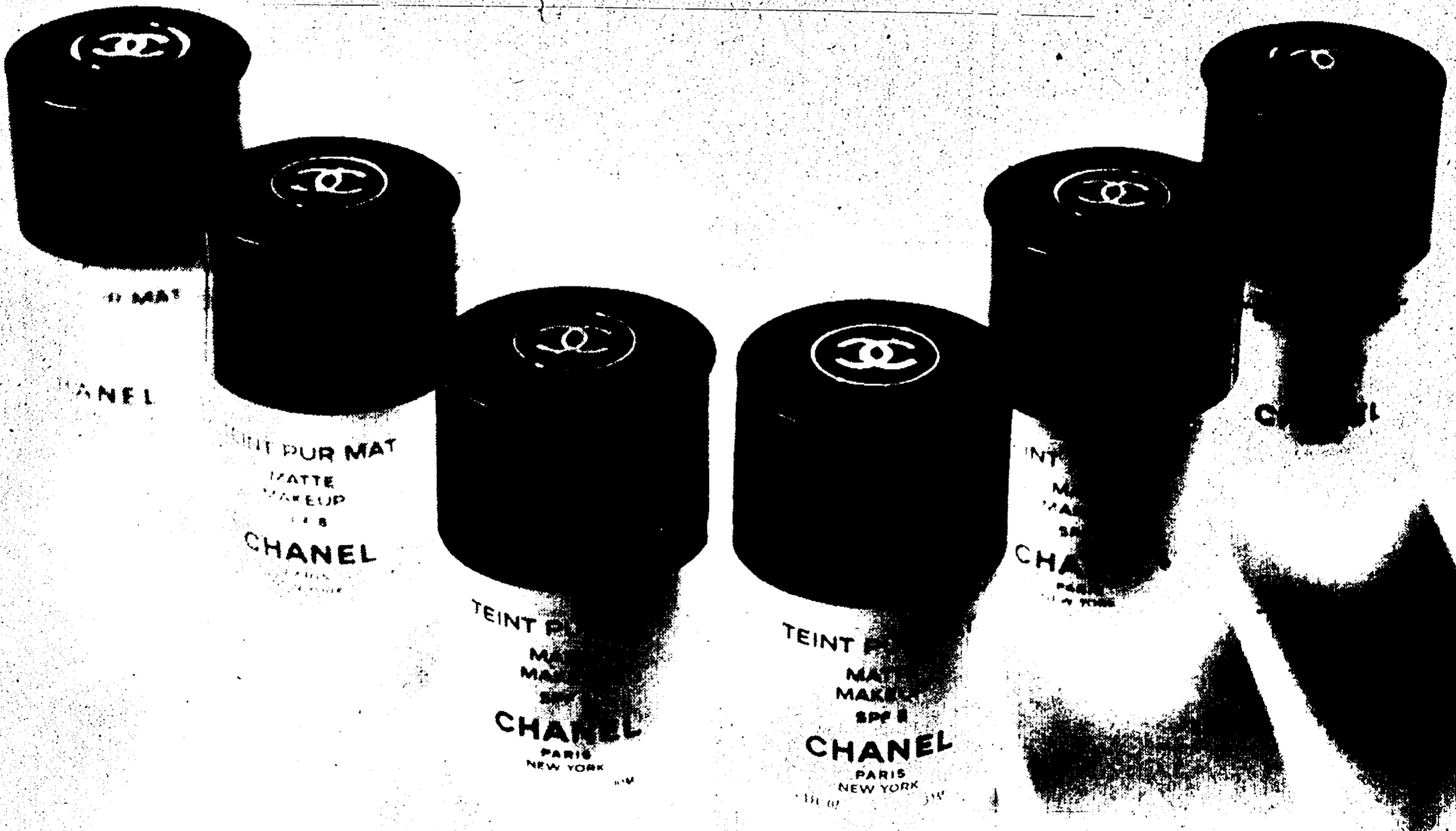
Warnell is conducting a marketing study on the feasibility of the project. "A garden concept may be fine and workable. But it's one thing to invest this kind of money and another to make it profitable," Warnell said.

The report is expected to be completed this fall, according to Warnell.

The site is near Hawthorne Valley, a Westland banquet center and golf course. It will be planted with multiple rose bushes.

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MARION SAM WILEY

Services for Mr. Wiley, 83, of Westland were Sept. 15 from the Resurrection Lutheran Church, Livonia, with the Rev. James Simonson officiating. Interment was in Cadillac Memorial Gardens West, Westland.

Mr. Wiley died Sept. 12 in Garden City Hospital.

He was a long-time local resident and retired auto industry mechanic and member of Resurrection Lutheran Church.

Survivors are his wife, Thelma; children, Marion, Joyce Hortemiller, and Jim; eight grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; sisters, Annie Stables of Princeton, W. Va., Viola Semenske of St. Louis, Mo., and brother, Garfield Wiley of Lynchburg, Va.

Arrangements were by Uht Funeral Home, Westland.

HERMAN E. BARNETT

Services for Mr. Barnett, 89, a longtime Garden City resident, were Sept. 19 from Santelu and Son Funeral Home, Garden City, with the Rev. Danny Reaves of United Baptist Bible Fellowship officiating. Burial was in Cadillac Memorial Gardens West.

Mr. Barnett died Sept. 16 in St. Joseph Hospital, Superior Township. A 63-year Garden City resident, he was a self-employed carpenter in build-

ing construction. Survivors are his wife, Winnifred; two daughters, Margaret Samuel and Marjorie Ray; son, Thomas; seven grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; brother, Farris, and three nephews.

HOWARD RAY TILLEY

Services for Mr. Tilley, 83, a longtime Garden City resident, were Sept. 8 the St. Matthew Lutheran Church with the Rev. Gary D. Headapohl officiating. Burial was in Glen Eden Cemetery, Livonia.

Mr. Tilley, a 54-year Garden City resident and member of that city's former volunteer fire department, died Sept. 5 in Nightingale Nursing Home West, Westland. He was a retired foreman of Anaconda American Brass Co., now known as Atlantic Richfield Co.

He retired in 1970 after 40-plus years with the firm. Besides being a volunteer firefighter, he was also an active gardener and wood carver.

Survivors are Bessie, his wife of 57 years, sons, George and Frank; daughters, Betty Gateman and Diane Krupski; 11 grandchildren, Michael, Mark, Joshua, Jordan, Holly, Heather, Abigail, Amy, Kimberly, Kurt, and Keith; two great-grandchildren, Stephanie and Mark, and sister, Annette Kistler.

Memorials may be made to the American Diabetes Association.

Arrangements were by the Santelu and Son Funeral Home, Garden City.

community calendar

PARENTING

Thursday, Sept. 20 — Classes in active parenting will be 7-9 p.m. in Garden City Hospital's classroom 4, 6245 N. Inkster Road. The series will cover six classes in positive and ef-

fective parenting skills. For reservations, call 458-4330.

FESTIVAL

Friday-Sunday, Sept. 21-23 — St. Raphael Catholic Church festival

will be Friday 6-11 p.m.; Saturday noon to 11 p.m.; and Sunday 1-9 p.m. Friday entertainment will feature Sherman Arnold and the Interstate Band, Saturday will be a '50s car show and Sunday will feature The Larados. All events under cover, there will be a garage sale, Las Vegas casino, crafts, bake sale, games, raffles, children's rides and complete dinners each night.

CANISTER DRIVE

Saturday, Sept. 22 — The Order of the Alhambra will hold its fall canister drive at the intersection of Wayne and Warren Roads.

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Saturday, Sept. 22 — The John Glenn Cross Country Booster Club will have a pop bottle/can collection

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STORYTIME

Monday, Sept. 24 — Preschool storytime for children 3-5 years old will begin at 11 a.m. in the Garden City Library, 2012 Middlebelt. The program meets every Wednesday, Oct. 3 through Nov. 7. Register in person or call 525-8855.

GED TESTS

Monday-Tuesday, Sept. 24-25 — Livonia Public Schools will offer GED tests 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Bentley Center, 15100 Hubbard. For information, call 523-9294.

Faust seeks funds for new city library

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building (four times the size of the Wayne-Westland library) had already been drawn up.

THOMAS SAID Tuesday the primary proposed site from 1987, vacant land on Ford Road immediately west of the police station, was still under consideration. He said at least one other site was a possibility, which he declined to specify.

Westland, the 11th largest city in Michigan according to 1990 preliminary U.S. Census figures, is the largest city in the state without its own library.

In a 1987 study by the Observer, the Wayne-Westland library (at that time called the Wayne Public Library) ranked far below comparable suburban libraries in most services offered to residents.

The Wayne library finished last among five suburbs (Dearborn,

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Legislature moves closer on patient rights

By Tim Richard
Staff writer

After 16 years, a patients' rights bill with a chance of passage is on its way to the Senate after approval in the House.

All the interest groups approved — the sponsor, Rep. David Hollister, D-Lansing, Right to Life, the Michigan Catholic Conference, the Michigan Seniors Advisory Council and even the Hemlock Society.

"Don't call it a 'right to die' bill," said Sen. R. Robert Geake, R-Northville, vice chair of the Senate Human Resources Committee which last week gave it a 3-1 recommendation.

"It allows a person to select some-

one to make medical decisions in case of (patient) incapacity," said an aide to Hollister, who took up the issue after the lingering, painful death of his own grandfather. At one point, Hollister even gave up on the bill during a controversy over nutrition-hydration withdrawal and pregnant patients.

HOUSE BILL 4016 contains many procedural safeguards, Hollister's aide told the panel during a 45-minute hearing last week.

• Two medical doctors, or a doctor and psychologist, would have to determine a patient's incapacity.

• Two witnesses would have to attest to the patient's granting of power to an advocate, and the wit-

nesses can have no financial interest in the patient's estate.

• If the patient advocate were a spouse, a divorce or annulment, would automatically terminate the grant. The advocate's power would be suspended during divorce proceedings.

• A probate court would determine the patient's capacity to make decisions in event of a dispute, acting within seven days of receiving a petition.

• A probate court could resolve disputes over whether the patient advocate failed to comply with the patient's desires.

• If a patient were pregnant, the advocate could not make a medical

decision to withhold treatment that would result in her death.

• The bill could not be construed to condone suicide or homicide.

At all times, patients would be encouraged to prescribe the extent to which they wish to be treated — whether it be to pull out the stops to cure, or pull the plug.

THE LONE dissent on the Senate panel came from Gil DiNello, D-East Detroit, who said he hadn't read the bill, was unsure what it was intended to do and "am not prepared to vote on it at this time."

Supporters were Geake, chairman Fred Dillingham, R-Fowlerville, and John Cherry, D-Cllo.

"This legislation has been drafted

with an eye to the courts," said Dillingham. "This is a highly litigated area" — a reference to the U.S. Supreme Court's 5-4 decision upholding Missouri law in the Nancy Cruzan case. Cruzan, 32, is in a vegetative coma, but never signed a document saying she might want her feeding tube disconnected.

Dillingham, concerned that "Michigan is quickly gaining the reputation for being an assisted suicide haven," is drafting a bill to prohibit assisting in a suicide. It is due for introduction this week.

Dillingham said the patient advocate and assisted suicide issues are related but stopped short of saying he wanted to tie-bar them. A tie-bar

means both bills would have to be enacted before either could take effect.

JANET GOOD of Farmington Hills, representing the Hemlock Society of Michigan, said Michigan is "one of six states without a living will law . . . I've never heard anyone say, 'Please keep me alive with feeding tubes in my stomach, please keep me alive with tubes in my nose, please keep me alive with pounding machines in my ear.'"

"Medicine can prolong dying but not its inevitability," Good said.

"It is long past time to see this come to fruition," said Jim Wolverton of the Michigan Senior Advisory Council.

Bill lets patients decide care

By Tim Richard
Staff writer

A "medical self-determination" bill is on its way — again — to the state House of Representatives after an easy victory in the Judiciary Committee.

House Bill 4174 would allow an adult (age 18) of sound mind to authorize the extent of medical intervention — from pulling out all the stops for a cure or pulling the plug for ending treatment.

Sponsor Perry Bullard, D-Ann Arbor, sees it as a companion measure to the "patient advocate" bill of Rep. David Hollister, D-East Lansing. Hollister's bill is on the Senate calendar after House approval and a Sen-

ate committee recommendation.

"HOLLISTER'S bill designates an agent to make medical decisions," said Bullard when asked to explain the difference. "It has a lot of limitations."

"My bill is medical self-determination to allow a person to specify, in writing, the type of care, experimental use, or ending of care he or she wants. Forty states have this kind of living will."

"A patient advocate can work with our legislation," Bullard said.

Bullard's House Bill 4174 reached the House floor in spring but was kicked back to his committee. Tuesday there were two negative votes and five absences on the 19-member

panel. Among the missing was Rep. David Honigman, R-West Bloomfield.

Supporters saw Bullard's bill as an answer to the problem raised by the said the family of the 32-year-old woman in a vegetative coma could not authorize ending treatment because Missouri law required a written instrument from the patient.

BULLARD TOOK an oral shot at Sen. Fred Dillingham, R-Fowlerville, whose committee moved Hollister's patient advocate bill to the Senate floor.

Dillingham said he will not seek a Senate vote until Bullard's committee advances a bill to prohibit assisted suicides and punish those who assist suicides.

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'Polluters pay' bill sails through state House

By Tim Richard
staff writer

A "polluters pay" bill sailed through the Michigan House of Representatives on a 92 to 3 vote, and Rep. Jan Dolan thinks she knows why.

"We used a different process (from the Senate, which in June defeated a similar bill)," said Dolan, R-Farmington Hills, who served on a

special six-member committee that refined the bill during the summer.

The panel was chaired by House Conservation Committee chair Tom Alley, D-West Branch, a former teacher.

House Bill 5878 now goes to the Senate.

NORMALLY A legislative committee has a majority from the majority party and functions like a court. Members sit en banc at a

table like judges. Speakers testify like witnesses, one at a time (though not under oath). A clerk keeps a record.

"We had three Democrats and three Republicans," said Dolan, the only suburban area member.

"We went away on kind of a retreat — four hours one evening, all day the next day to 1:30 in the morning. Normally you (a committee) meet a couple of hours every Tuesday morning.

"We sat around a table," Dolan said. All interest groups were there: bankers, environmentalists, big business, small business, the Department of Natural Resources, road commis-

sions. It was more like a seminar, with give and take and an attempt to reach unanimity, rather than like a court, with lists of speakers and majority votes.

The sessions were open to public view. DON STYPULA, publicist for the Michigan United Conservation Clubs, said the process worked well.

"After the Senate defeat, some groups were talking about targeting senators (who voted no)," Stypula said. "We said no. We went to Alley and asked him to work on it. It seems like we've done nothing else the last few months."

Both bills were designed to get some 2,700 toxic waste sites cleaned

up by the polluters rather than by taxpayers. A board of scientists would resolve cases where shares of the cost are contested.

Dolan said that where there's an "orphan share" — say, a polluting company is dissolved — its share can be divided among other polluters.

"Two years after this takes effect," she said, "a citizens board will review the act to find out, is it working? Then we can fine-tune it."

Michigan has a cleanup law called Public Act 307 that requires court procedures. "Only 104 sites have been cleaned up out of 2,700-plus in all the year this PA 307 has been in effect. It's just not progressing," Dolan said.

ALL AREA-lawmakers voted yes except Democrats William Keith of Garden City and Justine Barns of Westland who had excused absences. Opponents made no speeches against it. The bill was adopted in little more than an hour Thursday

morning. Debate revolved entirely around amendments, all rejected, offered by Rep. Tom Power, R-Traverse City.

"On the whole, it is an environmental bill, but why this exemption for local governments? The state can also go through a procedure and avoid liability," Power said.

Alley replied that Power's amendment would undermine state efforts to encourage smaller, older cities to redevelop property.

Power also sought an amendment to give non-bank lenders the same exemption as banks. "This is terrible. Suppose you lend \$40,000 to a nephew to start a business 300 miles away. The business fails, and you have to foreclose. You have tremendous exposure to liability. If the bank closes, the bank doesn't have liability," he said.

Replied Rep. James Kosteva, D-Canton: "We've already put in too many liberal provisions for lenders. We've bent over backwards."

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points of view

Space shots give us our heroes

LAST WEEK WHILE NASA astronaut Sharon Newman, a Rochester resident and former Bloomfield Hills teacher, was urging Southfield elementary students to take risks in life, I was standing in the shadow of the shuttle Columbia launch pad.



Judith Doner Berne

As one of about 250 journalists taking part in the National Conference of Editorial Writers' annual convention, I spent a day at the Kennedy Space Center at Cape Canaveral, Fla.

There the world's highest technology — the means to conquer space — coexists with nature on thousands of acres of a national land preserve.

A tour of the space center was designed to inform and impress. But in the journalistic tradition of getting the full story, the long-standing scientific debate was repeated: "Is it worth it to try to put a man on Mars?"

University of Michigan professor Thomas Donahue was imported from Ann Arbor to argue that:

• "We can realize scientific goals with unmanned space vehicles" — robots can do it more safely and as competently as we need.

• "It's typical of the space agen-

cy to take on grandiose projects whose costs are not understood at the inception." Budgeting hasn't always included technical delays and so has been off target.

• "We may have lost the ability to create the space craft as competent as Voyager was." As Congress has whittled away at the space agency budget, many of its best minds have been lured to the better salaries offered by industry.

• "The man on the street doesn't have the imperative to put a man on Mars and go again to the moon." People no longer care.

NASA ASSISTANT DIRECTOR for space exploration, Dr. Jeffrey Rosendahl, strongly disagreed.

Rosendahl argued that the space program is much more than science, that there are no robot paleontologists.

The space program, Rosendahl said, is about politics and the U.S. will to succeed; it's about technology and the need to advance it by working on something hard; it's about economics that are dependent on programs to drive technology; it's about jobs and the use of a highly trained work force in a peaceful endeavor.

But the arguments which hooked me — a non-scientific type — were that it's also about exploration, adventure and mythology — the stuff of heroes. And about the need for flagship programs to attract children into the hard sciences.

Their heroes are rock stars and football players, and for many — the drug dealer on their block.

Cancellation of Tuesday's launch of Columbia, due to yet another hydrogen leak, may be testimony to Donahue's view that we no longer have the expertise for sending man to Mars. The launch was already a record 111 days behind scheduled.

BUT THEN THERE'S Sharon Newman and how excitedly those kids at Southfield's McIntyre Elementary responded to her message:

"Be willing to risk, go where you've never gone before," she urged them. "Run to the roar."

Newman was a finalist for the teacher in space program. When Christa McAuliffe and six others died in the Challenger disaster, she vowed to do what McAuliffe would have, had she survived.

"I decided that day that I'd spend most of my life talking to kids to go into the space program," Newman said.

So she told them: "Study science, math, engineering . . . forget TV, that's bubble gum for the eyes, and start reading and doing experiments. Someday when I'm a little old lady in a wheelchair and you're ready to go up into space, promise that you'll remember me. In front of me might be sitting a future astronaut."

She promised to return to the school later in the year to find out how many students followed through on risk-taking promises.

No robot could follow that act.

Judith Doner Berne is assistant managing editor for the Oakland County editions of the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers.

Let court action rest in accident

IT'S THE END of a court action that never should have happened. The prosecutor's office should let it rest.

Forty-eighth District Court Judge Edward Avadenka last week refused to continue the case of Robert Elliott, charged with negligent homicide in the death of his best friend, David Caswell.

Caswell was killed this spring. He was in the passenger seat of a van Elliott was driving. Both were on their way back from a morning rowing competition in Wyandotte. Both were assistant coaches for Orchard Lake St. Mary's rowing team.

The van in front of Elliott's, driven by head coach John LeBlanc, came to a sudden stop to avoid hitting a car. Elliott's van hit LeBlanc's. The impact caused several rowing sculls attached to LeBlanc's van to crash through the windshield of Elliott's van, striking Caswell in the head and killing him.

THAT WAS SAD ENOUGH. A much-liked, young rowing coach, an amateur artist who had designed the team's logo, was dead. But it became worse when, earlier this month, it was announced that the Oakland County Prosecutor's Office would press negligent homicide charges against Elliott.

Whoever pressed the charge is a hardened person. No one had more right than Caswell's parents to press such a charge — and they didn't. David Caswell's parents, David and Ruth, told us they didn't think it was right to press charges against Elliott. They thought he'd suffered enough. The elder Caswell even said he's gone to the prosecutor's office to tell them he didn't support the decision to press charges against Elliott.

This was an accident, one of the saddest of its kind. Robert Daniel Elliott, relieved last Friday when



Philip Sherman

Judge Avadenka refused to continue the case against him, still has to live with the memory.

THE PROSECUTING ATTORNEY, Pamela Maas, said last Friday she might appeal Avadenka's decision based, at least partially, on the issue of whether Elliott was following too closely behind the van he struck on northbound Middlebelt near Winchester Road.

Letting Avadenka's decision stand is the best thing Maas could do.

There isn't any justice to be done here. Justice wasn't done in the first place, when Caswell was killed, and grinding Elliott through judicial hell isn't going to change things.

It's natural to want answers or make someone accept responsibility when something like this happens. And there's a time and place to press, on behalf of the public, to get those answers or make someone accept responsibility for the consequences of their actions.

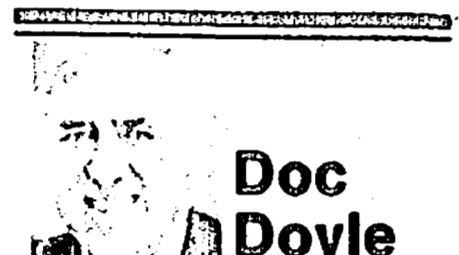
But this isn't it. Caswell's death is a crime, in the tragic sense, but Elliott is not a criminal. Negligent homicide is a charge more at home in a drunk-driving hit-and-run case or someone playing with a loaded gun and injuring a bystander.

Leave Elliott alone.

Philip Sherman is editor of the West Bloomfield and Lakes Area Eccentric newspapers.

An 'Asian Advantage' in math?

Q: Much has been written about how the mathematic achievement on standardized tests of Chinese, Japanese, Taiwanese and other Asian students is far superior to American students. We test bilingual students, immigrant children and some who can't even speak English. Isn't that the reason our math scores are lower?



Doc Doyle

A: No! It is the Asian Advantage.

Harold Stevenson, a psychology professor at the University of Michigan completed (with others) a six-year study on mathematics education. They compared American, Japanese, Taiwanese and Chinese elementary students.

He found the Asians score higher on standardized math tests than do American children. Stevenson calls the results the Asian Advantage.

The advantage is made up of several factors. First, the study showed that American parents of elementary students place a greater importance on reading skills than math skills.

It also showed that elementary teachers often lean more toward teaching language arts and reading than toward math. Yet Asian parents and teachers placed an equal amount of importance on math and reading.

Also found was that Chinese teach-

ers in upper elementary grades spend an average of 12 hours per week on math, Japanese teachers spend nine hours per week on math and American teachers spend approximately four hours per week on math.

This may, in part, be due to the parents' and our national emphasis on reading. It is probably also due to the time needed for the numerous other teaching responsibilities that make up, and sometimes clutter, an elementary school day. And reading must be taught.

When it came to homework, America wasn't even in the ballgame. Chinese fifth grade students spend 12 hours per week on homework, Japanese fifth graders spend nine hours per week and American fifth graders spend an average of three hours per week.

It is also known that Asian mothers structure and supervise the evening homework study sessions as a part of their culture and tradition. Few Asian mothers, unlike Ameri-

can women, hold jobs outside the home.

Student time in the classroom or into other ventures outside the classroom showed an even more glowing difference in American and Asian priorities.

American fifth graders were out of the classroom up to 18.4 percent of the time for various reasons while Chinese and Japanese fifth graders were out only 0.2 percent of the time. More out-of-class time for America's elementary students means less class time for math.

The most important aspect of the study, in my opinion, is the Asian's belief in Mastery Learning.

Asian children are not passed on to the next grade without having mastered the math skills taught at their present grade level. Asian educators use the Mastery Learning theory — each math skill must be mastered in order to move on to learning a higher-level math skill.

Indeed, Asian fifth grade teachers

know all children coming to them from the fourth grade will be ready for at least fifth grade material.

How do they accomplish this? Students are continually given quizzes on the basic math skills they must master to be successful at the next grade level.

Furthermore, Asian teachers have always had the faster students in a class help the slower students to learn in what American education has just recently labeled Cooperative Learning.

The answer to your question is no. Competent educational studies do not compare apples and oranges. Major educational studies that compare nations "match students" on everything from age, sex, household income, occupation of parents and other factors so to be as accurate as possible.

America simply has not made math (and science) the priority the Asians have.

