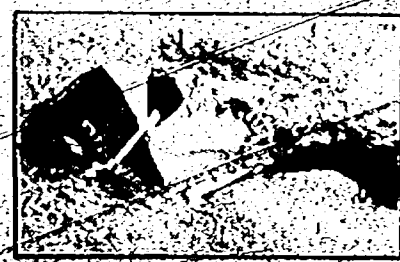


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Woman gets probation in house rent scam

By Darrell Clem
staff writer

A Westland woman accused of trying to rent the same house to families from Garden City and other suburbs has been placed on probation for two years and ordered to repay the money she received from would-be tenants.

Lynn Ann Chambers, 40, also must perform 75 hours of community service under a sentence imposed Dec. 17 by Detroit Recorder's Court Judge Dalton Roberson.

Chambers could have faced up to 10 years in prison and a \$5,000 fine for accepting rent money from families who paid cash deposits to live in the Westland house she was vacating at 7950 August St. Chambers moved out the day before the would-be tenants arrived to move in.

Some families brought their belongings in pickup trucks, only to find that they had been deceived in what Westland police described as a rent scam. Some had already moved from their former residences and became temporarily homeless until

they made other living arrangements.

Westland police accused Chambers of trying to rent the same house to families from Westland, Garden City and Redford Township, among other communities. The house belongs to Michael Barnes, who also was shocked by the scheme. He had earlier ordered Chambers to move out or be evicted.

Chambers' sentence came two months after she appeared before Judge Roberson and pleaded guilty to one felony count of taking money

under false pretenses. Two other counts — a felony and a misdemeanor — were dropped as part of a plea agreement worked out by assistant prosecutor Keith Wright and defense attorney Stephanie Watson.

NEITHER ATTORNEY could be reached for comment last week. It was not immediately known how much money Chambers would be forced to repay, though police said she received hundreds — and perhaps thousands — of dollars in the

rent scam.

Westland police charged Chambers last summer after one potential tenant, Donna Piccolo of Redford Township, became suspicious when Chambers refused to accept a personal check for the rent and demanded cash. Piccolo parked her car near the August Street house and then followed Chambers as she drove to her new Westland residence.

Piccolo reported the rent scam to police and told them where Chambers could be found. Several other

would-be tenants also filed police reports.

Yvette Pinsonneault had paid Chambers \$575 in rent. "When I went to (move in) the house, I had a newborn baby in my arms," she told the Observer in October.

Chambers was ordered to stand trial after she appeared in September for a preliminary examination before 18th District Judge Gail McKnight. However, the trial was

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Fannie Fonville serves customers at the Salvation Army's Red Shield store on Ford east of Middlebelt.

Bargain buys Salvation Army store's items priced to move

By Brian Lysaght
staff writer

The Salvation Army's Red Shield store on Ford east of Middlebelt is a bit like a flea market.

Local shoppers can get just about anything there: eight-track tapes (remember them?), sofas, cheap paintings and all kinds of clothing — all slightly used, but certainly usable. And who can argue about the price?

You'll find that a dusty set of golf clubs with bag runs \$10; very wearable Levi's jeans run \$3.5; and a double-bed mattress and head board goes for \$140-\$160.

There are shelves full of shoes, from sneakers to fancy gold high heels good for a night on the town. There are racks and racks of clothing for children, men and women. Up front are the couches, chairs, winter coats and men's suits.

In the back are the used tapes and records (no compact disks here). How about the 101 Strings album "Night in the Tropics"? For other tastes, try a version of Tchaikovsky's Piano Concerto No. 1.

It's all priced to move.

Sometimes the merchandise

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Numerous racks of used clothing in good condition are available in adult and children's sizes.

No gimmicks: Speak Easy does it at new GC lounge

By Brian Lysaght
staff writer

The owners of the Speak Easy Lounge, Garden City's newest tavern, want to keep things simple.

They won't be presenting gourmet meals or live heavy metal bands. Instead, they say, it'll be good sandwiches and good service.

"No gimmicks. We just want to provide a nice, clean comfortable place for people," said co-owner Jack Holland, 43.

Holland and Dennis Dow are partners in Speak Easy, which opened Dec. 9 at the building on Ford at Merriman that formerly housed Douilly's.

"We thought the location was good and the style of the bar was very well done. There wasn't quite anything like it in the area," said Dow.

The pair also own DJ's Distillery in Inkster, which will reopen soon, and Dow owns Denny's Gin Mill in Dearborn Heights.

The pair did some minor renovation to the Speak Easy Lounge before opening. They added five televisions, including a 60-inch screen on one wall, new carpeting and booths. But anyone who visited Douilly's would recognize the place, with its frosted glass and wood-panel interior.

THERE'S A NEW cook and a scaled-down menu. The cook is Larry Nemerski of Dearborn Heights, who worked previously at

the Lion's Den on Telegraph and Herc's Roast Beef Restaurant in Livonia. With 20 years experience, Nemerski said he has learned to run a good kitchen. "Quality is the name of the game," he said.

It'll be sandwiches and nachos and whatever else customers want, Holland said. The menu is likely to be a less extensive than its predecessor's.

Douilly's closed in March after filing for bankruptcy protection late last year. It had been in operation about three years. Before that, Lion and the Sword, was on the site.

Dow said he and Holland specialize in buying bankrupt restaurants or bars and turning them around. He admitted there are plenty of financially troubled places to choose from.

"I still think if you're well-versed in the business and you give people what they want, you come out all right," said Dow, who has 13 years experience in the bar business.

HOLLAND SAID he or Dow will be at the Speak Easy daily. On a recent day, Holland apologized for his informal attire — sweats and tennis shoes. He had closed the place at 2:30 a.m. and returned to reopen at 11 a.m. the same morning. He wasn't complaining.

"Success is giving a place like this a personal touch," he said. Holland is a Northville resident



Above, Tracy Stephens, a waitress at the newly opened Speak Easy Lounge, looks over the menu for the business on Ford near Merriman. The Speak Easy takes over the former Douilly's restaurant-bar.

who trained standard-bred horses at one time and is a journeyman millwright. Dow, a Livingston County resident, and Holland have been in business together six years, beginning with DJ's Distillery. Dow, 44, lives in Oakland County's White Lake Township.



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Holiday scene

Scenes like this Christmas display will be visible only for a few more days when the holiday season ends and trees are put at curbside to be collected by the local rubbish contractor and

plastic Santas put away for another year. This display was seen on Wildwood north of Cherry Hill.

Salvation Army store has bargain buys

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smells, sometimes it needs a cleaning. But a bargain is a bargain, and on a recent day, people were prowling the aisles for bargains.

"I COME here every Saturday when I'm working. Now I'm on a vacation," said an Inkster woman interviewed outside the store.

"I enjoy this better than going to Saks (Fifth Avenue, an upscale department store)."

She was carrying a small bag holding her purchases. She goes for "knickknacks, hardly ever clothes."

"It never used to be like this . . . Now, a lot more people are coming. People are getting hip to it — and I'm mad," she said with a smile. "They're getting all the bargains."

"It's real busy around here at tax time."

— Ray LaFave

but the woman declined to give her name, saying she didn't really want people to know she shops regularly at the store.

OUTSIDE THE store, things begin to bustle as the new year approaches, because people are dropping off items for tax-deductible donation before the year ends.

"It's real busy around here at tax time," said Ray LaFave, who sits in a semi-truck trailer outside the store weekends taking and unloading donated items from the stream of cars that pulls into the lot.



The entrance of the Salvation Army's Red Shield opens the door for many bargains in clothing, furniture and household items.

Woman gets probation in house rent scam

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averted when Chambers pleaded guilty on Oct. 10.

WESTLAND POLICE said the rent scam began when Chambers placed an advertisement in the Observer Newspapers for a three-bed-

room house with a full-sized basement in the Livonia school district. She asked for \$575 a month, said pets were allowed, and indicated that the security deposit would be waived if tenants painted inside the house.

Police said Chambers used the fictitious name Kelly Kent when interested tenants telephone to inquire about the house, near Middlebelt and Ann Arbor Trail in the city's northeast end.

When families showed up at the

house on Saturday, Sept. 15, to move in, they learned that others, too, had paid money to live there. Police said Chambers had lied when she told the would-be tenants that she was trying to rent the house on behalf of her boyfriend.

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Hockey player collapses, dies

A 28-year-old hockey player collapsed suddenly and died last week during a game on the ice rink at Westland Sports Arena, Westland police Sgt. Don Halgh said.

Francis Amato of Dearborn was rushed to Garden City Hospital after he collapsed during a game he was playing with friends at 1:20 a.m. Dec. 22, a Sunday, Halgh said.

"He just collapsed on the ice," he said.

On Friday, Westland police were awaiting a report from the Wayne County medical examiner's office on the cause of Amato's death. But Westland Fire Marshal Robert Perry indicated that officials believe Amato suffered a heart attack.

"The skaters said he just started shaking on the ice and fell. He wasn't breathing," Perry said.

He said it wasn't immediately known whether Amato had a history of heart problems.

Amato's death apparently didn't stem from any game-related injury, Halgh said.

"He wasn't hit or anything," he said.

Amato, who was pronounced dead on arrival at Garden City Hospital, had been playing hockey with several friends at the time of the early morning incident. Westland Sports Arena officials said games are sometimes played at the arena as late as 3 a.m.

lunch menu for seniors

The senior citizen nutrition program will serve these hot meals on the following days for the week of Jan. 6:

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Wednesday — Turkey primavera, garden greens, corn relish, apple, milk.

Thursday — Stuffed pepper with tomato sauce, Scandinavian blend, macaroni salad, peach slices, milk.

Friday — Herb baked chicken, creamed potatoes, creole celery, mixed fruit, wheat bread with margarine, milk.

Meals will be served at noon at locations in Garden City and Westland.

The Garden City site is Maplewood Community Center, on Maplewood west of Merriman.

