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Spirit of Giving

Adult education and alternative high school students at the Cherry Hill Center helped donate food, clothing and toys for the Westland and Wayne Goodfellows and decorated a Christmas tree in the center's lobby. Taking part in the annual holiday activity are

(front, from left) Tina Potter, Carrie Cronk and Bea Cilley; (back row, from left) Stephanie Ferguson and Anita Mayheu. In the lobby showcase is a "Spirit of Giving" banner.

Council studies building, operating 2-branch library

By **Tedd Schnelder**
staff writer

A plan for a two-branch Wayne-Westland district library — with the Westland branch to be built using a \$2-million state appropriation approved in October — will be studied by the Westland City Council.

The council Monday appointed a three-member liaison group to meet with the Wayne-Westland Library Board and report back in January on the feasibility of the board's recommendation.

Council members Charles Pickering, Ken Mehl and president Tom Brown will meet with the nine-member library board on a daily basis through December to discuss the feasibility of a joint library and develop a proposal.

But the board's recommendation — which calls for the creation of an autonomous agency to oversee the joint library and passage of a tax rate increase to pay

for its operation — may not get enthusiastic support from Mayor Robert Thomas.

Thomas Tuesday reiterated his stance that a library millage should be "a last resort."

"Nobody has convinced me yet that a millage is a necessity," Thomas said. "I think it's still too early to even talk about that."

THE MAYOR also said he still favored his original plan to split the current board into separate commissions for each library, although he "was open to suggestions."

"I realize that my idea might be the best," he said. Proponents of the plan said Monday it offers flexibility and is "a tried and proven way to provide adequate services" to the community.

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Student charged in after-game shooting

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By **Tedd Schnelder**
staff writer

A Wayne Memorial High School senior is facing an attempted murder charge in a shooting after Friday's basketball game at John Glenn High School.

A 17-year-old Ypsilanti High School junior remains hospitalized recovering from shotgun wounds to his face.

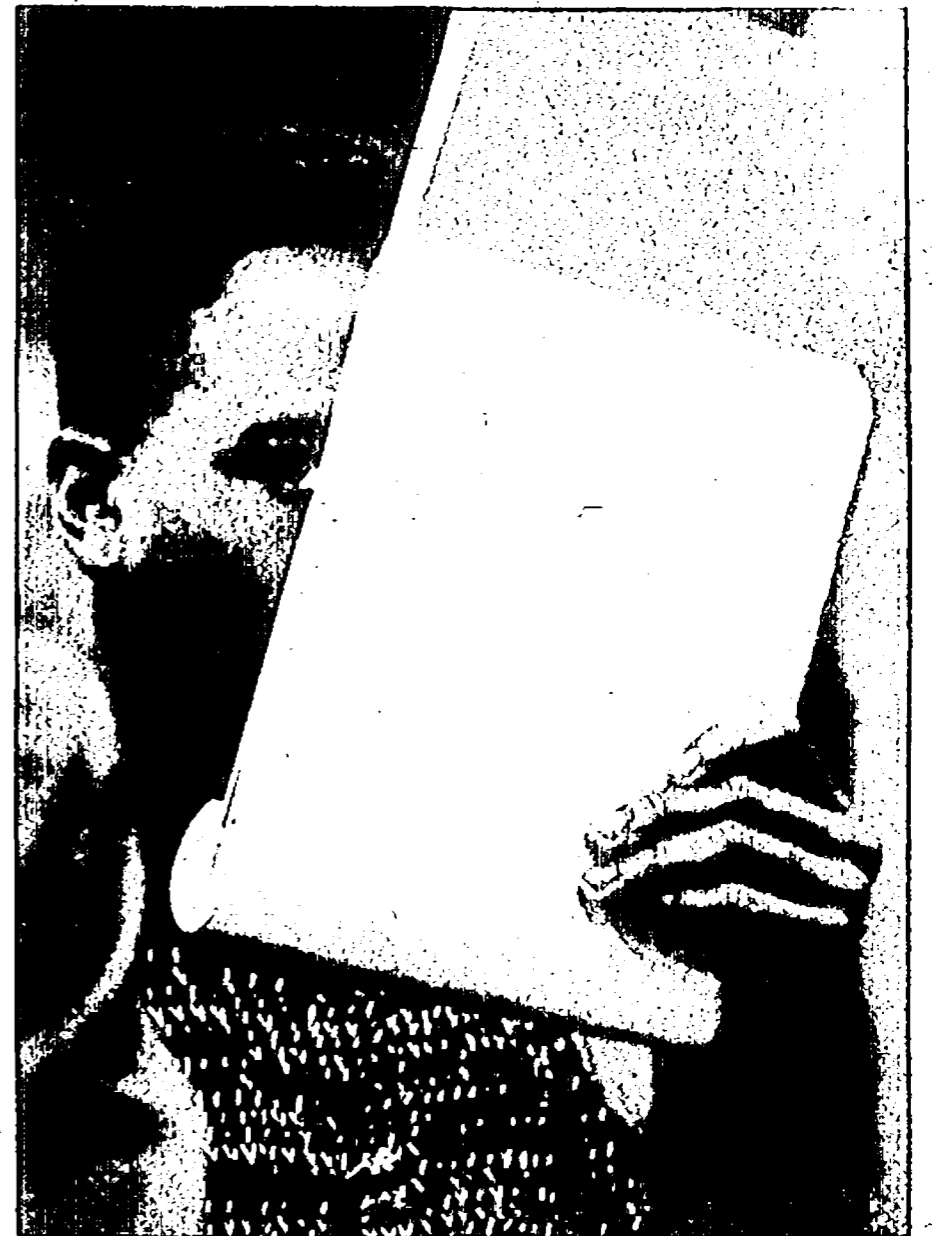
Mack Arthur Willis, 17, of Inkster stood mute and a not guilty plea was entered for him at his arraignment Tuesday in front of visiting 18th District Judge John H. McCartney.

He is charged with one count of assault with intent to commit murder and one count of possession of a firearm during the commission of a felony in the shooting of Kenneth Daniel Mays, a junior from Ypsilanti High School, after Friday's game between John Glenn and Ypsilanti.

Mays was reported in stable condition Tuesday at University of Michigan Hospital, Ann Arbor, police said.

"He's waiting to be transferred somewhere else for surgery," said detective Sgt. Russell Nowaczek.

McCartney scheduled a preliminary examination for 9 a.m. Dec. 20 and ordered Willis jailed in lieu



JIM JAGDFELD/staff photographer

Mack Arthur Willis shields his face from newspaper and television cameras in 18th District Court Tuesday.

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Shooting raises questions of security, parental input

By **Leonard Pogor**
editor

Wayne-Westland school officials said a shooting of a teenager after Friday night's John Glenn-Ypsilanti High basketball is a tragedy for several reasons.

One is the injury suffered by a Ypsilanti High student, shot in the face by someone with a shotgun outside the school.

The other, said school Superintendent Dennis O'Neill at a school board meeting Monday, is that "something like this can happen in our community. Our school environment reflects what's happening in society and this is one more example of the breakdown we witness every day."

While O'Neill was commenting on the shooting, Westland Police Inspector Michael Frayer told a city council study session Monday that "maybe it's time for a police department liaison to approach the school district and discuss security."

Frayer said that the shooting is the second or third violent incident after a school district athletic event and the first shooting.

'It is imperative that we implore parents to be involved with their youngsters. As school people, we are constantly watching for signals to identify students with potential problems.'

— **Dennis O'Neill**
Wayne-Westland Schools
superintendent

"They (the school district) don't have the financial resources to hire additional security and, in this case, I don't know that that would have prevented what happened anyway."

The inspector added that "maybe we need to think about scheduling more afternoon sporting events."

BUT O'NEILL, when questioned

after the board meeting, said there was good security at the game, including two officers in the school and one patrol car outside the building.

He is not considering increasing security for athletic events.

Board member Leonard Posey Monday echoed O'Neill's comments about the increase of fire-

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Council douses mayor's 'rainy day fund' plan

By **Tedd Schnelder**
staff writer

A proposal by Mayor Robert Thomas to set up a "rainy day fund" for city emergencies has been put on the back burner by the Westland City Council.

Council members Monday decided against immediate action on the proposal. Instead, it will become part of budget deliberations next spring, they decided during a council study session.

Thomas had proposed creating such a fund in a letter to the council last August.

The mayor's plan called for deposit of 25 percent of the remaining \$1.9 million city surplus to establish the account. Twenty-five percent of new

surplus at the end of each fiscal year could be added to the account, Thomas said.

Budget stabilization funds, or "rainy day" accounts, are allowable under a 1978 state law.

"The time to establish one of these funds is not when we need it, but when we don't," Thomas said Monday.

HE CITED possible future emergencies such as infrastructure (road or sewer) breakdowns, new laws regarding solid waste disposal and arbitration awards as ways the account could be used to bail the city out of financial trouble.

But Tom Brown, council president, was severely critical of the idea and several other council mem-

bers weren't enthusiastic about it.

Criticism centered around the state's requirement that money be appropriated from such an account by a two-thirds vote of the city council, rather than a simple majority.

In Westland, five of the seven council members would have to approve expenditures.

"You're setting up a minority government where one person can keep you from paying the bills," Brown said. "The (Westland) city charter requires a 4-3 vote in order to spend money."

"I think there are other, better ways to accomplish the same thing," Brown said.

Once created, municipalities may tap into a "rainy day" account only to:

- Cover a general fund deficit when one is revealed by an annual audit

- Prevent a reduction in the level of public services or city employees if collection of budgeted revenue falls short

- Prevent a reduction in public services or city employees if estimated revenue for the next fiscal year won't cover expenses

- Cover expenses arising because of a natural disaster, including a flood, fire or tornado (exclusive of federal or state aid)

Music in the mall

Burger Choir sings for shoppers

A GROUP of students sang for Westland Center shoppers recently as part of the mall's annual holiday choral concert program.

But the students weren't typical school-age youngsters.

They ranged in age from 5 to 24 and were part of the Burger Choir, made up of autistic students in a Garden City-based program that serves all of Wayne County. The students are developmentally impaired and don't have the ability to communicate or relate to others, said Mary O'Neill, director of the adolescent program at Burger.

Leading the choir was Micki Carden-Bialach, music teacher.

The choir sang the traditional Christmas carols, such as "Silent Night" and "Toyland."

The choir members were dressed in their red and white sweatshirts.



Micki Carden-Bialach directed the choir of autistic students at the group's appearance at Westland Center.

O'NEILL said that the music program helps the students develop self-confidence, which is especially important because many of the singers previously couldn't communicate verbally.

After the performance, singer Chris McAllister said the choir activity lets him "feel great and good to be in the choir."

The choir director and her husband, Stanley, are also in the Horizon musical group, performed at the mall a few days later.

The pair also coordinated a benefit Nov. 24 at Ralph's restaurant in Westland, where they perform on weekends, to raise \$500 to buy musical instruments for the Burger band.

The choir will return to Westland Center for another performance at 1 p.m. tonight.

Other school and church groups will perform at the mall throughout this month.



Michael Gilbert performed with the choir during the Christmas caroling.

Robert Daly sang during the Burger Choir performance.

photos by ART EMANUELE/staff photographer

The Burger Choir sang Christmas carols for Westland Center shoppers.



83 John Glenn High students got all A's in last semester

Eighty-three John Glenn High School students took home all-A report cards for the last marking period.

Sophomores with 4.0 grade point averages were Jeffrey Clos, Stacey DeRose, Karen Deschaine, Neil Duncan, Jill Gordon, Christina Hood, Kerri MacDiarmid, Valerie Martin, Jessica Peters, Patricia Polaczyk, Carle Scanlon, Ailsa Shyu, Walter Spadacini, Jennifer Stockwell, Jason Suchan, Cheryl Tarnowski, Melissa Thompson, Brooke West, Keith Wittkopp, Ryan Santow, Melissa Ziemba and Jonathon Zyck.

Sophomores earning top marks were Tom Anderson, Julie Ayers, Robert Bloomfield, Wendy Burkeen, Emerson Cameron, Ivona Cibulik, Joy Clouse, Alicia Embury, Lori Hallman, Lori Hallman, Deborah Holman, Carl Kaiser, Mark Kaiser, Matthew Krizan, Dennis Little, Chad Moriarty and Wendy Mrozinski.

Also, Juan Peters, Gregory Ross, Grayson Story, Gregory Tamas, Melanie Thom, Melissa Wanson, Brenda Willoughby, Janet Worswick

and Kristi Zimmer.

Seniors with all-A report cards were Nicole Adams, David Arbour, Daniel Babcock, Darryl Backiel, Mark Baker, Lisa Barker, Jennifer Berent, Christine Boyd, Amy Burket, Louis Cincolani, David Day, Deanna Ducher, Monica Evans, Deanne Faber, Robert Galbraith, Audrey Greybill, Michael Grigg, Julie Ham-

rick, Lisa Haver, Cheryl Haden and Roy Jackson.

Also, James Johnson, Theresa Kennicott, Rebecca Krause, Robert Likovich, James Long, Jennifer Massey, Jason McLaughlin, Daniel Monforton, William Nichols, Christine Prough, Deborah Reed, Heather Powell, Melissa Squillies, Matthew Sypniewski and Michael Wells.

32 Wayne Memorial kids got all A's last semester

Thirty-two Wayne Memorial High School students received all-A report cards during the last marking period.

Sophomores receiving 4.0 marks were Leo Anlo, John Bemdeserfer, Nicole Garrison, Toby Kmet, Erica Schmitt, Nichole Seymore, Stephanie Stenseng and Daniel Wilkins.

All-A 11th grade students were Tia Battle, Jeffrey Blaszkowski, Sara Burkert, Tania Dobrowski,

Tonya Ennis, Adrian Garza, Stephanie Lim, Robin McCollum, Thomas McIntyre and Melissa Taylor.

Seniors earning top grades were Dawn Cantrell, DeShawn Graves, Karen Heffner, Steven Hurley, John James, Stacey Livy, Shelley McKnight, Nicholas Mizgala, Hans Modigh, Darlene Moore, Delaina Nabb, William Sharp and Andrea Toupin.

A Graham School volunteer wins \$500 and public honor

Helen Stevens, whose granddaughter attends P.D. Graham Elementary School, was honored twice in recent weeks.

Her employer, Mervyn's specialty store, said she was winner of a \$500 prize for outstanding volunteer service.

She was publicly honored Monday night by the Wayne-Westland school board for her Mervyn's honor, based on her volunteer work at Graham

School. Stevens, a Mervyn's office associate, was honored for her role in helping raise money for a Graham School sixth grade trip to Niagara Falls and Toronto.

She and her daughter planned a benefit dance at the school to help defray the trip's expenses.

In the national competition among Mervyn's employees, Stevens was

the only Michigan winner. The nominees for several prizes were considered on the basis of their written summaries of volunteer activities. The national winner, from California, won a \$3,000 first prize.

Accompanying her at the school board meeting was Sig Dietrich, Graham principal, who said a school committee, which will include Stevens, will be formed to discuss how the \$500 prize will be used.

Supplier delay causes six-week wait for Noble Library reopening

Reopening of the Noble Library, which serves the northern section of Westland, will be delayed by about six weeks.

When work on the branch on Plymouth Road east of Farmington Road started in October, the Livonia Public Library had hoped work would be completed and the library opened in mid-December.

But a delay caused by a supplier may postpone the opening until the end of January, said city librarian A. Michael Deller.

"Roofing work has been progress-

ing and should not affect our being able to re-enter the building," said Deller.

"The electrical contractor has been prevented from moving forward with his work because the new energy efficient light fixtures have not been shipped by Hubbel, the manufacturer.

"Until the new fixtures are installed, we can't put the book shelving back in place. Without light in the building we can't even put materials back on the shelves.

"It is frustrating because the rest of the work has been on schedule," added Deller.

As soon as the delayed fixtures arrive, the electrical contractor expects to take two weeks to complete installation.

Once that happens the Noble staff, which has been assigned to Sandburg and Civic Center libraries during the renovation, will be able to return to Noble to restore order to the collection. That should take two weeks, said Deller.

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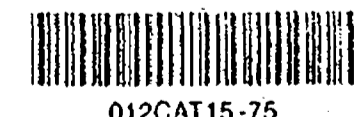
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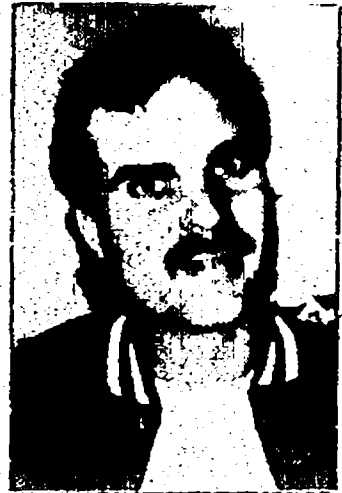
This week's question:

Will you spend more or less than last year on Christmas presents?

We asked this question to Westland residents outside the Target store on Warren Road.



"Probably more. I have more people to buy for and I'm working now so I have more money to spend."
— Sandy Galiss



"More. Prices are going up."
— Gerry Kinger



"Just about the same. I have the same people to buy for, although one (a grandchild) is on the way so next year I'll have more."
— Judy Czajka



"A little bit more. Our kids are getting older so their toys are more expensive."
— Barb Kibler



"About the same. I have the same family to buy for and my economic situation hasn't changed."
— John Beatty



"I've already spent more. There's all that extra stuff (displays) in the store and so I end up buying everybody extra (presents)."
— Rita Mattea

Asbestos problem delays demolition

By Marie Chestnoy
staff writer

Thousands of square feet of asbestos-filled floor tile kept the wrecking crews in early November from beginning the demolition of the Whitman Center, owned by the Livonia school district, which serves the northern section of Westland.

Demolition of the former junior high school on W. Chicago at Hubbard in Livonia hit a snag when Wayne County inspectors demanded that 128,000 square feet of tile be torn up and disposed of as a hazardous substance, said Art Howell, director of operations for the school district.

"We first thought we would not have to pull up the tile. Then the county said yes, you have to. So we

School district buys equipment at half price

The Wayne-Westland school district is buying nearly \$300,000 of vocational-technical equipment in a "half off" sale.

The bargain was made possible through a federal grant administered by the state of Michigan, the board of education was told Monday.

The school district will pay nearly \$150,000 of local funds for the \$300,000 worth of equipment to be installed at the Ford Voc-Tech Center, on Marquette near Carlson.

"We were able to buy new equipment for 50 cents on the dollar," said Thomas Svitkovich, associate superintendent for administration.

The school board Monday approved the bids for equipment to be used in nearly all areas of the center's curriculum.

'We never tackled a job like this. It took much longer than we thought it would.'

— Art Howell

took it up in big sections."

THE TILE is apparently impacted with asbestos.

Now that it has been removed, the district has gotten the county's blessing to go ahead and tear down the building, Howell said.

Demolition should begin within days and continue well into January, Howell said.

Two demolition deadlines have come and gone but the building still stands because of the complexities involved in removing the asbestos, Howell said.

"We never tackled a job like this. It took much longer than we thought it would."

Federal Environmental Protection Agency rules require that before a building containing asbestos can be torn down, all asbestos in it must be removed. The EPA has linked asbestos to gastrointestinal cancers, lung cancer and other lung disorders.

In 1989, the district solicited bids from companies to remove the asbestos. The bids ranged from a high of \$438,000 to a low of \$138,000.

The district decided to have its

own special environmental team do the job, estimating it could remove the asbestos in-house for \$60,000.

DESPITE THE delay, Howell said the district still came out ahead financially by doing the work itself.

"There's a big difference in the costs of doing it in-house and out-house," Howell said.

Host family wanted for Japanese student

A family in the Churchill High School attendance area, which includes the northern section of Westland, is being sought to host a high school student from Japan for the next semester.

The host family must be willing to provide a home for the student from the second semester break in mid-January until the Easter week break or until July.

Sponsoring the search for a host family is the Livonia Rotary Club,

The district will pay Detroit-based Metro Wrecking Co. \$123,000 to tear down the building, fill in heating tunnels and level the ground.

Last spring, the Livonia Board of Education approved paying the company \$120,000 to wreck the one-story building.

In the spring, district employees will plant grass.

The building's demolition will increase dramatically the amount of open land in the area, a half-mile north of the Westland boundary, and give nearby Grant Elementary extra playground space.

The work at Whitman has been the environmental team's first experience in removing asbestos from a building destined to be torn down.

which will provide the student with a monthly allowance and furnish medical and dental insurance. The host family is asked to provide room and board.

Rikako Komatsu, 17, of Shlogama in Miyagi, Japan, is now attending Churchill High. She can speak English, having studied the language since junior high.

For more information call Rotarian Jay Young, 523-9104.

Letters to S.A.N.T.A

Attention boys and girls! Christmas is almost here and you know what that means. Santa Claus is up at the North Pole waiting for letters and double checking his list to find out who's been naughty or nice.

Once again this year, the Westland Observer is asking children to send us their letters to Santa Claus. We'll print those letters in our Dec. 20 issue, having forwarded the letters to Santa Claus in plenty of time to be ready for Christmas morning.

Children of all ages are encouraged to send their letters to the:

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Patty Jones awarded state voc-tech honors

Patty Jones, a Ford Vocational-Technical Center advisory board member, was recently honored by the Michigan Council for Vocational Education.

She also received a certificate for the state recognition from the Wayne-Westland board of education Monday night.

Jones is educational coordinator at Oakwood Annapolis Hospital in Wayne and helped the Ford Center plan courses for the health curriculum.

Introducing her at the school board meeting was Greg Baracy, newly appointed Ford Center principal.

lunch menu for seniors

The senior citizen nutrition program will serve these hot meals the week of Dec. 17:

Monday — Swedish meatballs with gravy, noodles, peas, beet salad, orange, milk.

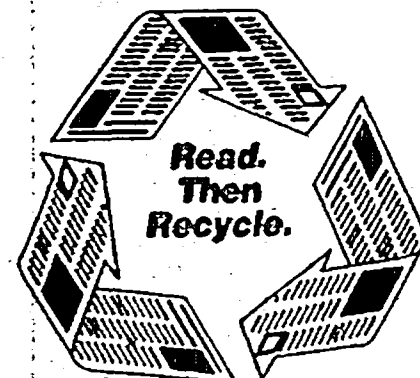
Tuesday — Pork chop with gravy, sweet potatoes, asparagus, applesauce, pumpernickle bread with margarine, milk.

Wednesday — Hamburger on a bun, baked beans, coleslaw, pineapple tidbits, milk.

Thursday — Vegetarian lasagna, stewed tomatoes, cantaloupe, oatmeal cookie, milk.

Friday — Baked ham, potatoes au gratin, asparagus, cherry pie, roll with margarine, milk.

Meals will be served at noon at three locations: Westland Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh at Marquette; Whittier Center on Ann Arbor Trail west of Inkster Road, and Kirk of Our Savior Presbyterian Church, on Cherry Hill between Wayne Road and Newburgh.



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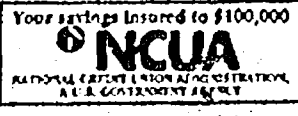
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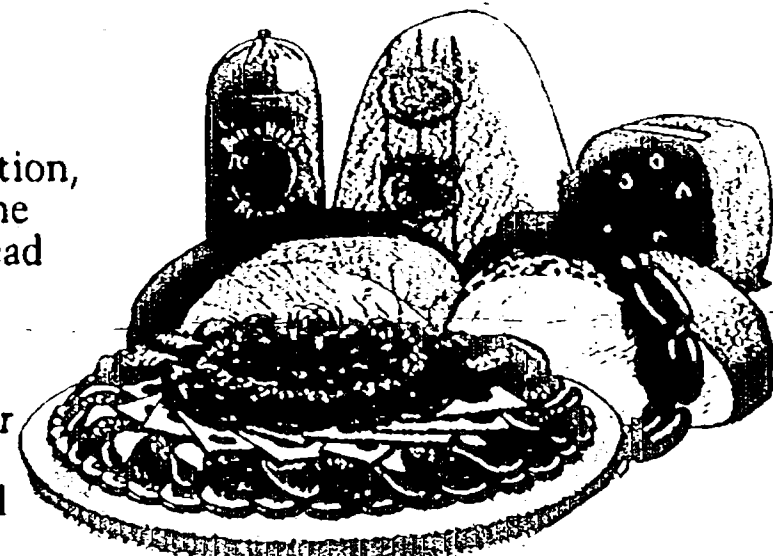


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Exec, commission at war over county budget

By Wayne Peal
staff writer

Wayne County's budget battle has escalated to full-scale war with county Executive Edward McNamara and county commissioners likely to wind up in court.

Commissioners overrode McNamara's veto of an estimated \$1.5 million in spending for commission and county clerk's activities Tuesday by a wide margin.

Though McNamara issued two line item vetoes, commissioners held override votes in five specific areas — one for commission activities, another for commission special projects, a third for the auditor general's office, another for the county clerk and a final one for a variety of projects ranging from corrections, to youth services, to arts and culture.

Among area commissioners, Kay Beard, D-Inkster, voted for all five overrides. Kevin Kelley, D-Redford, voted against an override for changes in the commission's special projects budget. Susan Heintz, R-Northville Township, voted against the override for the clerk's budget.

The executive, however, responded with a fiery pledge to "ignore" the commission's action.

"WE JUST won't fund those activities," McNamara said. "The budget is out of balance and it jeopardizes this county."

Commission Chairman Arthur Blackwell, D-Detroit, said the commission would sue the executive if he failed to provide money for any commission-authorized activity.

"He doesn't have the authority to



'The budget is out of balance and it jeopardizes this county.'

— Edward McNamara
county executive



'He doesn't have the authority to do that (cut commission-approved spending). If he does, we'll go to court.'

— Arthur Blackwell
county commission
chairman

Commissioners, though, said the budget is balanced.

"He's (McNamara) got to understand it's not one-man rule," Blackwell said. "We've bent over backward for the executive, but we're not going to be crawling on our hands and knees."

Unless vetoed, fees will rise from \$40 to \$46 for a gun permit, from \$20 to \$23 for a marriage license, from \$15 to \$17 for a birth certificate or certificate of death and from \$20 to \$23 for filing an assumed name. Other fees would also increase.

Harsh words were exchanged on both sides. McNamara called commissioners "irresponsible, so-called representatives of the people," Blackwell called the executive's staff "a bunch of crybabies."

But the real issue could be a power struggle between the commission and executive underscored by lingering bitterness over the executive's role in some of last summer's commission primaries.

"Nobody's on this commission with McNamara's help, no one owes him anything," Blackwell said. "But there are some commissioners here whose opponents were helped by the executive."

do that," Blackwell said. "If he does, we'll go to court."

McNamara said it was commissioners who were in the wrong. He charged the commission with using an estimated \$1 million from the sale of county property in Northville — money he said the county had yet to receive — to add commission staff.

"That's a one-time thing and they're going to use it to fund something that will continue year-after-year," McNamara said, charging commissioners were "stealing" the money.

Blackwell took issue with the idea that commissioners were stealing anything.

"First, he said the money is not there, then he says we're stealing it," Blackwell said. "Now, what does

that tell you?"

In addition to blocking the additional commission spending, McNamara said he would veto an estimated \$500,000 in fee increases for the county clerk's office.

The increases, commissioners said, would help the clerk's office overcome inflation.

McNamara, though, said the increase was approved to get county Clerk James Killeen to draw their district boundaries favorably after

1990 census figures are published.

Blackwell called McNamara's charges "a ridiculous argument."

"THE CLERK isn't the only one who'll be involved, there's also the treasurer and prosecutor," Blackwell said.

Representatives of the Democratic and Republican parties will also serve on the five-member apportionment panel. New districts will be in place for 1992 elections.

McNamara said the \$1.5 in additional spending would force the county back into debt, potentially costing it \$10 million in penalties under its 1987 debt-reduction with the state.

"JOHN ENGLER is going to look on this no differently than James Blanchard did," McNamara said of the state's new governor. "In fact, he's (Engler) the one that put them in there in the first place."

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SCOUT ANNIVERSARY
Monday, Dec. 17 — Boy Scout Troop 745 from Westland will celebrate its 20th anniversary at 8 p.m. in St. Theodore Church, on Wayne Road, just south of Joy. There will be a potluck dinner and court of honor ceremony. Any scout who has participated in the troop's activities over the 20 years of its charter is invited. For information, call Tom Hicks at 581-3869.

GED TESTS
Monday-Tuesday, Dec. 17-18 — Livonia Public Schools will offer GED tests 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Bentley Center, 15100 Hubbard, Livonia. For more information, call 523-9294.

CARIBBEAN CRUISE
Tuesday, Dec. 18 — A free slide show presentation on an Eastern Caribbean Cruise aboard the "S.S. Seabreeze" is scheduled for 10 a.m. in the Cambridge Adult and Community Education Center, 28901 Cambridge, east of Middlebelt. For information, call 422-7198.

FRANKLIN ALUMNI
Thursday, Dec. 20 — Franklin High School Alumni Day will be 12:15-2:15 p.m. for all former students in the school library, 31000 Joy.

DINNER DANCE
Friday, Dec. 21 — Westland Therapeutic Recreation Program will hold a "Jingle Bells Dinner Dance" in the Bailey Recreation Center, 36651 Ford, between Wayne Road and Newburgh. This party is for all people with disabilities, their families and friends. There will be a lasagna dinner, followed by a deejay-hosted dance. Cost is \$5 for Westland residents and \$7 for non-residents. For more information and tickets, call 722-7620.

BLOOD PRESSURE
Saturday, Dec. 22 — Free blood pressure screenings will be 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Wonderland Mall main court, Plymouth Road and Middlebelt. Volunteer nurses will be on hand to provide counseling for medication.

TOPS
Thursdays — Take Off Pounds Sensibly meets at 10 a.m. Thursdays in the Log Cabin in Garden City Park, Cherry Hill and Merriman. For information, call 422-2297 or 581-9205.

FITNESS GYM
Monday-Saturday — The Wayne Westland Family Y will sponsor a fitness gym open 6 a.m. to 9:45 p.m. weekdays and 8 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. Saturday. Daily guest pass is \$5 per visit. For information, call 721-7044.

PLAY/LEARN
The Wayne-Westland YMCA is accepting registrations for children ages 2½ through 6 years of age for its Play and Learn Program. For more information, call 721-7044.

community calendar

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

DANCERS WANTED
The Polish Centennial Dancers are accepting registrations for fall. Students ages 3 through adults can learn Polish folk dancing, American polkas, along with a touch of jazz and various routines. For information, call 427-2836 or 464-1263.

CARDIAC GROUP
Mondays — A cardiac support group meets the second and fourth Monday of every month 7-8:30 p.m. in Garden City Osteopathic Hospital classroom No. 1, 6245 N. Inkster Road at Maplewood. The group will offer educational and emotional support of cardiac patients and their families.

TRAVEL GROUP
Fridays — The Travel Group meets every Friday at 12:45 p.m. in the Westland Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh, unless a trip or special program is planned. Program includes speakers, films, celebration of birthdays and weekly door prizes. There is a \$3 membership fee for residents; \$12.50 for non-residents. For more information, call 722-7632.

SCHOOL GROUP
Fridays — The Wayne-Westland Citizens for Education Committee meets at 7:30 p.m. the second Friday of each month in the Westland Historical, Cultural and Meeting House (formerly The Rowe House), 37025 Marquette. The group informs citizens of important issues regarding the community schools. For information, call Dave Moranty at 729-1748.

CLASSES OPEN
St. David's Nursery School, 27500 Marquette, Garden City is accepting applications for the 1990-91 school year. Classes are available for 3- and 4-year-olds. For information or an appointment to visit, call Greta Kennen at 422-3187 or Jenny Schlarer at 295-7790.

MEDICAL SERVICE
Fridays — Free medical service, provided by Dr. Stanley Sczecienski, is available every Friday beginning

9 a.m. (appointments only), at the Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh. Service will include consultation, blood pressure readings, heart and lung check, and ear, nose and throat examination. If a potentially serious problem is found, Dr. Sczecienski will refer you or recommend you go to your own doctor. For information, call 722-7632.

EXERCISE
Monday-Friday — A daily exercise program for retirees 50 and over meets 9:30-10:30 a.m. with an instructor at Westland Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh. The program will be inside and outside on the walking course. The Exercise Room is also open daily 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. with commercial exercise equipment geared to the retiree's needs. Membership cards are \$5 per year for residents and \$10 for non-members. For more information, call 722-7628.

HAIRCUTS
Wednesdays — Haircuts are available 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh. Cost is \$5 for men and \$6 for women. Perms are also available. For information, call 722-7632.

HYPERTENSION
Hypertension screening will be provided by United Care and Westland Medical Center 10 a.m. to noon Mondays, except for the fifth Monday of the month. A nurse from Home Health Care will provide blood pressure screenings 9-10 a.m. every Thursday. Screenings also will be by appointment with Dr. Sczecienski at 9 a.m. Fridays.

TOASTMASTERS
Thursdays — Toastmasters will have a public speaking seminar at 6:30 p.m. in Denny's Restaurant, 7742 N. Wayne Road at Cowan. For more information or reservations, call 455-1635.

JOBS
Part-time jobs are available for low-income men and women 55 and older through the Senior Community Service Employment Program. For

more information, call Lynne at 722-2830.

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT
Wednesdays — Members of a support group for Alzheimer's Disease meet at 2 p.m. the first Wednesday of the month in the Westland Convalescent Center, 36137 Warren Road. For information, call 728-6100.

HOST LIONS
Thursdays — The Westland Host Lions Club meets at 6:30 p.m. the second and fourth Thursdays of the month, in the Red Lobster Restaurant on Wayne Road, north of Ford.

TOPS
Thursdays — TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) meets at 7:30 p.m. every Thursday in the Garden City Education Center (the former Harrison School), on Harrison, north of Maplewood. For information, call Delores Grenke at 427-8824.

PURPLE HEART
Wednesdays — The Military Order of Purple Heart meets 8 p.m. the third Wednesday of the month in the VFW Hall on Ford Road, west of Venoy. Meetings are open to combat-wounded vets.

CONCERT BAND
Wednesdays — The Westland Concert Band meets 7 p.m. every Tuesdays, in Marshall Junior High, 35100 Bayview, south of Cherry Hill east of Wayne Road. Musicians are sought for the newly formed band. Call Jim Probe, 729-7386.

OPEN SWIM
The Wayne-Westland YMCA has daily open swim available 7-8 p.m. Monday-Friday, and 1-3 p.m. Saturday. Family Swim is 8-8:45 p.m. Friday and 3-4 p.m. Saturday. The YMCA is at 827 S. Wayne Road, Westland. For more information, call 721-7044.