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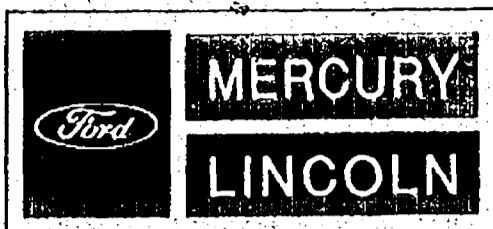
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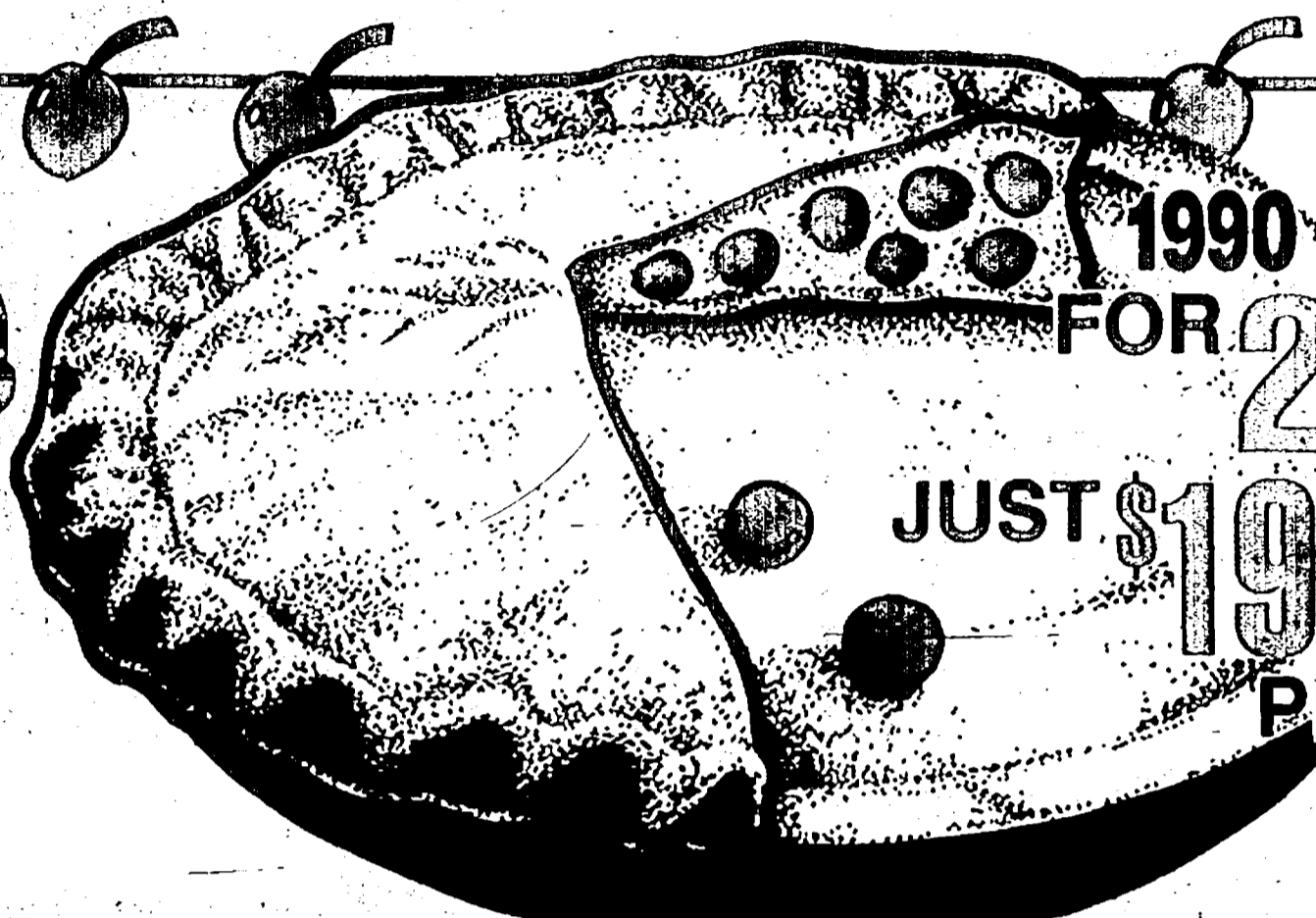
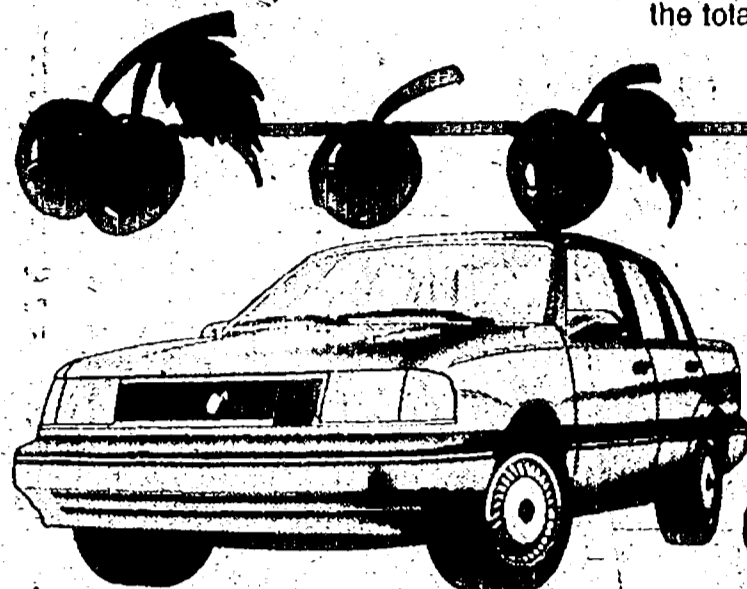
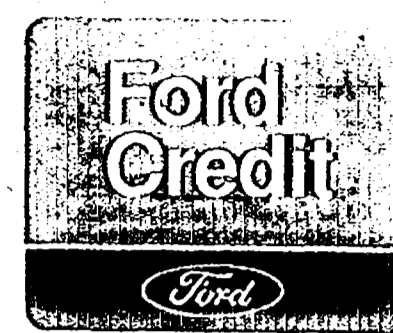
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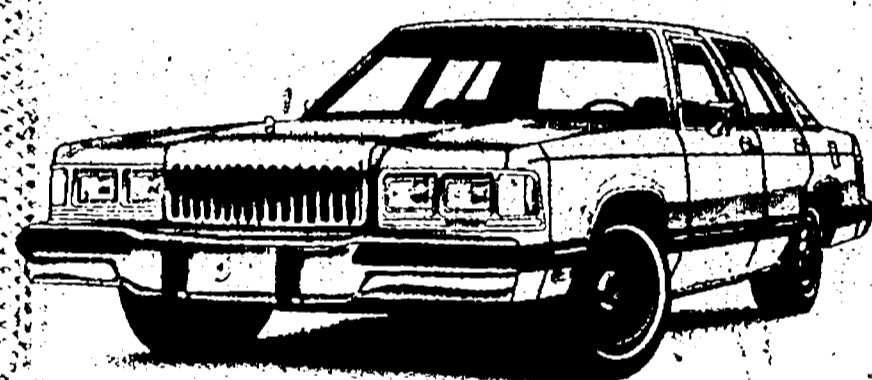
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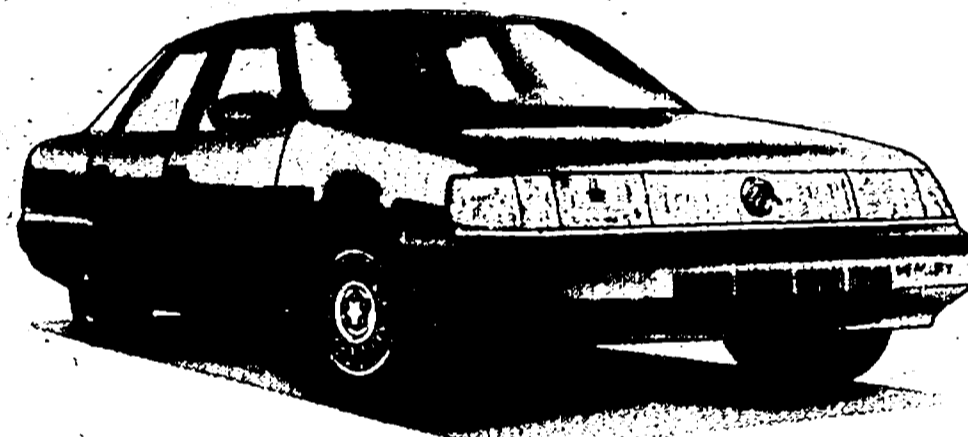
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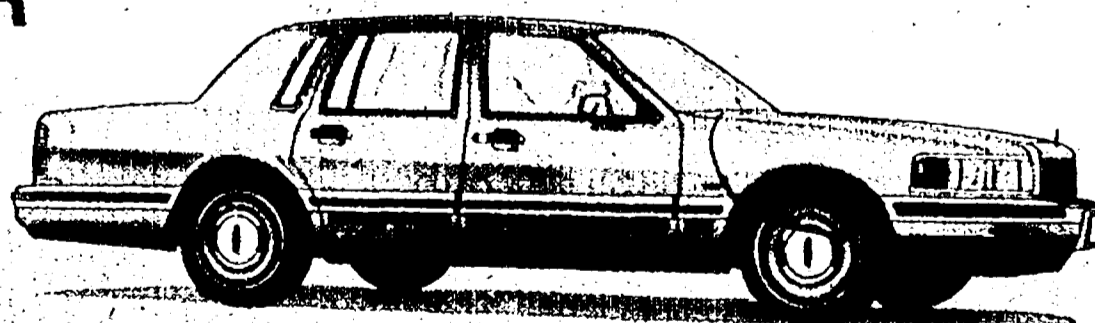
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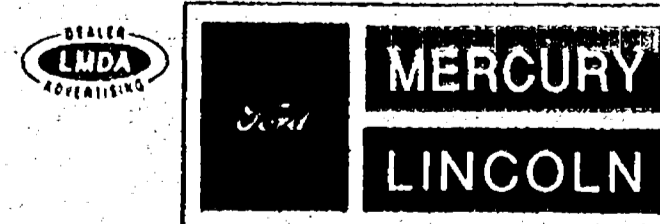


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A death in the family

Parents help parents grapple with the loss of a child

By Larry O'Connor
staff writer

All Levada Austin-Gelsey asks for is one word. Her request brings anger, cries of sorrow, laughter and, more importantly, stories.

At times, those around the table forget to come up with one phrase to describe their feelings. Austin-

Gelsey reminds them.

But the co-leader of Parents of Murdered Children understands. Asking a mother or father to sum up in one word the experience of having their child killed would take all the words in Webster's book.

"My word is sad," said Dennis Barile, whose daughter, Nancy, was killed by her boy. 98.

"Yesterday, Nancy would have been 21. Today, sad. Tomorrow, I'll be p--- off again.

"He didn't want her to go home, even though he was going out with his buddies. He put a .41 Magnum between her eyes and blew her head off. Forgive him? He's an a---. He'll always be an a---."

SUCH RAGE is not uncommon at POMC meetings, but it surfaces in non-violent forms. Those who attend are not shocked. If anything, they share in it.

"To use words like a---, jerk . . . those are names for people who cut you off on the highway," one woman said. "These people are monsters. They are subhuman. There is no remorse."

Another woman, whose infant was killed by a baby sitter, tells the group she would pull the cord if that person got the electric chair. Then she said that it's a terrible thing to say.

"Why is it?" one member responds. Others agree.

POMC WAS formed in 1978 by a Cincinnati couple, Charlotte and Bob Hullinger, whose daughter died after injuries inflicted by her boyfriend. Today, there are 18,000 members with 300 chapters nationwide.

The Greater Metro Detroit Chapter is a close-knit group of 70 members that meets the second Monday of the month in Southfield. At meetings, speakers from the criminal justice system and other related professions visit. The group is also open to other relatives such as grandparents or siblings.

Or, as on this night, members listen to each other's stories and provide support.

"They just don't get that chance talking to a friend or an acquaintance," said Austin-Gelsey, whose son's murder is still unsolved. "They say, 'I understand how you feel.' But they don't."

APPARENTLY, FRIENDS and acquaintances are not the only ones.

Members of POMC often feel isolated and overlooked by society at large.

Unlike with the death of an older person, the grieving process for a son or a daughter can be very intense and drawn out. The personal tragedy cracks the foundation of the family. Sometimes it never recovers, which can lead to divorce in some cases.

In cases of murder, the loss itself is magnified. Media coverage and the ensuing trial only cause the family to relive the pain.

Patricia Rourke is a therapist with the Human Potential Center in Monroe. She has helped counsel parents whose children have been murdered.

"People are in a stupor or are in shock," said Rourke, who has a doctoral degree in psychology. "Some people say they can't remember a thing. Then the anger comes out."

IT'S IMPORTANT to let parents know it's all right to be angry, Rourke said.

In some cases, the family's resentment is directed at the legal system. Many share stories of plea bargaining, trial postponements, commuted sentences and early paroles for the murderers of their children.

"They have all the rights; we have none," Austin-Gelsey said. "You have to become knowledgeable (about the legal system). Otherwise, they'll walk all over you."

Some live in fear. One mother told members how the alleged killer of her daughter is out on bail and only lives a few miles away from her home.

"If they don't do something," she

said. "I'm afraid he's going to come one night and do us all in."

Her case is one of several where the children were killed by a lover or a spouse. Other sons and daughters were murdered in random fashion.

Regardless of the situation, though, parents and siblings left behind continually grapple with the question of why.

AMID THE seeming hopelessness and despair, POMC members are channeling anger and bitterness into action.

The group has been advocates for victims rights, calling for stiffer sentences. Many become legal eagles, following other murder cases through the system.

Members from POMC also go to trials of other victims to provide emotional support for family members.

One member of POMC, Joseph Schramek, has filed a lawsuit against the owner of the gun used to kill his teenaged son, Ed Schramek. Although the defendant was nowhere near two crimes committed with the gun, Schramek said he was negligent in letting the gun out of his possession.

Austin-Gelsey even talks of possibly starting a boycott, similar to the one initiated by Bloomfield Hills homemaker Terry Rakolta against violent television programming.

"I think we have to draw together," said Duane LaMoreaux, whose daughter, Pamela, was killed three years ago. "When we do, we're hopeful."



ART EMANUELLÉ/staff photographer

Larry and Joan Dressler of Westland still feel the anguish two years after their son Daniel was gunned down outside his northwest Detroit home. His murder remains unsolved.

Anguish haunts parents 2 years after son's death

By Larry O'Connor
staff writer

Daniel Dressler, 30, was a happy-go-lucky sort. He served in the Marines, returned home and was working odd jobs as a mechanic.

One night, Dressler was outside fixing his van in the northwest Detroit neighborhood where he lived. Details differ from there.

Some say Dressler was involved in an altercation with another youth. Others report he helped break up a fight between two teenagers.

At any rate, a person returned later on a motor scooter and fired two shots from a .357 Magnum, one fatally wounding Dressler. That was July 14, 1988.

TWO YEARS later, his case remains unsolved and his parents, Larry and Joan Dressler of Westland, still feel the anguish.

"After two years, whether or not that person is behind bars, that's not going to bring our son back," said Joan Dressler, sitting at the family's kitchen table with a copy of a newspaper article about her son's death.

"The thought he is still out there and he could cause this much pain to another family . . ."

THEIR SON'S murder was one of 629 in Detroit for 1988, the one that somehow didn't merit a few lines in the daily newspapers, the one the local TV news didn't have time to mention, the one that ends up as a number in some police department's homicide file.

Behind every case, though, there's someone like Joan and Larry Dressler whose loss and hurt can never be solved.

Today, they look at a photo, examine a marksmanship medal he earned in the Marines. But a part of their lives is gone, never to be recovered.

WHAT MAKES the Dresslers' situation more difficult was the seeming indifference with which their son's case has been handled.

They never received a phone call from the Detroit police. Instead, a stranger called their other son and informed him of Daniel's death.

A few months later, when they didn't hear anything about the investigation, the Dresslers went to the police department themselves looking for answers. An ensuing letter to Detroit police Chief William Hart finally brought a response.

Someone from the department phoned and told them cases such as their son's were updated every three to six months. A note would be attached to his file for someone to call and let them know how things were progressing.

"I told them, 'I don't care if you just call me and say there's nothing new to the case,'" Joan Dressler said. "Give me that little peace of mind."

The Dresslers haven't received a phone call. (A call was placed by The Observer to the police on this case. They haven't responded.)

THEN THERE are the personal reactions resulting from the shock. Larry Dressler said he felt guilty he wasn't there to help his son.

"I was floundering," she said. "I didn't know where I fit."

People didn't know how to react to them. After all, Joan Dressler said, this happened to others you read about in the newspaper, not to someone you know.

A FRIEND recommended she attend Parents of Murdered Children (POMC) meetings. She was able to talk.

The group has been a tremendous help to her. And if one good thing has come out of the death of their son, the Dresslers said it has drawn their family closer with their four surviving children.



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Model teens

Members of Wonderland Mall Fashion Board showed that you can go back to school with class at the mall's recent fashion show of the same name. Julia Owens of Westland (photo at left) and Shalina Kumar of Bloomfield Hills modeled the season's latest styles from the County Seat, while Lana Marie of

Livonia (center photo) and Michelle Hathaway of Farmington Hills strutted their stuff in fashion from Hit-Or-Miss. Christy Anzalone (photo at right) and Marcie Urbanak, both of Livonia modeled black denim jeans and traditional sweaters with footwear from Kinney's Shoes.

bazaars

● CRAFT GALLERY
A Craft Gallery show will be 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 23, at Roma's of Garden City, 32550 Cherry Hill, east of Venoy. Admission is \$2! For information, call 274-7087.

● WAYNE METHODIST
The Fall Festival Craft Show will be 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 19, at First United Methodist Church of Wayne. Tables are available for rent. For information, call 721-4801.

● ST. ELIZABETH EPISCOPAL
St. Elizabeth Episcopal women will have a rummage sale 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 29, at the church, 28431 W. Chicago, between Inkster and Beech Daly roads, Redford.

● NEWBURG METHODIST
Newburg United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, will have a craft fair and luncheon 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 20. Craft tables are available for \$20. For information, call 422-0149.

● SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE
The Schoolcraft College Foundation will have more than 140 exhibitors at its craft show 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Oct. 6-7, in the college's physical education building, 18800 Haggerty, Livonia. Admission is \$1. For more information, call 462-4417.

● ST. ROBERT BELLARMI
St. Robert Bellarmine Church, West Chicago and Inkster roads, is having its ninth annual Christmas bazaar Saturday, Oct. 27. Tables are renting for \$20 each. For information, call 937-0228 or 937-3768.

● GARDEN CITY JUNIOR ROTC

The Garden City High School Air Force Junior ROTC Booster Club is looking for crafters to participate in its first craft show 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 6, at the high school. Cadets will be on hand to help crafters. Space rental is \$20 per table or two tables for \$25. For information and an application, call 522-5604 or 728-3903.

● CALVARY MISSIONARY
Calvary Missionary Church, 29850 W. Six Mile, west of Middlebelt Road, Livonia, will have a craft boutique Saturday, Oct. 27. Tables are still available for \$20 each. For information, call 562-6443.

● ST. THEODORE
St. Theodore's Confraternity of Christian Mothers will have its annual "Busy Bee Boutique" 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 13, at 8200 Wayne Road, just north of the Westland Shopping Center. For table rental, call 721-8082 or 728-2137.

● ST. PAUL LUTHERAN
St. Paul Lutheran Church, 20805 Middlebelt, corner of Eight Mile, is accepting applications for Santa's Workshop Craft Show. The show will be 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 27. Cost is \$20 a table. For information, call 478-0841 or 474-9130.

● MARSHALL SCHOOL
Crafters are wanted for Marshall School's fifth annual craft show 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 20, at the school, 33901 Curtis, west of Farmington Road, between Six Mile and Seven Mile, Livonia. Cost is \$27 for a table. For information, call 525-5337.

● WILDWOOD PTA
The Wildwood School PTA is accepting reservations for its annual arts and crafts show, Saturday, Nov. 3, at Wildwood School, 500 N. Wildwood (at Cherry Hill), Westland. For more information, call Ann, 728-1626, or Patty, 721-8768.

● ST. AIDAN
Tables are available for the St. Aidan's Arts and Crafts Show Friday, Oct. 19, at 17500 Farmington Road, Livonia. For information, call 471-4552.

● ST. SABINA
The St. Sabina School PTG Christmas Craft Show will take place 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 3, at St. Sabina Activities Hall, 8147 Arnold, Dearborn Heights. Tables are \$20 and \$17.50. For information, call 563-6604.

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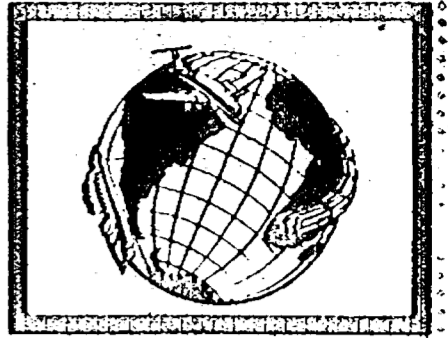
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Travel Scene

Iris Sanderson Jones editor



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Senior time

September is Senior Time in Williamsburg, Va., offering special rates and value-added programs at area hotels, motels, attractions, restaurants, campgrounds and other businesses to senior citizens.

The Williamsburg Scottish Festival will be on Sept. 22 in Williamsburg with activities related to Scottish heritage including games, contests, pipe bands, dancing, food, crafts, and vendor tents.

Best of Midwest

Tapawingo, a well-known restaurant in Ellsworth, Mich., is one of the restaurants featured in a new book entitled, "The Best of the Midwest: Recipes from Thirty-two of America's Finest Restaurants" by Linda and Fred Griffith (Viking Studio Books, \$24.95).

This collection of 150 recipes includes dishes such as Beer-Battered Duck Appetizer, Mosaic of Wild Maine Salmon and Osetra Caviar en Gel and Fiddleheads and Asparagus, all designed to appeal to both the novice and experienced cook.

Windjammer

Yankee Schooner Cruises is offering special vacation packages during September on the 137' tall ship Schooner Roseway in Penobscot Bay, Maine. Special interest cruises include the Artists and Photographers cruise, Stargazers cruise and Fall Foliage cruises.

Prices range from \$300 to \$815 per person for half-week or six-day cruises. For more information, write to Yankee Schooner Cruises, P.O. Box 696L, Camden, Maine, 04843 or call (800) 255-4449 or (207) 236-4449.

Busch Gardens

The beautiful — and petite — muntjac deer is just one of 29 species of exotic hoofed stock dotting the sweeping landscape of Tampa's Busch Gardens 60-acre Serengeti Plain.

The smallest of the true deer species, muntjacs weigh less than two pounds at maturity. Muntjacs are closely related to the small musk deer of northeastern Asia and China.

Muntjacs may make a barking noise when alarmed, and are often in pairs and are always near water. Both males and females will scent mark using two pairs of glands, one pair directly in front of the eye (able to open almost as large as the eye itself) and another which forms the familiar "V" on their forehead.

Visitors to Tampa's Busch Gardens may see muntjacs among the collection of more than 3,300 animals.

On Broadway

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"Lincoln Center Plus Broadway" is a three-night package with two best-available tickets of a choice of a performance of the New York Philharmonic, Metropolitan Opera, New York City Opera, New York City Ballet or American Ballet Theatre; and a Broadway show.

It also includes a tour of Lincoln Center, one pre-theater table d'hôte dinner at Tavern on the Green, health club privileges, American breakfast daily and accommodations at the Empire Hotel, service and taxes. Prices, in effect through June 30, 1991, range from \$460 to \$485. For information and reservations, call (800) 669-8687.



The archeological findings in the Neolithic Temple in Malta indicate that the first settlers came to the Maltese Islands toward the end of

the fifth millennium B.C., bringing animals, grains and impressed pottery with them.

Malta The Isle of Honey

By Sally Davis
special writer

One of the best-kept secret side trips from Rome lies 80 miles southeast of the southern coast of Sicily in the Mediterranean. It's about an hour's flight from Rome's DaVinci Airport. Melita, the Isle of honey, named by the ancient Greeks, today is known as the island of Malta. It's a fascinating, but little-known place for Americans to tour. It's a tiny island (95 square miles) with a little bit of everything, even if you're a jaded traveler.

Before starting to explore the island, head for the Mediterranean Conference Center, a visitor center for tourists near the Fort of St. Elmo, an imposing bastion by the sea. Here you will see the unique slide show, "The Malta Experience," which acquaints the first-time visitor with the history of Malta up to the present.

Valletta, the capital of Malta, has many places of interest including the Palace of the Grand Master, which is now used for government offices; the Biblioteca (library) and St. John's Co-Cathedral. The palace has rare 400-year old tapestries of African animal and jungle scenes that look as if they had been made last week. Illuminated choir books and several documents signed by Henry VIII

are among the displays at the library. Also located in Valletta is the National Archeological Museum, with its famous statue of the fertility goddess, "The Sleeping Lady of Malta," which dates from the Neolithic Age.

No trip to Malta would be complete without a visit to the Sunday morning market, located outside the Freedom Gate in Valletta. Here, vendors sell everything from antiques, empty mortar shells from World War II and good luck charms to T-shirts, dolphin-shaped door-knockers of brass and aprons with a recipe for rabbit stew printed on them.

Take a day sail around the island on one of the Captain Morgan tour boats and get a totally different perspective of Malta from the sea. The highlight of the sail is having lunch and a swim at a small piece of paradise, the Blue Lagoon. The lagoon is a narrow strip of calm, iridescent, sapphire-blue water separated from the sea by a barrier of rocks. The opposite side faces the sandy beach of the small neighboring island of Comino.

Plan to spend a morning in Rabat and the ancient walled city of Mdina, the first capital. Mdina sits atop a hill, offering a splendid panoramic view of the whole island. Within the walls is a lovely Norman house, open for tours, although it is a private residence. There are also many



Fishing boats line the docks in Marsaxlokk Bay, Malta.

SALLY DAVIS

good architectural examples of the various cultures who have lived on the island. Stop at the little cafe for a cool drink and a good view of the breathtaking scenery. In Rabat, visit the lace shop with its exquisite and unique gifts of handmade lace. A partially restored Roman villa and a small museum filled with Greek and Roman antiquities are also in the area.

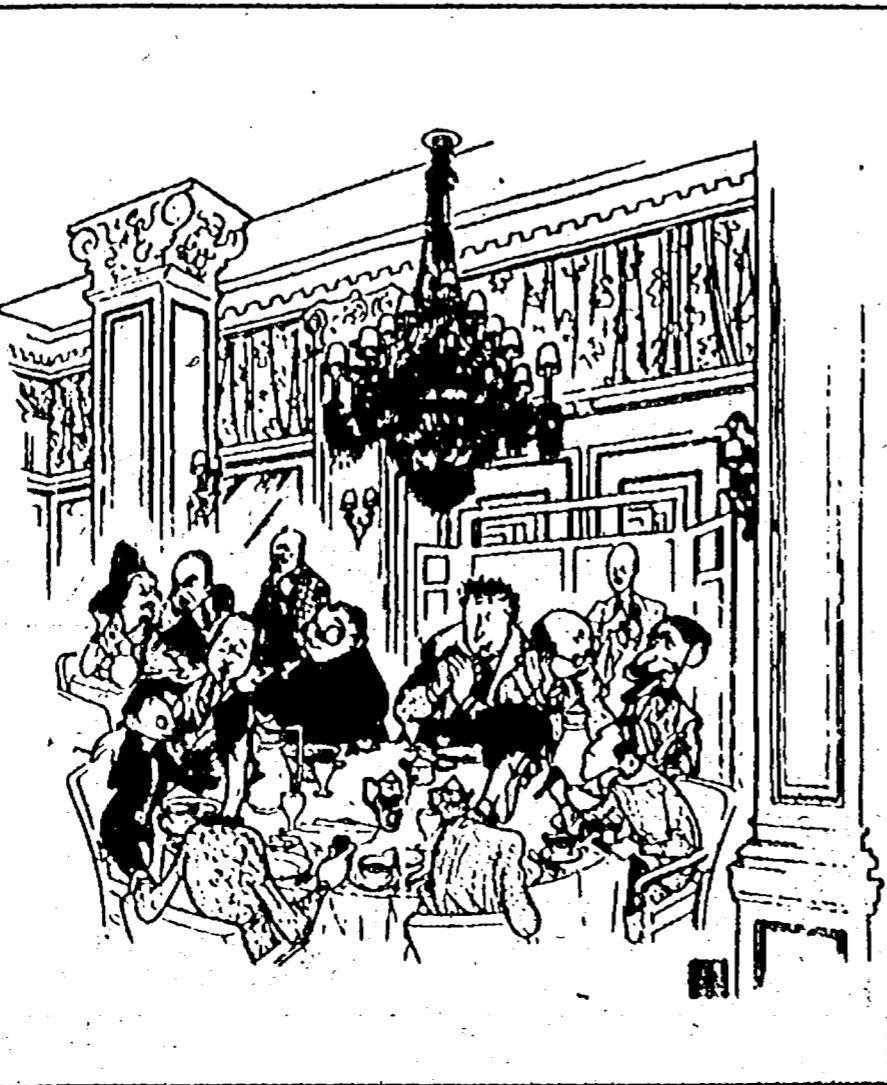
A short distance from the lace shop are St. Paul's Catacombs and St. Paul's Church, with its Spanish decor. The church was built over the grotto where St. Paul lived for three months after being shipwrecked off the coast of Malta on his way to trial in Rome. He is the patron saint of the island. These are interesting places to visit to get a feel for the history of Malta.

In the afternoon, head over to the

small fishing village of Marsaxlokk. It's a quaint little town with a beautiful sandy beach, one of the few on the island. Marsaxlokk Bay is filled with colorful fishing boats which always look freshly painted. Some are painted with evil eyes on the bows to ward off the dangers of the sea.

Another don't-miss is a boat ride through the caves of the Blue Grotto. The crystal-clear water shows off the multi-colored fungi (reputed to have magical powers), which cling like sparkling jewels, to the underwater rocks. Wear your bathing suit under your clothes, because the boat will stop for a few minutes in one of the caves, allowing you to take a short swim in the warm water. You can see about 30-feet down to the bottom.