In Westland, the locations are the Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh near Marquette; Whittier Center on Ann Arbor Trail west of Inkster Road, and Kirk of Our Savior Church, on Cherry Hill between Wayne Road and Newburgh.

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Becky Grabowski, impersonating pop singer Michael Jackson, skates to the song "Billie Jean" during "Fantasyland," an exhibition performed by skaters from area suburbs.



Kelley Beckléhamer skates to the song, "If They Could See Me Now," during a "Fantasyland" exhibition aimed at helping students understand "that good behavior can be very rewarding."



staff photos by JIM JAGDFELD/staff photographer

Kari-Ann Keyanohuk skates to "Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy" during a holiday exhibition put on by the local ice skaters.

Skating club show's just a 'Fantasyland'

LOCAL ICE skaters belonging to the Garden City Figure Skating Club recently participated in the club's second annual holiday exhibition, which had a "Fantasyland" theme this year.

Skaters from Garden City and Westland, among other communities, took part in the program held at the Garden City Civic Arena Ice Rink at Cherry Hill and Merriman.

The skaters performed for local elementary students who had been rewarded by Garden City school officials for good behavior. The "Fantasyland" theme was based on the idea that "if you work hard enough you can make your dreams come true," according to a statement from the club.

Some club members this year performed "an artistic showcase." In it, skaters borrowed songs from Disney movies or from such singers as Michael Jackson and, dressed in costumes, impersonated the character or singer in the songs.

"These artistic numbers added more creativity from the skaters to the exhibition," Carol Germain, the club's spokeswoman, said in the statement.

The exhibition was organized in cooperation with Garden City Public Schools, the Garden City Parks and Recreation Department and the Garden City Skating Club.



Janet Britten demonstrates "squat" to Lisa Bonner of Canton.

BILL BRESLER/staff photographer

Stars and barbells

Trainer helps 'heavyweights' pump up

By Diane Gale
staff writer

When Danny DeVito and Jack Nicholson are in town dimming "Hoffa," Janet Britten expects to show the heavyweights how to lift weights.

"They wanted someone who wouldn't be awestruck," said Britten, a personal trainer at the World Gym in western Wayne County.

And this woman certainly isn't. She's helped tone up the biceps of such heavyweights at Oprah Winfrey, Joan Kennedy, Tracey Ullman and members of the British royal family. There are others, too, but she said they wouldn't appreciate their names being used.

"Joan Kennedy is working really hard," said Britten, explaining Kennedy wants to be a role model and plans to write a book.

WHEN BRITTEN walks into a room you can see that the willowy brunette is physically fit. She only has 14 percent body fat. But it's what you can't see that she says is vital.

"My entire premise is that the mental aspect is an important part," said Britten, who works as a free-lance personal trainer at various spas in the Detroit area.

In fact, she's considering a doctoral project that promotes the importance of the synergism between mind and body health. If you realize your goals through physical fitness you can reach other goals, she said.

Instructing water exercises, stress management, aerobics and weight training for 16 years, Britten said she was impressed by members of the Jacques Cousteau family for their ability to combine physical and mental health.

"They're physically fit. Their lives depends on it. And they recognize the balance of fitness, de-stressing and relaxing."

"I think the '90s is going to be a decade of balance." Britten rattles off the five components of physical fitness like an evangelist would the 10 Commandments: aerobic capacity, strength, endurance, flexibility and body composition. And of course, she adds, the importance of mental health.

SITTING ON a weight bench at World Gym, Britten describes a whirlwind tour of training experience. In England she owned her own business, "American Fitness Program" and worked at the exclusive, world-famous, "Golden Door" in California, as well as, Calavie, also on the West Coast.

She often saw corporate heads at these spas, too. "They're high profile, high stress and in order for them to cope with life they recognize that they need to have healthy lifestyles," she said.

In the past, personal trainers were for the super elite, Britten said. And now they're for anyone who is interested in specialized workouts.

"Traditionally 10 percent of the population had been working out. They were self-motivated, Type A personalities. The population is more fitness conscious."

"Fitness is not just for women, and men don't have to do body building or be involved in competitive sports to be fit."

And just about everyone needs a specialized program to consider arthritis, heart conditions or even a special routine for people over 40.

"I've never run across a person in perfect health — everyone has something," Britten said adding that even Olympic competitors have problems, like spinal curvatures and trick knees.

SHE TALKS from experience when she points to the importance of exercise to combat physical problems.

In college she hurt her knee and a long scar marks the area where a pin was inserted. Britten did aerobics and dance to rehabilitate.

And exercise became the key to building muscles after she lost upper body strength after a 1987 car accident.

"The fact that I had special problems makes me more empathetic with people with special problems," she said. "I understand the dedication, motivation and discipline."

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This week's question:

Do you have plans for New Year's Eve?

We asked this question at a Westland strip mall and at the Garden City Post Office before New Year's Day.



'No, I really don't.'
— Tom Dittman
Westland



'I don't know right now. I still have to call a friend in Ann Arbor.'
— Doug Sherman
Westland



'No. This year I'm just kind of keeping a low budget.'
— Mike Henley
Westland



'Nothing really.'
— Anthony Underwood
Westland



'I'm going to a local place for just a quick meal and a couple of drinks and then heading home.'
— Jim Rhoades
Garden City



'I'm going to a private party.'
— Lyle Dickson
Garden City

BB vandals zap 4 windshields

Four windshields, valued at \$500, were reported shot out by BBs at Mark's Autos, 27549 Ford, Dec. 26.

crime watch

Cash-stolen

An unknown amount of cash was reported stolen from a vending machine during a break-in at Schoolcraft College-Radcliff Center, Dec. 23. A skylight had been removed to enter the building.

Money taken

\$1,500, including \$500 in silver dollars, was reported stolen from a house in the 400 block of Lathers Dec. 27. A rear door had been pried open and a bedroom ransacked.

Tools missing

Tools valued at nearly \$1,500 were reported stolen from a truck in the 29000 block of Hennepin between Dec. 24-27.

Money missing

A resident in the 28000 block of Marquette reported \$3,500 in cash stolen from a coat in his home. A door had been forced open.

Drivers arrested

A Garden City woman was arrested for drunk driving Sunday. A Westland man was arrested for drunk driving Saturday. A Canton woman was arrested for drunk driving Saturday.

Items taken

A Plymouth woman reported two jackets, \$600 in cash, a \$100 gift certificate and cassettes, valued at \$200, stolen from her car while it was parked at Jamie's, 33729 Ford, between Dec. 20-29.

Theft

A vacuum cleaner and other supplies were reported stolen from First Impressions, 5727 Inkster Road, Saturday. The front window of the business had been smashed.



ART EMANUEL/staff photographer

Benefits hospice

The Western Wayne County Hospice Services was benefitted by a high school group's annual pantomime show. The students donated a portion of the proceeds to the hospice organization, based in the Garden City Hospital's Community Health and Education Center, 6701 Harrison, near Maplewood. The

students hammed it up recently before presenting their donation to the hospice. Shown are teacher Jim George (left), Kelli Sonquist, Michelle Adkins, Ben Boedighelmer, Trent Dobbs, Steve Rea, and Maureen Butrico representing Hospice Services of Western Wayne County, based in Garden City.



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Bell says new law benefits consumers

By Wayne Peal
Staff Writer

Michigan Bell announced an estimated \$20 million cut in long-distance rates beginning this week — and up to \$45 million additional consumer savings annually — in the wake of new state telecommunications law.

The state's new telecommunications act, passed despite heavy lobbying from citizens' groups and competitors, reduced restrictions on Bell pricing, customer sales and service vice president Robert Hurst said.

Previous regulating law, passed in 1913 "did not recognize competition," Hurst said.

The new rates are expected to reduce residential and business telephone bills by some 12 percent, Hurst said.

Price cuts affect long-distance calls within an area code. Pricing changes would make a Detroit-Ann Arbor call cheaper than a Detroit-Los Angeles call, Hurst said.

as operator-assisted calls and third party calls, Hurst said. There are no plans to raise rates for directory assistance, he added.

The new law also freezes local phone rates for two years, while maintaining a flat rate for the first 400 local calls.

Calling the new rates a bonanza for consumers, Hurst criticized the "selfish opposition" of those who lobbied against the new state law. Citizens groups, however, remain skeptical of Bell's intent.

"We're in favor of anything that's going to save consumers money," said Mike Iott of the Lansing-based Michigan Citizen's Lobby. "But they could have cut rates without the new law. I feel there's some political motivation to all this."

Competitors and citizens groups have warned the new rates under new state law, Bell can adjust its rates without regulatory procedures, though Bell remains subject to Michigan Public Service Commission regulation.

The new law also gives Bell the right to enter the cable television industry. Hurst said the telecommunications giant was interested in cable but had no immediate plans to enter the industry.

Despite that, Bell didn't gain everything it sought from Lansing. It had sought to have the 400 call limit reduced to 300 calls, Hurst said. Bell also opposed the two year basic rate freeze, saying current rates have already remained unchanged for eight years.

Michigan Bell has lost 10 percent of its long distance business within Michigan and 70 percent of its WATS business since the telephone industry was deregulated in 1984, Hurst said.

The new telecommunications law passed the state Senate 27-5.

"THIS MAJOR annoyance to customers and our company is now coming to an end," Hurst said. Bell will soon offer a calling plan reducing rates for residential customers who make frequent calls within a 20-mile radius of their homes.

An additional \$20 million rate cut is scheduled for later in the year, Hurst said. Long-distance discount plans are expected to save consumers an additional \$25 million, he added.

"We said all along that this progressive new law would be good for telephone customers," Hurst said. "We meant what we said, and today we're proving it."

While consumers will receive savings on long-distance calls, rates will go up for such services

State delegation gets 'A' for attendance

If they were graded on their attendance for bill votes, all members of Michigan's U.S. Congressional delegation would have received an "A" in 1991, according to the Roll Call Report Syndicate.