KARATE
Karate classes are offered Tuesdays and Thursdays at the Wayne-Westland Family YMCA, 827 S. Wayne Road, Westland. Bob Preville will teach children's classes 6:30-7:45 p.m. and adults 7:30-9 p.m. For more information, call 721-7044.

ANAMILO CLUB
The Anamillo (which means "to speak again") Club meets 2-4 p.m. the third Wednesday of every month at the Garden City Education Center, 6701 Harrison. The club is a support group offering assistance, encouragement, companionship and mutual support to people and families of people who have lost their loved ones to cancer.

DIABETES
A "Diabetes Support Group" for diabetics and their families meets 7-8 p.m. the first Wednesday of every month at the Garden City Hospital Health and Education Center, 6701 Harrison. The Diabetes Outpatient Education Department sponsors this program.

FOOT CARE
Basic foot care clinic takes place every Tuesday at the Friendship Center, Linden Conference Room, 1119 N. Newburgh. The service is free for people with Medicare coverage and \$15 for others. Transportation is available. For more information, call 722-7632.

HYPERTENSION
Mondays, Thursdays — Blood pressure tests are provided by Annapolis Hospital and Westland Medical Center 10 a.m. to noon Mondays and by Home Health Care 9-10 a.m. Thursdays at the Westland Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh, at Marquette.

WEIGHT CLUB
The Buxom Bell Weight Club meets at 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays at the Garden City Park. For more information, call 522-9323.

EUCHRE
Euchre group sessions meet at 12:30 p.m. Mondays at the Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh Road. There will be prizes and light refreshments. Admission is \$2 per person. For more information, call 722-7628.

HEALTH CARE
Education classes for "breast and lung care" offered 10:30 a.m. Wednesdays at Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh. The 30-minute program will focus on a support group, educational breast and lung care seminar. Those with Medicare Blue Cross/Blue Shield coverage will have transportation provided to the diagnostic center where a light lunch will be served, after which mammograms and chest X-rays will be done, with return to Friendship Center at 2 p.m.

RECOVERY
Recovery Incorporated meets at 7:30 p.m. every Monday in the Garden City Presbyterian Church, 1841 Middlebelt. It is a community mental health organization that offers a self-help method of will training. The recovery method is a system of techniques for controlling temperamental behavior and changing attitudes toward nervous systems and fears.

obituaries

GEORGE SETH WILLARD

Services for Mr. Willard, 30, of Inkster were held Dec. 7 from the J. J. Griffin Funeral Home, Westland, with interment in Cadillac Memorial Gardens West, Westland.

Mr. Willard died Dec. 3 in his home. He was an eight-year painter for General Motors. He graduated Churchill High School in 1978 and later attended the Specs Howard School of Broadcasting and gained FCC licensing.

He was described by a family member as enjoying hockey and other sports and being with his friends and family.

Survivors are his parents, Richard

and Jeannette Willard; two brothers, Michael and David, and a sister, Marian Henry.

WILLIAM B. TANANA

Services for Mr. Tanana, 71, of Westland were held Dec. 10 at the L. J. Griffin Funeral Home, Westland, with the Rev. Leonard Partensky officiating. Interment was in Holy Sepulchre, Southfield.

Mr. Tanana was a member of Disabled American Veterans.

Survivors are his wife, Wanda; two sons, William and Geoffrey; five grandchildren; two sisters, Jean Kmiec and Irene Novak, and two brothers, Walter and Frank.



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military news

PVT. MIKE DIETZ has completed training at the Army Infantry School, Fort Benning, Ga. Dietz is the son of Cheryl Caporosso of Westland.

CAPT. RALPH PHILLIPS has been decorated with the Army Commendation Medal at MacDill Air Force Base, Fla. He is a student fighter pilot with the 56th Tactical Training Wing. Phillips is the son of James and Mary Phillips of Garden City.

WENDY LINDNER has graduated from Air Force basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas. Lindner is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lindner of Westland and is a 1989 graduate of John Glenn High School.

AIR FORCE Tech. Sgt. Gerald Kolb has arrived for duty in South Korea. He is a traffic management supervisor with the 51st Transportation Squadron. A 1974 graduate of West Senior High School in Garden City, he is the son of Nancy Wietecha and stepson of Joseph Wietecha of Garden City. His wife, Deborah, is the daughter of Joseph and Nancy Karol of Garden City.

PVT. JOSEPH SANTELIO has arrived for duty in West Germany. He is a single channel radio operator with the 3rd Ordnance Battalion. A 1989 graduate of Garden City High School, he is the son of Joseph and Carol Santello of Garden City.

CHRISTINE BUGGY has enlisted in the Air Force's delayed enlistment program and is scheduled to start training April 4 in San Antonio, Texas. Buggy is a 1989 graduate of Garden City High School and is the daughter of Carole Buggy of Garden City.

AIR FORCE TECH. SGT. RAYMOND HOLLAND has been named non-commissioned officer of the quarter. He is an aircraft armament systems technician with the 33rd equipment maintenance squadron at Eglin Air Force Base, Fla. Holland is the son of Raymond and Zenobia Holland of Westland. His wife, Treva, is the daughter of Thomas and Mary Fuller of Westland.

CAPT. DANIEL EDDY has been decorated with the Meritorious Service Medal at

Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala. He is the chief of the four-year scholarship branch. Eddy is a 1988 graduate of John Glenn High School. His wife, Irene, is the daughter of Henry and Marian Greenfield of Westland.

STAFF SGT. Joseph Hainley has arrived for duty at Misawa Air Base in Japan as an aircraft armament systems specialist. A 1981 graduate of Wayne Memorial High School, he is the son of Paul Hainley of Westland.

JOSEPH LUKAS has enlisted in the Air Force's delayed enlistment program and is scheduled for training in April near San Antonio, Texas. A 1990 graduate of John Glenn High School, he is the son of Michael and Cindy Lukas.

AARON BEHRENDT has entered the Air Force and is stationed for training at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas. Behrendt is a 1990 graduate of John Glenn High School and is the son of Robert and Theresa Behrendt of Westland.

AIRMAN ERIK BURGESS has arrived for

duty at Soesterberg Air Base, the Netherlands. Burgess is assigned as an aircraft structural maintenance specialist with the 32nd equipment maintenance squadron of the 32nd Tactical Fighter Group which flies the F-15 Eagle. He is the son of Stephen and Ludy Burgess of Westland and is a 1989 graduate of John Glenn High School.

ERIC REYNOLDS has enlisted in the Air Force and is training in San Antonio, Texas. A 1989 graduate of Wayne Memorial High School he is the son of Raymond and Margaret Reynolds of Westland.

JOSEPH FOWLER has enlisted in the Air Force's delayed enlistment program and is scheduled for training in June in San Antonio, Texas. Fowler will graduate from John Glenn High School in June, and he is the son of Paul and Donna Fowler.

LAURA HILL has enlisted in the Air Force delayed enlistment program and is scheduled for training in January in San Antonio, Texas. Hill is the daughter of Marie Hill of Westland and is a 1990 graduate of Franklin High School.

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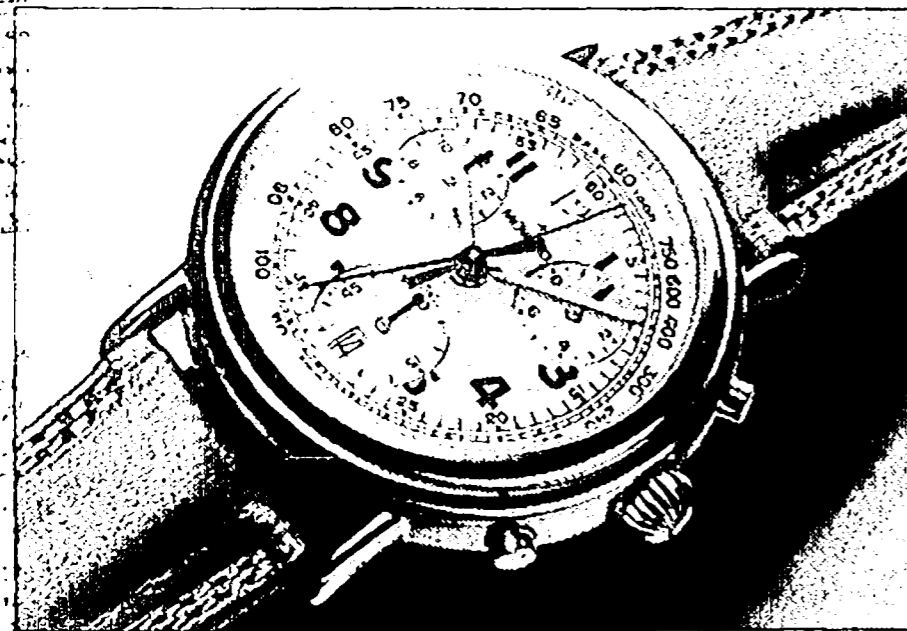
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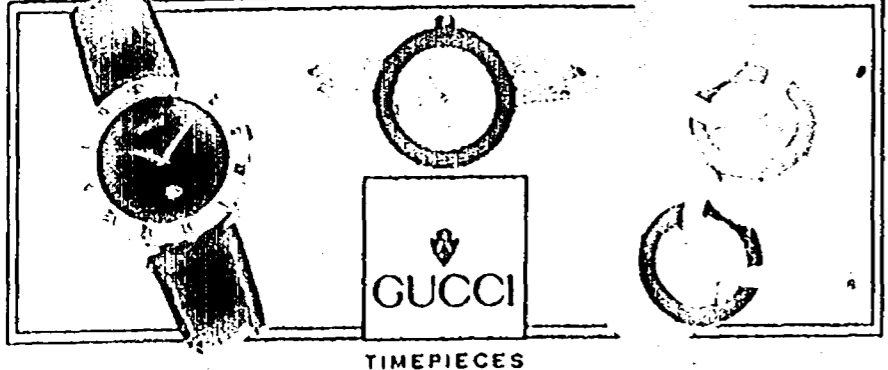
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SC team wins best of show at food expo

Schoolcraft College's Culinary Arts Salon Team received the best of show award for culinary schools at the recent Expo Gast '90 competition in Luxembourg, and won gold medals in several individual competitions.

Individual gold medalists were: executive chef Mary Brady of Northville and students Don Bargo of Ann Arbor, Kim Larson of Sylvan Lake and Shawn Loving of Detroit.

Members of the award-winning salon team are Brady, team coach

and certified master chef Jeff Gabriel of Plymouth, team manager and certified culinary educator Kevin Gawronski of Orchard Lake and Pam Ford of Plymouth.

More than 1,000 international chefs competed in the World Cup event. The event is ranked the second most important team competition on the international chef's circuit and prepares chefs for the culinary olympics in 1992. The Schoolcraft College team was the only Michigan college in the competi-

tion. Team captain Brady credited the instruction from master chef Jeff Gabriel for the team's success. While students develop their talents throughout the two-year program, they are receiving training from "one of the best people in the world at what he's doing," said Brady.

Under Gabriel's direction, the team members learned to prepare hot dishes displayed cold for presentation. Dishes may be prepared as much as a week before the competi-

tion and each piece is carefully dipped in aspic, a gelatin coating, to preserve it. The work is precise and Brady said the chefs wear surgical gloves and use tiny paint brushes to develop their works to perfection.

Three members of the team won gold medals for menu le gastronomique, a five-course gourmet meal. The team's culinary creations were judged outstanding in the appearance, perfection, creativity, design, practicality and nutritional quality.

Lights are safe way to celebrate holidays

Decorative lighting is a safe way to celebrate the holidays, but only if used properly, according to Detroit Edison.

Strands of holiday lights should be examined for chipped and damaged sockets, as well as for frayed wires, said Edison lighting specialist Joan Bradley.

"Any such items should be thrown out," she said. "Also, throw out any lights that do not have the Underwriters Laboratories (UL) seal. The seal indicates the lights meet specific safety standards."

Other tips for indoor lights:

- Use no more than three sets of standard lights on each extension cord.
- Never use lights on a metal tree. Use a revolving color wheel or low-wattage colored floodlights instead.
- Keep lights away from carpeting, furniture, curtains and drapes. Some standard lights produce enough heat to scorch or damage items they touch.
- Use only flame-resistant ornaments and decorations, including arti-

ficial snow, on or around the tree.

- Don't put the tree near an active fireplace.

For outdoor lights:

- Use only weather-resistant equipment and lights made for outdoor use.
- Use outdoor extension cords with molded plugs and sockets. Keep cords out of the way to prevent tripping.
- Keep electrical connections off the ground and hang sockets downward to prevent water from seeping into them.

- Fasten extension cords or light sets to wood or hardboard surfaces with insulated staples; avoid using nails or tacks because they might pierce the wires, causing shocks or shorting out.
- Don't run outdoor lighting cords through door or window openings because they could be damaged. Properly functioning lights cost between 0.5-7.5 cents per strand for six hours' use, Bradley said. Twinkling lights can cost less because they are off half the time.

Ecology center sells cards, paper

Ecologically aware holidays cards and wrapping paper are on sale at the Ecology Center of Ann Arbor. Greeting cards and gift wrap made of recycled paper are on sale at the center, 417 Detroit Street.

The items are also on sale at several area stores, including Arbor Farms, Border's Bookshop, Bi-vouac, Paper Mill, Peaceable Kingdom and People's Food Co-ops.

Cards are \$6 a dozen. Paper is \$3.80 a package.

Items are sold Wednesdays and Saturday mornings at the Farmer's Market and ecology center.

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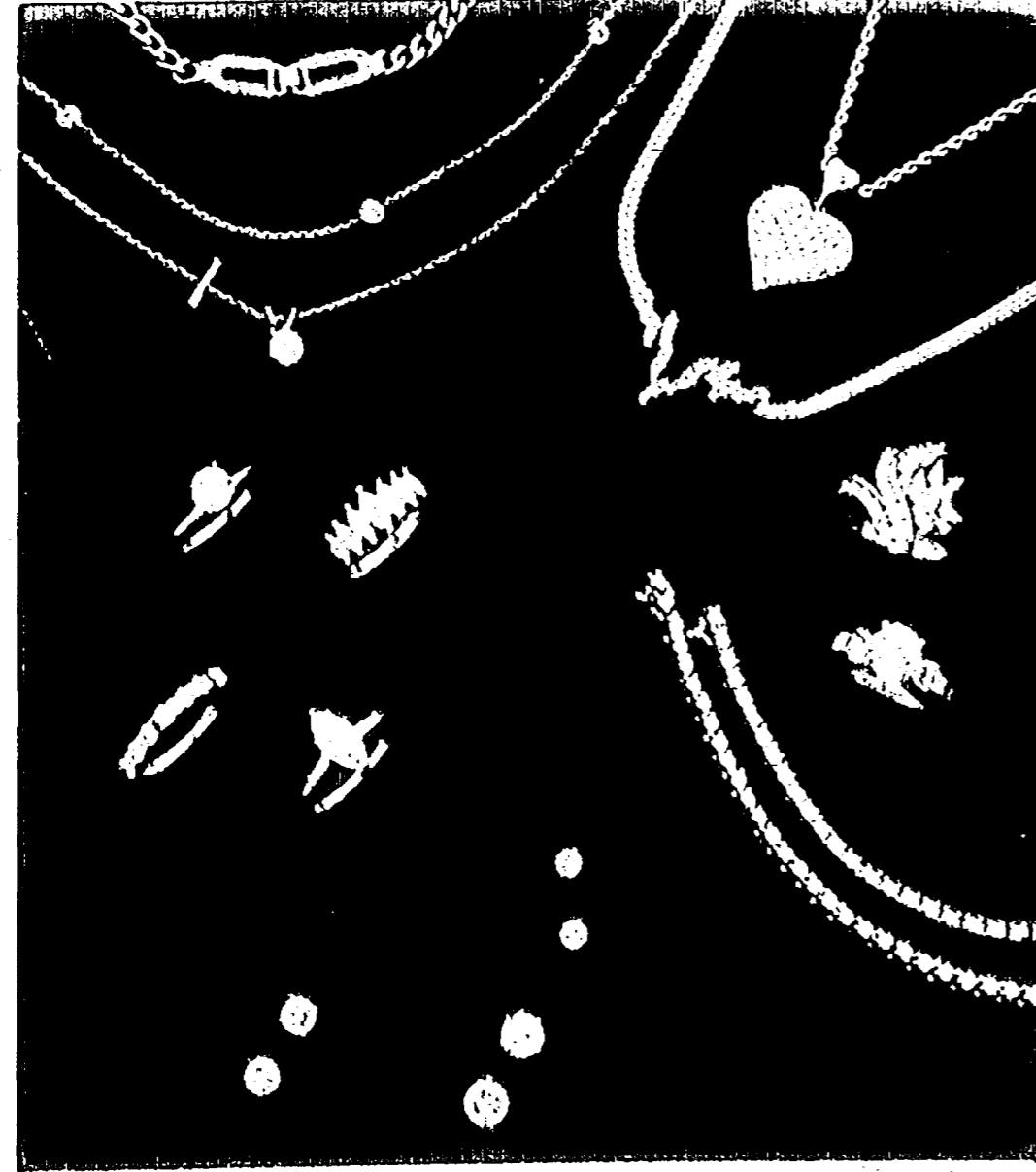
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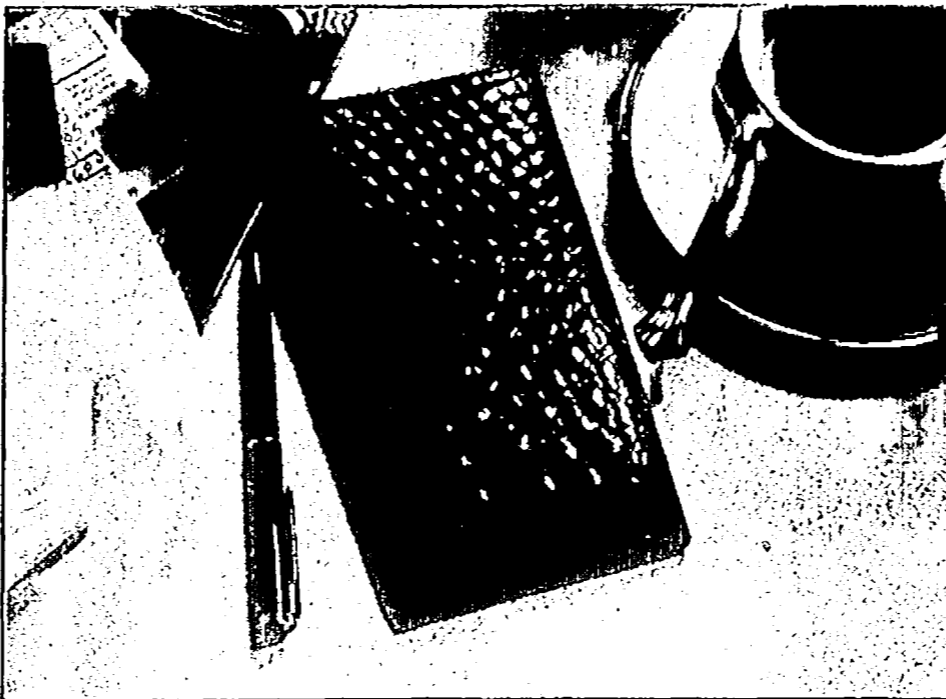
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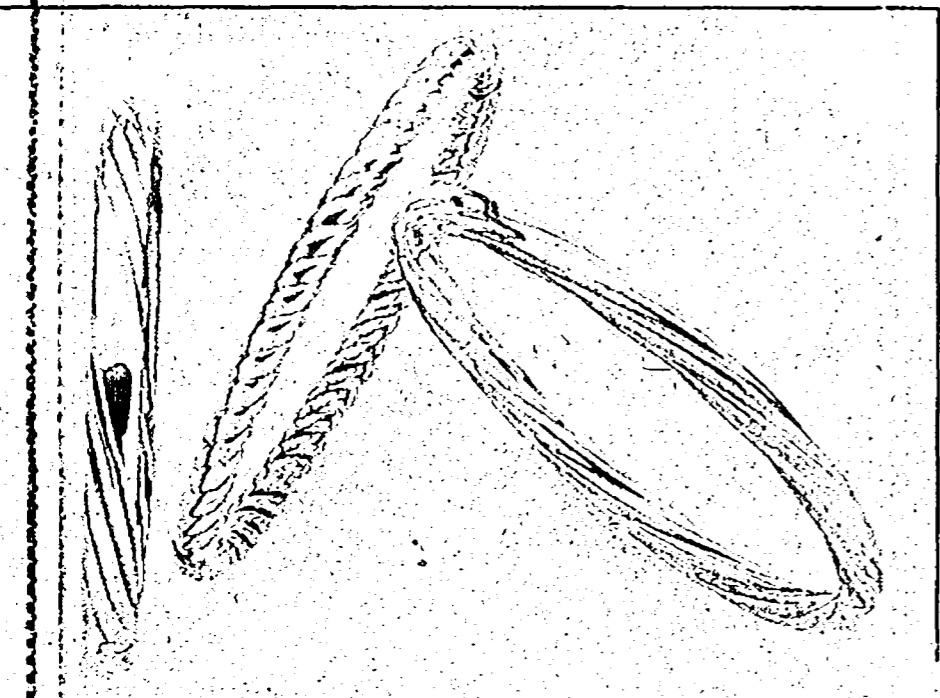
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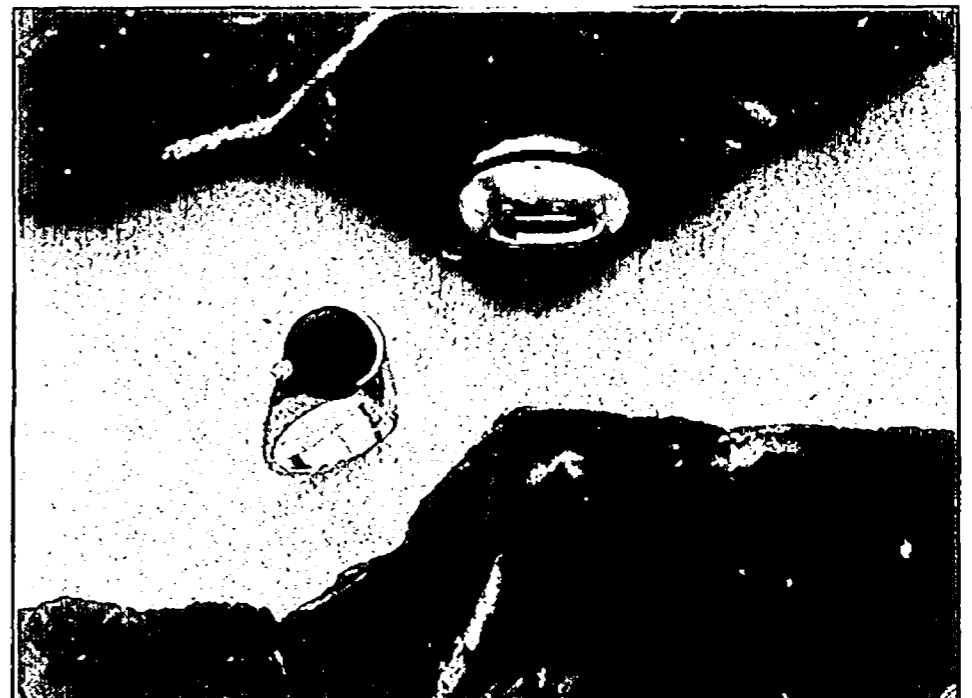
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Sister Ann: Madonna prof is never to busy to care

By Wayne Pool
staff writer

Sister Ann Stamm's office is, by her own admission, a mess.

Stuffed animals and other toys are scattered throughout the cozy second-floor room. Meanwhile, a pair of rabbits scurry across the floor, munching on a small clump of geranium petals.

Sister Ann, a Madonna College professor and police chaplain, makes no apologies. The room, she says, is the sign of a busy woman.

"I could clean this up, but it wouldn't be real," she said.

What is real is her schedule. By 9:15 this morning, she'll already have conferred with one police officer and counseled a little girl unexpectedly placed in her care due to a family crisis. And her work week is just beginning.

In addition to her duties as a professor of philosophy and chairwoman of the college's religious studies department, she'll also spend an estimated 15 hours a week riding with police, lending a sympathetic ear to officers and crime victims alike.

If this coming week looks busy, the last week was a bear.

SISTER ANN was among the religious leaders who responded to the collision of two Northwest Airlines jets at Detroit Metropolitan Airport, staying on throughout the two-day ordeal to console bereaved passengers and families.

"First of all, there was a great deal of shock," Sister Ann said.

"When you get on a plane you just don't expect something like this to happen, least of all on the runway."

Then, there was a sense of guilt. Some passengers were sitting right next to someone who had been killed.

Rescue workers also needed someone to talk to, Sister Ann said.

"Some had flashbacks to the crash of Flight 255," she said. "We had one officer who was out there with a bad cold. When I told him he should go home he said he had to help take care of the crash victims first. That's the kind of dedication they showed."

Sister Ann said her own dedication is really a labor of love.

"THIS IS something I just thoroughly enjoy doing," she said. Where does she find the time?

"I don't watch too much television," she adds with a laugh.

"She's been very dedicated, always willing to step forward," Wayne County Sheriff Robert Ficano said.

It was the 1987 crash of Northwest Flight 255 that gave rise to the Wayne County Sheriff's Chaplain Corps, of which Sister Ann is a member.

"The Father Irish situation left a bad taste in everyone's mouths," she said, referring to the impostor and con man who at first drew praise for comforting crash victims.

The chaplain corps formed shortly thereafter, with Sister Ann the only female among its initial 17 members.

The site of Sister Ann, in her habit, riding alongside police officers has turned more than one onlooker's head.

One elderly gentleman, she recalled, became upset the day Sister Ann entered a coffee shop accompanied by two armed officers.

"Sir," he said to one of the officers, "what has the good sister done wrong?"

"They told him that after five tickets, they were buying me a free breakfast," Sister Ann said, laughing. "I don't think he got the joke."

Rapport with police comes easily, Sister Ann said.

"THE OFFICERS were really the ones who got me involved," said the former high school teacher. "There's times I can walk into a room full of Wayne County Sheriff's deputies and identify almost every one of them as a former student."

The upper wall of her college office is covered with police patches, almost every department in Southeastern Michigan is represented, along with a fair sampling of out-of-state and out-of-country patches.

"When I walk in the room, I bless them all," she laughed. "I guess no one wants to be left out."

Actually, the patches are among her most prized possessions.



JOHN DISCHER/staff photographer

Sister Ann Stamm was among the police chaplains who comforted survivors and family members after last week's crash at Metro Airport.

"Anybody can go out and buy these things," she said. "But for a police officer to give you the patch off his uniform — that's special. They're really giving you a part of themselves."

Despite her room's cluttered state,

everything has its purpose.

A stuffed police dog, a gift from Livonia police, helps sexually abused children share their fears.

And the rabbits are more than just pets.

Sister's Anne's little visitor is par-

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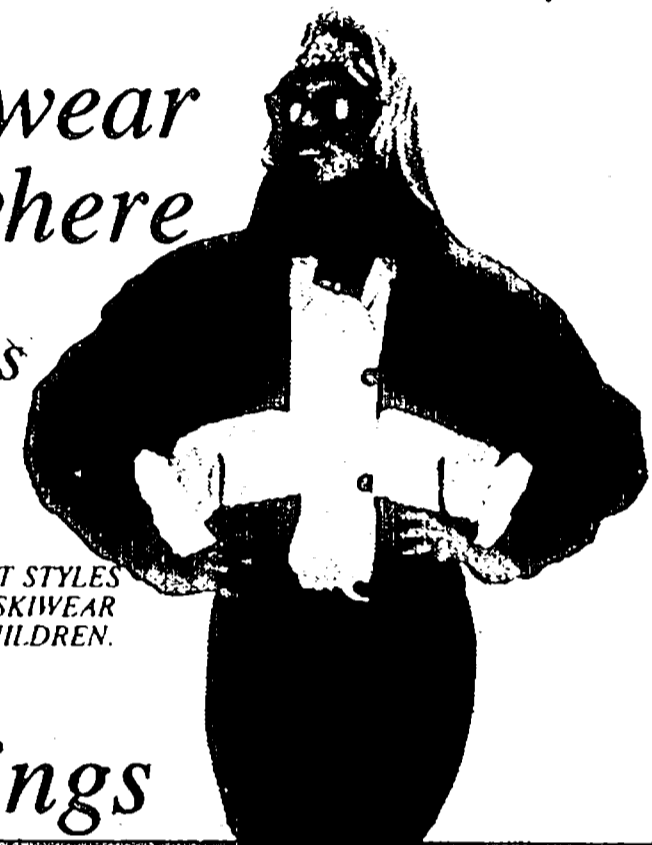
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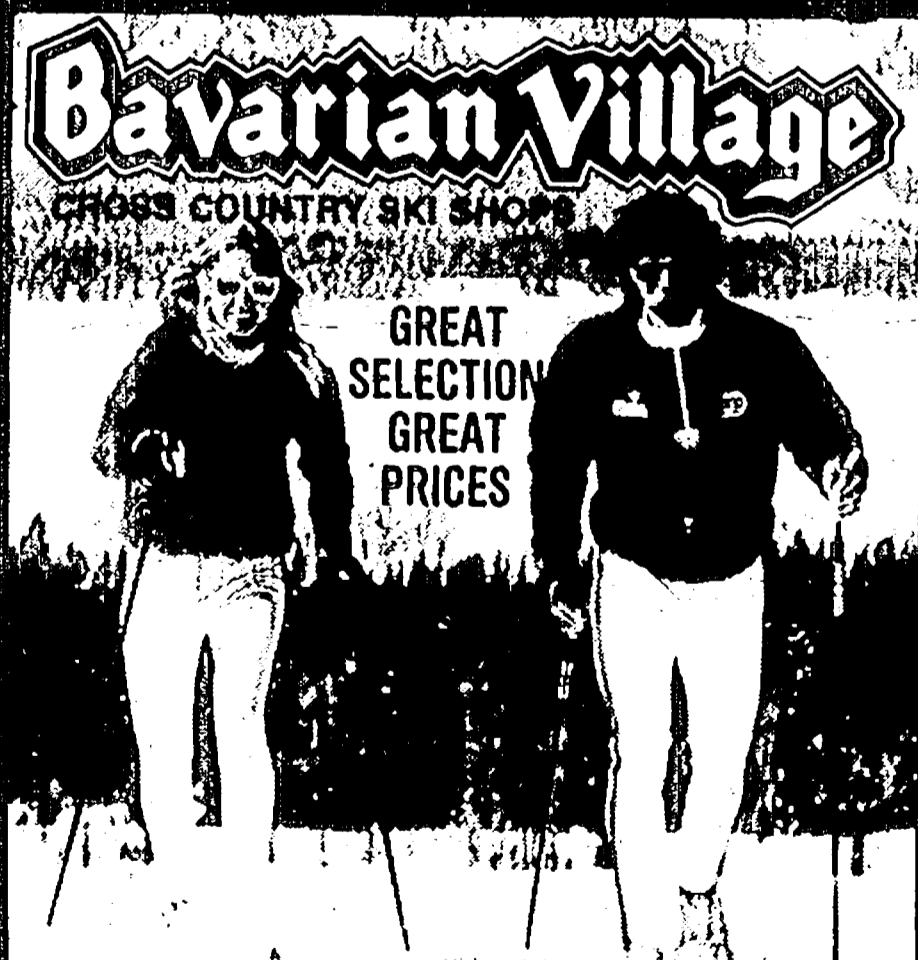
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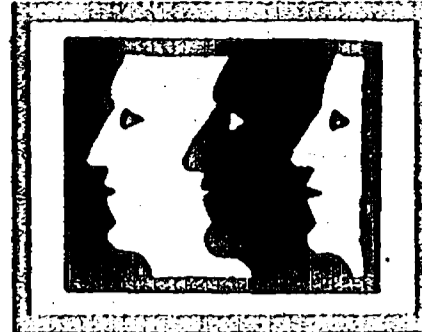
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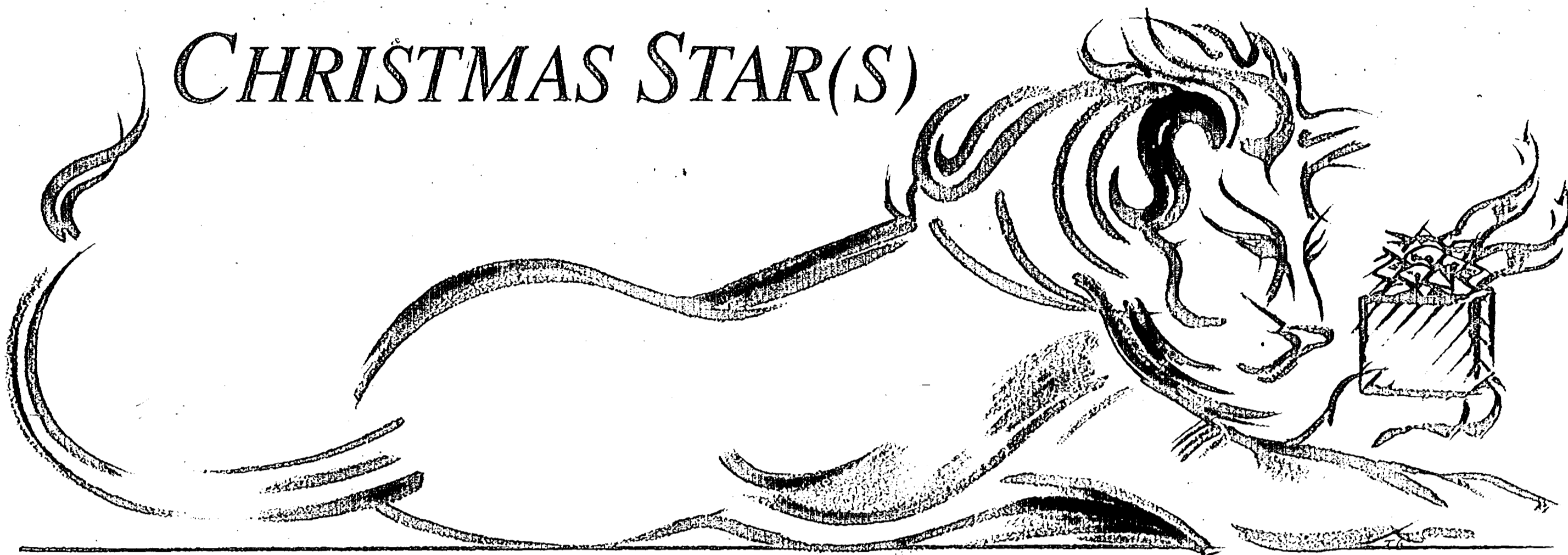
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CHRISTMAS STAR(S)



Selecting the right gift for Leo... or Taurus... or...