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'Reservations' come with the fuss of ritzy hotels

By Mary Augusta Rodgers
special writer

Bob Hope, a constant traveler, knows just what he wants when he's staying in a hotel. "Cranberry juice, windows that open, soft pillows and a hard mattress," he said in a recent interview. "Give me that and I'm happy."

Other travelers are more demanding, and these days the hotel industry is trying to please everybody.

Many hotels offer so many special services, they sound like a welfare state: executive floors, health clubs, personal computers, free cable TV and supervised activities for children that may range from scavenger hunts to kite flying classes.

There's something for every taste. The Jules Undersea Lodge is underwater near Key Largo, Fla., and popular with scuba divers. The Anderson House, in Washaba, Minn., near Minneapolis, has cats available

for guests who like pets. The Townsend Hotel in Birmingham serves an elegant English-style tea from 3-5 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday.

The Hilton in McLean, Va., puts yellow rubber ducks in every bathroom. The Charles Hotel in Cambridge, Mass., will pick up books for guests ordering from a nearby book store. At the new Peninsula Hotel in New York City, telephone messages are delivered on a silver platter by a bellman wearing white gloves and a pillbox cap.

Have you heard anything yet that makes your heart beat faster? What do you look for when choosing a hotel?

Personally, I'm fond of small, distinctive hotels, like the Algonquin in New York City and the Pontchartrain in New Orleans.

I also like large traditional hotels with elegant lobbies and marble stairways and grand ballrooms, and

I'm delighted to see some of these — the Palmer House in Chicago, the Willard in Washington, D.C., and the Brown Hotel in Louisville, Ky. — restored to their former glory. They provide a needed alternative to the new-style hotels that seem to be designed for Rima the Bird Girl with their soaring open spaces, splashing fountains and jungle plants.

Even newer are hotels like Morgans and the Royalton in New York City, where snob appeal is an art. These hotels are so "in" there's no marquee out front. If you don't know it's there, you don't belong.

Here's my picture of a good hotel: It has a good location, which it reflects in some way. (It seems just right that the Century Plaza Hotel in Los Angeles, faces the palm-lined Avenue of the Stars, with the old 20th Century movie studio a few blocks away.)

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Blue Grotto caves embrace warm waters of Malta

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Not too far from the Blue Grotto are the ruins of Hagiar Qim and Mnajdar, perched on top of a hill, facing the sea. These are among the earliest of the prehistoric temples on Malta. An interesting feature is their similar construction to Stonehenge in England. For comparison, visit the newer temple at Tarxien (Copper Age). It was used for animal worship and huge statues of fertility goddesses were found in the area. Look for the graffiti the ancients drew on the walls, depicting boats and a method for telling time and seasons.

Several centuries before the Greeks arrived, people who perhaps migrated from Sicily were there building temples and worshipping fertility goddesses. The Phoenicians sailed there and conducted trade on the island. Today, after many centuries of rulers from all over the world, including the Knights of Malta, Arabs, Spaniards and the English, Malta stands as an independent republic.

The island was one of the most-bombed places on earth during World War II because of its strategic location to the oil fields in Libya 150 miles away. The Germans tried to isolate it from the world in order to use it as a stepping stone to North Africa. The American Navy broke through the German naval blockade to bring food to the starving Maltese people. King George VI of England awarded the whole island the George Cross, England's highest civilian medal for bravery.

As you go through Mosta, be sure to see the Mosta Dome, the third largest dome in the world. In the sanctuary of the church is a defused German bomb, which failed to explode. It was dropped on the church during Sunday mass in the middle of World War II.

The Hypogeum at Hal-Saffien is an underground copy of a megalithic temple, hewn out of solid rock by people of the Megalithic Age. It consists of many rooms on several levels. Some were painted and decorated. The

as their above-ground counterparts.

Excellent restaurants of many ethnic varieties abound on the island. The national dish of Malta is rabbit stew. Some of the cooking styles are strongly southern Italian, with calamari being another regional delicacy. The local fish, lampuki, available only in the summer months, is especially tasty.

There is plenty of nightlife in Malta, especially if you like discos and pub-crawling. There is a casino at the Dragonara Hotel. Some restaurants and hotels have Maltese Night, a dinner show with local dance companies dressed in native costumes, performing traditional Maltese folk dances.

The craft village of Ta'Qali, located between Rabat and Valletta, is a government controlled shopping village, with several blocks of individual stores, selling everything from handmade suits of armor to exquisite lace items and wool sweaters from the neighboring island of Gozo.

Getting around on Malta is easy. There is an excellent and inexpensive bus system. One bus I rode had a big Detroit Tigers button on the visor in front of the driver. Almost everyone speaks English, with Italian and Maltese being the other languages spoken.

Malta can be reached from Rome or other major European cities.

On your last day there, take a scenic ride on any coastal road and gaze out on the sparkling Mediterranean—a lovely way to remember Malta.

A Maltese balladeer wrote a song called "Malta Calypso," which has practically become the national anthem. The first lines, sung in a calypso beat, are: "Malta, we love Malta.

There is nothing we would alter."

Spend a week or so there and find out for yourself. Sally Davis is a freelance writer from West Bloomfield.



SALLY DAVIS

Folk dancers show off their island garb when they perform at resort hotels. Some restaurants and hotels have Maltese Night, a dinner show with local dance companies dressed in

native costumes, performing traditional Maltese folk dances. Almost everyone speaks English, with Italian and Maltese being the country's other languages.

Hotels compete with elegance, charm

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There's an attractive lobby, a good restaurant, a cozy bar and a bright coffee shop. (Nothing is more depressing than eating breakfast in a dark, cave-like room.)

I prefer "European-flavored accommodations" to be in Europe. Here, I can do without a concierge, continental breakfasts, or a bidet in the bathroom.

Spacious bathrooms: I don't want a telephone there, but I would like a scale. A terry cloth robe is nice, but not essential.

I often wonder who thought up the idea of having the hotel maid fold the lead piece on the toilet paper roll into a point?

It's important for the room to be comfortable and quiet. This means sound proof walls, so you're not privy to other guests' conversation, TV programs and love life. Privacy is a basic requirement often forgotten in the rush to provide first-run movies on TV, mini bars, personalized match folders, chocolate mints on

the pillow at night, and so on.

Good room service is an asset, and it's reassuring when some satisfying food and drink can be provided at any hour. (But to insist, as some do, that things like rack of lamb and almond soufflé be available at 3 a.m. strikes me as silly.)

It's wonderful to have windows that open, and a scenic or interesting view.

No-smoking rooms are a new luxury, and important if you've ever been trapped in a room redolent of El Ropo cigar smoke.

Finding a newspaper by the door in the morning is a nice touch. So is a rack of current newspapers and magazines in the coffee shop.

On the other hand, I've never understood the excitement about having the bed turned down at night. I'd gladly forgo that, complimentary cocktails and fresh flowers in the hope of having the best amenity of all, an affordable room rate.

The last, and most important element of a good hotel is its character — its style and its people, who alone

can provide the moments that make a place memorable.

For example: The desk clerk of a country inn greeted a late arriving guest on a stormy night by saying, with evident sincerity, "Oh, Mrs. Jones, we've been so worried about you!" Five years later, Mrs. Jones still remembers that remark.

The Algonquin Hotel has this kind of style, in my experience, and a unique history. It was an important part of New York literary life in the 1920s and '30s, when writer Dorothy Parker was making all those witty remarks to Robert Benchley, or vice versa, at the famous Algonquin Round Table in the Rose Room restaurant. The lobby and the Rose Room restaurant are now listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

It's still a gathering place for writers and actors.

The lobby, a little dark in the daytime, is part stage set and part welcoming refuge. I've seen Woody Allen there, and Mikhail Baryshnikov and Tom Brokaw. And some un-

known promoters who were much more entertaining to observe.

I remember some nice people — a desk clerk who rescued me from an embarrassing scene with a loud, demanding (and drunk) relative by having me paged and then saying, in a sympathetic whisper, "Don't worry, everyone understands. Do you want me to help get her in a cab?"

And an elevator operator, whose greeting brightened up a trying day. "I forget the floor," he said, smiling, "but I remember the perfume."

Leaving the Algonquin, I often think of Robert Benchley's famous exit: "Get me a cab," he said to a uniformed man at the door.

"Sir!" the man said, haughtily. "I am an admiral in the U.S. Navy!"

Benchley didn't even blink. "OK," he replied. "Get me a battleship."

Mary Augusta Rogers is a freelance writer from Birmingham.

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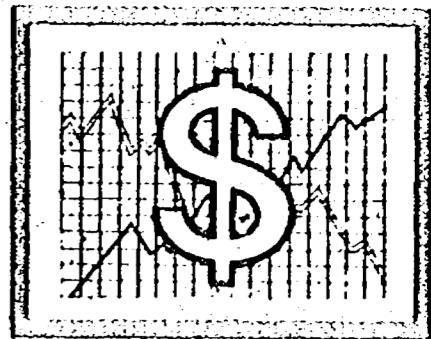
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DIVORCE

Emotional atmosphere clouds financial impact

By Marilyn M. Gunthor, Dan Boyce and Alan Ferrara special writers

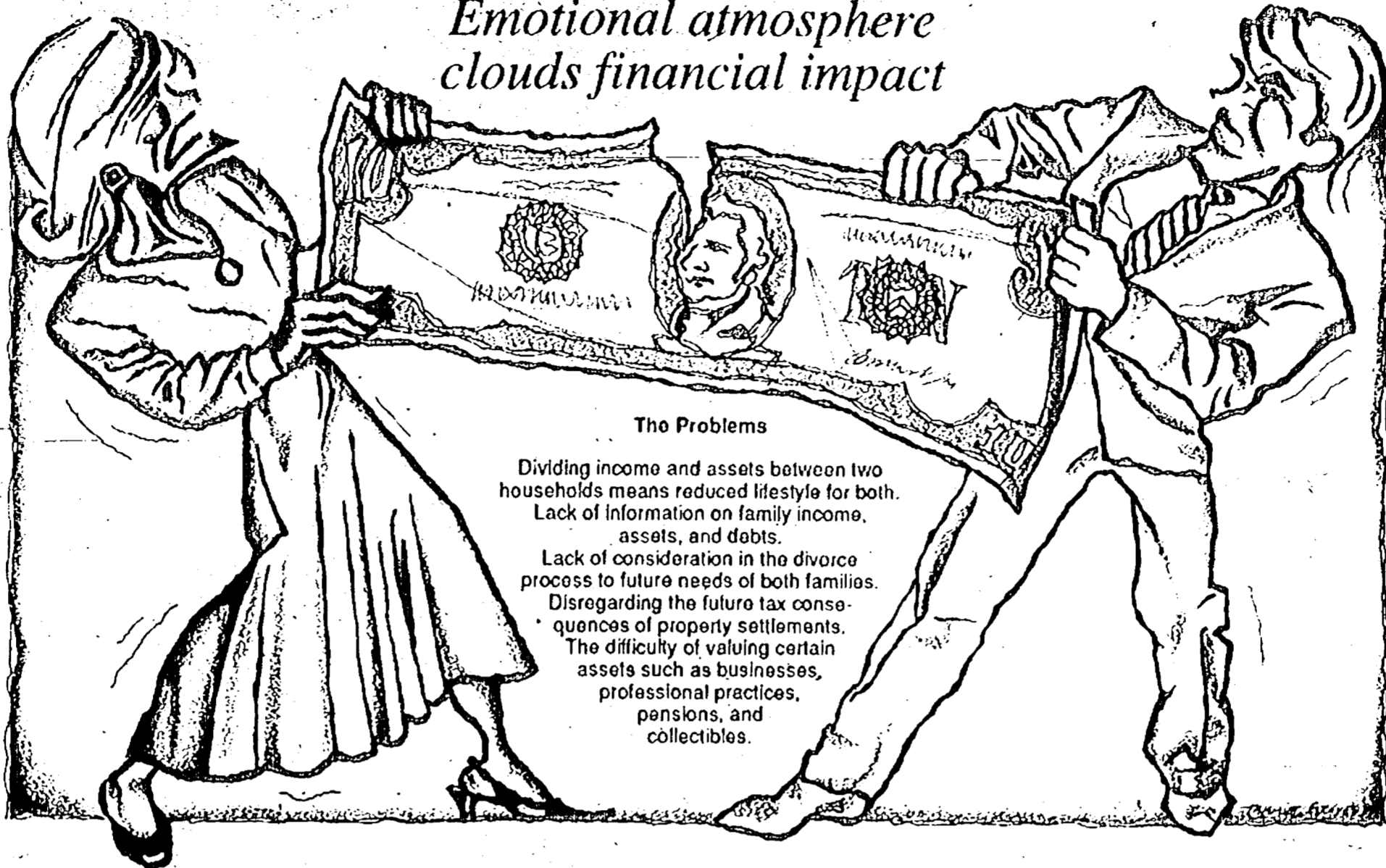
THIS MONTH'S column explores the financial consequences of divorce. The regular family profile will resume next month.

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AFTER MONTHS of arguing I just wanted the divorce to be over, and I was ready to settle for anything.

This all too common a response came from a person undergoing a divorce. Although divorce has become more commonplace in our society it is still one of the most serious crises an individual faces. The devastating emotional atmosphere created by divorce often clouds the difficult financial decisions that must be made.

Financial experts agree that not enough consideration is given to the true financial impact of divorce. As a result, financial planners are being added to the team of divorce experts along with the attorney and therapist. Nearly 1 million Americans have sung the tune, "Breaking Up Is Hard To Do." And indeed it is difficult in every sense. Dividing income and assets almost always means major lifestyle changes for both households. When children are involved,



The Problems

Dividing income and assets between two households means reduced lifestyle for both. Lack of information on family income, assets, and debts. Lack of consideration in the divorce process to future needs of both families. Disregarding the future tax consequences of property settlements. The difficulty of valuing certain assets such as businesses, professional practices, pensions, and collectibles.

the financial crisis is escalated and generally continues on for years to come.

"Women are the victims of divorce," says one angry ex-spouse. "My role was to be the home partner and raise the children. Now the rules have changed. I will never be able to earn as much as my ex-spouse."

This targets one of the serious financial concerns of divorce, future

financial security. Despite national awareness of the problem, divorcing women with children continue to experience a 73 percent drop in current lifestyle with little improvement expected in the future. In some cases, it has been helpful in the divorce proceedings to provide financial data to demonstrate the disparity in future income earning potential and its effect on lifestyle over the

years. The need for future financial security goes far beyond current child support and alimony. It is the reason sound financial advice is needed at the time of divorce. An understanding of what is owned, accompanied by a realistic assessment of current and future cash flow needs, is essential. Too often the most expedient fi-

nanial settlement is made without consideration of the tax impact. The family home is a case in point. Often women will want to retain the home for security and psychological reasons. If they later choose to sell the house, they may find themselves in a situation where they are unable to move because of the high capital gains tax to be paid. Once taxes are paid, there is not enough equity left

to reinvest into another home. Taxes can play a significant part in the structuring of property settlement or child support agreement.

Statistics tell us that divorced women move an average of three times in the five years immediately following the divorce in an attempt to maintain the same lifestyle but at affordable costs. These situations point out the need to discuss alternatives to housing and possible tax implications.

THE FIRST STEP in pulling together financial information at the time of divorce is to establish a net worth statement — what is owned, who owns it and a clear picture of the debt situation. Be sure to include all types of assets, including life insurance contracts and any pension or profit sharing benefits of each party.

"My first clue of trouble was when I found the investment account I thought was in our joint name," a husband said. "The account was jointly held, but in the names of my spouse and her mother," one man said.

These surprises are frequent when trouble exists. Secrecy, mistrust, fear, lack of information and attempts to hide assets are commonplace occurrences. An accurate assessment of assets is essential and often a surprise to a spouse who may not be abreast of the financial situation.

Another eye opener may come in the form of the debt situation. A non-working spouse is often under the misconception that debts incurred during the marriage belong only to

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Graphic design creates identity

By R.J. King special writer

As Erv Wolk puts it, graphic design is not so much the art of making things look better as it is about creating a distinct identity.

As the president of The Think Tank, a graphic design agency in Birmingham, Wolk makes his living challenging what best can be described as the conventions of the status quo.

Nowhere is this more evident than in the lobby of his office, where you are likely to be struck by the presence of a mannequin on the couch and the neon sculpture that spells out the company name.

"He's the only one that listens to me," quips Wolk, 62, casting an eye toward the well-dressed, but rather stiff, model.

"If I have a problem I talk to him. We work things out. He's a great listener."

A MANNEQUIN perched on a couch, especially one with a receptive ear, is bound to make people whisper over lunch, but that is exact-

ly the kind of lasting impression Wolk is out to create.

Whether it's a striking new logo for a corporation or a fresh brochure outlining the attributes of a cancer treatment program, The Think Tank is out to achieve distinction in a world often indistinguishable from itself.

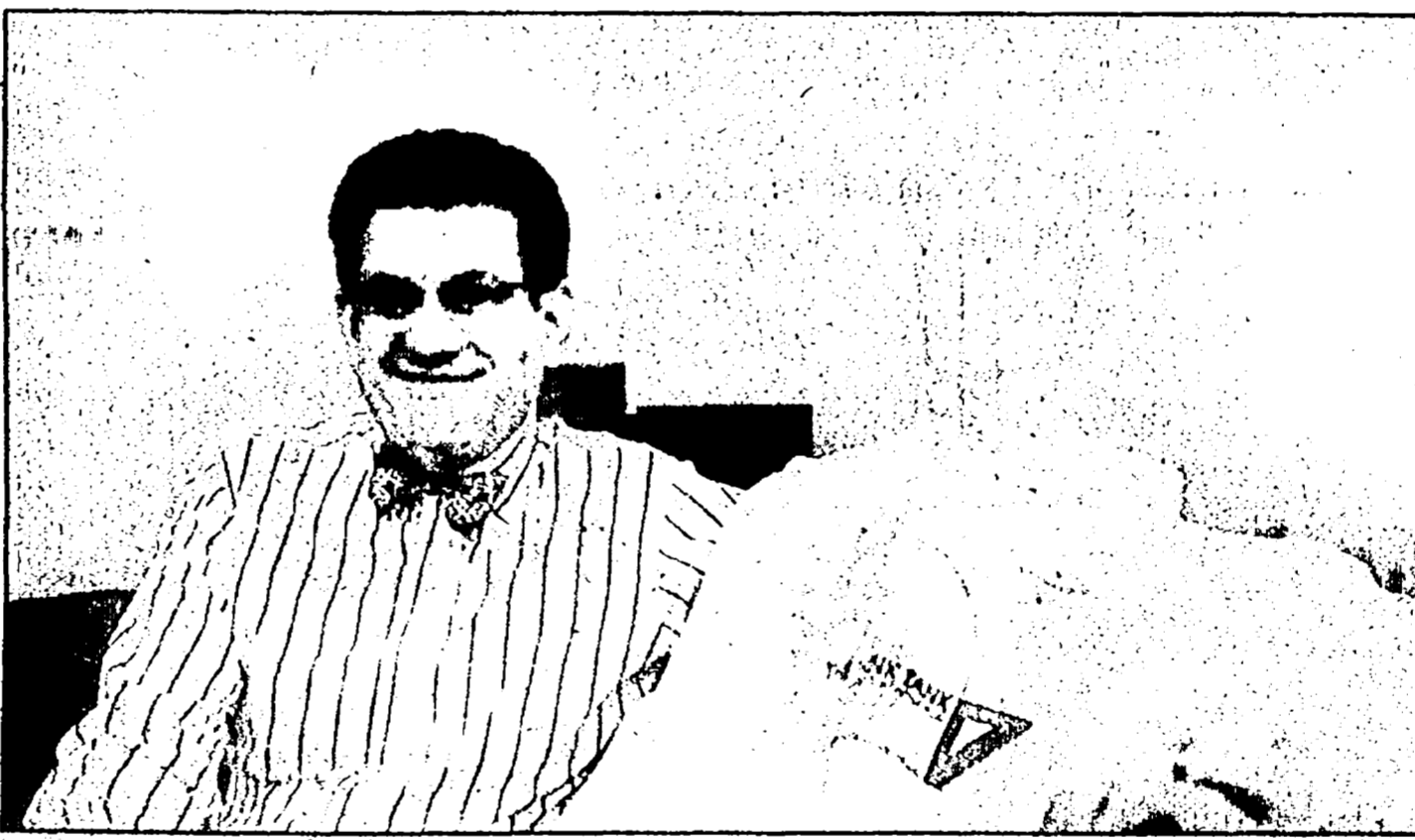
"I want people to know right off the bat that we're more than just another graphics house," said Wolk, a Birmingham resident.

"If a company comes to me with an idea of how they should market themselves, I'm not going to design something if I don't agree with the concept."

"If I agree with it, I say, 'Great. Let's go ahead.' But if I look at it with something better in mind, then I'll work it out and present what I feel is right for the client."

WHILE SUCH confidence may be novel for a graphic design agency only seven months old, Wolk brings to the business more than 35 years of advertising, marketing and design experience.

Most recently, Wolk was president



STEPHEN CANTRELL/staff photographer

Erv Wolk, president of The Think Tank, talks a graphics idea over with a friend.

of Wolk Advertising in Birmingham, a firm he started in 1954 and still runs today, although he emphasizes most of his time is spent with The Think Tank.

Describing the firm as an agency that offers creative support but doesn't place ads and a graphics house that designs promotional material, Wolk said the firm fills a niche in the marketplace, while reversing long-standing trends within the industry.

TO BE sure, while The Think Tank operates much like an ad agency, it does not collect the 8 to 15 percent commission a traditional agency charges when placing an ad for a client in a specific medium.

For example, if an advertising agency placed a \$20,000 ad in a newspaper for a client, the agency, using a 10 percent commission rate, would charge \$2,000 for its efforts in addition to billing for any design work.

The Think Tank, on the other hand, bills clients by the project, which Wolk said is less than what an ad agency charges but more than a graphic house following specific instructions.

"It's taken me months to define the reasons for why I did this," he said with a laugh. "I always thought there were companies out there who didn't need an advertising agency but needed to draw on someone who specializes in special projects."

'Art takes time to create, and only through thought is it created.'

— Erv Wolk, The Think Tank

"For instance, if a company needs a source to develop ideas, layouts and designs for a direct mail campaign, they could call on us, we would complete the project, and they would take it from there."

AS WOLK envisions it, and what has already come to pass, the firm will draw small- to medium-sized firms that have the personnel to carry out an advertising plan, but lack the artistic skills to create something fresh, bold and distinct.

As an example, Greg Tigani, president of Jewelry Express in Novi, said his company turned to The Think Tank earlier this year to develop a direct-mail brochure that his staff could use to boost sales for a credit financing program.

"We were offering an instant credit service to jewelers for use with their customers, and we wanted to change the design of our original campaign," Tigani said. "We thought it was too plain, and to be honest, we didn't think it was effective."


"We got in contact with Erv and presented our new idea, and he said

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Emotions will cloud the financial effects of divorce

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the working spouse or the one who incurred the debt.

"The slight margin account my husband told me about turned out to be \$60,000. He took out the loan, but now I have to pay also," a horrified spouse said.

The situation may be worse because of the excessive use of credit cards and other debt often prevails at the time of divorce.

ANOTHER AREA of contention during the divorce is the allocation of pension benefits. For highly paid executives, these benefits can be substantial and dividing them is more complicated than it first appears. Allocation of these benefits is becoming an area of increased contention because these benefits often

represent a major portion of the marital assets. Plans vary considerably, requiring attention to the current and future payout.

Rights to these pension benefits can be transferred to the ex-spouse of a plan participant if the proper steps are taken but these benefits may not be distributed immediately. If current cash flow is needed, pension benefits may not be the best assets to accept under a properly settlement. Additionally, provisions at death must be considered. Too often the current and future income tax consequences on these benefits are not considered.

When a family business, professional practice or large investment portfolio is part of the family assets, the divorce process becomes increasingly complex. The assets need

to be valued, which creates, disagreement, and also the tax impact at the time of future sale is a critical consideration.

Basic to the divorce process is knowledge of current and future cash flow needs. Here is one woman's experience.

"I always thought we lived on about \$50,000 a year, but when I took a careful look at our expenditures, I found it was closer to \$65,000. I had conveniently disregarded the summer camp for children, our vacations, child care, repairs to our house and trips to the summer cottage.

"I never thought about the increased need for child care and clothes for work after the divorce. Child support, interim alimony and income from investments provided

me with one-third the income needed."

ACCORDING TO a national study, 62 percent of the attorneys surveyed say that most of their women clients do not have a clear picture of family assets or income. Divorce counselors would add that men are often only vaguely aware of the day-to-day needs of the family.

Divorce financial planning assists the divorcing person to assess the true financial situation and shed an objective light on what assets will be beneficial to them to meet current cash flow needs and to protect their financial future.

"In dividing assets, I thought I would give up a lot to keep our summer cottage, but when I realized

what it would cost to keep it up, it was easy to let it go. Now, I feel I can plan money for vacations and take the kids someplace different each time," was one response.

Financial planning can assess what assets are best to keep. It can also review the need for other protections such as life insurance, disability and health care coverages.

"Our wedding was centered around I do's and romantic dreams of building a life forever. Our divorce was the division of a business partnership — pure economics," said one discouraged spouse. "When you get past custody issues, the divorce came down to economics: How much is there and who gets what?"

Guest writer Marilyn M. Gunther

er is a certified financial planner and partner at the Center for Financial Planning, specializing in financial planning for divorce. She currently serves as president for the Southeast Michigan Chapter of the International Association for Financial Planning. Dan Boyce, a certified financial planner at the Center for Financial Planning in Southfield, has been recognized by Money magazine as one of the top financial planners in the nation. Alan Ferrara is a partner in the Farmington Hills law firm of Couzens, Lansky, Feak, Ellis, Roeder & Lazar. Both serve on the board of directors for the Southeast Michigan Chapter of the International Association for Financial Planning.

business people

Greg Schaale was appointed creative director of Highland Superstores Inc. in Plymouth. Schaale joined Highland from Circuit City in Richmond, Va., where he was creative manager for nine years. Before that, he was art director for Lewis-Fyeeze-Cory Advertising. He holds a bachelor of fine art degree in communication art and design from Virginia Commonwealth University.

Dr. Joseph N. Brace of Livonia was selected for membership in the American Chiropractic Association. He is a graduate of Palmer College of Chiropractic in Davenport, Iowa.

Mary Anne Pekkala of Redford Township was promoted to manager in the tax department of Grant Thornton in Southfield. She is a certified public accountant. Pekkala has been with Grant Thornton's tax department since 1983. She is a graduate of Wayne State University and is pursuing a master of taxation degree at Walsh College.

Kenneth Sedgeman of Westland completed a sales training course in horticultural services at the Davey Tree Expert Co. Sedgeman, who has worked for Davey for eight years, is a sales representative in the south Detroit full-service territory.

Gary Kunnert of Redford Township returned from a five-day sales seminar at the Vernon Co. in Newton, Iowa. He was awarded the trip on the basis of his outstanding sales. Kunnert became a sales representative for the Vernon Co. in 1989.

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Ken Koenig of Canton Township joined the staff of RE/MAX crossroads Inc. in Canton Township as an associate broker. Koenig, a 20-year real estate veteran, had been broker/owner of his own real estate company, Koenig & Associates, also in Canton Township. During that time, he received the Graduate Real Estate Institute designation. He also was a member of the Western Wayne Oakland County Board of Realtors' Top 10% Club.

Rick Wieland was promoted to Rolls-Royce manager of Don Massey Cadillac Inc. in Plymouth.

