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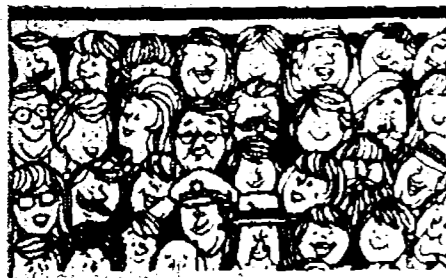
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places and faces

TIME TO DUST off the old black-tie number and haul out your best dinner party dress. The Mayor's Ball — Westland's annual evening of "high society" fun — is right around the corner. This year's semi-formal event, hosted by Robert and Mary Thomas, will be 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 2, at the Hellenic Cultural Center on Joy east of Newburgh.

The evening includes cocktails and hors d'oeuvres, dinner and dancing to a live band. Tickets at \$50 each, are available from the mayor's office, 467-3260.

THE CITY has begun a battery recycling program. Used household dry cell or alkaline batteries may be deposited in a special container at city hall weekdays between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Residents may also leave batteries at the city's recycling center on Newburgh, east of Newburgh. The center is open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

The city is also distributing for residents to use a special program in the city's recycling center.

The city's recycling program includes household, commercial and auto. Recycling for toys and electronic goods residents may pick up packages 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday.

Senior citizens living in Westgate Towers, Greenwood Villa or Taylor Towers should contact building managers for day and time of distribution.

Remaining residents should pick up packages 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday.

For more information, call the Dorsey Center hot line, 595-0366.

ROADS MAKE news: Construction along Merriman road in Westland is continuing. The Westland City Council Monday approved \$138,048 as Westland's share for widening Merriman to five lanes from Michigan Avenue to Van Born.

The cost includes installation of sidewalk, relocation of the railroad crossing south of Michigan Avenue and updated traffic signals at the two major intersections.

Wayne County is sharing the cost of the widening project with communities along Merriman.

In separate projects, updated traffic signals will be installed at Newburgh and Joy and pedestrian signs will be installed in Newburgh at the Fountain Park Apartments.

TRACY RYNKIEWICZ is a free throw champ again. The Westland resident won her division (girls 13-15) in the Girls Hoop Shoot contest last month at Churchill High School. It marks the fourth consecutive year Tracy has won the free-throw shooting contest.

Tracy is a seventh grader at Riverside Middle School, Livonia.

ELEVEN Westland residents were inducted into Phi Theta Kappa at Schoecraft College.

Phi Theta Kappa is a student organization that honors academic achievement and recognition leadership and citizenship.

They inductees are: Larry Depp, Lawrence Christopher, Justin Dancy, Jesse Doyle, Thomas Fontanilla, Annelia Kalia, Jesse Misher, Jaya Parker, Mary Sanders, Patricia Whitlow and Kay Boyer.

School tax proposal nears completion

By Tedd Schneider
staff writer

Plan could go to the voters in March

Ballot language for a March 13 tax increase proposal to voters in the Wayne-Westland Community Schools district should be finished by late January, the school board president said last week.

But ongoing contract negotiations with teachers and other employee unions, and the possibility of more state budget cuts from Lansing are factors board members must consider, said Mathew McCusker.

"I'm almost positive the decision will be made by the end of the month," McCusker said. "If we do go ahead with the March 13 election we need a proposal that people will get behind."

The special election date has been approved by the Wayne County elections office.

With nine weeks to go, McCusker said the district's Funding Effective Schools Committee has been formulating "preliminary" campaign strategy even though a specific proposal has yet to be approved by the board.

Voters rejected a combined 7.75-mill renewal and increase in June 1990.

In February, separate proposals asking for a 2.75-mill renewal, 4.9-mill increase and Headlee Override were defeated by large margins. One mill equals \$1 per \$1,000 of state equalized valuation.

THE RENEWAL, which expired June 30, would be labeled as an increase on any new proposal.

"Personally, I don't believe any less is needed than last time," McCusker said. "The committee is seeking something that will guarantee programs for two years."

The board approved \$5 million in administrative, teaching staff and program cuts for the 16,000-student district last fall.

Cuts included two-thirds of the elementary expressive arts program; one class period at junior high

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Founders mark city's 25th year

200 attend anniversary breakfast

By Tedd Schneider
staff writer



ART EMANUELE/staff photographer

It was a morning to break bread, salute a colorful quarter-century as a city and look to the future.

About 200 people — including many of Westland's founders — gathered at the Friendship Center Saturday for a prayer breakfast that served as the official kickoff to the city's yearlong 25th anniversary celebration.

"History is what this community is all about," said Tom Brown.

The city's first mayor and current Westland City Council president launched into a five-minute history lesson beginning with the formation of Nankin Township in the 1830s and ending with the move by Livonia to annex a portion of the township, which led to the incorporation of Westland in 1966.

Breakfast guests who played a key role in the city's birth and early years included charter commission members Eugene McKinney, Edward Gunther, Bill Anderson and Justine Barns; former city council members and municipal judges; and the city's first police and fire chiefs.

Mayor Robert J. Thomas was joined by former mayors Brown, Thomas Taylor, and Charles Pickering along with Kitty McKinney, who sat in for her son, Eugene.

The reminiscing wasn't limited to speeches by city founders or elected officials.

Former Westland mayors (from left) Tom Brown, Thomas Taylor and Charles Pickering clasp hands with current Mayor Robert

Thomas (right) during Saturday's 25th anniversary prayer breakfast.

RALPH SAVINI, who would become Westland's first fire chief, recalled a hectic first-night for township firefighters. "We started at midnight, Jan. 1, 1963," Savini said. "About three minutes into the history of the department we had a major run."

"I think they (township officials) were wondering if we'd be able to handle it and if there would be any

thing left to call a city," Savini said.

In his 25th anniversary message, Bishop Walter Schoenherr of the Detroit Archdiocese talked about the need for communities to meet the concerns of their youngest and oldest residents. He praised Westland's commitment to senior citizens' programs and the new Drug Abuse Resistance Education effort

jointly administered by the city and Wayne-Westland Community Schools.

"Have a real year of pride. You have a lot to be proud of," he concluded invoking the anniversary motto.

Mayor Robert Thomas presented Sylvia Kozorosky-Wiacek, senior resources department director, with the first 25th anniversary

flag. The commemorative city flags will be flown outside all city buildings.

The breakfast was co-chaired by Margaret Harlow and Edee Snider.

It was the first of 20 silver anniversary activities scheduled by the celebration committee.

The next event, a "Family Sweetheart Social," is scheduled for Feb. 17.

Area Arab-Americans bristle at FBI probe, loyalty question

By Wayne Peel
and Pat Murphy
staff writers

Metro Detroit's Arab-American residents say they are caught between colliding worlds as war in the Persian Gulf appears imminent.

Their loyalty, they say, is strictly with the United States.

FBI questioning is a sore spot even with the most moderate Arab-Americans.

"To single out any one group is wrong," said Westland businessman Sid Shaheen. "We don't want to have happen to us what happened to Japanese Americans."

Terry Ahwal, a Livonia woman long active with the American Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee, who has discussed the issue with area FBI representatives, said she was told the controversy stemmed from

a "media mix up."

"My feeling, though, is that's their policy — that Arab-Americans should be scrutinized," she said. "What they're doing is saying to people who already hate Arabs that it's safe to harm Arabs."

Detroit-area Jews also voiced concern about the FBI interviews.

"While we fully support the need to maintain domestic security, we are concerned that an open-ended government plan to interview leaders of the American Arabic community may have a negative impact on the greater community's perception of Arab-Americans," Paul D. Borman, president of the Jewish Community Council of Metropolitan Detroit, said in a statement.

At the very least, questioning of Arab-Americans has had a chilling effect on discussion of Middle Eastern events.

"Many of our people don't want to talk (to the press)," said the Rev. George Shalhoub of St. Mary Antiochian Orthodox Church, Livonia.

"The feeling is that any statement could be misinterpreted."

FBI officials failed to return Observer & Eccentric telephone calls asking for comment on the policy of questioning Arab-Americans about potential terrorist activities.

Hal Heltterhoff, head of FBI operations in Michigan, told the Associated Press that intelligence-gathering activities weren't meant to harass Arab-Americans. At the same time, he urged Arab-Americans to report any instance of harassment or ethnic intimidation to the FBI.

The hearts of Arab-Americans are also with relatives and loved ones in the Middle East — including those

Crash kills woman

Driver won't face charges

By Diane Gale
staff writer

A 33-year-old Romulus woman, who was hitchhiking in the middle of the road on Michigan Avenue in Canton, was struck and killed by a car Wednesday driven by a Westland man.

Sherry Jean Porter was hitchhiking at about 11:45 p.m. in the middle of the right eastbound lane east of Canton Center Road when she was struck by a 1979 Ford pickup truck driven by Phillip Crandell Schoen, 44, an off-duty Novi police officer, Canton police said.

Schoen will not be charged in connection with the accident, said Canton police information officer Pat Nemecek.

Schoen, a sergeant with the Novi police department, has been an officer for 17 years. Novi police Lt. Thomas Hesse said.

SCHOEN SAID Friday that he took time off work because he needed to think about what happened and to "try and calm down."

Schoen knew that charges would not be filed, he said. However, he wanted to talk to Canton police to gain more information about the

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Robby Parent, 9, and brother Tommy, 6, find that it was all down hill during an enjoyable day on their sled.



A Canada goose keeps one foot warm in Hines Park near Wilcox Lake.

Playing it cool

Snow adds to winter fun at Hines

SCHOOL WAS out and there was snow on the ground, just the recipe for winter fun at Hines Park. There was plenty to do as the temperatures hit the 20s and the white stuff made the conditions just right for breaking out that Christmas sled or those cross country skis.



Mitzy Johnson, Nancy Kish and Kit Lynn are out for an afternoon ski tour.

Firm still seeks seminary deal

By Kevin Brown
staff writer

The deal to turn St. John Seminary in northwest Wayne County into a retirement community could be revived, said the president of a Maryland corporation.

While the Catholic Archdiocese of Detroit said in November it had scrapped the earlier contract with Retirement and Health Services Corp. of Maryland, company president John Erickson on Jan. 8 said: "We want to get it back on track if we can."

In November, the Catholic Church said it had entered into a contract with another firm to buy the 175-acre site at Sheldon and Five Mile roads in Plymouth Township.

ARCHDIOCESE SPOKESWOMAN Brenda Marshall said on Jan. 8, "The seminary is still for sale. Any offers would still be considered."

Some observers have speculated that the seminary site, near M-14 and I-275, could be suitable for Tiger Stadium. Tigers officials have de-

clined to identify possible sites for a new stadium.

Erickson, whose firm has continued to seek to buy a 35-acre parcel of the property including the seminary buildings, said Monday, "It looks like maybe we can have a meeting (with the Archdiocese) in the next few weeks."

Erickson said his firm had planned to start construction of a 1,000-unit retirement community in the spring. Should the deal be revived, construction could begin six to eight months later, he said.

Retirement and Health Services Corp. had retained a Detroit law firm to represent them in seeking to hold the Archdiocese to the earlier sale agreement.

"We haven't done anything in the way of lawsuits and the rest," Erickson said.

"We were trying to open up a dialogue with the Archdiocese. We haven't been terribly successful."

IN NOVEMBER, Erickson said his firm had spent \$500,000 on architectural planning and design work related to the project.

The church signed a conditional purchase agreement last year with Retirement and Health Services for a reported \$6 million.

In 1988, the church listed all 175 acres at the site, including a golf course, for \$20 million. The seminary buildings and 35 acres, excluding the course, were listed at \$7.5 million.

The 40-year-old seminary was closed by the Catholic Bishops of Michigan in June 1988 because of declining enrollment and rising costs.

The land is zoned residential, with lots at least one acre in size. Township officials said a buyer could seek another use for the property, as it's not likely to go to a house builder.

Since the purchase agreement was signed with Health Services Corp. last year, about 1,000 acres of land kitty-corner to the seminary property were sold to developers including Robert DeMattia for a golf course, office complex and residential community.

Township officials assess the site including buildings at about \$3 million.

Students write on to Austria

More than 100 students from Franklin High School have taken advantage of a special offer made by the Austrian chancellor.

Franz Vranitzky, chancellor of Austria, in December made a special videotaped appeal to students as part of a program to promote better understanding.

The chancellor offered to obtain Austrian pen pals for American students ages 11-17.

Franklin High, in the Livonia school district, serves the northeast section of Westland.

STUDENTS WISHING to participate should send a postcard with their name, address, age and a few

hobbies and interests to Vranitzky. They will get a letter from an interested young Austrian.

Information on where to send the postcards may be obtained from German teachers at local high schools or by calling the American Association of Teachers of German, (609) 795-5553.

The program is a great opportunity for youths to learn about their pen pal's country firsthand while introducing their pen pal to their own country, said Fred Hebel, a German teacher at Franklin High.

In addition to a number of lifelong friendships, the program is expected to increase global awareness and

"Voelkerverstaendnis" (understanding between people) among students on both sides of the Atlantic.

AS AN INCENTIVE to keep correspondence going, Vranitzky is offering students who complete at least three exchanges of letters before May 30 the chance to win one of five free trips to Austria as guests of the Austrian government to meet their pen pals.

Because not every student will win a trip as a guest of the Austrian government, Austrian Airlines is offering special discounts on flights to Austria for students who complete the three exchanges.

Household jobs pay off for DARE

Nankin Mills School kindergartners combined on a campaign of doing extra household chores and donated the money to the Westland police department's DARE (Drug Awareness Resistance Education) program.

The youngsters in the two classes of Marilyn Griffith gave \$175 to Officer Jeff Gillespie, representing the DARE program.

Griffith said the money given to

DARE might have otherwise been used to buy Christmas gifts for the youngsters' teachers.

She said the chores for which the children were paid by their parents included setting dinner tables, feeding the family pets, washing floors and picking up toys.

One let his mother sleep in while another tied his sister's shoes for her.

"All of this was made possible

through the understanding and cooperation of the parents of the children involved," Griffith said of the fundraising campaign.

Making the presentations were pupils Kathryn Gonsior and Christopher Muzzin. Another pupil, Jennifer Toeco, compiled a book about the campaign, Griffith said.

Nankin Mills, on Hubbard near Ann Arbor Trail, is in the Livonia School District.

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Bishop Thomas Gumbleton speaks to Pierce Middle School students about the Middle East.

Bishop tells students of his visit to Baghdad

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this Catholic family who has three kids. As I talked with them, I thought to myself, 'What a terrible thing. These kids could be blown apart if a bomb hits their home.'"

THE DETROIT-BASED Catholic clergyman, whose name is often in the forefront of peace movements, brought the horrors of war home Wednesday to sixth graders at a western Wayne County middle school.

His brother, John, a teacher at the school, had invited the bishop to give the students his views on the crisis in the Middle East.

In early December, Gumbleton made headlines when he went with a group of American families to Iraq to seek the release of some hostages taken after Iraq invaded Kuwait in August.

The bishop was in Iraq when Iraqi President Saddam Hussein announced all hostages would be released.

THE STUDENTS quizzed Gumbleton on the possibility of a war starting soon after Tuesday's United Nations-imposed deadline expired.

"Does Bush want war too much?" one girl asked.

"Bush makes it clear. He is determined to go to war if Iraq does not pull out of Kuwait."

As he talked to the students Wednesday, the bishop expressed the same optimism others around the world felt as the meeting between Secretary of State James Baker III and Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz stretched into the sixth hour.

Of course, the worldwide optimism died later that day, when both sides announced the talks had failed.

ONE BOY asked the question everyone is asking today.

"Should the U.S. go to war if Iraq doesn't leave Kuwait?"

"No," Gumbleton said. "I'm convinced we haven't tried to negotiate enough. We can do a lot more through negotiations than we can through war."

"We don't want to reward an aggressor, but we do need to get at the

underlying grievances that caused Iraq to do this in the first place. We should negotiate the larger questions."

These talks could take place in the United Nations, Gumbleton said, and the United Nations could continue to put economic pressure on Iraq through an international embargo.

"An international community working together can stop any aggressor," Gumbleton said.

One student asked Gumbleton what he would now do if he were Saddam Hussein.

"Get my troops out of Kuwait. I would want Iraq to work together with other Arab countries and Israel in some kind of international conference to talk and work out a settlement. Hussein can be the leader to bring all these countries together."

ANOTHER STUDENT wanted to know why Iraq invaded Kuwait.

"Iraq is one of the smaller oil-producing countries. There's a major Iraqi oil field in the southern part of Iraq and part of Kuwait. Kuwait was taking oil from the field, they were stealing it and forcing prices down."

"Iraq was being hurt badly economically and that's why Saddam Hussein went into Kuwait."

IF WAR does break out, Gumbleton said, it will be a very destructive one.

"Tens of thousands of people would be killed, many of them ordinary people."

"And there's no guarantee the situation won't end up worse than it is now. If we unleash war in the Middle East, all the relationships of countries there will change."

"We'll get a whole different set of problems, maybe worse than we have now, and we won't solve the underlying problem of the Palestinians on the West Bank and in the Gaza Strip. Their land is occupied by Israeli soldiers. For 23 years, it's been a festering problem in the Middle East."

However, if war does break out, Gumbleton said the United States will win it.

"We'll lose a lot of troops but not as much as Iraq. We can overwhelm

them. They don't have a chance. Saddam knows that. But he says Iraq will be able to suffer more than the U.S. He thinks that once we see young people coming home dead, people will say that it's not worth it."

TO KEEP this opposition from building, Gumbleton said the United States will wage a quick war.

"We can destroy Iraq in six weeks. I can hardly bear to think about it."

While opposed to the war, Gumbleton said he would fully support the troops who were fighting it.

"They are just obeying orders. If you're opposed to the war, you have to influence the political leaders. In our country, the military follow the civilian leaders."

ONE GIRL asked if starting a war with Iraq would lead to World War III.

"No. That's a hope but it seems to me that nations right now are aware that war doesn't make sense any more. There can't be a World War III because the weapons are so devastating. Both sides would suffer tremendous losses."

And another student wanted to know if a nuclear bomb would be dropped.

"No. There is no rational political or military purpose for using nuclear weapons."

"The smallest bombs we have are larger than the bomb used to destroy Hiroshima, where 100,000 people were killed, and tens of thousands were maimed or crippled or suffered radiation sickness."

"You have no control over the destruction. Radiation is carried via the winds, and there's no telling where it will go. Even if you believe war is OK, there has to be some limits or it's totally immoral."

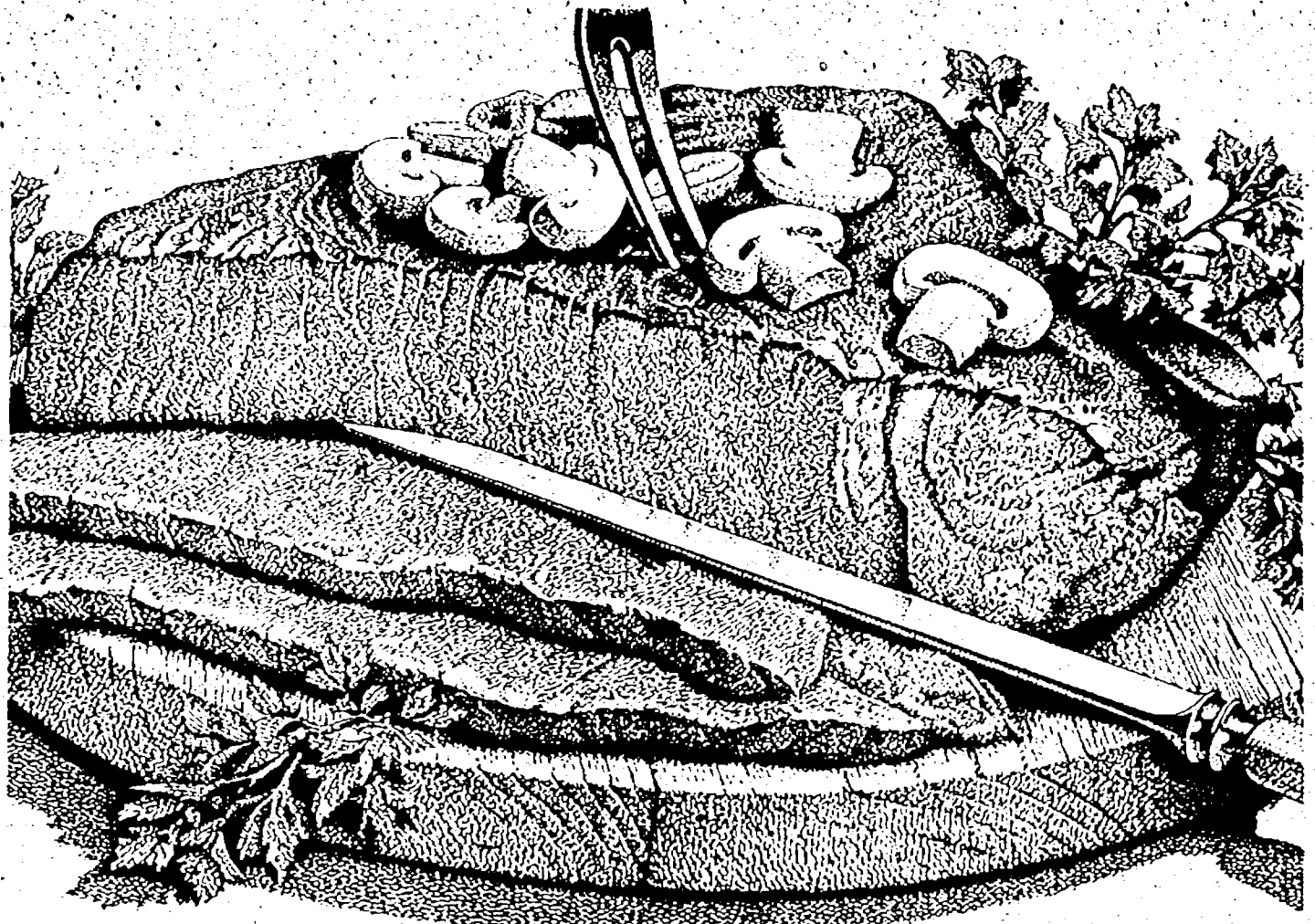
ONE BOY asked if the war would affect our own country's borders.

There would be no effect except through terrorism, Gumbleton said.

"There might be an increase in terrorist activity, not just from Iraq but from other Middle East countries united against the U.S. That's a terrible kind of warfare because you don't know where the enemy is."



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Workshop on college aid scheduled

A college financial aid workshop will be presented Wednesday night at Churchill High School.

The workshop will begin at 7 p.m. in the James P. Carli Memorial Auditorium of Churchill, 8900 Newburgh between Joy and Ann Arbor Trail.

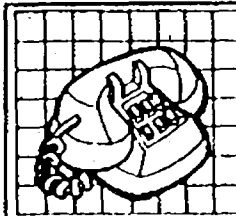
The workshop is hosted by coun-

sors from Franklin and Churchill High which serve the northern section of Westland, and Stevenson High and is open to all parents and their college-bound students in the Livonia school district.

Featured speaker will be Judy Tatum of the financial aid office of Eastern Michigan University. She

will explain and discuss various financial aid programs, including scholarships, grants and work study programs.

Donna Morawiec of Manufacturer's Bank will be present to discuss the Guaranteed Student Loan program.



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Area's Arabs seek Mideast peace

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now stationed there as members of U.S. combat forces.

"My congregation is feeling very depressed," said Shalhoub. "We're Arab-Americans and we have relatives in those countries, but our sons and daughters are also serving in Operation Desert Shield."

Metro Detroit, including suburban Oakland and Wayne counties, is home to an estimated 250,000 Arab-Americans.

While the Dearborn area contains a sizable Moslem community, other western Wayne and Oakland suburbs contain large numbers of Christian Arabs.

Chaldeans, Christian Arabs tracing their heritage to Iraq, have long been members of the Southfield and West Bloomfield communities.

Palestinians, who trace their heritage to the troubled West Bank, have tended to settle in western Wayne suburbs.

WHILE MANY people in both groups retain strong ties to the Middle East, they bristle at any notion of divided loyalty.

"The main point is that Chaldeans are loyal," said Josie Sarafa, Southfield resident and coordinator of bilingual programming at Birmingham Groves High School. "Chaldeans are in this country because they want to live in a democracy."

"My feeling is if I could be a good citizen of the old country, I couldn't be a good citizen of this country," added Shaheen. "My first priority is here — the U.S. I've been here 40 years."

Ahwal said Arab-Americans are particularly hurt that so many people automatically assume their loyalty lies elsewhere.

"I've had reporters call me who assume I have a double loyalty and I'm dismayed by that," Ahwal said. "My sister is getting ready to go over there with the U.S. military and her husband (also in the U.S. military) is already there."

The threat of war, she said, is no less frightening to Arab-Americans than to Americans in general.

"I'm the guardian of my nieces and nephews and it's very difficult knowing there's the chance they could lose their mother and father," Ahwal said.



'We're Arab Americans and we have relatives in those countries, but our sons and daughters are also serving in Operation Desert Shield.'

— Rev. George Shalhoub, St. Mary Antiochian Orthodox Church

Still, Arab-Americans said many of their countrymen fail to realize that, in the Middle East, national boundary lines are often as close as suburban city limits — making widespread warfare a distinct possibility and raising fears over distant relatives.

"IN THE Middle East, countries are often only 100 miles away from each other. There's great fear, not only for relatives in Iraq, but for those in Lebanon, Syria and other countries," said the Rev. Shalhoub of St. Mary's.

The Merriman Road church is holding a candlelight prayer vigil at 6:30 p.m. Monday.

"We're inviting people of all faiths," Shalhoub said. "We want Christians, Jews and Moslems to all pray together."

"This war will be one unlike any other. The question is does anyone have the right to start something that could lead to Armageddon?" Shalhoub said.

The multi-national spirit extends to the Islamic Association of Greater Detroit Mosque in Rochester Hills, according to its secretary, Syed Mohmood Ali Khan.

"All thoughtful people hope the U.S. and Iraq will negotiate and avoid war," said Khan, who was born in India. Members of his mosque come from a variety of countries including Pakistan, Turkey and Egypt. "We're all praying for

peace," said Khan.

Churches have been a rallying point and source of strength for suburban Arab-Americans.

Besides being hurt and saddened by (the breakdown of) negotiations, we are praying," said Sam Yano, a member of Mother of God Chaldean Church, Southfield. "We pray every day that God will work a miracle."

But while they may pray with Americans of all backgrounds, Arab-Americans know their skin color and accents make them a potential target for racism as tensions mount.

In the time honored tradition of his faith, however, Shalhoub is counseling his congregation to turn the other cheek.

"We have heard (of incidents) from some of our high school students. But this is something we don't want to play up. It's something, I suppose that's only normal in a situation like this, something German Americans faced during World War II," he said. "From our standpoint as a church, we're an integral part of the Livonia community and the community has been very good to us."

Others however, liken the situation more to the fate suffered by Japanese Americans in the days after Pearl Harbor.

Statements by Iraqi dictator Saddam Hussein linking a peaceful solution to new talks on a Palestinian homeland draw a bittersweet response from many Arab-Americans.

"The last thing I want is for Sad-

dam to be my salvation," Ahwal said. "But we did give him ammunition by ignoring the Palestinian question for so long. If Iraq pulls out of Kuwait tomorrow, there's still a Palestinian question to be resolved."

Birmingham resident Barbara Aswad, a professor of Middle Eastern studies at Wayne State University, said she believes President Bush is "inflexible" by refusing to link discussions on the Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait to Israeli-Palestinian difficulties.

"WE'VE HAD a one-sided foreign policy in the Middle East for 40 years," she said. "And it's coming home to roost."

Allegations by Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz that the United States pursues a double standard with regard to actions by Arab nations have also struck a responsive chord.

"I was born here, I love my country. But I'm very disillusioned," said Jean Farida, a West Bloomfield homemaker. "If the U.S. invades a Panama or Grenada, it's called national interest. If Iraq invades, it's called aggression."