By Sue Mason
staff writer

You say your hooked on an Aquarius and don't have a clue as to what to get him for Christmas? Your best friend is a Virgo and you're torn between buying her a food processor or a Hummel collectible?

Sandy Wlasuk has the answer. Wlasuk is the host of "Astrologic," an hour-long live cable TV show seen on MacLean-Hunter, Continental and Omnicom systems, to name a few, and by using her knowledge of the signs of the Zodiac, she has come up with gift suggestions.

Known simple as Sandy — she's

an "Aquarius with the moon in Gemini and Scorpio rising" — she recently held a two-hour Astro Fun Night that surveyed the personality traits of the different Zodiac signs, what they like and don't like and what would make them happiest at Christmas.

According to Wlasuk, the key word for an Aries is "I" as in egocentric. To bring smiles to the face of an Aries person, buy something personal.

"They have to be kept on a pedestal," she said. "They very clean cut and stylish and always thinking about themselves."

On their gift list are things like a

complete makeover for a woman or a tone-up for a man, a membership at a spa or health club, and because an Aries likes all types of arts and entertainment, an elegant night out at a restaurant. But, mind you, nothing exotic. Forget the Mexican or Oriental meals, they're happiest with a steak, potato and salad dinner.

FOR THE TAURUS on your list, the key word is the senses of touch, feel and smell.

"The Taurus person loves luxury, so you should by presents that tantalize those three senses," Wlasuk

The gift list can include flowers, perfumes and cologne to tempt the sense of smell; cashmere, furs, silks and suedes to tempt the sense of feel; and fine wines, a box of elegant imported chocolates and elegant desserts to tempt the sense of taste.

"Taurus people are the gourmets of the Zodiac in a sense," Wlasuk said. "They like to go to a smorgasbord so that they can try a little of everything."

The key word for the Gemini at Christmas is communications.

"The Gemini loves to talk, so an extra special present would be a telephone," Wlasuk said. "Geminis are adventurous and creative; they

like to work with their hands and their minds."

On the gift list for a Gemini are electronic gifts like computers, VCRs, calculators and computer software, not to mention Nintendo. You can also get a smile with gifts of craft kits, tickets to a concert and even a gift certificate "because they can spend a whole bunch of time thinking of how they can spend it," Wlasuk said.

The Cancer person is ruled by emotions and sentiment; their home is their castle. So gifts that make their home more comfortable or help them entertain others in their

home are biggies, according to Wlasuk.

Other gift ideas include a fruit basket or an assortment of cheese that they can use to entertain others, photographic equipment and for the male Cancer who fancies himself a "Mr. Fix-It," try giving tools, books and home improvement guides.

FOR THE LEO on your list, the key words are creativity and fun.

"The Leo loves to get involved with physical and group activities," Wlasuk said. "They like to go to concerts, plan a trip, buy sports equip-

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GUY WARREN/staff photographer

Susan Fitzmaurice carries these Hal's Pals dolls at her store, The Curious Child. "They're just regular kids with a little extra added in," she said of the dolls with disabilities.

Shop reflects interest in society's outsiders

By Julio Brown
staff writer

Like any business owner, Susan Fitzmaurice hopes her new venture will be a success. Making money isn't her only goal.

Fitzmaurice owns The Curious Child, a new store in Plymouth's Old Village. The store carries books, videos, toys and other items for kids.

Fitzmaurice, a 1972 Bentley High School graduate who grew up in Livonia, has always had an interest in "people who are on the outside of society kind of looking in."

She has a son, 7, with Down syndrome. "I discovered the world wasn't really welcoming him." She wants her store to help make the world better for her own son and other people.

"For me, it's a social responsibility statement." The store, which opened in early September, carries a series of dolls, Hal's Pals. Hal is a ski instructor who had a leg amputated. He's continued to ski and to teach.

ONE OF HIS pals, Kathy, uses a cane and leg braces. Another, Bobby, uses a wheelchair. Suzie, who is blind, gets around with the help of a white cane and guide puppy. Laura, a ballerina doll, is hearing impaired.

"They're just regular kids with a little extra added in." Most are priced at \$65, and the doll in a wheelchair is priced at \$95.

The dolls, available by special order, haven't sold as well as some of the lower-priced items at the store. Fitzmaurice would like to see people whose children don't have disabilities buy the dolls.

"I would like to see nursery schools with them." The dolls help able-bodied children realize that those with disabilities should be treated just like any other friend or neighbor.

Fitzmaurice's store carries an extensive collection of books for children of all ages. Some deal with such issues as adoption, disabilities, divorce or death.

"These issues are already in their lives. When people come in here, they can say what their needs are." She also carries "fun books" chosen with a certain philosophy in mind.

FITZMAURICE LOOKS for books and other items that emphasize respect for other people regardless of differences in age, race, gender, religion, background or abilities.

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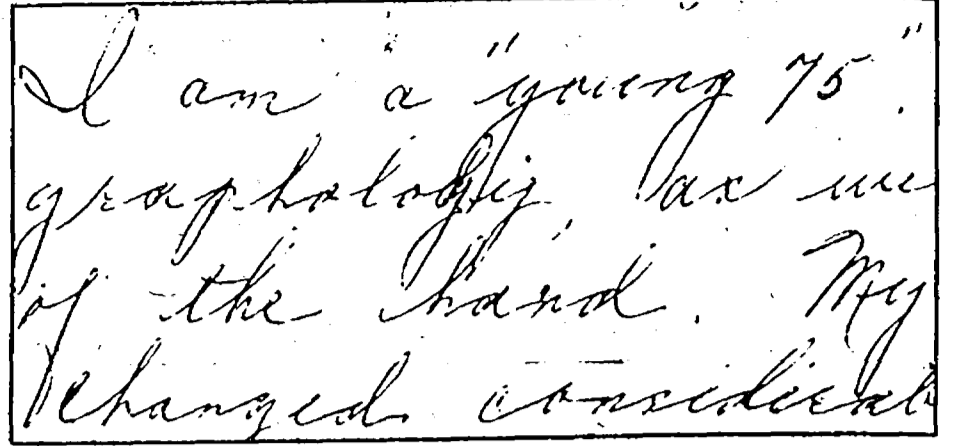
Dear F.C.,
It is not unusual for a person's handwriting to show changes following a traumatic experience, such as you have experienced. In this handwriting, I see a very special person. You are, indeed, a young 75-year-old woman!

Some wise person has said, "Don't measure your age by years, but by your friends." And you, my dear, have probably accumulated a wide circle of friends. People naturally gravitate to your friendly, warm and energetic ways. You are oriented toward activity and productivity. It is difficult for you to say no when you feel someone needs your assistance. So you are ever busily engaged. I feel this has

undoubtedly always been the pattern of life for you. At the time you wrote me, however, you may have been feeling a little over-extended. Strong determination is pervasive throughout this handwriting. You are not a quitter! Once you accept a commitment, you remain faithful until you carry it through to completion. You seem to be blessed with an abundant supply of energy. You are

not satisfied with a routine existence, but need to be constantly on the move. Retirement to an easy chair is not one of your priorities. I suspect you enjoy traveling and the opportunity for cultural exposure. Although you are emotional by nature, you have learned to keep your emotions under control. Seemingly, you calculate your responses to avoid situations which might become a threat and enjoy being in the forefront you seldom disclose your inner life to others.

Your idealism cannot be missed. Your personal code of ethics was established early in life. The resentment in your handwriting suggests some past hurt you have not been able to reconcile. Decisions are sometimes influ-



enced by intuitive feelings which you experience. If you would like to have your handwriting analyzed in this newspaper, write to Lorene C. Green, a certified graphologist, at

36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150. Please use a full sheet of white, unlined paper, writing in the first person singular. Age, handedness and full signature are helpful. And objective feedback is always welcome.

new voices

DWAYNE and **SANDY BLACKWELL** of Westland announce the birth of **BILLY CALVIN** Nov. 10 at Annapolis Hospital in Wayne. Grandparents are Herbert Blackwell and Mr. and Mrs. Hershell Pennington, all of Westland.

MR. and **MRS. TROY REED** of Livonia announce the birth of **DAVID JAMES** Nov. 16 at Annapolis Hospital in Wayne. He has a "big" sister, Rachel, 4½, and a "big" brother, Michael, 2½. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. John Kase and Mr. and Mrs. James Reed, all of Hillsdale.

ASGEIR and **CINDY SIGURDSON** of Westland announce the birth of **NIKULAS BRANDDON** Oct. 31. Grandparents are Asgeir and Jona Sigurdsson and Donald and Jackie Brasseur, all of Detroit. Great-grandparents are Sigurdur Augustsson of Iceland and Clarence Brasseur of Detroit.

SCOTT LITRELL and **KELLY GRABINSKI** announce the birth of **ANDREW SCOTT** Oct. 20 at Sinal Hospital in Detroit. He has a "big" brother, T.J., 4. Grandparents are Wayne and Bonnie Littrell of Livonia and Thomas and Barbara Langan of Redford.

SEAN and **VICTORIA VEIT** of Westland announce the birth of **BLAIR ANDREW** Nov. 1 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor. Grandparents are Robert and Sally Johns of Plymouth, David Veit of Farmington and Terri Veit of Novi.

KEITH and **KIM MEYERS** of Lawrence, Kan., announce the birth of **REBECCA MARIE** Nov. 12 at Shawnee Mission Medical Center in Shawnee Mission, Kan. Grandparents are Ted and Mary DeMayer of Livonia and David and Bea Meyers of Holiday, Fla. Great-grandparents are Wilma Konchal of Grand Rapids, Frank DeMayer of Cedar Springs and Elizabeth Rengo of New Port Richey, Fla.

anniversaries

George and Agnes Alaska

A week-long late summer cruise of the inland passage to Alaska was a highlight of a 50th wedding anniversary celebration for George and Agnes Alaska of Northville, formerly of Livonia.

The couple exchanged vows on Nov. 23, 1940, at St. Clare Catholic Church in Grosse Pointe. She is the former Agnes McLarney.

The trip fulfilled a longtime dream to visit their namesake state.

The celebration also included a renewal of vows Nov. 24 at St. Collette's Church in Livonia and a dinner reception, given by their children, at the Kings Mill Clubhouse in

Northville. The Alaskas have seven children — Virginia Kitchen of Mount Clemens, George Alaska of St. Clair Shores, Gail Alaska of Northville, Gary Alaska of Redford Township, Gregory Alaska, also of Redford Township, Gerald Alaska of Mount Clemens and Joan Alaska of Northville. They also have 11 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

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Larry and Ethel Slavin

It wasn't quite a Cinderella story for Larry and Ethel Slavin of Redford Township, but on Oct. 6 their coach was a 1940 Mercury and the coachman was a friend dressed as a chauffeur.

The occasion was the couple's 50th wedding anniversary and the destination was a family gathering at the Dearborn Inn. The Slavins exchanged vows on Oct. 5, 1940, at Holy Rosary Church in Detroit. She is the former Ethel Strang.

The celebration continued at the Slavin home, where a special cake and ice cream was served and congratulatory letters arrived from

President and Mrs. George Bush, Gov. and Mrs. James Blanchard, Attorney General Frank Kelly, U.S. Sen. Robert Geake, state Reps. Lyn Bankes and John Bennett and U.S. Sen. Edward Kennedy.

The Slavins have lived in Redford for 35 years and have two married daughters — Pat and husband, Ron, who live in Troy, and Peggy and husband, Hilliard, of Livonia — and seven grandchildren.

He retired from Burroughs Corp. after 43 years; she also is a Burroughs retiree, having worked there 32 years.

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Finding that present . . . astrologically speaking

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ment and tickets to sporting events." Leo's like personal things, but nothing for their home. The gift list can include things like jewelry and cologne — make it their favorite scent, Wlasuk cautions — and items that cater to their hobbies.

A Leo also likes to gamble so the gift list can include lottery tickets is a possibility, she added.

The key words for the Virgo is love, practicality and beauty. The Virgo is "meticulous, immaculate and hard-working person," Wlasuk said.

"Research and find out what their favorite hobbies are and add to them," she added. "For the woman, try a cross stitch kits; for the man, tools of the trade."

Virgos don't mind getting gifts of appliances because they see them

as making life easier for them. Neatness counts so anything to keep them organized — appointment books, book shelf, briefcase — is a plus. Add in gifts like watches and jewelry that they can wear with anything and clothing in shades of blues and greens that are interchangeable. But remember, Wlasuk said, fashion counts with a Virgo.

The key word for a Libra is calm and their gifts should reflect that.

"They're the sign of the Zodiac that likes tranquility around them," Wlasuk said. "Buy them a gift that pampers them, one they won't buy for themselves."

THE LIST SHOULD include gifts they can cherish — jewelry, fine pieces of furniture — a candlelight dinner at an exquisite restaurant, music, concert tickets or silk floral arrangements. For the woman, con-

sider something "very feminine" like a nightgown or blouse.

Scorpios have a detective mind and are fond of luxuries. On their gift list should be things that they'll treasure as well as electronic games and computers, but not books.

"They like new adventures, anything that keeps their mind activated and on the prowl," Wlasuk said. "And they love exotic foods."

What to buy for a Scorpio? Watches that do everything, membership to a video club, talking books and even a wok. Scorpios "love to work in the kitchen."

For a Sagittarian, the key words are fun, activity and entertainment when it comes to gift giving. The Sagittarian loves to go to the hottest place in town, be it a restaurant, club or movie.

"Sagittarians don't like to be con-

trolled or told what to do," Wlasuk said. "Their mind is always exploring, always trying the newest or hottest thing on the market."

Christmas smiles can come from gifts of tickets to the "main event," be it a concert or game, or books that relate to their hobbies or interest. For the woman on your list, try fashionable clothing, but make sure it's comfortable. Comfort counts with a Sagittarian.

The key word for Capricorn is control, not to mention prestige and status. Capricorns love to "work, work, work" and have to be reminded that there's only 24 hours in a day, Wlasuk said.

"YOU HAVE TO give them things that relieve tension," she said. "They work very hard, so if you buy clothing or cologne, make sure it's of a better quality. Make

sure your gifts are practical. They will wholeheartedly accept gifts for the home."

Gift ideas include Nintendo hand games, clothing in shades of green, blues and black, although an ideal gift is a gift certificate so they don't have to worry about the size, color or taking it back.

Aquarius is the futuristic or modern sign of the Zodiac, so put down modern conveniences on their gift list.

"The Aquarian is highly intellectual; when they want something, they want it five minutes ago," Wlasuk said. "You can bring out their curiosity with items that are energize with electricity."

What to give? Camcorders, computers, typewriters, even a telephone — "They love the modern convenience of a telephone." — and

clothing that's comfortable. Aquarians aren't slaves to fashion but to comfort.

Pisces is the calm sign of the Zodiac and the Pisces person is easy to get along with.

"The Pisces person likes to be pointed out, to be recognized," Wlasuk said. "They also like using their imagination."

Their Christmas wish list will include items like initialized jewelry and clothing, good music, an aquarium or wind chimes. For the man, consider fishing equipment and colognes with a mild scent. For the woman, try silky or frilly items. For the home, choose cool colors. The Pisces person doesn't go overboard.

Now, you can't say you can't think of anything for that Scorpio on your gift list.

clubs in action

Clubs in Action appears on Thursdays. Deadline for items is noon the previous Friday.

CREATION SCIENCE
"What Really Happened to the Dinosaurs," a video by Ken Ham of the Institute for Creation Research, will

be shown at the Creation Science Association meeting Friday, Dec. 14, at Bill Knapp's, 24580 Evergreen, north of Nine Mile Road, Southfield. Des-

sert is at 8 p.m. with the meeting at 8:30 p.m. Admission is free. The program is open to the public. For information, call 474-6203.

JOSIAH HARMER DAR
The General Josiah Harmar Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution will meet at 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 15, at the home of Mrs. John Buchanan in Redford. There will be a lunch and a short business meeting. For information, call 422-0006.

LAMAZE
Lamaze Childbirth Education Association of Livonia offers a six-week class for new parents. They have a choice of a two or four week class for refreshers and a monthly breast-feeding class. Weekday classes are 7-9:30 p.m. Saturday classes are 9-11:30 p.m.

Classes offer information about pregnancy, labor and delivery. Classes are presently held in Livonia, Garden City, Redford and Novi. For information, call 937-0665.

VIETNAM VETERANS
Plymouth/Canton Chapter No. 528 Vietnam Veterans of America will meet at 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 21, at Mayflower Lt. Gamble VFW Post 6695, 1426 S. Mill, Plymouth. For information, call 453-5020 or 453-8180.

AARP
AARP Chapter 1109 will install officers noon Friday, Dec. 14, at Windjammer Restaurant. Reservations must be made by Monday, Dec. 10. For information, call 261-3624.

OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS
Overeaters Anonymous meets 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays at St. John Episcopal Church in Westland. For information, call 722-6178 or 545-LIFE.

HEALTHY OPTIONS
Healthy Options, a pilot weight-

control group, meets 11 a.m. Saturdays at Garden City Hospital, Room No. 3, 6245 Inkster Road, near Ford Road. The program will focus on a holistic approach to overcoming the causes of overeating and obesity.

RELATIVES INC.
Relatives Inc. meets 8 p.m. Mondays at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile Road, Livonia. For more information, call Sylvia, 441-1752.

WHY WEIGHT
Why Weight, a non-profit support group for adults who are in the process of losing or maintaining their weight, meets 7 p.m. Mondays in Classroom 3 of Garden City Osteopathic Hospital, Inkster Road north of Ford Road, Garden City. Why Weight doesn't endorse any particular diet. Weight is recorded weekly and kept confidential. For more information, call 721-6624 or 425-3922.

FIRST STEP
First Step, the Western Wayne County Project on Domestic Assault, offers survivor of sexual assault support groups. For more information, call 525-2230 or 782-0441.

S.U.R.F.F.
Support and Unity for Relatives and Friends of Felons, a support group for people with family members or friends in prison, meets at 7 p.m. Tuesdays at the Dearborn Criss Center, 5281 Calhoun, Dearborn. For more information, call 584-7800.

The group also meets 7:30 p.m. Thursdays at Unity Church, Inkster Road and Michigan Avenue, Inkster. For information, call 277-2112.

Store aims to make world better for the handicapped

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The Curious Child carries a selection of books on different religions. Most deal with Christianity or Judaism, and some cover different holiday traditions.

Her store also carries computer software, along with stickers, helium balloons, rubber stamps, greeting cards and other items. Fitzmaurice, an Ann Arbor resident, can place special orders for some items.

Her background includes earning a bachelor's degree in philosophy from Grand Valley State University in 1975. Fitzmaurice did graduate work at the Bank State Graduate School of Education in New York.

Fitzmaurice then ran several nursery schools or day care centers in New York. She worked for the city of New York on the licensing of family day care homes.

She moved back to Michigan several years ago and worked in nursery school cooperatives and for the U.S. Census. That part-time work gave Fitzmaurice time to be with her son when he was younger.

She decided not to open a store closer to home in Ann Arbor.

"On one hand, Ann Arbor doesn't need it. They have already kind of embraced the idea of a multicultural

community. I could do that in Ann Arbor, but the impact wouldn't be as great."

SHE'S PLEASED she chose Old Village for her store.

"I thought this would be a good place to be on the forefront of change." The area's well-known for its antique stores but also has other things to offer.

"Customers that get in here love it." Some leave soon after arriving if they find the store doesn't suit their tastes, but many others stay for a couple hours, reading books and checking out the selection.

"I want them to go around and look." Some children, including her own son, have picked books their parents wouldn't necessarily have chosen.

Children with disabilities need role models on TV programs, in commercials, in toys and elsewhere, she said. A lack of role models tends to make them feel isolated.

Her son spends a lot of time at the store.

"He greets people when they come in and takes them by the hand." Seeing a disabled child who functions well is beneficial for store visitors, she said. Her son's in a regular first grade classroom and gets some ex-

tra help at school. Sometimes customers are embarrassed to ask about Down syndrome. Fitzmaurice tries to make them not feel embarrassed.

The chromosomal defect creates varying degrees of mental retardation. It can cause physical differences, such as muscle-control problems that make such activities as speech or writing more difficult. The syndrome's also associated with heart disorders, spinal defects and other medical problems, Fitzmaurice said.

Hours at The Curious Child are 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday. The store will be open noon to 5 p.m. Sunday until Christmas.

She's felt welcome by her Old Village neighbors, including merchants on either side of The Curious Child at 819 N. Mill. She and her next-door neighbors at The House of Costumes are starting a costumed balloon delivery service.

"It's definitely picking up," she said of business at The Curious Child. "This is the kind of store that's going to be successful by word of mouth. It really has to be people saying what they've found here."

For more information, call 455-4884.

sert is at 8 p.m. with the meeting at 8:30 p.m. Admission is free. The program is open to the public. For information, call 474-6203.

JOSIAH HARMER DAR
The General Josiah Harmar Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution will meet at 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 15, at the home of Mrs. John Buchanan in Redford. There will be a lunch and a short business meeting. For information, call 422-0006.

LAMAZE
Lamaze Childbirth Education Association of Livonia offers a six-week class for new parents. They have a choice of a two or four week class for refreshers and a monthly breast-feeding class. Weekday classes are 7-9:30 p.m. Saturday classes are 9-11:30 p.m.

Classes offer information about pregnancy, labor and delivery. Classes are presently held in Livonia, Garden City, Redford and Novi. For information, call 937-0665.

VIETNAM VETERANS
Plymouth/Canton Chapter No. 528 Vietnam Veterans of America will meet at 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 21, at Mayflower Lt. Gamble VFW Post 6695, 1426 S. Mill, Plymouth. For information, call 453-5020 or 453-8180.

AARP
AARP Chapter 1109 will install officers noon Friday, Dec. 14, at Windjammer Restaurant. Reservations must be made by Monday, Dec. 10. For information, call 261-3624.

OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS
Overeaters Anonymous meets 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays at St. John Episcopal Church in Westland. For information, call 722-6178 or 545-LIFE.

HEALTHY OPTIONS
Healthy Options, a pilot weight-

control group, meets 11 a.m. Saturdays at Garden City Hospital, Room No. 3, 6245 Inkster Road, near Ford Road. The program will focus on a holistic approach to overcoming the causes of overeating and obesity.

RELATIVES INC.
Relatives Inc. meets 8 p.m. Mondays at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile Road, Livonia. For more information, call Sylvia, 441-1752.

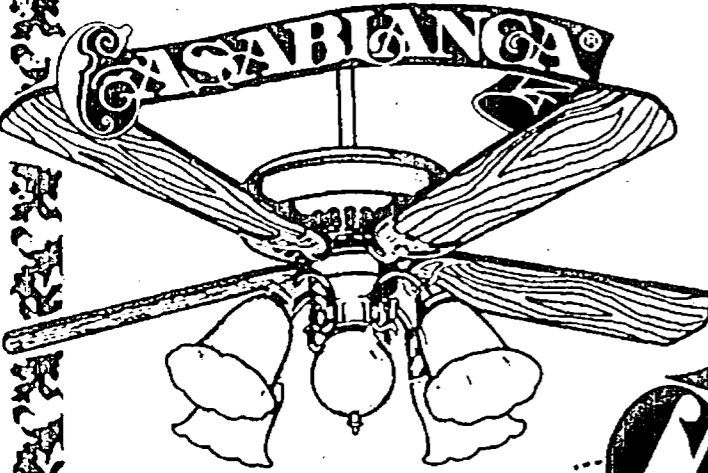
WHY WEIGHT
Why Weight, a non-profit support group for adults who are in the process of losing or maintaining their weight, meets 7 p.m. Mondays in Classroom 3 of Garden City Osteopathic Hospital, Inkster Road north of Ford Road, Garden City. Why Weight doesn't endorse any particular diet. Weight is recorded weekly and kept confidential. For more information, call 721-6624 or 425-3922.

FIRST STEP
First Step, the Western Wayne County Project on Domestic Assault, offers survivor of sexual assault support groups. For more information, call 525-2230 or 782-0441.

S.U.R.F.F.
Support and Unity for Relatives and Friends of Felons, a support group for people with family members or friends in prison, meets at 7 p.m. Tuesdays at the Dearborn Criss Center, 5281 Calhoun, Dearborn. For more information, call 584-7800.

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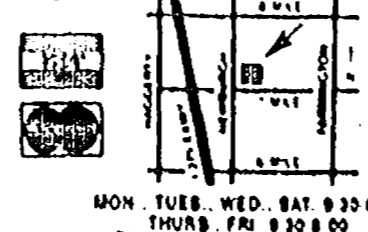
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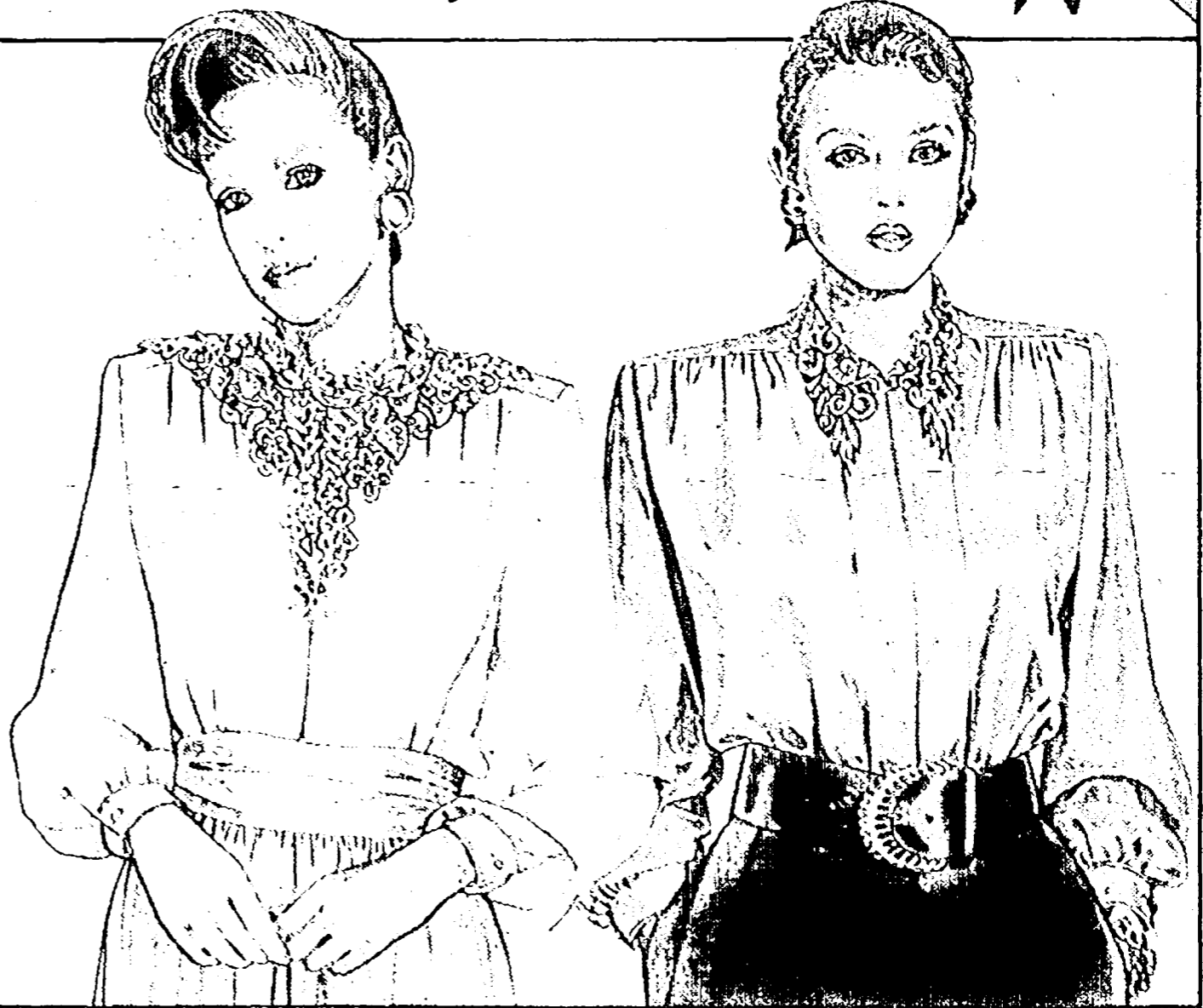


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Praise

Radio ministry provides powerful message

By Julie Brown
Staff writer

Until recently, the Rev. Rod Trusty didn't have much experience in radio — other than as a listener. That changed Nov. 19 when Trusty, pastor of Praise Chapel Church of God in Plymouth, began to host the

"It's been a real challenge. We are just grateful to have the opportunity."

— Rev. Rod Trusty
Praise Chapel Church of God

"More Power to You" program on WMUZ-FM 103.5.

"This is my first opportunity. I'm real excited about it. I've never real-

ly been frightened to take on new challenges.

"We've had good response from it already," he said. "We're just excited about the opportunity. The radio broadcast is really paying off."

The program is aired at 5:45 a.m. weekdays. Trusty, who's been at the Plymouth church since February 1987, doesn't have to get up at the crack of dawn. He has the option of taping "More Power to You" in his office or at the WMUZ studio in Detroit.

"I have been getting up just to listen."

HE AND OTHERS at the church in Plymouth's Old Village are pleased with the response. Several families contacted the church about joining following the first broadcast. The program features inspirational messages, Bible study and music.

"There will be shows that will be

done live." Discussions on "hot topics" of the day will be live.

Music will include performances by the Praise Team, the worship ensemble, and Chapel Voices, the choir at Trusty's church. No on-air fundraising is done, and the program is supported by donations from church members and friends.

The program goal is to reach the commuter crowd and others who are at home getting ready for work or school. Trusty knows not everyone is up and about at 5:45 a.m.

"Yes, we're aware of that. We take that risk."

The program precedes the 6 a.m. "Overcomer's Club." That weekday show is popular, Trusty said, so the time slot's ideal for "More Power to You."

Church leaders were approached by WMUZ representatives, but found the cost of having a program overwhelming. They got another call say-

ing the early morning time slot was available with a discounted one-year contract.

"They were very excited about it," Trusty said. "We were able to raise the necessary funds for the year."

TRUSTY'S HEARD of the broadcast being picked up as far north as Flint and west of Jackson. It reaches the entire metropolitan Detroit area. "It's been a real challenge. We are just grateful to have the opportunity."

Trusty doesn't have trouble with stage fright but is occasionally tongue-tied. The show lasts 13½ minutes with one additional minute of advertising.

A radio ministry reaches a different segment of the community than a TV program does, he said, and is more versatile.

"They tune in because they want to. The advantage has already been

seen."

Trusty previously was the associate pastor at Evangel Temple Church of God in Warren. Another program, "The Pastor's Study," was broadcast on WMUZ while Trusty was at the Macomb County church. The senior pastor was the speaker for that show, which is no longer aired.

Trusty and others at the Plymouth church prayed about a name for the program. Trusty came up with "More Power to You." He wanted a name that was catchy but not flippant.

The program's already done a great deal to make listeners aware of Christ, he said. Plans are to continue the show after one year if it continues to be as successful.

"There will be no hesitation what-



BILL BRESLER/staff photographer

The Rev. Rod Trusty's been pleased with response to the "More Power to You" program. "The radio broadcast is really paying off."

Praise Chapel Church of God is at 585 N. Mill in Plymouth. Cassette copies of the weekly study may be obtained by calling 455-1070.



moral perspectives

Rabbi Irwin Groner

Improvement: It takes some effort

As we approach Jan. 1, we are stirred to make resolutions for the new year.

You're overweight and resolve to acquire a trim figure in 1991. You drink more alcohol than you know is good, and sometimes you black out. You resolve to stop in the new year.

The list of vices includes smoking too much, exercising too little, eating the wrong food, excessive self-indulgence and an undisciplined lifestyle.

Dr. Francis McLaughlin, president of the American Psychoanalytic Association, once commented: "Making a new year's resolution without an action plan is really bribing your conscience. It makes you feel at peace instead of guilty or ashamed."

He suggests that when you resolve to take better care of your health in 1991, you are really forgiving yourself for having neglected it in 1990.

BUT IF WE want to succeed in self-improvement, we need to do more than just resolve. We must define a reasonable plan or program and summon forth the will and energy to implement it.

If you resolve to lose weight, join a weight-reduction class.

If you resolve to quit smoking, join an anti-smoking group.

If you resolve to overcome television addiction and increase your knowledge or acquire a new skill, enroll in an academic program.

The common principle is that we

generally don't modify bad habits all alone. We need the encouragement of a support group that provides sustained reinforcement of our motivation and effort.

Some people, while freely admitting the need for personal improvement, lament that they have no time for it. This excuse is a typical form of rationalization and self-deception. Time should be our servant and not our master.

A careful examination of how we allocate our time reveals our strengths and weaknesses, our values and interests more clearly than our formal statements. We always find time for what we really want to do.

We often laugh at new year's resolutions because we know the frailty of human nature and the weakness of human resolve. But all of us should make serious resolutions, for how else do we grow and improve?

We should make resolutions about personal habits, about relationships with family and friends, about improving our community, our country, our world.

We are the only creatures who can make resolutions. These spring from the knowledge that we are free and responsible, able to unite intelligence and will for the achievement of our greater potential.

Rabbi Irwin Groner is with Congregation Shaarey Zedek in Southfield.

church bulletin

The church bulletin is published every Thursday in The Observer. Information must be received in the Livonia office by noon the Monday prior to publication.

AIDS SERVICE

The annual "Christmas Celebration for People Who Care About People with AIDS" will take place 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 13, at Christ Church (Episcopal), on East Jefferson, Detroit. The celebration is sponsored by Integrity/Detroit, the Episcopal Church, the AIDS Inter-Faith Network and other organizations.

LAESTADIAN SERVICES

Pre-Christmas services and a Sunday School Christmas program will be Friday-Sunday, Dec. 14-16, at the Detroit Laestadian Congregation, 290 Fairground, Plymouth. The guest speaker will be George Koivukangas of Cokato, Minn. Services will begin 7:30 p.m. Friday, followed by a 6 p.m. program Saturday and 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Sunday services. The public may attend. For information, call 451-0500.

CANTATA

Grand River Baptist Church, 34500 Six Mile, near Livonia Stevenson High School, will present a cantata, "Christmas by Candlelight," during worship services at 10:45 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 16. The Chancel and Children's Choirs will sing, accompanied by the church's Wick's Pipe Organ and Handbell Choir, the Stevenson High School Brass & Percussion Ensemble. Special music will be provided by a flutist and guest harpist, Sheri Latz. The public may attend.