Each of Michigan's 18 U.S. House members were present for at least 90 percent of all votes, according to the Washington-based press service. Based on 428 House votes, local

Congressmen had the following attendance records:

- Carl Pursell, R-Plymouth — 92 percent. Pursell represents the 2nd Congressional District, including northern Livonia, Plymouth and Plymouth Township.
- William Ford, D-Taylor — 90 percent. Ford represents the 15th Congressional District, including

southern Livonia, Westland, Garden City and Capton.

- Sander Levin, D-Southfield — 99 percent. Levin represents the 17th District, including Southfield and Redford.
- William Broomfield, R-Birmingham — 96 percent. Broomfield represents the 18th District, including Birmingham, Rochester, Rochester Hills, Farmington, Farmington

Hills, Bloomfield Hills, West Bloomfield and Bloomfield and Oakland townships.

Of the 18-member delegation, only Dale Kildee, D-Flint, had a perfect attendance record.

Among Michigan's two U.S. Senators, Carl Levin, D-Detroit, attended all of the Senate's 280 votes, Donald Riegle, D-Flint, attended 99 percent.

Metroparks mark 50th with photo contest

Area photographers are invited to submit entries in a photo contest honoring the 50th anniversary of the Huron-Clinton Metroparks.

Photos taken through Feb. 8 in Lower Huron, Willow or Oakwoods Metropark can be submitted.

There are two contest categories:

- Metroparks Naturally — in-

cluding scenic shots and wildlife.

- Winter Wonderland — including people enjoying the parks.

Entry forms are available at the Lower Huron or Oakwoods offices, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily.

A photo safari is scheduled for 10 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 18 at the Oakwoods Nature Center office. A park naturalist will lead photographers to

some favorite photo spots in all three parks. Photographer must register in advance. Call 697-9181 to register for the safari.

Prizes will be awarded 1 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 9 at the Oakwoods Nature Center. First prize is a \$200 U.S. Savings Bond and commemorative plaque. Second prize is a camera bag. Third prize is a \$50 photo equip-

ment gift certificate.

Oakwoods Metropark is east of I-275, north of Will Carleton Road, Flat Rock. Willow Metropark is east of the I-275, South Huron road interchange, Huron Township. Lower Huron Metropark is west of I-275, south of I-94, Belleville.

Additional information is available by calling 782-3956.

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obituaries

BETTY JANE KORBY

Services for Mrs. Korby, 57, of Westland were held Dec. 28 from Vermeulen Memorial Trust 100 Funeral Home with Rev. Jerry Yarnell of St. Michael Lutheran Church officiating. Interment was in Knollwood Memorial Park, Canton Township. Mrs. Korby died Dec. 25 in Garden City. Born Nov. 25, 1934, in Dickson, Tenn., she was a homemaker. Survivors are husband Stewart; daughters Brenda Cross of Clarksville, Tenn., and Sharon Saunders of Canton Township; sons Duane of Dickson, Tenn., and Kevin of Westland; five grandchildren; sister Doris Rollins of Dickson and brother Steven Hill of Dickson. Memorials may be donated to the Michigan Cancer Foundation, West Regional Center, 15001 Commerce Dr. North, Suite 406, Dearborn 48120.

LINDA LONG

Services for Miss Long, 48, of Garden City were held Dec. 27 from the John Santeiu and Son Funeral Home, with Rev. Jerry Yarnell of St. Michael Lutheran Church officiating. Interment was in Grand Lawn Cemetery, Detroit.

Miss Long died of cancer Dec. 24 in her home. She was born Jan. 16, 1943, and a 12-year secretary for the University of Michigan-Dearborn school of engineering office. She was active in the ladies' auxiliary of the VFW Post 2107 in Dearborn. Survivors are mother, Mary Glazier; brothers Kenneth Long and Douglas Long; one niece and two nephews. Memorials may be donated to the Hospice of Western Wayne County, 6701 Harrison, Garden City.

DONALD ROOT

A memorial service for Mr. Root, 40, of Romulus is scheduled for 5-7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 9 at Uht Funeral Home, Westland.

Mr. Root died Dec. 25. His remains were cremated. He was a 1969 graduate of Wayne Memorial High School.

Survivors are parents Nora Hollingsworth and Donald Root; sisters Carole Britton and Sherry Root, and nephew Steven Root.

JEANETTE HADDELL

Services for Mrs. Haddell, 59, of Garden City were held Dec. 26 from Uht Funeral Home, Westland. Rev.

Drex Morton officiated. Interment was in Higgins Cemetery, Roscommon, Mich.

Mrs. Haddell died Dec. 23.

Survivors are husband Robert; daughters Yvonne Yousry, Denis Accorsi, Yvette Accorsi-Kellman and Camilla Mis; step-daughters Patricia Vaughn and Sharon Hall; step-sons Robert Haddell, Jr., Lawrence Haddell and Richard Haddell; grandchildren Kristen and Jordan Kellman; nine step-grandchildren; sisters Beverly Smith, Patricia Kesling and Diane Bamford; brothers Larry Bertl and Ernest Bertl.

ROBERT MCTIGUE

Services for Mr. McTigue, 65, of Inkster were held Dec. 26 from the Uht Funeral Home, Westland. His remains were cremated.

Mr. McTigue died Dec. 23.

Survivors are sons Robert, Jr., James and Daniel; daughters Jennifer Jaddatz, Nancy Townsend and Dorothy Shock; 10 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

FRANK L. KREN

Services for Mr. Kren, 76, of Dearborn Heights were held Dec. 27 from

Uht Funeral Home, Westland. Rev. William Kren officiated.

Mr. Kren died Dec. 25. He was in the Navy during World War II who served on the USS Louisville and a life member of the VFW.

Survivors are sons William, Frank, Paul, David and Kevin and daughters Virginia Oslapowicz and Kathleen Debono.

Memorials may be donated to the Cherry Hill Evangelical Church or the American Cancer Society.

HENRY WILLIAM ELDRIDGE

Services for Mr. Eldridge, 69, of Inkster were held Dec. 29 from the Uht Funeral Home, Westland.

Mr. Eldridge died Dec. 25.

Survivors are wife Pauline; daughters Sharon and Susan; son Raymond, and three grandchildren.

ROBERT G. MCNETT

Services for Mr. McNett, 29, of San Francisco were held Dec. 27

from the Uht Funeral Home, Westland. Rev. Robert Millar officiated. His remains were cremated.

Mr. McNett died Dec. 24 in Annapolis Hospital, Wayne.

Survivors are parents Emery and Nora McNett and Robert and Dorothy Kirchoff; brothers Gerald and Robert Kirchoff; sisters Dorothy Leavitt, Valerie Johnston, Diana Hesselting and Monika Kirchoff and several nieces and nephews.

Noble Library plans story hour

STORY TIME
Jan. 6-11 — Noble Library, which serves the northern section of Westland, will register youngsters for a preschool story hour program. Registration must be in person at the library on Plymouth Road east of Farmington Road. The program is for children between 2½ and 5 and is scheduled for Monday evenings or Tuesday mornings with a musical program on Wednesdays. For information, call 421-6600.

FINE ARTS
Wednesday, Jan. 8 — The Garden City Fine Arts Association will meet at 7 p.m. in Maplewood Community Center on Maplewood west of Merriam for an art supply sale and swap. New members and guests are welcome.

AARP PROGRAM
Wednesday, Jan. 8 — The Westland-Dearborn Heights Chapter of the American Association of Retired Persons will meet at 1:30 p.m. in the Berwyn Senior Center, 26155 Richardson, Dearborn Heights. Guest speaker will be Mary Okray of Kelly Assisted Living.

community calendar

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

NATURE TALK
Wednesday, Jan. 8 — The Holiday Nature Preserve Association will meet at 7:30 p.m. in Church Hill High School, 8900 Newburgh, north of Joy, with members and guests to share photos taken during the group's fall tour. For information on the group, call 261-3633.

FOSTER CARE
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AMBASSADORS
Tuesdays — Ambassador Junior Civitan is seeking young people ages 13-18 for community service activities. The club meets the first and third Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. in the Westland Historical, Cultural and Community Meeting House, 36993 Marquette, east of Newburgh. For information, call Melissa at 729-5409.

CO-OP
Garden City Co-op Nursery has openings for 4-year-olds. Sessions are 12:30-2:30 p.m. Monday and Thursday. The nursery is housed in the Garden City Presbyterian Church, 1841 Middlebelt, two blocks south of Ford. For information, call Pam Wright at 425-6257.

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State board, lawmakers clash on issues

By Tim Richard
staff writer

The State Board of Education supports requiring 90 percent school attendance by students who want to take part in sports and other extracurricular activities.

The top elected board also supported Detroit's request for single-sex schools.

But the board, meeting in mid-December, opposed a bill to require one semester of Michigan history and another to ease the law against corporal punishment.

The state board is Michigan's top policy-maker for schools and frequently supports or opposes legislative bills affecting schools.

All proposals are in the House Education Committee, chaired by Rep. William Keith, D-Garden City. Keith has not yet set the agenda for January.

STUDENTS would be ineligible for intramural or interscholastic sports, clubs, performing arts and other activities unless they had at least 90 percent attendance the previous semester.

That's the essence of House Bill 5133, sponsored by Rep. Joe Young Jr., D-Detroit, a member of the Education Committee.

The state board gave 6-0 support to the concept. Missing were members Annetta Miller, D-Huntington Woods, and Marilyn Lundy, R-Grosse Pointe.

Educators are split. Some see mandatory attendance as a step toward improving school standards. Others see it as counter-productive: It denies an important chance to take part in school life beyond the classroom.

A student's excused medical absence would not be counted against him or her.

THE BOARD split 5-1 in support of bills to allow single-sex schools along the line of Detroit's proposed black male academies.