"Kuwait is a tiny little portion that was stolen from Iraq and made into a country by the British."

Despite the failure of U.S.-Iraqi talks, many Arab-Americans still hope for a diplomatic solution.

"I hope the diplomats work hard," said Henry W. Saad, a Birmingham resident who is an attorney with a Detroit law firm.

Other Arab-Americans say they oppose war — all war — because they've seen so much of it.

"I don't want war, period. And I'm speaking as an American, not as an Arab-American," said Ahwal, who lived in the Middle East at the time of the Six Days War in 1967 and has periodically visited thereafter.

"It bothers me that President Bush says it will be a quick, clean war, because I know what war is like," Ahwal said. "Not many people my age know what war is like. But I do."

West Bloomfield Reporter James Radebaugh and the Associated Press contributed to this story.

'The main point is that Chaldeans are loyal. Chaldeans are in this country because they want to live in a democracy.'

— Josie Sarafa, Southfield.

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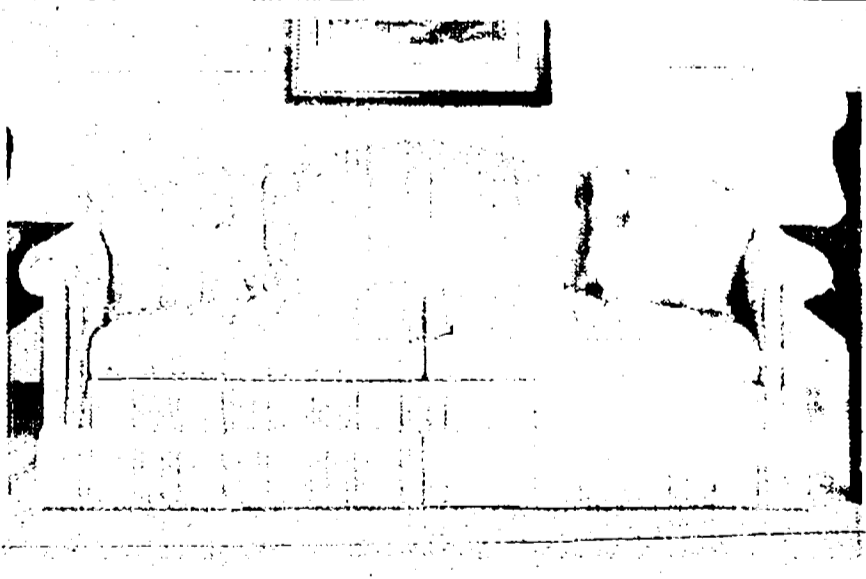
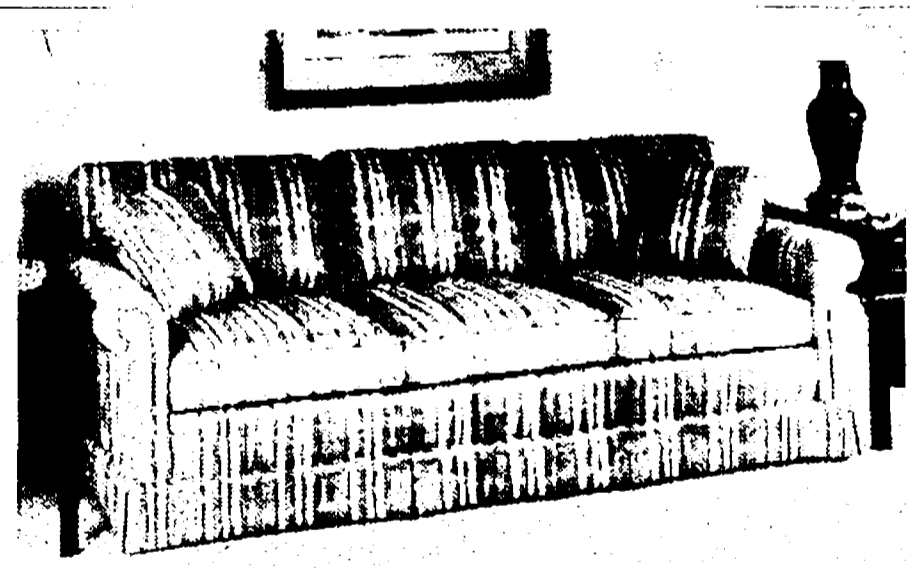
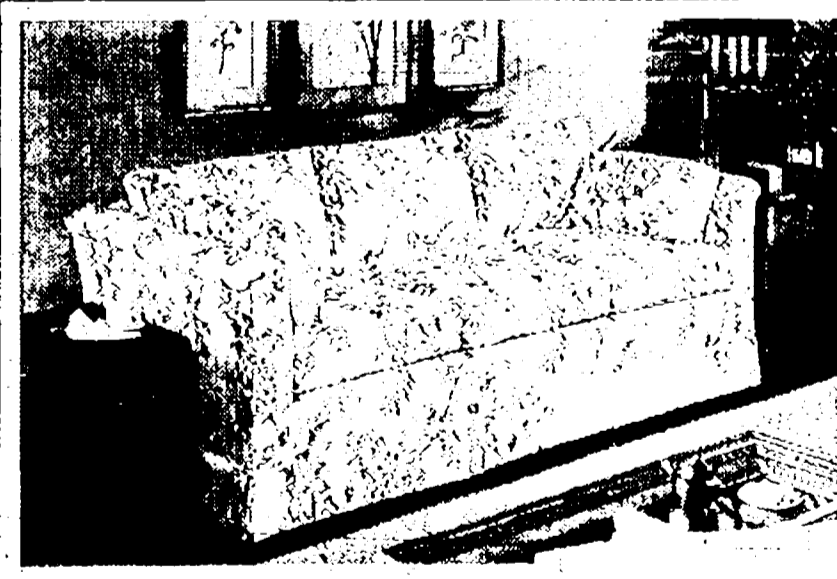
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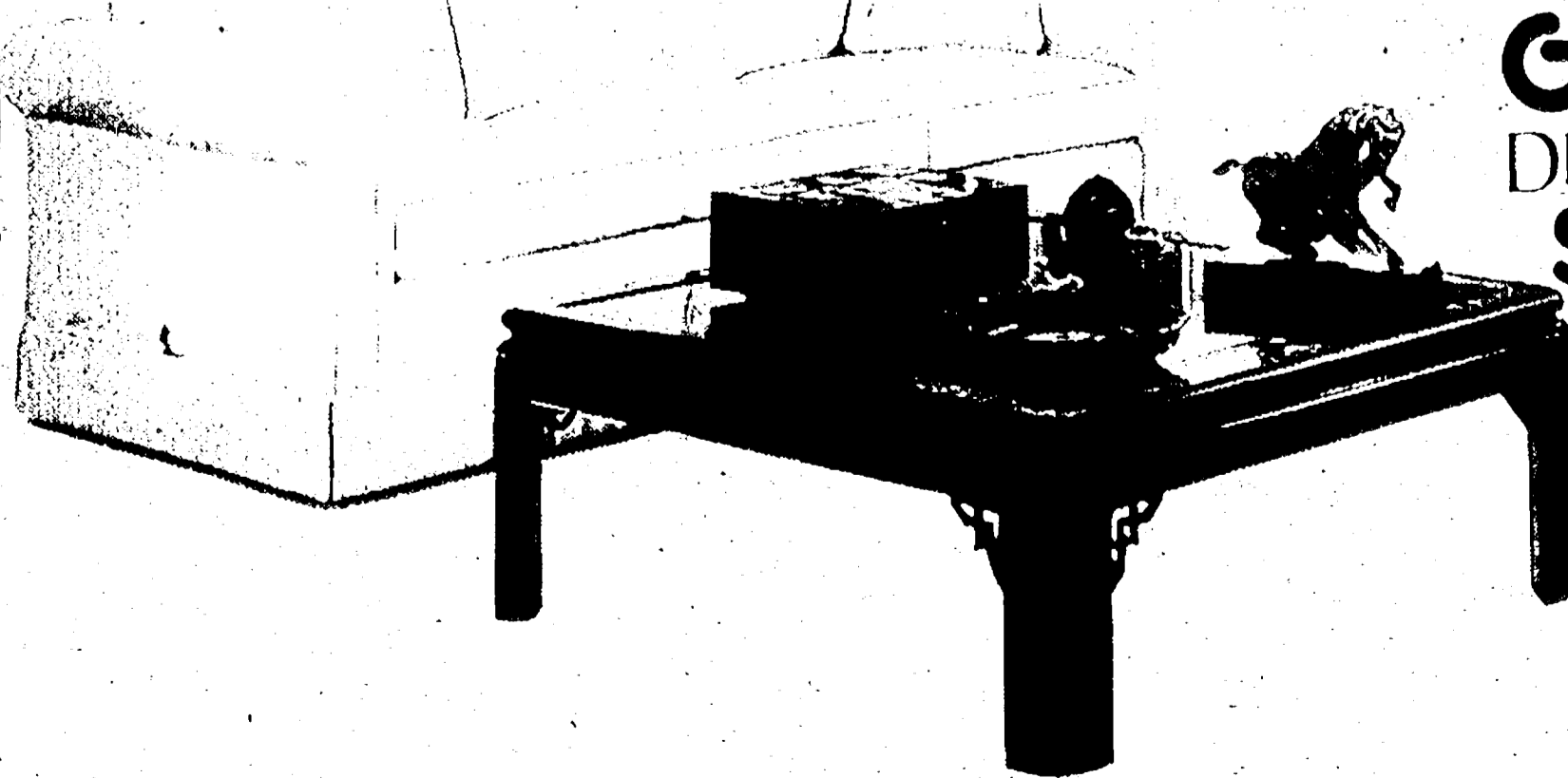
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Education chief unlikely to return from paid leave

By Tim Richard
Staff writer

Three weeks ago, Donald L. Bemis talked about staying on as state superintendent of public instruction.

True, Republicans had won a 5-3 majority in the Nov. 6 election. True, incoming Republican Gov. John Engler wanted to replace him.

But Bemis' contract had 2 1/2 years to run, and in mid-1990 Attorney General Frank Kelley said the board couldn't bounce Bemis.

"Things moved rather quickly — a week or 10 days," said Dorothy Beardmore, R-Rochester, new president of the state board, in a massive understatement.

AT 6 P.M. Tuesday, an hour before the board's monthly meeting was to start in Lansing, Bemis suddenly asked for "an administrative leave for a period up to six months," effective immediately. His contract says he continues at full pay — \$83,100 a year.

Without comment, the board voted 8-0 to grant it. Bemis attended neither the Tuesday evening nor Wednesday morning meetings.

"It was uncertain 'til the last moment what he would do," said board member Barbara Dumouchelle, R-Grosse Ile.

"This seemed to be a good way out for him," said member Cherry Jacobus, R-Grand Rapids.

"He hasn't said so," said Beardmore, "but he'll be looking for other full-time things to occupy his time. He's too young (55) to retire."

"Clearly John Engler was not a booster. More than once he said Bemis should seek something else to do."

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— Dorothy Beardmore
state board president

BEMIS' LETTER said he would use the time to "examine quality education issues . . . being utilized by other states" and study "the potential for the privatization of various aspects of the Department of Education."

"He's still superintendent," said Beardmore when asked what procedure would be used to replace Bemis.

The board appointed Deputy Superintendent Gary Hawks as acting superintendent.

Beardmore, one of the board's GOP heavyweights, said members hadn't met with Engler on the Bemis situation.

"We met one time — April or May — at our request just to talk with the Senate Republicans. That was the only time," Beardmore said.

But newly elected Republican Dick DeVos of Grand Rapids told the Associated Press that Engler called him just before Christmas to talk about getting rid of Bemis. "He just reaffirmed his interest that Mr. Bemis be removed," DeVos said.

BEMIS HAD spent his working life in Utica School District of Macomb County, rising to superintendent in 1971. In mid-1988 the state

board tapped him for state superintendent.

Bemis professed to be non-partisan but was championed for the post by Democratic Gov. James Blanchard.

Under the constitution, the governor is a non-voting member of the state board. Usually, however, governors have sent aides to sit in at board meetings.

"Blanchard came to the meeting when Don was sworn in," Beardmore recalled, "and one other time — to make a presentation, and then he left."

Of three persons who have represented Blanchard to the state board in his eight years as governor, only one — Tom Baldini — could be called "very active," Beardmore said.

AS ACTING superintendent, Hawks will face the immediate job of cutting the Department of Education budget by \$5 million.

Engler vowed not to cut aid to schools, community colleges or universities, but the Department of Education itself is "taking the same 9.2 percent cut as anybody else," Beardmore said.

Congressmen differ on force

Like colleagues throughout the nation, U.S. Congressmen representing western Wayne and Oakland counties were divided in Saturday's vote authorizing the use of force if Iraqi troops aren't withdrawn from Kuwait by Tuesday.

Republicans William Broomfield of Birmingham and Carl Pursell of Plymouth voted in favor of authorizing military force. Democrats William Ford of Taylor, Dennis Hertel

of Harper Woods and Sander Levin of Southfield voted against immediate use of force, preferring to give economic sanctions more time.

Broomfield, one of four primary sponsors of the resolution for force, said the resolution would "not commit President Bush to use military arms. It only gives him that option. In the president's hands it will be a very credible and powerful negotiating tool."

Levin, D-Southfield, was against

authorizing the use of force and in favor of an alternate resolution calling for continued economic sanctions.

"I have then asked myself how I would vote if the several thousand might include one of my own four children. Because in this vital instance I cannot answer in the affirmative for my own family, I must answer in the negative for others."

The joint resolution passed 250-183 in the House, 52-47 in the Senate.

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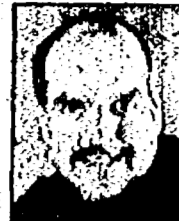
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Cuddle with bowl of soup

If there was ever a time for the so-called winter doldrums to set in, this week would be it.

Here we are, right smack dab in the middle of winter. It's dark before you get home from work and it isn't light till way after you get there. The Christmas tree was removed long ago and, again, we tire of the recently rearranged living room furniture. Other than something called Super Bowl Weekend, we have little to look forward to until Valentine's Day.

This is the time of year I like to cuddle. I cuddle with my down comforter, I cuddle with a 329-page novel, I cuddle with Kibbles, my cat. But there's something about cuddling with an oversized earthenware bowl of steaming homemade soup while wrapped in down, lounging on my La-Z-Boy with Kibbles on my lap and a book at my side.

I look out the window and see the cold and snow. My hands feel the warmth from the bowl. My senses are awakened by the steam that is inhaled, yielding pungent odors, sweet smells and a sensuous warming that is felt down to the cockles of one's heart.

Textures abound, combining gossamer limp onions with turtle beans exploding with flavor. The broth can be thin and as lanky as a well-gnawed rib bone bespeckled with droplets of glistening natural juices or thick and hearty, just waiting for someone to try to make a spoon stand on end.

YOU CAN ADORN crocks, bowls and tureens with a multitude of toppings ranging from flaky puff pastry to just a swirl of sour cream. A splash of brandy or a sprinkling of fresh grated cheese can turn a steaming bowl into a culinary work of art.

Yes, there are some pay-backs. You can bribe butchers to save you desirable bones that hopefully wouldn't have been picked clean by a voracious, inexperienced butcher. You can brown the bones, boil the bones, strain the bones, defat the bones, flavor the bones, and end up with a product that tastes like someone dropped one bouillon cube in a gallon of water. Or you can cheat a little like I do.

Cheating isn't really the term that truly expresses my need for a simmering soup on a cold, dark, dreary winter's day. When I want to eat, I want to eat now. Spending eight hours making homemade stock is neither fun nor heartwarming.

Long ago, in a land far away, there was a culinary wizard who devised a product called institutional soup base. Some of the better brands even have beef, chicken and ham as a first ingredient while some of the lesser varieties rely on salt, MSG and a multitude of other flavor enhancers to do the job.

This miraculous product that saves time and energy and produces a classic homemade French onion soup complete with puff pastry top in less than 10 minutes can be bought only at wholesale food distributors. Contrary to popular belief, you won't have to buy a case, and many distributors have a walk-in cash and carry office just for folks like you and me.

THE BEST that money can buy is dubbed soup base, with other brands like Leone's Pride, LeGout, Custom and Majors running behind the leader but never really being able to catch up flavorwise. Not only does this miracle product make great soup, it also does wonders for gravies and sauces and keeps just about forever in the refrigerator.

Flavors available include the naturals such as beef, chicken, pork and ham, but a little research might dig up the likes of a vegetarian base, a lobster base that makes a heavenly bisque and a clam base that will have a chowder on the stove every Friday.



STEPHEN CANTRELL/staff photographer

Many home cooks added new tools to their kitchen over the holidays. Cooking and baking should be even easier and more fun with additional "helpers." Shown above are fish poacher, croissant cutter, chef's knife and crock with kitchen utensils, accented by an antique cookbook.

New gizmos for the kitchen

By Gerl Rinschler
special writer

OK, NOW THAT the holidays are over, it's time to reorganize the kitchen and make room for all your new gadgets and gizmos. But before making any rash decisions about which tools stay and which get packed away for the next garage sale, let's consult a few professionals who know all about your future in the kitchen.

Espresso machines, electric hand mixers and chef's knives were all big sellers during the 1990 holiday season, but at the top of the list was an electronic bread-making machine. Priced between \$230 and \$350, depending upon the size and brand, this small, counter-top kitchen appliance mixes, kneads, raises and then bakes one loaf of bread any time you add the ingredients and program it to do so.

Most of these machines bake one round or one rectangular loaf, depending on the make and model you choose. It won't work for braided coffee cakes, baguettes, or rolls, so don't discard your electric mixer with a dough hook attachment just yet.

Are you as baffled as I am as to why, during recessionary times, folks are plunking down \$200 to \$380 for a machine which only bakes specific styles of bread? Toulia Patsalis, owner of Kitchen Glamor kitchenware stores, said, "Now that the average family has a dual income and both people working, they want kitchen conveniences and they want the best."

PATSALIS ADDED that high-quality chef's knives and paring knives, especially the high carbon stainless steel, by Wusthof-Trident and Gerber have sold well.

Richard Christensen has been an associate at Bridge Kitchenware in New York City for the past 19 years. He agrees that top-quality kitchen knives are hot items. He said home cooking is now "the thing to do. Our customers realize that high-quality items are long lasting and really make a difference when you use them. In New York, more and more people are cooking at home again, not just because of the high cost of restaurant dining but because you get less quality for your dollar (dining out)."

David Smith, manager of Williams-Sonoma in Troy, agrees electric hand mixers and

electronic bread-making machines are "in" but he also saw requests for hand-cranked egg beaters and elongated fish poachers.

Well, what does 1991 hold for cooking enthusiasts? Use of copper zabaione (Italian egg custard) pots and manual pasta machines is on the rise, as Italian cookery is still very popular. Christensen predicts sales increases in 1991 of the electric hand mixer and top-quality knives, along with stainless steel mandolines, a hand-operated tool that slices, juliennes or waffle cuts vegetables and fruits. The mandoline came to fame during the cuisine-nouvelle era of the late '70s and early '80s.

The "back-to-basics" philosophy in kitchenware has been obvious in the cookbook market as well. Last year Julia Child's "The Way To Cook" and "The New Basics" by Julie Rosso and Sheila Lukins each sold more than one million copies. And just as the 1990 holiday rush began, Fred Bridge and Jean F. Tibbets added some balance to the list with "The Well-Tooled Kitchen" (William Morrow and Co., \$24.95, 1990).

FOR MORE THAN 55 years, Fred Bridge has supplied cooks, from the professional

chef to the weekend cuisinier. Shelves and counters of his New York store on E. 52nd Street are packed warehouse-fashion with every conceivable kitchen gadget, pot, knife, slicers and mold.

"The Well-Tooled Kitchen" is described as a guide to more than 500 kitchenware items. With more than 250 photographs, it really is an encyclopedia of utensils. Bridge and co-author Tibbets devote the first 30 pages of the book to the history and uses of knives. They thoroughly answer all questions about the best materials and design of knives for chopping, slicing, boning, fluting, filleting and decorating food.

Not sure how or why to use a butcher's (or a multicut) steel, or even what it is? Bridge and Tibbets explain that the steel, a tapered cylinder, is used to straighten a knife blade's cutting edge and give it a keener finish.

So before going out to buy a new truffle slicer, grapefruit knife or brioche mold to your pantry shelf, consult the source: "The Well-Tooled Kitchen."

See recipes, Page 2B.

These pleasing cakes appeal to sweet tooth

By Arlene Funke
staff writer

Walter Stevanovich of Livonia knows a thing or two about pleasing customers who love sweets.

"Seventy-five percent of people buy the product by its looks," said Stevanovich, owner of Thomas Wedding Cakes. "The taste brings the customer back."

A native of Yugoslavia, Stevanovich is a baker by trade. While he has done all kinds of baking over the years, "My personal interest is cakes," he said.

Stevanovich, who specializes in fancy, special-occasion cakes and sumptuous cheesecakes, knows that elaborate decorations cannot take the place of flavor.

"I use good ingredients," he said. "It's all important — the ingredients, the baking and the decoration."

Name recognition is important, too. Stevanovich, who owns the Garden City Bake Shoppe on Ford Road,

purchased the venerable Thomas Wedding Cakes slightly more than a year ago.

"It's always better when you keep the same name," he said.

For 37 years the distinctive white brick Thomas store occupied the northwest corner of Middlebelt and Five Mile roads in Livonia. Now the shop is located a few blocks east, on Five Mile Road.

STEVANOVICH HAS adapted the wedding cake recipes used by original owner Roy Thomas, who established his business in the 1920s in northwest Detroit.

The most popular wedding cake flavor is yellow-and-chocolate marble, he said. Other flavors include white, chocolate, cherry nut and carrot.

The cheesecake recipes — which include plain, chocolate, lemon and black forest — came from Ruby McCord, previous owner of Thomas Wedding Cakes.

There have been at least three

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GUY WARREN/staff photographer

Lemon-filled cheesecake is one of the special cakes at Thomas Wedding Cakes in Livonia.

generations of Stevanovich bakers. Walter Stevanovich learned to bake from his father, a bakery owner, after the family emigrated from Yugoslavia to Canada in the early 1950s.

Walter, who studied culinary arts in Montreal, later came to Detroit and worked at Oakwood Bakery. He also was a part-owner of Baritz Bakery in Dearborn for several years.

His wife Dobrinka bakes and ices cakes. Son Dan, who lives in Canton, operates the Garden City shop. Eventually Stevanovich hopes to open a string of cake shops throughout Michigan.

"There are more and more occasions," Stevanovich said. "For everything, they celebrate with a cake."

Celebrating a retirement? How about a fancy cake with a frosting

vignette of a guy lounging in a hammock? There are heart-shaped Valentine's Day cakes and cakes with a telephone motif for Sweet Sixteen birthday parties.

OF COURSE, the Thomas reputation was built on its wedding cakes, towering confections decorated with

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Cakes have appeal

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lattices and rosettes fashioned from frosting.

Right now Stevanovich is taking orders for spring weddings. He keeps a photo album of cake styles which customers may use for ideas.

Stevanovich charges \$1 per serving for wedding cakes. The price includes delivery. Cheesecake wedding cakes also are available at \$2 per serving.

A black-and-white color scheme is popular, according to Stevanovich. It is a very dramatic look, featuring white frosting accented with black. The effect is created with black food coloring.

The shop sells around 15 wedding cakes per week. The numbers jump to 25 cakes per week during the peak periods of late spring and summer.

One of the shop's most ambitious orders occurred last year, with a huge wedding cake which served 750 people. The cake's several layers were connected by miniature "stairs," topped with bride-and-groom doll figures.

Stevanovich is proud when he can provide special touches. On the wall in his shop is a letter from a bride, thanking him for doll figures wear-

ing military regalia.

FOR SOME PEOPLE, nothing beats a slice of rich, feathery cheesecake. Susan Rosiek of Plymuth Township sings the praises of the cheesecake recipe of her mother, Wanda Rosiek of Dearborn Heights.

"It's a hot seller," said Rosiek, assistant managing editor for the Wayne County editions of the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. Cheesecake is a frothy combination of eggs, cream cheese and sour cream, usually prepared with a graham cracker crust. Apparently, the popularity of cheesecake began in New York City.

Wanda Rosiek has been making cheesecake for more than 30 years. Her recipe came from a neighbor. She bakes the cheesecake in a rectangular glass baking dish. When the cheesecake is thoroughly chilled it is cut into tiny pieces.

Sometimes fruit — strawberries or blueberries — is served on the side.

"It's really rich," said Susan Rosiek, a graduate of Ladywood High School in Livonia. "You don't need a large piece to be satisfied."

Rosiek has adapted her mother's recipe. Sometimes she drizzles melt-

ed chocolate over the cake for a marbled effect. She also varies the traditional graham cracker crust by adding cinnamon, chopped nuts or crushed chocolate wafers.

"You get better by doing it over and over again," Rosiek said.

BUT STEVANOVICH caters to people who would rather let someone else do the baking. He sold around 1,500 cheesecakes during the recent holiday season.

The most popular flavor is plain, Stevanovich said. Among the other available flavors are lemon, apple, chocolate, pumpkin, marble and black forest, which features a topping of cherries and whipped cream.

A variety of sizes, ranging from seven inches to 10 inches, are sold. Prices range from \$8 to \$18 per cake, depending on flavor and size. Fruit toppings are available, as are decorated cheesecakes.

Cheesecakes must be kept refrigerated. They can be frozen. Wrap tightly.

Thomas Wedding Cakes is at 27811 Five Mile Road, west of Inkster Road, Livonia, phone 427-9050. Hours are 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Saturday.

2 outstanding chefs share their classic-dish recipes

See related story, Page 1B.

As an added bonus, authors of "The Well-Tooled Kitchen" have included a selection of recipes from some of the country's best known chefs, such as Wolfgang Puck, Marcela Hazan and Paula Wolfert.

Here are two classic dishes from two of New York's best, Andre Soltner, chef-proprietor of Lutece restaurant, and Sandro Fioriti, executive chef of Sandro's.

TARTE A L'ORANGE
(Andre Soltner, Lutece, New York)
Makes one 9-inch tart

Pastry
1 cup flour
3 tablespoons granulated sugar
Pinch salt
6 tablespoons cold, unsalted butter, cubed
1 large egg yolk
1 to 2 tablespoons cold water

Egg wash
1 large egg yolk combined with 2 tablespoons cold water.

Combine the flour, sugar and salt in a large bowl and stir to mix. Make a well in the center, add the butter and work it in until it is the consistency of coarse cornmeal.

Combine the egg yolk and water, stir to mix, then add to the pastry and mix well.

Shape into a ball, then roll and fit into a 9-inch-round tart form. Trim, prick the bottom of the pastry shell with a fork and freeze 30 minutes.

Preheat oven to 400 degrees. Line the form with aluminum foil, weight with pie weights and bake 12 minutes. Remove the weights and foil, brush the pastry shell with the egg wash and continue to bake 8 more minutes. Remove from the oven and

Make a well in the center, add the butter and work it in until it is the consistency of coarse cornmeal.

cool to room temperature before using.

Grand Marnier Bavarian Cream, Fruit Topping and Glaze
4 large egg yolks
½ cup granulated sugar
1 ½-ounce package unflavored gelatin
1 cup milk
1 ½ tablespoons Grand Marnier
½ cup heavy cream
6 large navel oranges
2 tablespoons warmed and strained apricot preserves
1 tablespoon orange juice

Whisk the egg yolks, sugar and gelatin together in a bowl and set aside.

Heat the milk in a medium saucepan, then slowly add to the egg yolk mixture, whisking constantly to mix. Pour back into the saucepan and cook over medium-low heat 5 minutes or until the custard is thick enough to coat the back of a spoon; stir constantly.

Pour the mixture into a bowl set over a large bowl of iced water, then stir in the liqueur; stir frequently until the custard is chilled and thicker.