RUMMAGE SALE

A benefit rummage and bake sale will take place 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 15, at Temple Baptist Church, 9560 Telegraph, between West Chicago and Plymouth roads,

Redford. Proceeds will be used to help 11-month-old Abigail Handel, who has leukemia, receive a much-needed bone marrow transplant.

TEEN CHOIR

The Teen Choir of Tri-City Assembly of God Church in Canton will present "Deck the Mall," amusical production. It will be presented during 6 p.m. services Sunday, Dec. 16, at the church, 2100 Hannan, north of Michigan Avenue. Nursery care will be provided. Bill Abbott is director of the musical. For information, call the church office, 326-0330.

YULE CANTATA

Westland Free Methodist Church and Players will present "The King," a Christmas cantata, 10:45 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 16, and 7:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 17, at the church, 1421 Venoy, between Avondale and Palmer, Westland. The public may attend. For information, call 728-2600.

CHOIR CONCERT

An all-choir Christmas concert will take place 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 16, at St. Paul Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile, near Inkster Road in Livonia. The Cherub and Youth Club Choirs, together with the Mid High and Senior High Choirs, will present the cantata "Christmas Time." The Adult Handbell Choir and the Chancel Choir will perform traditional carols with supporting performances by the Sacred Dance Choir.

CELEBRATION

Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 14175 Farmington, north of Schoolcraft (I-96), Livonia, will have its annual choir concert 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 16. The Adult Choir and other instrumentalists will perform at the concert, which will feature selections by Rutter, Pinkham and Vaughan Williams. Child care will

be available. Refreshments will be served after the concert.

YULE PROGRAMS

Bethel Missionary Assembly of God, 8900 Middlebelt, Livonia, will present a children's Christmas program, "Happy Birthday, Baby Jesus." The program, featuring songs and recitation, will be 11 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 16. Also, the Sanctuary Choir will present the Christmas cantata, "King of Love." For information, call 421-9140.

YULE STORY

The Wayne Wesleyan Church, 5225 S. Venoy, between Michigan Avenue and Van Born, will present the Christmas cantata, "Christmas! I Love to Tell the Story," 6 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 16. The public may attend. For information, call 722-5210 or 721-1751.

OLD-FASHION CHRISTMAS

Bethel Baptist Temple, 29475 W. Six Mile, one block west of Middlebelt, will have a Christmas cantata, "An Old-Fashion Christmas," 6 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 16 and 23. A free pocket calendar will be given to each person attending. For information, call 525-3664 or 261-9276.

YULE PAGEANT

The First Baptist Church of Ypsilanti will present a "Celebrate His Coming" nativity pageant. It will be presented on the church's east lawn Sunday through Tuesday, Dec. 16-18. Performances will be 6:30, 7, 7:30 and 8 p.m. each evening. The church is at 1110 W. Cross, Ypsilanti.

The pageant brings the Christmas story to life, with dramatic characterizations of Jesus, Mary, Joseph and others. Refreshments will be served in the social hall, on the second floor of the church, after each presentation. For information, call 482-7380.

HOLIDAY MUSICAL

Farmington Hills Baptist Church Choir will present a Christmas musical, "The Word," featuring the narration of Ernie Harwell, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 21, and 11 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 23. Admission is free and seating is limited. The church is at 28301 Middlebelt, north of 12 Mile. For information, call 851-0310.

CELEBRATION CONCERT

Temple Baptist Church, 23800 W. Chicago, one block east of Telegraph in Redford, will have a celebration concert, "The Sounds of His Love," 7 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 22-23. Guest conductors will be Chuck Ohman and Al Yungton. For information, call 255-3333.

SEASONAL MUSIC

Christmas music will be presented during 8:30 and 11 a.m. services Sunday, Dec. 23, at Tri-City Assembly of God Church, 2100 Hannan, north of Michigan Avenue in Canton. The Sanctuary Choir will perform. Nursery care will be available during both services. For information, call 326-0330.

PRAYSE CHAPEL

A Christmas musical program will be presented 7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 15, and 6 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 16, at the Praise Chapel Church of God, 585 N. Mill, Plymouth. Dannie Lacks, minister of music, will direct the "His Love Reaching" program. The choir and ensemble will perform. Admission is free of charge, and the public may attend. For information, call 455-1070. The church is in Plymouth's Old Village area.

CHILDREN'S PAGEANT

Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church, Hubbard and West Chicago, Livonia, will have a children's Christmas pageant 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 16. The program will celebrate the birth of Jesus.

GERMAN CHRISTMAS

At 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 16, Historic Trinity will have its annual German language Christmas service. This year's service will be conducted by the Rev. Dr. Jakob Heckert of Concordia College in Ann Arbor, and assisted by the Rev. Carl Welser of St. Paul Lutheran in Hamburg. Special German chorale anthems will be provided by Deutschedkinder Choir. Christmas Eve services will be 7 and 11 p.m., Christmas Day service 10:45 a.m. The church is at 1345 Gratiot, Detroit. For information, call 567-3100.

BUDDHISM

The Detroit Area Karma Kagyu Study Group offers meditation and discussion of the Buddha's teaching. Free meditation instruction can be arranged by appointment. Weekly meditation and discussion takes place Thursdays in Redford. For information, call 538-1559.

ADVENT SERVICES

An Advent service will take place Wednesday, Dec. 19, at Timothy Lutheran Church, 8820 Wayne Road, Livonia. A light dinner will be served 6 p.m., followed by 7 p.m. worship. A Sunday School program will take place 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 23, and the Christmas Eve service will be 7:30 and 11 p.m. Monday, Dec. 24.

SUPPORT GROUPS

Ward Presbyterian Church Grief Support Groups are open to anyone who has had a loved one die. The Wednesday group will meet 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 19, in the Calvin Room at the church, 17000 Farmington Road, at Six Mile in Livonia. The Thursday group will meet 7:30 p.m. in Room A-15 on Dec. 13 and 27.

DINNER THEATER

A dinner theater production of "Crossing Yesterday's Bridge" is scheduled at Lake Pointe Bible Chapel, 42150 Schoolcraft, Plymouth. The Pointe Players production concerns a man who faces life's crises and realizes his limitations. Performances will be Thursday and Friday, Feb. 7-8, at the church, and a special performance for teens will be Saturday, Feb. 9. Performances will be 8 p.m., and dinner will be served 6:30 p.m. Thursday and Friday. The teen performance, priced at \$5, will include pizza and pop.

Livonia playwright Cynthia Seller produced the script. Linda Alvarado will direct the production. Allan Reid, Ellen Head, Allan McDonald, Nate Brush, Wayne Nutt and Steven Dale are among the cast members. Dinner-theater tickets are priced at \$15 per person. To reserve a seat, call 420-2420 or 420-0515.

NEW BEGINNINGS

New Beginnings is a non-denominational fellowship group for substance abusers, their families and friends. The group meets 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays at Newburg United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia. For information, call 728-2302 or 464-0035.

WOMEN OF THE WORD

Women of the Word, a women's Bible study group, will meet 9:15-11:15 a.m. Tuesdays at Detroit First Church of the Nazarene, 21280 Haggerty, off I-75 and north of Eight Mile, Farmington Hills.

RESALE STORE

The Women's Association at the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth operates a thrift shop on East Liberty in Plymouth's Old Village. The resale store is open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursdays for shopping. It is open 9-11 a.m. Tuesdays for donation acceptance only.

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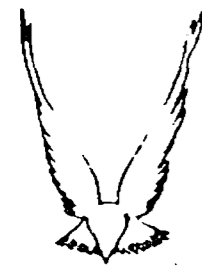
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VOYAGERS

Voyagers Singles, a group for those 45 and older, will meet 7:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 14, at St. Paul Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile, Livonia. Carolyn Arlen of Carolyn's Creations of Northville will conduct a Christmas class where people will design a holiday centerpiece. Cost is \$15 a person. For reservations, call 591-1350.

TRI COUNTY

Tri County Singles will have a dance 8 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 15, at Bonnie Brook Country Club, Telegraph and Eight Mile roads. Admission is \$4 (\$2 for women). For information, call 842-7422.

SHRINE SINGLES

Shrine Singles will visit Battle Alley in Holly Hotel, between Broad (Milford Road) and Saginaw, Saturday, Dec. 15. Members should meet 10 a.m. at the Shrine Activities Building to carpool. For information, call 541-3219.

BETHANY PLYMOUTH CANTON

Bethany Plymouth Canton will meet 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 15, at St. Colette Church Hall, 17600 Newburgh, Livonia. Betty Byrd will discuss the topic, "Dating in the '90s." For information, call 422-9161, 455-1809 or 464-4023.

CATHOLIC ALUMNI

Catholic Alumni Club will meet Wednesday, Dec. 19, at City Tavern Restaurant, 14316 Michigan Ave., between Schaefer and Greenfield, Dearborn. Dinner is 6:30 p.m. with the meeting at 8 p.m. The group is open to Catholics who have a bachelor's degree and who are free to marry in the Catholic church. For reservations, call 581-3941. For information on the group, call 644-1328.

WEDNESDAY DANCE

Wednesday Suburban Singles will have a dance 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Wednesdays at Bonnie Brook Country Club, Telegraph and Eight Mile roads. Admission is \$3. For information, call 842-0443.

MIXED BOWLING

Voyagers Singles is looking for people 30 and older and single for its mixed singles bowling league. The league bowls 2:30 p.m. Sundays at Merri-Bowl Lanes, Five Mile and Merriman, Livonia. For information, call 591-1350.

CHERRY HILL SINGLES

Cherry Hill Singles have moved their Wednesday suppers to Big Boy's Banquet Room, Ford Road, west of Southfield. The meetings are 6-7:30 p.m.

PARENTS WITHOUT PARTNERS

New Life, in cooperation with Parents Without Partners International Inc., meets 8 p.m. every second and fourth Friday of the month at the Wayne AmVets, 1217 S. Merriman (between Cherry Hill and Palmer). For more information, call 675-6313.

The Wayne/Westland Chapter of Parents Without Partners, a single parent support group, meets 8 p.m. the second and fourth Friday of each month at AmVets Post 171, on Merriman, Cherry Hill east of Venoy. There will be a speaker at 8:30 p.m., followed by a dance at 9:30 p.m. For information, call 421-7075.

Livonia/Redford Chapter No. 130 has its general meetings and dances 9 p.m. to midnight the second and fourth Wednesday of the month at Mama Mia's Restaurant, Plymouth Road between Inkster and Middlebelt roads, Livonia. For information, call 624-5981.

Novi/Northville Chapter No. 731 meets 8:15 p.m. the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at the Monaghan Knights of Columbus Hall, 19801 Farmington Road, between Seven and Eight Mile, Livonia. For information, call 624-5540.

Downriver Chapter of Parents Without Partners meets 8:30 p.m. the first and third Wednesdays of each month at the Taylor Moose Hall, 9981 S. Telegraph. The chapter also sponsors dances for its members after each meeting and 9 p.m. the second and fourth Wednesday of the month. Orientations for prospective members are 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays. For information, call 928-4411.



New members of Bethel No. 49, International Order of Job's Daughters, are Michelle Colbert (from left), Dreama Butler, Diana Butler, Heidi Hamilton and Megan Nairne (front row).

5 initiated into Bethel 49

Masonic officials from throughout southern Michigan were on hand recently for the installation of five teens into Bethel No. 49 of Livonia, International Order of Job's Daughters.

The new members include Michelle Colbert, Dreama Butler, Diana Butler, Heidi Hamilton and Megan Nairne. Megan and Dreama are hearing impaired as to welcome them to the Bethel current members are learning sign language.

Renee Carll, past honored queen of Bethel No. 63 of Otisville and past supreme Bethel fourth messenger, who also is hearing impaired, and her mother Jeannie were on hand to sign the ceremony for the two girls.

Also in attendance were Wayne Turton, most worshipful grand master, and Dale Edwards, worshipful grand master, of the Grand Lodge of Michigan; Judy Hudson, grand guardian, and James McLaughlin, associate grand guardian, of the Grand Guardian Council of the state of Michigan; and Samatha Lewis, grand Bethel honored queen of Michigan, International Order of Job's Daughters.

Masonic guests also included officers of the Grand Guardian Council of Michigan, members of the Order of the Eastern Star and Blue Lodges

from Clarkston, Milford, Mt. Morris, Flint and Durand.

The Livonia Bethel No. 49 has 16 active members, 11 to 19 years of age, from Livonia, Redford, Southfield, Garden City, Farmington and Detroit. It has the distinction of having five sets of sisters as members — Kara Green and Jennifer Mills, Jodi and Anita Zeman, Julie and Becky Otte, Angie and Aimee Waack

and Dreama and Diana Butler.

The International Order of Job's Daughters is for young women between 11 and 20 years of age, having relatives living or dead who are master Masons. It prepares members for civic, business, religious, fraternal and social activities. It teaches love of country and obedience to its laws, respect for parents and elders and love of home.

medical briefs/helpline

HEART CLUB

The Heart Club, a support group for senior citizens who have had coronary bypass surgery will meet at 10 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 13, at the Livonia Civic Park Senior Citizen Center, 15218 Farmington Road, Livonia. Evelyn Mann of Blue Cross/Blue Shield will speak on "Nutrition and the Holidays." For information, call 522-2710.

ELDERMED

ElderMed at Botsford General Hospital will have lunch with Dr. Stephen Goldman, a physician specializing in osteopathic manipulation, Friday, Dec. 14. He will discuss the latest treatment for muscle aches, sprains, bursitis and tendonitis. Cost is \$5. Reservations are necessary. For more information and reservations, call 471-8020.

CEREBRAL ANEURYSM AND STROKE CLUB

The Cerebral Aneurysm and Stroke Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 18, in Rooms 1-2 of Garden City Osteopathic Hospital, 6245 N. Inkster Road, Garden City. The meeting is for aneurysm patients and their families and people anticipating surgery for an aneurysm. The Jazzy Juniors of Girl Scout Troop 2190 will lead a Christmas Carol sing-along. For information, call 937-3169.

ARTHRITIS CLUB

The Arthritis Club, a support group for senior citizens suffering

from arthritis, will meet at 10 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 20, at the Livonia Civic Park Senior Center, 15218 Farmington, Livonia. For information, call 522-2710.

ARTHRITIS SUPPORT

The Dearborn-Dearborn Heights Arthritis Support Group will have a luncheon at noon Thursday, Dec. 20, at Richter's Chalet, 23920 Michigan Ave., Dearborn. For reservations, call Julia at 565-2590.

PATIENTS NEEDED

Researchers at Hutzel Hospital/Wayne State University are looking for patients with chronic Hepatitis B to participate in a treatment program, using a new drug, Thymosin alpha 1.

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Research will begin immediately for the final phase of the study and will last two to three years. Adults with chronic Hepatitis B who are interested in participating in the study need a referral from their physician.

Dr. Milton Mutchnik is the project director and principal investigator. For more information, call Emily Smith at 745-7521.

TOPS

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) meets 9:30-10:30 a.m. Thursdays at Resurrection Lutheran Church, Joy and Newburgh roads, Livonia. For more information, call 422-5615.

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Festive fashions answer question of what to wear

By Sharon Williams
special writer

IF YOU think mom is the only one with a socially crammed holiday calendar and the accompanying wardrobe woes, you obviously haven't kept up on what's happening with the other family members.

For instance, just what does one wear on his very first Christmas Eve? Or, to go caroling at Aunt Martha's? How about suggested attire for the annual high school "Snow Ball?"

The answers to these and many other what-to-wear questions can easily be found in the bountiful offering of holiday wear for each and every age group.

The following rundown will give you an idea of what's new for the holidays so that planning a winter wardrobe will be as easy as drawing up a wish list for Old St. Nick.

STRAIGHT FROM SANTA

Santa is the inspiration behind many holiday threads that are as much fun to wear as they are to behold.

For babies and toddlers, there are red and green coveralls appliqued with Christmas trees, teddy bears, penguins and reindeer. So even if they can't say "Merry Christmas," hey, their clothes will speak for them.

Preteens, teens and even dad, meanwhile, can indulge in a little wearable fun with sweat shirts, T-shirts and sweaters bearing special Christmas messages, designs and motifs. Some outfits sport three-dimensional whimsy with appliqued soft sculptures of angels or Santas, while others make use of metallic foils, embroidery and intarsia.

SWEATER WEATHER

There's nothing save hot chocolate that warms the heart and soul like a sweater, whether you're just 4 months old or more than 40.

Colorful crewnecks for men, for instance, will carry dad or Uncle Leonard through winter's chills in high style. And, no, these are not the

ho-hum varieties that once ranked down there with socks, but rather vibrant, stylish sweaters that will make him sit up and take notice.

Playful intarsia motifs range from a golfer poised for a swing to Snoopy at the bat. Other sweaters boast vibrant patterns and daring color combinations.

There's more of the same for the small-fry set. Cardigans, crew and V-necks for children and teens might include matching gloves or detachable dolls, or be dominated by designs such as floral or Indian blanket motifs in knock-out brights.

There even are sweaters with surprisingly civilized tartan plaids and Fair Isle.

GOOD-NIGHT KISS

Visions of sugarplums are almost guaranteed for little girls and their big sisters this holiday season, thanks to the many choices available in nighties and pajamas.

Some of the hottest looks for snoozing include oversize T-shirts and pajama sets emblazoned with holiday messages and motifs, roomy flannel nightshirts and tartan robes. Slip on a pair of slippers with teddy bears on the toes or bedtime booties and no one will hear you tiptoeing down to see what Santa brought.

Boys, meanwhile, can shout "Cowabunga" on Christmas morning decked out in slippers and pajamas inspired by the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles, Batman and a wide assortment of other super heroes.

And just for dad are plushy robes, silk pajamas in wild but classic paisley prints, red-and-white-striped flannel nightshirts (complete with Santa cap) and even holiday boxer shorts decorated with stripes or Santas.

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FESTIVE FROCKS

The phrase "sugar and spice and everything nice" certainly applies to the party wear all sewn up for girls, no matter if the outfit is something purchased off the racks or made by mom or a professional seamstress.

Even a sugarplum fairy would be delighted with the old world classic

designs and fabrics so appropriate for the holidays — velveteens in deep forest green, navy and scarlet, lace, tulle, tweed, gaiting florals and tartan plaids to name just a few.

Among the best party looks: Bal-lerina-inspired dresses with fitted bodices, puffy sleeves and full, to-be-twirled skirts, black velvet dress-

es with bows at the waist and a sliver of a tartan slip peeking out at the hem; pint-size, feminine jumpsuits with wide sashes and puffed sleeves, and tartan jumpers topping crisp, ruffled blouses.

Add anklets, shiny shoes and a hair bow or band, and you're ready to narrate the school play or consume a fancy holiday dessert.

Little boy counterparts replace the above frills and flounces with suspenders, call-bugging knickers or shorts and bow ties for looks that let brothers mix and match with their sisters.

IT'S COLD OUTSIDE

Jack Frost won't nip the toes and noses of children bundled up in the

latest crop of playwear.

Fleecy warm-up suits, denim pants and jackets lined with plaid flannel, leggings that playfully contrast dresses and wool coats and lumberjack-style, button-down shirts are just a few examples of the rough-and-tumble wear in store for children.

When topped with a parka, a bomber, an anorak or down vest and accompanied by colorful hats and mittens, these playful togs can take toddlers and preteens to the sledding slopes, the ice-skating rink or on a Christmas-tree buying trip. Pared-down hiking boots, tough tennis shoes and rubber galoshes keep feet high and dry, even in deep, fluffy snow.

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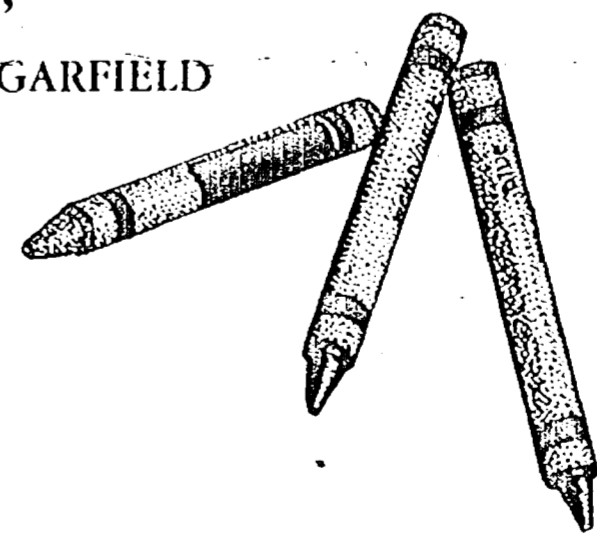
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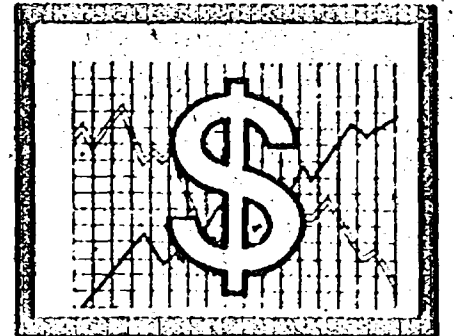
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Better business is business of BBB

By Doug Funke
staff writer

The Better Business Bureau of Detroit and Eastern Michigan has new offices in Southfield but the same basic mission.

"On balance, it's to monitor advertising, monitor business practices and, in essence, be an agency where business steps up to its responsibility of self-regulation in the marketplace," said Thomas F. Ashcraft, Detroit BBB president.

There's no question that people have come to rely on the BBB.

"Our inquiry department averages 500 calls per day from consumers wanting pre-purchase or background information," said Deborah Nigbor, director of operations.

The Detroit BBB last year had 29,000 contacts with people who had complaints about business practices and another 11,600 contacts requesting information, mediations or arbitrations of car problems, she added.

The local BBB, an independent, non-profit corporation, has an annual budget of \$1.1 million and a staff of 20 excluding membership sales, Ashcraft said. Upwards of 90 percent of the operating revenue comes from dues of some 3,600 members, most who pay \$200-400.

James P. Hoppin, chairman of the BBB's board of directors and vice president of Fitness U.S.A., has been a member for 25 years. It's difficult to recruit businesses to the fold, he conceded.

"PART OF IT is they aren't aware of the value of the bureau and look at it as a big expense," Hoppin said. "If you don't know what it's for and you can get along without it, you move on."

New businesses especially could use membership to demon-



JERRY ZOLYNSKY/staff photographer

Thomas F. Ashcraft, president, and Deborah Nigbor, director of operations, supervise an annual budget of \$1.1 million and what they say is a dedicated, productive staff for the Better Business Bureau of Detroit and Eastern Michigan.

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Computer software isn't taxable as real property

By Gerald Frawley
staff writer

Businesses can take their extra Word Perfect word processing programs out of the closets and locked file cabinets. Thanks to a new law passed by legislators last week, software programs are no longer considered taxable as real property.

House Bill 6207 was passed by the state House and Senate and awaits the signature of Gov. James Blanchard. Blanchard, who has expressed support for the bill, is expected to sign it this week.

Legislators overruled an October 1989 Michigan State Tax Commission ruling that re-categorized computer software as a tangible item that can be assessed as part of a business' personal property.

Under the ruling, all software — ranging from the \$400 word process-

ing programs to customized software programs costing hundreds of thousands of dollars — would have been classified as taxable.

Manufacturing, small business, grocer and retail associations launched an extensive lobbying effort, spearheaded by the Michigan Chamber of Commerce, to get legislators to reverse the ruling.

Even Michigan treasurer Robert Bowman asked the tax commission to obtain an opinion from the Michigan Attorney General's office on the reclassification.

STEVE YOUNG, MANAGER of taxation and regulatory affairs for the Michigan Chamber of Commerce, said the new law is a victory for businesses in a year of few victories. "It's one of the few success stories of the year."

Michigan businesses have been

looking at the ruling and following legislative efforts ever since the tax commission handed down its ruling. Young said, adding that it has been a grueling fight.

"It (the tax commission ruling) would have opened up a whole can of worms, and businesses would have been litigating it for eons," Young said.

How to value software, how to depreciate it, defining software, defining custom software — the tax commission proposed too many questions, Young said.

Young stressed that the new legislation, which is actually an amendment to general property tax act, is not a tax break for businesses — as some opponents have argued.

"It maintains the status quo and prevents overzealous tax collectors

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Cultural awareness important, leadership participants taught

By Tim Richard
staff writer

A 21st century business manager, besides knowing a foreign language, also will need to understand the cultures of ethnic minorities in the workplace, a Leadership Oakland conference was told.

"Ethnicity is incredibly strong," said Richard Lobenthal, a sociologist, director of B'nai B'rith's Anti-Defamation League and race relations consultant to the Birmingham school district.

"By the year 2000, whites won't be a majority in the U.S.," Lobenthal said, citing the presence of French, German- and Japanese-owned companies in the Southfield building where he works.

His audience was about 100 professional and managerial people in industry, finance, media and government enrolled in a program sponsored by the Councils of Chambers of Commerce of Oakland County.

MANY BLACK males are shot because white police officers can't tell the difference between an "aggressive" (police term) and a "confrontational" ethnic style, he said.

Lobenthal cited a survey indicating 77 percent of American blacks believe there is a "conspiracy to bring down black leaders. That's a statement of their experience. It may be right or wrong."

Simply hiring minorities isn't enough, he said, if the

manager fails to understand their intuitive approaches to work. Examples:

- Approaches to illness are different. Macho types are quiet about pain. Religious people view pain as God's punishment. Emotional types respond more quickly and seek treatment.

- Ethnic groups view "family" differently. It may mean a nuclear family of parents and children or an extended family. Among orientals, it includes ancestors.

- People have different needs for space in conversation. White North Americans like at least 30 inches. Arabs talk at eight-inch distances, leading others to conclude they are whispering, hence sneaky.

- White North American men seek either-or solutions with a winner. Women will synthesize a solution. A win-lose process is intolerable in business because "losers get even" through office politics or sabotage.

- Jews aren't monolithic. The orthodox follow millennia of tradition by observing holy days for two days; conservatives, one day; secular Jews, not at all.

EVEN WHEN you identify an ethnic group, Lobenthal said, you won't necessarily understand an individual's behavior.

"You shouldn't be nervous about making a mistake in dealing with someone who's different from you. Learn from your mistake. Don't isolate yourself," he advised.



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Computer software isn't taxable as real property

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 from taking more," than the state was previously entitled to, he said. The tax commission ruling, he said, was actually a tax increase for businesses.

"We think it was unconstitutional because (the tax commission) violated state law in promulgating the ruling," Young said.

THE RULING was passed without formal public hearings and legislative stewardship, Young said. Basically, he said, the tax commission is made up of non-elected bureaucrats who answer to no one.

Actually, two types of computer software are still considered as taxable under the new law, he said, but these two exceptions are acceptable to businesses because they are also part of the status quo.

Software that is fully integrated into a product — a high-tech exercise bike, for example, has a computer program that runs the bike, but it is not transferable — would be an example of software that is still taxable.

The other exception, Young said,

is software that a company lists as an asset in its books. Reporting software as an asset is not required, but some companies may, for whatever reason, list it on its books as a taxable asset.

Steve Arwood, the Michigan director of the National Federation of Independent Businesses, said the signing of House Bill 6207 will save small businesses upwards of \$5 million, although some estimates have put the savings as high as \$200 million.

If the ruling had stood, collecting the new revenues would have been an "administrative nightmare," he said. "This is just good public policy."

ARWOOD SAID the problem began when the tax commission began discussing what by 1988 had become a growing problem. Some assessors were beginning to tax business software.

"Instead of saying, 'No, we can't do that,' they said we're going to take a practice that's becoming common and make it uniform," Arwood said. "But they had no legislative authority to do that."

Nor has the two years of debate following that decision changed things, he said. "Given all the intricacies of the debate, there is still no convincing argument that says software should be taxable other than to increase revenues."

Arwood said businesses are hopeful this new law will be a turning point in the state after a generally poor business environment for the past half decade.

"Of the many things we were involved with this year, this had the greatest potential for causing small businesses pain," Arwood said. A small business can easily spend \$10,000 to \$15,000 on software pro-

grams. "How do you determine (the software's) value?" he asked. Or if one uses the retail price, how does software depreciate? "By the time you get your people fully trained, (the software) is already obsolete."

SOFTWARE IS nothing more than encoded commands, he said, and the only tangible part of it is the magnetic disk. "So do we tax the 50-cent disk?" he asked.

Customized software is now fairly common, Arwood said. That allows a company to modify its software as the company's needs change. This creates another problem.

When a company purchases buying software, is it buying a product — the program — or a service, the programming.

Michigan does not have a service tax, Arwood said, and yet that is what a tax on customized software would be.

Still to be settled, Arwood said, are the isolated cases where assessing districts had already begun taxing software. "There have been some overzealous tax collectors already assessing the tax."

Several Ann Arbor businesses have already filed lawsuits against assessments on software, he added. Arwood said the new law does not

take these isolated cases into account so they will have to be settled individually.

Young of the chamber of commerce said that even though the legislation prohibits the taxation of software, businesses will have to be on the lookout because the state had already printed up the materials it sends to assessors including provisions for taxing software.

The tax commission is sending out a followup form explaining the new law and instructing assessors to ignore that section of the pre-printed personal property form regarding.

"But we're going to have to keep sharp on tax day."

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Auto makers try ad clout to sway publications

A long time ago, Car and Driver magazine took a new Opel, which GM was just starting to import as a way of testing the waters for these new-fangled imported cars, and posed the car in a junkyard as a way of saying C&D didn't think much of the effort.

GM responded by canceling its advertising, which caused a lot of walling and gnashing of teeth about editorial intimidation vs. advertising masochism, etc., until it all quieted down.

It never really went away, of course, as the huge amounts of ad dollars spent by various auto companies always loomed in the background as a kind of big stick holding sway over the editorial content of the so-called buff books, the magazines catering to automotive enthusiasts

that rely almost exclusively on car-related advertising for their income.

Auto companies have taken their advertising to the next level, most notably Toyota cutting out C&D after an unflattering article about the new Camry, and GM withdrawing from Fortune after a round of GM bashing.

The normal response is for the local ad rep to keep his mouth shut, go home to a quiet room they all keep in the back of the house for these kinds of things, and begin to scream.

Now Toyota offers a new twist by canceling its advertising in Road and Track magazine coincidental with the announcement of R&T's 10 Best Cars in the World list in the December issue, which did not name any



auto talk
Dan McCosh

Toyota products among the world's finest.

Toyota says it was a carefully studied marketing move, rather than a punitive action. Yeah, sure.

I suspect what irritated them was not so much not getting on the list, but the fact that R&T awarded half of the Ten Best slots to Toyota's archrival, Nissan. Regardless, it scores a first for Toyota in that it's the first time an auto company has given the

impression it is attempting to directly influence one of the numerous Best Car awards given annually by various magazines hungry for automotive ad dollars.

The Toyota backlash is good example of the pitfalls in the Best Car game, practiced by dozens of magazines and organizations these days.

The usual suspicion is that these awards are an effort to butter up a big advertiser in the hopes he will spend more money in the magazine.

This just isn't so.

The real reason for Best Car awards is to butter up the advertiser so that he will not only advertise, he will spend millions of dollars on national television bragging he won the award from such-and-such a magazine, which is a lot of expensive publicity for free for the magazine subscription department.

The flaw, of course, is when the whole thing backfires, a la Toyota. If you want to see how to finesse the situation, and spread out the odds of offending someone, take a look at the current issue of Car and Driver and ask why a magazine devoted to high-performance sports cars picks not one but two minivans for its own Ten Best list, a type of vehicle sold almost exclusively to suburban housewives who figure a double

clutch is how you hold two bags of groceries — particularly when one of the two minivans selected (oddly enough, a Toyota) is the slowest in its class.

If these guys want to know how to run a "Best Car" contest, they should come to me and John McElroy, currently editor-in-chief of Automotive Industries magazine. When we were officers of the highly influential Detroit Auto Writers Group, we once spent months carefully polling the membership so that we could present our award for "Best Car."

I still can't figure it out. When we held our lunch to announce the automotive DAWG of the year, nobody came.

Dan McCosh is the automotive editor of Popular Science.

Set ground rules in social-business relationships

If you decide to take on a friend or family member as a customer of your business, you must establish some ground rules. Regardless of how well you get along with one another, the potential for abuse is a never-present danger and must be nipped in the bud before it becomes a major problem.

For example, receiving business calls at any hour of the day or night from relatives or friends who are also "customers" of your business is not a good sign. This potential problem is further complicated when what starts out as a personal call at home turns into a business confer-

ence in a matter of minutes. Rather than trying to figure out how to handle such a predicament, it is easier to simply make a habit of not discussing business when accepting personal calls at home.

All that is required is to remind Aunt Clara or cousin Betty of your regular business hours and offer to call them back the next morning. The same principle holds true for personal calls you accept from friends or relatives at the office.

Taking verbal abuse from a friend or relative you're working with is



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Mary DiPaolo

another problem that you have the power to avoid. According to Janet Kellman, a Plymouth interior designer, business owners must always weigh the pros and cons of prospective business relationships involving people they know well.

"If a friend or a relative exhibits

questionable personality traits or is very difficult to please in the general sense, it's foolish to think that your business relationship with them will change all that," claims Kellman.

"Rather than riding the roller coaster with this type of person and becoming a target for abuse, it may

be best to simply indicate that your present relationship with them is more important to you than having them as a client."

Handing payment for services is another issue that can lead to difficulty. If you don't feel comfortable accepting money from a friend or relative, consider a swap or barter arrangement. You may also choose to set a limit on the value of the product or service you are willing to provide free of charge. For example, a consultant may waive the costs of an initial consultation, with any time spent afterwards being billed at the

normal hourly rate.

Of course, there will always be those situations where you simply do not want to be professionally involved with friends or relatives. The best policy here is to be upfront about your unwillingness or inability to work together while being prepared to recommend someone else that can help.

Mary DiPaolo is the owner of MarkeTrends, a Northville business consulting firm. She is also producer and host of the cable television series, "Chamber Perspectives."

marketplace

Wonderland Marine Inc. of Livonia has moved to a new showroom and repair facility of nearly four acres in Livonia. A new parts and accessory showroom and service facility is planned to open in January next door to the main showroom. Wonderland Marine was the world's largest Starcraft dealer in 1990 and the world's largest Sunbird dealer in 1990. The telephone number is 261-2530.

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Small-business owners in Michigan can call the U.S. Small Business Administration's toll-free "Answer Desk" telephone service to get help on problems connected with their business and the federal government. The telephone number is 1-

800-368-5855. It is staffed during normal business hours.