Craig H. Evans of Plymouth was appointed administrator at The Whittier in Detroit, the riverfront residential hotel. Evans is a 1975 graduate of the University of Rochester. He received his master of business administration degree in 1977 from Cornell University's Johnson Graduate School of Management.

Paul G. Dugan of Farmington Hills joined Lason Systems Inc. in Livonia as vice president of direct marketing services. Before joining Lason, Dugan was operations manager of an electronic mail service corporation in Oak Park.

Andre Lanthier of Wayne was named a manager with Andersen Consulting's Detroit office. Lanthier,

who had been a senior consultant, graduated from Iowa State University in Ames, Iowa, in 1986 with a degree in industrial engineering.

James Holthus was named vice president-laser maintenance with Laser Maintenance Inc., a division of Lason Systems Inc. in Livonia. Before joining Laser Maintenance, Holthus was a service specialist with Xerox Corp. for 14 years.

Rande Somma was named director of sales and marketing for the automotive systems group of Johnson Controls Inc. of Plymouth. Somma joined the company in 1988 as an account executive for the Chrysler business unit where he was responsible for sales administration for all Chrysler seating programs.

Bret Roberson of Westland passed the Michigan Debt Management Examination. He is now qualified counselor as defined by Michigan Public Act 148 of 1975. He will work out of the Taylor office of Credit Counseling Centers Inc.

Jalle Banis of Livonia joined WCSX/WHND-Radio as an account executive. Banis had been a major accounts manager for Nabisco Foods Co. serving major food retailers such as Farmer Jack/A&P, Korger, Great Scott and Superfoods. She is a graduate of Michigan State University,

where she majored in food service management.

Sam H. McGoun, chairman of the board of Republic Bank S.E. and president of Corron & Black of Michigan Inc. in Livonia, joined the board of directors of Republic Bancorp Inc. in Ann Arbor.

Robert Stockton was appointed manager of public relations for the Livernois Engineering Group of Dearborn. He began his career as a newspaper sports writer in suburban Philadelphia.

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Good graphic design helps create identity

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he could design something that would be more effective. Our agreement was that if we didn't like it, we didn't have to pay for it, and we would go with our first effort."

The four graphic artists who make up The Think Tank developed a brochure using a high-gloss photo of an emerald as a background. Enclosed in a matching envelope, the brochure unfolds into three sections, each spelling out specific areas of the program.

"The new brochure really added a flair of elegance to our campaign," Tigan said. "It was so much better looking than our piece, and it's been the most effective campaign we've ever run."

JANET BERNADINO, director of marketing for Infusystem At Home in Southfield, an ambulatory infusion system that cancer patients use at home, said the graphic design agency followed through on all the details for her project.

"We needed help with design work for a brochure describing the system to our dealers, and since we have an internal printing show, we could handle that end," she said. "From a marriage of ideas, they

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— Erv Wolk

came up with a logo that has our name under a simple outline of a home. It's also very clever in that it is an arrow as well, a signal that treatment is entering the bloodstream."

IN ADDITION to creating distinction for clients, Wolk uses his talents on his own company. To distinguish The Think Tank from a scientific consortium, the company letterhead has a background of Auguste Rodin's sculpture of The Thinker.

"When people see our letterhead or brochure, they know right away that we're going to take care of their image," Wolk said. "Art takes time to create, and only through thought is it created."

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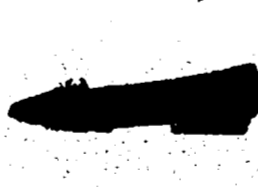

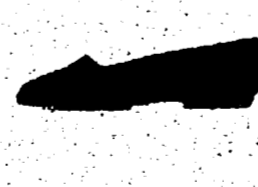
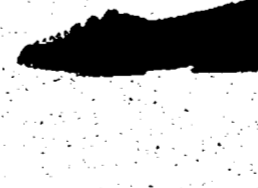


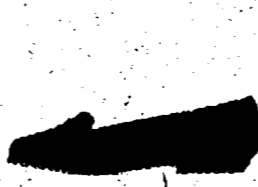
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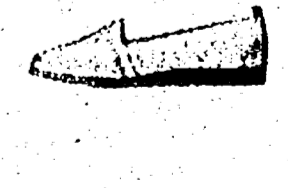



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Recyclable material used to be called plain old junk

One of the fascinations of the English language is its ability to create the illusion of something new out of something you probably weren't thinking about anyway.

Lately, the use of "recycling" as a way of obscuring the old-style junk yard has been entering the propaganda mill in force. While this manages to launder brings one of those back-alley topics into something fit for a cocktail party, it does serious injustice to junk yards.

Long a poor man's last resort to keeping a car running that society would just as soon ticket, harass or tow away, a decent junk yard managed to perform a lot of socially useful functions without much in the

way of social-political recognition.

A friend of mine was in the junk business, or junkin', as he called it. To him it was a marvel of the economy that he could get a hundred bucks to tow away, and then three times that to dismantle, something that was in such a condition of decay he might be slipped an additional 20 bucks just to pick it up.

IN FACT, he became a student of metals markets, stockpiling a mountain of engine blocks while waiting for the iron market to turn up, meanwhile attempting to design the world's biggest nutcracker to dismantle aluminum from transmission cases, which was worth something.



Just how successful he was was demonstrated when the neighbors complained about the noise. He responded by buying the neighborhood, then gave the houses away to indigent friends who were unlikely to complain.

His largess took on epic proportions as he began employing these

same social deviants, who gathered around the big iron stove for breakfast every morning, while Freddy fed them and offered food for the soul as well.

SOMEHOW, I think Freddy could have gone on even if someone had insisted that he was a recycler. INSTEAD, HE kept his bulldozers

stead of being in the junk business. That might have been a nice touch as he swung the debris of the streets off his tow hook, stripped off the useable alternators, starter motors, transmissions and headlamp assemblies before carting it to the big crane, where it would be lifted to join the growing pile of speculative scrap.

As a recycler, he could add moral outrage to his charge out the back gate to trap neighborhood teenagers who were clambering over the fence with a slightly used carburetor. Instead, he usually took a five, and sauntered back inside.

running, shifting the relentless pile of old batteries, springs, baled scrap, headlamps, upholstery, engine blocks, transmissions and rear axles from the in box to the out box.

Lately, I picked up a piece that informed me that about 80 percent of the typical automobile is actually recycled or reused, rather than accumulating in some landfill. Freddy, who frequently was found driving a car that someone left in front of his yard, rather than one of the three white Eldorado convertibles in his garage, probably could have cared less.

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1	7,848(B)	1,598(C)	6,250(D)	95,039	100,000(K)
2	15,696	3,196	12,500	89,929	100,000
3	23,544	4,794	18,750	84,666	100,000
4	31,392	6,392	25,000	79,245	100,000
5	39,240	7,990	31,250	73,661	100,000
6	47,088	9,588	37,500	67,910	100,000
7	54,936	11,186	43,750	61,986	100,000
8	62,784	12,784	50,000	55,884	100,000
9	70,632	14,382	56,250	49,600	100,000
10	78,480	15,980	62,500	43,127	100,000
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15	117,720	23,970	93,750	7,729	100,000
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By Sid Mittra
special writer

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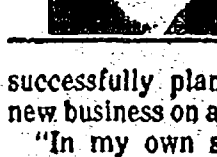
At one end are would-be entrepreneurs who quit their jobs as soon as they decide what it is they want to do. At the other extreme are those who refuse to leave no matter how busy their business becomes over time.

Paul Kennedy, owner of Kennedy Plumbing in Livonia, believes quitting a job prematurely is the biggest mistake a owner of a new business can make.

"It's not like leaving your job to write a book," Kennedy said. "I've yet to meet anyone who was financially independent enough to take on that type of risk." He points out that it is possible to

focus: small business

Mary DiPaolo



successfully plan and work at the new business on a part-time basis. "In my own situation, I worked nights and weekends for several years before I was making enough money to break out on my own."

against staying longer than necessary before quitting to work at the new business. "If the owner isn't readily available to make decisions and respond quickly to changes as the business grows, he or she will ultimately lose control of the operation. Depending

on who has been put in charge, things may work out extremely well or fall apart completely. "Regardless of what happens, the risk associated with the company's long-term success is just as great."

He stresses the ethical considerations of working on two careers simultaneously. "The practice of pursuing what is considered 'personal' business during your employer's time is not only unfair to the company and its other employees but creates a whole new series of complications sooner or later.

He advises those starting new businesses to talk to those in similar fields.

"This is a crucial first step and would mean speaking with not just a few people but several," Henk said. "It also helps to get in touch with small business advisers who are available to share information based on their previous work with clients."

"The one thing to remember is that experience is the best teacher, especially when it's someone else's experience you've learned from."

Mary DiPaolo is the owner of *Marketrends*, a Farmington Hills business consulting firm. She is also producer and host of the cable television series, "Chamber Perspectives."

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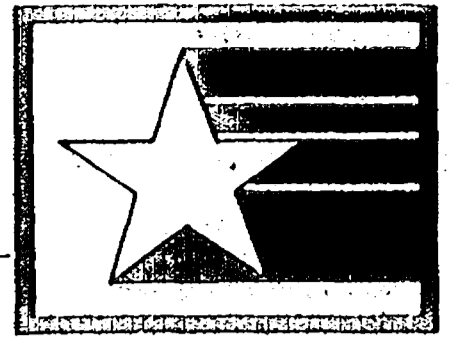
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He's singin' and dancin' in Donald O'Connor role

By Ethel Simmons
staff writer

WILLIAM AKEY IS BACK home in the Detroit area, performing here for the first time since he moved to Chicago to pursue his acting career. And it's in a starring role in the Birmingham Theatre production of the Broadway musical "Singin' in the Rain."

In an interview last week in the theater lobby, the personable performer relaxed in a high-back chair as he talked about the theater, the show — based on the classic movie musical — and playing the Donald O'Connor role, of Cosmo Brown.

He also recalled his growing up years in Livonia and later in Detroit, where he attended Wayne State University and studied theater, becoming a member of the Hilberry acting troupe.

"I lived in Livonia since I was in the fourth grade, from 1967 to 1981," he said. "For about six years I delivered the Livonia Observer. I was Paper Boy of the Year my last year in high school. Then, I worked at the Livonia office of the Observer & Eccentric. I started the summer before college, in the circulation department for a year."

AKEY IS a graduate of Livonia Bentley High School. His parents, Charles and Joan Akey, now live in Canton.

"In 1981, I moved to Detroit for undergraduate and graduate school," he said. Akey spent two years at Wayne State in the graduate school at the Hilberry, where he played such part as Thomas in "The Imaginary Invalid," Richard in "Ab, Wilderness!" the Dauphin in "St. Joan" and Yank in "The Hasty Heart."

"I also did musicals during my undergraduate year, working with Nira Pullin, movement professor. They even took me away from the graduate company to perform and help in musicals. I was assistant choreographer and dance captain for 'H.M.S. Pinafore.'"

During the summers from 1980-83, Akey appeared at Opryland in Nashville, in the entertainment park's musical revue. "After graduating from the Hilberry, I went to Nashville to do an original musical. It flopped within a week," he said.

He worked at Opryland one more summer before moving to Chicago, where he had friends. He auditioned for a show the second day there and got the part of Enoch Snow Jr. in "Carousel." "It was my first Equity show."

HE CONTINUES to work in Chicago. "The theater community in Chicago is very good," he said. "There's about four major musical theater houses. I've worked for all those people."

He also has done commercial

work, voiceovers, live industrial shows and industrial films. Another show-business job was aboard a ship in the Caribbean for three months, playing Tom Thumb in the musical "Barnum" and appearing in a revue. "I didn't want to be there," he said, explaining he missed his friends.

Akey and his wife, Lynette Lewis, celebrated their first wedding anniversary recently. In Chicago, she has been a staff announcer at Channel 2 and hosted a PBS program "Woman to Woman." Lewis also has done voiceover, films and commercial work.

Recalling how the couple met, Akey said, "I co-teach a Bible Study for people in the arts. She showed up one night and said to herself, 'That's the man for me.' The rest is history."

Akey fits comfortably into the Cosmo Brown role in "Singin' in the Rain," sticking close to the Donald O'Connor interpretation. "The movie is such a classic and his performance in that movie is such a classic, I thought it would be difficult to stray from what he did," Akey said.

"I'VE TAKEN some of the physical things he did. Hopefully, people will see I'm doing what Donald O'Connor did, and more. He had 10 takes — I only get one take."

Akey said Cosmo is one of his favorite roles. "He's really the heart and soul of the musical." In the show about a Hollywood movie studio, at the time of the switch from silent films to the talkies, "You look to him

for reality."

Cosmo is a piano player who becomes a musical director for the studio, while his buddy, Don Lockwood (James Mellon in the Gene Kelly role) becomes a star.

For the physical aspects of the number "Make Em Laugh," "We've taken the choreography almost verbatim from the movie," he said. "It's our version of Donald O'Connor playing Cosmo Brown."

Akey said the musical wasn't very successful on Broadway and that he didn't see the Broadway show. "Our production has tried to stay more true to the original."

BESIDES "MAKE Em Laugh," Akey performs in song-and-dance numbers including "Good Morning," "Broadway Melody," "Moses Supposes" and "Fit As A Fiddle." He said, "In the first act, I'm either changing costumes or on stage."

"Make Em Laugh" takes place on a movie set and uses set pieces as part of the number. "I do pratfalls. I get hit with boards. It's the most fun but the most difficult," he said.

Although Akey tap dances up a storm in the show, he mentioned, "As I kid I was a gymnast. I didn't take my first tap class until my sophomore year in college. Nira Pullin taught me much of what I do today." He also praised Helen Hopkins, with whom he studied voice in college. "She was a big influence in my life."



James Mellon (left) plays the Gene Kelly role of Don Lockwood, and William Akey, onetime Livonia resident, has the Donald O'Connor part of Cosmo Brown in the Birmingham Theatre production of "Singin' in the Rain." Here, they appear in the "Moses Supposes" musical number.

Akey performed in shows during grade school and high school. He did several shows at Greenfield Village in Dearborn. "One summer I did a one-man show as Tom Sawyer," he said. "I also did several shows at the Henry Ford Museum Theatre."

"Singin' in the Rain" continues through Sunday, Nov. 4. Its run be-

gan as part of the Birmingham Theatre season and will conclude as part of the Fisher Theatre season — at the Birmingham Theatre.

The week after the show ends, Akey goes into rehearsal for an industrial show he is doing in Las Vegas.

Choreographer D.J. Giagni puts his vision onstage



D.J. Giagni is choreographer for "Singin' in the Rain."

By Ethel Simmons
staff writer

When "Singin' in the Rain" was on Broadway, "It wasn't successful. They didn't have a good creative team," said D.J. Giagni, choreographer for the current Birmingham production.

He said that the Broadway director tried to put the film on stage. "There's no point in trying to recreate the movie. All the songs, dance and story, it's better for the audience to see live."

Giagni compared the big production number in the second act, "Broadway Melody," to the movie version. "There was a dream sequence in the film with Cyd Charisse. Ours is a nice big tap dance,

with Don Lockwood. It's all about rhythm."

He said a lot of small changes were made by the director, Theodore Pappas. "He uses the side stages of the Birmingham Theatre, to keep the pace and rhythm. On stage, there are quick blackouts using the side stages. Between the second and third scene, we've added a tango, to change the set onstage."

Ted is also a choreographer, and we opted to split up the choreography. It's not often you work with a director who understands dancing. Ted staged the "Beautiful Girls" number and "All I Do Is Dream of You." We did the finale together."

THE ENTIRE CAST of 22 people appears in the finale, a reprise of

"Singin' in the Rain." In "Broadway Rhythm," Don, Cosmo and 15 dancers perform.

"The hardest number is 'Singin' in the Rain,' because of technical difficulties," Giagni said. The solo number, where the character Don does Gene Kelly's famous dance, requires him to get an umbrella and hat, change shoes and coat.

During the spectacular sequence, rain pours down from overhead and Don dances in puddles. Afterwards,

"The stage is sometimes a little slippery. The pipes leak a little bit. There are a few glitches."


Giagni said he has seen the movie "Singin' in the Rain" at least 10 times. "As a dancer, it's the quintessential dance film," he said.

When Giagni returns to New York, it will be to start work on the new Stephen Sondheim musical "Assassins," about people who tried to assassinate Presidents of the United States.

GIAGNI IS THE SON of Danny Daniels, Tony-award-winning choreographer for the Broadway hit "Tap Dance Kid." Because D.J.'s first name is Daniel, or Danny, the same as his dad, he uses initials instead.

"Dad choreographed the TV special 'An American in Pasadena.' I was assistant choreographer," Giagni said. "I was not in the show but I danced for Jay the Mouse" (he did


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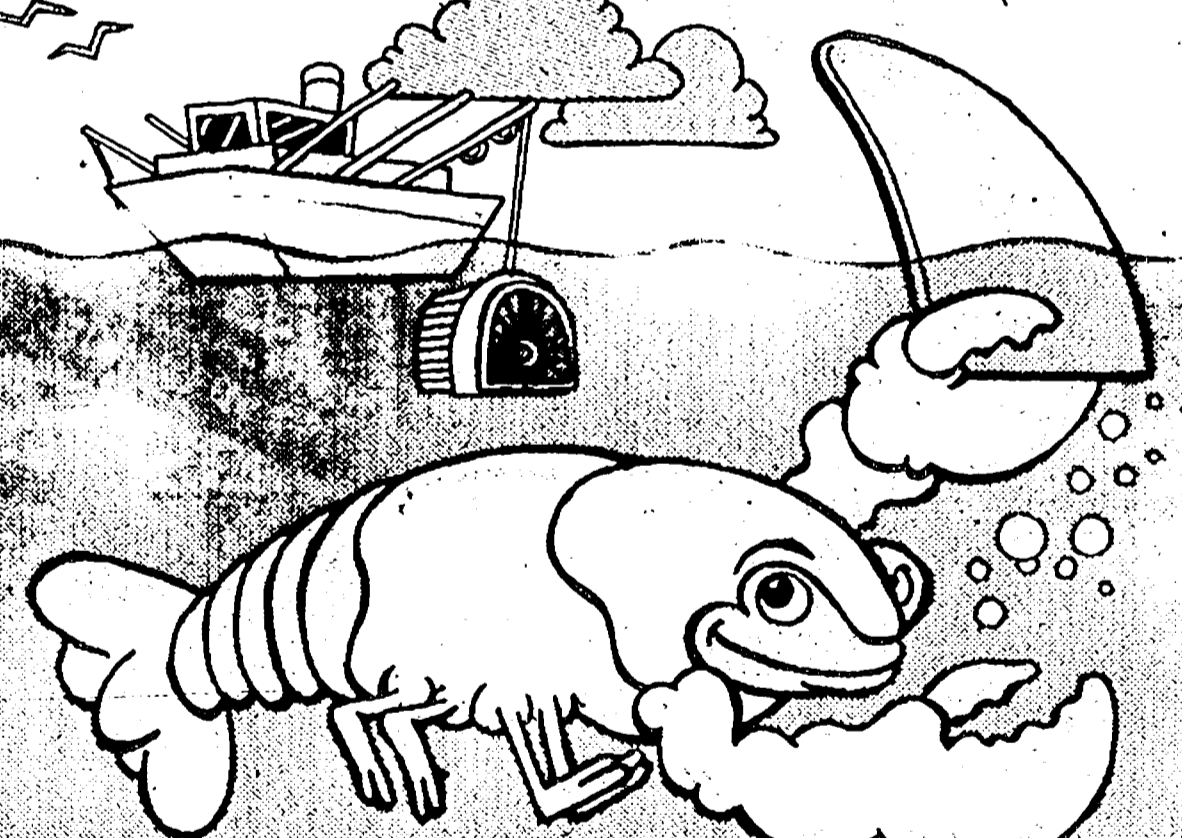
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Subscriptions are available for the 1990-91 season of the Jewish Ensemble Theatre, a professional theater in West Bloomfield. The season opens with "The Merchant" by Arnold Wesker, on Wednesday, Oct. 17. Presented in December will be "A Rosen by Any Other Name," a comedy by Israel Horowitz. "Bitter Friends" by Gordon Rayfield will receive its Michigan premiere at the JET in February. Final play of the season in April is "Cantorial" by Ira Levin. Subscription prices range from \$25-\$59. For tickets or information, call the JET at 788-2800 or Ticketmaster at 645-6666.

ENCORE PRESENTATION

Ken Hill's original stage adaptation of the "Phantom of the Opera" will come to Detroit's Fox Theatre for an encore presentation Tuesday, Oct. 30, to Sunday, Nov. 4. Showtimes are Tuesday-Saturday, 8 p.m.;

Sunday, 7 p.m.; matinees Saturday-Sunday, 2 p.m. Tickets are on sale at the Fox Theatre and Joe Louis Arena box offices and all Ticketmaster outlets. To charge tickets by phone call 645-6666. For further information call 567-6000.

FAREWELL TOUR

Wild animal trainer Gunther Gebel-Williams will star in the 119th Edition of Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus, opening at Joe Louis Arena in Detroit on Tuesday, Oct. 2, and continuing through Sunday, Oct. 7. This will be the last time local audiences can witness Gebel-Williams in regular performance. Tickets for the Farewell Tour are on sale at Joe Louis Arena box office and all Ticketmaster outlets, for \$12.50, \$10.50 and \$8.50.

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IN PERSON

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ANNIVERSARY EVENT

Machus Red Fox celebrates its 25th anniversary, with a party to benefit Michigan Opera Theatre's Community Programs, from 4-8 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 23, at the restaurant in Bloomfield Township. Highlighting the celebration will be Broadway musical sketches, singing, a buffet and an open bar. The newly refurbished Machus Red Fox will become, for one day only, a stage showcasing the talents of MOT artists, performing at 5 and 7 p.m. ex-

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CASTING CALL

First Theater Guild of the First Presbyterian Church in Birmingham will hold tryouts for "The Legend of Sleepy Hollow" at 7 p.m. Monday-Tuesday, Sept. 24-25, in Knox Auditorium of the church. Roles are available for adults and for high-school and middle-school-age students. For more information call 646-6033.

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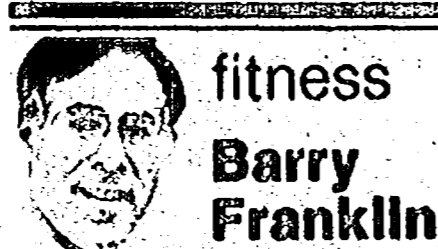
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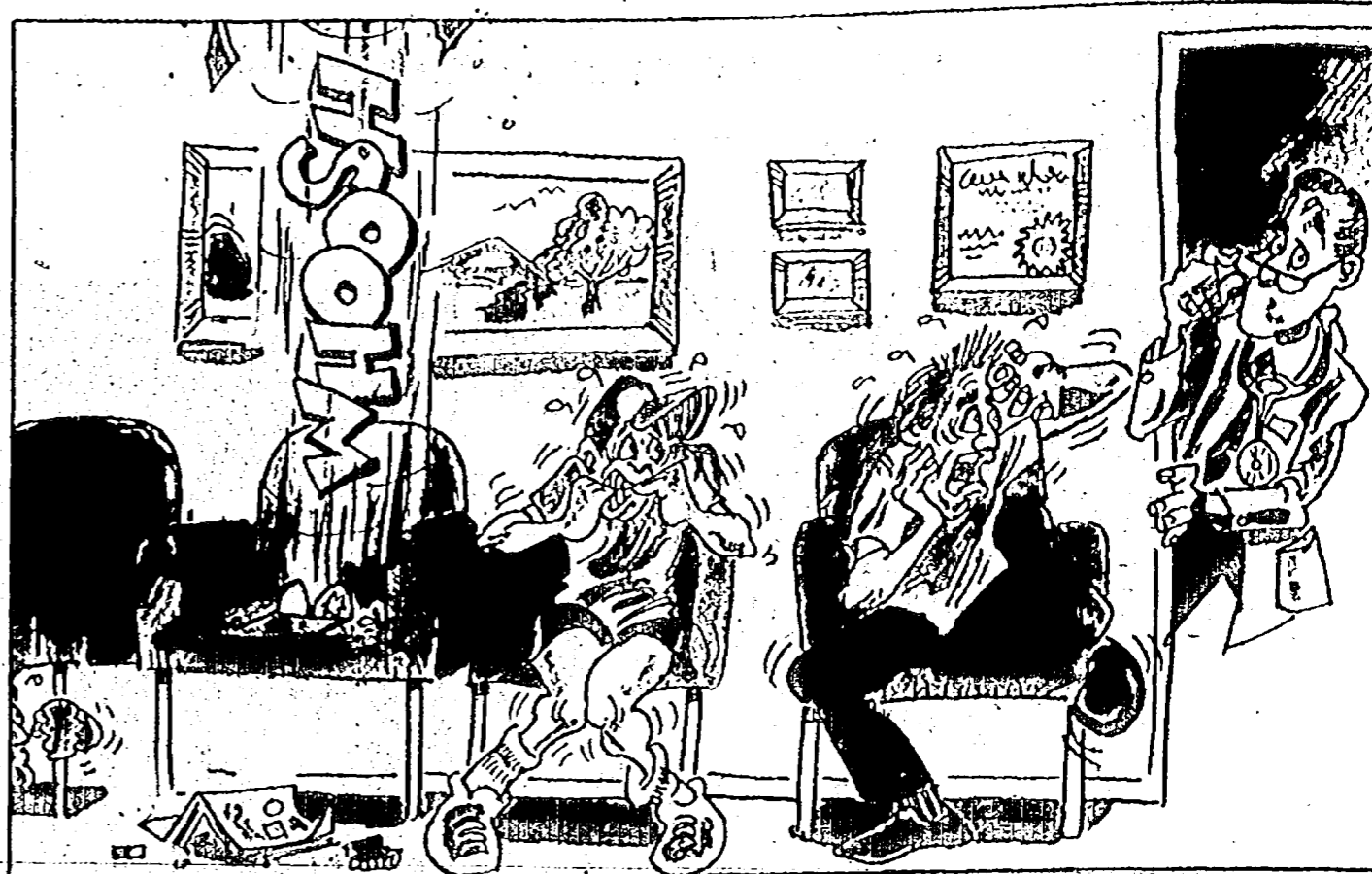
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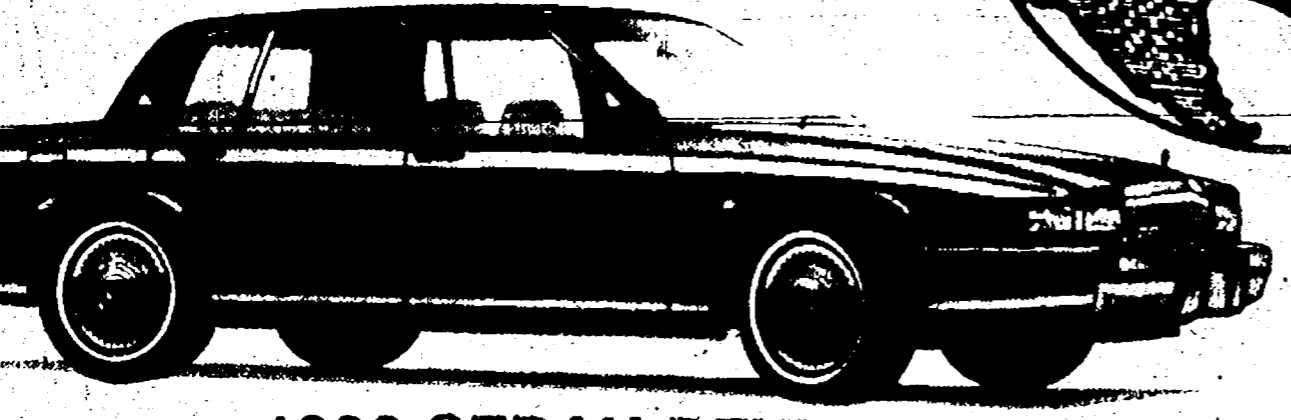
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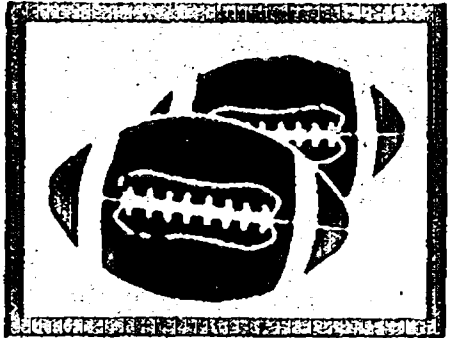
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State-ranked teams settle for draw

Gentile's 2 goals save Churchill vs. Spartans

By Brad Emons
staff writer

Livonia Churchill came back from the dead Wednesday, rallying for two goals in the final eight minutes to gain a 2-2 tie with city rival Stevenson in a battle of the state's No. 1- and No. 2-ranked boys soccer teams.