Beat the cream until soft peaks form, then lightly fold into the custard; continue to chill until firmer, then pour into the cooled tart shell and spread evenly.

Julienne the zest from two of the oranges and blanch in boiling water 2 minutes. Remove with a slotted spoon and set aside.

Use a sharp knife to peel all the oranges; cut between the membranes to release and remove the flesh, then arrange the freed orange sections over the filling in concentric circles.

In a small bowl combine the strained preserves with the orange juice, stir to mix, then use it to glaze the oranges; sprinkle the tart with the julienned orange zest.

FOCACCIA
(Sandro Fioriti, Sandro's, New York)

1 ½ ounces active dry yeast
1 ½ cups warm water (108 degrees)
2 ½ teaspoons coarse salt
¼ cup extra virgin olive oil
4 cups unbleached flour
2 tablespoons fresh whole rosemary leaves

Combine the yeast and ½ cup warm water in a large bowl, stir to mix and set aside 5 minutes to dissolve thoroughly.

Add the remaining water together with 1 teaspoon salt and 2 tablespoons oil and stir to mix; gradually work in the flour.

Turn the dough out onto a well-floured surface and vigorously knead 10 minutes or until the dough is smooth and elastic. Shape into a ball and place in a large bowl, cover with a towel and set aside in warm place, 1 ½ hours or until doubled in volume.

Punch down the dough, knead briefly, then roll to fit a lightly oiled baking sheet. The dough should measure about ½ inch deep. Use your finger to poke holes in the surface of the dough at 1-inch intervals, then brush with the remaining oil.

Sprinkle the rosemary over all and season with the remaining salt; set aside 30 minutes to rest. Preheat oven to 450 degrees. Bake 15-20 minutes or until golden brown. Makes 8 servings.

CHEESECAKE

This is the recipe for cake made in a 9-by-13-inch glass baking dish.

Graham Cracker Crust
1 ½ cups graham cracker crumbs
2 tablespoons sugar
5 ½ teaspoons melted margarine

Combine all ingredients. Lightly grease baking dish. Pat crust into dish and along sides with a fork.

Filling
Three 8-ounce packages cream cheese (at room temperature)
3 eggs
1 ½ teaspoons vanilla
1 cup sugar

Use a mixer or blender. Soften cream cheese and mix well. Add sugar, eggs and vanilla and blend well with cream cheese. Pour into graham cracker crust and bake at 325 degrees for 25 minutes. Cool for at least 1 hour.

Sour Cream Topping
8 ounces sour cream
3 tablespoons sugar
1 teaspoon vanilla

Combine ingredients and spread on top of cheesecake. Bake at 325 degrees for 10 minutes. Cool in the refrigerator. Remove and cut just before serving.

Recipe provided by Susan Rosiek.

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Joel Dunkelberger (left), Donna Czarnecki, Kedra Kears and John Rundell put together Jell-O, rice and broccoli, cherry cobbler and Company Winner Dinner of Chicken a la Cheddar, wild

DAN DEAN/staff photographer

Lahser High students create winning meal

One of the things I like best about writing this column is receiving the many thoughtful letters and menus sent in by people from throughout suburban Detroit.

I always open each piece of mail with great anticipation. Perhaps you can imagine my pleasure when I recently opened a letter inviting me to Bloomfield Hills Lahser High School to help select a Winner Dinner Winner from among several dinners that would be planned and prepared by students in Barbara Lange's home economics class. I eagerly accepted the kind invitation and made plans to be there.

The awaited day arrived, and when I walked into the classroom, I was impressed with the organization that each of the five "kitchens" displayed. As the class period is only 55 minutes long, each kitchen team had prepared as much of its meal as possible the day before. Within 30 minutes of my arrival, the dinners were being completed.

I had the tough job of testing each meal and selecting a Winner Dinner, basing my decision on how well-balanced, attractively presented and easy each meal was to make. Although all the meals were delicious,



family-tested winner dinner

Betsy Brethen

Kitchen 3, with Donna Czarnecki, Joel Dunkelberger, Kedra Kears and John Rundell at the stove, got the nod.

THEIR DINNER included Chicken a la Cheddar, served on a bed of Uncle Ben's Wild Rice, with broccoli, plus Company Jell-O and Cherry Cobbler. The meal was well thought out, and the combination of the cheddar cheese with the chicken was particularly tasty.

Czarnecki, a sophomore, loves to cook. She is a member of the French Club and plays softball on the Junior Varsity team. Dunkelberger is a freshman who enjoys cooking and sometimes prepares his own meals. His hobbies are photography and skeet shooting. Kears, a sophomore, also enjoys cooking at home. She is a member of the pom-pom squad as well as the French Club.

Rundell is a senior, who signed up for this class because he wanted to learn how to cook before he graduated from high school. He believes cooking is a survival skill he will need in the future. Rundell is a staffer on Bloomfield Hills Channel 16, writes poetry and short stories, enjoys skiing and, for his Community Service requirement, has worked at the Peachwood Inn Retirement Home. His career goal is to become a screenplay writer, and he plans to attend the University of Detroit in the fall.

Submit your recipes, to be considered for publication in this column or elsewhere, to: Winner Dinner, P.O. Box 3503, Birmingham 48012. All submissions become the property of the publisher. Each week's winner receives an apron with the words Winner Dinner Winner on it.

Observer & Eccentric Winner Dinner Recipes

CHICKEN A LA CHEDDAR

Easy to make, these delicious chicken rolls can be assembled in advance and baked just prior to serving. This recipe serves four.

- 4 chicken breast fillets, boned and skinned
- 4 chunks cheddar cheese, cut into cubes approximately 1/4 inches by 1/4 inches by 1/4 inches
- 1 egg, slightly beaten
- 1 cup dry bread crumbs

Flatten each chicken breast by rolling a glass over it or by pounding it with the edge of a saucer or the middle part of a rolling pin. Rinse each breast and place a chunk of cheese in the middle of each fillet, then wrap the meat around the cheese, securing it with a toothpick. Roll each piece in a beaten egg, then dip in bread crumbs until coated. Brown the outside of each roll in margarine. Place the chicken rolls on a cookie sheet and bake at 400 degrees for 25 minutes, being careful not to overcook them. Serve each roll on a bed of Uncle Ben's Wild Rice.

STEAMED BROCCOLI

Remove the outer leaves and the tough part of the stalks. Cut off the stalks or, if preferred, cut the broccoli into 1-inch pieces. Cook in 1-inch of boiling salted water in a covered pan for 5-8 minutes. Test with a fork and continue to cook until just tender, usually about 10 minutes. Cooking time will vary according to the size of the broccoli pieces.

COMPANY JELL-O

- 1 package strawberry Jell-O
- 1 box frozen strawberries, thawed
- 1 banana, sliced

Dissolve the gelatin in 1 cup boiling water. Add the thawed strawberries and juice. Stir, then add 1 banana which has been sliced. Pour into a mold and chill

overnight. Just prior to serving, remove the Jell-O mold from the refrigerator and dip the bottom of the mold in a sink filled with hot water for 10 seconds. Place a serving plate on top of the mold and quickly flip the plate over so the mold can fall out onto the plate. Garnish with lettuce leaves, if desired, or serve as is.

CHERRY COBBLER

- 4 cups fresh or frozen, unsweetened, pitted, tart red cherries
- 1/4 cup granulated sugar
- 1 tablespoon quick-cooking tapioca
- 1 tablespoon butter or margarine
- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- 2 tablespoons granulated sugar
- 1 1/2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1/4 cup butter or margarine
- 1 egg, slightly beaten
- 1/4 cup milk
- Light cream or vanilla ice cream

Cherry Filling

In a medium-sized saucepan, combine the cherries, 3/4 cups of granulated sugar, tapioca, and 1/2 cup water. Let stand for 5 minutes, stirring occasionally. Cook and stir until slightly thickened and bubbly. Add 1 tablespoon butter or margarine. Set aside and keep warm.

Biscuit Topping

Thoroughly stir together 1 cup flour, 2 tablespoons granulated sugar, baking powder and 1/4 teaspoon salt. Cut in the 1/4 cup butter or margarine until the mixture resembles coarse crumbs. Combine the beaten egg and milk; add all at once to the dry ingredients, stirring just to moisten. Turn the hot fruit filling into an 8-by-11 1/2-inch round baking dish or 1/2 quart casserole dish. Immediately spoon on the biscuit topping in 8 mounds. Bake in a 400 degree oven for about 20 minutes. Serve warm with light cream or vanilla ice cream.

Shopping List

- 4 boneless chicken breast fillets
- 4 chunks cheddar cheese
- Bread crumbs
- 2 eggs
- 1 box Uncle Ben's Wild Rice
- 1 bunch broccoli
- 1 package strawberry Jell-O
- 1 box frozen strawberries
- 1 banana
- 4 cups fresh or frozen, unsweetened pitted, tart, red cherries
- 1 tablespoon quick-cooking tapioca
- Butter or margarine
- Milk
- Sugar
- Flour
- Baking powder
- Light cream or vanilla ice cream, optional

Notes

Dried fruits are full of flavor, concentrated nutrients

AP - Dried up, wrinkled and delicious - plums, grapes, apples, cranberries, cherries, blueberries, peaches and other fruits become flavor-packed gems when dried. Like their fresh-from-the-tree counterparts, dried fruits contain no cholesterol, very little fat and protein and a lot of fiber. Some dried fruits also are good sources of iron, potassium and vitamin A.

On the down side, sulfur compounds may be added to light-colored fruits such as apples or pears to help retain color. If you are sulfite sensitive, check labels for these words: sulfur dioxide, sodium sulfite, sodium or potassium bisulfite, and sodium or potassium metabisulfite.

When the water is removed by drying, all a fruit's nutrients become concentrated into a smaller, easier-to-eat package, making a handful of dried fruit a handful of calories. To avoid excess calories, eat only as much of dried fruit as you normally would of the fresh alternative.

CALORIE NUMBERS

- Apples (5 rings) 78 calories
- Apricots (5 halves) 42 calories
- Dates (5) 114 calories
- Figs (2) 95 calories
- Peaches (5 halves) 156 calories
- Pears (5 halves) 230 calories
- Prunes (5) 100 calories
- Raisins (3/4 cup) 165 calories

PLUMPING DRIED FRUITS

Raisins do not require cooking but may be plumped for added juiciness. Place raisins in a saucepan and cover with water about 1 inch above the raisins. Bring to boiling; remove from heat. Cover and let stand about 5 minutes; then drain well.

To plump dried fruit in the microwave oven, place fruit in a microwave-safe, 1-quart casserole. Add an equal amount of water. Cook, covered, on 100 percent power (high) until boiling, stirring once. Allow 1 1/2 to 2 to 3 minutes for 1/2 cup mixed dried fruit, 2 to 3 minutes for 1 cup dried apricots, and 3 to 5 minutes for 1 cup dried apples, currants, raisins,

figs, mixed fruit, peaches, or prunes. Drain.

USING DRIED FRUITS

- Plump dried fruits in a mixture

of water and orange or pineapple juice; then stir in seedless grapes, orange sections and pineapple chunks. Serve the compote warm or chilled for brunch or as a dessert.

• Substitute an equal amount of snipped and plumped dried apricots, apples, peaches, or pears for raisins in cookies, cakes or muffins.

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Chef Larry's recipe

CLASSIC FRENCH ONION SOUP
6 cups beef broth or stock
4 medium onions, sliced
4 tablespoons butter or margarine
1 clove garlic, minced fine
2 tablespoons sugar
1 bay leaf
Pinch thyme
Fresh ground pepper to taste
¼ cup cheap, dry red wine (optional)
Prepare the broth as needed, set aside.

In a heavy saucepan, saute onions in butter with garlic. When limp, sprinkle in sugar and continue cooking over medium high heat until the sugar begins to caramelize. Add broth, bay leaf, thyme and pepper. Simmer for 5 minutes. Stir in wine. Remove bay leaf. Ladle into ovenproof crock and top with a thin slice of French bread and some grated Swiss and Parmesan cheese. Pop under broiler and broil 3 minutes or until hot and bubbly.

Reference book tells all about Burgundy

America's wine guru Robert M. Parker Jr. has just completed a massive book (more than 1,000 pages) on Burgundy, published by Simon and Schuster, \$39.95.

If you are interested in Burgundy and want to learn about it in intimate detail, this is the book for you. It also will serve as a valuable reference in the future.

Parker discusses each appellation (growing region) in detail, relates his opinion on each of 640 individual producers and includes thousands of tasting notes on wines produced from 1945 to 1989.

Although this is a book of lists, it is a useful reference to keep in a personal wine library.

AFTER THE opening 60 pages, 318 pages are spent cataloging each of 640 producers; 276 pages discuss 45 Burgundy appellations from Chablis to Beaujolais; and 348 pages are used to list tasting notes on wines from 1945 to 1989, of which only those from 1985 to 1988 are useful for current wine purchases.



focus on wine
Eleanor and Ray Heald

The concluding 20 pages are used to summarize the ratings of growers and producers discussed in the first 318 pages.

Parker's brief history of Burgundy (five pages) sheds light on the complicated (dis)organization of its vineyards in contrast to those of Bordeaux.

THE MOST INTERESTING part of his book is Parker's answers to "Twenty Questions about Burgundy" (25 pages).

Even though he tends to be redundant, Parker does help the reader appreciate the charm and mystique of Burgundy.

"It would appear that no matter

how much time, effort and money is spent trying to understand the wines of Burgundy, to a large extent, they remain an unfathomable mystery," he said.

Parker holds out the carrot for the enophile by saying that Burgundy "at its greatest, irrefutably provides the world's most majestic, glorious and hedonistic red and white wine."

PARKER DOES the reader a great service by explaining the importance of knowing the best producers, listing his favorites and discouraging wine purchase based on appellation or vintage.

"The argument that small estates turn out more authentic and better

WINE SELECTION OF THE WEEK

Be forewarned that Burgundies are expensive. However, it is possible to find good values with a persistent search. The 1989 De Villaine Bourgogne Aligote de Bouveron (\$13) boasts fresh fruit aromas combined with the style and charm characteristic of a very good 1989 vintage. Aligote is Burgundy's second white grape variety, but Parker considers De Villaine's Aligote to be the finest from France. We do too.

WINE BULLETIN BOARD

The great wines of France will be the topic of a five-week wine course Wednesdays from 7:30-9:30 p.m., Jan. 23 to Feb. 20, at Oakland Community College's Orchard Ridge Campus, 1-696 at Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills. The class will focus on the wines of Burgundy, Bordeaux, Alsace, Rhone, Loire and Champagne. Total cost is \$90. Instructors: Eleanor and Ray Heald. For more information call 471-7561.

wines than the finest negociants is a sham," he said.

This is good advice for wine drinkers, not collectors, since large negociant firms such as Drouhin, Bouree, Faiveley, Jadot and Latour produce the region's most affordable wines.

MOST BURGUNDIES are meant to drink, not age, Parker said. We agree. These wines are to be enjoyed

in the near term, not cellared for one's heirs.

Parker's rule of thumb is "drink red burgundy within 10 years of the vintage," except in great years.

Holding out hope for the collector, he said Burgundy may well be experiencing a "golden age," as evidenced by the wines of 1985 through 1989, where the "overall quality level has never been higher."

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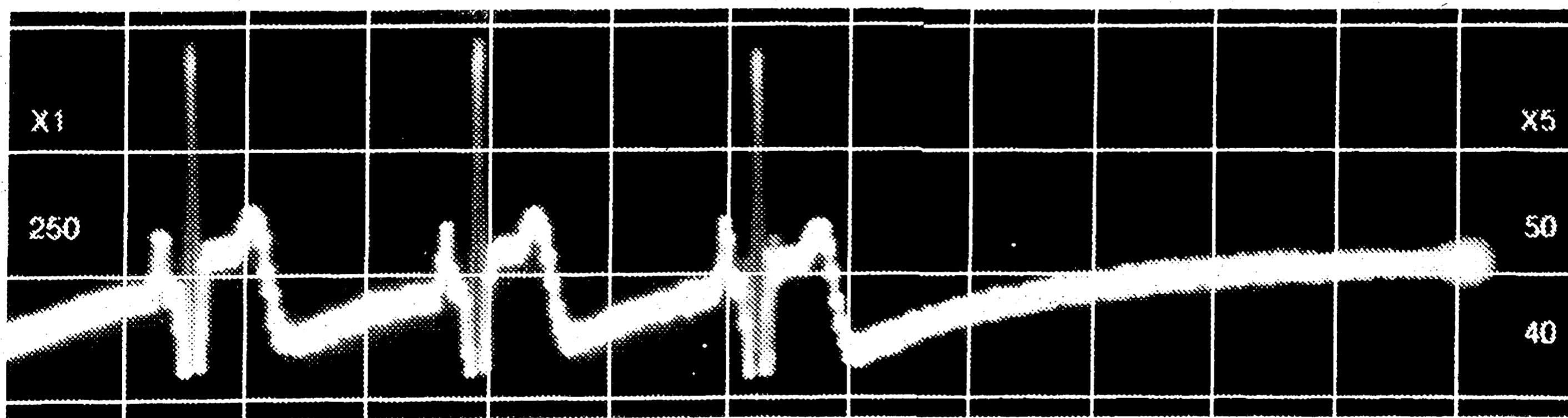
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It's really not as hard as it sounds. I don't care for the modern automated bread machines that do the whole job for you.

FOR ME, at least, there is great therapeutic value in making bread from scratch: seeing it rise, knocking out the air and punching it down.

Nothing feels exactly like warm, live bread dough as you knead it and

shape it into loaves and rolls. Certainly, you can work out a lot of aggression as you pound it, punch it and knead it into the smoothness that determines the final texture of the finished loaf.

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THERE ARE hundreds and hundreds of recipes for breads of all sorts. Whole grain breads are, of course, very popular at this time.

Space will not allow me to share all my favorites with you. But here are a few good basic breads that anyone can make successfully. After you become more practiced, you



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may wish to try braided loaves and variations such as vegetable breads, stuffed breads and cheese breads.

Any bread you can make as loaves also can be shaped and baked as rolls. These take less baking time, and many beginners seem to have better luck with them than with larger loaves.

With bread baking, as with any other art, the more you practice, the better you become. And the appreciation of those who enjoy the finished product is one of your greatest rewards.

WHITE BREAD

This is my favorite basic white bread recipe. It is especially easy for an inexperienced cook to use. It makes beautiful rolls and nice hamburger and hotdog buns. If you have trouble shaping and baking these, call me for help.

- 1 teaspoon sugar
- ¼ cup lukewarm water
- 1 package dry granular yeast
- 4 cups boiled water, cooled to lukewarm
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- 1 ½ teaspoon salt
- 2 tablespoons melted shortening
- 11 ½ cups white flour

Dissolve the teaspoon of sugar in the ¼-cup of water and sprinkle the yeast over it. Let stand for 10 minutes. Combine the softened yeast, water, sugar, salt, shortening and 6 cups of the flour. Beat until smooth.

Cover and set it in a warm place to rise for about 1 ½ hours. The sponge is ready when it is light and bubbly.

Next, mix in the remaining flour and knead the mixture until it no longer sticks to your fingers. Turn it out on a floured board and knead until it is smooth and satiny.

Place the dough in a bowl, cover and set in a warm place to rise until it is double in bulk. This should take about 2 hours.

Cut the dough into 3 portions and shape into loaves. Place each loaf in a well-greased loaf pan. Cover and let it rise in a warm place until it is again double in bulk.

Bake in a hot oven (400 degrees) for 15 minutes, then lower the temperature to a moderate heat (350 degrees) and bake for 45 minutes longer.

RICH BASIC SWEET DOUGH

There are many ways of using this rich, sweet dough, such as in coffee cakes, doughnuts and rolls of various shapes. You can add raisins before baking and then glaze or frost the finished loaves for a delicious raisin bread. Sliced apples and cinnamon are nice, too.

- 2 teaspoons sugar
- ½ cup lukewarm water
- 2 packages dry granular yeast
- ¾ cup scalded milk, lukewarm
- ¾ cup flour
- ¼ cup butter
- ½ cup sugar
- 2 whole eggs

- 3 to 4 egg yolks
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- Grated rind of 1 lemon
- 4 ½ to 5 cups sifted flour

Dissolve the teaspoon of sugar in lukewarm water, sprinkle the yeast over it and let stand until softened. Combine with the lukewarm milk and ¼ cup flour.

Beat well, cover and let the sponge rise in a warm place until light and bubbly. Cream the butter with the sugar. Beat the whole eggs and egg yolks together along with the salt. Combine with the butter-sugar mixture and beat thoroughly. Stir in vanilla, lemon rind, and sponge. Add the flour and knead in a bowl for about 10 minutes. This dough should be soft.

Cover and let rise in a warm place until double in bulk. Punch down, knead a few times and let it rise again. Form into desired loaves or shapes. Baking time varies for the selected shapes. Loaves take longer than rolls.

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Churchill rallies to stay unbeaten

Short-handed goal sinks Spartans

By Brad Emons
staff writer

Livonia Churchill's hockey team took a page Friday from its late namesake, Sir Winston, who once said in his initial address to the House of Commons, "I have nothing to offer but blood, toil, tears and sweat."

The state-ranked Chargers used all their resources to remain unbeaten, rallying in the final period for their 12th straight win, a hard-fought 4-3 triumph over inspired city rival Stevenson. (The game was played at Edgar Arena.)

Bill Sayed's short-handed goal from Jamie Allen with 6:58 remaining provided the final margin of victory. The score came after Ryan Luklewski's slap shot from the point (with 10:03 to play) tied it at 3-3 for the Chargers. Nick Kovich and Dan O'Connor assisted on the goal.

Trailing 3-2 entering the final period, Churchill coach Rudy Varvari huddled with assistants Ron Griffin and Russ Lynch to discuss strategy.

"All I said to them was 'stick together and keep working,'" Varvari said. "It was only a one-goal game so all we could do is work for the next goal. Usually you win a game like this on a power-play or something else. I didn't realize we won it short-handed."

STEVENSON, which slipped to 5-4-2 overall, rode the hot goaltending of junior Mike Williams, who turned back 38 of 42 shots.

"Mike knew a week-and-a-half ago that he was going to get the call on this game," Stevenson coach Paul Ferguson said. "He was pumped up for it, all the kids were."

The Spartans, trying to salvage a tie after the Sayed goal, applied pressure in the final minute when Williams was pulled for an extra attacker.

But despite forcing a face-off in

Churchill's end with 18 seconds to play, Stevenson couldn't convert the equalizer.

"We needed a draw (a face-off) and we got it," Varvari said. "And we got a stop in there (a save by goalie Jeremy Niemiec). We also got to the puck first when we needed it. We were lucky to win."

Stevenson, normally a slow starting team, stayed close in the early going despite being outshot 15-4 in the opening period.

Churchill's Tony Dylowski drew first blood when he snared a rebound off the boards and scored at 9:20 of the first period. (Colin Gallagher and Mike Johnson drew assists.)

STEVENSON'S Ryan Fawkes then scored the first of his two goals with 2:08 left in the opening period, shortly after Churchill had killed off a Doug Delvigna penalty. Aaron Moorehouse made the score possible by digging the puck out of the corner. Nick Sata also drew an assist.

In the second period, Stevenson began to even things out, outshooting the Chargers 10-9.

Fawkes, on assists from Kevin Bush and Scott Johnson, scored again at the 5:29 mark, but Gallagher responded for Churchill on a slap shot from the left side at 8:12 (from O'Connor).

But just before the conclusion of the second period, 52 seconds to be exact, sophomore Mike Schmidt poked in a shot from Moorehouse and Mark Peterson to give the Spartans a one-goal lead.

"We didn't want to go into the shell at all in the (third) period," Stevenson coach Paul Ferguson said. "We wanted them to work hard, keep forechecking and make sure everybody was coming back."

The Spartans, however, were on their heels for most of the final period. They were outshot 18-5.

"It (the Sayed goal) was a mistake we made, just one of those things,"

Ferguson said. "We just got caught up on the play. One of our kids was out of position."

THE GAME-WINNING goal saved some momentary embarrassment for Sayed, a senior defenseman.

After Stevenson's go-ahead goal near the end of the second period, Sayed, out of a fit of frustration, accidentally whacked the puck into the crowd, slightly injuring a student spectator, who suffered a superficial cut near the eye. Officials did not call a penalty on Churchill.

Although Stevenson had its way for much of the second period, the Chargers were able to pull out the victory in the final period.

"I thought we got outplayed for a lot of game even though we had a lot of shots," Varvari said. "Stevenson came out and hustled in our end. They played well. They're a good team."

Ferguson, meanwhile, was encouraged by his team's showing.

"I'm very proud of them, it was one terrific effort," the Stevenson coach said. "It's a good, young bunch of kids who are learning the ropes. In the future we'll be tough, I hope."

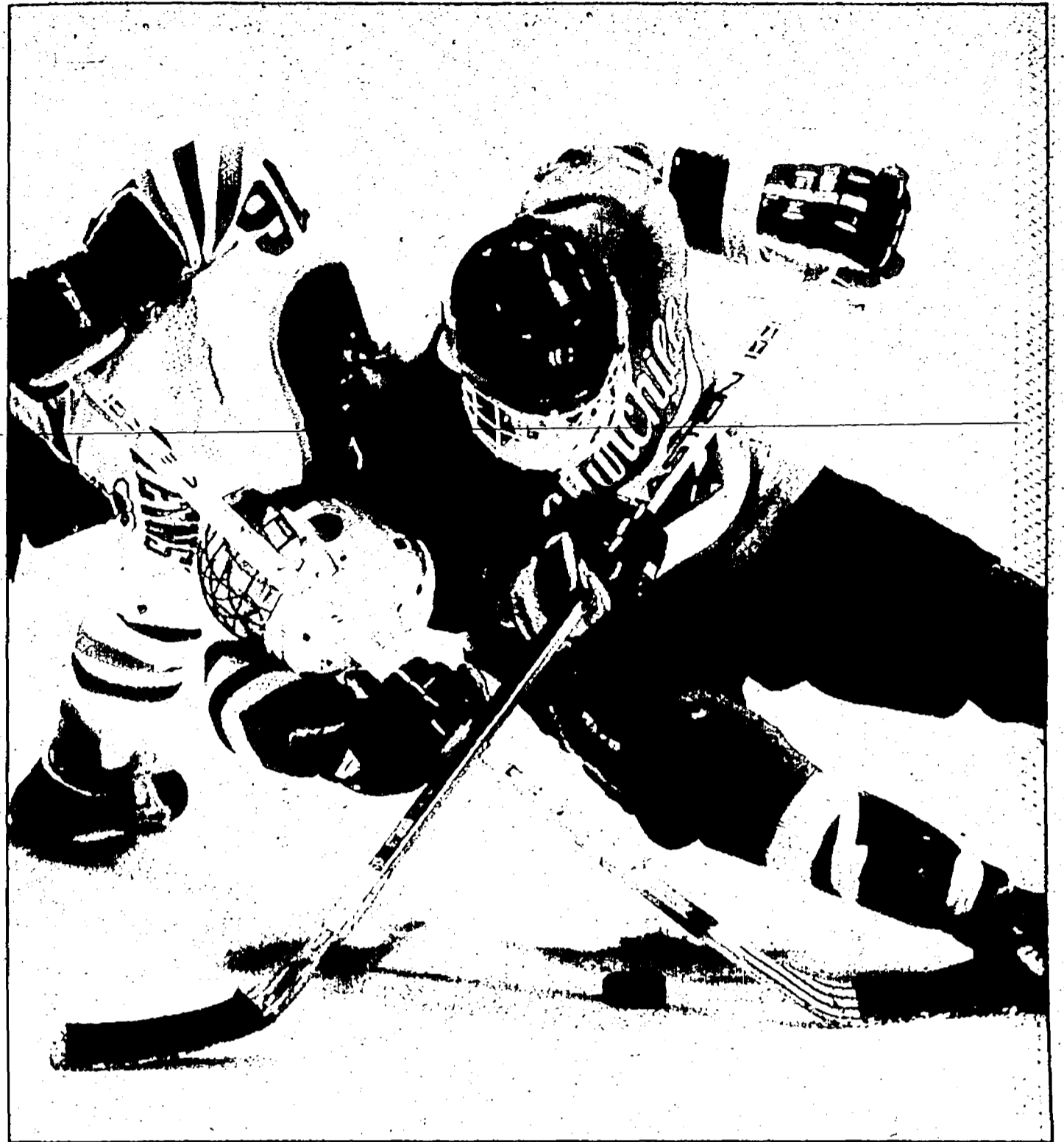
VARVARI, whose team will try for its 13th straight win Wednesday against Wyandotte, said there were many lessons to be learned from the tight victory.