A free international business service directory is available to any Michigan company doing business abroad. The directory is designed also to help foreign companies move to Michigan. To get a copy, call Mark Santucci at 1-517-373-6390.

The Michigan International Business Services Directory is available to aid Michigan companies that do

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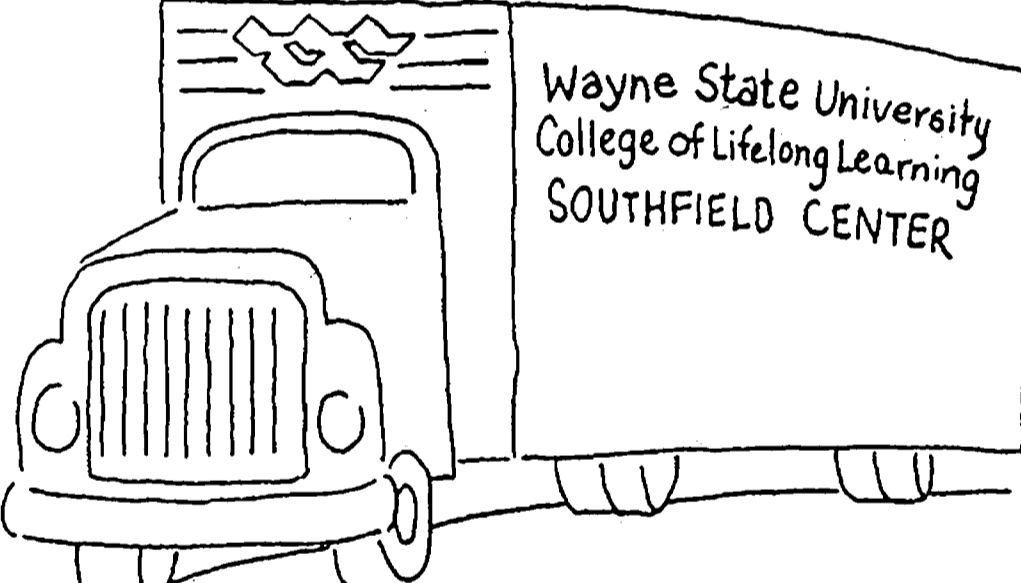
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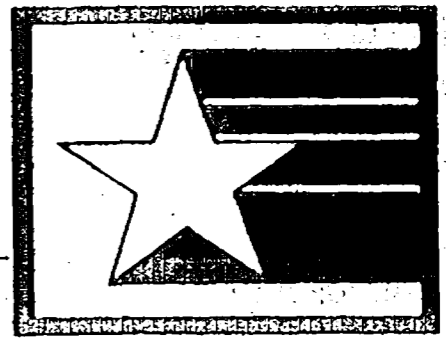
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Popcorn Players Youngsters learn performing skills

Next session of the Popcorn Players, for children 8-13, begins Jan. 12. It runs 9:20-11:30 a.m. Saturday mornings at the Community House in Birmingham. This session lasts for six weeks and costs \$68. For more information, call 644-5832.

By Cathleen Collins Lee
special writer

PARENTS, SOME carrying small bouquets, settle into folding chairs. Little brothers and sisters squirm excitedly. In front, on a wooden floor in front of a painted fireplace, are two card tables with some simple props: a telephone, an apple, a book.

The final, fall session of the Popcorn Players — an eight-week theater class at the Community House in Birmingham — is about to begin. The children, ages 8-13, present three seasonal skits.

Despite the occasional pause while someone gropes for a line, the children move smoothly from scene to scene. They speak clearly and seem comfortable. Most of all, they seem to be having a great time.

The Popcorn Players, directed by veteran drama teacher Sara Smith, is a low-key introduction to theater for children. They come for two hours every Saturday morning, attending three separate sessions in voice and drama, movement, and mime. They also spend an hour or so of each session preparing the closing skits.

THE TEACHERS, all active in the Hilberry and Bonstelle theaters at Wayne State University, say they are not trying to create future Meryl Streeps and Dustin Hoffmans. Instead they want the children to learn to use their voices, bodies and imaginations, to have fun and be comfortable appearing in front of a group.

"It's great because they're learning to use their voices independently of their bodies, to use their bodies in dance, and to express things through their bodies without voices in mime," says dance teacher Meaghan Shubel, who is working on a master's degree in directing at Wayne State. "Then we put it all together in a play."

"We're not looking for Oscar-winning performances," Shubel adds. "We're not working toward lifelong goals. We want them to have fun and enjoy their bodies."

Speech and drama teacher Alan Harvey, also a graduate student at Wayne State, encourages the children to use their imaginations by im-



Hayley Moore (left), Michelle Komorn and Aubrie King appear in a scene from show given at end of Popcorn Players fall season of classes.

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provising all kinds of everyday situations.

They pretend it is their best friend's birthday, but they forgot to buy her a present. Or they imagine they found a kitten on the way home from school and are pleading with their parents to let them keep it. They also practice speaking clearly, using lots of tongue twisters, and projecting their voices.

WITH MIME TEACHER Allen McCoy, a senior at Wayne State, the students learn to use everything but the voice. Games, role-playing, imaginary objects and even a tug-of-war with an invisible rope get across the idea of using your body to represent something that's not there.

In one exercise, McCoy has them dance to music in all kinds of crazy

positions, then freeze. They have to tell him what they are doing in that position, and they have to make it very specific. This allows them to use their bodies and their imaginations.

"The more specific and creative you are, the more interesting you are when you perform," says McCoy.

Shubel teaches the children choreographed routines to songs like "Yakety Yak" and "All That Jazz," leaving some room for improvisation. She also likes to introduce the children to many kinds of music, from country and western to musical comedy to rap. She teaches them about the origins and traditions of the music and encourages them to develop their own steps in response to it.

Both parents and children seem enthusiastic about the Popcorn Players.

"You have a fun time. You laugh," says Lisa Ledbetter, 11, of Birmingham. "The teachers are helpful. I like to dance, and I learned a lot of different new styles."

SUSAN AND DAVID Rogers of Birmingham said the class gave their son Nicholas, 11, an outlet for his outgoing personality.

"He had a lot of fun," says Susan. "It was fun for him to see the different things that go into a play. This time he was really interested in the props. Any time you have kids willing to give up cartoons, it's pretty good."

All in all, the teachers feel a little theater experience can go a long way.

"They learn things that will be useful all their lives," says Shubel. "They become more outgoing and lose all fear of ever being on a stage or making a speech." She adds, "And they learn to keep using their imaginations. By the time you're our age, unless you're an artist or an actor, you lose it. The more you use your imagination, the better and more long lasting it is."

'We're not working toward lifelong goals. We want them to have fun and enjoy their bodies.'

— Meaghan Shubel
dance teacher



The 1956 musical "Bells Are Ringing," starring Lynne Wintersteller and Anthony Cummings, opens a five-week run Saturday, Dec. 29, at the Birmingham Theatre.

upcoming things to do

NEW YEAR'S

Our Lady of Loretto in Redford will hold a New Year's Eve party from 7 p.m. to 1 a.m. Monday, Dec. 31, at the Roodbeen Family Center. Dinner will be served at 8 p.m. Child care is available for ages 5-11. Dinner, dancing, beer and set-ups are \$25 per person. Tickets will be sold after each Mass through Sunday, Dec. 23, at the church. A table for eight may be reserved for \$10, with the balance due by Dec. 23. Tickets also may be purchased by calling Tom Byl at 538-2518 or John Hughes at 533-5002.

STAGECRAFTERS

"Narnia," a musical for children, will be performed by Stagecrafters Youththeatre on Thursday-Sunday, Dec. 13-16, on the Baldwin Theatre Main Stage in Royal Oak. Evening performances begin at 7 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Dec. 13-15. Matinees are at 11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 15, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 16. "Narnia" is based on the classic book by children's author C.S. Lewis' "The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe." Tickets are \$3 for open seating. Reservations are recom-

mended. Charge orders are accepted by phone, 541-6430. Box office hours are Tuesday and Thursday, 7-9 p.m.; Friday, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and Saturday, 10 a.m. to noon. A benefit for "Toys for Tots" will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 13. Tickets at \$5 are available by calling 541-6430.

BROADWAY HIT

Lynne Wintersteller and Anthony Cummings star in the Comden-Green-Slyne musical "Bells Are Ringing," opening Saturday, Dec. 29, at the Birmingham Theatre. The engagement runs through Sunday, Jan. 27. On the 50th anniversary of the working relationship between Betty Comden and Adolph Green, the 1956 musical has been revived by the Birmingham Theatre and the Goodspeed Opera House of East Haddam, Conn. A preview performance will be presented at 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 29 (tickets \$18), and a New Year's Eve performance at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 31 (tickets \$29.50). Tickets are available at the box office, 644-3533, and all Ticketmaster outlets.

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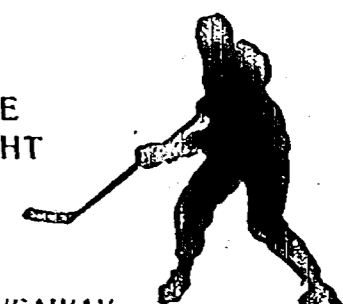
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Westin Hotel

Two options for Christmas dinner are available at the Westin Hotel's Summit Restaurant at the Renaissance Center in Detroit. A holiday buffet will be served from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Cost is \$17.95 for adults, \$7.95 for children ages 3-10. Reservations also are being taken for an a la carte menu from 5:30-9 p.m. featuring the Summit's steakhouse menu, as well as traditional holiday entrees. The entrees range from \$24-\$45 per person.

More than 5,000 revelers are expected to attend three major events on New Year's Eve at the Westin. Two seatings are available for dinner at the Summit on the 71st floor. Dinner is \$23.95-\$33.50 per person. An overnight room package is \$333 per couple. A party in the Summit Lounge is available for \$55 per person, \$253 per couple with guest room package. The Renaissance Ballroom celebration with radio station 96.3 FM is \$35 per person, \$213 per couple with a guest room. For more information call the Westin Holiday Hotline at 567-XMAS.

Christmas Eve

Cafe Cortina in Farmington Hills is offering its annual Christmas Eve dinner. Cost for the prix fixe dinner is \$39 per person and includes six courses and roasted chestnuts over an open fire. Entertainment is by harpist Nadia Marks. Seatings are from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Both fireside rooms will be open.

The New Year's Eve menu will be similar, with a six-course dinner. However, dessert will be a choice of gelato tartufo or torta di cioccolato (chocolate torte). Party hats and accessories and champagne at midnight, along with dancing in the new European Garden Room, are included for \$52 per person. Seating is at 9:30 p.m. and reservations are required. For more information and reservations call 474-3033.

Ritz-Carlton

"Hollywood Nights" is the theme for New Year's Eve at the Ritz-Carlton, Dearborn. There will be a red-carpeted entrance, complete with spotlights and a photographer. A four-course dinner includes Chilled Salmon Diamonds, Roasted Loin of Veal and Gulf Shrimp, Veal Glaze and Lobster Butter. Dancing is to the Austin Moro Orchestra. Tickets are \$91 per person, with \$75 additional for a guest room.

The hotel also will offer the World's Smallest New Year's Eve

Party, for children 5-10 to attend while their parents mark the holiday in the ballroom. Other choices are dinner in the Restaurant, and for an additional \$15 admittance to the Grill for hors d'oeuvres, desserts, party favors and dancing. For reservations call 441-2000.

Novi Hilton

A Christmas Buffet will be served Tuesday, Dec. 25, in the Orchard Cafe at the Novi Hilton. Hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Cost is \$17.95 for adults, \$8.95 for children under 12; children under 5 are free. From 5-8 p.m. a fixed menu will be offered. The restaurant closes at 8 p.m.

The New Year's Eve package includes a double room, dinner and dancing in the Grand Ballroom beginning at 8:30 p.m., a dinner with entree of filet mignon with peppercorn chutney sauce or filet of salmon with sorrel cream sauce, open bar, champagne toast and New Year's Day brunch buffet. Cost is \$137.50 inclusive, or \$165.50 per person based on single occupancy. For reservations call 349-4000.

Marco's Dining

A Christmas Eve dinner will be offered at 7 p.m. Monday, Dec. 24, at Marco's Dining and Cocktails in downtown Farmington. The fixed-price, seven-course dinner is \$27.95 per person. Choice of entree includes New York strip steak, veal scallo-

pine, red snapper marinara or broiled scampi. There are special dinner selections for children under 12. Cocktail and wine service is available till 9 p.m.

On New Year's Eve, the regular dinner menu will be served at 5:30 and 7:30 p.m. A fixed-price six-course dinner is planned for 9:30 p.m., at \$35 per person. Entrees will be filet mignon with mushrooms, broiled shrimp with lemon pepper, veal piccanti or veal regonate. Cocktail and wine service continues till 2 a.m. For reservations call 477-7777.

Radisson Plaza

The Radisson Plaza in Southfield is offering a New Year's Eve package that begins with check in at 3 p.m. A four-course dinner is served at 8 p.m. in the Radisson ballroom. An open bar begins at 9 p.m., and there is dancing to the Sun Messenger All Star Band. Midnight champagne is followed by pizza snacks at 1 a.m. An overnight stay include breakfast in the room. For more information call 827-4000.

Party guide

The 1990 AAA Michigan "Great Pretenders Party Guide" includes the top 20 recipes entered in the 10th annual drink contest, which sported "A Holiday South of the Border" theme. The free guide is available statewide at AAA Michigan branch offices and many traffic safety and substance abuse groups.



Booth Colman is Ebenezer Scrooge and Joshua Mardigian is Tiny Tim in "A Christmas Carol," through Sunday, Dec. 30, at Meadow Brook Theatre on the Oakland University campus in Rochester Hills. For ticket information call the box office at 377-3300.

upcoming things to do

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YOUNG MESSIAH
Featuring gospel-music-world performers, the Young Messiah Tour will appear at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 14, at the Palace of Auburn Hills. Among artists performing are Sandi Patti, Larnelle Harris, Russ Taff, Sheila Walsh, Phil Driscoll, Phil Keagy and the Imperials. Tickets at \$16.50, \$14.50 and \$12.50 are on sale at the box office and all Ticketmaster outlets. Tickets also may be

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CHRISTIAN ARTIST
Contemporary Christian artist Michael W. Smith, with special guest D.C. Talk, will appear at 8 p.m. Saturday, March 2, at the Palace of Auburn Hills. Tickets at \$17.50 and \$13.50 are on sale at the box office and all Ticketmaster outlets. Tickets also may be charged by calling 645-6666.

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'Blue Moon' set to shine on New Year's Eve

Mars passes two degrees below the Pleiades on the evening of the 14th. The moon is nowhere near Taurus now, so the fainter members of the Pleiades will be much easier to see.

New Moon occurs at 11:22 p.m. on Dec. 16. The moon is located between the earth and the sun and is not visible.

Use binoculars 30 minutes after sunset on the 18th, and look for Venus and Mercury near the southwestern horizon. The waxing (growing) crescent moon will be easy to see. Above and to the left of the moon is Saturn. Six degrees below and to the right of the moon will be Venus. Venus is a bright object, but it's only two degrees above the horizon.

Watch Venus and Saturn during the next few weeks; the two planets will be in conjunction (have a close grouping) on Jan. 1.

The moon has passed Saturn by the evening of the 19th. Look in the southwest, 45 minutes after sunset, to see them. This will be a good night to look for "earthshine" on the moon. Earthshine is sunlight that is reflected off the earth and onto the unlighted portion of the moon. From there it reflects back to our eyes, making the moon appear to glow with a ghostly light.

WINTER OFFICIALLY arrives on Friday, Dec. 21, at 10:07 p.m. eastern standard time. On this day the sun will be setting at its farthest point south of west, having had its lowest altitude in the sky at noon, and will rise the next day at its farthest point south of east.

The sun appears in different parts of the sky at different times of the year. Remember where the sun was rising back in June? It was rising at its farthest north of east and setting north of west. The days were long and warm and we had summer. The difference in the sun's position is not due to any movement on the part of the sun. Instead it's due to the tilt of Earth's axis of rotation.

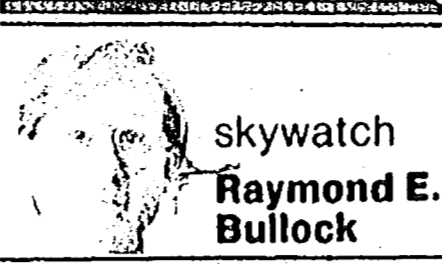
We orbit around the sun, but our axis is tilted 23.5 degrees. It just happens to be pointing toward a star named Polaris, the North Star. In summer, when the North Pole of the earth is pointed toward Polaris, it is tilted 23.5 degrees toward the sun as well. Six months later the earth is on the opposite side of the sun. The North Pole is still aimed toward Polaris, but now it tilts 23.5 degrees away from the sun, therefore the sun appears in a different part of the sky.

The moment when the earth reaches the point in its orbit, where the North Pole is at the greatest tilt away from the sun, is the exact moment of winter. At least it is for the Northern Hemisphere. When the North Pole is tilted away from the sun the South Pole is tilted toward it. We may be facing the start of winter, but for people south of the equator it's the start of summer.

IF IT WERE not for the tilt of Earth there would be no change of seasons. If the earth's axis was straight up and down, everyone would have March-type weather year-round. That may not be bad if you live in the tropics, but it's not so great in Michigan!

Mercury is at inferior conjunction on the morning of Dec. 24. Mercury is located between the earth and the sun and is not visible.

The moon is at first-quarter phase at 10:16 p.m. on the 24th. The moon has completed the first-quarter of its orbit around the earth.



skywatcher
Raymond E. Bullock

Notice Venus and Saturn on the evening of the 25th. Look close toward the west southwest, 45 minutes after sunset, and use binoculars. Venus is eight degrees below Saturn and drawing closer each night. The moon passes two degrees

above Mars on Dec. 28. Face east before sunset and locate the moon. Look two degrees to the right of the moon and try to spot Mars. (Binoculars will help.) It is possible to see a planet in daylight, so long as you know where to look! After dark, notice the Pleiades below the moon, forming a tight triangle with the moon and Mars.

The second Full Moon of the month (the "blue moon") occurs at 1:35 p.m. on the 31st. The moon will rise as the sun sets, be visible all night, and set as the sun rises the next morning.

December 31, as everyone knows, is the last day of the year. It is also, however, the end of the decade. Contrary to what most people thought in December 1989, the year 1990 was not the beginning of the decade of the '90s. It is the ending of the decade of the '80s!

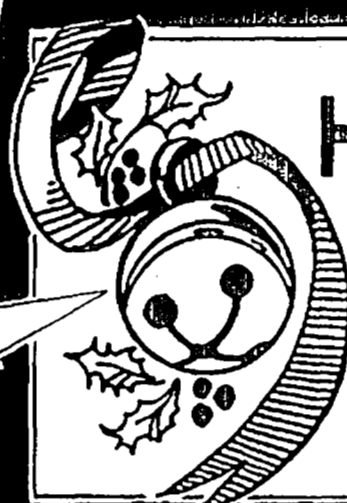
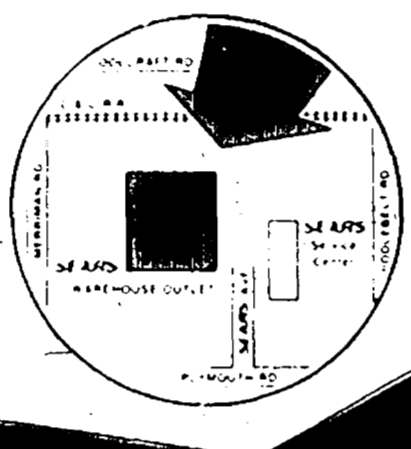
The calendar began with the year 1, we had to complete that year for the calendar to be one year old. Likewise, completing the year nine did not close out that first decade; the calendar was only nine years old. It wasn't until after year 10 was completed that the first decade

came to a close. That same logic holds true whether we consider the years 100, 1000, 1900 or 1990; each Dec. 31 of that year was the conclusion of the previous decade. The new decade begins after Dec. 31, 1990; after we have completed the tenth year of the '80s. We are about to embark on the first year of the '90s.

Raymond Bullock is the former coordinator of the planetarium and observatory at the Cranbrook Institute of Science in Bloomfield Hills. He now works for a Troy firm specializing in laser displays.

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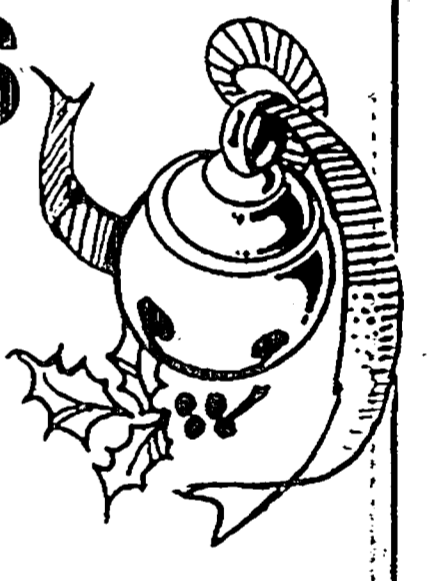


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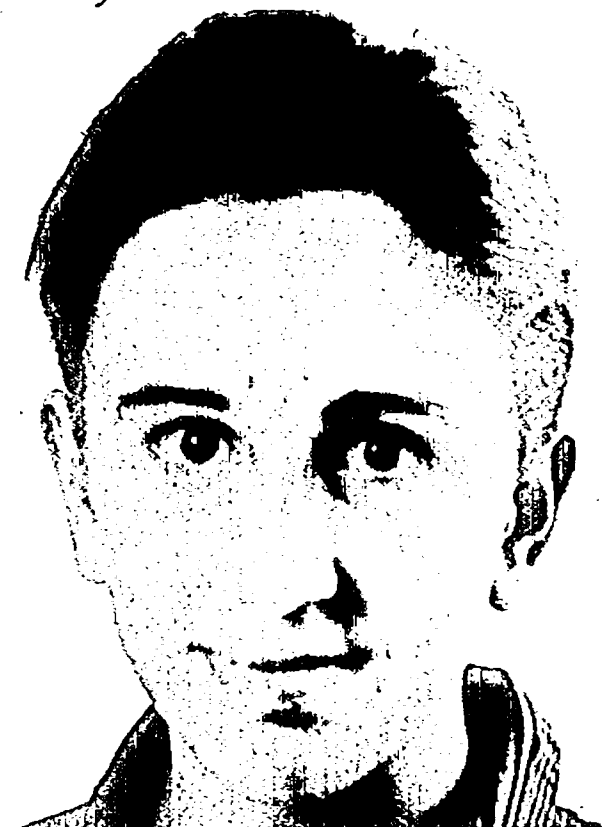
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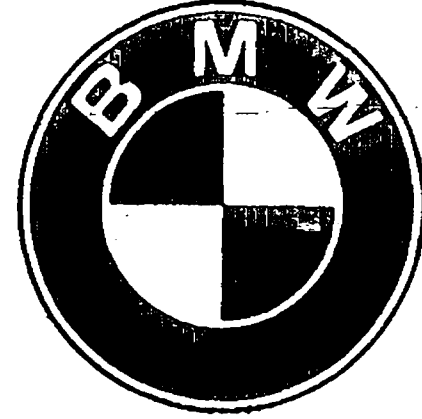
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200-YARD MEDLEY RELAY (State cut: 1:59.09)		200 FREESTYLE RELAY (State cut: 1:46.59)	
North Farmington	1:50.93	Farmington Hills Mercy	1:41.15
Farmington Hills Mercy	1:53.15	Plymouth Canton	1:43.94
Livonia Stevenson	1:54.99	Livonia Churchill	1:44.07
Plymouth Salem	1:55.11	Plymouth Salem	1:44.14
Plymouth Canton	1:57.95	North Farmington	1:44.15

200 INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY (State cut: 2:19.99)		100 FREESTYLE (State cut: 56.29)	
Linda Goldstein (Mercy)	2:07.58	Erika Smith (Mercy)	54.42
Kerry Doran (N. Farmington)	2:12.52	Elton Lessig (Churchill)	54.63
Anna Palmer (N. Farmington)	2:14.46	Karrie Kranz (N. Farmington)	54.95
Mandi Falk (Thurston)	2:14.61	Julianne Markey (N. Farmington)	55.77
Jennifer Knapp (Stevenson)	2:15.43	Jeni Cooper (Canton)	55.79
Carrie Worthen (N. Farmington)	2:16.98	Tara Ditchkoff (Churchill)	56.28
Karrie Kranz (N. Farmington)	2:18.53	Kerry Doran (N. Farmington)	56.32
Katie Knipper (Mercy)	2:18.93	Jill Hawkins (Farmington)	56.41
Liz Sorokac (Churchill)	2:19.44	Jamie Anderson (Stevenson)	56.45
Jamie Anderson (Stevenson)	2:19.53	Michelle McCallfrey (Mercy)	56.75

50 FREESTYLE (State cut: 25.89)		400 FREESTYLE RELAY (State cut: 3:52.59)	
Elton Lessig (Churchill)	24.70	North Farmington	3:38.98
Erika Smith (Mercy)	25.32	Farmington Hills Mercy	3:45.19
Jeni Cooper (Canton)	25.40	Livonia Churchill	3:48.08
Katie Knipper (Mercy)	25.60	Livonia Stevenson	3:48.38
Jill Hawkins (Farmington)	25.68	Plymouth Canton	3:50.11
Kerry Doran (N. Farmington)	25.77		
Mandi Ras (Salem)	25.84		

DIVING (5 first places)		100 BACKSTROKE (State cut: 1:05.29)	
Nancy Wilson (Stevenson)	25.90	Julianne Markey (N. Farmington)	1:01.05
Linda Goldstein (Mercy)	25.97	Jennifer Knapp (Stevenson)	1:01.52
Candi Bosse (Salem)	26.07	Mandi Falk (Thurston)	1:08.10
		Jill Knapp (Stevenson)	1:08.56
		Anga Palmer (N. Farmington)	1:09.23
		Carrie Worthen (N. Farmington)	1:09.88
		Joan Hueilmantel (Mercy)	1:11.49
		Andrea Hoelien (Mercy)	1:11.95
		Sherril Richardson (N. Farmington)	1:12.60
		Amy Homan (Salem)	1:13.88

100 BUTTERFLY (State cut: 1:02.59)		100 BREASTSTROKE (State cut: 1:12.89)	
Linda Goldstein (Mercy)	58.43	Katie Knipper (Mercy)	1:07.08
Kerry Doran (N. Farmington)	1:00.02	Jennifer Knapp (Stevenson)	1:07.82
Katie Knipper (Mercy)	1:01.33	Mandi Falk (Thurston)	1:08.10
Elton Lessig (Churchill)	1:02.52	Jill Knapp (Stevenson)	1:08.56
Nancy Wilson (Stevenson)	1:03.78	Anga Palmer (N. Farmington)	1:09.23
Candi Bosse (Salem)	1:03.78	Carrie Worthen (N. Farmington)	1:09.88
Shelly Rogers (Salem)	1:03.47	Joan Hueilmantel (Mercy)	1:11.49
Karrie Kranz (N. Farmington)	1:03.66	Andrea Hoelien (Mercy)	1:11.95
Joan Hueilmantel (Mercy)	1:03.68	Sherril Richardson (N. Farmington)	1:12.60
Erika Smith (Mercy)	1:04.05	Amy Homan (Salem)	1:13.88

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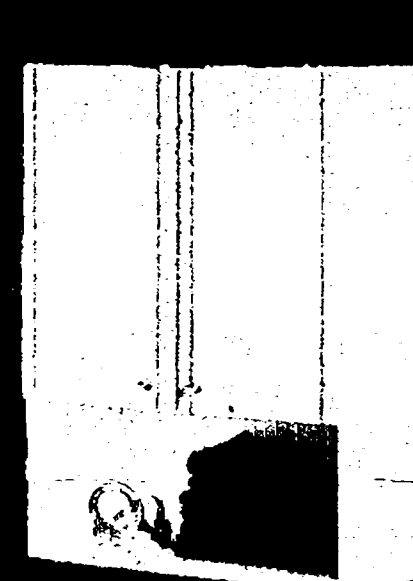

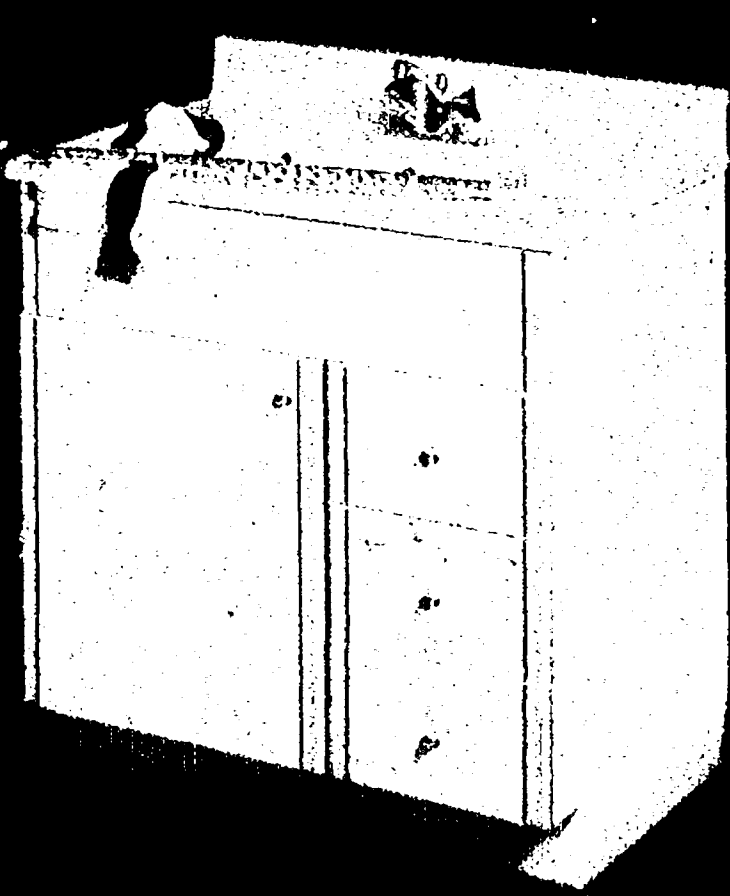
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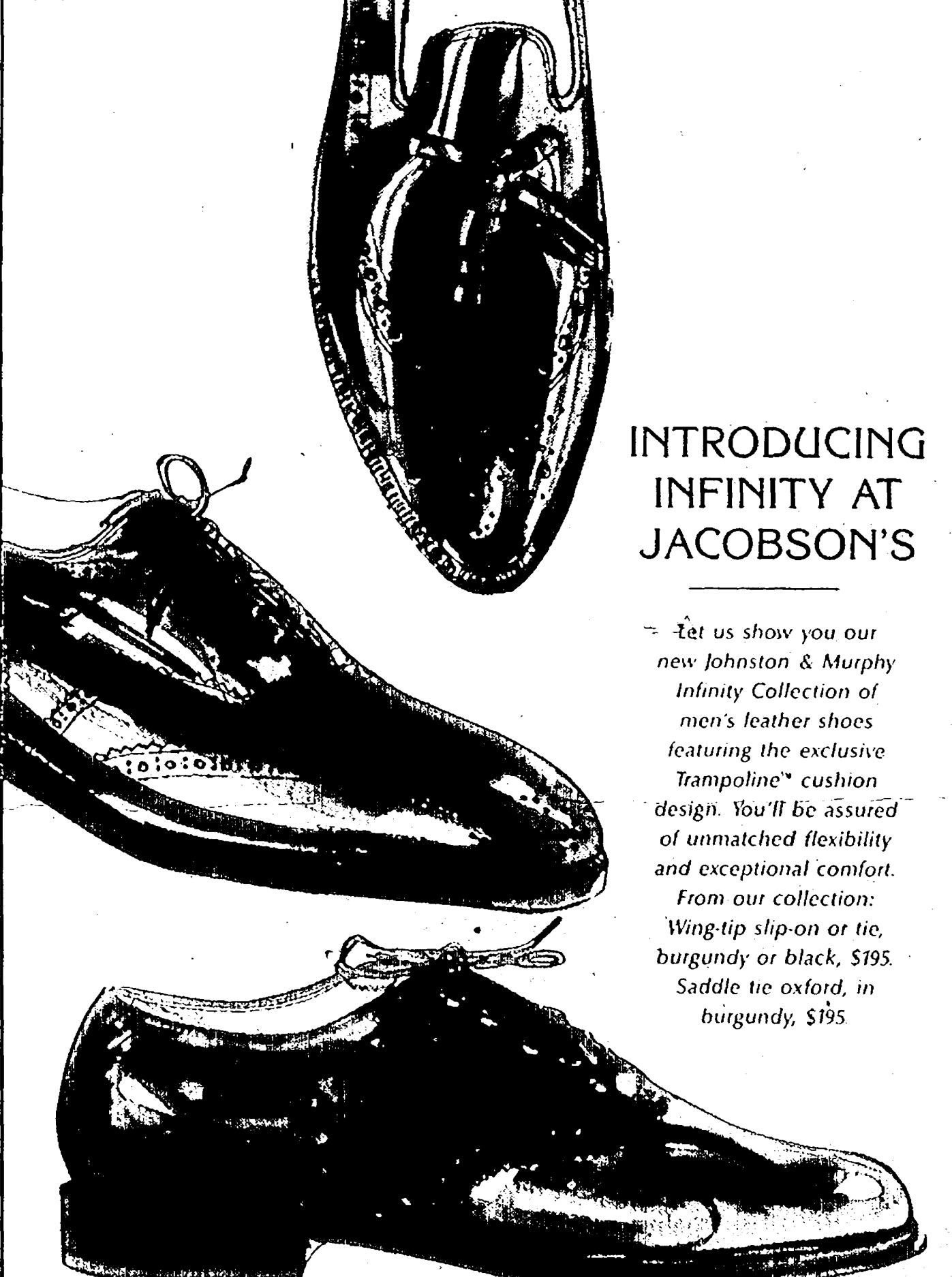
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All-area swimmers among state's best

By Dan O'Meara
staff writer

NORTH FARMINGTON AND Farmington Hills Mercy had two of the state's finest girls swim teams this year, so it follows they would have the majority of athletes on the 1990 All-Area Team.

Each school placed five individuals on the 17-member squad and also produced the top relay teams. The Western Lakes Activities Association champion Raiders had the best 200-yard medley and 400 freestyle relays, Mercy the top 200 freestyle unit.

This year's honor squad includes seven repeat selections: state champ Kerry Doran, Karrie Kranz, Anna Palmer and Carrie Worthen of North, Ellen Lessig, Livonia Churchill; Katie Knipper, Mercy; and Jennifer Knapp, Livonia Stevenson.