The game, played before a large throng, left both teams with identical 5-0-1 records.

It also marked the first meeting between first-year coaches: Walt Barrett of Stevenson and Mark Mason of Churchill.

Mike Gentile, a junior midfielder, was the hero for host Churchill, scoring both of his team's goals.

The first occurred with 7:55 remaining in the game when he caught the Spartans' defense hedging up, tapping in a shot on a pass from junior Dario Rauker.

The goal seemed to wake up the Chargers, who had been lethargic for nearly 60 of the 80 minutes of play.

With 5:42 to go, Churchill took advantage of a break, capitalizing on a Stevenson foul just outside the box in front of the Spartans' net.

Gentile then rifled in a direct free kick, drilling a shot from 20 yards out, just to the left of the Spartans' defensive wall.

ALTHOUGH STUNNED by the sudden turn of events, Stevenson nearly shook off the effects when a Todd Krzysnik shot rang off the post with 3:45 remaining.

But the Spartans had to settle for a tie and left the field with a sour taste in their mouths.

"They're frustrated," said Barrett. "We were playing great, but they (Churchill) caught us on a good play. They earned the first goal."

"But unfortunately for us it was a restart on the second one. What can you say?"

The hustling play of All-Area defender Brian Mitchell seemed to set

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the tone for the Spartans in the early going.

Stevenson appeared to have the ball on a string, dominating for nearly 40 minutes.

The Spartans took a 1-0 lead with 19:18 left in the half when senior defender Travis Roy scored on a direct free kick from 25 yards out, putting a shot in the upper left-hand corner of the Churchill goal, beating the Chargers' five-man wall.

The restart came when Krzysnik was tripped on a foul just outside the Churchill box.

CHURCHILL, meanwhile, couldn't get anything going, recording only one corner kick and a few harmless shots in the opening half.

"My coaching staff pointed out some things to me," said Mason, the Churchill coach. "I was trying to force my style of play. Changes had to be made. We needed more strength up front. In the first half we didn't have much of an attack going."

Mason went with four forwards instead of three, pushing Gentile from midfield to forward.

"We needed some scoring punch up front," he said. "We were clogging up the midfield and that's why we didn't do anything the first half. We had to loosen up the midfield. We also went to four (full) backs because we had trouble coordinating with three back there. I needed to react quicker to the situation."

But despite the changes, the Chargers found themselves down 2-0 just 7:07 into the second half when Krzysnik, the junior forward, tucked in a shot on a short cross from Adam Carriere.

But the momentum began to slow-



ART EMANUELE/staff photographer

Rob Haar (No. 10) of Livonia Stevenson splits a pair of Livonia Churchill defenders and launches a shot on goal during

Wednesday's battle of state-ranked soccer teams. The city rivals battled to a 2-2 tie.

ly shift Churchill's way during the final 20 minutes.

"I THOUGHT Stevenson gave up attacking and when you do that it becomes tiring to play defense all the time," said Mason. "They seemed to be more defensive and sat back. We controlled a lot of the game in the second half, except for a few breakaways they made."

Barrett, however, offered a different viewpoint of the way things unfolded.

"I didn't think we changed a thing," said the Stevenson coach. "Our plan was to keep attacking, regardless of how many goals we had. We just opened the door with the one goal. A one-goal margin is not enough to keep Churchill off your back. But our team played well and Churchill played well, too. I like Churchill's work and buildup in the midfield."

Rauker and (Aaron) Sawicky did a nice job for us in the midfield

area," said Mason. "It was a matter of getting the right people in the right places."

Both goalies — Churchill's Jeff Cassar and Stevenson's Scott Plagenhoef — did yeoman's work.

EACH TEAM was also down a key player.

Churchill was missing one of its leading scorers, junior forward Dominic Vella, who was serving a one-game suspension after being

red-carded in Monday's 3-1 victory over Walled Lake Western.

Stevenson is still without the services of senior midfielder Dave Nordwell, a transfer from Virginia, who has yet to play because of an ankle injury.

The two rivals, who split three encounters last year — one win, one tie and one loss apiece — could meet again in the Western Lakes Activities Association playoff on Wednesday, Oct. 17.

O&E champ

Caddy comes in handy for Urbats

By Steve Kowalski
staff writer

Bob Urbats brought a caddy with him for the final round of the Observer & Eccentric Golf Tournament Sunday, and it's a good thing since he was out late the night before.

The extra help must have done some good, as the 38-year-old Livonia resident responded with a two-over par 72 in the wind and rain to take his first-ever O&E title at Whispering Willows. See results on page 6D.

The rest of Urbats' foursome went solo, but he was glad to have his brother Mike at his side for all 18 holes during the championship flight.

Urbats finished with a two-day total of 141 (69-72) and afterwards bought his brother a drink in the clubhouse to show his appreciation.

"I should buy him a lot more than that," said Bob. "I went to a wedding and got to bed about one last night. When I got up and saw the rain, I said 'Oh my God.' But the blood came through today. He helped out in the rain, with an umbrella and keeping the clubs dry."

GOLF

URBATS, A VETERAN of more than 10 O&E tournaments, is notorious for being inconsistent. But not this weekend, as he was able to outduel 28 others in the top flight, including second-place Alex McLuckie (73-74, 147), of Livonia, and third-place Richard Qilton (73-75, 148), also of Livonia.

Urbats won a \$225 gift certificate for winning the Championship Flight and Qilton took home a \$120 gift certificate for winning the net division (including handicap).

"Urbats always has one very good round and one not so very good," said Whispering Willows Golf Professional Gary Whitener. "He'll shoot an 81 and then come back with a 71. He's a good kid, been playing the O&E as long as I can remember."

Urbats, who says he normally plays "pretty good in rainy, windy weather," lived up to that reputation Sunday. After shooting a four-over par 39 on the front nine, Ur-

bats closed out strong, with a sterling back-nine score of 33.

Urbats had three birdies on the back nine, including one on the par-4, 341-yard 11th hole — where he chipped in a 40-foot shot for a three.

"I kind of snuck that one in," Urbats said. "I prayed to just get it on the green so I could put for a four. I kind of figured things were going my way. These greens are in the best shape I've seen in a long time. Even in the rain you can really roll the ball."

URBATS, WHO carries a two-handicap, had a four-shot edge over McLuckie after the first round. McLuckie owns a one-handicap but knew it would be tough to catch Urbats on the final round — regardless of the past.

This was the second-straight second place finish for McLuckie, a 29-year-old who would like to win the O&E sometime this decade.

"I'm sick of being the bridesmaid — especially to Urbats," he said, half-joking. "I know Bob's track record (of having one good round and one bad), but four shots

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Bob Urbats of Livonia, the O&E golf champion, hits off the No. 7 tee at Whispering Willows during Sunday's final round of play. Urbats shot a 36-hole total of 141 to win the championship flight.

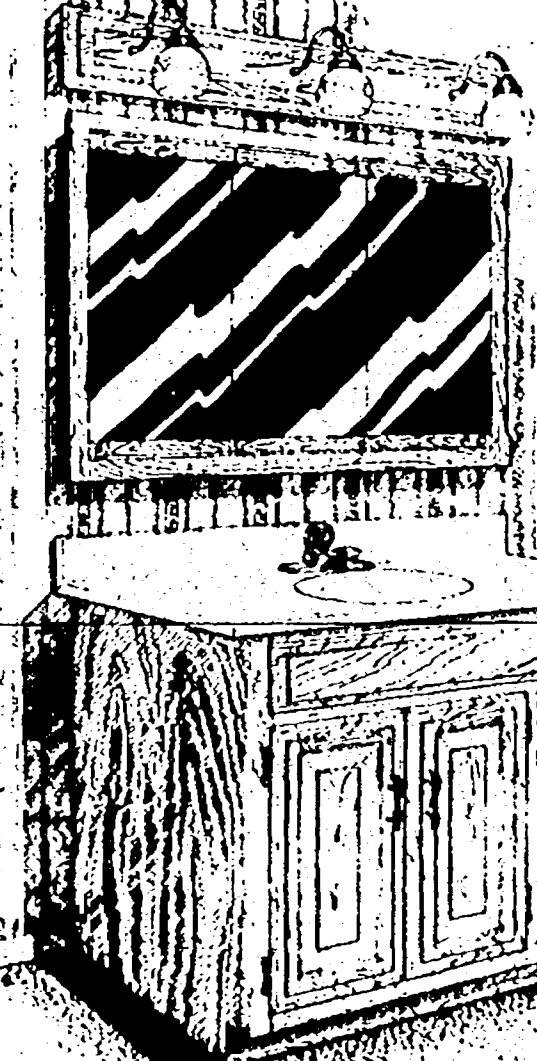
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 • A film on the bathtub or shower, or even on the body can signal hard water.
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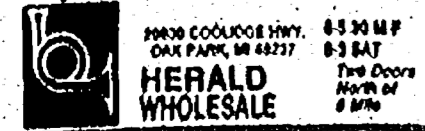
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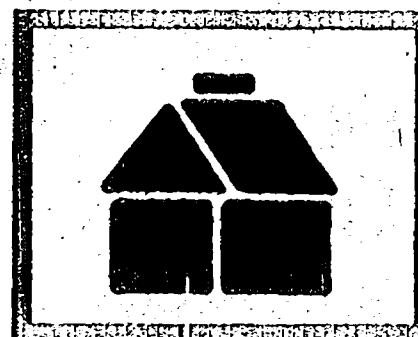
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On trial Embattled arts director fights obscenity charge

By Noreen Flack
staff writer

THE "rollercoaster ride" began in February for Dennis Barrie, director of Cincinnati's Contemporary Arts Center.

Barrie and the CAC go to trial Sept. 24 on two misdemeanor charges of pandering obscenity and illegal use of a minor in nudity-oriented material in connection with displaying sexually explicit photographs included in the traveling exhibit by the late Robert Mapplethorpe.

On Sept. 13, Barrie gave more than 600 Detroit-area art lovers a taste of his seven-month-long "rollercoaster ride" as he lectured at Rackham Auditorium in Detroit. The

lecture was coordinated by the Detroit Focus Gallery, a nonprofit visual arts group.

Barrie was Midwest regional director of the Archives of America before he moved to Cincinnati seven years ago. Gere Baskin, Detroit Focus Gallery director, worked with Barrie for years. She said it was "a great pleasure" to ask him to speak in Detroit.

"We haven't received any negative feedback from the presentation," Baskin said. "I think most people are in favor of what he has done."

IN AN effort to "wake up" the art community in America, Barrie, a native Detroit, has been touring the country since spring raising money to defend himself in court. His legal fees have passed \$100,000 and could reach \$200,000.

With a tired yet persistent tone during his two-hour lecture last week, he urged local art supporters to get involved in the fight. His lecture theme: "Robert Mapplethorpe: Freedom of Expression and the First Amendment."

The two misdemeanor counts he faces stem from the CAC's April exhibit of Robert Mapplethorpe's, "The Perfect Moment."

Mapplethorpe, who died of AIDS in March 1989, has been labeled a controversial artist. Much of his later work captured his homosexual lifestyle, — tagged "homosexual."

Barrie called "The Perfect Moment" a "stunning body of work." He credits Mapplethorpe as "one of the best classical photographers of the 20th century."

BUT DUE to the endless "wear and tear" of the charges, including a "Nazi Germany-type" indictment on opening day and previous scares of being arrested, Barrie said he would "think twice" before featuring a controversial exhibit again.

"This case has created divisions in the city that will take a long time to heal," he said.

"Sometimes, I think maybe I shouldn't have done it, but that principle (freedom of expression) is so important, in the end, the city will learn from this," he added.

Backing the city of Cincinnati's obscenity claims are U.S. Sen. Jesse Helms, R-N.C., and the Rev. Donald Wildmon, a former Cincinnati resident and now a Mississippi fundamentalist preacher. Both leaders are noted crusaders in the case and other cases against "what they consider to be obscene," Barrie said.

Although he has received much support from the national art community and particularly Cincinnati residents, his trial outcome looks grim. He is already preparing for the possibility of appeal.

"The fallout is very, very real," Barrie said. "The opposition is very well organized and they are funded much better than we are. They have stirred up the city unlike any other event."

The maximum penalty upon conviction of each charge is a \$1,000 fine and six months in jail for Barrie and a \$5,000 fine for the Contemporary Arts Center.

On Sept. 6, Hamilton County Municipal Court Judge William W. ...

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Carlos Diaz of Livonia and co-chair of the exhibition committee for Detroit Focus Gallery

Detroit fears the Barrie case is a threat to freedom of expression for artists everywhere.

Right to exhibit defended

By Noreen Flack
staff writer

Local art lovers were "disturbed by the reality" of Dennis Barrie's Sept. 13 lecture, "Robert Mapplethorpe: Freedom of Expression and the First Amendment," which he gave at Rackham Auditorium in Detroit.

"We've had it too easy," said Sue Carman of Birmingham. "As Americans, we thought we had all this freedom — freedom of expression, but we were wrong. This is a way of bringing awareness to us, to show us how easily that freedom is taken away."

Barrie, director of the Contemporary Arts Center in Cincinnati, has hit the national lecture circuit to raise money to defend himself from

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"As Americans, we thought we had all this freedom — freedom of expression. But we were wrong," says Sue Carman of Birmingham.

Staff photos by John Stormzand



Dennis Barrie, a national hero to many art lovers, greets local supporters at his Detroit appearance last week.

Legendary murals tell a very enduring story

"He was a man, an artist, who had not forgotten the working people. And I hope other artists will pick up the torch that Diego Rivera was carrying at that time to light a way through a dark tunnel to show the contribution the American working man and woman was making, had made and is still making to this country."

— Dave Moore
former auto worker

HE WAS a man driven as much by idealism as realism.

But the legendary "Detroit Murals" in the Garden Court at the Detroit Institute of Arts serve up more than an industrial landscape. They underscore painter Diego Rivera's utopian vision of productive power.

The two magnificent wall frescoes present a compressed portrait of life in Ford Motor Co.'s mighty Rouge manufacturing plant in the 1930s.

Today, 57 years after they were unveiled to mixed reviews, the murals still stand as a haunting tribute to the American auto worker.

The intimately detailed murals transport viewers into the bowels of factory life at the time of the Great Depression.

For example, they portray the mechanical presses that stamped metal body parts as huge cookie cutters, looming over workers feeding sheet steel fashioned from nature's minerals.



Bob Sklar

TAKE IT from "Rivera's Labor Legacy: The Detroit Murals," a Detroit Labor History Tours public television special released on Labor Day.

The murals fuse the contradictions of the developing mechanical age: improving yet repressing the workers' lot in life.

Rivera grew up in a prosperous Mexican family. He studied canvas painting, wall frescoes and aristocratic tastes in Europe. Yet he felt a deep kinship to the common person.

His Detroit murals punctuate the strain and grimness of factory life. The workers' blank expressions convey a lack of emotion along the assembly line — something management nurtured.

In keeping with his utopian perspective, Rivera didn't include smoke, fumes or dust. Nor did he underscore the hostility between workers and supervisors.

He did, however, depict sand workers wearing air masks, which they didn't really wear — a not so-

subtle jab at the working conditions.

AS DETROIT labor scholars Ron Alpern and Steve Babson tell it in the TV special, Rivera, a Mexican Communist Party member and devotee of the 1911 Mexican revolution, envisioned a cooperative, unsegregated, multiracial work force, "the true agents of potential prosperity."

Why did he focus on teeming factory life after Edsel Ford and the DIA commissioned him to paint the DIA's Garden Court? Because he never forgot the poverty back home.

Rivera hoped his murals would sensitize American workers to their environment and thus serve the revolutionary process. Within two years, the emerging United Auto Workers looked to the paintings for inspiration.

Rivera considered engineers and architects as America's greatest artists. And he envisioned industry as the salvation for Mexico's squalor.

Bob Sklar is the O&E's assistant managing editor for special projects.

Family concert opens season for symphony

Series details: 2E

By Arlene Funko
special writer

The Livonia Symphony Orchestra hopes to stir some goose bumps with its first concert of the season: a salute to Halloween.

"Scary Moments" is the title of the Saturday, Oct. 6, concert at Churchill High. It will feature ex-

cerpts from Damnation of Faust, a violin solo of Danse Macabre and seasonal poems by local celebrity "witch" Gundella.

"The orchestra will be in costume and we want the audience to be also," said Francesco DiBlasi, Livonia Symphony conductor. "We hope it will attract a family audience."

Costumes will be judged. Prizes will be tickets for remaining LSO concerts.

That recipe of serious and frivolous typifies the Livonia Symphony's mission as it begins its third season.

"I like to give one good, solid piece of music for each concert," said DiBlasi, 62, a Livonia resident. "The rest is on the light side. We're still trying to build our audience."

The LSO offers two series of concerts. Series A consists of five Saturday evening performances at Churchill High on Newburgh Road, north of Joy, in Livonia.

The Series B mini-series, which begins in January, includes three Friday evening performances at the Livonia Civic Center Library, Five Mile and Farmington roads. All concerts start at 8 p.m.

THE LIVONIA Symphony is a successor to the old Oakway Symphony, formed in 1973 to serve suburbs in Oakland and Wayne counties. Oakway flourished for many years. But over time, several communities broke away and formed their own orchestras.

DiBlasi, a native Detroit, previously was music director and conductor of Oakway. He trained at the Juillard School of Music in New York. He has played with the New York City Opera, American Symphony Orchestra, Metropolitan Opera and Detroit Symphony Orchestra.

His list of credits include guest

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JIM JAGOFELD/staff photographer

Violinist Victoria Haltom of Grosse Pointe is the concertmaster and a featured soloist for the Livonia Symphony.

Musicmakers

Livonia Symphony opens with family fare

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conducting for symphonies in Grand Rapids, Philadelphia and Pittsburgh.

At full complement, the LSO consists of 80 musicians, selected by audition. Several openings remain in the strings sections, DiBlasi said.

While some of the LSO musicians are professionals, others are serious students and music teachers. "Two-thirds are from Oakway," DiBlasi said.

Separate Saturday concert themes will be the Russian composers; "mostly American," including selections from "Carousel" by Richard Rogers and favorite pieces by Victor Herbert; and Mozart and his contemporaries.

FOR CHRISTMAS, patrons may choose either a full production of the Nutcracker Ballet on Friday, Dec. 7

or Act II of the Nutcracker with a holiday sing-along on Saturday, Dec. 8.

The Saturday series will include an international night with a performance by a bagpiper, a salute to several popular Broadway hit shows, and an evening featuring LSO soloists.

The two venues are quite different.

The full orchestra performs during the Saturday concerts at Church Hill, which seats around 950. Fewer musicians perform during the Saturday concerts because the library auditorium seats only around 275.

"It's more intimate," DiBlasi said of the library. "It's more chamber style."

A 30-member board of directors oversees the symphony operations. Funding and building community

awareness are primary goals, said Ken Kelsey, symphony board president, formerly of Livonia and now living in Farmington Hills.

"I grew up listening to this kind of (classical) music," said Kelsey, 49, president of Kelsey Advertising Specialties of Livonia.

"It's good for the community to have an orchestra," he said. "But many people aren't exposed enough."

EACH CONCERT costs around \$8,000 to present, Kelsey said.

Operations of the Livonia Symphony have received financial support from the Michigan Council for the Arts, the Livonia Arts Commission and the Livonia Heart Fund.

Corporate sponsors are being sought. The symphony group also raises money through special events

'The orchestra will be in costume and we want the audience to be also.'

— Francesco DiBlasi

such as fashion shows, cabaret nights and a Victorian Christmas dinner with traditional carols.

A long-term goal is to present more youth-oriented concerts. "They (children) will learn to love what is put in front of them," DiBlasi said. "It pays off in a few years. They will come to the symphony."

Kelsey said he enjoys hearing the Detroit Symphony. He said the Livonia Symphony can fill the needs of people who choose not to go down town. "There is room and a place for both of us," Kelsey said.

2 series near for orchestra

Season tickets for the Livonia Symphony concerts are available until Sunday, Sept. 30.

Two series will be offered. All concerts start at 8 p.m.

Series A consists of five Saturday performances at Churchill High, 8900 Newburgh, Livonia.

The schedule:

- "Scary Moments," Halloween with the LSO, Oct. 6.
- All Russian, Nov. 17.

- Christmas, choice of full production of Nutcracker Ballet on Dec. 7 or Act II of Nutcracker and holiday sing-along, Dec. 8.
- Mostly American, Feb. 16.
- Mozart and contemporaries, May 4.

Tickets are \$9 per concert or \$40 per season. Seniors (62 and older)

and students (21 and younger) pay \$5 per concert or \$20 per season.

Series B consists of three Friday concerts in the Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile.

The schedule:

- Music Internationale, Jan. 25.
- American theater music, Feb. 22.
- LSO soloists, March 15.

Series B prices are \$9 per concert or \$24 per season. Students and seniors (60 and older) pay \$5 per concert or \$12 per season.

Mail checks payable to: Livonia Symphony Orchestra. Enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope for ticket return. Mail to Livonia Symphony, 30499 Plymouth Road, Livonia 48150.

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Don Sill of Novi plays the bass for the Livonia Symphony.



The French Horn section of the Livonia Symphony includes Clinton Washburn (left) of Troy, Virginia Hazen of Detroit and John Pirtle of Redford Township.

At Madonna

Lecture focus: Japanese music

Dr. William P. Malm, distinguished author and professor of music at the University of Michigan, will be first speaker in a lecture series on the culture and civilization of Japan presented by Madonna College, Livonia.

Malm, considered one of America's foremost musicologists, will speak on Japanese Music at 3 p.m. Friday, Sept. 28, in Room 228 on the college campus.

"We are honored to have such an esteemed authority on Japanese music speak in the first of seven entertaining and informative lectures," said Dr. Robert Rann, professor of Japanese Studies at Madonna College.

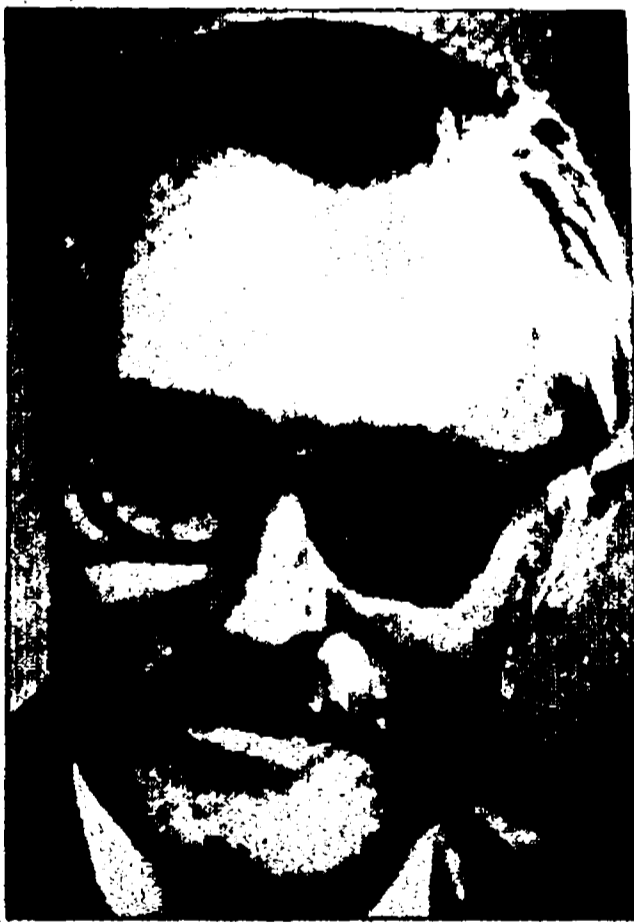
The lectures, funded by a grant from the Panasonic Foundation, are an extension of the Japanese Studies Faculty Development Project, a cooperative effort between Madonna College and Lawrence Technological University to foster international perspectives.

Entitled: "Japan: A Cultural Overview," the series runs monthly through April 1991. It will feature speakers from across the nation.

SLATED FOR November is Kinoshita Toshio, a partner in the firm of Coopers and Lybrand. The topic will be "The Japanese in Business Trade."

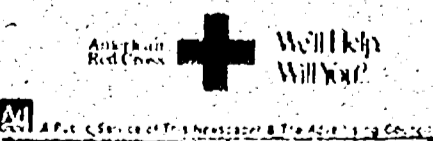
April's lecture will feature Dr. Merry White of Boston University. White is author of "The Japanese Educational College" and is considered the pre-eminent authority on Japanese education today.

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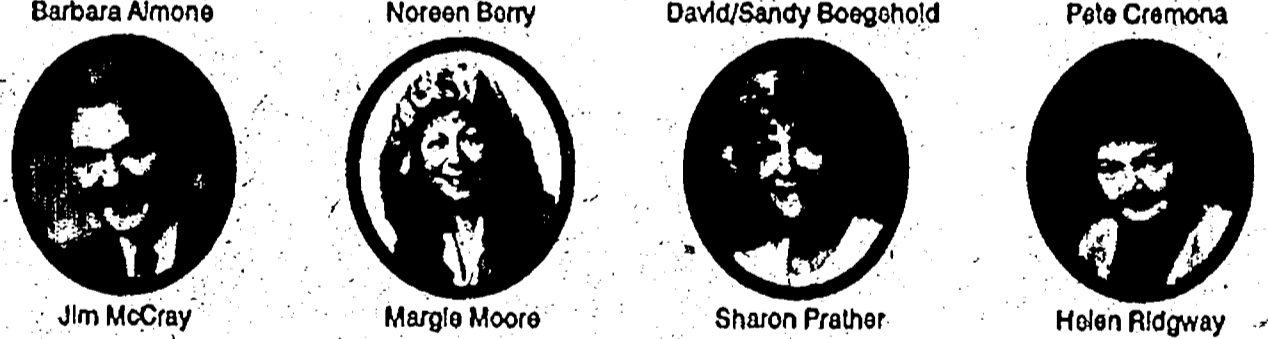
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Plymouth gallery marks 1st anniversary

By Linda Ann Chomlin
special writer

WHEN CHAMELEON Galleries Ltd. opened last September in downtown Plymouth, the idea behind the gallery was that it would be chameleonic, or changeable.

As you gaze across the gallery's walls, it becomes apparent that since last year's opening, Chameleon has changed, acquiring a full range of mediums and techniques, as well as tripling the number of artists on exhibit.