"The streak has got to play a factor, it's only human nature," he said.

"I saw some sloppy passing. We were a little off. We didn't move it (the puck) at all. We 'one-manned' it a lot."

"We just can't step out on the ice, we have to take each game like it's a state tourney game. But the big thing is that we stuck together tonight. It was a good high school game."

It was one Sir Winston could even smile about.



JIM JAGDFELD/staff photographer

Mike Johnson (right) of Livonia Churchill tries to steal the face-off from Livonia Stevenson's Scott Johnson during Friday's clash. Churchill

rallied for two goals in the final period to remain unbeaten in 12 games, 4-3.

U-D Jesuit sets Borgess back in Central Division race

By Darren A. Nichols
staff writer

It was the battle of the point guards Friday night at Redford Bishop Borgess, and Mike Jackson and Kevin Riser didn't disappoint those who came to watch.

Jackson, University of Detroit Jesuit's senior guard, scored a team-high 19 points to lead the visiting Cubs past host Borgess, 60-59, in a Catholic-League Central Division game.

He also had five assists, five rebounds and four steals. "We feel like he's the best point guard in the Catholic League this year," U-D coach Scott Hammond said. "We ask him to do a lot for us and it's a big vol (when he leaves the game). He's our leader on the floor."

"They (Borgess) did a good job of pressuring Mike. He scored 19 points, but it was a tough 19 points." Riser, the Spartans' senior guard, led all scorers with 26 points, along with four rebounds and two steals.

U-D RAISED ITS record to 4-4 overall and 2-1 in the Central Division. Borgess, meanwhile, fell 3-5 overall and 1-2 in the conference. For the Cubs, forward Herman Jenkins added 13

basketball

points and guard Rashad Roland had 10 points and four assists. ReShawn Sumler added 10 points for Borgess.

The game was close the entire way, with no team having a lead of more than six points.

Two free throws by Jenkins with 5:45 remaining tied the game for the last time at 50-50.

A three-point basket by Roland and a jump shot by Jackson increased the Cubs' lead to 55-50 with 4:25 left. Two straight baskets by center Nea Staebler put the Cubs ahead 59-55 with 2:16 remaining.

Riser put the Spartans within two points with 1:39 left, before a free throw by Jenkins made the lead 60-57 with 48 seconds left put the Cubs up 60-57.

Borgess missed a chance to tie the game with :30 left when junior forward Lamar Westbrook was unsuccessful with a three-point attempt. Defensively, Westbrook made up for his missed shot, drawing a charge on Jack-

son as he was dribbling the ball up the floor with 24 seconds left.

AFTER A BORGESS timeout, a play designed to get Riser open was unsuccessful. The Spartans passed the ball around the perimeter trying to get a shot to no avail. The ball finally wound up in Riser's hands and he was fouled with six seconds left by Jackson who was attempting to get a loose ball.

"We switched to a zone and we got good defensive position and pressure on them," Hammond said. "We were a step slow all night and maybe we should have played the zone the whole 32 minutes."

Riser hit both free throws, and Staebler was fouled with :04 and missed a front end of a 1-and-1 situation.

After the ball was tapped by Sumler and Cubs' Jenkins, Jermaine Parker grabbed the loose ball, dribbled across half court and missed a 3-point attempt at the buzzer.

"Because we didn't have a timeout we had to improvise a bit," Borgess coach Mike Fusco said. "We got a shot that he could hit, but it didn't go down."

U-D led 31-29 at halftime, sparked by Jackson, who scored 15 of his 19 points in the first 16 minutes.

A JACKSON BASKET with 6:44 in the second quarter put U-D ahead 20-17. Each team traded baskets before a free throw by Jenkins put the Cubs up three with 4:02 left in the quarter.

Two straight baskets by Jackson put U-D up 31-27 with 1:55 in the quarter, before senior Travis Williams scored with 1:26 left.

U-D raced to a 7-2 lead, before Borgess hit two straight baskets to cut the lead to two with 4:34 left in the first quarter. A Jenkins jump shot put the Cubs ahead 16-10 with 1:12 left before Sumler hit a pair of free throws and Riser's three-point play made the lead 16-15 after the first quarter.

Fusco was pleased with the performance of his team, especially the Spartans' defensive effort.

"I was pleased that we came out ready to play," he said. "We gave a good defensive effort tonight and Kevin Riser played the best game of his career."

"(Kevin) has been more focused recently and has played within himself to get the team into a good flow. I think after eight games he's finally become our leader."

Hammond said he was lucky to get out of Borgess with a win.

Impressive start

Top-ranked Salem defuses Rockets

As the state's top-ranked gymnastics team, Plymouth Salem is expected to be good.

And the Rocks didn't waste any time showing it Thursday in their first competition of 1990-91.

Salem scored an impressive 138.9 to defeat host Westland John Glenn in its season debut. The Rockets compiled a 121.3 team.

Salem's school record is the 142.3 it scored last year in a dual meet with North Farmington.

"I'm pretty impressed," Salem coach Kathi Kinsella said. "I even thought we were kinda low on a couple of scores."

"I'M CERTAINLY hoping it's going to be a good year. We've got a long season ahead of us, but as long as we don't get hurt and we don't get bored, everything will be cool."

Sophomore Kim Miller, the defending state champion in the all-around, has the highest individual total Wednesday and finished first overall again. She won every event but the balance beam and recorded a 38.4 total.

Miller scored 9.25 on the uneven

gymnastics

parallel bars, 9.4 on vault and 8.85 on floor exercise. She was second behind teammate Courtney Gonyea on beam with a 9.0.

"She stuck her (new) dismount off bars, and she landed her vault," Kinsella said. "I saw a few things that could be polished up, but I saw that in everybody."

Gonyea, a sophomore, scored 9.25 on beam. She also was second on floor (8.8) and third on vault (9.15). She didn't compete on bars and didn't have an all-around score.

"She works beam real hard," Kinsella said. "I think that's going to be her best event. She looks real good, and I can't wait to see what her all-around looks like."

SALEM FRESHMAN Alysia Sofios was second in the all-around with a 33.70 total. She finished third on bars (7.9) and floor (8.7), and she

placed fourth on beam and floor with a pair of 8.55 scores.

Salem junior Autumn Bunch and Glenn senior Chris Prough tied for third in the all-around with 33.6 scores. Bunch was runner-up to Miller on vault (9.2), fifth on floor (8.5) and beam (8.45) and sixth on bars (7.45).

Prough placed third on beam (8.8), fourth on floor (8.55) and tied with Salem's Jenny Wong for fourth on bars (7.65). Wong also was fifth on vault (8.85), and Glenn's Marissa Maybouer was second on bars (8.0).

"We got over the first-meet jitters," Kinsella said, "and people did some things they hadn't done before in competition — and not just Miller, Gonyea and Bunch but people like Sarah Makins, Sue Farmer and Stefanle Angulo."

"I said 'Let's have fun, get the meet over with and tomorrow we'll set up for (the) Athens (Invitational on Saturday).' They did a good job, and concentrated pretty well for the first meet."

The Rocks are host to Northville in another Western Lakes Activities Association dual meet at 7 tonight.



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Marisa Maybouer of Westland John Glenn works through her routine on the balance beam during dual meet competition last week

against the state's top-ranked team, Plymouth Salem.

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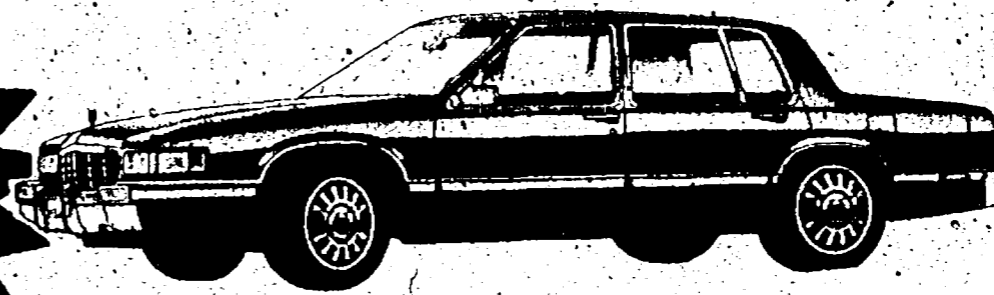
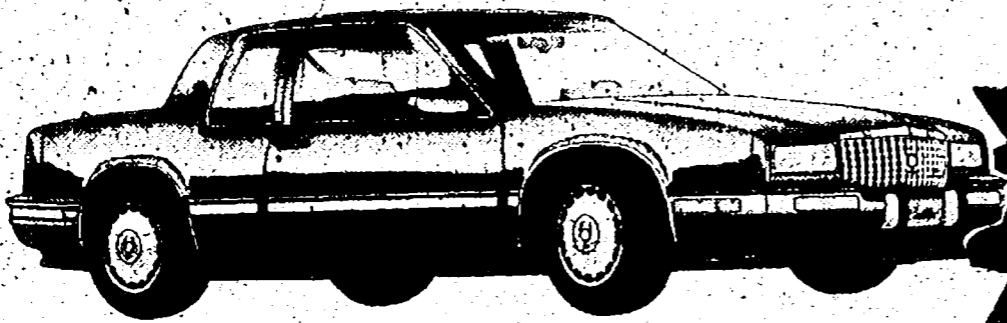
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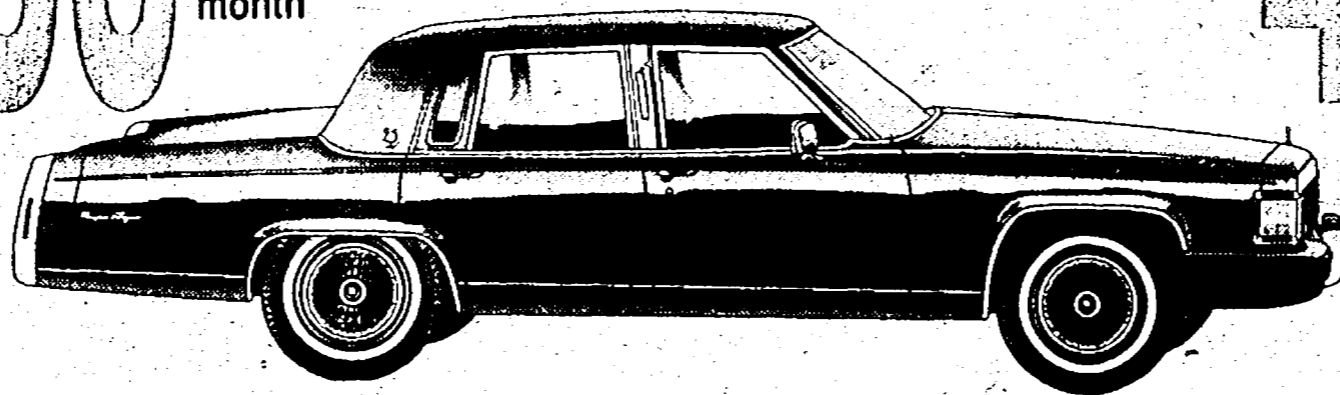
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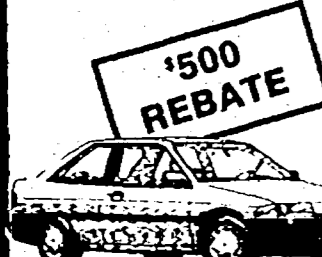
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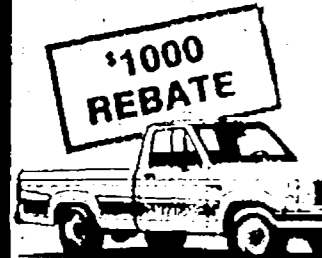
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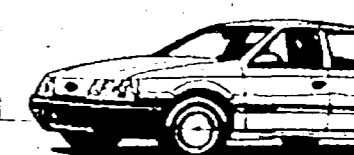
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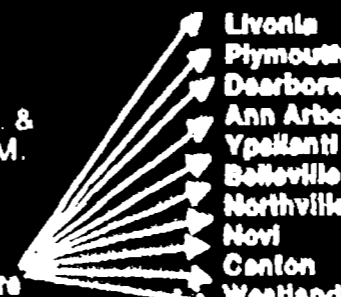
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COVER STORY

Riley Carney isn't what you'd call a household name, but you've seen his work. He's a master of stitches whose clientele reads like "Who's Who" on the pageant and auto show circuits, not to mention dance and skating competitions. You can see some of his work at the Detroit International Auto Show this week.

COVER PHOTO BY GUY WARREN

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Kit and Port Moresby (Debra Winger and John Malkovich) star in "The Sheltering Sky," the story about the relationship of three wandering Americans told against the striking desert backdrop of North Africa in 1947.

SCREEN SCENE

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mercial interruptions during its first network telecast. He finds it necessary to enter the film and bring his story back to order.

"Third Animation Celebration, through Jan. 21 (call for show times). A new compilation of animated shorts from around the world, including Bruno Bozzetto's "Mr. Tao" and the latest from Canada's Bill

Plympton and Czechoslovakia's Jan Svankmajer.

TELE-ARTS THEATRE, 1540 Woodward, Detroit 963-8690. (ticket prices vary)

"Michelangelo: Self-Portrait" through Jan. 22 (call for show times). This acclaimed documentary films scenes of Italy and Michelangelo's masterpieces to recreate the artist's life. (\$4, \$3.50 students)

"Chelsea Girls" (USA — 1966), 7 p.m. Jan. 17. Two screens are needed to correctly project Andy Warhol's experimental feature which interweaves different stories simultane-

ously. Highlighted by images of cult star Nico snipping her bangs. A rarely screened must for Warhol fans, sponsored by downtown's Scarab Club. (\$6 in advance, \$7 at the door)

— John Monaghan

ALTERNATIVE VIEWING

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The restored version of "L'Atalante" (1934), screening March 1-3, is a notable exception, the second — and last — film from French director Jean Vigo.

Stylistically ahead of its time, with a free-wheeling "boy-meets-girl" narrative and oddball characters, "L'Atalante" was butchered almost immediately upon release. Popular songs of the day were added to the soundtrack to boost weak ticket sales.

The restoration of sound and image is exciting for Wilhelm, who counts "L'Atalante" among his all-time favorite movies and even

booked it for the weekend of his birthday.

THE SEASON concludes with more restored films sporting exotic locales. "Tabu" (1931), the epic collaboration between directors F.W. Murnau and Robert Flaherty, is a love story set in the South Seas.

"Chang" (1927) and "Grass" (1925) were filmed under impossible conditions by Marian C. Cooper and Ernest Schoedsack, who later brought "King Kong" to the screen.

"They were amazing filmmakers who would find themselves standing among a herd of wild beasts and keep right on shooting," Wilhelm said.

DFT PATRONS will find a couple of changes this season. General ticket prices, which have doubled in the past two years, now stand at \$5, with a book of five discount coupons available for \$17.50.

More exciting is the opening of the Crystal Gallery Cafe, behind the auditorium balcony, where light snacks, pastries and a complete beverage and bar service will be offered before films.

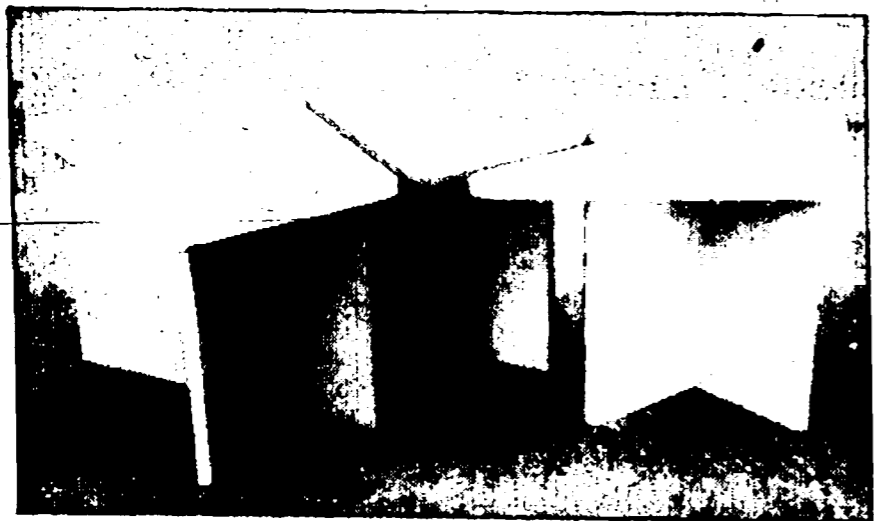
Almost unbelievably, Detroit's most popular alternative film venue has suffered financial losses in recent seasons. These changes, Wilhelm said, should put it back in the black.



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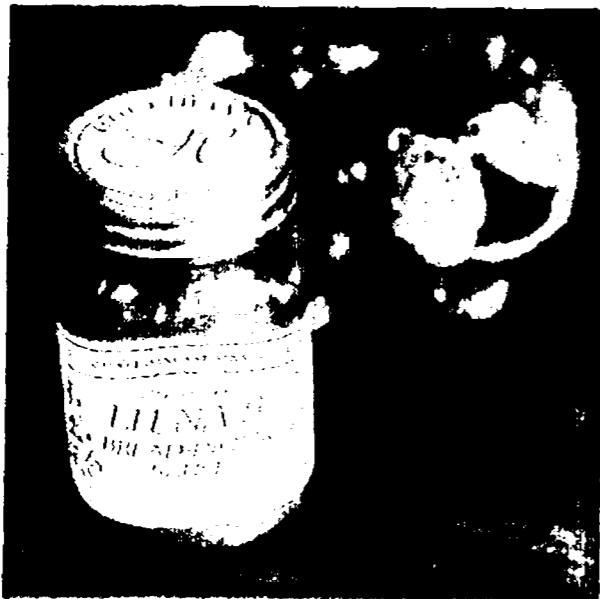
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Sketch draws on ska style

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bone and Tarek Ajami on trumpet, while Chris Warland handles the saxophone.

Bassist John Holkeboer and drummer Josh Mancell (older brother of Ben) are last-minute replacements. And Josh Mancell is just visiting for winter break from college.

"I WAS REALLY into ska five years ago," Josh Mancell said. "I wanted to form a ska band really bad then. It was between the second and third generation, and no one was interested."

Josh Mancell will return to school in New York and leave Etch 'A' Sketch drummerless. Avasharian doesn't seem worried, despite the band's entering the studio soon to record a couple of tracks for a ska compilation.

"We'll find somebody," Avasharian said.

Youthful determination always succeeds. Etch 'A' Sketch are determined to add their own perspective to ska.

First, they want to shoot down some of the misconceptions — like ska is only a happy-go-lucky dance music. Avasharian wrote one number, "Slipping Away," which focuses on being a prisoner of alcohol.

The band also wants to proselytize to the un-skaed. The music has appealed to a wide variety of crowds through the years: punks, skin heads, mods, "rude boys," Rastafarians and even jazz aficionados.

"I like to play before crowds that are ignorant about ska," Ben Mancell. "Then we can open their minds to ska."

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STREET SENSE

Cross-dressing: Not easy to cover complicated topic

Dear Ms. Schiff:

It has been often said that a little knowledge can be dangerous, and this statement is obviously true with respect to your Nov. 26 column about cross-dressers.

Further, your lack of knowledge about cross-dressing is particularly disturbing because many readers of your column will take your statement as the truth and the total story of cross-dressers.

It is also why many cross-dressers find that the professional community knows very little about the subject and they, the patients, end up educating the professional while paying to do so.

I do not dispute that cross-dressing is sexually motivated in its earliest stages. Many cross-dressers remain in that stage for their entire lives. However, many move beyond this initial stage. Transvestism is not a stagnant condition as is noted in Richard F. Doctor's book "Transvestites and Transsexuals: Toward a Theory of Cross-Gender Behavior." (Plenum Press, 1988.)

You did not comment about the role of gender identity in cross-dressing. For many, in fact, the majority of cross-dressers, their gender identity is 100 percent male, but as you move through the spectrum of transvestism and transsexualism, gender identity and gender dysphasia play a definite role.

This gender identity problem was first identified by Harry Benjamin in 1956, when he established his guide to transsexualism. That established three categories of transvestism and three categories of transsexualism.

Most importantly, he recognized that human beings cannot be put into little boxes and labeled, but rather that the categories will overlap and that characteristics may transcend individual categories.

You mentioned that some cross-dressers are gay and some are not. It is generally acknowledged that the vast majority of cross-dressers are heterosexual. I've read estimates that as many as 80 percent are heterosexual. The homosexual cross-dresser has an entirely different motivation for cross-dressing and certainly has no desire to be castrated.

There are many sources for information on the subject, and I believe you could do your readers a service by providing these sources to them in a future column. A local cross-dressing organization is Crossroads, P.O. Box 1245, Royal Oak 48068 (446-0782). The national organization is the International Foundation for Gender Education, P.O. Box 367, Wayland, Mass. 01778 (617-894-8340). Both organizations have programs for significant others as well as cross-dressers.

Thank you for your time.

T.S.S.

Dear T.S.S.,

Thank you for your informative letter about cross-dressers. I made the phone calls you recommended and received further literature on cross-dressing.

As I said in my first column, the subject is a complicated one with a great deal of controversy between people of different opinions. I am putting in excerpts from your letter to transmit to the readers of this col-



Barbara Schiff

umn some of your vast knowledge on the subject.

My column talked about the most common types of cross-dressing. Your letter expands on what I have said and talks about many different types. Much more, even than your discussion, could be said. There is no disagreement between us; you have told us more about than I did.

Again, thank you for your contribution to public education. I hope to keep this column open as an open forum without prejudice to any group.

Barbara

If you have a comment or a question for Barbara Schiff, a trained therapist and experienced counselor, send it to Street Sense at 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150.

GRADING THE MOVIES

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"Predator 2" (C+, R, 98 minutes).

The hunt continues, this time in the urban jungle of Los Angeles in 1997.

"Rescuers Down Under" (*, G).

Disney animation has Bernard and Miss Bianca off to Australia to save rare eagle from poacher.

"Rocky V" (C+, PG-13, 100 minutes).

Stallone takes another licking but keeps on ticking.

"The Rookie" (D, R, 115 minutes).

Travel beyond belief in this super-macho cop-film with rookie (Charlie Sheen) working with veteran (Clint Eastwood).

"The Russia House" (B+, R, 120 minutes).

Stylish rendition of le Carre novel stars Sean Connery and Michelle Pfeiffer. Marred by some confusing plot elements.

"Three Men and a Little Lady" (B+, PG, 105 minutes).

Delightful sequel to "Three Men and a Baby."

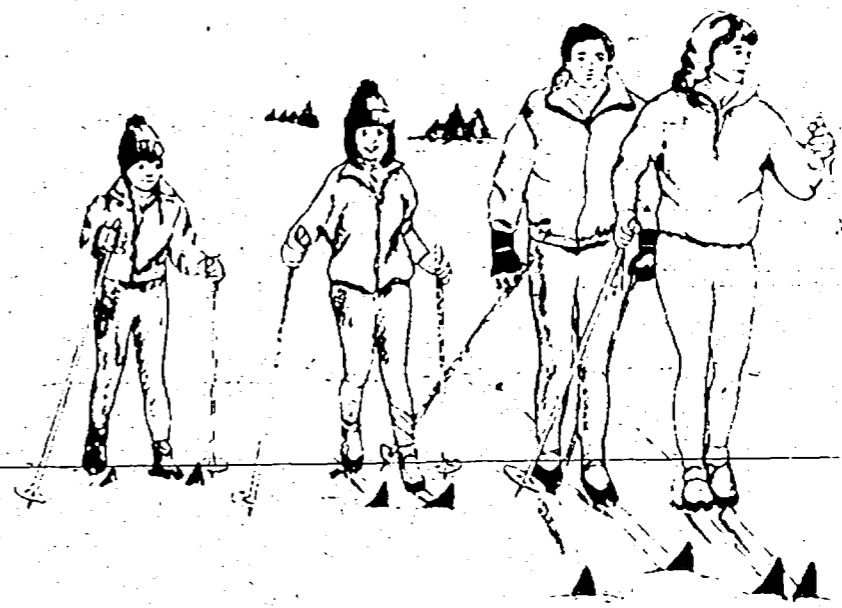


Robert DeNiro plays Leonard Lowe, a post-encephalitic patient attracted to Paula (Penelope Ann Miller) who visits her father at the same chronic care facility in "Awakenings."

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STREET CRACKS

A brush with unemployment leads to life of laughs

By Larry O'Connor
staff writer

Funny, B.B. Chang, Skip Pendleton and Sid Fishman only show their faces when Karl Anthony's around.

Let it be said Anthony keeps some strange company. Start off with B.B. Chang. He's an Oriental blues singer whose legacy was passed down by his father, Mind-Mellow-Egg Roll, who came over during the Gold Rush.

APPARENTLY, Mr. Egg Roll served as Hop Sing's assistant on "Bonanza." He wasn't able to cook for the Gartwrights, and instead was left with the unsavory task of washing Hoss' underwear.

This, it is said, gave Egg Roll the blues. Sid Fishman used to own a bagel and lox store in Southfield. But Fishman gave it up to become a private eye.

Then there's Skip Pendleton. What a sad tale.

"He's a manic chemical tester for Dupont," said Anthony, shaking his head. "He's been testing chemicals too long. He's too far gone."

Anthony knows this better than anyone. He created Skip along with B.B. and Fishman.

But unlike the child who has an imaginary friend, Anthony parades his characters out to the delight of audiences at area comedy clubs.

ANTHONY'S THREE PALS and some others will appear along with a multitude of real-life comics Tuesday, Jan. 15, at Chaplin's West in Detroit. The yuk-yuk extravaganza, "Comics for Kids," is a benefit for

Children's Hospital of Michigan. Scheduled to appear are national acts Tommy Sledge, John Rathbone, Fred Klett, Louis Ramey and Don Reese, along with Detroiters Norm Stulz and Anthony.

Anthony, 24, organized the event out of gratitude. He was born at Children's Hospital 2½ months prematurely, suffering from collapsed lungs.

"I always wanted to do a benefit

for Children's Hospital," said Anthony, who grew up in Oak Park. "I never knew how to go about it. Comedy seemed to be the obvious choice."

FOR THE benefit and the obvious career choice for Anthony. The likes of Sid Fishman first surfaced when Anthony did voice characterizations on WRIF-FM.

He worked on the "Pat & Wags" morning show and with Greg "The Cutting Edge" St. James during the

evenings. When the station changed management, cutbacks were made and Anthony was without a job.

A search for employment ensued for six months. Stand-up comedy was a viable alternative. Anthony tried his luck at an open mike night at the Comedy Castle.

"It was very liberating. I enjoyed working in radio. I wanted to experience it on the limelight."

"On radio, when you're on the air you don't know if people are laughing. In stand-up comedy the response is immediate."

AS HIS stage act developed, Anthony found he could flesh out the characters by using costumes and facial expressions.

Some bits have become full-blown productions, like his pro wrestling turned Broadway piece "That's Wrestling."

He is following a path set forth by

Red Skelton and Billy Crystal, both considered the masters of characterizations. Anthony draws his stage friends from everyday life.