Pat Duthie of North was selected coach of the year.

ALL-AREA FIRST TEAM

Kerry Doran, 200 freestyle, N. Farmington: Doran is the Class A champion in this event, winning the title last month with a pool-record time of 1:51.26 in the finals at Michigan State University. She dropped more than four seconds off her school record of 1:55.28 and qualified for the senior nationals in the process.

Doran, the only female swimmer in North history to win a state title, also was second in the 500 freestyle at 4:58.

She captured Oakland County championships in the IM and 500 freestyle earlier in the season; and she was the WLAA champ in the IM and butterfly. Doran is a four-time All-American, a four-time finalist at junior nationals and holds school records in four individual events and two relays.

"It sure was nice that an athlete as outstanding as Kerry has been for North Farmington could go out with a state championship," North coach Pat Duthie said. "You don't get too many kids like that to work with."

Anna Palmer, 200 IM, N. Farmington: Palmer dropped more than eight seconds in the IM from the start of the season, realizing her greatest improvement in that event. She was third in the WLAA and 13th at state with a 2:14.46 time in the IM.

Also an outstanding breastroker, Palmer placed eighth in Class A at 1:09.23. She was second in the league in the breaststroke.

Palmer has been a member of North's All-American medley relay the last two years and has competed in junior nationals three times.

Ellen Lessig, 50 freestyle, Churchill: Lessig was undefeated in all individual dual-meet events this year. She excelled in sprint freestyle races as well as the butterfly.

She swam a lifetime best of 24.70 in the 50 freestyle at the state meet, finishing sixth, and she had a season best of 54.63 in the 100 freestyle. Lessig, the most valuable swimmer at Churchill, also anchored the 200 freestyle relay, which set school and pool records.

"Ellen is one of the hardest, most-focused swimmers I have ever coached," Churchill coach Ken Stark said. "She challenged herself not only at meets but



Kerry Doran
N. Farmington



Anna Palmer
N. Farmington



Ellen Lessig
Churchill



Amy Kodrik
Canton



Lynda Goldstein
Mercy



Erika Smith
Mercy



Tara Ditchkoff
Churchill



Julianne Markey
N. Farmington



Katie Knipper
Mercy



Jennifer Knapp
Stevenson



Carrie Worthen
N. Farmington



Mandi Falk
Thurston



Jill Knapp
Stevenson



Karrie Kranz
N. Farmington



Jamie Anderson
Stevenson



Jenny McCombs
Mercy



Polly Tenuta
Mercy



Pat Duthie, coach
N. Farmington

in practices as well: Ellen is the type of athlete every coach dreams about having on his team."

Amy Kodrik, diving, Canton: Kodrik is the WLAA champion, setting a varsity record for 11 dives with a 398.65 score. She also was ninth at the MISC Invitational and 10th in a state regional. Kodrik combined with teammate Becky Holsington to win the WLAA Relays.

"Amy is an outstanding academic athlete," coach Hooker Wellman said, adding Kodrik maintains a 3.7 grade point. "She has improved greatly from last year. We have her back for one more year, and for sure she will do a tremendous job next year."

Lynda Goldstein, butterfly, Mercy: Goldstein placed third in the state in the butterfly and the IM. In the butterfly, she swam 58.43 in the finals and moved up one place from the prelims.

Goldstein also had the area's fastest time in the IM, swimming 2:07.58 in the Class A finals and qualifying as an All-American. She also was Catholic League champ in the butterfly and helped the

Marlins win the 200 freestyle relay. "Lynda is one of the most talented swimmers I've coached," Mercy coach Teri Eudi-Teeters said. "The way she swam this season could mean great things for next year. She's training year round with a few goals in mind."

Erika Smith, 100 freestyle, Mercy: Smith swam 54.42 in the Class A prelims to move atop the area rankings with the fastest Observerland time in the 100 freestyle. She finished 12th in the state.

Smith swam all the freestyle events and could have qualified in any one with specific training, according to Eudi-Teeters. She is a two-time state qualifier.

"Erika is a great part of our team," Eudi-Teeters said. "For a sophomore, she is a talented and great competitor. If I need relays won on the end, Erika and Lynda (Goldstein) are excellent choices."

Tara Ditchkoff, 500 freestyle, Churchill: Ditchkoff was undefeated in the 200 and 500 freestyles during the dual season. She is the league champion in the 500 with a 5:21.33 time and was second in the 200 with a 2:00.97 finish.

Ditchkoff holds school and pool records in the 500 in which she placed seventh in the state at 5:11.47. She also qualified in the 200 freestyle.

"Tara is a very hard worker who sets high goals for herself, not only at meets but in practice sessions as well," Stark said. "Her work ethic was a good example to the rest of her teammates."

Julianne Markey, backstroke, N. Farmington: Markey had the area's fastest time in the backstroke at 1:01.05, which she swam in the state prelims. She placed 12th in Class A.

Markey is the WLAA champion in the backstroke and was second in the 100 freestyle. She has the school record in the former event and has been on an All-American medley relay team for two years.

Katie Knipper, breaststroke, Mercy: Observerland had a wealth of good breaststroke swimmers this year, and Knipper was the best, finishing fourth at state with the top area time of 1:07.08. She holds the Mercy pool record in the event, too.

Knipper, the most valuable swimmer for the Marlins, qualified in four events. She had a split time of 29.67 for the 50 breaststroke as part of the medley relay and is a candidate for All-American honors.

"Katie is very dedicated to her sport," Eudi-Teeters said. "She not only does what you ask her, but she understands how important the training is to her long-term goals. Katie keeps things organized as her A average attests."

COACH OF THE YEAR

Pat Duthie, N. Farmington: Duthie guided the Raiders to their second consecutive WLAA championship and third in four years. North also was undefeated in dual meets for the second straight year and finished sixth in the state.

"(The season) was nothing short of fantastic," Duthie said. "The success we had was the result of all 21 kids working hard. It was wonderful."

"When you're the coach of the year, it's really a salute to the athletes you're working with. Great athletes make great coaches more so than the other way around."

FIRST-TEAM RELAYS

200 medley, N. Farmington: The Raiders were third in Class A with the team of Julianne Markey, Anna Palmer, Kerry Doran and Karrie Kranz swimming 1:50.93, which is the top Observerland time and could bring an All-American rating for the quartet.

200 freestyle, Mercy: The foursome

of Katie Knipper, Michelle McCallfrey, Polly Tenuta and Lynda Goldstein finished eighth at state in 1:41.15, putting the Marlins atop the list of area bests. Each had a split time of better than 25.6. McCallfrey and Tenuta are seniors, Knipper and Goldstein juniors.

400 freestyle, N. Farmington: North's team of Markey, freshman Sherril Richardson, Kranz and Doran established the top area time in this event by swimming 3:38.98 in the state meet and finishing fourth. The Raiders are being considered for All-American recognition.

AT-LARGE INDIVIDUALS

Jennifer Knapp, Stevenson: Knapp is a three-time WLAA champion, three-time all-stater and two-time All-American in the breaststroke. She was fifth in the state this year at 1:07.82. Knapp has won her team's most valuable swimmer award twice.

"Jennifer's honors speak for themselves," Stevenson coach Greg Phill said. "She's an outstanding swimmer and competitor."

Jill Knapp, Stevenson: Knapp, a freshman and top newcomer for the Spartans, was third in the WLAA and sixth in the state as a breaststroke. She posted a time of 1:08.56 in the state prelims. She earned all-state honors with her top-six finish.

"Jill has tremendous talent and a lot of good years ahead of her," Phill said.

Carrie Worthen, N. Farmington: Another of the area's fine breaststroke swimmers, Worthen placed 12th in the state in that event. Her best time was 1:09.88 in the Class A prelims.

In the league, she was fourth in the breaststroke and third in the IM. Worthen qualified for state in the latter, too. She was on the 200 freestyle relay team that set the school record.

Mandi Falk, Redford Thurston: As a freshman competing in Class B, Falk finished third in the breaststroke at 1:08.10 and fifth in the IM with a time of 2:14.61. She was the Tri-River League champion in both events.

"She is a real hard worker, and she keeps up her grades despite swimming all those hours," Thurston coach Shelly Morse said. "I expected her to do well (in her first year of high school competition) from the times and way she was working in practice. She has good form and a really good stroke."

Karrie Kranz, N. Farmington: Kranz was 12th in the state in the 200 freestyle with a 1:59.72 time. Her best was a 1:58.23 in the state prelims.

In the WLAA meet, she won that event and the 100 freestyle. She is the county champ in the 200 freestyle and was third in the 100. Kranz received All-America accolades for her contribution to North's medley relay team.

Jamie Anderson, Stevenson: Anderson was 10th in the state in the 200 freestyle, swimming 1:58.18 in the finals, and third in the league. She also was fourth in the 500 freestyle at the WLAA meet.

"Jamie always leads by example," Phill said. "She's an excellent trainer, and all of her success is well earned."

Jenny McCombs, Mercy: McCombs placed 10th in the state and holds the pool record in the backstroke. She swam 1:01.52 in the Class A prelims. She was Catholic League champ in the backstroke and IM, and she helped the Marlins win the medley relay at that meet, too.

"Jenny has made incredible improvement this year in all of her strokes, especially the back and IM," Eudi-Teeters said. "Jenny was voted this year's most improved."

1990 ALL-AREA GIRLS SWIMMING

FIRST-TEAM INDIVIDUALS

200 freestyle: Kerry Doran, senior, N. Farmington.

Individual medley: Anna Palmer, sophomore, N. Farmington.

50 freestyle: Ellen Lessig, junior, Livonia Churchill.

Diving: Amy Kodrik, junior, Plymouth Canton.

100 butterfly: Lynda Goldstein, junior, Farm. Hills Mercy.

100 freestyle: Erika Smith, sophomore, Farm. Hills Mercy.

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400 freestyle: North Farmington (Julianne Markey, Sherril Richardson, Karrie Kranz and Kerry Doran).

COACH OF THE YEAR

Pat Duthie, North Farmington

AT-LARGE INDIVIDUALS

Jennifer Knapp, junior, Livonia Stevenson; Jill Knapp, freshman, Livonia Stevenson; Carrie Worthen, sophomore, N. Farmington; Mandi Falk, freshman, Redford Thurston; Karrie Kranz, junior, N. Farmington; Jamie Anderson, junior, Livonia Stevenson; Jenny McCombs, sophomore, Mercy; Polly Tenuta, senior, Mercy.

AT-LARGE RELAYS

200 medley: Farmington Hills Mercy (Jenny McCombs, Katie Knipper, Lynda Goldstein and Erika Smith).

200 freestyle: Plymouth Canton (Jeni Cooper, Tami Santomauro, Pam Pritchard and Chris Lang).

400 freestyle: Farmington Hills Mercy (Michelle McCallfrey, Polly Tenuta, Joan Huellmantel and Erika Smith).

AT-LARGE RELAYS

200 medley: Mercy: The team of Jenny McCombs, Katie Knipper, Lynda Goldstein and Erika Smith has the second-best time in the area at 1:53.15. The Marlins had the top-ranked team in the state but were disqualified at the state meet.

"Our entire relay returns next year, and our goal is not only to be in the top of the state but to see where we place in the nation," Eudi-Teeters said. "We put the medley relay out of mind by the time the 200 free came around. We had a great meet... without dwelling on the negative."

200 freestyle, Canton: The Chiefs won the WLAA title, set a league record and qualified for state with the team of seniors Tami Santomauro and Chris Lang, sophomore Pam Pritchard and junior Jeni Cooper. They had the second-best time in the area at 1:43.9.

Santomauro and Lang were four-year swimmers who scored in individual events in the WLAA meet. Cooper was league champ in the 50 and 100 freestyles and set varsity records in both. She also scored in two relays at the WLAA meet. Pritchard, who also scored in four league events, is an outstanding talent, according to Wellman.

400 freestyle, Mercy: Michelle McCallfrey, Polly Tenuta, Joan Huellmantel and Erika Smith placed 11th in the state with a 3:45.19 time.

"Our goal was to place all three relays at state," Eudi-Teeters said. "After our first relay was disqualified, the pressure was on these kids to come through. It was a real emotional moment, and they did a great job."



The top 200-yard medley relay time belonged to North Farmington's team of Julianne Markey (from left), Anna Palmer, Kerry Doran and Karrie Kranz.



Mercy's team of Katie Knipper (from left), Polly Tenuta, Michelle McCallfrey and Lynda Goldstein had the fastest time in the 200 freestyle relay.



North Farmington had the area's best 400 freestyle team with Julianne Markey (from left), Sherri Richardson, Karrie Kranz and Kerry Doran.



The foursome of Mercy swimmers Jenny McCombs (from left), Katie Knipper, Lynda Goldstein and Erika Smith posted the second-best time in the 200 medley.



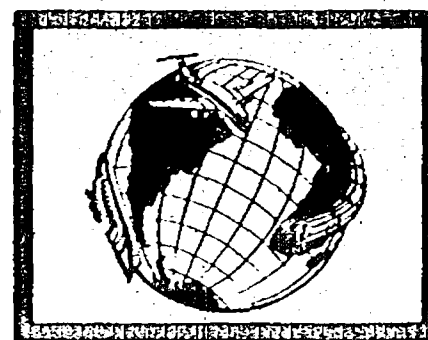
Canton swimmers Jeni Cooper (from left), Tami Santomauro, Pam Pritchard and Chris Lang comprised the at-large selection in the 200 freestyle relay.



Runner-up for area honors in the 400 freestyle relay is the Mercy team of Michelle McCallfrey (from left), Polly Tenuta, Joan Huellmantel and Erika Smith.

Travel Scene

Iris Sanderson Jones editor



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crossroads

Iris Jones

Stop, look and listen

I asked William E. Jackman, assistant vice president of public information for the Air Transport Association of America (ATAA), to comment on my personal air safety rules and to add his own. Bill was in his Washington D.C. office following the Dec. 3 collision between two Northwest Airlines planes at Detroit Metropolitan Airport, so he knew why I was asking the question.

ATAA is the trade association of major airlines, so it represents air carriers. Airlines are all different, but one thing they all agree on is safety rules for passengers.

My personal rules were developed while traveling at least a week a month over 14 years on business, plus several additional years of more casual travel.

I call my standard procedure Stop, Look, Listen, Read and Act. We always look both ways when we cross a street, no matter how often we do it, so why not in an airplane?

1. I listen attentively to the flight attendant no matter how many times a day I take off. My seatmate, usually a business traveler, usually reading his newspaper, often assuming that I am doing this because it's my first flight. Seasoned travelers traditionally ignore the repetitive recitation of safety instructions.

2. I silently count the seats to the front and back exits, and to the window exits, using my own seat or the one across the aisle as number one so that there is never any doubt in my mind. Someday I might have to count those seats in the dark or in a smoky cabin.

3. I take the safety card out of the back of the seat in front of me and review it, paying special attention to whether the door handles on exit doors open clockwise or counterclockwise and how to activate the escape chutes. If I fly over water I also check the position of the life rafts and reach under my seat just to lightly touch the life jacket.

4. I stay alert and unoccupied, no reading, no sleeping, during takeoff and landing, which is when emergencies usually occur. I'm not at all nervous aloft, so when I've done my "Stop, Look and Listen," I relax.

"I've flown millions of air miles and never been in an emergency," I told Bill Jackman. "I've never seen the chutes come down or even seen the oxygen masks come down. My rules are to ensure that I do what I can do if the worst happens."

"I don't think that there is a great deal more that you can do than what you've outlined," Bill Jackman said. "I don't think too many people will count seats. Determining the closest exit is as much as we can hope for. We now have a system of lights on the floor to direct passengers to an exit, which certainly helps if the cabin is filled with smoke."

"Pay attention to the video if there is one," Jackman continued. "New planes all have their safety instructions on video screens. I've noticed that people are more likely to pay attention to a video screen."

"I get a lot of questions about where to sit on a plane. There are no statistics to show that any part of a plane is safer than any other."

"There are typically two front and two rear exit doors with two exit windows over the plane," I said. "I don't like the idea of going out a window exit to a wing because the engines and fuel are in the wing and I'm afraid of fire."

"I feel exactly the opposite," Bill said. "I feel that structurally the wing area is the best place to sit. In a lot of accidents the plane breaks up, and often the plane is sectionalized in front of and behind the wing. You don't have to go down chutes to get off the wing."

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Down by the river

Try visiting Cincinnati via the back door

By Iris Sanderson Jones
staff writer

Like most Michigan travelers, Fred and Carolyn Johnson of Birmingham usually drive right past Cincinnati on their way down I-75. A brief glimpse of the city and the riverboats and the road continues south.

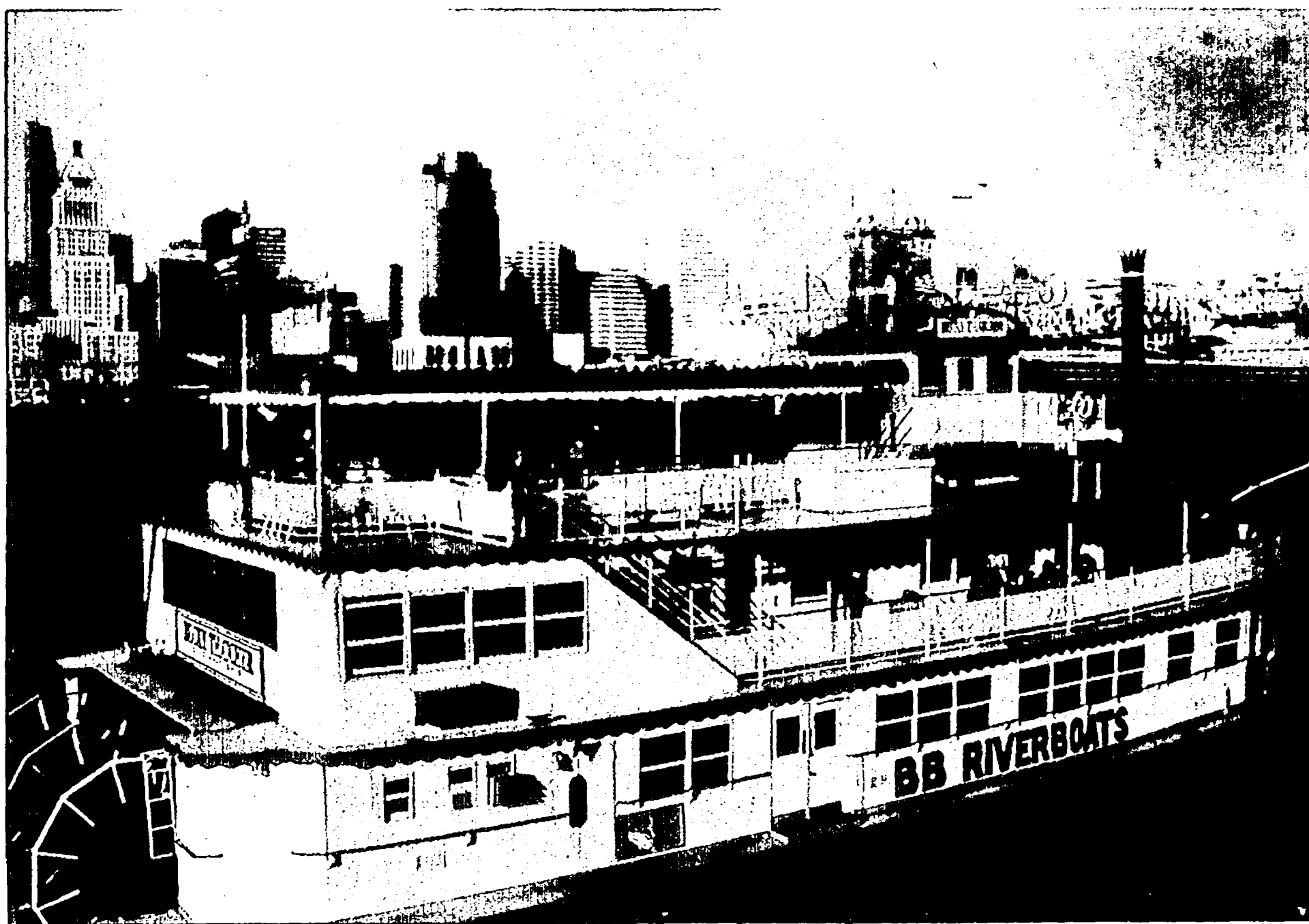
This time they were traveling with their friend Richard Ruehle of Farmington and decided to stop at the Amos Schinkle Townhouse Bed & Breakfast on the Kentucky side of the Ohio River, what folks around here call the "other side of Cincinnati."

The Ohio River created these two towns, Cincinnati on the Ohio side, Covington on the Kentucky side. The settlers who came down by flatboat were mostly Germans so when you turn off at the Covington exit, you see a gemütlichkeit bell tower near the Covington Visitor Center in Goebel Park, solid-looking, restored houses and shops on Mainstrasse and along the dozen blocks to the Kentucky end of the "Blue Bridge."

You will see now why the Johnsons went in by the back door of The Queen City. That wonderful Cincinnati skyline is there across the bridge, spreading upriver from the high rises and Riverfront Stadium, past the Public Landing, where the Delta Queen boats dock when they're in town, and the Serpentine Wall, to Bicentennial Park at the foot of Mount Adams.

The river stretches away on either side, its banks lined on the Kentucky side with paddlewheelers and floating restaurants. Cincinnatians live on the Ohio side of the river but they eat, play and watch the sun go down from the Kentucky side.

If you want high-rise hotels in the



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The Becky Thatcher, part of B&B Riverboats, leaves Covington Landing on the Kentucky side of the Ohio River for a regularly

scheduled tour. The Cincinnati skyline and Riverfront Stadium are visible in the background.

midst of city traffic, cross the Blue Bridge, officially the Roebling Bridge, go five blocks north to the high-rise hotels connected to the skywalk: The Clarion, Westin, Cincinnati, Hyatt Regency, Omni Netherland and Terrace Hilton.

If you prefer a quieter setting, with easy access to I-75, and within

walking distance of downtown Cincinnati, stay here on the Kentucky side. You can walk across the bridge to the heart of downtown Cincinnati, walk to the new restaurants and entertainment places of Covington Landing and to the Mike Fink Riverboat

You can stay in Covington hotels like the Holiday Inn Riverfront, the

Quality Hotel Riverview, the new Embassy Suites Hotel that sits above Covington Landing at the west end of the west bridge. Or you can follow the Johnsons two blocks east to Garrard Street and the Amos Schinkle Townhouse Bed and Breakfast in the Riverside-Licking historic district.

Amos Schinkle was the man who

hired Roebling to build what is now called the Blue Bridge, a remarkable swag of cables that looks, for good reason, like the Brooklyn Bridge in New York City. Roebling duplicated this bridge across the water between Brooklyn and Manhattan a dozen

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They liked it so much they stayed again

By Iris Sanderson Jones
staff writer

Fred and Carolyn Johnson of Birmingham found the Amos Schinkle Townhouse Bed & Breakfast through their friend Dick Ruehle of Farmington, proving once again that word-of-mouth is the best travel guide. They stayed overnight on their way to Gatlinburg, Tenn., and liked it so much they stayed again on their way home.

Shinkle was the 19th-century busi-

nessman who hired John Roebling to build his famous bridge across the Ohio River. You won't find him in the tall, square, white building at 215 Garrard St., in the historic Riverside district near the Kentucky end of the Roebling Bridge, or in the carriage house out back. But you will find either Don Nash or Bernie Moorman, probably in the kitchen making goetta.

Bernie was a chemist and Don a microbiologist for the Environmental Protection Agency when they

met. Bernie was already in Kenton County politics—city commissioner, mayor, now county commissioner—when he and Don began restoring houses here on millionaires row and decided in 1980 to open a bed and breakfast.

Bernie is still in politics, so if you ask about division of labor, they'll tell you that Bernie cooks breakfast on the weekends but Don and the part-time help get stuck with the laundry and the cleaning during the week.

The rooms in the main house are 16 feet high and full of wonderful antiques. The Johnsons stayed in the main bedroom at the top of the stairs, which has a double bed in an elegant old-fashioned setting and a large glamorous bathroom for Shinkle's top rate of \$98 a night. Other rooms are small and pretty at \$62 a night and up.

Dick Ruehle was escorted across the small garden to the carriage house, which has four rooms with double beds, private baths, a single

bed and a trundle for overflow. "Both the house and our hosts were delightful," Carolyn Johnson said. "We walked around the wonderful old houses in the historic district. Both my husband and I love that sort of thing. And when our friend Dick couldn't get a room in the Schinkle house on the way home they put him in a lovely private home across the street that is used for overflow."

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Former Farmington Hills resident Peter Bahra stands in front of Museum Center at Union Terminal in Cincinnati where he is registrar for the Cincinnati Historical Society.

Dinosaurs roar at museum

By Iris Sanderson Jones
staff writer

Peter Bahra of Farmington Hills may greet you when you walk into the rotunda of Cincinnati's old Union Terminal, which boasts the largest half-dome in the western hemisphere. Peter graduated from Farmington High School and attended the University of Michigan and Eastern Illinois University before settling down as registrar for the Cincinnati Historical Society.

CHS museum director Ruby Rogers, who helped plan the Heritage Museum in Lansing and a couple of other Michigan field museums, may be there too, running from one exhibit task to another.

The Cincinnati Historical Society and the Cincinnati Museum of Natural History are the two major "tenants" of a brand-new attraction, Museum Center at Union Terminal, which opened to the public last month.

When you look up at the murals that wrap the wall between the dome, it is easy to imagine train travelers bustling in and out of here when this marvelous art deco building was opened in 1933; easy to picture the tearful farewells and joyful reunions of World War II.

The building had a short 39-year

The terminal has 500,000 square feet of space, the equivalent of 14 football fields, so there will be room for special roving exhibits, classrooms and private events even after these major exhibits have been mounted.

life as a railway terminal and brief reincarnation as a festive market, but it was mostly a much-admired but-empty edifice until it reopened this fall.

The Center may be Cincinnati's most important tourist attraction when all of its museum exhibits are complete in fall 1991. The three-toed-sloth and bat-cave exhibits will be complete in the natural history section. The flatboats will pull regularly into the landing at the historical society exhibits.

The terminal has 500,000 square feet of space, the equivalent of 14 football fields, so there will be room for special roving exhibits, classrooms and private events even after these major exhibits have been mounted.

The building itself is a landmark and you can wander freely through

the rotunda, into the ice cream shop and the gift shops that circle under the murals of pioneer Cincinnati life. You can even talk to someone on the opposite side of the 180-foot rotunda by standing beside the Whispering Fountain.

The Museum of Natural History has established a permanent exhibit called Children's Discovery Center on 7,200 square feet in the area where taxis once drove into the station to drop off passengers. "Dinosaurs: The Return of the Giants" also runs through Oct. 31, 1991, starting and delighting visitors with 23 roaring, robotic dinosaurs and dinosaur relatives. Kids aged 3-12 can enjoy both exhibits for \$3, adults \$6.

The Cincinnati Historical Society has established an antique auto show

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Bernie Moorman sits outside the Covington, Ky., bed and breakfast he is part owner of. A commissioner for Kenton County, Moorman has been in politics a long while, but still cooks breakfast on weekends at the Amos Schinkle Townhouse Bed & Breakfast.

They liked it so well they stayed again

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"Covington, (Ky.), was a pleasant surprise to us. We had always thought of it as a 'bad place,' something associated with gambling. But it is a very interesting town. We ate at the Mike Fink riverboat but none of us liked it. The food wasn't very good and they need to do some public relations training with their brusque staff.

"Our favorite dining spot was an Italian place called The Boot (22 Court St., telephone 291-0004). It's a small place, with great food

and a very friendly service and atmosphere. It's within walking distance of the Shinkle bed and breakfast."

Whichever one of your charming, witty hosts serves breakfast, be sure to try the goetta with your eggs, pancakes or French toast. Goetta is pork cooked scuddle-style into breakfast patties. Bernie's brother-in-law, Dick Finke, makes the goetta, using only hams with traditional pinhead oats, onions and spices that go into this exclusively Cincinnati specialty.

Robotic dinosaurs roar at Ohio museum

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called "On The Road to Union Terminal" across 8,000 square feet on the other side of the rotunda, where the taxis exited after they dropped off their passengers. Admission is \$1.50 for adults, \$1 for children aged 3-12.

"'On the Road' shows the types of cars that were in Cincinnati during the terminal's construction and the first years it was open," Ruby Rogers said. "We wanted our first exhibit to have a transportation theme,

something from the same period of the terminal. Cars became streamlined in the 1930s so there is a connection to the building."

"Cincinnati Goes to War: A Community's Response to World War II," which also connects with the terminal's history, opens in late April 1991 to mark the 50th anniversary of America's entrance into World War II.

The Museum at Union Terminal is at 1301 Western Ave. in downtown Cincinnati. Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday and Saturday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday.

travel

Stagecoach Christmas

Stagecoach Stop USA in Irish Hills, Mich., will hold its Christmas in the Country traditional old-fashioned Christmas holiday festivity weekends now through Dec. 23. Hours are noon to 6 p.m. Saturdays and noon to 9 p.m. Sundays.

Activities include strolling carolers in costume, train rides through Santa's Village, a Christmas light display, shopping and rides for the kids.

Stagecoach Stop is on U.S. 12, eight miles west of Clinton. For more information, call (517) 467-2300.

Ski Michigan

The fourth annual "Let's Go Ski-

ing Michigan" promotion offers to programs: "Learn to Downhill Ski Free Day" and "Silver Streak Week."

The first program, Jan. 16, offers free lessons for beginners and beginner-area lift tickets to those who register at 30 participating ski areas. Silver Streak Week, Jan. 28-Feb. 1 offers free downhill and cross country skiing to anyone age 55 and older who shows proof at 46 participating ski areas. For more information, call the Michigan Travel Bureau at (517) 373-3186.

Ski tours

American Youth Hostels is sponsoring a series of ski outings including cross country trips. These vary from a few hours to a week in length in locations ranging from northern

Michigan to Canada. Also slated is an outing in Innsbruck, Austria. Weekend trips cost approximately \$160 for AYH members, and non-members are allowed one weekend trip as a guest at trip cost plus \$3. Annual AYH membership is \$25. For more information, call (313) 545-0511.

All aboard!

The Michigan Star Clipper Dinner Train, in Paw Paw, Mich., near Kalamazoo, is featuring its "Star Clipper Christmas" musical review on selected dates through Dec. 23. The show features songs of Christmas as the train winds through Michigan's wine country. Advance registration is required. For more information, call (800) 828-3423.

Senior bargain

AeroTours International is offering senior citizens bargain extended-stay vacations in deluxe apartments in Queensland, Australia. For a minimum of two weeks, seniors can stay in Cairns, near the Great Barrier Reef at a cost of \$1,699 per person. Cost includes round-trip transportation from Los Angeles to Cairns. For more information, contact AeroTours, 36 East Third St., New York, N.Y.; (800) 223-4555.

Grand Traverse Resort is offering a New Year's Gala package that includes a variety of accommodations, meals, parties and activities on an a la carte basis. Supervised activities for the kids age 5-17 are also available. For more information, call (616) 938-2100.

See Cincinnati via back door

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years after he built his namesake in Cincinnati.

If you are a walker, hike 10 blocks south to the Basilica of the Assumption, a sight which must have amazed 19th century visitors to rural Kentucky. It is modeled after Notre Dame in Paris and claims to have the largest stained-glass window in the world.

If you want to see Cincinnati, jog across the bridge to the activities

around Fountain Square, where a skating rink is located and holiday activities are in progress this month. The film "Rain Man" was filmed here and Dustin Hoffman called this bridge the slogging bridge because of the sound of whining tires across its metal surface.

You can take the steps down from the Cincinnati end of the bridge and walk past Riverfront Stadium, where the Cincinnati Reds played World Series baseball, and the

Riverfront Coliseum. You can rest on the Serpentine wall and wander along a model of the Ohio River amid the gardens and playgrounds of Bicentennial Park.

Hardy walkers might find their way up Mount Adams to the museum, conservatory and playhouse theater of Eden Park. Every Easter worshippers climb, often on their knees, up the 82 steps to Immaculata, the Church of the Steps.

The less hardy may prefer to try Montgomery Inn Ribs at the Boat-house on the Riverwalk at the east end of Bicentennial Park. It has a great river view as do all the restaurants set in paddlewheel boats along the Kentucky side of the river.

Many of them are run by well-known restaurateurs from the area. The Newport Beach restaurant upriver is operated by the Comisar family, whose Cincinnati restaurant, The Maisonette, has held Mobil's five-star rating longer than any other restaurant in the country.

One of the best sunset views is from the moderately priced Crockett's River Cafe at 1 Riverboat Row. Crockett's is owned by the Bernstein family, headed by entrepreneur Ben Bernstein. Bernstein started with the El Greco Cafe in Covington many years ago, bought the popular Mike Fink's riverboat and this fall opened Covington Landing at RiverCenter.

Stop, look and listen to ensure air safety

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"But you have to jump..."
"But you don't jump far."
"How about sitting beside an exit?"

"The Federal Aviation Administration has new rules that say passengers sitting near an exit must be fit to act in an emergency and they must be instructed," Bill said. "No children. No disabilities that would stop them from acting in an emergency."

Bill couldn't say much about the,

collision between two Northwest airliners on the ground in Detroit Dec. 3, nor could he answer the question that interests me most as a safety-conscious air traveler: Why didn't those front exit doors open and the chutes inflate?

Listening to survivors from the burning wreckage of Northwest Flight 1482, the DC-9 that was on the wrong runway and hit a Boeing 727 during takeoff, it is clear to me that most passengers didn't know in advance where those exits were.

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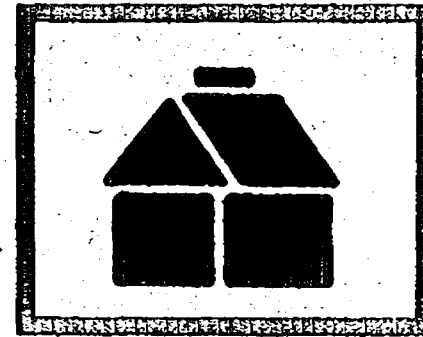
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"The Balloon Lady," a painting done in mixed media, is the Livonia artist's personal favorite. The artist pays close attention to detail, making the painting as clear and sharp as a photograph.



An acrylic, poster-sized painting, "The Yuppie-ing Over the Bermuda Triangle," pokes fun at the so-called Yuppie generation and its indulgence in clothing and jewelry.

photos by GUY WARREN/staff photographer

Dream come true

Artist delivers telling message with a distinctive social theme



By Janice Tigar-Kramer
special writer

WHEN ED Ferguson learned that two of his paintings were accepted by the Detroit Artists Market, his reaction was genuine.