"In the last year, we've grown from 28 artists to over 100 artists on the first anniversary of our opening," said Denni Englehart, co-owner and manager of Chameleon Galleries Ltd.

Watercolors, lithographs, mixed media, rakuware and sculpture, stained glass, blown glass, functional pottery and oil paintings on silk are typical of the eclectic works showcased in the Chameleon gallery.

Ohio resident Peggy Brown's transparent watercolor landscapes hang alongside the photo-realism, wildlife prints of kookaburras and barn owls by Paul Morgacy of Australia.

Denni Englehart's husband, Jim, Ford Motor Co. Light Truck Division executive director, is her silent partner in the gallery.

When CHAMELEON opened a year ago, there were six partners. Since then, Denni and Jim Englehart have bought out the other four.

Chameleon carries contemporary and Oriental art, from \$5 to \$1,000," said Denni, a Northville resident. "The art is impressionistic, some totally abstract art, except for a few traditional pieces."

"We travel all over looking for art. The intriguing part is the finding of new artists," she said. "We've picked up a lot of unknown artists so that the work is affordable but still quality work."

"We recently attended an exhibit of 1,200 artists in Atlantic City, where we picked up 20 artists. We have 25 local artists, several from Birmingham, who do functional pottery, such as Suzi Bolton and Carole Bekhorst."

Ricki Berlin of Birmingham paints abstract watercolors. In "Sunny Day in the City," she uses a pallet of opaque colors that take in the spectrum of a rainbow after a thunderstorm, from red to violet and cerulean blue, with fine brush strokes of ochre creating the rays of the sun.

Another of the gallery's artists, Judy Gresser of Livonia, works in mixed media. In her abstract paint-



On the pedestal below Ricki Berlin's collage "Subtleties" sits Mark Sudduth's blown glass vessel in deep violet. The vessel is from Sudduth's Line Series. It contains seven layers of blown glass.

ings, she uses watercolors, pastels and acrylics in primary colors, mainly red, to create vibrant geometric lines and spheres.

MANY OF Chameleon's artists are Australian because Denni lived on there for seven years. For three of those years, she ran Artist Proof Galleries in Melbourne. The gallery, which she established, is now celebrating its 10th anniversary.

Pat Delanty's oil paintings on silk are realism landscapes. The Australian artist gives texture and dimension to her strong compositions of Australian gum trees by building up color on the trunks.

Judy Whitford of Australia uses gouache, a grainier form of watercolor, to create a classic nude figure in tones of gray upon a hueless background. Her study is a stunning display of contrasting lights and darks.

Photo-realism wildlife prints of paintings by Paul Morgacy of Aus-

tralia are so life-like, you'll swear the kookaburra laughed. "Morgacy has just been commissioned by the Australian government to do a series of Australian stamps for 1991," Denni said.

Ann Arbor artist Daniel Gelakoska's abstract lithographs are bright and bold. Arizona resident Michael John Marsh's monoprint, Red Ridge Pass, uses three main shapes in hues of sepia to create his striking piece of art against a white backdrop.

Denni, a veteran businesswoman with a passion for art, is clearly aware of what sells. "Peggy Brown's paintings sell off the wall. Art sales vary during the year. We'll sell a lot of blown glass and raku around Christmas, while paintings sell best in spring and fall, when people redecorate."

Chameleon Galleries Ltd. is at 370 S. Main, in downtown Plymouth.



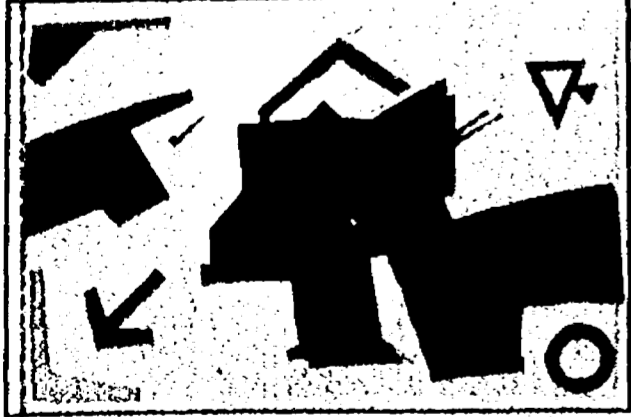
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Chameleon Galleries Ltd. co-owner and manager Denni Englehart stands in front of an abstract watercolor, Sunny Day in the City, by Ricki Berlin of Birmingham. Next to Berlin's abstract art is Livonian Judy Gresser's Cosmic

Series. She uses primary colors, mainly vibrant reds, to create her cosmic spheres and geometric planes using watercolor, acrylic and pastel.



This Pat Delanty oil painting on silk is part of her Australian Gum Trees series. The Aussie built up the color on the trunks of these magnificent trees to give texture and dimension to her composition.



At left: Daniel Gelakoska's lithograph, Point of View, is done in bold primary colors with clearly defined edges on the various abstract shapes.

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Art on parade

The Palette Guild is hosting its fall art show in the Livonia City Hall through Sept. 28. Hours are 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and selected evenings from 7-9 p.m. Sept. 13, 17, 18, 24 and 25. The works include collage, oil, watercolor, pen and ink, acrylic and

monoprints. Above, Evelyn Henry entitled this acrylic "Donna and Children." The city hall is on Farmington Road, south of Five Mile.

Art fest boasts local exhibitors

Eight local residents will take part in the fourth annual Detroit Festival of the Arts on Friday-Saturday, Sept. 21-22, at Wayne State University and the University Cultural Center in Detroit.

More than 300 dancers, actors, musicians, acrobats, mimes, jugglers, street and stage performers will participate. The four stages will feature continuous music and cultural performances, from jazz to rock.

In the artists market along Cass and Kirby, 100 visual artists from across the country will offer original artwork for sale. Local artists will include:

- Livonia — Elizabeth Barick, Jon & Joanne VanWagner, Katherina Wickersham.
- Plymouth — W.T. Ritter.
- Canton — Sharon Bida.
- Farmington Hills — Gary Bykowski, Claudia Tann.

The VanWagners will present a variety of "broken pieces" stained glass. They began working in stained glass 13 years ago, while renovating their house.

Their work boasts decorative solder techniques and carefully combined patinas, which provide a finished look. Most of their current work is with mirror glass, but their commissioned work includes cus-

tom-designed sidelights, panels and windows.

Barick will present her jewelry, Wickersham her handmade fabrics.

The WSU art faculty will present an exhibition at the Community Arts Gallery. The WSU Jazzlet will perform 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday on the WSU stage, Cass at Putnam. Purdy Library will sponsor a book sale both days.

The WJBK-TV Children's Fair, "Wonder World," a family project with 40 hands-on activities for youngsters, is on the WSU Gullen Mall.

Interpretative works by resident artists from the Detroit Department of Recreation Program will be shown at various Art on the Move exhibits.

National poets will read their works 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and 1-4:30 p.m. Sunday at the Engineering Society Theatre, 100 Farnsworth.

A family kite fest will take place all day Sunday along Woodward.

Some entertainment requires patrons age 12 and older to buy a \$3 DFA button. It offers a 5 percent discount on artwork, smoo acts and festival souvenirs.

A new feature, Food Extravaganza, offers healthy food dishes by Friar Tuck's and other area restaurants.

Library science scholarship set

A new scholarship for students of library science, the Gloria A. Francis Memorial, has been announced by Wayne State University. The first recipient will be awarded \$500 next fall.

Francis, a librarian for the Detroit Public Library since 1984, was chief of the Rare Book Room. Under her curatorship, the library's collection increased in number and quality. The scholarship is funded by Ann Kirk Warren, an adjunct faculty

member in the university's fine arts department, who contributed \$10,000.

The scholarship will recognize scholastic achievement and encourage graduate study in library science.

Contributions to the fund may be mailed to the Francis Scholarship Fund, Wayne State University Library Science Program, 106 Kresge Library, Detroit, 48202. For more information, call 577-1825.

Arts center head faces obscenity charge

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Municipal Judge David Albanese granted a request by the prosecution to limit the obscenity case to the five photographs described in the indictment. This weighty decision allows the prosecution to build a case around the most controversial photos rather than the entire show, Barrie said.

LEADING THE pack of controversial photos are two pictures of naked children; one entitled, "Rosie or Honey" the other, "Jessie."

"Being a parent, I was particularly bothered by this charge. I felt they had turned something quite innocent

into something evil and dirty," Barrie said.

The mothers of the two children photographed were contacted regarding the case. Barrie claims both were "outraged" by the charge.

Another controversial element in the exhibit is the "XYZ Series," an encased photo series involving pictures of sadomasochistic acts, flowers and nude black men.

The obscenity charge goes beyond "child pornography." The conservative opposition of Mapplethorpe's work also seems disturbed with photos of homosexuality and the mixing of races as displayed in "Thomas and Dovana," a white woman

dressed in sheer white garb and high-heeled shoes being held at the waist by a nude black man, Barrie said.

But the photographs are no longer the issue, Barrie insisted. Freedom of expression is at stake; the threat of expression through the arts in particular.

Knowing the controversy the exhibit would stir, Barrie decided they had "a moral and ethical right to go forward with Mapplethorpe."

The exhibit soon became a "major media event;" 5,000 people camped out in support of CAC, despite a freak snowstorm, for "The Perfect Moment" opening April 6.

"What keeps me fighting is the support of the Cincinnati people," Barrie said.

Sen. Helms used the controversial homoerotic imagery of the Mapplethorpe show to lead an attack on the National Endowment for the Arts, which awarded a \$30,000 grant to help develop the show but not the tour. The NEA did not choose the photographs or pay for their making.

Donations to the legal defense fund for Dennis Barrie and the Contemporary Arts Center can be sent to the Contemporary Arts Center, Legal Defense Fund, 115 E. Fifth Street, Cincinnati, Ohio, 45202.

Metro residents defend right to show art

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two misdemeanor counts relating to obscenity charges from the April exhibition of Mapplethorpe's, "The Perfect Moment."

The Barrie and CAC vs. the city of Cincinnati case poses a threat to all art communities in the country, Barrie said.

"DETROIT HAS already felt some of the impact from this case," said

Carlos Diaz of Livonia and co-chair of the exhibition committee for Detroit Focus Gallery, which hosted Barrie's local appearance.

"Detroit Focus is already re-thinking exhibitions for the future," Diaz said. "We have to think about the number of exhibitions as well as the controversial sides to the show. It's very difficult to hang a lot of these shows. There's a lot of pressure. In order to maintain funding, you have to be realistic."

Legal fees leading up to Barrie's Sept. 24 trial have exceeded \$100,000 and are likely to reach \$200,000 before it's over, Barrie said.

"I think this could have happened in Detroit," Diaz said. "People on the other side are very organized. They

have learned how to manipulate public sentiment.

"Most of them are not educated in the arts. It's very difficult to explain the value of some works to people who have no understanding of art," he added.

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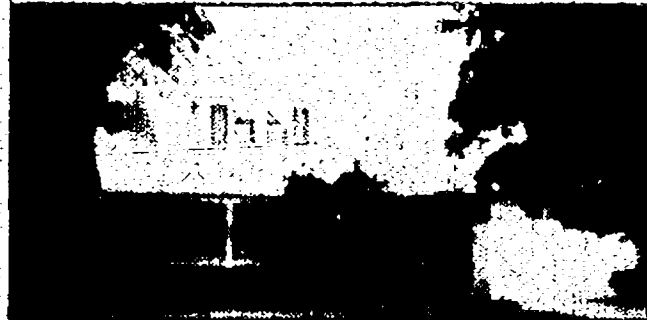
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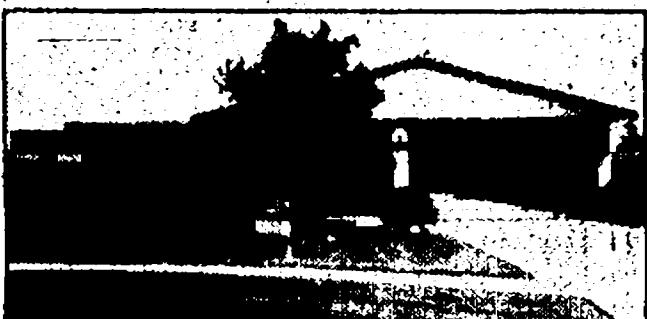
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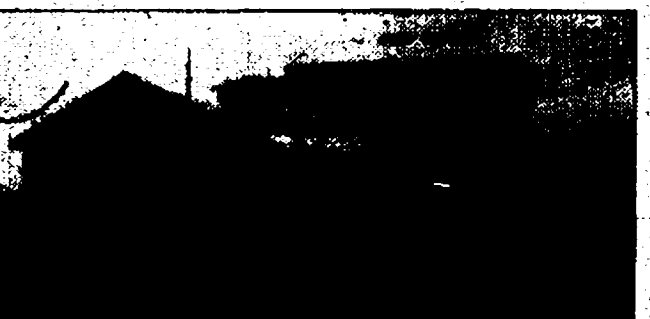
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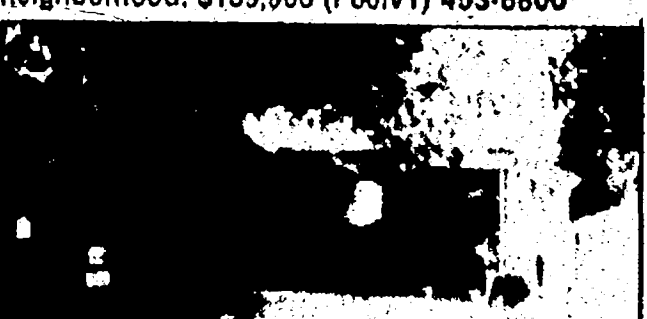
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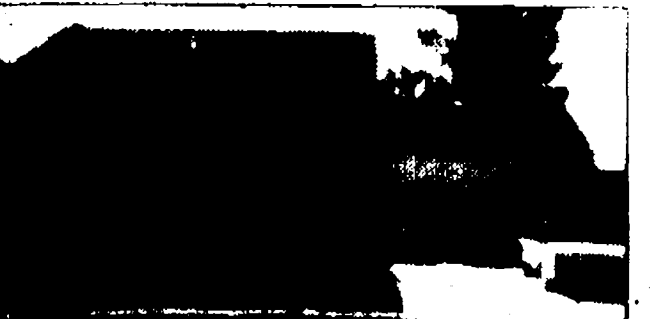
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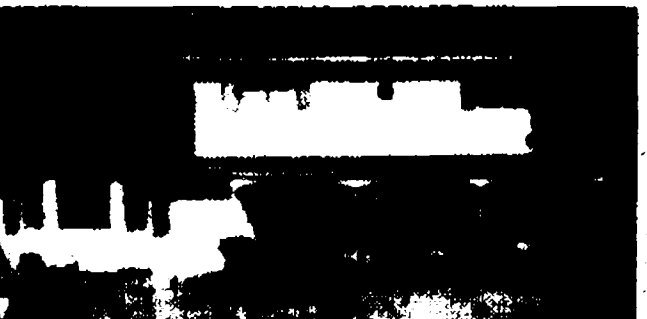
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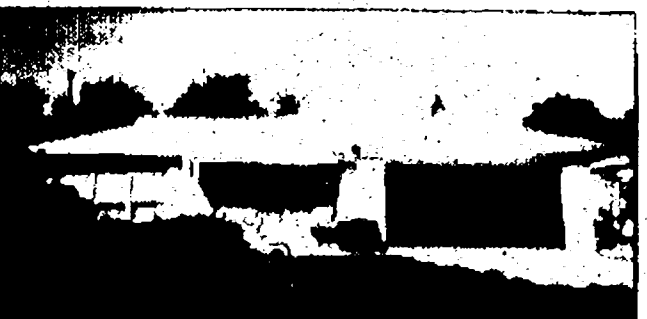
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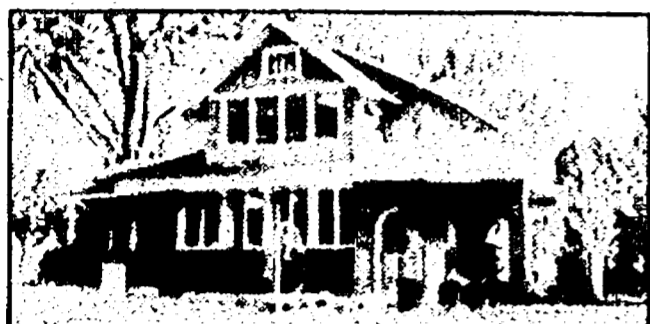
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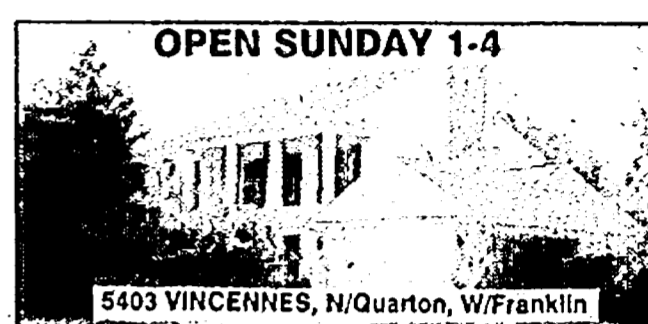
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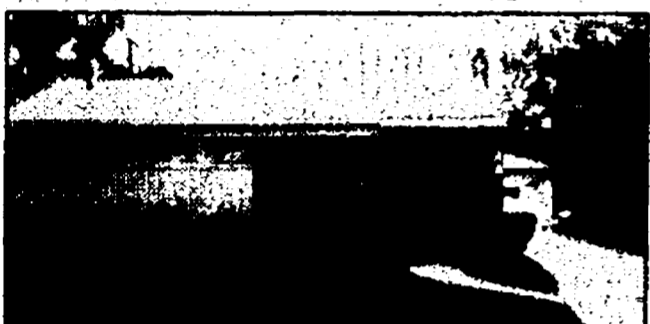
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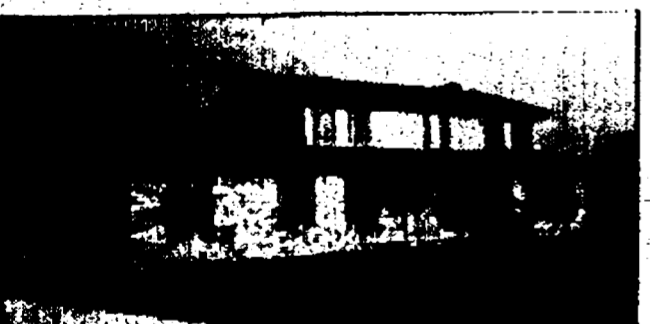
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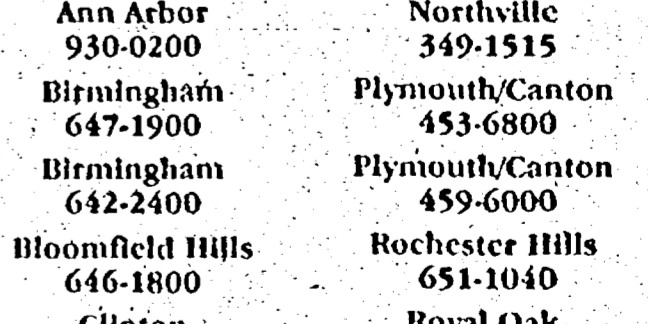
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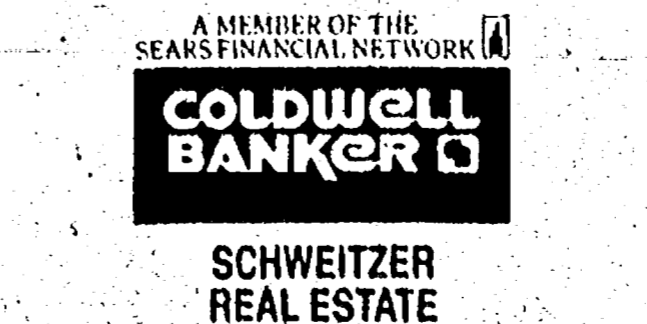
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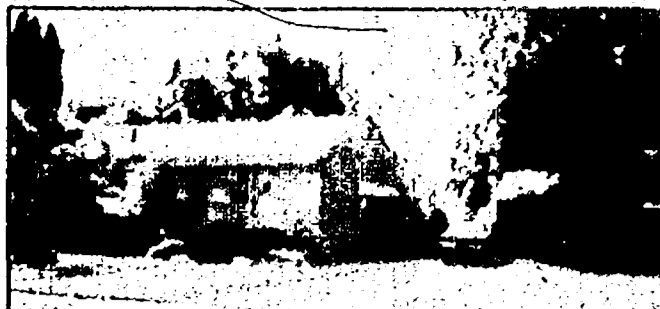
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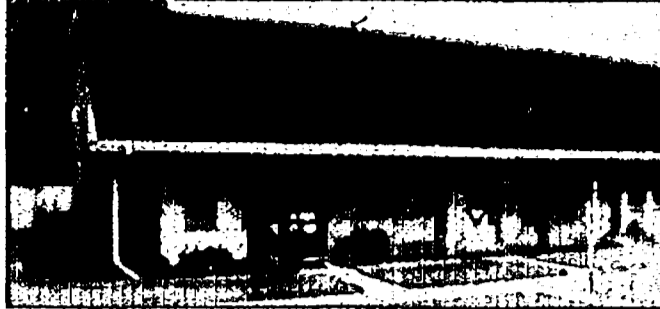
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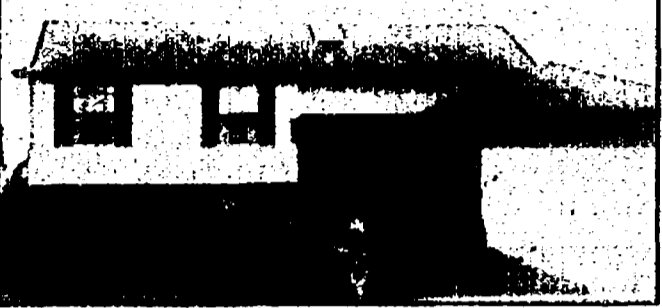
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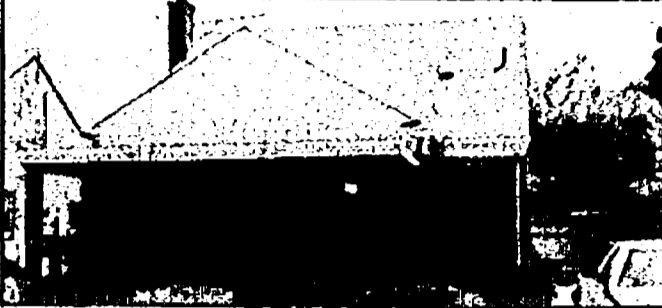
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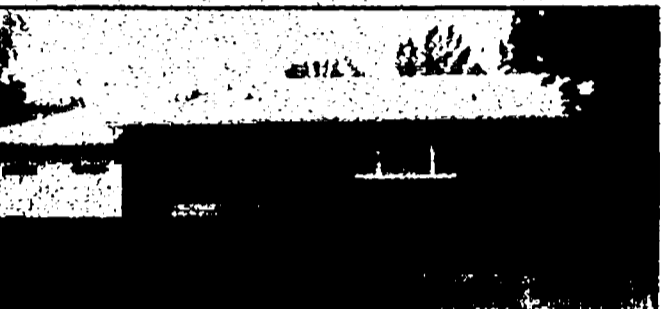
WESTLAND

TWO BEDROOM CONDO - Full basement, sharp ranch located in Westland. Private patio, beautiful area, all new carpeting. All appliances stay. \$64,900 326-2000



WESTLAND

BEAUTIFUL CONDO - Livonia schools, 1 1/2 baths, central air, basement and garage. 2 large bedrooms, master bedroom has walk-in closet and double closet. Clubhouse, pool, beautiful courtyard. \$76,900 261-0700



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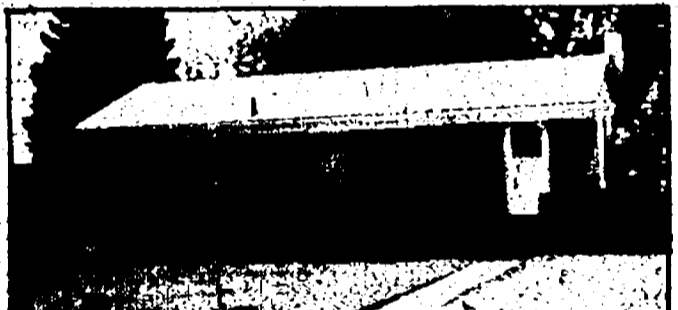
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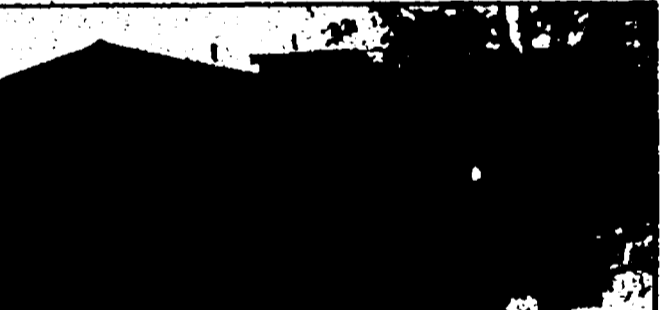
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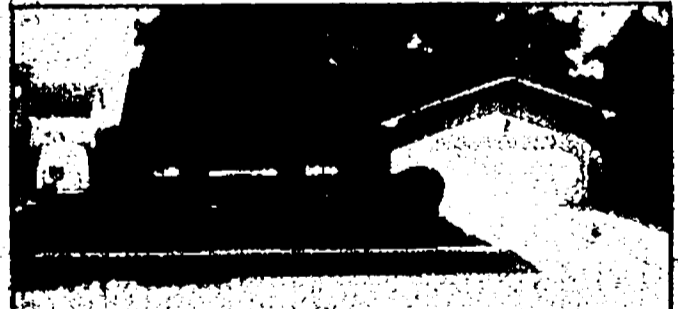
WAYNE

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



LIVONIA

COUNTRY ATMOSPHERE - The search stops here. A real cream puff. 3 bedroom, 2 full bath ranch on a large treed lot. Prime Livonia location. \$98,900 455-7000



CANTON

AN ABSOLUTE SHOWPLACE - Meticulously maintained 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath brick ranch in Windsor Park. Newer floor coverings throughout. Newer central air plus attic fan. Deck, family room with fireplace, open floor plan. \$114,600 455-7000



REDFORD

SOUTH REDFORD RANCH - Great starter home with 3 bedrooms. Freshly painted, hardwood floors, large wood deck. On quiet street near Thurston High School. \$59,900 477-1111



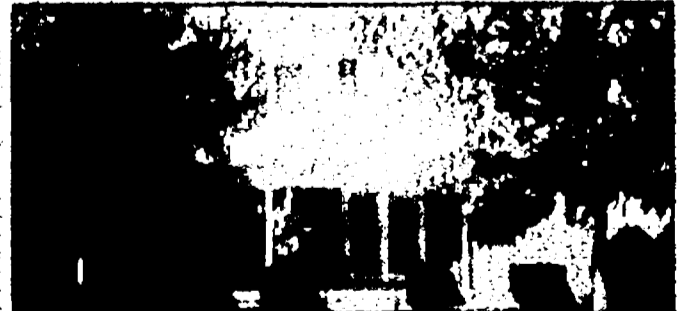
LIVONIA

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



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REDFORD BEAUTY - Attractive 3 bedroom bungalow with hardwood floors throughout. Eating area has built-in hutch. FHA and VA terms. \$54,600 859-2300