"To flesh out a character, they have to become three-dimensional. You have to have a background. I usually sit down beforehand and make up a history of this character."

Like B.B. Chang, for instance, Anthony saw a pair of Oriental guys singing and the idea of a Chinese blues singer came about.

ANTHONY ALWAYS had an imagination, describing himself as a "closet comedian in his youth."

"I wrote for the class clown." While Dan Quayle jokes have become standard fare on the comedy trail, Anthony and Co. is carving its own niche.

"It's something different to look at. There's only so many topics to

talk about. It seems to me comedians are overlapping."

"Comics for Kids" will take place 8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 15, at Chaplin's West Comedy Club, 16800 Telegraph, one block south of Six Mile, Detroit. Admission is \$5. Proceeds benefit Children's Hospital of Michigan. For information, call 533-8866.



It could be said that Karl Anthony has an overactive imagination with a passel of friends he's created. But he keeps audiences laughing with the antics of his imaginary buddies.

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Kelly Wiechelmann of Kalamazoo tries on a beaded red Lycra gown Riley Carney designed several years ago.



Like a proud father of the bride, Riley Carney struck a pose with the Team Toyota Dancers, one of self entertainment groups that wore his costumes during last year's auto show.

Bikinis to beauties: A stitch at a time

By Sue Mason
staff writer

Riley Carney is the kind of guy that can keep you in stitches. But don't write the Redford Township man off as a jokester. On the contrary, Carney's talent involves Lycra, needles and thread.

In fact, you've probably seen samples of his work and not even realized it. Those walking Strobs beer cans at the Montreaux Detroit Jazz Festival. The Captain.

America-style costumes of male strippers America's Ultimate V. Marilyn Turner doing a spoof of Cher's 'Vie Tanny' commercial.

His swimsuit designs helped Elizabeth Puelo, Miss Michigan 1987, win her swimsuit preliminary, and he designed a swimsuit for former Miss America 1988, Kaye Lanie Raye Rafko.

If you need just the right costume for a talent competition, a

bathing suit to knock the socks off the judges, or a skating outfit that exudes success, Carney is the person to see.

"That's what the Gail and Rice Talent Agency in Livonia did when it needed costumes for a bevy of entertainers.

"I make the auto show costumes for Gail and Rice," Carney said, flipping through photo albums to show off his work. His albums are like a listing from "Who's Who."

"THE LAST four Miss Michigans for the Miss America pageant have been mine," he said, pointing to a collage of photographs on a bulletin board.

If you're at the North American International Auto Show this week, you'll see his sewing showmanship on the Chevy Heart Beat Dancers, whom he has dressed since 1986.

His costumes have been worn by the Team Toyota Dancers. Chevy

Geo dancers, GMC Truck dancers, and numerous narrators and turntable models. His costumes also have been worn by dancers and magicians for GM. But his pride and joy, he said, are the costumes he designed for the 1989 Chevy dancers.

"I'm really proud... I did the design. I had total control over the project. Auto show costumes have to hold up. These dancers perform 12 times a day for six months."

But don't look for Carney's Sassy's Designs under costumes in the Yellow Pages. He moved from a storefront in a small mall in Troy last year to the basement of his Redford Township home.

Corner shelves are stacked six deep with bolts of fabric. A Ping-Pong table doubles as his cutting and piecing table. The family cats share the sitting area with customers such as Kelly Wiechelmann, who came from Kalamazoo to have Carney create a dance costume for the upcoming Heart of Michigan Pageant.

AND DON'T look for a collection of certificates or diplomas from design schools hanging on the wall. His talent comes from two sources — his high school home economics class and a knack for working with

Lycra. Lycra, you see, is the only — and we mean only — fabric he works with.

Carney got his start, so to speak, at his Columbus, Ga., high school, where he decided to break the mold and enroll in the then-girls-only class.

"I wanted to take home ec and was sent down to see the coach for a men-don't-eat-quiche lecture."

He won the battle after a "Yankee reporter" interviewed him on the lawn of the high school, but the victory had its down side. While learning the basics of sewing, he was enduring taunts in the school halls.

After school, he made his way to Miami Beach, where, while down on his luck, he salvaged scraps of Lycra from behind a store. He used his home ec talents to stitch up a selection of bikinis.

He put the top down on his convertible and headed for the beach, where he sold the bikinis for \$15 each. With that, Carney became a designer and went into business for himself.

HE HAS parlayed his skills by making burlesque costumes, which at the time were "quite extravagant," and costumes for go-go dancers.

He got his start in the Detroit

area by designing competition costumes for Sheryl's School of Dance in Livonia. After watching figure skating on television, he decided to make up two sample costumes in Lycra and take them to the Detroit Skating Club in Bloomfield Hills.

Carney works only with Lycra because it offers a soft drape and stretchability, making it a good camouflage for figure problems and small fluctuations in weight. He also works without patterns.

"There are no costume patterns," Carney said draping white Lycra over Wiechelmann's shoulder. "You have to have a knack for this. You either can do this or you can't. I've learned a lot by taking things apart and putting them back together."

Wiechelmann is on a fast track in the pageant circuit. A former Miss Saginaw County and current Miss Kalamazoo County, she has set her sights on the Miss Michigan crown. She competed last year and finished fourth. She's decided to give the pageant one more try to satisfy her curiosity as to "what could happen."

FOR THE talent portion of the Heart of Michigan Pageant, she will dance on pointe to "Singin' in the Rain." Carney's costume will

feature a '50s-style full skirt decorated with raindrop baubles and beads.

Custom-made costumes don't come cheap. Carney has been able to provide for his family quite nicely by turning out three to six costumes a week. A gown for a pageant can run between \$600 and \$3,000, while a skating outfit averages \$125-300.

Wiechelmann has been able to afford her costume on her teacher's salary by doing the beadwork — with the help of her mother — on the shoulders.

"I definitely think you dance better when you're wearing something you feel great in," Wiechelmann said. "Riley is definitely the best. I haven't found a place that comes close to this kind of contest clothing."

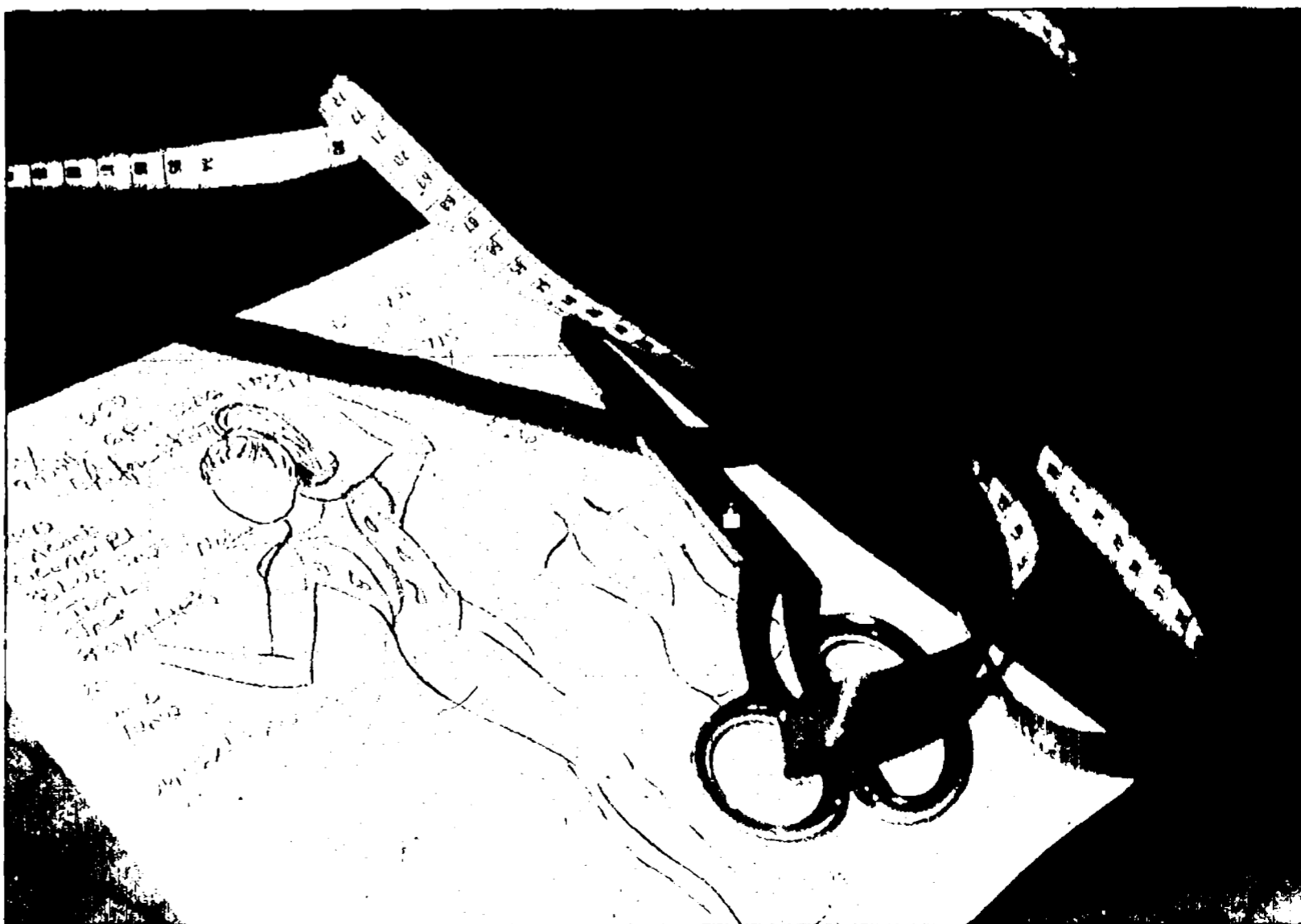
Carney isn't one to advertise his business excessively, but by word of mouth his business has grown. He likes the idea of being his own boss, although he does lament those weeks when work is sparse to non-existent.

But then he need only look at his autographed photo of Doni, a Phyllis Diller impersonator. Her message is short and to the point:

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A drape here, a pin there, and Riley Carney finds out how the Lycra material will fall in his costumes.



Riley Carney is creating a one-of-a-kind dance costume that will have a '50s style skirt and beading for Kelly Wiechelmann's rendition of "Singin' in the Rain."

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Student birdhouse designers to compete

THE ACCENT'S on creativity for student woodworkers in the Best Birdhouse Builder Contest, quickly becoming a popular part of the International Builders Home, Flower and Furniture Show in Detroit.

Nearly 1,200 seventh and eighth graders from the Detroit area are expected to participate in the second annual Best Birdhouse Builder Contest.

Sponsored by the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and the Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan, the contest is open to all seventh and eighth graders within the Observer & Eccentric circulation area.

All birdhouses will be displayed at the Cobo Conference & Exhibition Center, Detroit, during the 1991 International Builders Home, Flower and Furniture Show March 16-24.

Brandon Bogart, an eighth grader from Plymouth, won last year's contest. He got into the business of making and selling bluebird houses because he "liked birds, and liked to work with wood, and found it fun and profitable."

EACH STUDENT who competes in the contest must follow plans from the DNR's "Woodworking for Wildlife."

Participants may choose to build a house in one of the following categories: House Wren, Bluebird, Wood Duck, Barred Owl, Great Crested Flycatcher, American Kestrel, American Robin, and Tree Swallow.

In October, the Observer & Eccentric hosted a workshop for seventh and eighth grade science and industrial arts teachers.

The workshop explained how to fold the contest into lesson plans, ways to introduce students to following DNR specifications and use

of non-toxic materials. About 50 teachers attended the 2½-hour workshop.

Present for the sponsoring organizations were: Steve Barnaby, O&E managing editor; Carol McCloud, O&E promotions manager; Tim Nowicki, O&E nature columnist; Rosalie Lamb, senior staff vice president, Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan, Farmington Hills; Sally DeRoo, teacher, Middle Junior High, Plymouth; Ed Burger, teacher, St. Valentine, Redford Township; Mike DeFrancesco, teacher, Hilbert Junior High, Redford; Rose Szwed, public relations director, Stone & Simons Advertising, Southfield.

To foster increased involvement and excitement, lectures by contest officials were given to area schools, including St. Michael, Southfield; Troy Adventist Academy, Troy; and Bloomfield Hills Middle School, Bloomfield Hills.

A PANEL of judges will select the winners at the International Builders Home, Flower and Furniture Show March 16. Prizes will be awarded in each grade level.

Prizes include: \$150 gift certificate (first place); \$100 gift certificate (second place); \$50 gift certificate (third place); \$25 gift certificate (25 honorable mentions); \$10 gift certificate to Harmony House and a certificate of appreciation from the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers (all participants).

Teachers of first, second and third place winners will receive an evening for two at The Golden Mushroom, Southfield.

A plaque commemorating contest winners will be awarded to each participating school.

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Plymouth middle school student Brandon Bogart, a master woodworker, won the 1990 birdhouse building contest for a bluebird house. The eighth grader is shown at work in his home workshop last summer.

Now's the time to gain control over finances

Happy New Year! By now, you have probably either made New Year's resolutions or decided to ignore doing so. Something few of us can ignore, however, are bills.

Everyone seems to be mumbling these days about how they overspent during the holidays. The rule seems to be, "People overspend in direct proportion to their financial abilities." Whatever your economic level, if you don't owe on bills right now, you are probably in the minority.

Now may be a good time to make a New Year's resolution to get your finances organized and keep them there.

For starters, here's a short check-

list of simple things to do right now:

- Separate your '90 financial papers into one file box for tax preparation.
- Record your Jan. 1 odometer reading if you write off the use of your car for tax purposes.
- Put your checkbook register with your '90 papers for taxes. Ask the bank for a new blank one, if necessary.
- Write in "1991" on your next dozen checks, so you won't forget.
- Obtain tax forms you'll need from the library or from the IRS.

NOW FOR the harder stuff: Or-



organizing
Dorothy Lehmkuhl

ganizing your finances to stay out of debt. First, take a realistic look at what charging does to you. One woman told me recently, "I'm so excited! I get my new Ward's charge card this week! I just got my Visa card last month and so far I've only charged \$325. It has a \$500 limit and

the payments are only \$12 a month, so I'm doing pretty good!"

I felt like crying for this woman. Until she applied for a credit card, she had managed her financial affairs quite well. Now she has not only incurred debt (probably for items she could have done without), she has added monthly finance charges at exorbitant rates.

Sadly, she will probably perpetually owe on these credit cards for the rest of her life, while the credit card companies reap the profits she so eagerly handed over to them.

Credit cards are convenient to avoid check-cashing hassles or car-

rying large amounts of cash. So long as you pay them off totally every month that's fine, because there are no finance charges if you don't carry over a balance. When you don't, however, you "lose" by paying interest rates at sometimes double the prime rate.

One way to keep from overcharging is to make an entry in your checkbook for every charge you make. This, in effect, sets aside money to make your payments at month's end. When your bank bal-

ance hits zero, you know you can't afford to charge more that month. Enter an extra amount in your checkbook at the beginning of each month to gradually pay off your previous balance.

Next week: Organizing your finances and how not to make the same mistakes next year.

Dorothy Lehmkuhl is a Birmingham-based time management consultant.

exhibitions

This column runs weekly in Creative Living. Send news items about Oakland County events to The Eccentric, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham 48009. Send items about Wayne County events to The Observer, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150. Attention: Creative Living editor.

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Wednesday, Jan. 16 — "Revelaciones: The Art of Manuel Alvarez Bravo" will be on display through March 3. The exhibit includes 113 photographs representing six decades of work by the 88 year-old Bravo. Open free of charge 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Wednesday-Sunday, 5400 Woodward, Detroit.

• SISSON GALLERY
Wednesday, Jan. 16 — "Human/Nature, an exhibition of gallery installations by Cecille Arcari, Laurie Domaleski, Marcia Miller Gross through Feb. 15. Artist reception, 6-8 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 16. Hours: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays, until 8 p.m. Tuesday-Wednesday. MacKenzie Fine Arts Center; Henry Ford Community College, 5101 Evergreen, Dearborn.

• DOWNTOWN PLYMOUTH
Wednesday, Jan. 16 — "Art for the Moment," a show of more than 200 individually carved ice sculptures, will line the downtown streets through Monday. Culinary artists from throughout the

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Saturday, Jan. 19 - Photographs by Michael Spano of New York City are on display through March 1. He is showing "Constructions," a series of abstract photographs in multiple print format. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 560 N. Woodward, Birmingham.

THE ARTISTS' GALLERY

"Pink Pigments Paintings" will be on display through Feb. 14. Opening party will be 5-8:30 p.m. Thursday. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Saturday, until 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Applegate Square, Northwestern Highway, between 12-13 Mile, Southfield.

RUBINER GALLERY

Group show of gallery artists continues through Feb. 5. Included are paintings by Tino Zago, William House, Richard Jerzy, Marjorie Hecht, Nancy Thayer, Richard Hogan, Richard Kozlov and Vickie Brett as well as graphics and sculpture. Hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 7001 Orchard Lake, West Bloomfield.

POSNER GALLERY

Large acrylics on masonite and epoxy-graphs by Gregory Hawthorne are on display through January. Hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Friday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, 32407 Northwestern, Farmington Hills.

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Art in all price ranges on display. New winter hours: 1-4 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday. Children and adult art classes start this week. Call 453-3710. 710 N. Mill, Plymouth.

SCARAB CLUB

Fourth annual Center for Creative Studies student exhibition continues through Jan. 27. Reception for the artists and friends is 5-8 p.m. Friday. Hours are 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, until 8 p.m. Thursday and 2-6 p.m. Sunday, 217 Farnsworth at the corner of John R. Detroit.

THE POSTER GALLERY

"Memories of Detroit" is the theme of the show of limited-edition prints by William Moss on display through January. His images include waterfront scenes of the '40s and '50s, Woodward Avenue, Briggs Stadium, Michigan Central Station and Old City Hall. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. weekdays, until 5

p.m. Saturday, 110 Fisher Building, Detroit.

JOY EMERY GALLERY

Paintings by Dick Goody, a British-born figurative artist now living in Detroit, continue on display through Jan. 26. Hours are 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, until 8 p.m. Thursday, 131 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms.

DETROIT GALLERY OF CONTEMPORARY CRAFTS

"Time Marches On," an exhibit of hand-crafted clocks in wood, ceramic and silver, continues through Feb. 23. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Friday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, 104 Fisher Building, Detroit.

PIERCE STREET GALLERY

"Dance Photographs" by Lois Greenfield continues through March 2. Greenfield has been photographing dancers since her arrival in New York in 1973. She is known for her ability to find the decisive moment in motion and form within the photographic frame. Hours are noon to 5 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, 217 Pierce, Birmingham.

SWORDS INTO PLOWSHARES

"Peace Quilting Exhibit" continues through March. Hours are 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday. This show of quilts with peace designs officially opens the gallery's new location at 33 E. Adams on Grand Circus Park, Detroit.

DETROIT ARTISTS MARKET

Wall-mounted constructions by George Ortmann and drawings and paintings by Conni Whidden are on display through Feb. 8. Works by Ruth Goldfaden, Gary Eleinko and Kathy Clifford in the upstairs gallery. Ortmann and Whidden have maintained studios at Cranbrook Academy of Art since 1970. They will give a gallery lecture at 3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 26. Hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 1542 Randolph, Detroit.

DETROIT FOCUS GALLERY

"Artists Choose Artists" features painting and sculpture by Thomas Nuzum, Georgette Zirbes, John Dempsey and Susan Crowell. Hours are noon to 6 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, 743 Beaubien, Detroit.

SWIDLER GALLERY

Ceramic sculpture by Roy Cartwright and Nine Borgia-Aberle continues on display through Feb. 9. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Monday-Friday, until 5 p.m. Saturday, 308 W. Fourth, Royal Oak.

SYBARIS GALLERY

Ceramics by Yih-Wen Kuo, turned wood by Dennis Elliott and weaving by Fuyuko Matsubara are on display through Feb. 22. Hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 301 W. Fourth, Royal Oak.

U-M MUSEUM OF ART

Chinese New Year posters will continue on display through March 3. The posters, spanning this century, reflect China's changing political and cultural climate. Hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday-Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and 1-5 p.m. Sunday, 525 S. State, Ann Arbor.

PAINT CREEK CENTER FOR THE ARTS

Sculpture by John Wood is in the Artspace gallery through Feb. 15. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 407 Pine, Rochester.

BIRMINGHAM BLOOMFIELD ART ASSOCIATION

"Electronic Contrasts," featuring computer copier art, continues through Jan. 26 and features works by Peter Manschot (curator), Norita Frcka, Ilene Schuster and other well-known area artists. Hours are 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday-Saturday, 1516 S. Cranbrook, Birmingham.

PEWABIC POTTERY

Exhibition of sculpture by Sally Brogden, Janet Ayako Neuwald and Anat Shifan continues through Feb. 23. All three are relatively recent M.F.A. graduates in ceramics, 10125 E. Jefferson, Detroit.

BUCKHAM GALLERY

Painted standing screens by Maggie Citrin, paintings by Anne Hier, sculptures by Helena Sadowski-Kaupilla of Troy and watercolors and oils by Chris Waters are on display through Jan. 28. Hours are 11:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, 134 1/2 W. Second, Flint.

ATRIUM GALLERY

Group show includes jewelry, sculpture, porcelain, raku, weavings and soft sculpture by a variety of artists. Continues through the month. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, until 8 p.m. Thursday, 113 N. Center, Northville.

O.K. HARRIS GALLERY

Drawings by Eugene Brodsky and box sculpture environments by Peter Gabrielse are on display through Jan. 26. Hours are 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 430 N. Woodward, Birmingham.

THE ART GALLERY

Fine art, sculpture and photographic art is displayed regularly at the gallery in Sheridan Square, 30116 Ford Road, Garden City. Hours, noon to 5 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday. A workshop scheduled for 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Jan. 19 will feature Julie Giordano. The topic: drawing a likeness from photographs, and texture. To register, call 281-0379.

U-M MUSEUM OF ART

"Antique Toys from the Collection of Bob Lyons" continues through Jan. 27 along with works from the permanent collection. Hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday-Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and 1-5 p.m. Sunday, 525 S. State, Ann Arbor.

ROCHESTER HILLS CITY HALL

Watercolors by Laurie Oldfield are on display through February. Hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday, 1000 Rochester Hills Drive, off Avon Road, Rochester Hills.

ROUTE 10 GALLERY

Paintings by Manhattan artist Justin Love continue through January. Hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday-Sunday, until 9 p.m. Thursday, 32430 Northwestern, Farmington Hills.

PRINT GALLERY

Selection of antique posters by artists such as Cappiello, Villemot and Collin on subjects such as bicycles, airplanes and theater continue on display through January. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Saturday, until 9 p.m. Thursday, Franklin Plaza, 29203 Northwestern, Southfield.

COUNTY GALLERIA

Thirty invited artists exhibit paintings, fiberworks, ceramics and stained glass through January at the Galleria, in the Oakland County Executive Office Building, 1200 Telegraph, Pontiac. All of the artists are from southeast Michigan and were chosen to be part of the Oakland County Cultural Council's "One Percent for Art in Public Places" program. Some of them will go into the county's permanent collection. Also on

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CRANBROOK ACADEMY OF ART MUSEUM

"Mexican Masks from the Collection of Rafael Coronel" are on display through Feb. 24. There are about 400 masks from the 16th century to the present. Hours are 1-5 p.m. Tuesday-Sunday, 500 Lone Pine, Bloomfield Hills.

DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS

Ceramic sculpture by Graham Marks, head of the ceramic department at Cranbrook Academy of Art, and Tom Phardel, chairman of ceramics at Center for Creative Studies, are on display through Feb. 10. Hours are 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Wednesday-Sunday, 5200 Woodward, Detroit.

D & J BITTKER GALLERY

An exhibit of early Chinese furniture marks the re-opening of this gallery to the public, noon to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Friday, 536 N. Woodward, Birmingham. This well-traveled couple recently opened a second gallery (by appointment only) in New York City.

T'MARRA GALLERY

Photographs by Tony Spina and paintings by Donald Mendelson are on display through Jan. 25. Hours are 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, until 9 p.m. Friday, 111 N. First, Ann Arbor.

DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS

"Gari Melchers: A Retrospective" (paintings by Detroit-born artist Gari Melchers, 1860-1932) is on display through Feb. 17. Hours are 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Wednesday-Sunday, 5200 Woodward, Detroit.

HABATAT GALLERIES

Three-person exhibition features works of glass artists Stephen Hodder, Kreg Kallenberger and Albert Young. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 32255 Northwestern Highway, Farmington Hills.

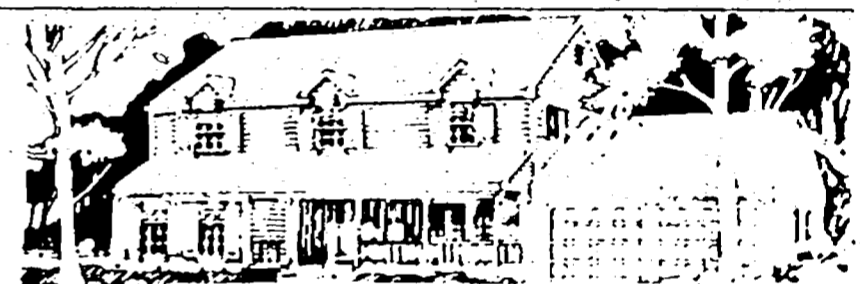
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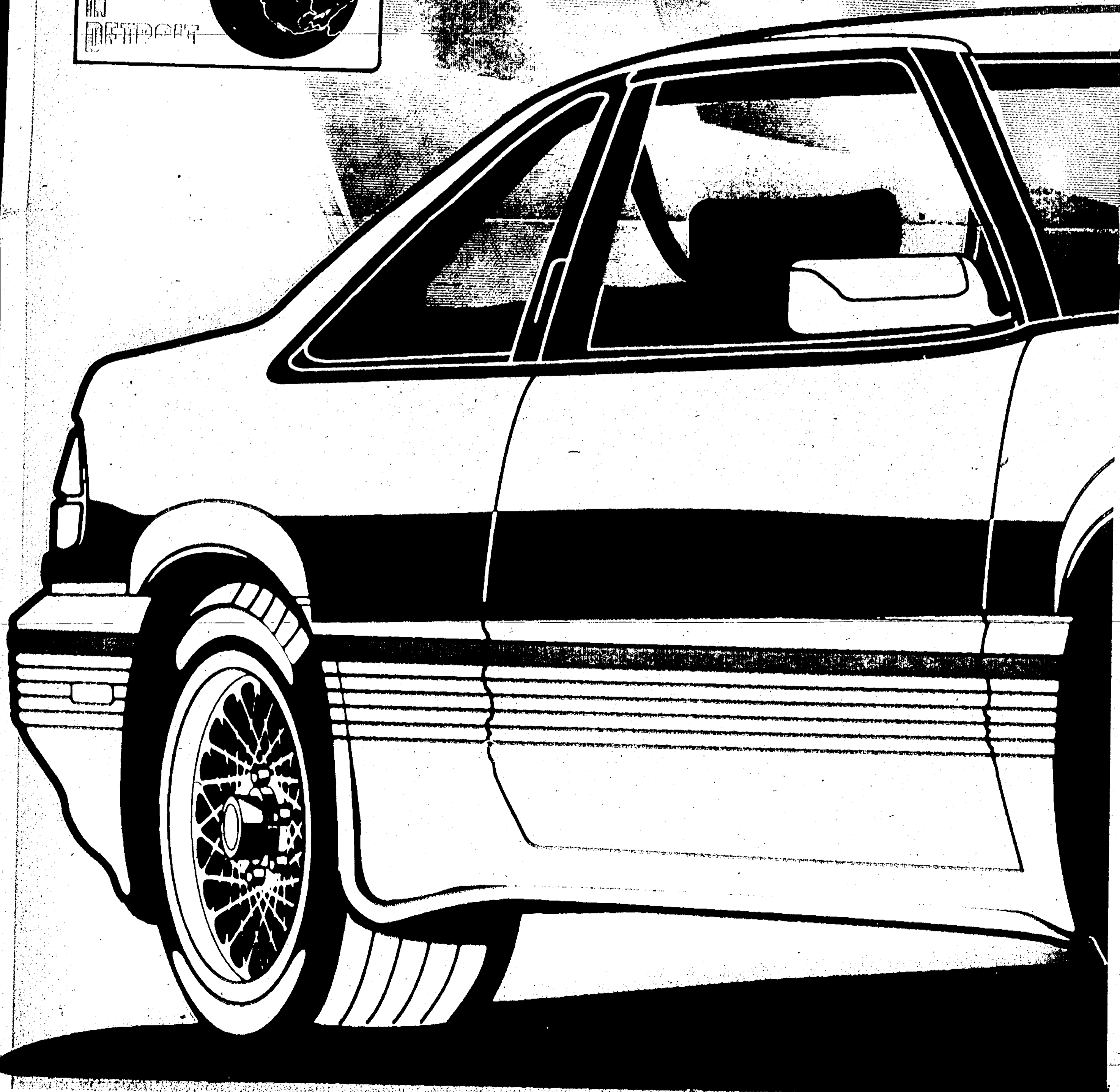
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Special writer

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Visually, Detroit is the most imposing of the big international shows, if only because it is concentrated mainly in a single hall, rather than in the multi-building convention centers in Germany's Frankfurt or Japan's Tokyo.