The Livonia resident simply clutched the acceptance letter with tears in his eyes and, out loud, said, "Thanks." Then he called his mother and wife, Beverly, to say, "My work's hanging downtown."

Not an unexpected reaction from a man who dreamed of becoming an artist when growing up on Detroit's east side and even while serving two tours in Vietnam.

Ferguson's work, titled "Who Cares, Rocky?" and "Pleasant Dreams," is on display through Dec. 22 at the Detroit Artists Market, 1452 Randolph, in Harmonie Park. Gallery hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Tuesday-Saturday. Admission is free.

The paintings, the first in a series of work using a social theme, illustrate the public's passiveness toward violence in society.

"Who Cares, Rocky?," which illustrates society's reaction to a senseless, inner city murder, sells for \$800. "Pleasant Dreams," which depicts an attack on a woman, is priced at \$700. Both acrylic paintings include three separate scenes and are about 5 by 2 1/2 feet.

"I've wanted to be an artist all of my life," Ferguson said. "When I told people that as a boy, I'm sure they were thinking, 'Now what's he really going to do?'"

FORMERLY THE advertising and public relations director for Michigan-based Sibley Shoes, where he was chief copywriter, art director and designer, Ferguson left the steady job after 12 years to respond to an "overwhelming urge" to become a full-time artist-illustrator.

"Artists and other creative people have an urge that grows inside. As you get older, the urge to create (your own kind of art) becomes overwhelming," said Ferguson, 43.

A diversified artist whose realistic and impressionistic work is done in acrylic, watercolors and mixed media, he plans to free-lance his work. He also plans to do consulting, pro-

duction work and copywriting for corporate and independent shops.

THOUGH HIS natural painting and drawing style is tight and realistic, he enjoys an artistic challenge and a departure from the commercial art he has been required to do in the past.

The paintings on display at the Detroit Artists Market, for example, "came from within." They were done to raise the public's social consciousness.

"I'm tired of reading and hearing about murder and other violence and wondered what contribution I could

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Selections from 'Messiah' in spotlight

By Linda Ann Chomin
special writer

The Plymouth Symphony Orchestra, under Russell Reed's direction, will present the third concert of the 1990-91 season, "Messiah plus," at 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 14, in the Plymouth-Salem High School Auditorium, Canton Township.

Guest artists for this special holiday concert are the Plymouth Community Chorus, under musical director Michael Gross.

On the program are selections from George Frideric Handel's "Messiah," "Christmas Favorites"

by Chase, "Christmas Fantasy" by Herman, and an audience sing-along.

"We like to involve as much of the community as we can in our concerts," Reed said.

He was referring to the Plymouth Community Chorus, featured artists in "Messiah plus." Reed believes strongly in supporting the community.

This is Reed's fourth season as music director and conductor of the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra. He recently signed a three-year contract extension with the orchestra through 1994.

Reed has conducted groups for 34

years. He is professor of music and director of the symphony orchestra at Eastern Michigan University. This is his last year at Eastern, after which he will retire.

"I've always worked in music education," Reed said. "After this year, I'll be able to devote full time to the Plymouth Symphony."

WHEN REED speaks, you sense the pride in the orchestra.

"I think we've made improvements in the scores, the orchestra and the programs," Reed said. "We're currently in negotiations for next season."

Reed said when planning the new

season, he "explores a lot of possibilities, then throws the ideas out, at the board meetings."

"The last symphony, I really enjoyed all of it, the classical, the jazz," Reed said.

He was elated, remembering the orchestra's November concert, "Jazz It Up" with flutist, Alexander Zonjic.

"I'm sure that Zonjic wouldn't mind being quoted," Reed said. "After the performance, Zonjic said the Plymouth Symphony is one of the best symphony orchestras in the area."

The music for the overture, "Messiah," was written by Handel in 24 days. When Handel finished writing

Part II, the "Hallelujah Chorus," he said, "I did think I did see all Heaven before me, and the great God Himself!"

Handel's universally popular "Hallelujah Chorus" ascends to a triumphant climax, which has been compared to the finale of Beethoven's Fifth Symphony. It was Beethoven who said of Handel, "He is the greatest of us all." In any regard, the "Hallelujah Chorus" is a masterpiece.

IN THE past, it has been said of Handel's Messiah that to an English-

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Russell Reed
PSO conductor

Historic mill site a terrific place for an arts center

BLINK AND you may miss it. Wilcox Lake across the road presents a nice view. But with a little imagination and a lot of TLC, the aging building has the potential to be something special.

Like a full-fledged community arts center.

Right now, the 67-year-old, Wayne County-owned building at Wilcox Road and Edward Hines Drive in Plymouth is used as a parks system maintenance garage.

Seventy years ago, the site was home to Plymouth (Wilcox) Mill, one of Henry Ford's village mill industries.

Between 1918 and 1944, 20 such branch plants went up in the Rouge, Huron and Raisin river valleys to offer industrial work during the slack season for farmers.

The design of these waterpower plants, many adaptive restorations of 19th-century gristmills, reflected Ford's love for nature, history and technology.

A master innovator, Ford offered farmers jobs at small branch plants within their communities "to ensure the values and experiences of the rural way of life." Ford fiddlers served up country tunes at community square dances.

Ever the naturalist, Ford encouraged the building of birdhouses in the villages to attract birds for insect control.

THE PLYMOUTH Mill started out in 1923 making generator cutouts. Thirty men each earned \$6 a day. The plant later produced screw



Bob Sklar

taps and, during World War II, bomber parts.

Wilcox Lake is the byproduct of a mill-race dam that the Wayne County Road Commission and Ford Motor Co. built in 1933 to boost water power.

The still-sturdy but drab-looking Plymouth Mill building was named to the state historic register in 1989.

"I think it'd be a perfect location for an arts center," said Beth Ste-

wart, Plymouth Historical Museum director. "I'd really like to see it happen."

SO WOULD Susan Froelich, Plymouth Community Arts Council interim director.

The arts council is hammering out a 20-year, \$1-a-year lease with the county to renovate the 4,200-square-foot building into an arts center at a cost of upwards of \$200,000.

In 1948, Henry Ford's widow, Clara, donated the then-closed Plymouth Mill to the county, which owns the surrounding Middle Rouge Parkway.

"We'd like to have some kind of entity in there that would respect the history of the site and allow us to develop around that program and not be in conflict," said Hurley Cole-

man, Wayne County parks director.

"We're eager to be working with the arts council. We feel it's a very good marriage."

"We're working with an architect to develop a renovation plan," Froelich said. "Structurally, the building is strong and solid. We're upbeat."

A RENOVATION fund-raising plan also must be developed. Wayne County will assist with improvement and upkeep of the grounds. An optimistic timetable would put the non-profit arts council in new digs by late 1991.

"If and when we go in there, it'll clean up that whole entrance to Plymouth," Froelich said. "It's a beautiful environment with the lake across the road."

"An arts center there would make

it a much more handsome entryway to Plymouth."

The arts council envisions offices, classrooms, an exhibit gallery and a rental/consignment shop. The gallery would be flexible enough to allow for chamber concerts.

What's especially appealing about the building is its potential for easy accessibility from the Wilcox Road side for disabled or elderly residents.

Incidentally, the small barn between the mill and the Greek Revival-style miller's house on nearby Hardenbergh Road is nearly 100 years old.

The mill site was first developed as the Hardenbergh Mill, built about 1850 and later run by David Wilcox and his sons, George and John.

Bob Sklar is assistant managing editor for special projects.

Gallery showcases Southwest jewelry

By Linda Ann Chomin
special writer

Step inside the Plymouth art gallery, Native West. Suddenly, you are transported to another land, another culture: that of the Native American tribes of the Southwest.

Friday through Sunday, Dec. 14-16, Native West, in celebration of its one-year anniversary, will draw on another resource of the Southwest: silversmith Martin de Macias Neal of Albuquerque, N. M. He'll demonstrate the skills he uses in the art of creating Navaho- and Zuni-influenced, inlay jewelry.

"You have to have a lot of patience for the inlay work," he said during an interview in Plymouth. "There's basically four steps involved in making inlay jewelry."

"First, the silver work is done; this gives you the skeleton. Then comes the stone cutting. I cut each stone separately.

"Next comes setting the stones into the silverwork with different types of epoxy. After which, I let the stones and silverwork set for two days. Then, I grind and polish the surface until it is smooth as glass."

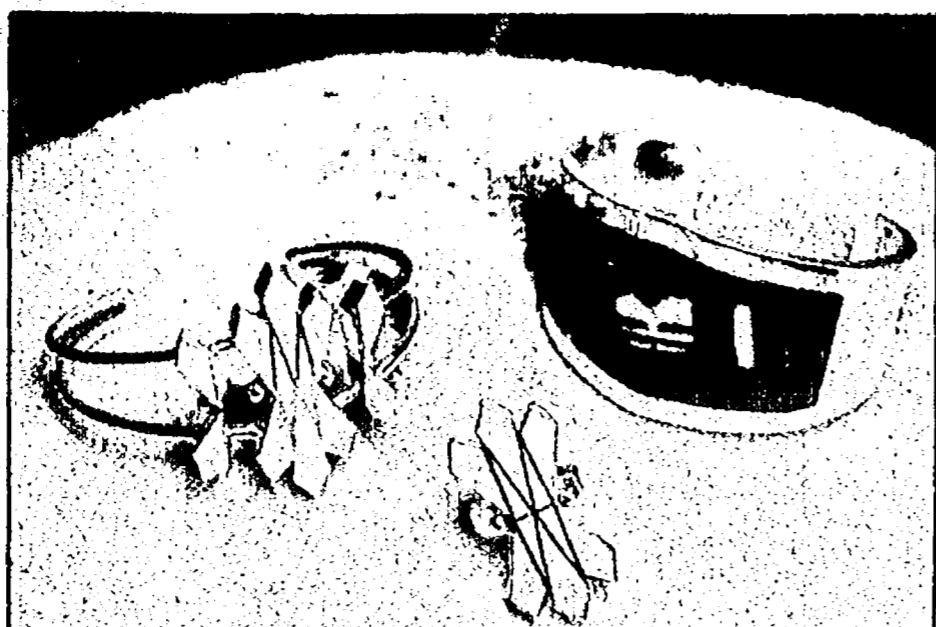
Neal leaves no detectable evidence of the numerous pieces of stone that went into making the final creation.

NEAL ESTIMATES that he has been creating jewelry for 22 years. He uses a combination of techniques gained from the Zuni and Navaho.

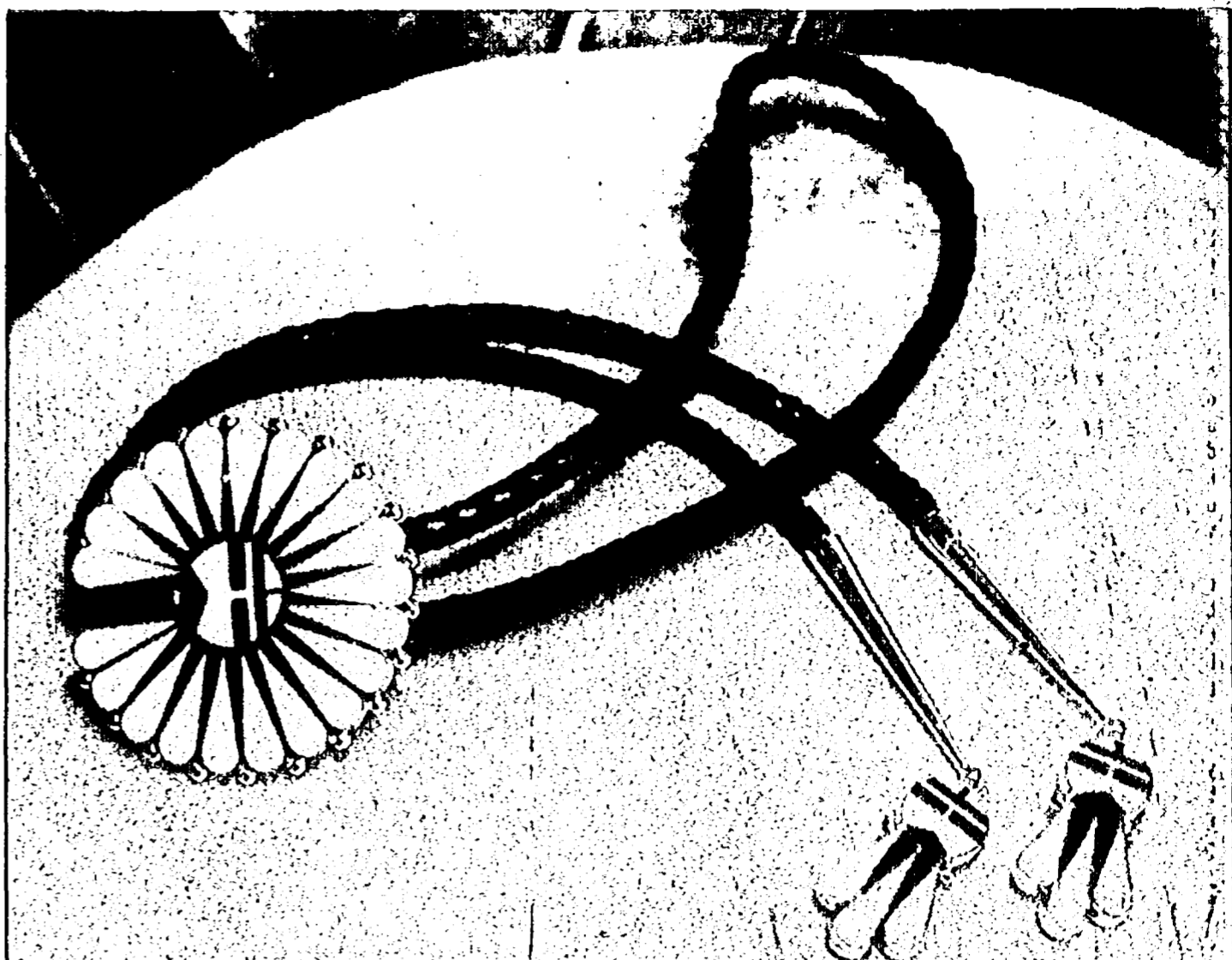
"From the Navaho, I learned a lot about silverwork," Neal said. "Navaho silverwork is a lot heavier."

Neal said a lot of the inspiration for his pieces stems from the environment. "I was always around the environment," Neal said, "because my mother has worked 30 years at a Native American trading post" (in Gallup, N. M.).

He grew up around the silversmiths who worked at the trading



At left: two pieces of Martin de Macias Neal's contemporary necklace set, which includes earrings, a ring and a necklace. Diamond cut stones of turquoise and green snail. The set is priced at \$845.



photos by JIM JAGDFELD/staff photographer

A Sunface bolo, by Martin de Macias Neal, is created from inlaid turquoise and jet with tips of silver. The silver neckwear is priced at \$575.

post. Soon, he became captivated by the art of creating silverwork.

In his early teens, he learned silversmith techniques from three Navaho artists: Mary Dea, Mary Morgan and the late Charlie Grey.

In 1974, Neal spent time with friends at the Zuni Pueblo. Here, he received his introduction to stone cutting and inlay techniques. For the next three years, he studied lapidary skills with his close friend one of the foremost Zuni artists, the late Daniel Eracho.

From this diverse background, which included earning a Bachelor of Anthropology degree from the University of California at Santa Cruz, Neal developed a highly refined style of creating jewelry.

APPEARING IN each of Neal's

pieces is the sun. "The sun, for a lot of Pueblo tribes, is the giver of life," Neal said.

Neal's Sunface necklace set consists of a circular, coral, inlaid medallion of the sun with wings of inlaid coral ascending the chain of the necklace, pierced earrings and bracelet, all set in a framework of silver. The set is priced at \$2,250. Neal estimates that he has 40 hours of labor in the stunning coral set.

Neal creates contemporary as well as traditional pieces, all with a Southwest Native American theme. During the demonstrations at Native West, he will be creating a pair of inlay earrings.

The prices for Neal's jewelry range from \$300 to \$5,000.

Along with Neal at the gallery this Friday, Saturday and Sunday will be

the nationally known trader, Edwin "Bing" Crosby, who has three decades of Native American art expertise.

"Bing is bringing tons of Hopi, Navaho and Zuni jewelry," said Becky Dodson, co-owner of the art gallery, Native West, with her husband, Doug.

The gallery exhibits Southwestern

art, both traditional and contemporary. Included in the Native American art inventory are oils, watercolors, acrylics, hand-crafted sterling silver jewelry, pottery, home furnishings, rugs, sand paintings, kachina dolls and coyotes carved from cottonwood.

When you visit Native West, the cold, Michigan winter seems to disappear as you are warmed by the

culture from sand-colored landscapes under the hot sun of the Southwest.

Native West is at 863 W. Ann Arbor Trail in downtown Plymouth. Gallery hours for the holidays are Monday through Saturday 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Sunday noon to 6 p.m. for information call 455-8838.

creative impressions

This column appears regularly. Send news items to: Creative Impressions, Creative Living, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, 48150.

ART SHOW

The Sinai Hospital Guild is sponsoring the sixth annual Sinai-Hillel Day School Art Show through Jan. 7 at the Detroit hospital, 6767 W. Outer Drive.

More than 400 works of art, paintings created by students ages 5-14 of the Farmington Hills Jewish day school, are hung throughout public areas of the hospital.

The monthlong exhibition celebrates the holiday of Hanukkah and provides a cheerful atmosphere for guests, employees and patients.

Theme for this year's show is based on the Torah's story of creation. The Hillel student artists worked within the theme, painting colorful portraits of their families, bold landscapes and shimmering celestial bodies. Sinai selects one piece of art from the show each year for its annual holiday greeting card.

A highlight of this year's show was the annual latke party Sunday. More than 600 guests dined on a traditional Hanukkah meal of latkes, or potato pancakes, with accompaniments. The luncheon concluded with a concert by the Hillel student choir.

DSO STATUS

The Detroit Symphony Orchestra increased ticket sales by 28 percent and revenue by 45 percent in 1989-90.

"An excellent artistic product and improvements in programming and

the appearance of the hall had a dramatic impact on ticket sales," said Robert Miller Jr., Detroit Symphony Orchestra Hall board chairman.

An audited summary of the year-end financial statement showed the DSO met or exceeded goals of the five-year business plan in all financial categories, Miller said.

The annual fund raised almost \$5 million, thanks in part to a Skillman Foundation grant. A fund-raising appeal to corporations and government sources raised \$9.2 million with \$3 million from a supplemental state allocation. The volunteer council raised \$200,000.

The educational concert series reached 32,000 young people. The DSO performed free concerts for such groups as the American Red Cross, the NAACP, Detroit Aglow and the International Freedom Fest.

The first African-American Composers Forum was a big success.

U-M CONCERTS

The Little Singers of Paris, a groups of boys sometimes called France's "little ambassadors of peace," will perform tonight, Thursday, Dec. 13, at Hill Auditorium in Ann Arbor as part of the University of Michigan concert series sponsored by the University Musical Society.

On Monday, Jan. 14, the society will present Leontyne Price, soprano, at 8 p.m. at Hill Auditorium. For tickets for either concert, call 764-2538 or 763-TKTS. They can also be bought in person at the Burton Tower ticket office on the U-M campus.



ART EMANUELE/staff photographer

At Madonna

Work by John Loree, master potter and teacher at Eastern Michigan University, is on display in the Exhibit Gallery at Madonna College, 1-98 and Levan, in Livonia, through Dec. 20. Most of the pieces are stoneware in traditional shapes with high-fire glazes (left). The Ypsilanti resident is noted for innovative pottery designs suggesting natural forms. Also displayed are terra cotta and porcelain pieces, watercolor paintings and a few pre-Columbian sculptures found in Mexico. The gallery, next to the campus library, is open 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. weekdays, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday and 1 to 5 p.m. Sunday.

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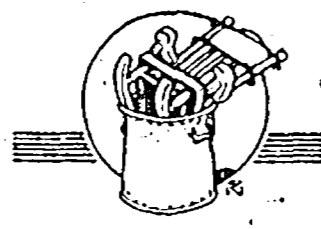
Q. This walnut lamp stand with square legs is 29 inches high and the top measures 17 by 20 inches. It was purchased in Ohio for \$45 in 1971. When was it made and what would it cost today?

A. This stand was made in the mid-19th century and would probably cost \$265 to \$285 today in an antique shop. Since that beats inflation, it was a fairly good investment.

Q. The attached mark is on the bottom of a figural group consisting of a boy in a sailor suit and a girl in an old-fashioned blue and white dress. The figures are 13 and 12 inches tall. I would appreciate your opinion of their value. Do you know what the mark means?

A. Your figurines were made by the Gebrüder Heubach (Heubach brothers) in Lichte, Germany, during the late 1800s. A dealer would probably price them at \$400 to \$500 for the pair.

Q. I have a bronze figure of a young boy dressed in a suit. He has both hands in his pockets and is holding a violin under his arm. It is 16



antique or junkie

James G. McCollam

inches tall including a wood base. It is signed "J. Garnier." Can you tell me anything about the origin and the value of my young violinist?

A. Jean Garnier was a well-known French sculptor in the 19th century. He probably modeled the original clay figuré about 1875. Your bronze statue was probably cast from the original about 1900. I find pieces similar to this selling for \$500 to \$600.

Q. We have a bisque finish cookie jar that is marked with crown and wreath "Royal" above the crown, "F.M." inside the wreath, "Bonn, Germany" below. It is decorated with lavender and pink flowers with

gold trim. Can you tell me when this was made and its current value?

A. Royal Bonn porcelain was made in a factory established in 1755 by Franz Mehm. Your cookie jar was made in the early 1900s and would probably sell for about \$100 to \$110.

Q. We have an Ingraham banjo clock that has two round wooden pots on it instead of the usual brass brackets. Can you determine when it was made and what it might sell for?

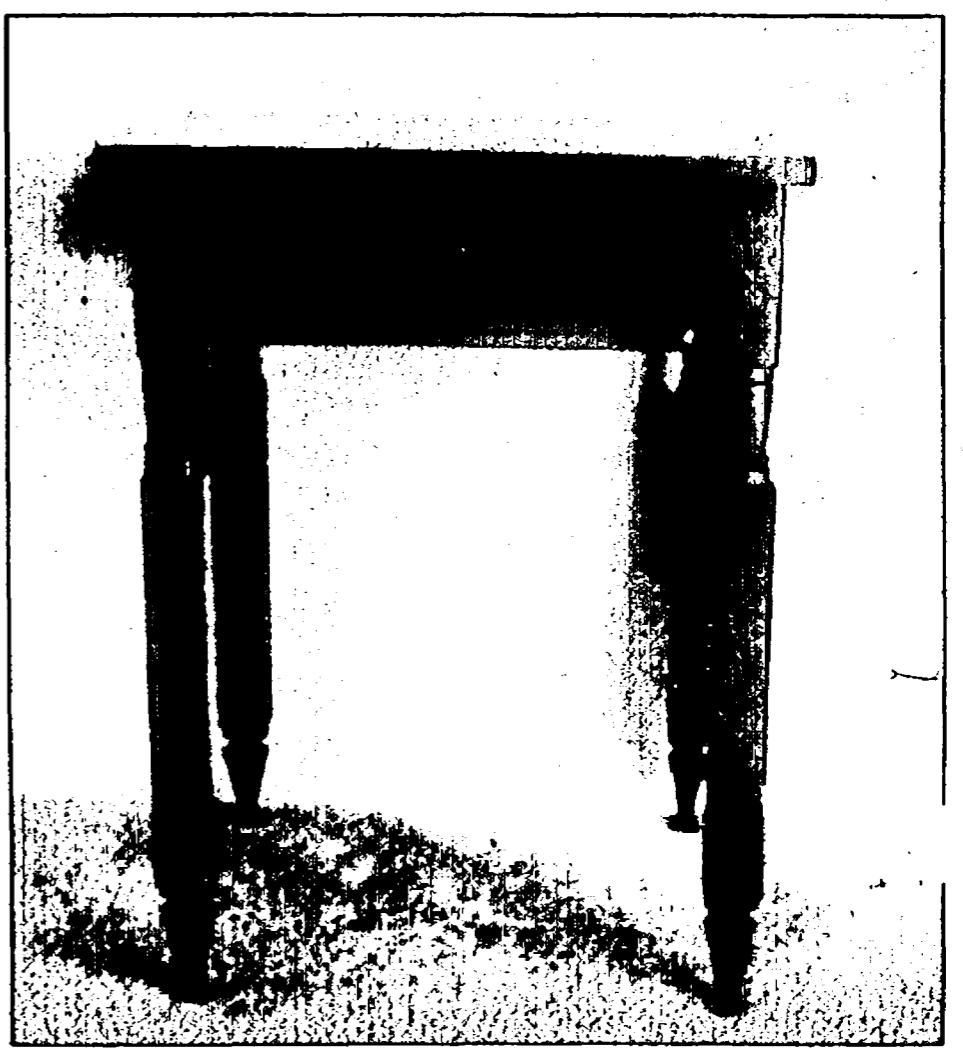
A. Apparently you have the Ingraham "Nile" model made about 1900. It is currently selling for \$265 to \$285 in good condition.

On books: "Early American Pattern Glass" by Bill Jenks and Jerry Luna, published by Wallace-Homestead, an imprint of Chilton Book Co., Radnor, Pa. 19089, \$29.95 plus \$2.50 postage or at your local bookstore.

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Send your questions about antiques with pictures, a detailed description, a stamped, self-addressed envelope and \$1 per item to James G. McCollam, P.O. Box 1087, Notre Dame, Ind. 46556. All questions will be answered but published pictures cannot be returned.

McCollam is a member of the Antique Appraisers Association of America.



This lamp stand, bought in 1971 for \$45, is worth up to \$285 at today's prices.

What's topping many holiday book wish lists

I still can't believe it. But there it is, pictured in one of the dozens of holiday gift catalogs I've received this year. Among the ubiquitous perfumes, lingerie, satin coat hangers, snow domes, travel clocks, et al, it's certainly "the gift with a difference," you must admit. It appears fairly sturdy, looks to be about the size of a small breadbox, and it costs \$30.

But you can trust me on this: I do not want a bat house for Christmas. The bat should be "revered," my catalog admonishes. After all, it eats insects at a rate of 500 plus per hour. I still don't want a bat house for Christmas.

Actually, I'm not aware of anyone who does. (Maybe I know the wrong people?)

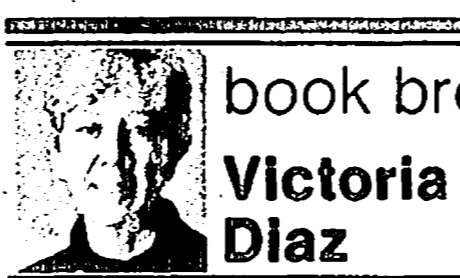
So what does any of this have to do with books? Nothing really; it's just my way of reminding you that, though they may not be exactly standing in line for bat houses this year, there are millions of people out there who do yearn for good books at holiday time.

THE FOLLOWING are topping many wish lists this season:

● "A Life on the Road" by Charles Kuralt (G.P. Putnam's Sons \$19.95). The most poetic of newsmen writes of the nomadic existence he has lived and loved since hiring on at CBS for \$135 a week in 1957. Most of the book focuses behind-the-scenes on his Emmy-winning series, "On the Road."

"I always wondered where the roads went," Kaulat says, remembering his North Carolina boyhood. For him, they eventually went nearly everywhere. Via this book, readers get to go along for the ride. Black-and-white photos are included.

● "Laura Ingalls Wilder Country" by William Anderson. (Harper Perennial, \$19.95). This glossy paperback should be joy to all Wilder fans. The book is a kind of photographic record of the Midwestern author's life, with extensive text by Michigan historian William Anderson. Contemporary photos (by Leslie Kelly) are interspersed with pictures from the Ingalls-Wilder family collection. (Some Wilder devotees may be surprised to learn that the original manuscript of "The Long Winter," her sixth book, was presented



book break

Victoria Diaz

to the Detroit Public Library in 1949 by Wilder herself, and is now housed in the Rare Book and Gift Room.)

● "The Oxford Illustrated History of Christianity" edited by John McManners (Oxford University Press, \$39.95). What better time to give or get this particular book than at Christmas? Seven-hundred pages of text and striking artwork focus on the 2,000 years of history since the birth of Christ, and chronicle ways in which Christianity has shaped that history.

● "Friday Night Lights" by H.G. Bissinger (Addison-Wesley, \$19.95). Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist Bissinger writes of the agony and ecstasy of high school football in Odessa, Tex. Playing for Odessa's Permian Panthers, who win state championships as if there were no

tomorrows, a boy can be a worshipped town hero at 16 or 17. But what happens after high school for these kids? "Friday Night Lights" is not just a close look at one football program, though, but a comment on high school athletics and America's passion with sports in general.

● "Epicurean Delight" by Evan Jones (Knopf, \$24.95). Subtitled, "The Life and Times of James Beard," this should be a treat for bi-

ography fans, history buffs and cook-book lovers. Dozens of the famed gourmet's favorite recipes are included. Black-and-white photos are also part of the fun.

● "Looking for a Ship" by John McPhee (Straus and Giroux, \$17.95). A fascinating book for those of us who love to settle in with a good, seafaring tale on a winter's night. "Looking for a Ship" reads almost like fiction, but it's really the true story of essayist McPhee's own 42-day adventure aboard the Merchant Marine vessel, the SS Stella Lykes. Cruise out of Charlotte, S. C., through the Panama Canal and on to South America's Pacific Coast, and never get your feet wet. For armchair adventurers, it's a dream.

● "Passing On" by Penelope Lively (Grove Weidenfeld, \$17.95). Dorothy Glover, an unloving mother

if ever there was one, has passed on, leaving her three grown children with the remains of her body and spirit. This novel by British author Lively is not a ghost story in the traditional sense, though. Selected as a Notable Book for 1990 by the New York Times Book Review, it centers more on the living spirit of Dorothy's offspring.

● "A Relative Stranger" by Charles Baxter (Norton, \$17.95). Here is a baker's dozen of short stories set in Michigan and created by the critically acclaimed author of "Through the Safety Net" and "First Light." If you're looking for something perceptive, knowing and humorous about familial relationships, look no farther.

Victoria Diaz is a Livonia-based book reviewer.

Dream comes true for Livonia artist

Continued from Page 1 offer to make a difference. I wanted to use my talents to address the public."

BESIDES THE work on display, Ferguson plans to do more paintings to call attention to social problems.

The Habitat Series, which the artist hopes to make available in posters, will include a painting called "April Showers."

The painting will illustrate his concern for the environment. It will include three scenes that show industrial pollution, acid rain and barren land, or the cause, effect and result of industrial waste.

Another work in progress is an acrylic painting depicting the slaughter of harp seals, a practice that Ferguson and his wife oppose by

supporting animal rights and environmental groups.

FERGUSON'S STUDIO, a small, converted bedroom, is filled with sketches, current work and completed projects that may or may not have commercial value.

Some of his ideas are inspired by newspaper photographs and magazine illustrations. And many of his favorites, which aren't for sale, decorate his art deco-style home.

Lining the staircase is an untitled portrait of an overweight, pear-shaped man deep in thought. Done in mixed media, the detail shows every vein and line in the man's aging body and each wrinkle in the subject's clothes.

The artist's favorite, called "The Balloon Lady," is done in acrylic, pencil and ink. Again, the close at-

tention to detail makes the portrait of the old lady smoking on the beach appear as sharp as a photograph.

Another favorite is titled, "The Yurprising Over the Bermuda Triangle."

The acrylic, poster-sized painting, inspired during Ferguson's years at Sibley Shoes, shows a well-polished pair of penny loafers on the feet of an up-and-coming yuppie. In the background are trendy jeans, jewelry and sport clothes, all included to show the excess in the '90s.

FERGUSON, WHO majored in mass communications at Wayne State University, has always been a doodler and a thinker who transfers his thoughts to a sketch pad or a canvas.

"I even watch commercials on television and think about how to illustrate them."

The father of two, Ferguson hopes his work focusing on social issues, such as violence and the environment, makes his young daughters aware early on of the problem facing the country.

For the artist, the transition from commercial art to the more abstract work on display at Detroit Artists Market is "like a writer switching from a textbook to a novel."

"I'm so grateful for my diversity. I just hope that people will see my message."

Upbeat 'The Nutcracker' fuels holiday spirit

By Linda Ann Chomin special writer

The Plymouth-Canton Ballet Company's performance of "The Nutcracker" left the audience in a holiday spirit Dec. 1 in the Plymouth-Salem High School Auditorium.

Dawnell Dryja, in her role as the Sugar Plum fairy, showcased the talent that won her the Junior Miss Dance of Michigan competition in November. Together with the Prince, she performed a series of lifts that had the audience applauding for one more.

Tina Banchoero as the Major Clown, Erica Mac as the Russian and Sara Steffanni and Storme Sundberg as the Chinese gave polished performances that delighted the crowd.

The mythical sets and special ef-

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fects added magic to the evening's performance.

Dyllan Stokes as Clara put her heart into the part of the girl in love with the Nutcracker. The mice were adorable.

The company, under the artistic direction of Dawn Greene is two years young. But it showed the potential of developing into an accomplished, mature ensemble in the next few years.

THE MAGIC of Tchaikovsky's "The Nutcracker" ballet sprang to life for the enchanted audience in the Livonia Churcchill High School Auditorium Dec. 7-8.

The highly colored production of the Livonia Symphony Orchestra, under conductor Francesco DiBiasi, was fueled by the energy of the dancers in the Contemporary Civic Ballet, under the artistic direction of Rose Marie Floyd.

The first act tickled the audience when people-sized dolls were carried onstage. Clara and her brother, Fritz, brought the magical dolls to life by turning the make-believe keys in the dolls' backs.

New York dancers Bettina Sulser and Fritz Masten added an extra touch with their polished performances. Sulser with her magical Sugar Plum Fairy and Masten with his debonair Cavalier.

The delightful evening ended for the mirth-filled audience as the last strains of Tchaikovsky's "The Nutcracker" awakened another holiday season.

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The University of Michigan's Matthaei Botanical Gardens offers gift certificates to the 1991 Ann Arbor Flower and Garden Show.

The show will run Thursday-Sunday, April 11-14 at Yost Ice Arena, Ann Arbor. "A Gardener's Holiday" will be the theme. International travel, seasonal celebrations and festivals will be expressed in the exhibits.

Each gift certificate is redeemable for a show ticket that allows selection of a preferred viewing date and time. Timed tickets are a new innovation that will limit the amount of people at the show at one time.