The Detroit plan was overturned in federal court. House Bills 5171-2, sponsored by Rep. Hansen Clarke, D-Detroit, would amend the school code and Elliott-Larsen Civil Rights Act to allow single-sex schools. A freshman, Clarke is a member of the Education Committee.

Supporting the concept were board president Dorothy Beardmore, R-Rochester, Cherry Jacobus, R-Grand Rapids, Barbara DuMouchelle, R-Grosse Ile, Rich DeVos, R-Grand Rapids, and Barbara Roberts Mason, D-Lansing.

Opposed was Gumedindo Salas, D-Lansing. Missing were Miller and Lundy.

Detroit hatched the academies last fall to address the low achievement, high dropout rates and violence problems faced by boys, particularly blacks.

The Department of Education staff recommended opposing the bills, saying there were constitutional problems with "separate but equal" facilities. "There is no evidence that the problems of black males are 'caused' by the presence of females," it added.

ONE SEMESTER of Michigan history would be required for high school graduation under House Bill 5259.

It is sponsored by Rep. Clark Harder, D-Owosso, a first-term lawmaker and Education Committee member who previously worked on the House staff.

The board opposed the concept on a 6-0 vote.

The bill runs counter to state board policy, embodied in Public Act 25, of setting goals for students to attain ("outcomes") but allowing local districts to decide how many semesters or weeks of a subject ("inputs") to teach.

In general, state officials look with disfavor on what they view as legislative micro-management of the curriculum.

A staff memo points out that the school code "requires public and non-public schools to give regular courses of instruction in the Constitutions of the United States and Michigan, and in the history and present form of government of the U.S., Michigan and its political subdivisions."

The school code also requires a one-semester course in civics for a high school diploma.

A BILL modifying a two-year-old state law prohibiting corporal punishment sailed through the state Senate in fall, but the state board opposes it.

Senate Bill 338, sponsored by John J.H. Schwartz, R-Battle Creek, would allow educators to use reasonable force against a student to defend themselves, another student, or property; to obtain a weapon; to prevent a student from harming himself, or to quell a disturbance.

Schwartz, who has served on both education money and policy committees, sees the bill as necessary to clarify teacher authority.

The Department of Education staff, however, sees it as unnecessary because the state already has published a booklet, "Alternatives to the Use of Corporal Punishment." Staff added that it has received no complaints or questions on the problem.

THE PLEDGE of allegiance to the U.S. flag would be required at the beginning of every school day under a bill that won only 5-1 qualified support from the state board.

House Bill 5108 is sponsored by Rep. David Jaye, R-Utica. Jaye, a second-term member from Macomb County, has gained fame for carrying a pistol for self-defense after making critical comments about welfare recipients.

"This bill would require a task that is currently permitted," said a staff analysis.

The state board supported it with an amendment encouraging local school districts to make their own decisions on reciting the pledge.

This position was supported by Republicans Beardmore of Rochester Hills, DuMouchelle of Grosse Ile, Jacobus and DeVos of Grand Rapids, and Democrat Salas of Lansing.

Opposed was Democrat Mason of Lansing.

SC center offers programs for displaced homemakers

"From Chocolate Chips to Micro Chips", a program for displaced homemakers, will be presented 10 a.m. to noon Tuesday, Jan. 7 at the Schoolcraft College-Radcliff Student Services Center.

The program is a presentation of the Schoolcraft College Women's Resource Center.

It is an orientation session for a 16-week program that will meet 1-3 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, beginning Jan. 14.

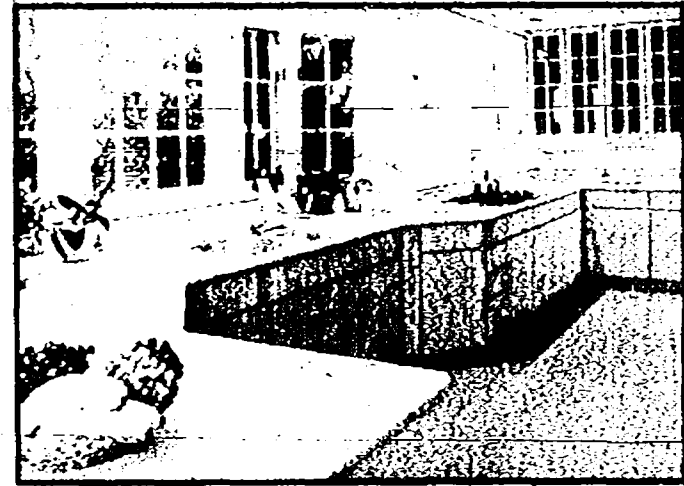
The 16-week program is financed through the state department

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Displaced homemakers are those who have worked in the home for most of their adult lives and who have lost their primary source of income through death, divorce, disability, desertion or separation.