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ALMOST ONE ACRE - In Westland, this one is quite a find, two bedroom ranch with central air and large living room, this one won't last long. \$58,900 326-2000



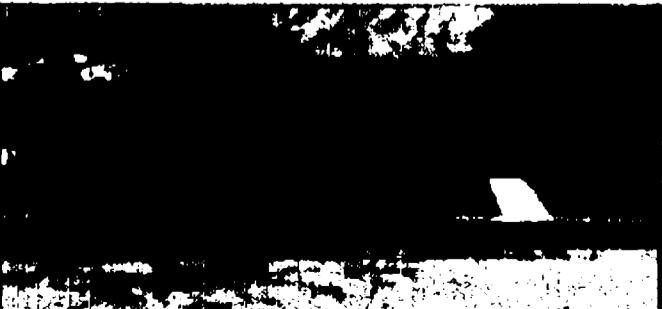
CANTON

LOCATION! LOCATION! - Townhouse condo located across from pool, clubhouse. 2 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, country kitchen with appliances. Master bedroom with walk-in closet. Finished basement. \$74,900 455-7000



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QUIET AND SPACIOUS - Crescendo built Williamsburg Canton Colonial. 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, 1st floor laundry. Professionally finished basement with wet bar. Nicely landscaped. \$148,900 455-7000



GARDEN CITY

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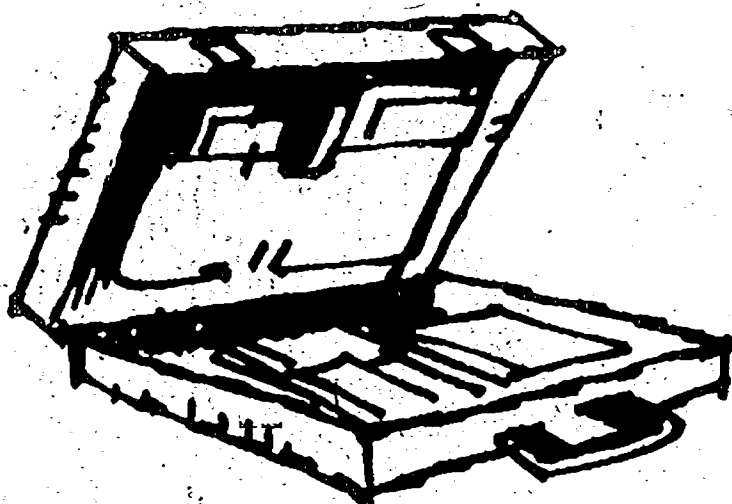
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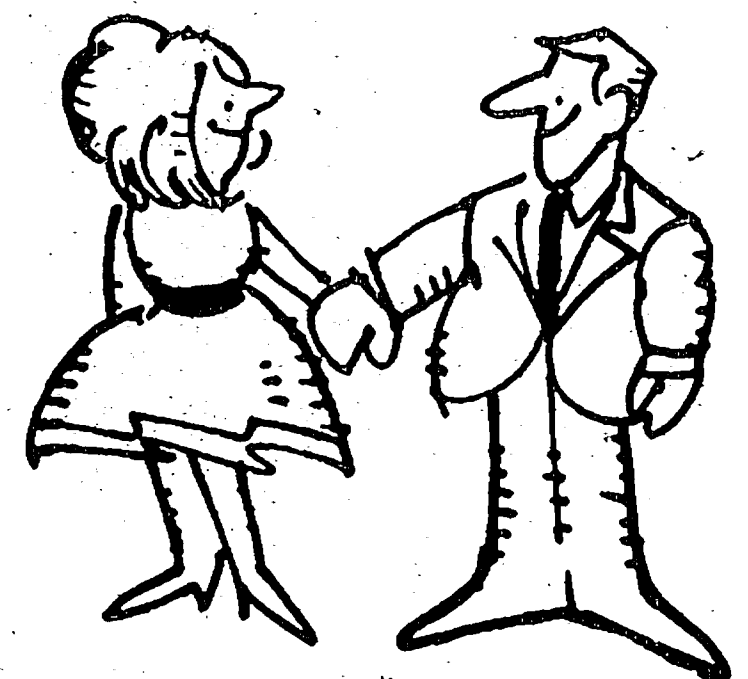
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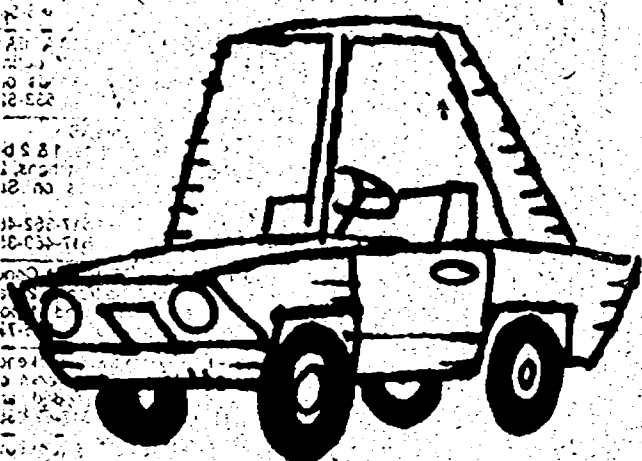
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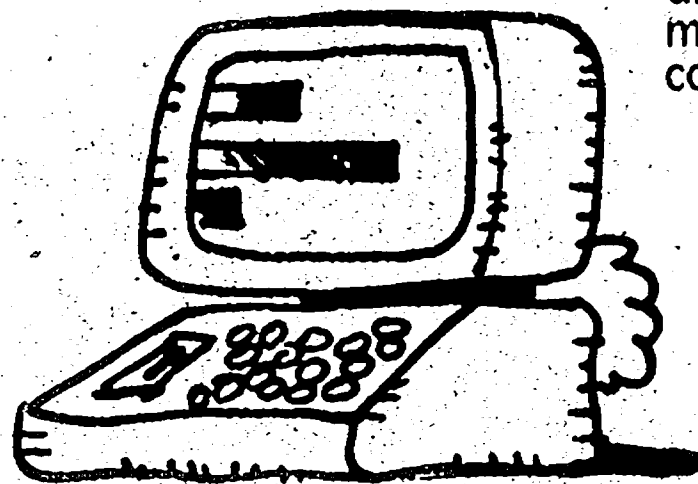
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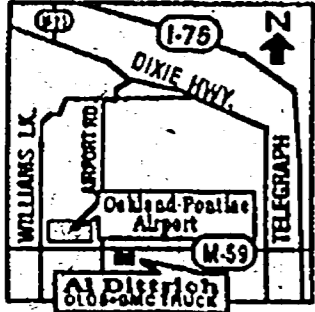
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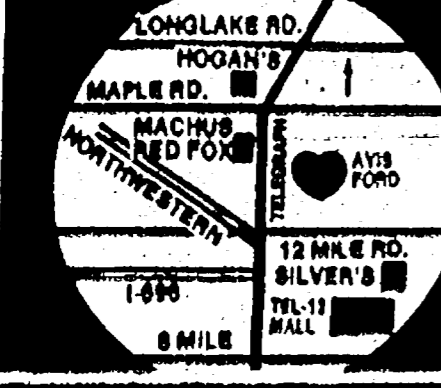
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Among the Homearama houses is the Glengarry by Damascus Development Corp., Rochester. Built by Timothy M. McDonald with architecture by Custom Home Designs, the English Tudor has 4,150 square feet, four bedrooms, 3½ bathrooms, a two-story dining room with an overlooking balcony and a two-story great room with fireplace. It is priced in the \$370,000-\$450,000 range. SCOTT PIPER/staff photographer

Large, wooded lots featured at Homearama

By Doug Funke
Staff writer

Awesome. That's the word used to describe the site of the upcoming fall Homearama in Brighton by Dennis Dickstein, general chairman of the show and chairman/CEO of Ralph Manuel Realtors of Birmingham.

"We don't know how we'll ever top this one," Dickstein said of the Pine Creek Ridge subdivision overlooking Brighton Lake.

"This is a beautiful spot. They (spectators) can spend a day in the country among the pine trees and see beautiful homes."

The show, a joint effort of the Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan and the Home Builders Association of Livingston County, will run Oct. 4-28.

Standard Federal Bank, headquartered in Troy, and Detroit Edison are co-sponsors.

Ten builders, including five from the Observer & Eccentric coverage area, will showcase custom-built homes. (See related story on Page 3.) Prices range from \$350,000 to \$800,000. Most probably will be priced in excess of \$500,000.

ATTENDANCE OF some 110,000 is expected.

"I would say 98 percent of the people will never be in a position to buy homes in this price range," Dickstein said. "Sometimes, you just go to see beautiful things."

"If nothing else, they may pick up an idea, flavor, thought or feeling and transfer it to their own homes."

And what of the builder participants?

"It's good for their reputation, credibility," Dickstein said. "It's definitely a marketing tool for sales."

"They are the other 2 percent. Two percent of 100,000 (spectators) is 2,000. All you need is 1 percent to buy and you've sold 20."

Robert R. Jones, a West Bloomfield builder, will participate in his sixth Homearama, more than any other builder in metro Detroit.

"I THINK it enables us to bring what we think are new and unique projects to the general public," he said. "I think it enables us to broaden our market."

"I'm a great believer in model homes. It's very difficult for most people to visualize plans. Having models, they'll customize, but they'll know what their getting."

— Robert R. Jones
builder

Jones recalled one couple who came to him five or six years after seeing one of his models at a Homearama when they were in a better financial position to build.

"I'm a great believer in model homes," Jones said. "It's very difficult for most people to visualize plans. Having models, they'll customize, but they'll know what they're getting."

Abbey Homes of Birmingham, which acquired exclusive control of the 700-acre property about three years ago, expects to develop in five phases over at least that many years.

"IT'S HEAVILY wooded with a number of lakes, ravines and rivers," said Robert Katzman, president of Abbey Homes. "It was an old Boy Scout camp. The Boy Scouts every year planted pine trees. Now it's a large forest."

Plans now call for 317 home sites and 200 condominium sites, Katzman said. Individual lot sizes will range from one-half acre to three acres.

Homearama tickets, at \$5 apiece, will be available at the Pine Creek Ridge subdivision on Brighton Road ¼ mile west of Grand River when the show opens. Take the Spencer Road exit off I-96.

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Miami Land Dev Co.
Virginia M. Stedman Trst.
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Hazel Park
1480 E 9 Mile Road
Commercial
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Lawrence R. Holman
\$225,000

1480 E 9 Mile Road
Commercial
Lawrence R. Holman
Andrew L. Schweyer Jr.
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Holly Township

2476 Kenthia Court
Apartment 4 To 19 Family
Thomas J. Hall
Mark D. Collins
\$158,000

2476 Kenthia Court
Apartment 4 To 19 Family
Mark D. Collins
Kenneth R. Cole
\$87,500

Independence Township

Maybe Road
Commercial
Shouhayib Investment Co.
Lexington Orchard
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Madison Heights

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Restaurant Cafeteria Bar
Rallys Inc.
R. J. V. Of Detroit
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Royal Oak

312 S Main
Commercial
Mammoth Investment Co.
Roy H. Hoke
\$42,000

Southfield

19080 W 10 Mile Road
Office Bldg 1-2 Stories
William A. Dingwall
Donald A. Poss Trst.
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17201 12 Mile Road
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Springfield Township
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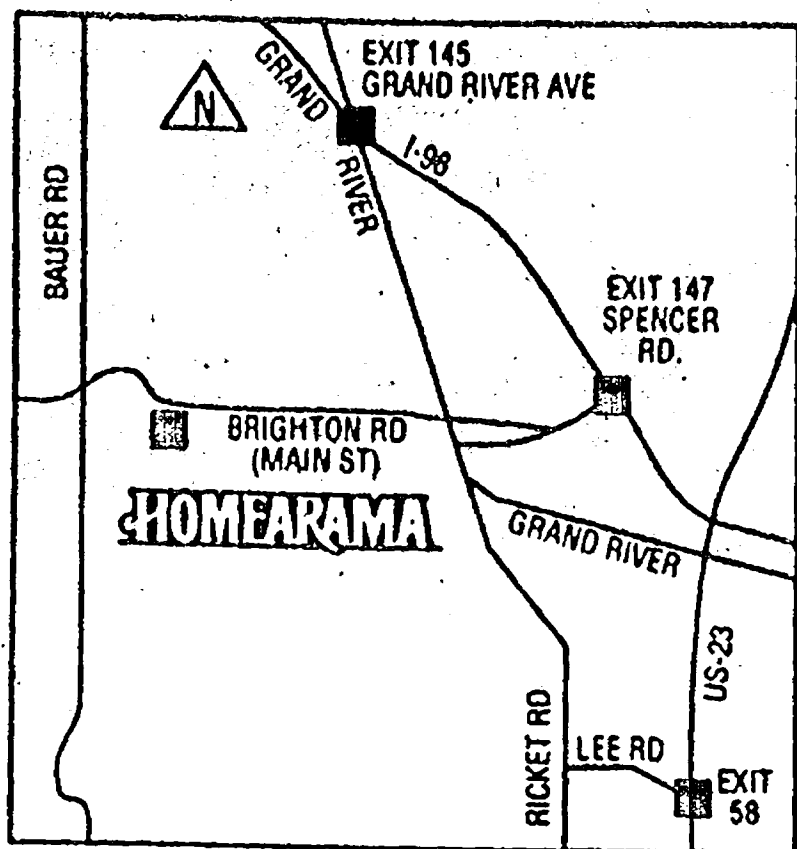
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- Robert R. Jones Associates of West Bloomfield, which will showcase the Balmoral, 6,200 square feet with four bedrooms, three full baths and two half baths. Highlights include a large combination great room/dining room, a family gathering room with adjoining kitchen, and a full walk-out basement to a lake.
- Koch Development of Troy, which will exhibit the Dynasty, 5,300 square feet with four bedrooms, three full baths and two half baths. The house contains five fireplaces, a three-story staircase and his-and-her separate baths.
- "It's got a tremendous amount of windows — 61, I think," said Richard Koch, president. "I think the window bill on that was \$55,000."
- James D. Compo of Farmington Hills, which will construct two houses. The American, 7,500 square feet, with 4-6 bedrooms and 4½ baths, features all Masco building products and a lower level with a bar, exercise area, entertainment center and sauna.

"There's a lot of special lighting in the house and I've used some unusual trim treatments," said Janet Compo, president of the company.

The Parkview, 4,715 square feet with four bedrooms and 4½ baths, has a first-floor master bedroom suite. The house also has a media room and a library.

"It has a very special exterior — a French country look," Compo said. "Roof lines and elevation are quite different. It's the longest house in the show."

• Damascus Development Corp. of Rochester, which will build the Glengarry, 4,150 square feet with four bedrooms and 3½ baths.

The master bedroom suite is more than 800 square feet, and the dining room, with a two-story ceiling, has an overlooking balcony. Hallways are

extra wide.

"It has a real stately appearance," said Timothy McDonald, president of Damascus. "They're going to see detailed trim work they're not going to see except in mansions."

• D.J. Blatt Building Co. of West Bloomfield, which will construct the Cranbrook, 5,800 square feet with four bedrooms, three full baths and two half baths.

The lower level features a bar, wine cellar, stone cut fireplace, cedar closet, whirlpool and sauna.

"There's porcelain tile in the hall, foyer and kitchen," said David Blatt. "There's custom oak (kitchen) cabinets, and the countertops are all hand-carved granite."

"All the living areas have a view of the woods or lake," he added.

The Builders Association of Southeast Michigan 1990 Fall Homearama, a showing of 10 luxury homes constructed by BASM members — including five builders from the Observer & Eccentric coverage area — runs Oct. 4-28. Take I-96 west to Spencer Road (exit 147), turn south to Main Street. Take Main Street south through Brighton (Main Street turns into Brighton Road) for about two miles to the Pine Creek Ridge Subdivision.

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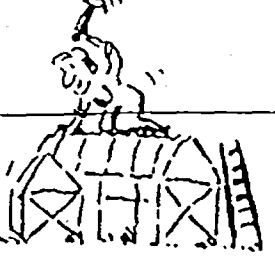
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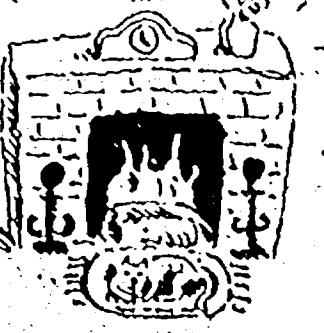
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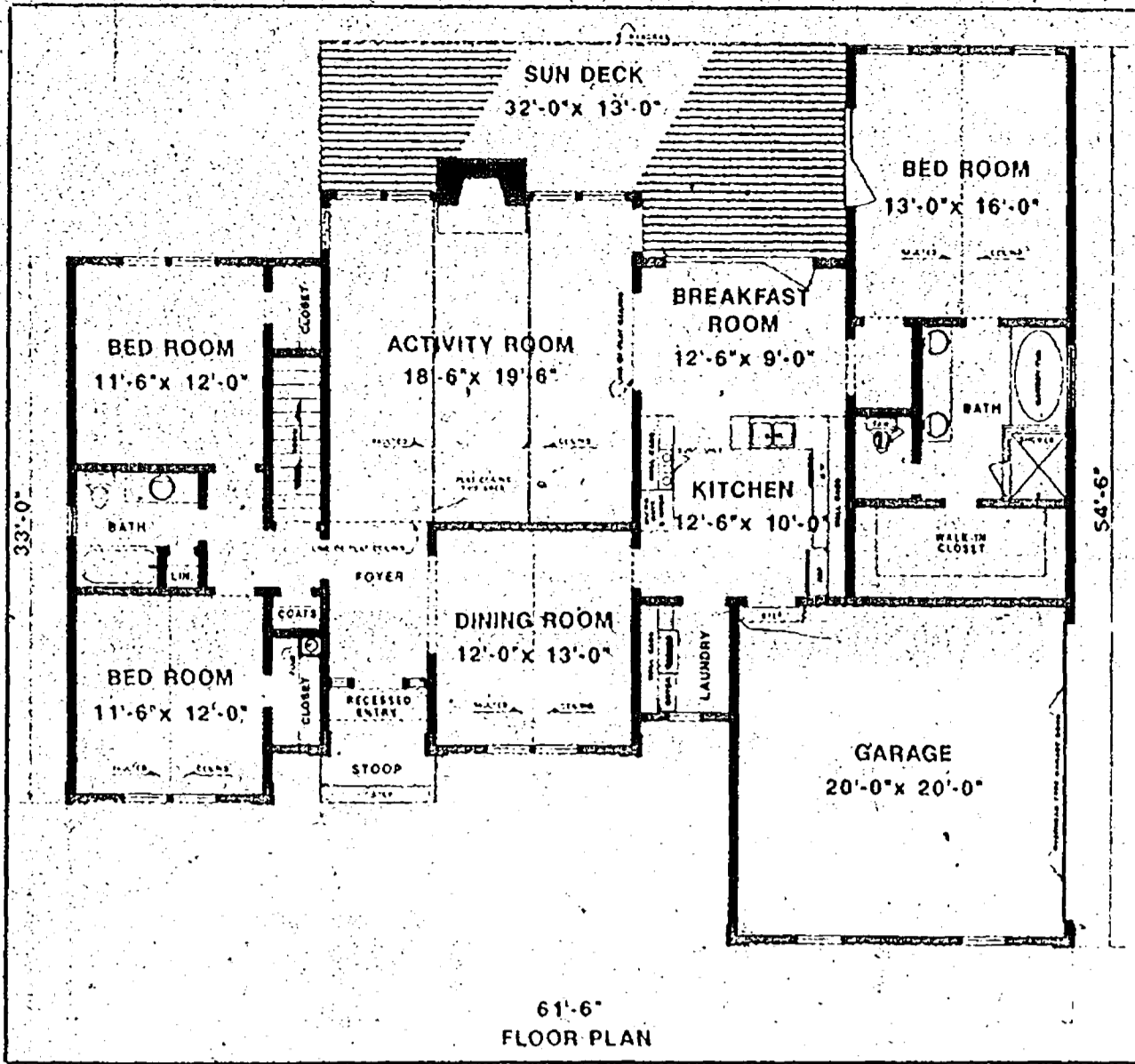


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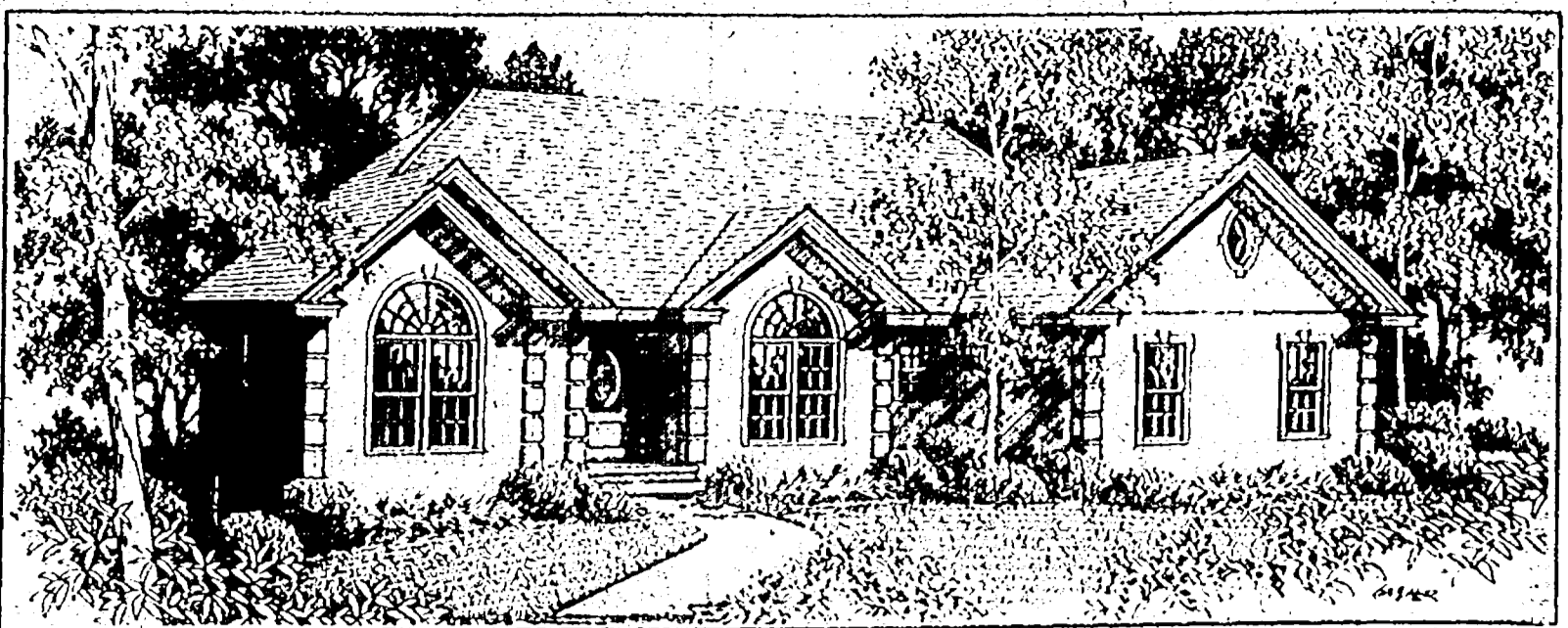
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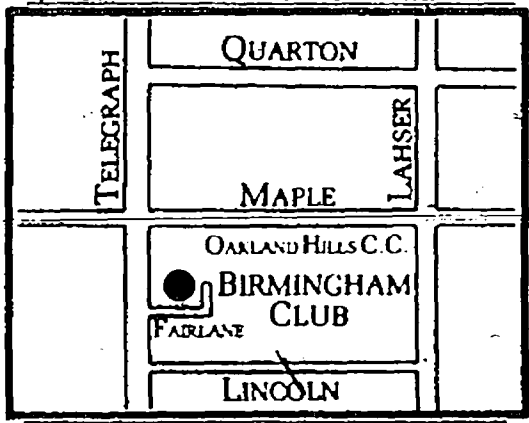
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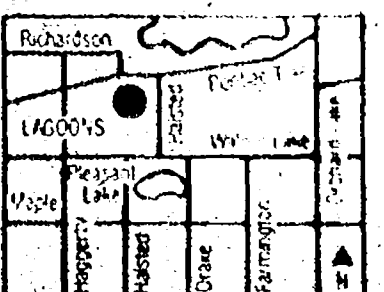
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Architect to speak

Architect Charles F. Merz of the firm Schervish Vogel Merz, will present a slide program on residential landscape architecture 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 27, at the Bloomfield Township Public Library, 1099 Lone Pine at the corner of Telegraph. Merz has also appeared as a lecturer at Lawrence Technological University, the University of Windsor and the Detroit Institute of Art. He believes that "landscaping is an adjunct to architecture."

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Newsletters: builders' marketing tool

By Mary Rodriquo staff writer

Communications may be the key to selling homes in the '90s. One way builders are drawing attention to their projects is by publishing newsletters. While the tool is commonly used to pique the interest of real estate agents, present homeowners, past customers, potential partners and the media, sometimes it's simply used to keep those who

have already bought into a project informed. Holtzman & Silverman, one of the nation's leading developers of sale and rental properties, produces newsletters for its single family home and condominium developments. In addition, each of its 22 Village Green properties in metro Detroit (representing 8,000 apartment units) produces an independent newsletter. "Pertaining to single family

homes and condominiums, the newsletter apprises the reader of activities of the firm, its distinguished reputation — it's a third-generation company — and its exceptional attention to detail," said spokeswoman Jane Lynch. The Village Green rental communities begin publishing when leasing begins, again when the first models are open and later when the properties are completed, she said. "Then the focus is on what's hap-

pening with the fitness center, the club room, swimming pool. Each community has a social activities director and the monthly newsletter would promote Sunday brunch, movie nights, any special activity." OAKLAND COUNTY builder Sam Blumenstein produces a newsletter for each new project he designs. Currently building the Maples of Novi at 14 Mile and Decker roads, 1,000 units of all detached site condomini-

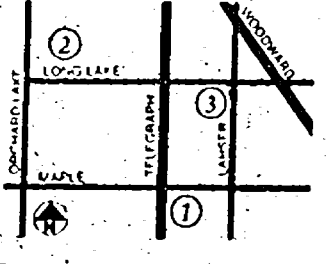
ums, the accompanying newsletter is dubbed the Maples of Novi News. For his last project, Maple Villas between Haggerty and Halstead in West Bloomfield, he produced the Villas Voice. "It's not for the outside, it's strictly internal," said Blumenstein. "We found a lot of people asking the same questions. Communications in the '90s is very important. People who are kept in the dark are not happy. They want to be informed."