Gift certificates are redeemable for tickets at the Michigan Union Ticket Office and can be exchanged either by mail or in person.

Show gift certificates are for sale at the Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 N. Dixboro, Ann Arbor. Each gift certificate costs \$8 and comes with a brochure that gives detailed information about the show. The certificate and brochure fit easily inside a greeting card.

The gardens also offer tickets to the show's opening night gala 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, April 10. Guests may enjoy champagne and hors d'oeuvres as they browse. Landscape designers will be on hand to answer questions about major exhibits. Gala tickets are \$25.

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After buying gift certificates and gala tickets for family and friends, don't forget to treat yourself. Admission to the show is \$8 for adults and \$6 for children 12 and younger. Tickets will designate specific dates and time periods to visit the event.

Advance tickets guarantee immediate entry; those who buy tickets at the gate risk long lines and the chance of sold-out days and time periods.

Tickets are available at the Michigan Union Ticket Office, all Ticketmaster outlets and at Hudson's department stores. To order by telephone, call 763-TKTS (Ann Arbor area), or 423-6666 (Detroit metro area).

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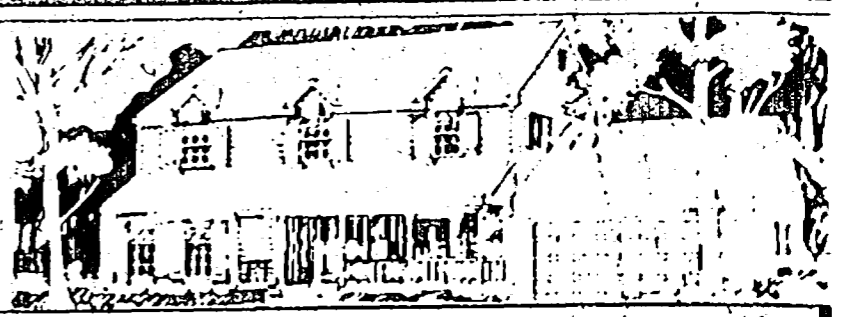
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1 & 2 bedroom apts. in the Birmingham/Troy/Auburn Hills area

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On Adams Rd. between South Blvd. & Auburn Rd.

Hours: Daily 11-5
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BUCKINGHAM MANOR

You DESERVE the "Buckingham Life-style!"

- Deluxe 2 bedroom apts
- SIX, that's a right, six closets
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ONLY \$300 Security Deposit And 1 month FREE RENT

HURRY WHILE THEY LAST!

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- Newly Redecorated
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One Bedroom - \$455 900 sq. ft. Two Bedroom - \$570, 1100 Sq. Ft.

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Microwave Oven Paid Gas Heat
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Walton Corner at Perry
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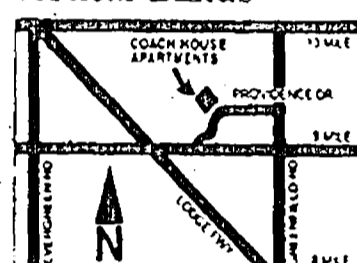
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Attractive 1 & 2 Bedroom Apartments & 2 Bedroom Townhouses Available from \$510

HEAT INCLUDED with Vertical Blinds

FEATURING:

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CENTRALLY LOCATED IN WESTLAND

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Pool • Spacious Rooms • Clubhouse
Air Conditioning • 1 1/2 Baths

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GRANDVILLE TOWNHOUSES

The Village APARTMENTS

LIVING YOU CAN AFFORD TO ENJOY!

1 & 2 BEDROOM APARTMENTS FROM \$360 HEAT INCLUDED

Beautiful Setting in a Great Location!

AT PONTIAC TRAIL & BECK ROAD IN WIXOM

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Village Squire Apartments

LOCATION LOCATION Minutes from I-275 - I-94 - I-96

\$200 MOVES YOU IN

- Picnic Area & BBQ's
- Tennis Court
- Pool & Saunas
- Seconds from I-275
- Bike Trails
- Basketball Court
- Children's Play Area
- Vertical Blinds

- Spacious, newly decorated suites with dishwashers & microwaves
- Individually controlled heat & air

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- Swimming Pool & Clubhouse
- Organized Activities
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Rent starting at \$445
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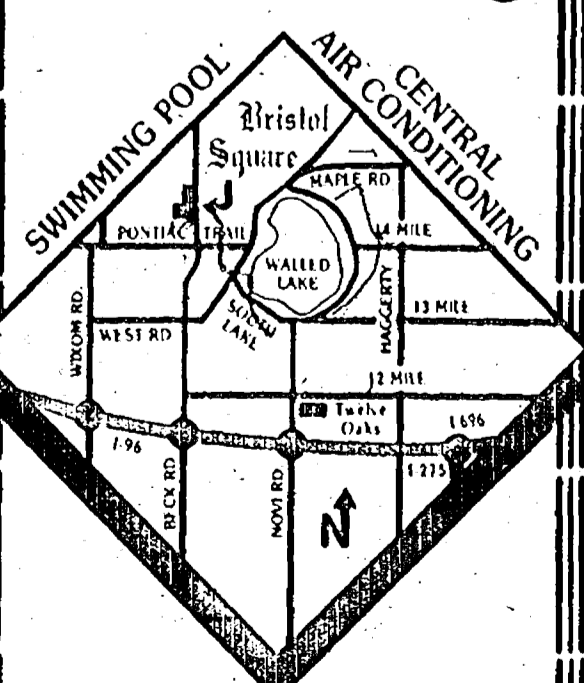
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FROM \$460



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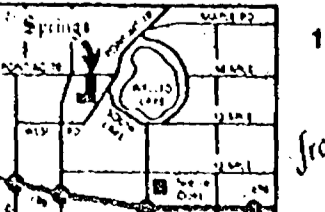
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- Indoor racquetball court.
- Woodburning fireplaces.
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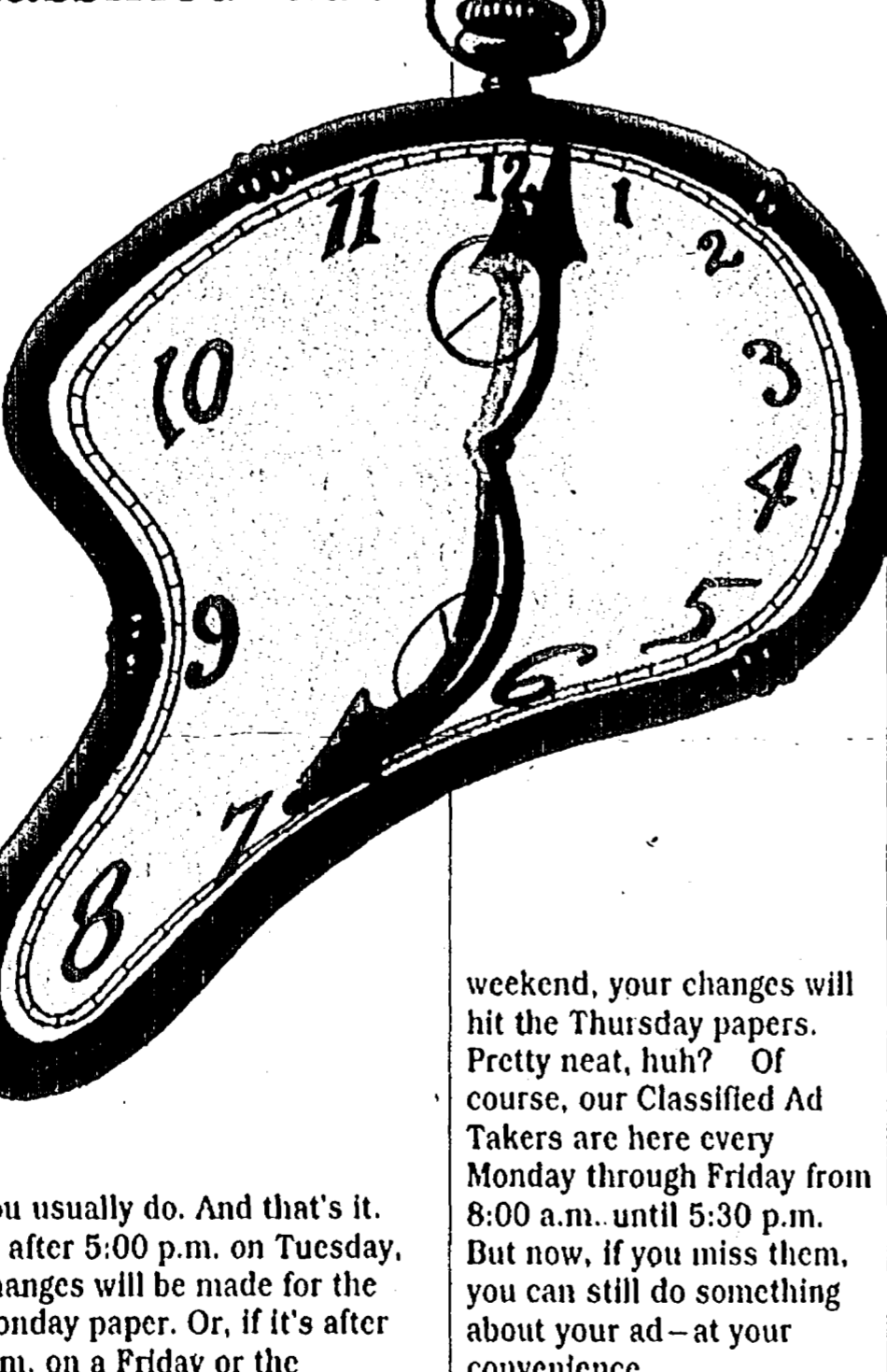
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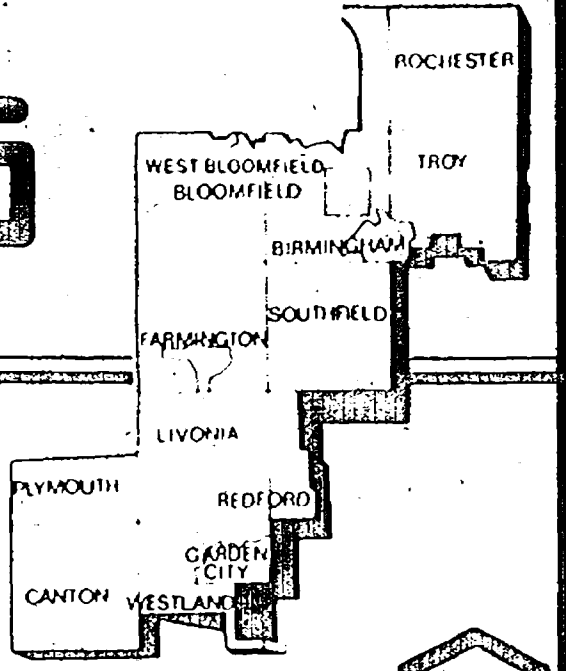


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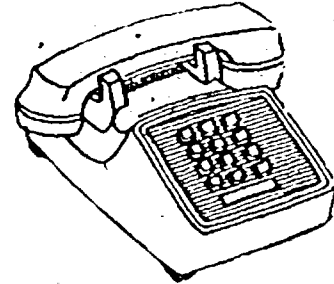
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needed at fitness center. Must have CPR Call 323-1852

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Flexible hours. Part time now - full time after finals. Great marketing department. No telemarketing. \$7.00 starting pay. Livonia 425-6990 739-6990

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Dealing in high fashion products & services. Full time position available. Best salary + commission. Modeling background an asset. Send resumes to: 4301 Orchard Lake Rd., Suite 229, W Bloomfield, Mich. 48323

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Act Now
50 Immediate Openings
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Parkside Pavilion
Between 6 & 7 mile
477-1262

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STORE MANAGERS
to \$35,000
Previous supervisory experience in grocery, hardware, health & beauty, etc. & plus. Opening in all areas. Excellent benefits & bonus plans. Employment Center, Inc. 569-1638

ASSISTANT TEACHERS & Substitutes
needed for Nursery/Child Care Program, West Bloomfield area. Call: 681-1000, ext. 252

ASSISTANT TEACHER - For preschool program in Canton, 10-15 hrs/wk. Education student welcomed. 981-3990 or 981-6470

ATTENTION!
Earn \$100 a day using your VCR & telephone. Training available. Call 313-229-6079

AUTO ASSISTANT Service Manager
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AUTO BODY PERSON
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AUTOMOTIVE TRAINEE
General service, change oil, mount tires. Full benefits. Good year. Tire Center, Canton, Call Rick, 454-0440

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Architect Christopher J. Longe stands before a Georgian style mansion he designed in Bloomfield Hills. Projects like this, a 28,000-square-foot estate, come along only once in an architect's lifetime, Longe said.

Georgian mansion tests young architect

By Gerald Frawley
staff writer

Mansion. In Oakland County and western Wayne County, the word has lost its meaning. Still, every once in a while, a house comes a long that embodies the word.

This is a story about such a house and the architect who designed it.

First the house.

It's big. Really big. Twenty-eight thousand square feet big on four acres. At that size, and at a construction rate of roughly \$200 to \$225 a square foot, the house will cost \$5.6 to \$6.3 million. That's unfurnished.

The Georgian style mansion has closets big enough to house a small clothing store; ceilings high enough to make light bulb changing a major chore; enough bedrooms to give a bedroom to each of the Brady Bunch kids, several cousins and Alice, the maid; a kitchen that could service even the most exclusive of restaurants; a library large enough to hold the collected works of William Shakespeare, Geoffrey Chaucer AND Danielle Steele (not to mention 60 or 70 encyclopedia sets); a servant's apartment bigger than many luxury apartments in some of the swankiest areas; a landscaped yard with multi-leveled patios, a swimming pool and decorative fountain; and a lower level with a wine cellar, offices, a screening room and a banquet area that could double as a catering hall.

All told, it's 63 rooms of custom-designed wood trim detailing; 16 bathrooms; 10 bedrooms; 14 fireplaces (one in each bedroom); two three-car garages; and a 15,000 square foot driveway of brick pavers.

Simply, a palatial estate to die for. Now the architect.

Christopher J. Longe of Birmingham is still a youngster as far as architects are concerned. Only 32 years old, Longe graduated in 1982 from Lawrence Institute of Technology in Southfield.

SINCE THEN, HE has built his own firm (which he began in 1984) with a project list that includes large, corporate office facilities, retail centers, and grand mansions in Bloomfield Hills and Naples, Fla.

He has designed large-scale apartment complexes, including Beacon Hill Apartments in Auburn Hills, and cluster home developments such as the Oaks, Pinebrooke Manor and Windemere Hills in the Birmingham/Bloomfield Hills area.

"That is architecture's greatest attraction — the diversity of designing different things," he said.

But his crowning achievement, at least thus far, is the 28,000 square-foot Georgian Estate in Bloomfield Hills that he designed for a local automotive industry executive.

"Every project you do is a calling card," he said, so major projects are important. "These are the most challenging designs overall."

"It (his being chosen for the project) is not based on my track record," he said. "It was serendipitous — luck, really."

Designing a mansion is a fantastic opportunity for a young architect, and it is the type of thing that comes along once in a lifetime.

"A lot of people have a difficult time entrusting this kind of money to a kid."

In this case, Longe said he was recom-

mended to the owner by a builder as a good architect. "It's not like he sought me out or anything."

But if this was luck, and opportunities like this come but once in a lifetime, then count Longe among the twice blessed or merely modest.

In Bloomfield Hills where multi-million dollar mansions are considered the norm, this is Longe's second extraordinary home. Five years ago, he designed a 20,000-square-foot mansion.

BUT EVEN WITH a track record of successful, well-accepted designs, taking on a project like this was still daunting, he said. "My biggest fear is a blank piece of paper," and unfortunately, there's a lot of blank paper before the architect ever sets pencil to paper. Several months of research into Georgian-style architecture preceded three weeks of design time on this project.

"To do a good job, you have to go all the way back to the beginning," capturing the spirit of an architectural style is not enough, he said, because many of the finer points have been lost as the style has been used over the years.

"It's like making a copy of a copy of a copy."

Still, there is room for individuality and fine details. They range from the subtle, like different colored marble in each bathroom, to the striking, like the 729 square-foot library done in cherrywood detailing and a herringbone floor with inlaid marble embellishments.

But sweating the details involves more than materials — it also refers to the intri-

cate workings between client and architect, Longe said.

People building luxury mansions are very demanding — not just because they're spending a lot of money and want a good product, but because they are very knowledgeable.

"My job is to translate the goals and needs of the client into reality — the more you know you know about the person, the easier it is to do your job," Longe said.

That's never an easy job, he said. "Building projects will stress all relationships," he said. "How do you temper your altruistic tendencies with your client's desires? Houses are people's dreams and sometimes both people (the architect and the client) have different dreams."

BUT WHEN ALL is said is done, the architect is hired by the client for his expertise — which is especially needed in large projects, he said.

Certainly, rooms are bigger in a house of this size, but there's more to designing homes than room size. First there's the style to consider.

A colonaded portico, fluted columns, copper-roofed limestone arches, tall, multiple chimneys — all of these are traits are found in Georgian architecture, but how they are used is more important than what is used.

Georgian-style architecture, popular during the early to mid-1700s, developed from earlier Greek and Roman architecture. Like the earlier forms, they depend on very precise geometry, but unlike them, Georgian style architecture seeks to soften the ge-

ometry by easing its dependence on the harsh, straight lines and vertically.

Structurally, building large homes is not much different than smaller ones. The architect has to take into account extra weight and stress, but that is a relatively simple process for people who know what they're doing.

Lighting, important in any home, is doubly so in homes with large rooms. Architects prefer natural lighting, so window placement is important. Whenever possible, the architect will even shift the house's placement on the site so that it takes full advantage of weather conditions.

Kitchen design for a mansion is also different from that of the average home, Longe said. It is common for mansion owners to lavishly entertain, which quite often requires the flexibility for transforming the kitchen to allow caterers the ability to prepare food, in addition to merely heating food, and to accept large deliveries.

But like in other homes, the kitchen continues to grow in importance as a focal point for the home, but unlike other homes, a kitchen will serve a different function. "The kitchen should be simple enough so someone can cook himself a late night snack."

Utilities are also an obstacle. The house has 10 furnaces, several air conditioning units, multiple hot water heaters, and 1,000 amps of electricity (enough to power a medium-sized industrial building).

The house is scheduled to be completed in the spring, two years from the date of planning.

North Carolina competes for furniture buyers

(AP) — Americans confounded retailing experts by taking to the highways in search of bargain-basement prices for high-style clothing and created a new industry in the process.

In the quest for up-to-date furniture at down-to-earth prices, some people are traveling to North Carolina. Or they are buying by phone.

North Carolina discounters have quietly been doing business for many years, but the phenomenon of long-distance furniture sales came into sharp relief this fall when Furnitureland South Inc. opened a store the size of five football fields in High Point, which is also home to the wholesale furniture market.

The store is the largest in the country devoted solely to furniture and decorative accessories, according to the trade newspaper Furniture Today.

Displayed over some 228,000 square feet is furniture from about 200 manufacturers, including Bernhardt, Broyhill, Century, Lane, Leathercraft, Lexington, Stanley and Thomasville. In addition, there's an outlet store where the showroom used to be and a library of 350 product catalogs from which customers can order.

Darrell Harris, owner, promises discounts of at least 35 percent off listed retail price. He says 75 percent of his customers are from out of state who either shop in person or by telephone.

ALTHOUGH IT'S the biggest, Furnitureland South is not the only store of its kind. Some of the others offering discounts on national brands and nationwide delivery are included in a directory of 25 home furnishings stores in the High Point area. The

brochure is free to those who stop in and ask for it at the High Point Convention and Visitors Bureau at 101 West Green Street.

Do these stores attract customers? You bet. Gary Smith, executive director of the Convention and Visitors Bureau, estimates that about 100 out-of-towners arrive in High Point daily just to shop for furniture. Uncounted others are drawn from conferences and meetings that have become increasingly important to the city in recent years.

"A Furnitureland South truck is in every major city east of the Mississippi River once a week and in large cities west of the Mississippi at least once a month," said Harris, who has a fleet of 26 delivery trucks. He projects sales of \$30 million for 1990, a \$4 million increase over 1989.

Dealers say discount prices are possible because they are willing to

settle for a smaller profit, given their high volume and possibly lower fixed costs than retailers elsewhere.

And while retailers elsewhere may cut prices, they don't offer the same services. High Point area dealers will quote prices over the phone, and several say they are willing to meet clients at the airport and put them up in bed and breakfast establishments.

THIS SOUTHERN hospitality is putting them at odds with retailers elsewhere, and some manufacturers have imposed restrictions or refuse to sell to them. A few brands dealers say are difficult, if not impossible, to get include Baker, Henredon, Drexel, Heritage and Harden Furniture.

"Each factory has its own restrictions. Some will not permit an 800 number; some will not permit you to advertise outside your trading area,"

says Sherrill Shaw, owner of Shaw's Furniture Galleries in Randleman, N.C. "The restrictions appease retailers in other states but hamper consumers doing business with the discounters of North Carolina."

Nevertheless, these discount dealers are prospering at a time when those elsewhere are reporting dwindling sales.

Thirteen North Carolina retailers recently began marketing six lines of furniture under the Partners name. Edgar Broyhill, chairman of the buying group, says their furniture is similar to some of the most popular lines from companies that won't sell to them.

"As retailers, we are familiar with what sells and what doesn't. We have found alternative manufacturers who make the product at a better price," says Broyhill, who also owns Edgar B., a mail-order retailer in

Clemmons, N.C.

"We discounters have been looked on as the redheaded stepchild by some in the industry," says Shaw. "But we have to offer everything that the dealer in Houston or Hartford does — displays, delivery, repair or replacement of defective pieces."

Although there are similarities, the stores do have their differences. Some, such as Shaw and Rose Furniture Co. in High Point, tag each item with the manufacturer's name, its list price and the discount price. Furnitureland South identifies maker and retail price on the hang-tag but not the specific discount. Harris says the price is negotiable depending on how many pieces the customer buys and whether items are in stock.

commercial real estate sales in Oakland and Wayne counties

This lists recent commercial real estate transactions in Oakland and western Wayne counties. The first name listed is that of the buyer. The second name is that of the seller. Any transaction price followed by an * represents the price paid for more than one piece of property.

- OAKLAND COUNTY**
- Brandon Township**
 - Granger Road
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\$3,670
 - Commerce Township**
 - 1050 Benstein Road
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Folco Investment Co.
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 - Ladd Road**
Industrial vacant land
Rink Investments
Noblerly Investment Co.
\$193,000
 - Farmington Hills**
 - 30480 Grand River
Auto sales and service

- Linda R. Laclare
Carol Galuppi Pr Shrf
\$145,540
- Ferndale**
 - 860 Livernois
Commercial Warehouse
3 B.S. Land Co.
Jose Mari
\$100,000
- Hazel Park**
 - Dequindre
Industrial vacant land
Charles C. Thompson
Curtis L. Vickers
\$72,500 *
- Keego Harbor**
 - 3091 Orchard Lake
Auto service station
Karim M. Casab
Royal F. Pazik
\$60,000 *
- Lake Orion Village**
 - N. Main Street
Commercial
Lee P. Stacey
Woodcraft Homes Inc.
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- 240 Summit Road
Supermarket
Milford Town Center Assoc

- Mill Pond Center
\$475,500
- Lyon Township**
 - Milford Road
Industrial Vacant Land
Joseph Dettore
Dettore Investment Co.
\$50,000 *
- Madison Heights**
 - 12 Mile Road
Commercial Vacant Land
Ronald Reed
B. F. Chamberlain Trst.
\$40,000
- 350 E. 14 Mile Road
Commercial
Louis Najor
B.B.C. Steakhouse
\$550,000 *
- 30467 John R Road
Other retail structure
Niikopolitis Apostolos
George H. Kource
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Other retail structure
Albert Santia
Niikopolitis Apostolos
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- 1666 E Lincoln
Industrial
1666 E. Lincoln Partnership
Richard J. Frank
\$750,000
- Novi**
 - 24300 Novi Road
Light manufacturing, assembly
Michigan National Bank
Dorothy Evans
\$315,000 *
- Rochester**
 - 310 South Street
Commercial
Rochester Land & Building Co.
Ernest C. Thorner Trst.
\$215,500 *
- Royal Oak**
 - 303 E. Bloomfield
Commercial
Robert J. Gustafson
Orland C. Collins
\$15,500
- Troy**
 - Livernois
Commercial
Judith A. Mateczak
Taylor Thompson Mach Co.
\$70,000
- 1497 Maple Lane

- Industrial
Michigan National Bank
David W. Lee Pr Shrf
\$1,372,667
- Waterford Township**
 - Hatchery Road
Commercial
Donald F. Coffey Jr.
Bernard D. Torr
\$150,000
- Pontiac Lake Road
Commercial
First Federal Savings Bank
Amir Kassab Pr Shrf
\$250,000
- Wixom**
 - Anna Court
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Mark P. Boff
Anastasio Capoccia
\$60,000
- 29289 Lorie
Industrial vacant land
Frank E. Drabuse
Anastasio Capoccia
\$59,000
- Pontiac Trail
Commercial vacant land
Val Vangieson

- Walter R. Reca
\$29,000
- Pontiac Trail
Industrial vacant land
Wix Investment Co.
Korex Co.
\$10,000
- WAYNE COUNTY**
- Inkster**
 - Trowbridge Road
Industrial Vacant Land
Zivko Jasevski
Lucille Vallecorsa
\$16,500
- Livonia**
 - 31051 Five Mile Road
Commercial
Valvoline Instant Oil Change
Ashland Oil Inc.
\$177,500
- 27430 Long
Commercial
Valvoline Instant Oil Change
Ashland Oil Inc.
\$1,450
- 31730 Plymouth
Commercial
Plymouth Investment Corp.
Josef Horowitz
\$198,000

Building up in state

During the first 10 months of 1990, residential construction starts are up by 1/2 percent in the state as compared to 1989.

Wayne and Oakland counties show different sides of the coin though, as new construction dipped 1.5 percent in Oakland but jumped 10 percent in Wayne. In Oakland, year-to-date totals show 6,448 construction starts this year compared to 6,543 in 1989. In Wayne, year-to-date construction starts number 3,419, up from 3,109.

The Michigan Association of Home Builders, which issued the figures, says construction in the state has increased because the state is not over-built as compared to other states and that interest rates for purchasers of new construction are good. The weather has also contributed to fewer seasonal swings in the industry.

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Familiarize yourself with home shopping terms

When shopping for a new house, you may encounter some terms that are unfamiliar to you. The following glossary is provided by the Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan.

- **Adjustable rate mortgage (ARM):** A loan whose interest rate is adjusted according to movements in the financial market.
- **Amortization:** A payment plan by which a loan is reduced through monthly payments of principal and interest — the traditional way of paying for a house.
- **Annual percentage rate (APR):** The annual cost of credit over the life of a loan, including interest, service charges, points, loan fees, mortgage insurance and other items.
- **Appraisal:** An evaluation to determine what a piece of property would sell for in the current marketplace.
- **Appreciation:** The increase in the value of a property.
- **Assessment:** A tax levied on a property or a value placed on the worth of a property by a taxing authority.
- **Assumption:** A transaction allowing the buyer to assume responsibility for an existing loan instead of getting a new loan.
- **Balloon:** A loan that has a se-

ries of monthly payments with the remaining balance due in a large lump sum payment at the end.

- **Binder:** A receipt for a deposit paid to secure the right to buy a house at terms agreed upon by the buyer and seller.
- **Buydown:** A subsidy (usually paid by a builder or developer) to reduce the monthly payments on a mortgage loan.
- **Cap:** A limit to the amount an interest rate or a monthly payment can increase for an adjustable rate loan either during an adjustment period or over the life of the loan.
- **Certificate of occupancy:** A document from an official agency stating that the property meets the requirements of local codes, ordinances and regulations.
- **Closing:** A meeting to sign documents that transfer property from a seller to a buyer (also referred to as settlement).
- **Closing costs:** Charges paid at settlement for obtaining a mortgage loan and transferring a real estate title.
- **Conditions, Covenants and Restrictions (CC and R):** The standards that define how a property may be used on the protections the developer makes for the benefit of all owners in a subdivision.



- **Conventional loan:** A mortgage loan not insured by a government agency (such as FHA or VA).
- **Convertibility:** The ability to change a loan from an adjustable rate schedule to a fixed rate schedule.
- **Credit rating:** A report ordered by a lender from a credit bureau to determine if the borrower is a good credit risk.
- **Default:** A breach of a mortgage contract (i.e., not making the required payments).
- **Density:** The numbers of houses built on a particular acre of land. Allowable densities are determined by local jurisdictions.
- **Down payment:** The difference between the sales price and the mortgage amount. A down payment is usually paid at closing.
- **Due-on-sale:** A clause in a mortgage contract requiring the borrower to pay the entire outstanding balance upon sale or transfer for the property.
- **Earnest money:** A sum paid to the seller to show that a potential buyer is serious about buying.
- **Easement:** The right of way granted to a person or company authorizing access to the owner's land. For example, a utility may be granted an easement to install pipes or wires. An owner may voluntarily

- grant an easement or can be ordered to grant one by a local jurisdiction.
- **Equity:** The difference between the value of a house and what is owed on it.
- **Escrow:** The handling of money or documents by a third party on behalf of the buyer or seller.
- **Federal Housing Administration (FHA):** A federal agency that insures mortgages with lower down payment requirements than conventional loans.
- **Fixed-rate mortgage:** A mortgage with an interest rate that remains constant over the life of the loan.
- **Fixed-schedule mortgage:** A mortgage with a payment schedule that is established at closing for the life of the loan. The payment and interest rate are not necessarily level.
- **Graduated-payment mortgage:** A fixed-rate, fixed-schedule loan that starts with lower payments than a level-payment loan. The payments rise annually over the first five to 10 years and then remain constant for the remainder of the loan. GPMs involve negative amortization.
- **Growing-equity mortgage (rapid-payoff mortgage):** A fixed-rate, fixed-schedule loan that starts with the same payments as a level-payment loan. The payments rise annually, with the entire increase being

used to reduce the outstanding balance. No negative amortization occurs, and the increase in payments may enable the borrower to pay off a 30-year loan in 15 to 20 years or less.

- **Hazard insurance:** Protection against damage caused by fire, windstorm or other common hazards. Many lenders require borrowers to carry it in an amount at least equal to the mortgage.
- **Housing Finance Agency (HFA):** A state agency that offers below-market-rate financing for low- and moderate-income households.
- **Index:** The interest rate or adjustment that determines the changes in monthly payments for an adjustable rate loan.
- **Infrastructure:** The public facilities and services needed to support residential development, such as highways, bridges, schools and sewer and water systems.
- **Interest:** The cost paid to a lender for borrowed money.
- **Joint tenancy:** A form of ownership in which the tenants own a property equally. If one dies, the other would automatically inherit the entire property.

when a monthly payment does not cover the monthly interest due.

- **Note:** A formal document showing the existence of a debt and stating the terms of repayment.
- **PITI:** Principal, interest, taxes and insurance — the four major components of monthly housing payments.
- **Point:** A one-time charge assessed by the lender at a closing to increase the interest yield on a mortgage loan. Generally, it is 1 percent of the mortgage amount.
- **Prepayment:** Payment of a debt prior to maturity.
- **Principal:** The amount borrowed, excluding interest and other charges.

- **Property survey:** A survey to determine the boundaries of a property.
- **Recording fee:** A charge for recording the transfer of a property, paid to a city, county or other branch of government.
- **Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act (RESPA):** A federal law requiring lenders to provide home buyers with information about known or estimated settlement costs.
- **Sales contract:** A contract between a buyer and a seller.
- **Shared appreciation mortgage:** A loan in which partners agree to share specified portions of the down payment, monthly payment and appreciation.
- **Tenancy in common:** A form of ownership in which the tenants own separate but equal parts. To inherit the property, a surviving tenant would either have to be mentioned in the will or, in the absence of a will, be eligible through state inheritance laws.
- **Transfer taxes:** Taxes levied on the transfer of property or on real estate loans by state or local jurisdictions.
- **Veterans Administration (VA):** A federal agency that insures mortgage loans with liberal down payment requirements for honorably discharged veterans and their surviving spouses.
- **Walk-through:** A final inspection of a house before settlement to search for problems that need to be corrected before ownership changes hands.
- **Zoning:** Regulations established by local governments regarding the location, height and use for any given piece of property within a specific area.

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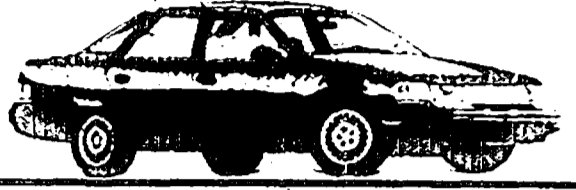
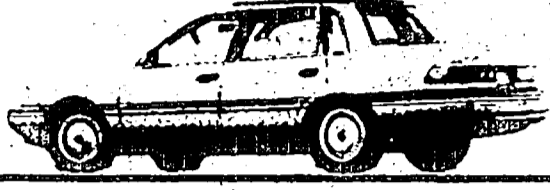
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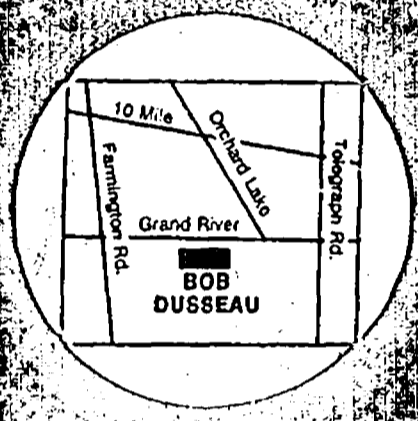
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IS \$5955*

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WAS \$11,417
IS \$8611*

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WAS \$13,559
IS \$10,373*

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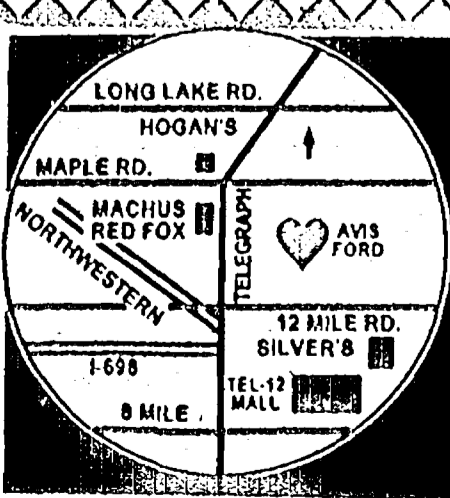
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IS \$11,847

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