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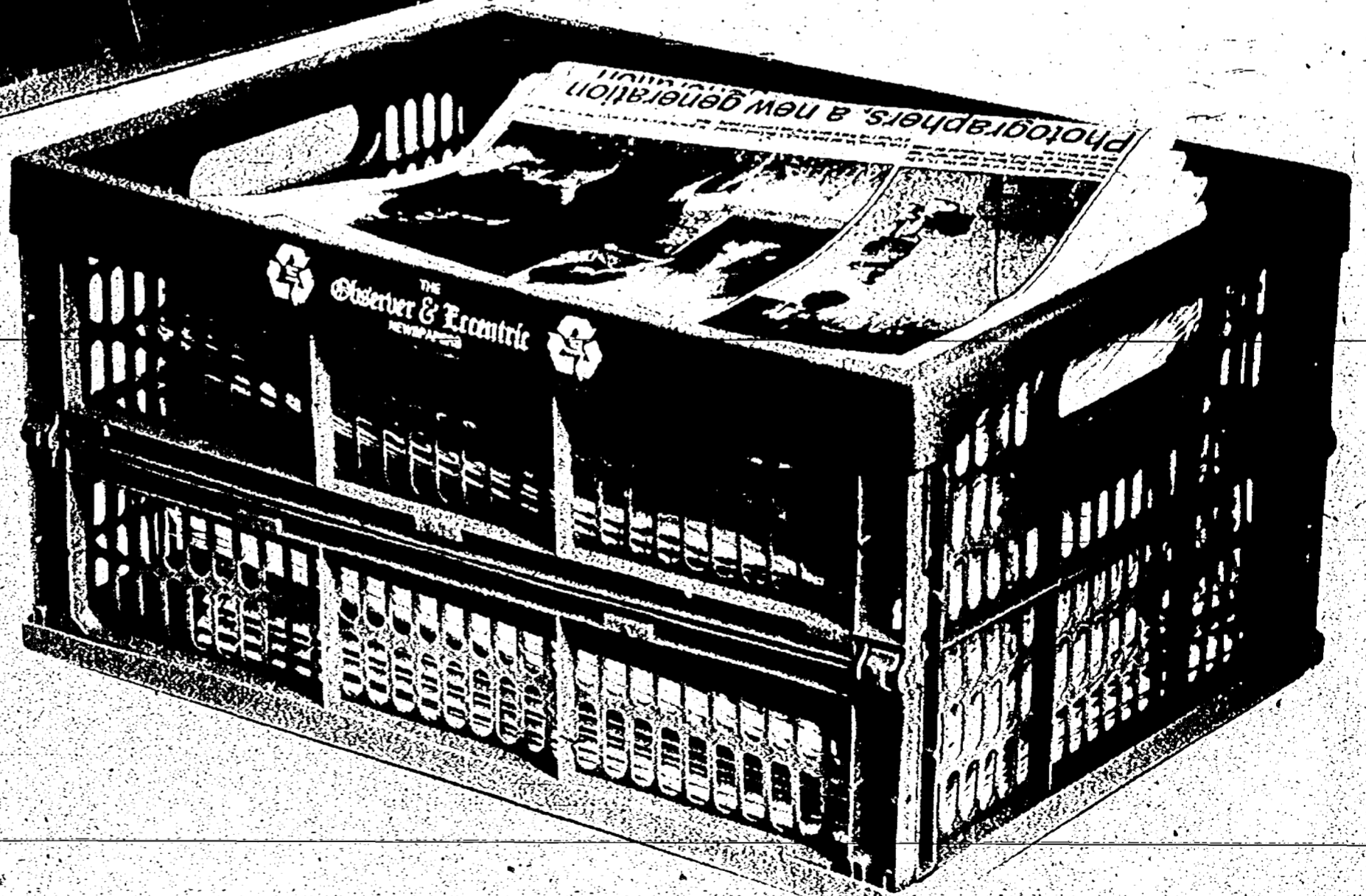
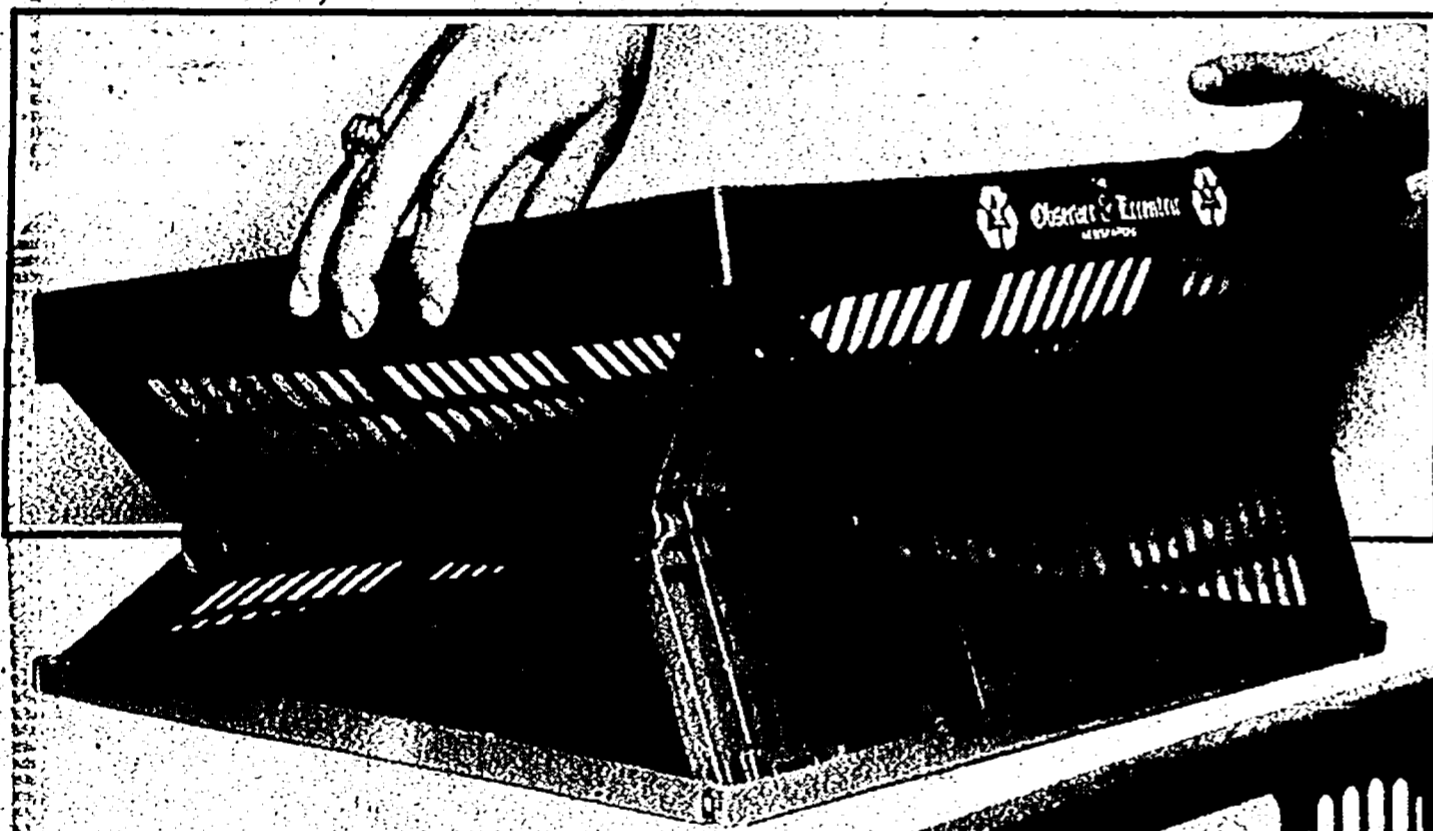
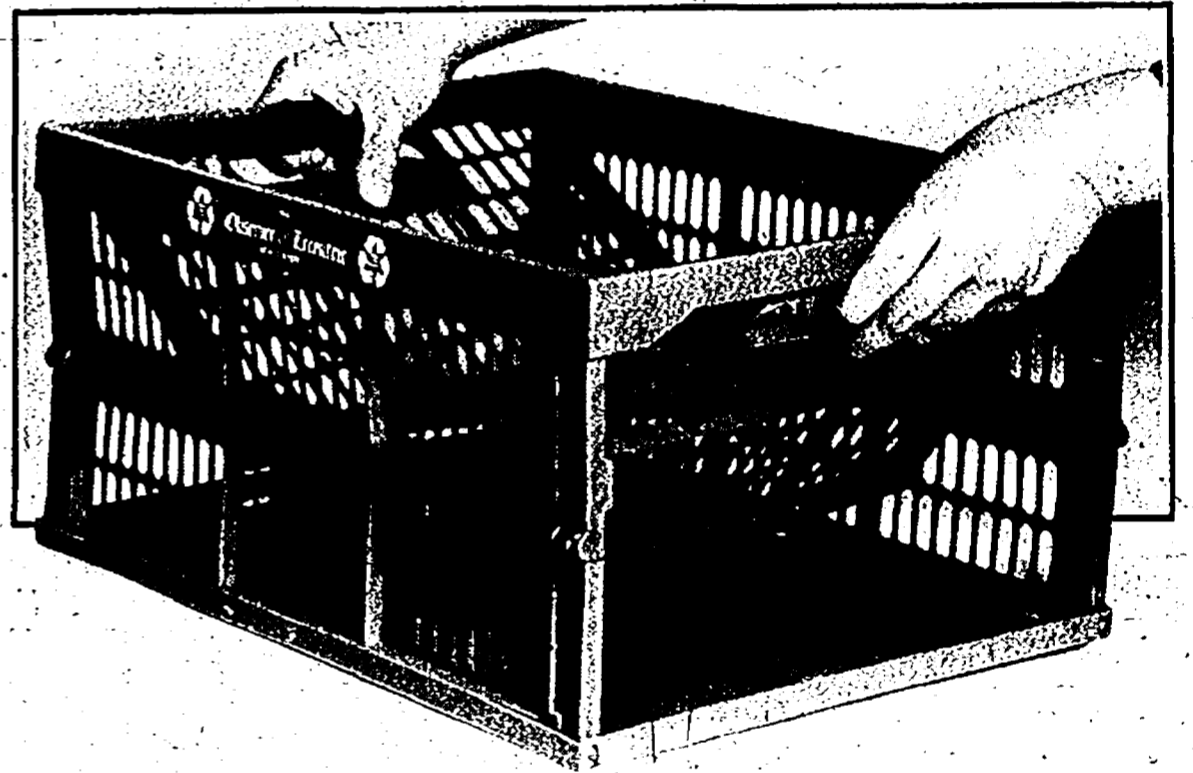
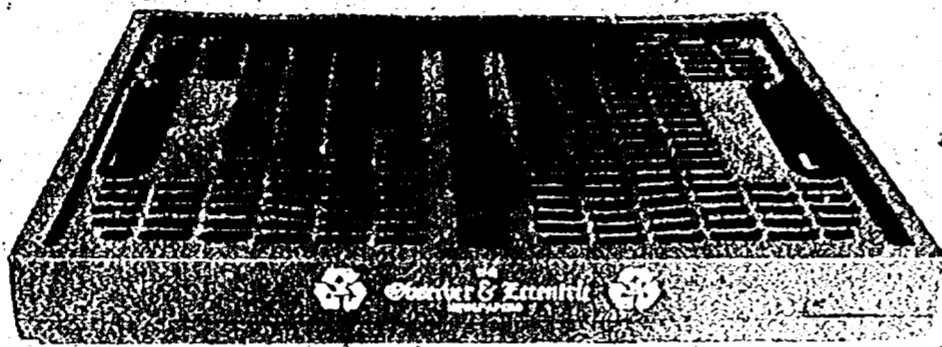
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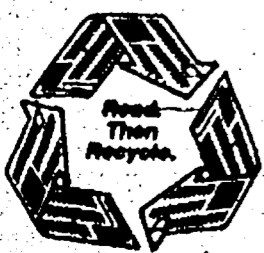


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Meteor shower perks up our January skies

JANUARY was named in honor of the old Roman god Janus, the keeper of the gates, who had two faces: one looking back to the past, the other forward to the future.

People still tend to look both ways; first back to reminisce about the previous year, then forward to make resolutions for the new year.

Astrologers are especially busy at this time of the year, making their predictions for the next 12 months. Don't confuse astrology with astronomy.

Astrology is the belief that the planets, located millions of kilometers away, influence life on the earth.

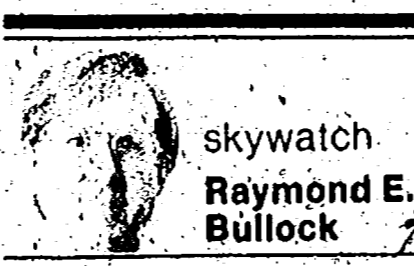
Astronomy, on the other hand, is the scientific study of the planets

and other celestial objects. Astronomical predictions are based on fact, not fancy.

There will be an eclipse of the sun this month, but it will not be visible from our area. We will see a meteor shower and, with luck and patience, the planets Uranus and Neptune, normally very elusive objects, can be located by using Mars as a guide at the end of the month. This will be a great opportunity for those of you who received a holiday telescope.

Of the five naked-eye planets, Mercury, Venus, Mars and Jupiter are visible in the predawn sky. Saturn is visible after sunset this month.

The amount of sunlight we receive in January will increase by 52 min-



skywatch
Raymond E. Bullock

utes this month.

IF YOU WANT to glimpse Mercury this month, you had better look the first week. Face the southeast 45 minutes before sunrise on the 1st and you'll see an interesting array of objects. The moon is easy to recognize. The brilliant "star" five degrees above the moon is Venus.

Five degrees to the lower left of the moon is orange-red Antares, the "heart" of Scorpius. Ten degrees to the left of Antares is Mercury, and seven degrees below and to the left of Mercury is Mars. (One degree is

equal to two Full Moon diameters.)

Both Mercury and Mars will be difficult to see. They can easily be lost in the glow of morning twilight. The use of low power binoculars will help you spot them.

Earth is at perihelion on Jan. 3. Perihelion is the point in our orbit where we are the closest to the sun; we will be at a distance of 147,103,000 km (91,405,566 miles).

Our orbit around the sun is not a true circle. The orbit is elliptical. Consequently there is a point where we are at our closest to the sun and another when we are farthest. It surprises many people to learn that when we are closest to the sun we have our coldest weather! It is the tilt of the earth's axis, not our distance from the sun, that determines our seasons.

The Quadrantid meteor shower peaks on the evening of the 3rd and predawn hours of the 4th. This is a fairly good annual shower; as many

as 40 'shooting stars' can be expected to be seen each hour. The Quadrantid shower is named for an obsolete constellation.