This year, it's also the most expensive, incorporating the most new car introductions and the most new concept cars of any show in the world.

More intriguing is the intellectual stretch, with the addition of Industry Trade Days and a significant showing of futuristic engineering, affecting both the safety, power and

structure of future automobiles — all efforts to expand NAIAS into a forum for issues, as well as a showcase for cars.

Still, it's an auto show, which means that all this can't be done without a solid dose of hoopla, dancing girls and artfully arranged models. (Don't laugh, Bill Bonds once did a stint on an auto show turntable).

The organizers are still feeling their way to set the proper tone. Last year, the most popular event was a group of Lansing auto workers who carefully assembled a Buick Reatta on the show floor. This year, who knows?

Past auto shows have included a trained seal balancing piston rings on its nose, the Andrews sisters, a live cougar and, once, a model who lived in a trailer on the show floor for the duration of the Chicago show.

DETROIT'S OWN auto show, now laboriously renamed the North American International Auto Show, still claims to struggle for recognition among the world's great car exhibitions in Europe and the Orient.

On the surface, such insecurity about the annual pagan ritual that celebrates the car in its spiritual homeland makes as much sense as Arnold Schwarzenegger worrying about standing out in a Boy Scout troop.

But the fact is that it's just three years since a coalition of Detroit-area dealers and industry leaders decided to pump up Detroit's show to international stature.

That was when members of the Detroit Auto Dealers Association, including Heinz Prechter, Dave Fischer, Carl Fischer, Ken Meade, Bob Thibodeau and Gordon Stewart, led by executive director Dan Hayes, made a calculated effort to create an international media event out of what had been become mainly a huge local tent sale for Detroit-area retailers.

"We realized there was an opportunity to raise the stature of the show in the eyes of the world," said Stewart, co-chairman of this year's show.

The DADA found immediate support for expanding the concept of the show from then-GM Vice President Robert Stempel and GM Vice

President Lloyd Reuss.

"The support of the manufacturers was critical," Stewart said. "It's really their show. They supply the cars and the displays. They make it happen."

THE VISION that the group began pursuing was that of the archetypical European auto show, a concept that was, well, foreign to most Americans.

Detroit, in fact, is one of the oldest auto shows in the nation, tracing its roots to a livestock-and-car show at the Light Guard Armory in 1899, a year before the first National Auto Show in New York. The DADA tried its first show in 1907, in Beller's Beer Garden.

Early U.S. auto shows, particularly the national show in New York, were driven by the intense competition between hundreds of fledgling auto manufacturers scrambling to present themselves to the New York investment community, and also to potential dealers willing to take a chance with their new products.

The scramble for attention led to the use of paid touts, chauffers and

other self-proclaimed experts who would endorse the products on the floor.

One ingenious entrepreneur led new showgoers to a one-way elevator that led to his upper-floor display, after which they had to walk back to get to the main show floor.

NOTHING MUCH has changed except for the scale of the event, with glitzy selling efforts sharing space with displays of new cars.

The U.S. auto show thus historically has been a populist appeal to the masses, the marketing alter ego of the mass-produced automobile, which was quickly embraced by the American middle class as quickly as the manufacturers could develop the technology that lowered its price.

Not so in Europe, where the car took longer to descend from its position as a plaything for the wealthy.

Even in the post-World War II era, when numerous European manufacturers launched minicars to put a war-torn economy back on wheels, a car was only a distant dream for the average consumer.

Hence the spectacle of the European auto show, which became more of an emporium of unrealized dreams than a place to sell cars.

THE HUGE halls at Frankfurt also became something of a social mecca for the whole industry, with so-called "press days," where the executives cajoled journalists, programmed for a week before the show opened.

Along with the new cars, there were hundreds of support groups, including suppliers, aftermarket manufacturers, even repair tools, each with their own exhibit hall.

The European shows became so extensive that few countries attempt to carry one off every year. But that merely expands the mystique, as Frankfurt trades attention back and forth with Paris every other year.

To the Europeans, and later at Tokyo, what is most important is the atmosphere that combines corporate marketing oneupmanship with the notion that it is at Frankfurt or Paris where the reputation of a major automaker is set in stone.

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On the range

Ford will introduce the Ranger compact truck design (above) at the North American International Auto Show. The design is executed on a Ranger extended cab sports vehicle. A fully functional vehicle, this futuristic design illustrates what the personal use buyer can do with a little imagination. Unique exterior styling modifications com-

plete the aggressive theme of the vehicle. Meanwhile, Ford has tapped the new Explorer utility vehicle to design a futuristic "office on wheels." This vehicle will contain the latest electronic gadgetry, including state-of-the-art communications hardware surrounded by a detailed executive office environment.

CARS, in all their majesty and mystique, will take on an exciting new meaning for fourth graders during the 1991 North American International Auto Show.

More than 450 youngsters from 13 Detroit-area schools will receive a hands-on lesson in building and making cars at the Chrysler Corp.-sponsored education center.

Kids will be introduced to designing, engineering, naming and marketing cars.

"For many of these boys and girls," said Valerie Becker, Chrysler's national education program administrator, "this will be their introduction to some of the important and exciting jobs in the auto industry."

Participants will learn how to modify cars to improve gas mileage. They'll also have the chance to design their own concept car.

With the help of computers, they'll mix and match various interior and exterior color schemes, pick a name for their car and identify target markets.

A tour of the auto show will climax the very special lesson, just

Credits



one of the highlights of the auto show Jan. 12-20 at Cobo Conference & Exhibition Center, Detroit.

Forty of the world's car makers will display 750 cars and light trucks. More than 50 exhibitors and 25 van conversion companies will take part.

The world-class event will showcase 30 global and North American introductions, including 10 production cars and 20 concept cars.

Since the show grew from regional to international status in 1989, attendance has averaged 647,547, a 44 percent increase from 1988. Dollars raised for charity leaped from \$245,000 in 1988 to \$600,000 in 1990. Charity preview

attendance rose from \$4,919 to 8,346.

In this second special promotional section for the auto show, we've strived to present a closeup look at what's new for car buyers not only in 1991 but also the decade ahead.

Cars indeed have come a long way in the century since Henry Ford I built a quadricycle and tinkered with the internal combustion engine during the 1890s in a wood and coal shed on Bagley Avenue in Detroit.

— Bob Sklar
assistant managing editor

Bob Sklar coordinated this special section, with assistance from staff writer Gerry Frawley, graphics editor Randy Borst and staff photographers Art Emanuele and Guy Warren.

O&E representatives Brian Allen and Chris Bitzer oversaw advertising. Cindy Cole designed the cover.

The Los Angeles Times Syndicate provided some of our copy.

Direct queries to Bob Sklar: 591-2300, ext. 313.

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Electronic AM/FM stereo with cassette, 6-way power driver's seat, rear defroster, luxury group, cast aluminum wheels, P215/70R15 BSW tires, front floor mats, automatic overdrive transmission, power lock group. Stock #2788.

Was \$17,527

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5 AT THIS PRICE

1991 TAURUS 4-DOOR SEDAN

Air, rear window defroster, paint stripe, power doors and locks, 3.0L EFI V6 engine, automatic overdrive transmission front & rear floor mats, speed control. Stock #2498.

Was \$15,870

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1991 AEROSTAR XL WAGON

Air, automatic overdrive transmission, electronic AM/FM stereo, rear window wiper. Stock #3416.

Was \$17,319

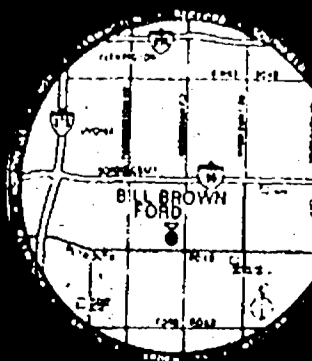
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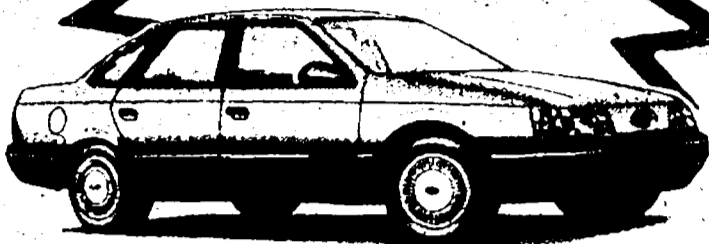


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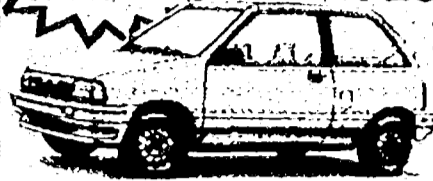
NEW 1991 TAURUS L
4 DOOR SEDAN

29 MPG

Power steering and brakes, tinted glass, automatic transmission, air conditioning, AM/FM stereo, rear window defroster, speed control, power door locks, body side molding and courtesy lights, instrumentation, intermittent wipers, exterior accent group, dual electric remote mirrors, child safety locks. Stock #6266.

WAS \$15,878 IS **\$11,942***

\$700 REBATE



NEW 1990 FESTIVA L
2 DOOR

42 MPG

Rear window defroster, power brakes, BSM, console, gauges, courtesy lamps, reclining bucket seats, side window demister, stabilizing bar, rack & pinion steering. Stock #7814.

WAS \$6,861 IS **\$5,544***

\$600 REBATE



NEW 1991 TEMPO L

26 MPG

4 Door Sedan, power steering, power brakes, tinted glass, AM/FM stereo, automatic, air, body side molding, dual electric remote control mirrors, aluminum. Stock #6334.

WAS \$9829 IS **\$8242***

\$600 REBATE



NEW 1991 TEMPO GL

26 MPG

4 Door Sedan, power steering, power brakes, tinted glass, air, power door locks, AM/FM stereo cassette, rear window defroster, speed control, AM/FM stereo cassette, floor mats, dual electric remote mirrors, center arm rest, console, body side moldings. Stock #2594.

WAS \$12,734 IS **\$9494***

\$600 REBATE



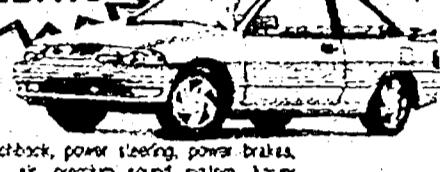
NEW 1991 MUSTANG LX
2 DOOR HATCHBACK

30 MPG

Power steering, power brakes, tinted glass, automatic transmission, air conditioning, BSM, console light group, instrumentation, power door lock group, power windows, rear window defroster, cast aluminum wheels, custom equipment group, AM/FM stereo cassette, speed control, power equipment group, dual electric remote control mirrors. Stock #6076.

WAS \$13,559 IS **\$10,481***

\$500 REBATE



NEW 1991 ESCORT GT

31 MPG

2 Door Hatchback, power steering, power brakes, tinted glass, air, premium sound system, luxury convenience group, rear window defroster, AM/FM stereo, air steering, speed control, tachometer, log klamps, aluminum wheels, console, body side moldings, rear spoiler, light group sports performance. Stock #6264.

WAS \$13,227 IS **\$10,554***

\$600 REBATE



NEW 1991 PROBE GL
2 DOOR HATCHBACK

31 MPG

Power steering, power brakes, tinted glass, air conditioning, power door locks, speed control, rear window defroster, air steering column, convenience group, BSM, console, performance instrumentation cluster, tachometer, AM/FM stereo & cargo area cover. Stock #6258.

WAS \$13,912 IS **\$11,343***

\$500 REBATE



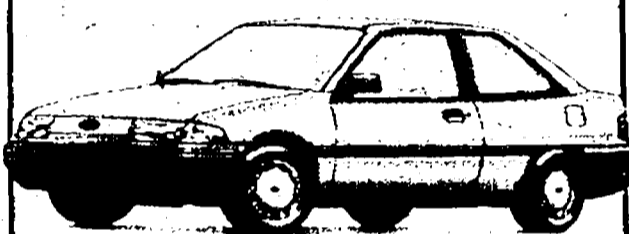
NEW 1991 ESCORT PONY

41 MPG

Power brakes, tinted glass, reclining bucket seats, console, cargo area cover. Rear window defroster, remote control mirrors, side window demister & interval wipers. Stock #5948.

WAS \$8501 IS **\$7171***

\$500 REBATE



NEW 1991 ESCORT LX
2 DOOR HATCHBACK

36 MPG

Power steering, power brakes, tinted glass, body side molding, air conditioning, AM/FM stereo cassette, light group, convenience group. Rear window defroster, clear coat paint, console, reclining bucket seats & cargo area cover. Stock #5892.

WAS \$10,707 IS **\$8501***

\$500 REBATE



NEW 1991 ESCORT HATCHBACK LX 4 DOOR

33 MPG

Power steering, power brakes, tinted glass, automatic, air, rear window defroster, clear coat paint, body side molding, console, AM/FM stereo, cargo area cover, reclining bucket seats, child safety locks. Stock #5480.

WAS \$10,636 IS **\$9191***

\$500 REBATE



NEW 1991 ESCORT LX
4 DOOR WAGON

33 MPG

4 Door wagon, power steering, power brakes, tinted glass, automatic, air, rear window defroster, light group, convenience group, clear coat paint, console, body side moldings, cargo area cover, reclining bucket seats, child safety locks. Stock #5915.

WAS \$11,866 IS **\$9520***

\$1,000 REBATE



NEW 1991 RANGERS
X 4x2

29 MPG

Custom trim, overdrive transmission, tinted glass, power brakes, fold away mirrors, instrumentation, spoiler, rear anti-lock brakes, dome light, interval wipers, scuff plates. Stock #6257.

WAS \$8729 IS **\$6911***

\$1,000 REBATE



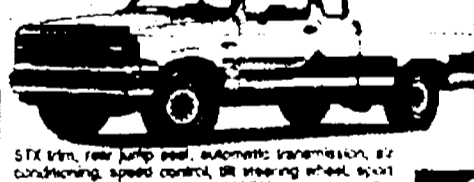
NEW 1991 RANGER 4x2
STYLESIDE PICKUP

23 MPG

XLT trim, power steering, power brakes, tinted glass, automatic transmission, air conditioning, AM/FM stereo cassette, sliding rear window, AM/FM stereo cassette, tachometer, cargo box light, rear anti-lock brakes, dome light, spoiler, front chrome bumper, light group, instrumentation, front & rear seats. Stock #6251.

WAS \$14,468 IS **\$10,277***

\$1,000 REBATE



NEW 1991 RANGER 4x4
SUPER CAB STX

20 MPG

STX trim, rear jump seat, automatic transmission, air conditioning, speed control, air steering wheel, scuff bucket seats, floor console, AM/FM stereo cassette, cast aluminum wheels, power steering & brakes, tinted glass, tachometer, handling package, rear seat fold down, automatic locking doors, leather wrap steering wheel, cargo box light & spoiler, dome light & instrumentation, light group, front & rear seats. Stock #6267.

WAS \$18,624 IS **\$13,811***

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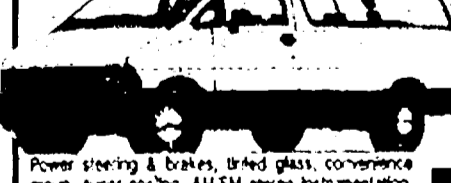
NEW 1991 THUNDERBIRD

27 MPG

Power steering & brakes, tinted glass, automatic overdrive transmission, air conditioning, AM/FM stereo premium cassette, premium sound, power windows, rear power door locks, power window, power antenna, cast aluminum wheels, luxury group, rear window defroster, BSM, console, courtesy lights, instrumentation, reclining bucket seats, digital clock, front & rear seats. Stock #6332.

WAS \$17,881 IS **\$14,024***

\$600 REBATE



NEW 1991 AEROSTAR EXTENDED
XL WAGON

23 MPG

Power steering & brakes, tinted glass, convenience group, 31.8 hp, power convenience group, rear window defroster, automatic transmission, air conditioning, speed control & 17 wheel, privacy glass, dual captain chairs, 7 passenger. Stock #6211.

WAS \$18,615 IS **\$14,864***

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NEW 1991 EXPLORER 4 DOOR 4x4

20 MPG

Power steering, power brakes, tinted glass, automatic transmission, air conditioning, AM/FM stereo cassette, cast aluminum wheels, rear anti-lock brakes, rear window wipers, washer, defroster, intermittent wipers, dome light, instrumentation, scuff plates, front & rear stabilizer. Stock #51527.

WAS \$19,469 IS **\$17,066***

SPECIAL OF THE WEEK

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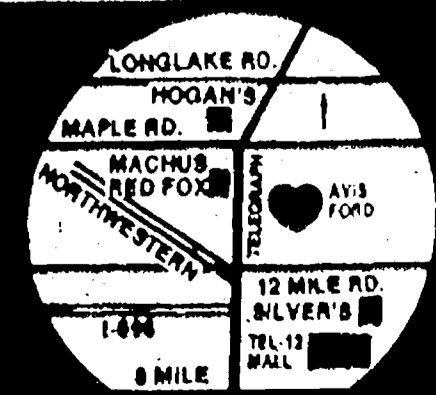
NEW 1991 RANGER 4x2 SUPER CAB

23 MPG

XLT trim, rear jump seat, power steering & brakes, tinted glass, AM/FM stereo cassette, sliding rear windows, chrome front bumper, chrome rear step bumper, automatic transmission, air conditioning, cast aluminum wheels, tachometer, rear anti-lock brakes, cargo box light & spoiler, dome light & instrumentation. Stock #5934T.

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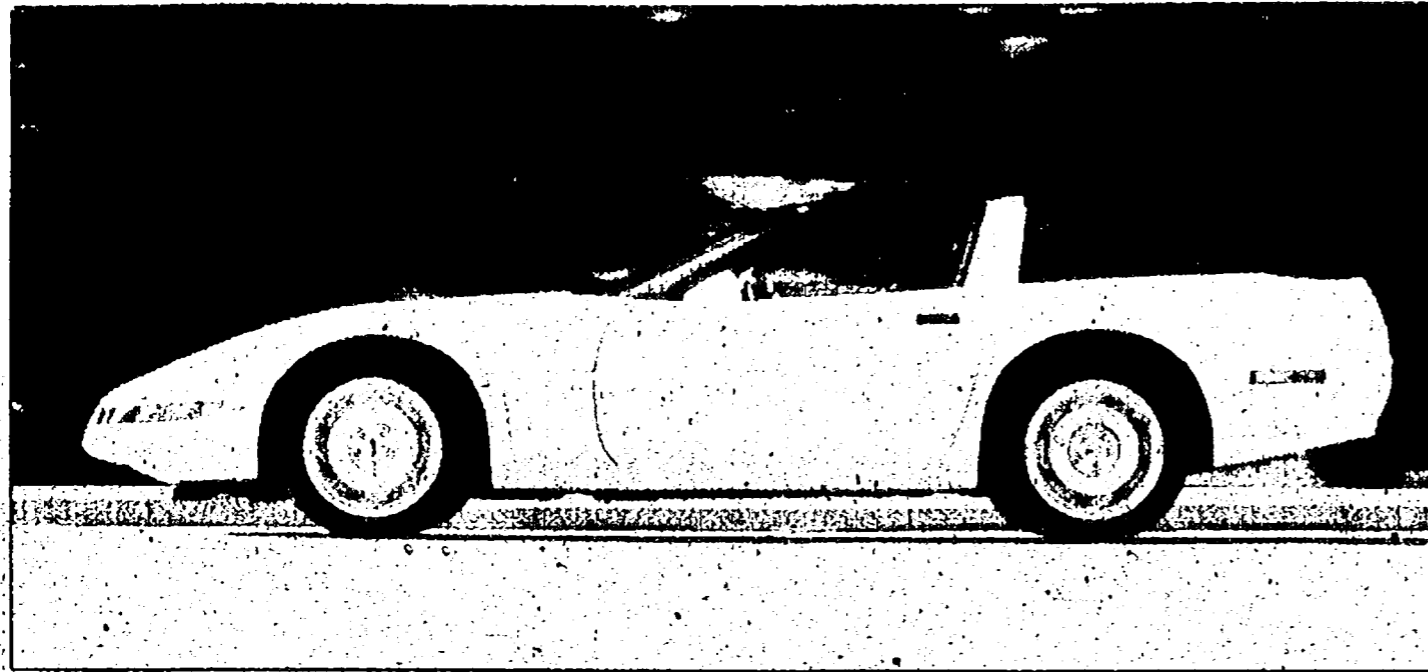
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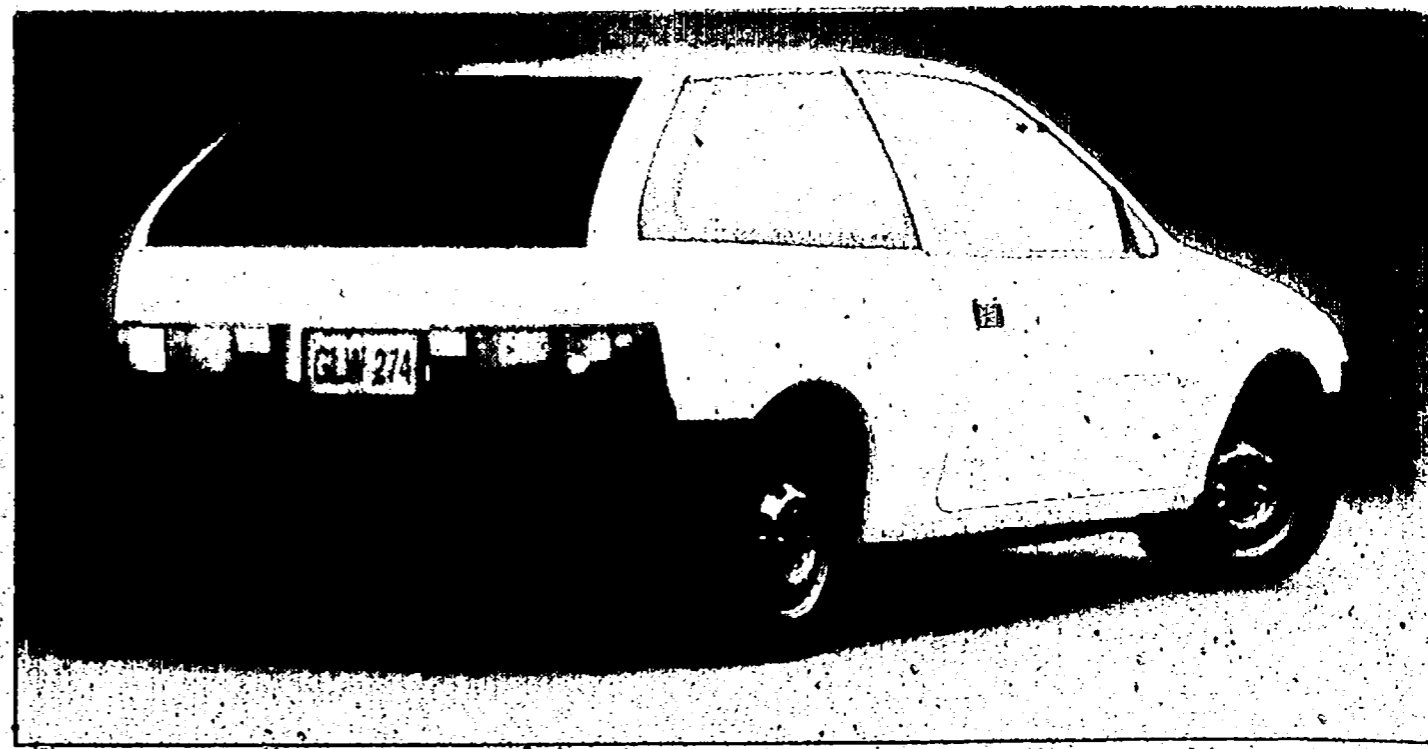
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Not every car at the North American International Auto Show is designed to appeal to the Donald Trumps of the world. There are a good many cars for the under \$10,000 crowd, including the Geo Metro XFI, the least expensive car with an American nameplate.

U.S. fare ranges from pricey to modest

By Gerald Frawley
staff writer

AMERICAN NAMEPLATE automobiles may not have the disparity in costs that some of the imports do, but car hunters and watchers at the North American International Auto Show can still find prices ranging from below \$10,000 to over \$50,000.

On the summit of the price heap is the top of the line 1991 Chevrolet Corvette ZR-1, at a whopping \$64,138.

All the things that the word Corvette conjures in the mind — performance, speed and sportiness — are back for the new 1991 ZR-1.

FOR THE purists, those who have to know how to tell a 1990 from a 1991 Corvette ZR-1, all new model year Corvettes have new side "gill" panels, wider, integrated body-color side moldings and a center, high-mounted stop lamp in the rear window.

Corvette has also made some modifications to its powertrain, including low restriction mufflers that use larger section sizes and are tuned for better exhaust note control, and a power steering fluidcooler, previously an option, but now standard.

Also featured are independent suspension, power rack and pinion steering, and front and rear, anti-locking disc brakes that can stop the nearly 3,500-pound automobile from 60 mph hour to a standstill in 125 feet.

The eight-cylinder, 5.7-liter, multi-port fuel injection has 375 screaming horses under the hood capable of propelling the ZR-1 Corvette from zero to 60 mph in a mere 4.3 seconds.

THE VALET key system, which allows the driver to gain full access to full 375 hp performance, has been revised in the ZR-1 to default to normal power on each ignition cycle.

To accommodate electronic accessories, including items like cellular phones, compact disc players and other 12-volt accessories, the ZR-1 incorporates an auxiliary power plug.

And to help avoid those expensive engine repairs, the Corvette ZR-1 incorporates a new low oil sensor that warns drivers before damage actually occurs.

Finally, just in time for the expansion of the AM band (the Federal Communications Commission is expected to approve the expansion in 1991), all Corvette radios have been expanded to reflect the availability of more AM frequencies.

WHILE THE Corvette conjures images of performance, speed and sportiness, the Geo Metro, the least expensive American nameplate car, strives to appeal to the cost and fuel efficiency conscious.

Actually, there are two configurations of the Geo Metro, the Geo Metro and Geo Metro XFI, that tie as the least expensive American nameplate cars at the North American International Auto Show.

Both Geo Metro models have a manufacturer's suggested retail

price of \$6,795, but there is a distinction between them.

The Geo Metro XFI is a five-speed, two-door hatchback with options limited to a rear window defogger.

The Geo Metro is configured slightly differently. While also a five-speed, two-door hatchback, it can be fitted with an AM-FM digital clock radio, automatic transmission

and a rear windshield wiper.