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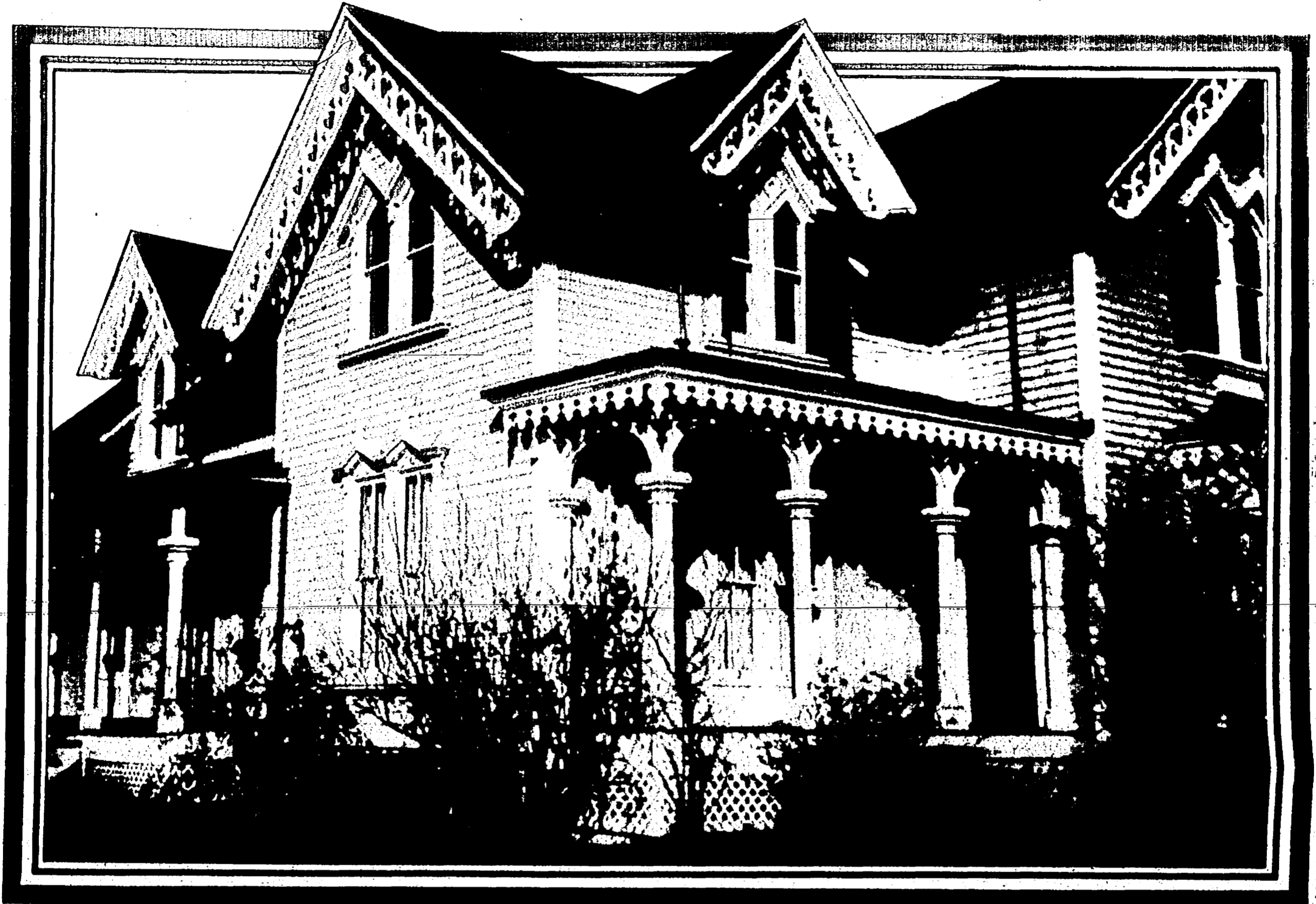
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Tile grows in popularity for counters

AP — Many people consider tile to be the most luxurious material for kitchen countertops. Available in a wide variety of shapes, sizes, colors and textures, ceramic tile allows you to create a countertop to complement any home decor. Prices vary widely, but one of the largest American tile makers estimates material costs at between \$3.30 and \$6.50 a square foot. Imported tiles can run as high as \$30 a square foot.

There are three types of tile: glazed, unglazed and quarry tile. In manufacturing glazed tile, the surface of the tile body is first coated with color and then a glass-like substance that serves to seal the porous clay. Glazed tiles are the softest and easiest to cut.

In unglazed tiles, the color permeates the tile body. The density of the clay makes them extremely stain resistant. Porcelain tiles are unglazed tiles that are the least likely to stain.

Quarry tiles are more porous, and, therefore, more likely to stain. Polyurethane sealers are often used to protect quarry tile, though it may not be desirable to use them on surfaces where food is prepared. For countertop installations, it's usually best to use a latex wall and floor tile adhesive.

Grout is used to seal the joints between tiles. It is available in powdered form. There are cement-based grouts and those made to be mixed with a latex solution. Both types are suitable for countertops, though the latex-based grout resists mildew and deterioration somewhat better. Grout color can either blend or contrast with the tile to create varied effects. Test the grout first to be sure it won't stain the tile surface, particularly if you're working with unglazed tiles.

Build the counter base first, using 3/4-inch exterior plywood. Do not substitute particleboard.

Make cutouts for sinks and countertop ranges. To prepare for setting tile, skimcoat the base with tile adhesive, using the flat edge of a trowel. Allow it to dry thoroughly (about 4 hours). Make a trial layout with the tiles. For tops without cutouts

for sinks and ranges, start the layout at the center of the front edge. When the top has a sink cutout, start at the cutout center and work toward either side.

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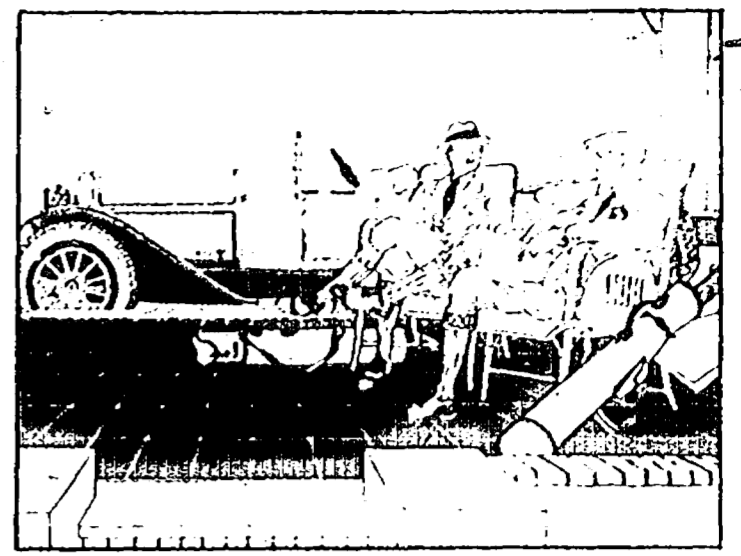
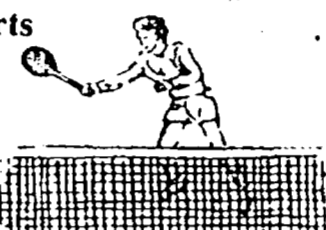
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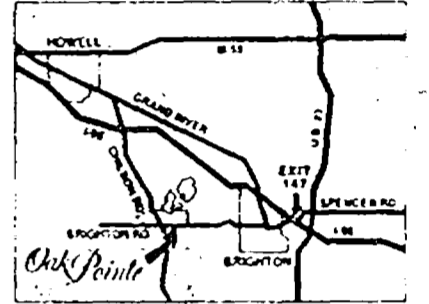
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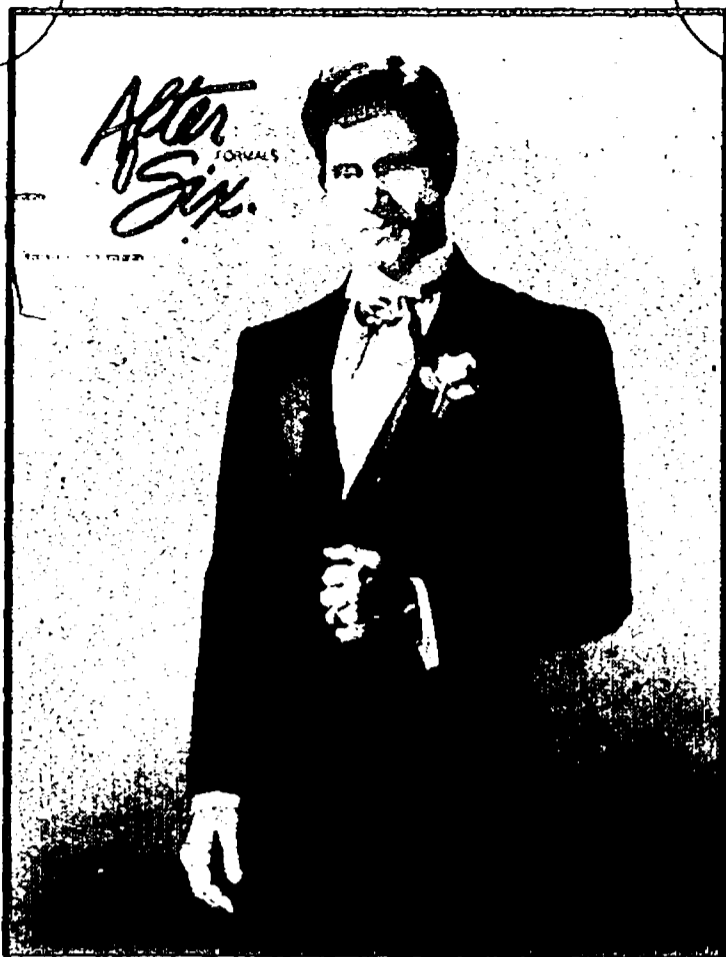
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Hostesses at the Little Wedding Chapel in Farmington Hills are Irene Bruza (left), Shari Johnson and Sharon Reed.

Little chapel offers wedding alternative

By Arlene Funke
special writer

FARIMA AZMOUDEH of Bloomfield Hills wanted an intimate marriage ceremony without religious overtones.

Still, she didn't want what she considered to be a sterile wedding in a judge's chambers. What's a bride to do?

Azmoudeh, a 35-year-old computer programmer and her engineer husband, Ahmad, 36, decided to be married at The Little Wedding Chapel, 27857 Orchard Lake Road.

Although it bears the name "chapel," the site isn't affiliated with any church. It is, simply, a place where small weddings are performed.

"We wanted the ceremony for our family and a few close friends," said Azmoudeh, formerly of Southfield.

In the Orchard-12 Shopping Center at Orchard Lake Road and 12 Mile, the Farmington Hills chapel has a cozy, romantic ambience.

THE FRONT window is edged with white latticework and accented with pots of flowers. The chapel, which seats 50 people, has pews, lighted candles, silk flowers and a gas fireplace.

The bride may enter under a trellised arch and down a winding stairway or through lace-curtained french doors.

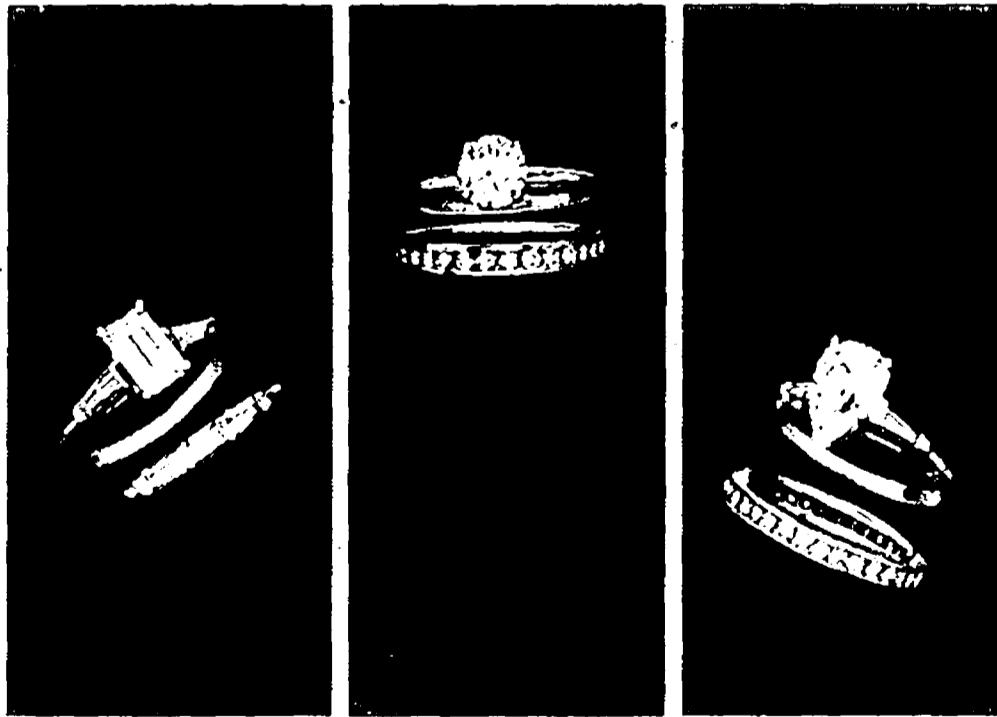
"They make it very special for you," Azmoudeh said.

The Azmoudehs, who chose a civil ceremony, were married in a candlelight service Dec. 29. Twenty guests witnessed the first-time bridal

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Getting married means many different things nowadays.

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Stories vary from choosing a cake to choosing a honeymoon. But the theme is the same: what helps make the big day so special.

Enjoy!

— Bob Sklar,
assistant managing editor



Daniel Parisien, both of Livonia, on Aug. 11 in Milford, their new home. By The Ultimate Image, Wedding Photography, Livonia.

Bob Sklar coordinated this section. Randy Borst, graphics editor, designed the cover. Advertising coordinators were Rhonda Rosser and Jeannie Bentley. Direct queries to Bob Sklar at 591-2300, Ext. 313.

On the cover: A formal portrait of Melissa Halstead, who married

Ultimate keepsake: photo love story

By Denise Lucas
special writer

Excellence is a journey — not a destination. Focus on being the best in what you do every day, do not settle for mediocrity. As you strive to be the best and believe in what you are doing you will feel good about yourself. Life will be wonderful and exciting.

— Gary Miller, photographer

FAIRY TALES do come true — it could happen to you. Romeo and Juliet, Anthony and Cleopatra, Bogie and Bacall. Everyone loves to immerse themselves with the "enamorous" feelings of two people in love.

Gary Miller, a nationally renowned photographer from West Bloomfield, has designed the ultimate wedding keepsake for today's newlywed couples: the "Living Love Story."

The "Living Love Story" shares the interaction, essence and spirit of a couple in the form of a three-minute video slide presentation set to music.

The video love story creates a warm ambience when shown to the guests at the wedding reception. It is a wonderful surprise gift from the bride and groom to their friends and family that results in zestful applause and emotional tears of joy.

"I help each couple touch the heartstrings of all their family and friends right at the onset of the wedding reception," Miller said. "At most weddings, the bride's side only knows the bride and the groom's side is only familiar with the groom. My love story is the icebreaker that helps to melt the two separate families into one."

THIS NEW concept in wedding photography begins before the wedding day.

The innovative bride to be and her



Photographer Gary Miller captures Alex and Marci Benson of West Bloomfield in a special moment on the beach.

fiance experience pre-nuptial photo sessions (often taken one day of each season of the year), sharing their special moments, common interests and lifelong dreams which Miller captures in his photographs.

These photo sessions also help the couple feel more confident and comfortable in front of the camera. They establish a special rapport between the couple and the photographer, ensuring photos that radiate and glow on this most important day.

Some couples choose to include their families in their love stories, which often bring two families with three generations together. The love stories are filled with expressions of love, touching, hugging and family interaction. The selected photos are placed on video and orchestrated to

the couples' most meaningful romantic love songs.

Making dreams come true is what Gary Miller is all about. A cross between Francesco Scavullo and Leo Buscaglia, Miller's artistic expression, enthusiasm for life and 29 years of

photographic excellence place him in a special category.

He has taken the "Miller Formula" on the road and lectured to photographers around the country teaching them how to put the love stories together.

"Take pictures of the couple and families as they walk through meadows, picnic on the banks of a river, horseback ride through beautiful fields and play on swings and slides, ski in the mountains, or splash in the ocean," Miller said.

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There are countless details to consider when planning the most memorable day of your life. It takes endless hours and great deliberation combined with moments of stress and uneasiness to select that dream-come-true wedding gown, arrange for the perfect caterer, decide on a special florist and opt for the ideal musicians.

The planning timetable takes weeks, maybe months of careful organization and important decisions, yet, the

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Alex and Marci Benson's photo love story, taken by photographer Gary Miller, includes this picture of them jogging in the park.

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Blossoms now adorn many wedding cakes

By Debbie Wallis Landau
special writer

TODAY'S WEDDING

reception might be held in a church or synagogue hall, a four-star restaurant or mom's back yard.

But regardless of the grandeur or earthiness of the party, guests will most certainly be served a slice of wedding cake.

The choices for contemporary brides and grooms extend from the simple to the sublime. Pastry chefs at local bakeries agree that a first marriage seems to command a more ornate, larger wedding cake. Receptions that include a full dinner also usually feature a multi-tiered cake.

Susan Kelly, manager at Mrs. Maddox's Cake Shop in Farmington Hills, says, "When a cake is on display longer, it's going to be more elaborate.

A tea reception with hors d'oeuvres will present a beautiful cake, but often the budget is more modest in the first place, and that's always a consideration."

Kelly is a third-generation baker. Her grandmother was the original Mrs. Maddox. The latter first opened her cake shop in 1928 and became known throughout the Detroit area for her wedding cakes and lovely petit fours.

"In my grandmother's day, more bakeries were decorating cakes with buttercream frosting. You could drape lace, latticework designs with it. Today, because of people's concerns with health and diet, buttercream isn't being used as frequently.

"What we do use is a boiled frosting, which has a fluffy, marshmallow-like consistency. It's derived from a

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Many wedding cakes now boast blossoms

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granulated sugar base, which is cooked to a syrup and combined with egg white. The appropriate colors can be added to tint the icing."

THE BIGGEST change in her wedding cake orders, Kelly said, is a tendency to duplicate shapes of fresh flowers with icing or adorn the cake with fresh blossoms as well.

The big favorites are calla lilies and morning glories. The modern bride is also often asking for a contemporary looking cake," she said.

"Today's bride knows exactly what she wants," she added. "She will come in with pictures from magazines or photos taken at parties she has attended."

Richard Jurkiewicz of the G & M Paris Bakery in Livonia sees cakes ordered smaller than in years past. His average order will nicely serve 200-350. He used to get requests for cakes serving 400 or more.

"We're also still doing many tiered cakes," he said, "but using fewer separators between tiers. Yellow cake is still the hands-down favorite flavor for cake, although we do get some people asking for chocolate or raspberry mousse layers. We still alternate flavors between tiers, as well."

Jurkiewicz frequently includes lots of fresh and silk flowers on his wedding cakes. Brides like the design to replicate their throw bouquets, he said.

SYLVIA LEE, owner of Desserts by Sylvia Lee in Southfield, admits that her creations are pretty rich.

"I believe in giving guests a good slice of something satisfying," she said. "If it's chocolate, it's deep chocolate and creamy. I use a lot of fresh lemon for a sweet, yet tart taste if citrus is chosen."

One of Sylvia Lee's signature cakes is a chocolate pinwheel torte adorned with curls of white chocolate. It's a popular choice for older brides or couples celebrating second marriages. With its two tiers, it can still afford that "first anniversary sentimentality" if the couple wants to save some.

She echoes the popularity of flowers on today's cakes, saying, "We very rarely do anything but fresh flowers. The old tradition of putting a little bride and groom atop the highest layer is getting passé."

Lee likes using lilies of the valley or tiny silk flowers for her smaller cakes.

If customers share her love for something rich and a little different, she will recommend her raspberry cheesecake wedding cake.

Customers with special dietary considerations will appreciate that Desserts by Sylvia Lee is certified.

SHARON AND Stu Koster, owners



JIM RIDER/staff photographer

Stu Koster of the Bavarian Bakery and World Class Cakes applies the finishing touches to a three-tiered wedding cake.

of World Class Cakes and Fine Pastries in West Bloomfield and the Bavarian Bakery in Troy, say that on a busy weekend, they might get 10 orders for wedding cakes at either location.

"One design which our customers keep asking for is our basketweave cake. It has four tiers and we often cascade flowers down the sides. More traditional designs showcase a fountain in the center, or staircase motif on either side of the cake," Sharon said.

The Koster's opened the Bavarian Bakery 11 years ago and World Class Cakes in 1989. "In the years we've been bakers, cakes seem much simpler," Sharon said. "Most people are not into the real fussy designs that used to be popular."

The Koster's will copy any picture brought into their store and honor most flavor requests. "Yellow, chocolate and white cakes are still the most popular," Sharon said, "but we do fruit fillings and mousses, and also offer cherry nut, marble or carrot cakes."

Most basketweaves designs feeding 200-225 people sell for \$228 and a torte wedding cake of the same size is priced at \$296.

Sharon Koster likes to prepare brides for that first anniversary sampling of cake even before the wedding.

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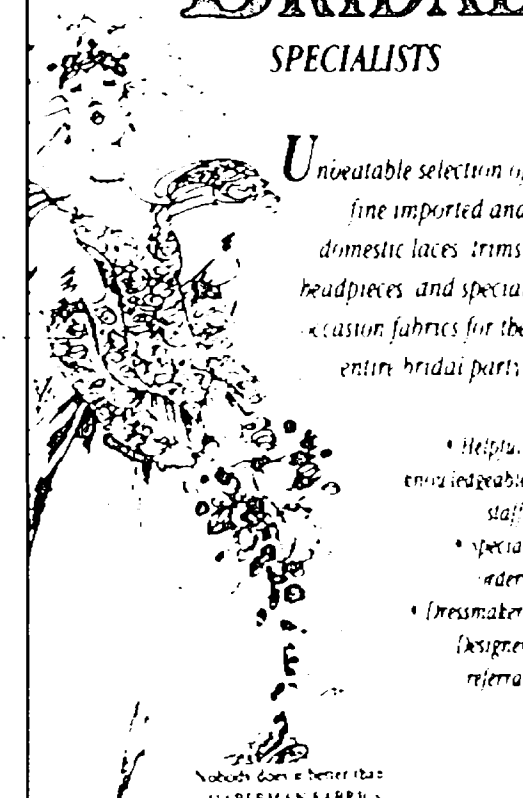
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pair taking their vows before the lighted fireplace.

Passages from philosopher-poet Khalil Gibran's "The Prophet" were recited. A pianist played a medley of love songs.

The Little Wedding Chapel, which opened last October, is owned and operated by Sharon Reed of Southfield, Shari Johnson of Livonia and Irene Bruza of Warren. All three are career women in their 40s.

Reed is the former owner of Bloomie's Face and Body, a skin-care salon in the same center as the chapel. Bruza is a former manager with a chain of eyeglass centers.

Johnson, a former advertising saleswoman, last year was ordained by New Beginnings, a non-denominational outreach ministry based in Arizona. She performs most of the marriage ceremonies at the chapel.

THE LITTLE Wedding Chapel, conceived by Reed, is patterned after similar operations in Las Vegas and California.

Couples with marriage licenses sometimes can schedule their weddings for the same day, according to Reed. Fridays and Saturdays are the busiest, with ceremonies booked every 1 1/2 hours.

The \$175 fee includes a private dressing room for the bride, a rehearsal, use of the chapel (decorated with silk flowers and lighted candles),

piped-in traditional wedding music, assistance of a wedding coordinator and a non-denominational religious or civil ceremony.

Couples may bring their own person to officiate, although few do.

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"We do everything possible to ensure complete privacy," said Reed, noting that the door is locked and the phones turned off before the start of each wedding.

JOHNSON, WHO has no church ministry, finds much personal satisfaction in her work.

"A lot of healing starts here," Johnson said. "That is why they come to a non-denominational chapel. Many of the couples, even if they don't have a church of their own, or are going to a church on a religious basis, want God to be part of the marriage ceremony."

The Azmoudehs followed their small ceremony with a gala reception for 100 people. Some weddings have featured harp soloists, bagpipers and horse-and-buggy rides.

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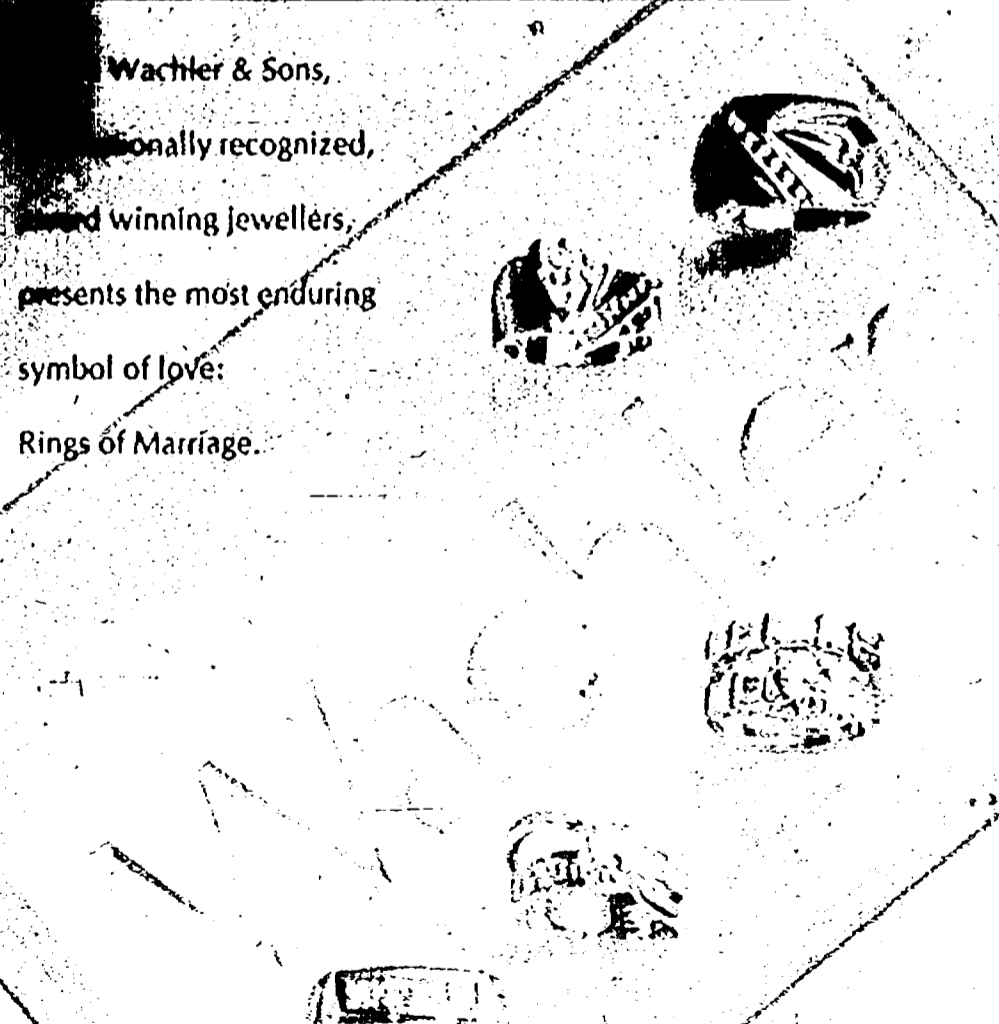
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Love story in pictures

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- Clothing: Simplicity! Simple, plain outfits photograph the best as they are not distracting. Wear warm colors with long sleeves.
- Glasses: Ask your optician to supply you with empty rims for the day of your appointment; not only do glasses catch light reflections, but they also can distort the faceline in some portraits because of the lenses.
- Women: Eye shadow should be applied lightly and with care. Apply two coats of mascara on both upper and lower lashes. Wear your other makeup as usual. Bring all of your makeup with you in case any minor modification is required.
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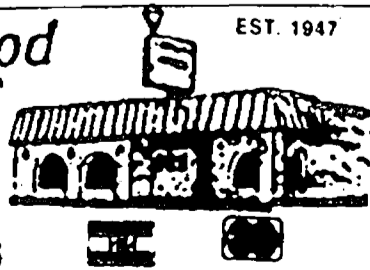
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