The radiant (the point from which the meteors appear to radiate) is located in the constellation of Draco the dragon, which will be rising in the northeast after midnight. To observe the shower, just go outside, look toward the northeast, and be patient! We are fortunate this year; the fainter members of the shower should be visible because the moon will not be scattering light across the sky.

NEW MOON is at 6:10 p.m. on Jan. 4. The moon is located between the earth and the sun and is not visible. In fact, the moon is located exactly between the earth and the sun and there will be an eclipse of the sun. The bad news is; it won't be visible from our area. The eclipse is primarily visible from the Pacific

Ocean and west coast of the United States.

The moon is only three degrees to the left of Saturn on the evening of the 6th. The crescent moon is a beautiful object to observe with binoculars, and tonight it points right at Saturn.

Venus passes six degrees to the north of Antares on the morning of the 8th; Mercury is now two degrees above Mars, but both are still close to the southeast horizon. Mercury passes 0.7 degrees above Mars on the 10th and is the same distance to the left of Mars on the 11th.

First Quarter Moon is at 9:32 p.m. on Jan. 12.

Raymond Bullock is the former coordinator of the observatory and planetarium at the Cranbrook Institute of Science, Bloomfield Hills. He works for a Troy company which specializes in laser displays and effects.

Schoolcraft offers new laser-technology program

A new laser technology program offered by Schoolcraft College is designed to prepare students for entry-level technical jobs in medical, telecommunications, space technology and other scientific fields.

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A rights bite Law needs new set of teeth

WITH THE NEW YEAR, local police officers will be given new powers that make them arresting officer, judge and jury in cases of drivers suspected of driving drunk.

The new law is an attempt to provide swift and sure justice to put "teeth" into Michigan's current statutes governing drunk driving offenses. It's a noble idea, but it unfortunately bites into the Constitutional separation of powers.

Drunk driving is poor judgment at best and sheer madness at worst. It's a crime that demands punishment.

An initial concern with the new law, though, is the requirement that courts dispose of a case within 77 days. That limit is meant to ensure that the wheels of justice spin speedily forward. Unfortunately, it sticks local judges and police with the prospect of paying overtime to push through cases at a time when the property assessment freeze will cut the city municipal government's budgets.

The defendant's sentence also can now include paying for all costs of investigating and prosecuting the case. Judges have the option to help offset the overtime when the defendant can afford it so as not to stick the communities with that added burden. But there is a question of equity when compared to fines for other crimes.

More important, the law hands police officers the authority to seize a driver's license and destroy it. A driver who refuses to take a Breathalyzer test or blows .10 or higher, which is legally drunk in Michigan, doesn't get a right to a trial or a hearing of any kind before that decision is made.

THAT OFFICER ALSO has the choice to reduce the charge against the driver to "driving impaired," which means the driver keeps his or her license. This puts all the discretion over that license into the hands of police officers.

It takes away all discretionary power from judges — who operate in a public courtroom — and gives it to police officers — who don't. And, those judges must give a 30-day driver's license suspension, without the option to allow a restricted license in any circumstances.

The driver's license is more than a permit to

drive issued by the state. It is the only picture identification most adults hold, meaning we need it to cash a check, use a credit card or make a withdrawal from the bank. The paper permit that replaces it won't help without a picture.

A PERSON driving under the influence of alcohol should be punished. That's a given. But there is an issue that is being overlooked in this overzealous attempt to cure the roads of irresponsible drivers.

The issue is the separation of powers. Recent Supreme Court decisions have reduced the constitutionally planned distance between the legislative, executive and judicial branches to a role more of kissing cousins. This new law makes the relationship between executive and judicial branches nearly incestuous.

There were other ways of adding teeth to the drunk driving laws that would not have so seriously bridged that required separation of powers. The law could have required that a judge confiscate the driver's license of a defendant at the time of arraignment, which is within 48 hours of arrest. That's not altogether pleasing since someone is being punished prior to a conviction, but it is more palatable than a government employee serving two roles.

WHILE THERE IS a current frenzy to eradicate the ills of problem drinking, the orchestrators of the legislation should have stepped back and looked at the bigger picture.

It's ironic that this weekend will mark the 200th anniversary of the Bill of Rights. People throughout the state are singing praises of the expansive document that emphasizes the rights of individuals and limits the powers of government.

Rather than following the thinking shown by the foresight of the forefathers, Michigan is choosing to put a bandage on a serious problem without giving any thought to the overall cost. Ideals such as "innocent until proven guilty," "judicial discretion" and "checks and balances" among the governmental entities are being chipped away.

Michigan's drunk driving laws need teeth, but sure and swift punishment shouldn't eat away at our constitutional guarantees.

Looking ahead Critical issues face our region

THE DAWNING of this new year on the heels of the unprecedented change and economic uncertainty in the previous 365 days brings with it a mixture of doubt, insecurity and hope.

The future viability of Michigan and its southeastern economic breadbasket largely depends on decisions made on specific critical issues.

The following issues are those that we believe are most important for Michigan residents to address:

• **EDUCATION** — We have struggled for years to reach a balance between spending enough for individual school districts and local control of curriculum. Our efforts have garnered a meager payback. While many students are receiving a barely sufficient education, a growing number are receiving less than is necessary to compete and prosper in the world economy. Even more alarming are the number of youngsters who are dropping out and disappearing from the educational experience, altogether.

If we, as a region, are to remain economically sound, we must dedicate more resources and become more innovative in the ways we educate our children and restrain the adult population.

• **URBAN SPRAWL** — Despite the fact that Michigan's population is declining, we continue to build new communities and abandon established ones. The inner ring of suburbs will experience the same fate as the city of Detroit if this exploitation of vacant land continues.

It is up to the business community, as well as government leaders, to call a halt to the urban development warfare that pits community against community and in some cases race against race. Developers, retailers, government officials and residents must be willing to plow resources back into their local community rather than abandoning them. If the sprawl continues we all will suffer economically.

• **ECONOMIC DIVERSIFICATION** — Little in Michigan has received more lip service and received less action than diversification. Yet we remain too exclusively linked to the automobile industry for our economic security. As the hiring power of General Motors and other auto companies declines, we must look to other industries that have brighter futures.

We suggest that health care and the computer industry could be bright spots for providing technical jobs for Michigan's future. We also believe that for once the state get serious about backing

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the already established tourist trade as well as agriculture.

• **TAKING CARE OF HOMELESS** — The economic crisis in Michigan wasn't caused by poor people who are suffering the most. If we are to remain a civilized society, we must rededicate ourselves to helping those who are unable to help themselves. Neglecting this growing problem will only cause us more economic and moral strife in future days. No good excuse exists for rebuilding this state on the backs of the poor.

• **REBUILDING INFRASTRUCTURE** — Taking care of a state is like keeping the house fixed up. The longer we neglect our house the more difficult and expensive it gets to fix it. This is especially true for our roads. Michigan roads are so bad that they're an embarrassment.

It's time for Gov. John Engler and the state Legislature to stop being coy about taxes and think in terms of an increase in the gasoline tax. Michigan fuel prices are lower than neighboring states and, if phased in gradually, the tax would help greatly in making our roads an asset.

• **STUDENT SPEECH** — Ever since the U.S. Supreme Court's Hazelwood decision, many school administrators believe they have carte blanche to rip out entire articles and pages from high school newspapers. Voters should insist the legislature pass the "student freedom of expression" bill. It is simply a matter of sound education technique in a democracy to teach our children how to responsibly operate in an atmosphere of freedom rather than repression.

• **CITY/SUBURBAN TIES** — We are brewing a recipe for growing economic distress if we continue to ignore the plight of our central city. We all pay a heavy economic price for the neglect. For many suburbanites, Detroit Mayor Coleman Young has been a bitter pill to swallow. But come 1993, we are bound to have a new Detroit mayor, and suburbanites should be ready to deal with a new voice.



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It's time to give American auto industry another try

WHETHER OR NOT you're willing to admit it, the car you buy reflects something about you — and not just your income.

When I was growing up in the northern Detroit suburbs, every car my family bought was from General Motors. This was a combination of the northern suburbs being "GM country" and the fact that my grandfather's die casting plant, although in Cleveland, had GM as its biggest client.

Things changed when I married a conservative scientific-type from out-of-town, who was less enamored of flashy cars in general than we are in Detroit and who was intrigued by the engineering of Volkswagen.

We bought our first car — a VW bug — in Europe, drove it around for a summer and then shipped it back to New York City, where we would live. It was the perfect car for Manhattan. We also found the engineering claims to be true. It lasted 10 years, although barely making it up the last hill in the Oranges of New Jersey to trade it in on our next car — yet another Volkswagen.

NOW WITH children, we used the VW as the commuter car, and we bought our first Sedan (that's my daughter's boyfriend's nickname for



Judith Doner Berne

a sedan) — naturally, a GM car — a four-door, maroon Chevrolet Impala that actually was a semom, since I was the primary driver.

Through moves to Houston and to Detroit, we stayed in the VW/GM mode until our first child made it to 16 — then he got the VW — and my husband bought his first (and only) American car — a Chevette. Early on its speedometer broke, seemingly a fairly simple repair, but it turned out the only way it could be fixed was by paying to have the entire transmission removed.

So we learned to drive the speed limit by feel. It also rusted out something awful, torpedoing my husband back into the foreign car market, this time bearing the label "Made in Japan." He drove his silver Toyota for four years, then gave it to our youngest daughter when she was 16. Six years later, she's still driving it.

Meanwhile, after two disastrous

bouts with GM products, in 1987 I clenched my teeth and bought a Japanese car. After three years of no worry, no repair driving, more slackjawed, I traded it in for another.

Still, I've always been embarrassed to be driving them, wishing that Detroit could do as well.

NOW MY DETROIT upbringing, the plight of my city and its car-based economy, and the improved ratings of some American cars, such as the Ford Taurus, make me think it's time to give the American car industry another go.