THE DIFFERENT configuration, in addition to limiting the number and types of options, allows one very important difference, gas mileage. The Geo Metro XFI EPA mileage is 53 miles per gallon city, 58 miles per gallon highway.

The Geo Metro EPA mileage is 45 miles per gallon city, 50 miles per

gallon highway.

With the exception of these differences, the two configurations are much the same.

THE Geo Metro sports new seat and door fabrics and new exterior and interior colors for 1991.

And while the Geo Metro isn't equipped with the four-wheel independent suspension and the

power steering of the Corvette, it does come with MacPherson Struts, manual rack and pinion steering, and power disc and drums.

The three-cylinder, 1.0-liter, electronic fuel injection is capable of generating a modest 55 hp.

The Geo Metro also boasts one thing (in addition to substantially better fuel mileage) the Corvette does not: front-wheel drive.

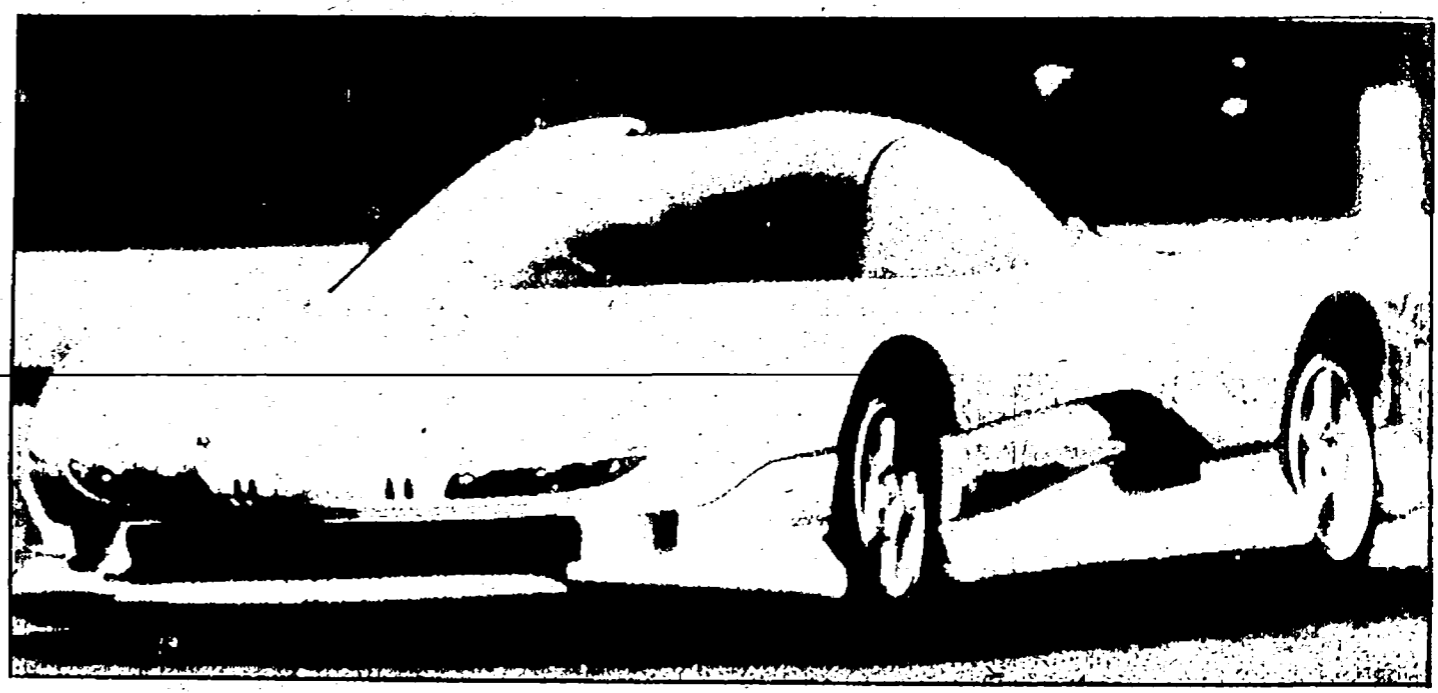
Mitsubishi displays concept car

Mitsubishi has selected the North American International Auto Show as the venue for the North American introduction of its all-new HSR-II concept car.

The HSR-II (High Speed Research) experimental car has served as a rolling test bed for new Mitsubishi products like the 3000GT sports car and an all-luxury, four-door sedan scheduled to be introduced in mid-1991 as a 1992 model.

The technology that eventually found its way to the 3000GT was first tested on the HSR-II.

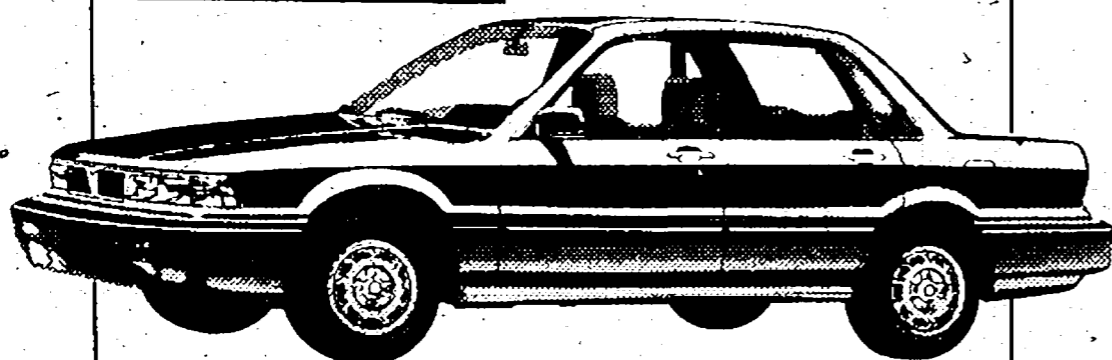
Mitsubishi engineers used the platform to perfect the 3000GT's all-wheel-drive, four-wheel steering, four-wheel electronically controlled independent suspension, four-wheel, anti-lock brakes and computerized Active-Aero system.



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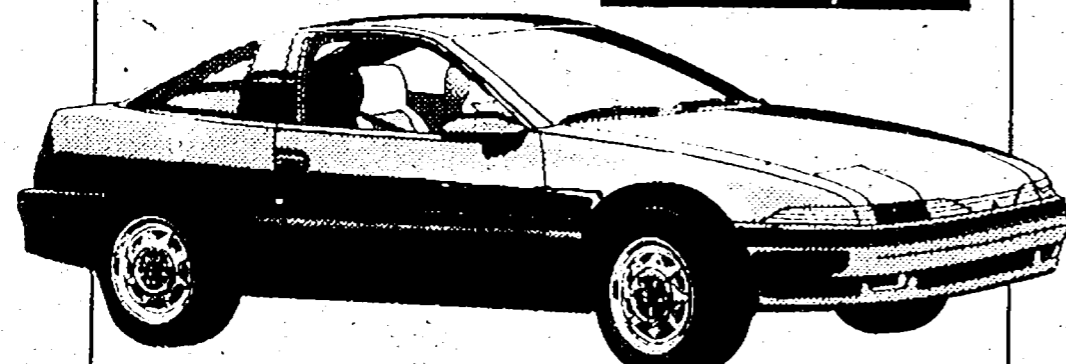
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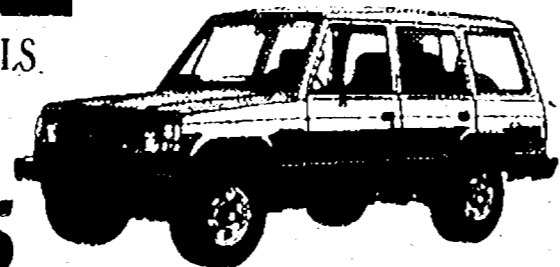


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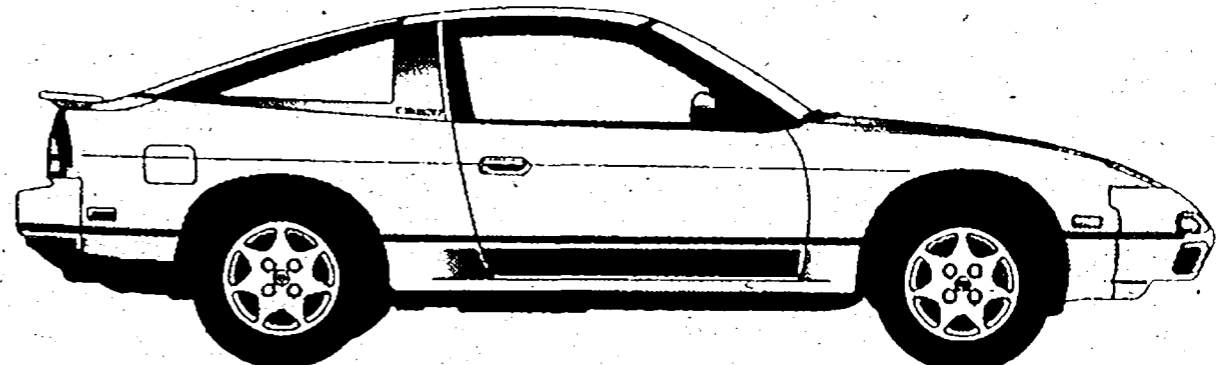
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Modern times

Minivan quickly becomes a family favorite

By Don Chaikin
special writer

THE MINIVAN has forever transformed that great American institution, the family station wagon.

With its ability to carry whole families and all their necessities comfortably — strollers, boxes of disposable diapers, playpens — while still being easy to drive and park, the minivan is racing into the spotlight as one of the most popular family cars.

At least one version of the minivan is available from each of the domestic carmakers, and many foreign makers have jumped on the van-wagon, too.

Although the models all adhere to the basic formula of a high-sided, wide-doored, flat-floored box on wheels that can fit in the garage, each manufacturer has created its own interpretation of the formula.

Some are front-wheel drive, some rear-wheel and some four-wheel. Most have rear hatches and sliding center-side doors, but you can also find minivans with hinged rear doors or hinged center-side doors.

At one end of the spectrum are vans that are car-like in ride and behavior; at the other, those with ride handling more characteristic of a small truck. The truck-like vans compensate for their harsher ride with greater towing capacity and a high, commanding-view-of-the-road driving position.

REGARDLESS OF which dealerships you visit, however, you'll find that the level of luxury appointment can rise as high as your budget allows, including leather seats.

All the minivans can be fitted with the same accouterments that their more traditional car cousins have: air conditioning, power seats and windows, cruise control, elaborate stereo systems and more.

But minivans also offer special options such as seating configurations for five, seven or even eight people and additional rear-seat heaters and air-conditioning outlets.

All minivans have at least one thing in common besides their shape and size: they are not considered passenger cars by the federal government. This means that these vehicles need not meet the same safety criteria as passenger cars.

However, thanks to the swelling popularity of the minivan and other so-called multi-purpose vehicles, government-mandated safety standards will be changing in the next few years.

Meanwhile, there's no need for alarm. Manufacturers have been incorporating many safety features into the vans since their inception; minivans as a whole have a safety record comparable to those of most passenger cars.

THESE ARE some of the best choices in minivans:

The Dodge Caravan, along with its twin, the Plymouth Voyager, started it all. Despite all the new competition, these vans still set the standard with front-wheel drive, pleasing looks, clever interior touches (such as a clever arrangement for a slide-out center cup holder, storage drawer under the right passenger seat and pop-out side and rear windows), and choice of standard or extended length.

In 1990, the Caravan and Voyager got new, more powerful, Chrysler-designed and built optional V6 engines and a four-speed automatic transmission.

The 1991 models will include an optional all-wheel drive system and four-wheel anti-lock brakes. There's also a luxury version, the Town & Country, which features leather seats and brings back the "woody" look, '90s style. Prices start at about \$12,500.

The Ford Aerostar's stylish looks cover a sturdy, rear-wheel-drive, truck-derived chassis that offers a nice compromise between car-like and truck-like rides.

In addition to typical Ford amenities, such as a useful cargo-area net and headphone jacks so that the stereo can entertain the kids in back without deafening you, the 1990 model had some important improvements, including a new V6 engine, an improved four-speed automatic transmission and rear anti-lock brakes.

You might also opt for the full-time, electronic, four-wheel drive in either the standard or the extended-length model. Prices start at about \$12,500.

THE CHEVROLET Astro has to be the toughest-looking of the bunch. It has a squat, muscular body that does aesthetic justice to its truck-derived, rear-wheel-drive chassis.

The Astro offers the most convenient rear loading by virtue of its hinged rear cargo doors; you can open one side only, if that's all that's needed. The 1990 Astro can be equipped with a V6 engine, a four-speed automatic transmission and four-wheel anti-lock brakes.

Last spring, the options expanded to include a full-time, four-wheel-drive system and a "stretched" version for added space. Prices for the Chevy Astro start at about \$14,000.

The Mazda MPV is the only imported minivan that was designed for the American family. The others are adaptations of vans designed to meet the particular needs of the Japanese.

The MPV, Multi-Purpose Vehicle, features stylish looks (such as a blunt nose, bulging fenders and a squat-to-the-ground stance, which

gives it a low and brawny look), and passenger-car ride and handling.

This rear-wheel-drive minivan (four-wheel-drive is also available) is unique in offering a wide-opening, hinged, center-side door. More usual are the optional V6 engine, a four-speed automatic transmission and rear anti-lock brakes. Prices start at about \$13,700.

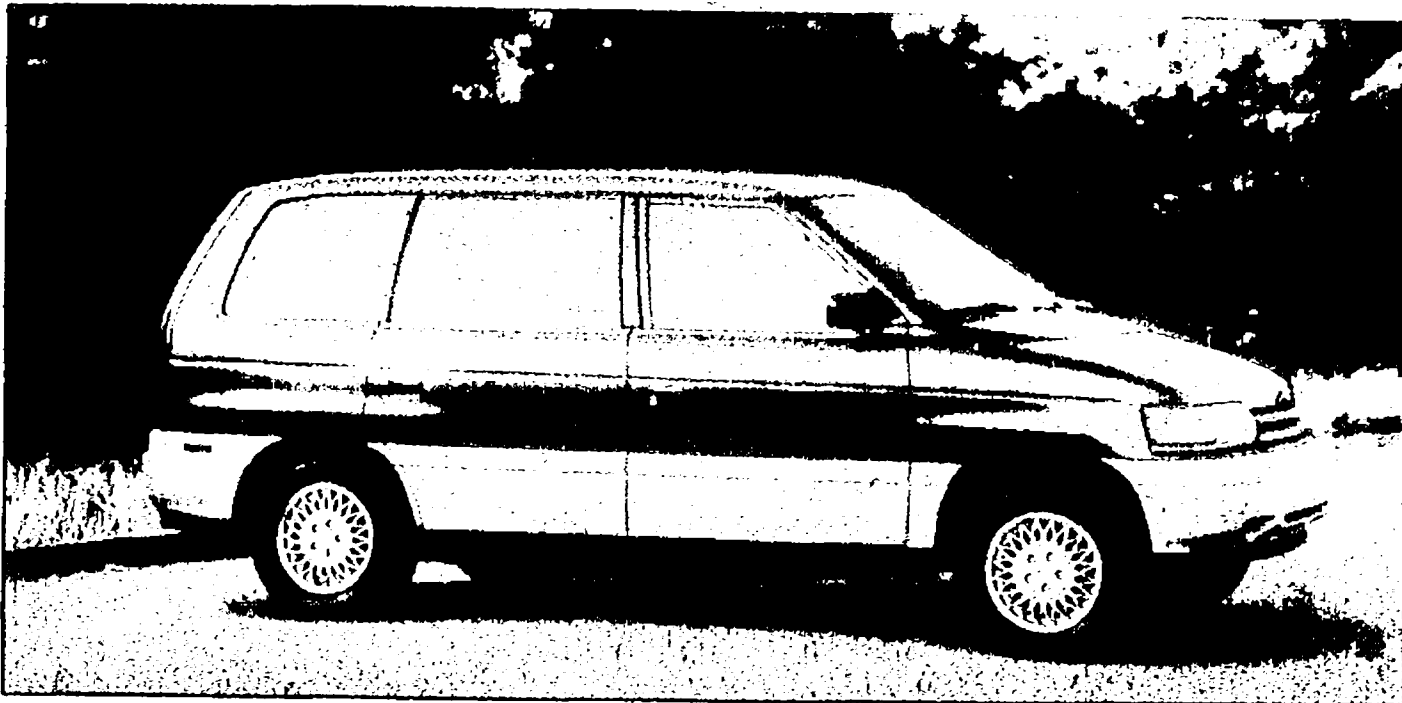
THE PONTIAC Trans Sport and its siblings, the Chevrolet Lumina APV and Oldsmobile Silhouette, keep the latest in minivans all in the family. They're startling to look at, thanks to large laid-back windshields in

front and vertical tail lights, running up to the roof in back.

GM's new generation of front-wheel-drive minivans offers not only innovative technology, their bodies are made of huge plastic panels instead of steel, but also innovative design, with center bucket seats that can be folded to form tables or beds.

The lightweight individual seats are lighter and easier to remove than the awkward heavy center-bench seats of other vans.

Trans Sport prices start at about \$15,000, Lumina APV at about \$14,000, Silhouette at about \$13,700.



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Show time

• **What:** The third annual North American International Auto Show, sponsored by the Detroit Auto Dealers Association.

• **When:** Through Sunday, Jan. 20. Saturday, Jan. 19, 10 a.m. to 10:30 p.m.; Sunday, Jan. 20, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Monday through Friday, 2-10:30 p.m.

• **Where:** Cobo Conference & Exhibition Center, at the foot of Woodward, downtown Detroit.

• **Who:** More than 40 of the world's auto manufacturers will display 750 cars and trucks at the show, covering America's Big Three and international nameplates ranging from BMW to Toyota.

• **Domestic Car Exhibits:** Buick, Cadillac, Chevrolet, Chrysler-Plymouth, Dodge, Ford, Jeep-Eagle, Lincoln-Mercury, Oldsmobile, Pontiac, Saturn.

• **Domestic Truck Exhibits:** Chevrolet, Dodge, Ford, GMC.

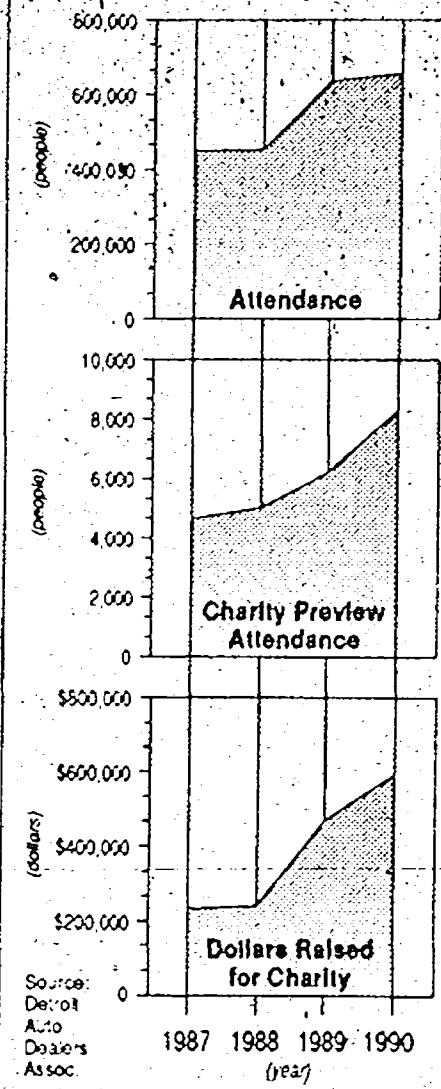
• **Import and Specialty Car and Truck Exhibits:** Hyundai, Industrial Design Research, Isuzu, Jaguar, Lamborghini, Lotus, Mazda, Mercedes-Benz, Mitsubishi, Nissan, Nissan/Infiniti, Pininfarina, Peugeot, Porsche, Range Rover, Rolls Royce, Saab-Scania of America, Sterling, Subaru, Suzuki, Toyota/Lexus, Volkswagon, Volvo, Yugo.

• **Tickets:** Adults, \$5. Seniors, free (65 and older). Children 12 and younger, \$1 or free with parent.

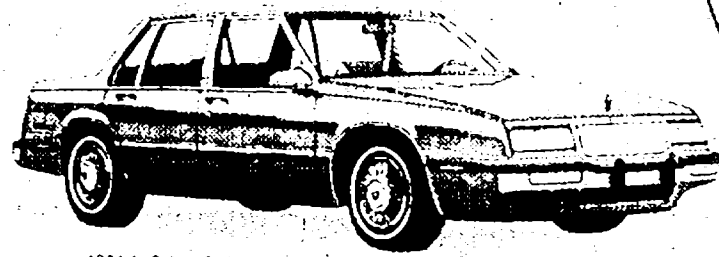
• **Parking:** Cobo Garage, Cobo Roof and Arena Garage, Joe Louis Arena Garage, Ford Auditorium Garage, Riverfront Parking next to Joe Louis Arena and other nearby local facilities. People Mover monorail system provides easy

access to parking facilities. • **Extras:** worldwide, North American and concept car introductions; a look into the automotive future, featuring manufacturers, international design houses and coach builders; a major van conversion show in the lower level of Cobo; 25 radio stations broadcasting live from the show.

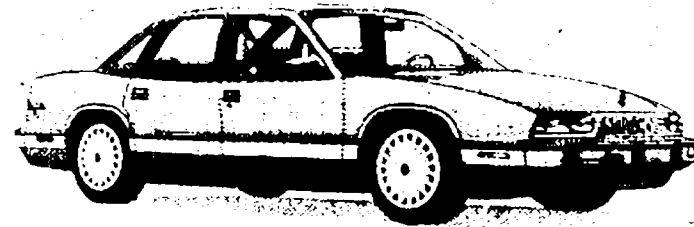
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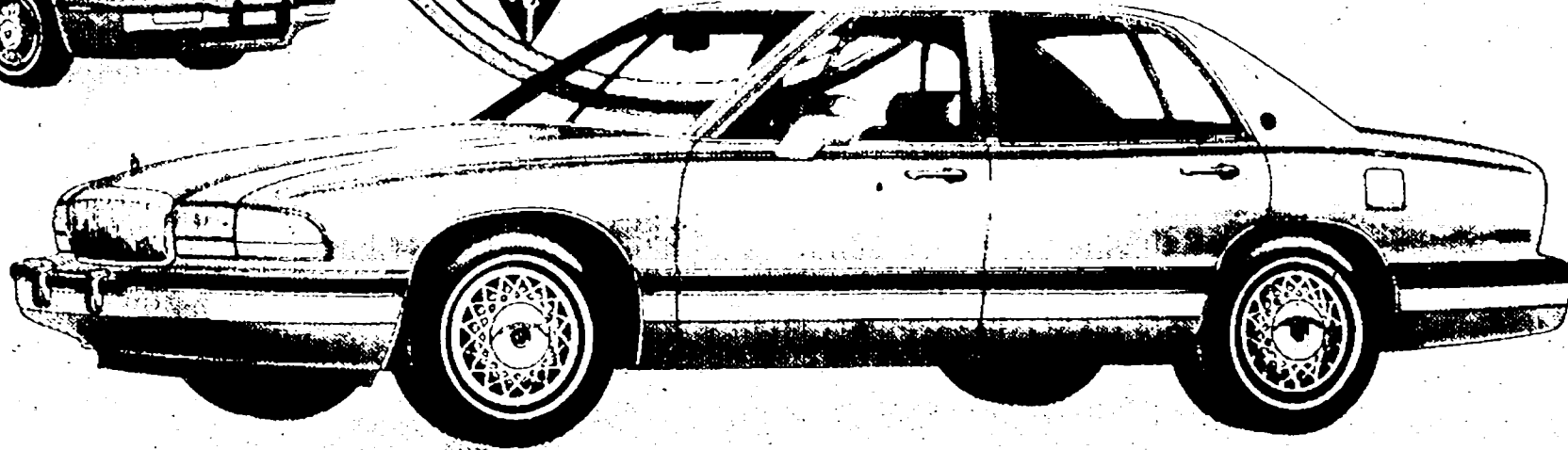
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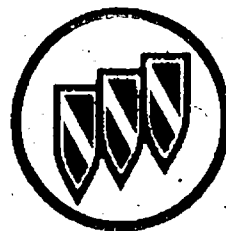
1991 Park Avenue Sedan

There's a lot to see at this year's auto show. But for a showing of superior quality, visit the Buick display.

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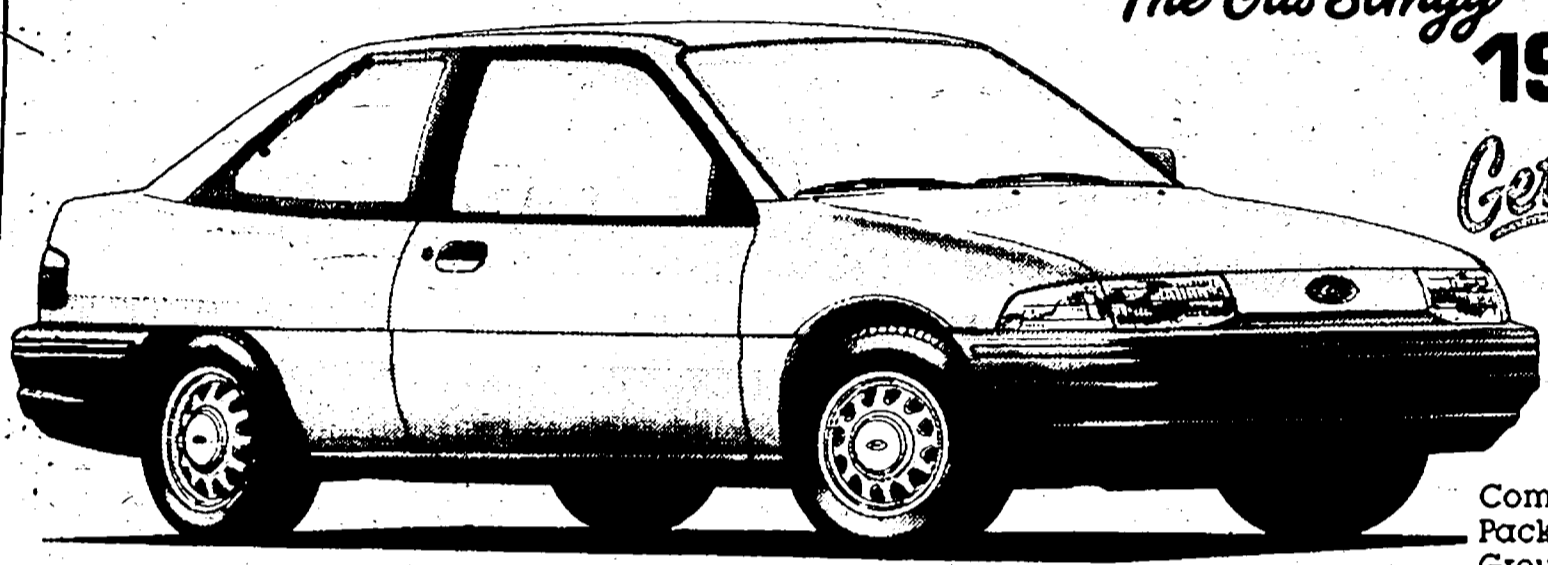
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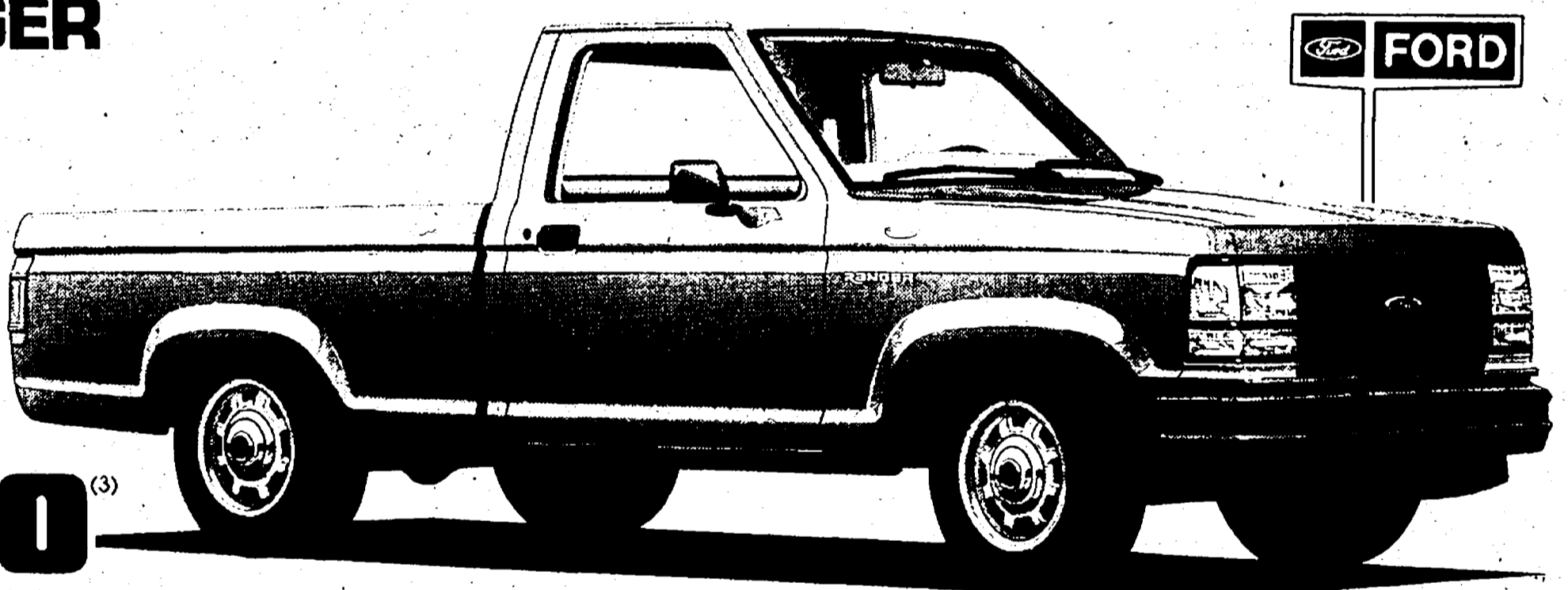
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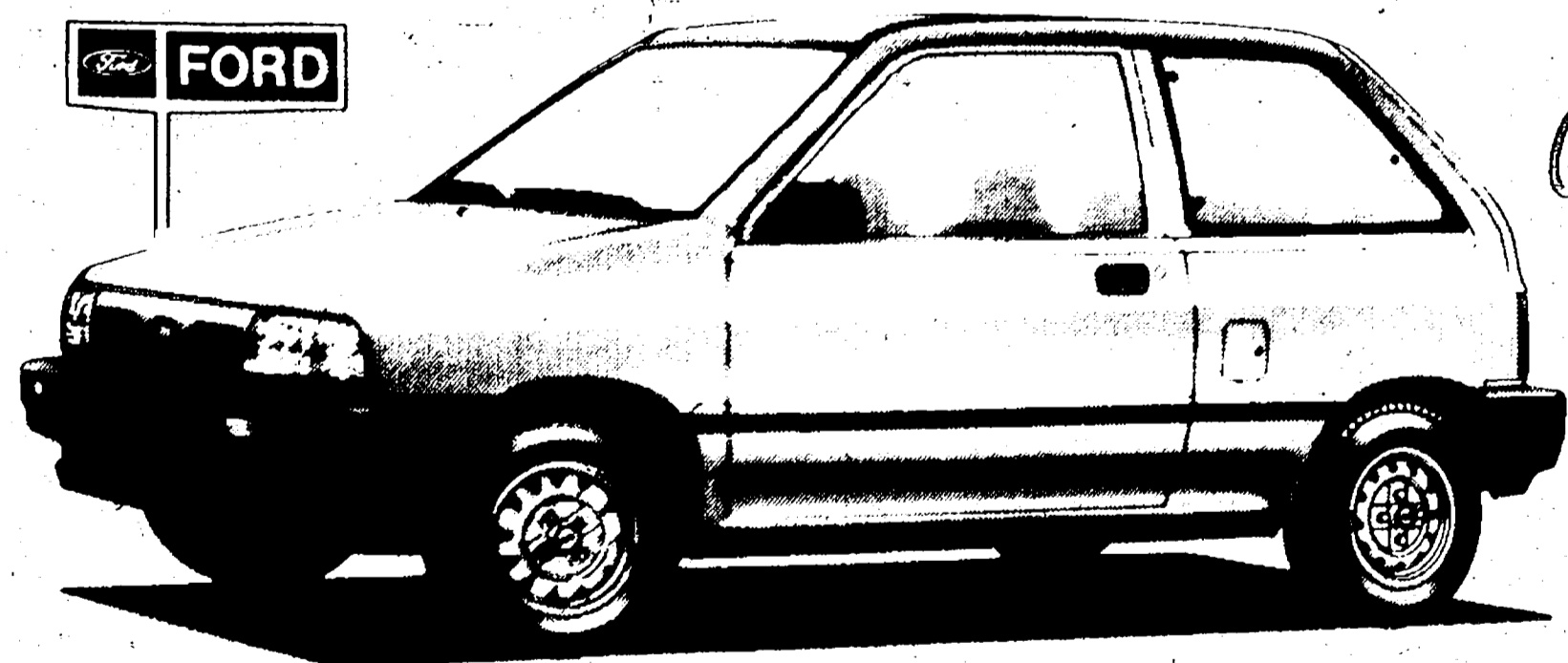


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Sticker prices span automotive spectrum

By Gerald Frawley
Staff writer

WHAT HAS four wheels and a glove compartment? The most expensive and least expensive automobiles at the North American International Auto Show.

Comparisons end there. With more than 750 cars and trucks from 40 of the world's automotive manufacturers, ones going to expect a wide variance in prices.

Domestic car companies like Buick, Cadillac, Chevrolet, Chrysler-Plymouth, Dodge, Ford, Jeep-Eagle, Lincoln Mercury, Oldsmobile, Pontiac and Saturn will all be showing off their wares.

Joining them will be the import and specialty dealers like Acura, Alfa Romeo, Audi, Avanti, Bertone

BMW, Honda, Hyundai, Isuzu, Jaguar, Lamborghini, Lotus, Mazda, Mercedes-Benz, Mitsubishi, Nissan, Nissan/Infiniti, Pininfarina, Peugeot, Porsche, Range Rover, Rolls Royce, Saab-Scania of America, Sterling, Subaru, Suzuki, Toyota/Lexus, Volkswagon, Volvo and Yugo — not to mention the concept car companies.

So what's the most expensive car at the auto show?

THE ROLLS ROYCE Corniche III convertible, a two-door touring car, holds top honors in the price category at a whopping \$220,100.

The Corniche III, with body panels handcrafted and hand-fitted by the prestigious Mulliner Park Ward coach works in London, is being touted by the manufacturer as the most glamorous motor car Rolls Royce has ever built.

Once completed, the shell is

delivered to the main factory for the fitting of the powertrain and subframes. The unit is then sent back to Mulliner Park Ward for completion.

Each car takes nearly six months of meticulous crafting by leather, metal and cabinet specialists to complete. The fascia (we call them dashboards here) is made of burr walnut with crossbanding and boxwood inlay.

A center console containing a leather storage cabinet holds a cellular phone and an illuminated cassette and compact disc drawer. Carpeting? Get out of town. Only the finest in lambswool rugs was deemed acceptable to cover the flooring.

According to Rolls Royce, four of the five convertibles completed each week are imported to the United States.

REFINEMENTS INCLUDE

driver's-side airbags, a heated door mirror that adjusts angle automatically to the position of the memory seats, a new 10-speaker stereo entertainment system, including a compact disc player, electrically operated, heated dual area lumbar supports, upholstery of the finest English leather, anti-lock brakes, and, of course, powered rack and pinion steering.

Perhaps one of the most unique features on the Corniche III convertible, and other Rolls Royce models as well, is a computerized self-leveling suspension.

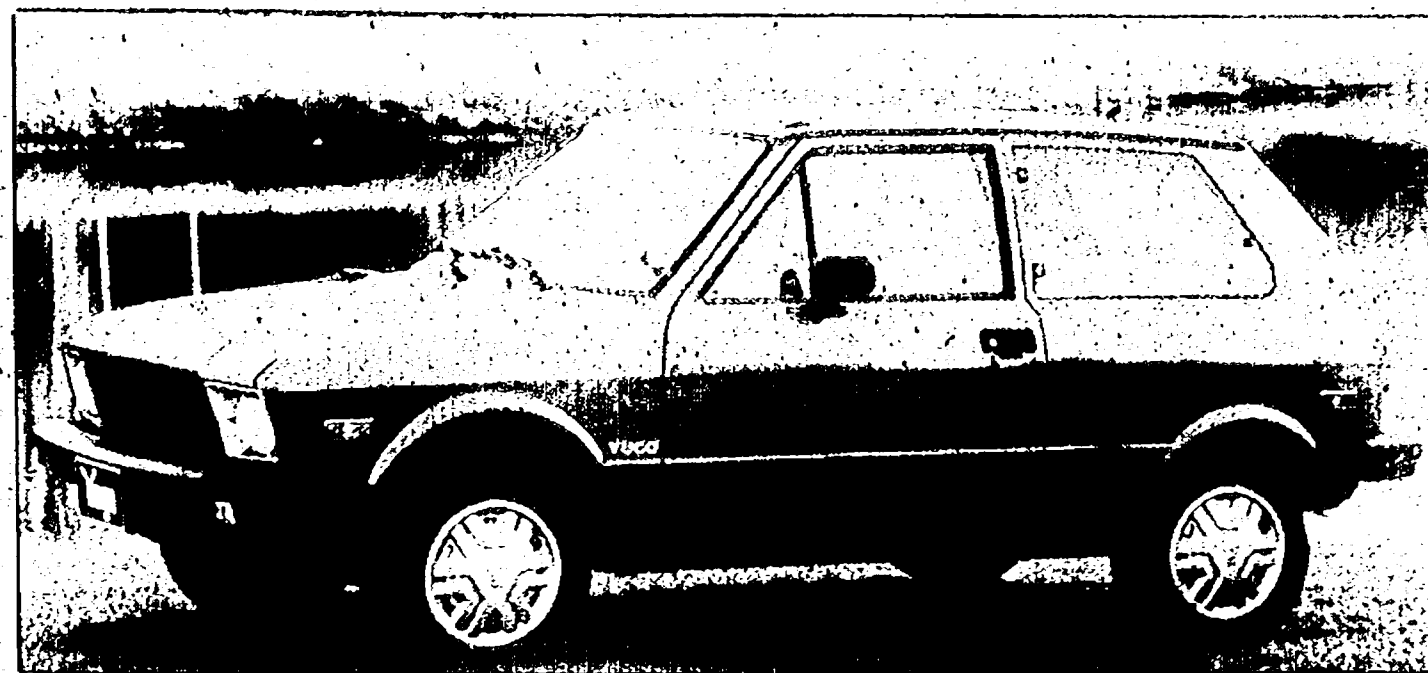
Sensors in the suspension constantly monitor road conditions for changes. If the road surface becomes rough, the computer automatically adjusts, switching the suspension from soft to firm.

Howard Mosher, president and chief executive officer of Rolls Royce, claims the suspension "provides armchair comfort on the highway and a firm ride on the corners."

And, of course, the top is one touch, power operated. But it's not just power operated. One of the greatest complaints often cited about convertibles is that the tops are poorly fitted, resulting in whistling, drafts and water leaks.

Not so with the Corniche III. Engineers spend two weeks fitting the top to each car so that when the top is closed, it's closed.

But even in the best climates, there are going to be days when the top will be closed. Realizing this, Rolls Royce has included a dual-



Shoppers may be able to put the new Yugo GV Plus on their Gold Cards. At less than \$5,000, it's the least expensive car at the North American International Auto Show. But shoppers may be surprised at some of the features they get for their money.

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level, automatic air conditioning system.

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THE LEAST expensive cars at the auto show is the Yugo 1991 GV Plus, an import from Yugoslavia with a manufacturer's suggested list price of only \$4,825.

Or as Yugo puts it: "If schmoozing with blue bloods is not your cup of tea, the new Yugo will instantly communicate your more frugal side. However, you could finance the new Yugo GV Plus if you really wanted to. Then again, for around \$5,000, you could just throw it on your credit card."

After a period of company crisis, then gradual recovery, Yugo is looking forward to 1991 with anticipation, according to company president John Spiech.

Yugo is launching an all-out effort to get people to take the car seriously with 357 improvements over the older model, a 40,000-mile, four-year warranty with free maintenance for the first year or 12,000 miles.

Yugo is banking the current economic slowdown and the increasing importance of fuel economy will encourage motorists to take another look at its newly engineered products. The EPA fuel mileage for the Yugo GV Plus is 27 City/34 highway.

Although there is a significant price difference between the Corniche III and the GV Plus (about \$215,000), the lower priced import has more to offer than a glove box

The front-wheel drive, four-passenger car sports a new 1.3-liter, four-cylinder engine capable of speeds near 100 mph. A new Bosch motronic multi-port fuel injection system, the same injection system found on a Porsche, provides a peppy 67 hp engine that "will allow you to toss a little asphalt when the mood strikes."

The Yugo accelerates from zero to

And while the car doesn't have a computerized, hydraulic suspension, it does have a four-wheel independent suspension with MacPherson struts.

The Yugo sports rack and pinion steering (unpowered) and Bendix dual circuit, power-assisted front brakes and rear drums operated by a specially engineered proportioning valve.

Show blooms over time

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GM realized this when it took a new Corvette to Europe, and managed to steal the Geneva show. The launch of the then-radical Ford aerodynamic styling started at Frankfurt, as did the unveiling of the startling BMW V-12 engine.

ONLY A few years ago, the Japanese manufacturers began coming to Europe in force, not to sell cars, since European countries were still carefully restraining them in their home markets, but because you had to go to Frankfurt to see and be seen.

All of which was not lost on Detroit auto executives, which in a growing spirit of ecumenicalism, began regular attendance at the big international shows.

All this led to the decision to attempt just such a show atmosphere in Detroit, where it all began.

It was a risky effort when first proposed, since even on the U.S. national scene, Detroit was ranked third behind Los Angeles and Chicago. Foreign participation historically has been poor in Detroit, partly because of the assumption that Detroit is a poor place to sell foreign cars.

Today, the momentum is there in Detroit, if not the stature. The press attendance is at least equal to the big shows in Frankfurt and Tokyo, and the legions of executives, the feeling that this, indeed is the heart of the world auto business, lends the Detroit show credibility in the eyes of the world.



Handcrafted, prestigious, imported from England, the Rolls Royce Corniche III convertible, at a manufacturers suggested retail price of \$220,100, will be the most expensive car at the North American International Auto Show. It's not for the penny pincher.

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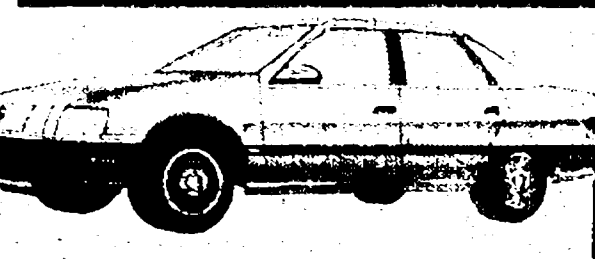
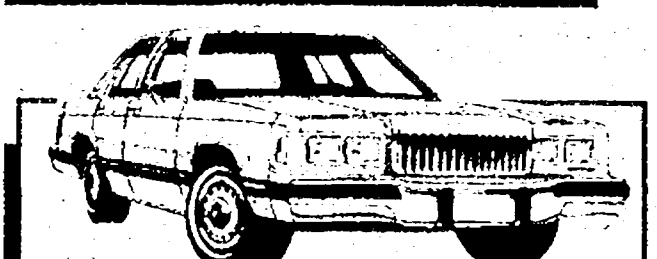
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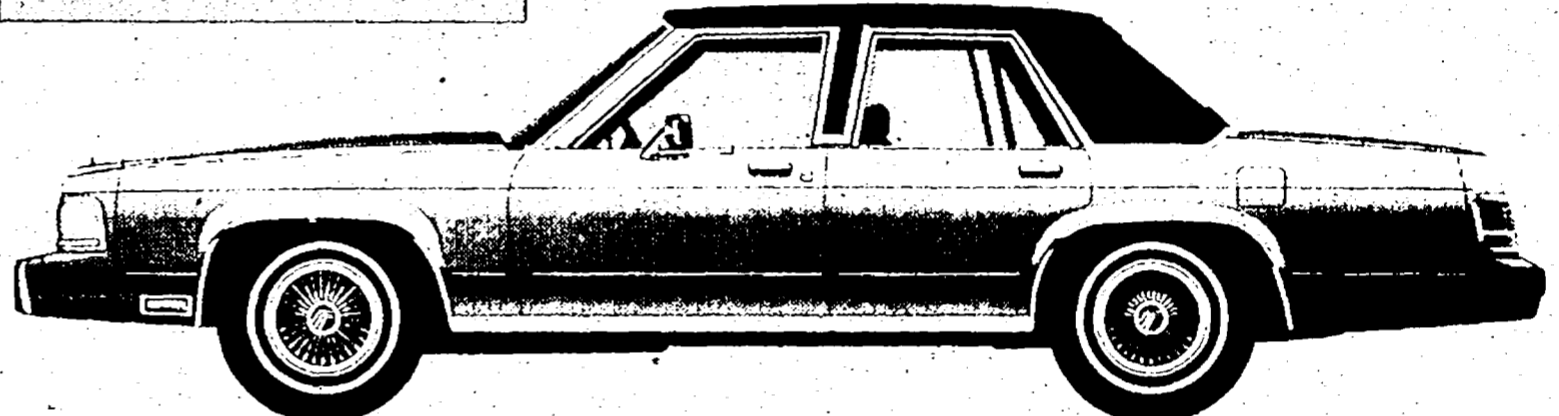


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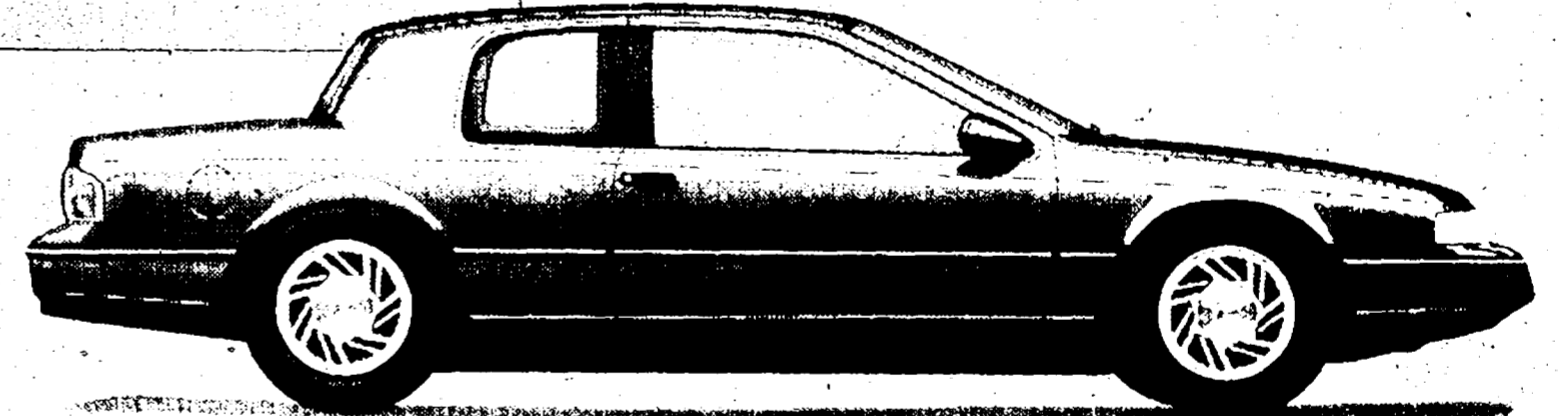


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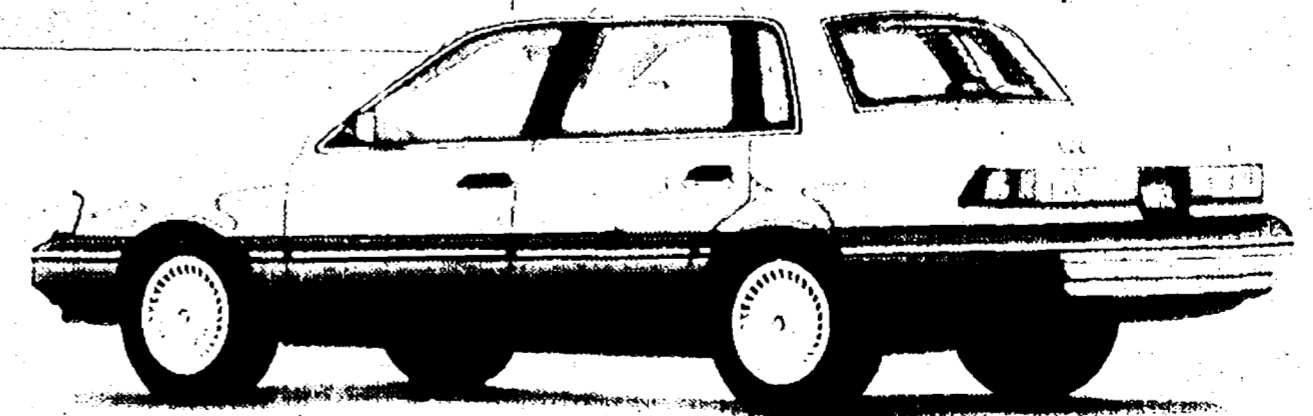


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Structural steel detailers produce drawings of every steel connection on commercial buildings. Fabricators make the pieces. Erectors put them

up. The result can be striking — like improvements to the Cobo Conference & Exhibition Center pictured here while in progress.

Building industry seeks detailers

By Doug Funke
staff writer

Steel detailers, who schematically draft every steel-to-steel connection for commercial buildings designed by architects, will be in great demand in the years ahead.

So a consortium of steel manufacturers and installers here has established a three-year cooperative education program — believed to be the only one of its kind now operating — to meet the industry's needs during the 1990s and beyond.

"In the next five to 10 years, we will be losing a vast majority of detailers we have in Michigan," said Albert L. Frechette, executive director of the Great Lakes Fabricators and Erectors Association.

"The majority of the people in the business are in their late 50s and older. They're going to retire in the next few years, and we have no one to replace them. The industry has done a poor job of telling the world there's a career here," he said.

A formal co-op program put together by industry professionals and teachers at Henry Ford Community College in Dearborn was launched a year ago.

Upwards of 20 will be chosen for the third group to begin in September. About 18 are now involved.

THE ONLY requirement to apply is a high school diploma or GED certificate.

"We are taking every student with the assumption that they don't know anything about steel, don't know anything about construction and don't know anything about drafting," Frechette said. "We'll teach them.

"What I'm looking for is a student who is ready to settle on a career, can fit into the work environment and ethic required in the business and has basic math skills. There's no age limit. It's wide open now."

Applicants should contact Frechette at the association offices (358-2620) in Southfield to arrange an interview. Applicants will take a career ability aptitude test and a basic math test during the initial screening.

Survivors will interview with all fabricators and erectors who want to sponsor a student in the work-study program. Frechette attempts to work out matches based on how applicants and employees rate each other after the interviews.

Sponsorship is a prerequisite for participation. Students alternate semesters of full-time classes and full-time work with sponsors and a single evening class. Students are initially paid at about \$8 per hour while at work.

"Technical courses designed by the industry and taught by people in the industry include structural drafting and elements of commercial construction," Frechette said.

Students now in the program probably can expect to pay about \$3,500 for three years of schooling. About 75 percent of the students have tuition paid by their sponsor, Frechette said.

COURSES LIKE metallurgy, physics and failure analysis are taught by Henry Ford instructors. An associate's degree in architectural technology is awarded upon completion of the program.

Graduates could earn upwards of \$20,000 annually

when they join the work-a-day world in a couple of years, Frechette projected.

Job opportunities are expected to be ample. "They make contacts within the industry over three years," he said. And in economic downturns? "You always need detailers for whatever work you have going on."

Richard Burns, a Southfield resident, had worked as a drafting trainee for Allied Drafting before beginning the co-op program in February 1990.

"SO FAR, so good," he said. "It will be great for beginners not in the business already. The school will advance you a lot quicker than if you came to the job and tried to learn by yourself."

"I learned how things work — contractors, bidding — rather than just drafting," said George Papazoglou, a Canton resident and co-op at Northville Fabricating.

John Holmstrom, owner of a detailing service in Livonia, and Thomas Ross, owner of a steel fabricating company in Detroit, were on a task force that recommended the program.

"It (detailing) is an area that has been neglected many, many years," Holmstrom said. "Some larger fabricators used to train in-house. They have passed out of existence and no one picked up the training."

"There's really a crying need for new blood in this skill," he added. "Even with a recession well in place, there's still a need."

Said Ross: "Anybody that completes the program would probably have no problem finding a job. They could probably graduate 20 a year and have no problem placing them."



JIM JAGDFELO/staff photographer

Every steel-to-steel connection must be shown by a detailer. A couple hundred drawings may be necessary for even a small building.

Indemnification clause controversial

Our managing agent is negotiating its contract with us and has provided us with a form that provides that the management company should be indemnified by the association and placed as an additional insured on its insurance policy. We do not have a lawyer reviewing the contract and am wondering whether you see any problems. The management company has also suggested that it can't get insurance to cover us in the event that it is careless.

Management companies can obtain insurance coverage for their liability if they are willing to pay the price for it. It is not unreasonable to ask that the association be indemnified for the negligence on the part of the management agent that results in the association's being sued. Whether the association should indemnify the managing agent for similar activities is frequently a source of controversy and the subject matter of negotiations. You should not enter into the contract with the management agent until you have had an attorney who is clearly independent of the management firm to represent your best in-

terests and who explains to you the ramifications of these indemnification clauses and the lack of insurance protection by the managing agent as it relates to the association.

We are concerned about the developer of our condominium project absconding with our funds. We have not received an accounting from him and are wondering what legal recourse we have. He still controls the association and refuses to give us any records of the association's books. What can we do?

You have a serious problem that requires immediate action. Hopefully, the members of the association will be willing to expend the monies if necessary to get proper assistance. Assuming that you have made every effort to advise the developer through the advisory committee of your need to review these documents and he refuses, I would hire an attorney knowledgeable in condominium law with particular expertise in dealing with developers. It may be the your developer has merely been guilty of poor bookkeeping or conceivably has mishandled or misap-

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Robert M. Melsner

propriated the funds, in which case there may not only be civil but criminal ramifications. It is of the essence that you should exhort your co-owners to assist you in undertaking these tasks.

We are having difficulty getting access to a co-owner's unit to repair a sump pump that services three units. Do you have any practical solutions?

A letter should be sent to the co-owner requesting cooperation and advising him or her of the rights of the association to gain access at a reasonable time. Make the offer in the letter to be as accommodating as possible, but the association not only has the right to obtain access on reasonable notice, but in the case of em-


ergencies, can literally break into the unit.

Try to establish a procedure where the co-owner can be reached in the case of an emergency and if the association needs to gain access, short of an emergency, that it will give five days' notice, for example. If these efforts are not successful, have the association attorney write a more stern letter advising him or her of the association's right to obtain an injunctive order requiring that the co-owner comply with the condominium documents and that the legal fees and costs will be charged to the co-owner under the condominium documents and statute.

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

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