Mike Royko, the syndicated columnist out of Chicago, however, is unforgiving: "If it (GM) had not been stiffing customers and had made quality products, there wouldn't have been much of a Japanese and European car invasion. But because of its arrogance and stupidity, General Motors opened the gates and made itself the great, shrinking giant." He strongly suggests he would never buy another GM product.

Royko is probably right. But he's not from Detroit.

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

from our readers

Thanks from First Step

To the editor:

As executive director of First Step, a private non-profit agency providing services for families experiencing domestic violence and/or sexual assault, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the persons who generously demonstrated the spirit of giving during this holiday season.

The outpouring of contributions we received is heartwarming. Individuals, groups, businesses, churches and others all unselfishly responded to the needs of people less fortunate than themselves.

At the same time, I would like to remind everyone of a few tips about charitable giving:

• Anytime you give more than \$1, make it by check, money order or credit card so you have a record.

• Be leery of the emotional pitch, ask how that agency spends their money.

• Check with the Better Business Bureau or the Michigan attorney general's office. Every licensed charitable organization must be registered with the Charitable Trust Division of the attorney general's office.

• Keep a record of past donations, be cautious of letters that say, "Thank you for your past donation!" If you don't immediately recognize the group as one you have previously supported.

• Ask for a copy of the group's annual report, reputable organizations

will always be glad to give you one.

Remember, if you ever have a question or a feeling that something isn't on the up and up call the executive director of the agency or group you would like to support. Credible agencies will welcome your calls and can clarify any procedures or questions you may have.

On behalf of all charitable organizations, I thank the many citizens who at this time and throughout the year, give generously to improve the quality of lives of others.

Judy Ellis, executive director, First Step Project on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault

New year brings new anti-drunk driving laws

To the editor:

Michigan residents enter a new era of anti-drunken driving reforms. Starting Jan. 1, Michigan's tougher drunken driving law became effective.

For all of us this means a time of new hope for fewer alcohol-related traffic crashes and the resulting deaths, injuries and heartaches.

For the sober driver who must share the roads with those under the influence, this marks a beginning of greater justice for those who continue to behave in what the law acknowledges to be criminal behavior.

For the apprehended drunken

drivers this ushers in a whole new phase and way of dealing with their irresponsible decision to drink to impairment and then get behind the wheel and drive.

The media has given coverage to these significant changes and details of the new laws are available through the Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) Michigan state office.

The new laws have been long in coming. In 1990 in Michigan, 738 people were killed in senseless, preventable alcohol-related traffic crashes with another 23,114 injured.

For MADD, the adoption of the new potentially life-saving laws is further indication of the popular support for ending drunken driving. Just look at the many red ribbons being sported on vehicles now as part of MADD's holiday time Red Ribbon "The One On ... For Safety" sober driving public awareness campaign. This campaign encourages individuals, families, friends and business associates to drive safe and sober throughout the holidays and all year long.

This year the Red Ribbon campaign ended on a high note — the same day that the new anti-drunken driving laws went into effect.

Let's hope that as we usher in a new year and a new era, that it is one of real reform and resolution — a time when there is no need to "get tough on drunken driving" because individuals would only drive when sober.

Bethany Goodman, executive director, MADD, Michigan

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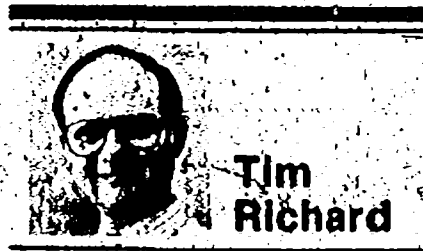
So today let me treat you to a few raw, unrewritten, unedited press releases — what industry and government would like you read.

Let's start with the No. 1 auto maker. Media headlines said: 21 plants would be closed and 71,000 jobs eliminated. Here's GM's hand-out:

"GENERAL MOTORS (NYSE:GM) Chairman Robert C. Stempel today announced an aggressive program involving fundamental changes in the way GM runs its business.

"The program will immediately reduce costs, improve the 1992 outlook and substantially resize GM's North American operations to help restore their profitability.

"General Motors will run its business in an increasingly lean and responsive manner," Stempel said. "A lean capacity approach will bring GM's North American manufacturing capacity tightly in line with overall market demand.



Tim Richard

"Organizational changes will continue in order to improve operational focus, eliminate redundant levels and staffing, streamline business practices, and reduce overall response time.

GM's version sounds great. "Improve the 1992 outlook." "Resize" the company. "Improve operational focus." Yec-c-c-ch!

Let's move on to a cultural institutions:

"ALTHOUGH THE more than 41-percent decrease in state support in the current fiscal year will mean drastic changes in the Detroit Historical Department's operations, its Director Maud M. Lyon has announced it will endeavor to continue

its primary mission, to educate and entertain the public through presenting Detroit's rich history.

"The reduction in state support has meant severe cuts in our operations — closing Historic Fort Wayne, losing 41 percent of our staff since 1990, and losing more than \$1.4 million from our budget," stated Lyon.

What's hidden, of course, is that this is a department of Detroit city government. It's Detroit's responsibility, not the state's. Detroit city government has shut down Fort Wayne, cut operating hours and discontinued answering research questions from the public.

Detroit's general fund budget is nearly \$2,000 per person, 2.5 times state general spending of \$800 per person. You need the newspaper to dig that out.

Another example from Detroit again:

"DETROIT MAYOR Coleman A. Young said today the city is being forced to stop daily-meal service for more than 2,000 senior citizens beginning Jan. 2.

"Michigan Gov. John Engler's veto of funds for meals for senior citizens.

"We have seniors up to 100 years of age, being served by our home-bound meals program.

See the propaganda? "We" have seniors in "our" program. When the food goes out, Detroit's mayor takes credit. When the bill comes due, the "inhumane" Engler gets the blame.

THE FINAL example is a Michigan National Corp. bank commercial that starts by asking if you're tired of high credit card interest rates.

What MNC hides is the fact that several years ago it moved its credit card operations out of Michigan into North Dakota to escape Michigan's usury laws and charge 19.8 percent interest. I had to ask bank officials four times before they would admit to moving the credit card operation out of Michigan. (Ultimately MNC sold the credit card operation.)

Tim Richard reports regularly on the local implications of state and regional events.

Nostalgia rides on piece of junk

By Ralph R. Echinaw
staff writer

I DRIVE A 1984 Mercury Marquis, and it's been a very reliable car. But I can say with unimpeachable reliability (that the Marquis won't be the most memorable car I'll ever own.

It's not because the Marquis is usually associated with button-down types whose idea of a good time begins and ends with a healthy swig of Maalox. And it's not because the body style is the automotive equivalent of a grilled cheese sandwich.

My Mercury will fade into a fading memory because it's not a piece of junk.

Back in the late '70s when I was young and dumb, and in the Navy (which should prove it right here), I bought a 1972 Plymouth Fury for \$300 from a fellow who called himself my friend.

THE VEHICLE got 10 miles per gallon driving around Waukegan, Ill. The gas gauge was broken. And the exhaust pipe had an annoying habit of disconnecting. The four-foot section connected to the front of the muffler would bounce on the pavement, making sparks, while the engine roared with the thunder only a 318-cubic-inch V-8 with uninhibited exhaust flow can make.

The remedy was to crawl under the car and reconnect the pipes with your hands wrapped in whatever fast-food wrappers were lying in the back seat.

As if that weren't enough, my car was also an oilaholic. Whether the root of the problem was a bad childhood, emotional problems or the fact that the former owner used to drive in ways that would make A.J. Foyt nervous, I don't know, but suspect the latter.

By the time I transferred to Lowry Air Force Base in Denver, the Fury's gas addition had worsened. At 5 1/2 miles per gallon, I might have been driving a Péturbuit.

IN JANUARY, suffering from temporary insanity, I tried to coax the brown bomber back home to Rochester, Mich.

However, on the six day odyssey, I was unfortunate enough to experience the worst winter storm that hit the Midwest since the Pleistocene Age. And... my fine Chrysler product began to display an alarming malfunction in its transmission. You see, from time to time, the car became confused and thought drive was neutral. But it always cleared up right after scaring the hell out of me.

Finally, the ailing automobile coughed its last and coasted to a stop on a cold day in the middle of nowhere (Illinois by name). I was told the problem involved bands in the transmission, but it might have been orchestras in the transaxle for all I cared. So I sold the car to a junkyard for \$45, complete with two new snow tires, a relatively new carburetor, and three six-

packs of frozen Coors in the trunk. Anyway, that Fury was a stinking dung heap of a car, just barely alive, but it had character. A big monster tearing down the road with my sister's eight track player jamming to Heart at full volume. It doesn't get any better than that.

SOME YEARS later I bought a 1972 American Motors Gremlin for \$100. Now my Fury may have been a mechanical load, but this Gremlin was sweet. All it needed was a tune up. Its body, however, was something completely different. For a long time I gained ingress and egress through the passenger door because the door post on the driver's side was nearly rusted through on the bottom, and the upper hinge was entirely disconnected; thanks to the corrosive miracle that is the rust phenomenon.

After scouring local junkyards, I obtained two doors and two front fenders for my (rusty) steel Man. you want to talk about a head-turning piece of fine American automotive ingenuity. I had a six-color car. The left door was blue, the right door yellow. One fender was beige the other green. The back end of the car was black with a white stripe on each side. The phrase, "Hey, baby, wanna ride in my car?" just didn't seem to work anymore.

All the while I owned the Gremlin, I likened it to a person being kept alive by machines in a hospital. The car should have died before I ever owned it. And finally it did.

I JUMPED A red light in Pontiac one cold Monday morning in March, the light having been flashing red just moments before. Little did I know, although I looked (but didn't see), a Sears delivery van was blasting through the intersection. I clipped the back of the van, tearing a hole in its side. Consequently, the Gremlin was gravely injured, paralyzed from the steering wheel down with tears of coolant falling lightly on the pavement.

It could have been fixed, I suppose, but estimating the cost of repair at \$200, I determined euthanasia to be the wisest option. So the tow truck ignobly pulled my beloved Grem to her final resting place, i.e. a junk yard where she was cast into the crusher.

That car and the Fury will always have a place in my heart. Worn out, but comfortable. Old, but rugged. Ugly, but proud. New cars are nice, but they ain't got no character, — as Sparky Anderson might put it. And driving them is a damn sight better than paying a ransom to a repairman to fix electric windows, seat belts and retracting headlights.

Just be sure to bring a lot of money for gas and never travel without a good set of tools.

Ralph R. Echinaw is a reporter for the West-Bloomfield/Lakes Eccentric.

Partnerships: Good education policy

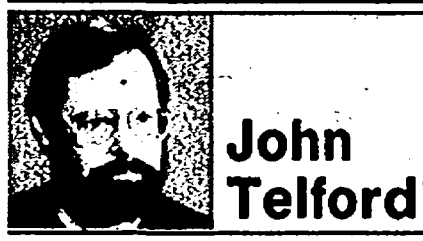
IT HAD BEEN decades since I'd visited Detroit's Cass Technical High School.

I had represented rival Denby High there in a 1952 track meet where I recall that an anatomical portion of a Cass competitor somehow escaped his running suit during a race on the balcony track, causing female spectators in the gymnasium below to scream even louder for him.

Cass also boasted the only quarter-miler who ever beat me in high school — 6-foot, 3-inch Paris "Sandy" Whittington, now a Southfield executive.

Because I had also coached in Detroit, my memories of this exceptional school had been restricted to athletics, and I knew of its academic excellence only by repute. Upon arrival for a press conference held to announce an impending partnership between Cass Tech and the University of Michigan-Dearborn, I was greeted by Principal David Snead, who immediately filled me in on his school's fine academic tradition.

"FOR THE better part of this century, Snead intoned proudly, "Cass



John Telford

has upheld a record as one of the largest, most successful technical and academic urban public schools in the country. More than 95 percent of our student body presently progresses into higher education."

It had been decades since I'd conversed with anyone regarding academic matters at U-M Dearborn, where in 1970 I had reluctantly rejected the tempting offer of an assistant professorship in urban education in favor of the more lucrative lure of a directorship at Macomb County Community College (a decision I later had reason to regret).

Under the vibrant leadership of Chancellor Blenda J. Wilson, U-M Dearborn has continued a two-decade tradition of outreach to the urban Detroit community.

Being aware, then, of the reputations of both institutions, I had want-

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ed to go that day to witness Snead and Wilson sign their agreement, which will motivate minority students to enter the teaching and engineering professions and higher education in general.

Even before the signing, the two educators had begun a variety of joint initiatives involving U-MD's schools of education and engineering and its offices of admissions and financial aid.

SAID WILSON: "This partnership shows our institutions' mutual commitment to offer opportunities for talented students at all educational levels."

She pointed out that by combining high school and university resources

now — before the students begin their college careers — the two institutions will offer them a current educational environment which should significantly increase their chances for success.

The U-M-D Chancellor went on to note that her staff will be exploring several further collaborative efforts with Cass in the coming months — including a retention program, mentorship programs involving university students, faculty and staff members and an increased number of support programs.

Such partnerships are more than just "nice." They are crucial to the fulfillment of inner-city youngsters' potential and our democracy's survival into the 21st Century.

We desperately need to have collaboration like this between many additional schools and universities — not only in Detroit and Dearborn, but all throughout America.

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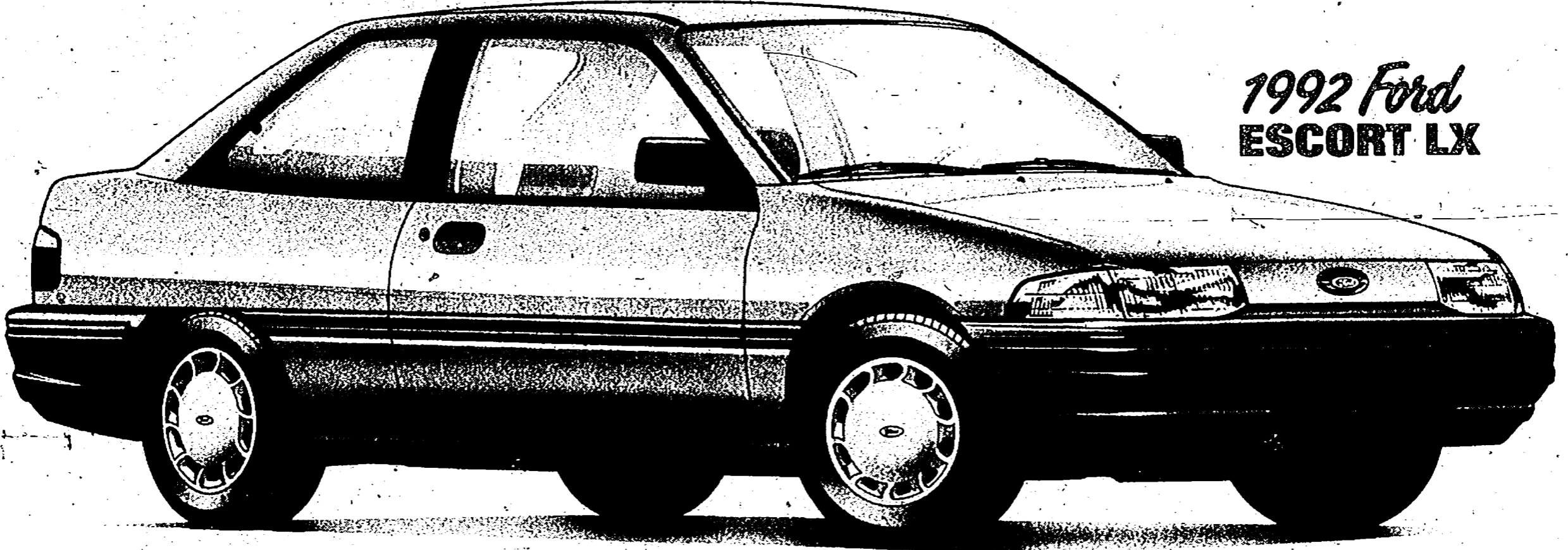
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Brothers hope to win with 'Game of Lose'

By Sue Mason
staff writer

It sounds more like the contents of a kitchen junk drawer — a couple of dice, a penny, some plastic insects, a collection of screws and a few plastic hands.

But toss in some funny money, 100,000 in real Nicaraguan Cordobas and a game board that resembles a slow moving vortex and you have "The Game of Lose."

"It's unique in the type and level of humor used and using the term lose," said Reyn Hendrickson of Ann Arbor. "It's a turn around on the typical game structure. The best a player can do is be the last one to lose."

Hendrickson and his brother Peter are Lost Horizons, creators of "The Game of Lose." More than a year in the making, it's been on the market for about two months. And while it's not selling in lots of 1,000 yet, response is such that the brothers are calling their first entry into the adult games market a success.

"It's a heavy duty spoof," said Peter who lives in Troy. "It takes a depressing subject and elevates it to fun. It offers a challenge and humor aimed at an adult crowd."

"The Game of Lose" is modeled after reality in a warped way. The players move around the board, plundering John Q Public's Cookie Jar, buying property from a savings and loan that sucks up money faster than a Hoover vacuum cleaner does dirt, and gaining power through gluts (represented by the screws), blights (the insects) and swindles (the outstretched hands).

A PENNY is used to keep track of the national debt and when it hits a certain amount; the IRS — represented by a lumbering miniature dinosaur — is unleashed to collect taxes from every player on the board.

For the player who falls on hard times and declares bankruptcy, there's freeloading, better known as Swellfare. The freeloader stays on the board and on his turn, solvent players collectively cough up \$1,200 to the S&L which gives \$50 to the freeloader and keeps the rest.

"In this game the player never leaves the board," Reyn said. "Rather than play 20 minutes and spend the next four hours making drinks for the other people, you become a millstone around the neck of successful players."

Mixed in with the mayhem are hostile takeovers, S&L gambles; petty crime (when John Q's life savings dips below the Shattered Dreamis Bookmark, he turns to petty crime), graft and payola and lists for such things as false promises and emotional baggage. There's even \$500 rubber checks with notations of "hope they don't get Telecheck."

The money is copies of "hyperinflated paper currency from foreign countries and each game box comes with some real money. Now before you run out to buy the game just for the cash, keep in mind it's a 50,000 Nicaraguan Cordobas bill.

WHILE IT sounds like a lot of loot, it's only worth about 40 cents to a collector. Inflation as it is, Nicaragua no longer prints a 50,000-Cordoba note.

In fact, the Hendricksons were able to get their hands on about a half billion Cordobas for a \$53 investment. It took some doing.

"We called the embassy in Washington, we called the consulate in California, we even called the central bank in Nicaragua, trying to buy Cordobas," Reyn said. "The bank couldn't help us because it was on strike. Can you believe it? The main bank and it was on strike."

"We talked to someone going down there and got them to buy up a bagful for us. When we bought the Cordobas the exchange rate was eight million to a dollar."

With a family background steeped in advertising and a penchant toward libertarian thinking, two-thirds of the spoof side of the game was worked out three years ago, but it wasn't put to good use until two years ago when the brothers decided to mass produce a Christmas present. "The Game of Lose" was unleashed on an unsuspecting family and friends.

Then with a prototype in hand they went to a games convention out West. It was well-received, according to the brothers. The humor in the game came out in their presentation and elicited laughter rather than polite applause from the audience.

"This is a fun market and our presentation was that way," Peter said. "It cuts new ground and does it in a satisfying manner."

THE BROTHERS decided to go slowly into the games business. Rather than sock \$75,000 into mass production of the game, they've kept their investment to under \$10,000 and done the work themselves.

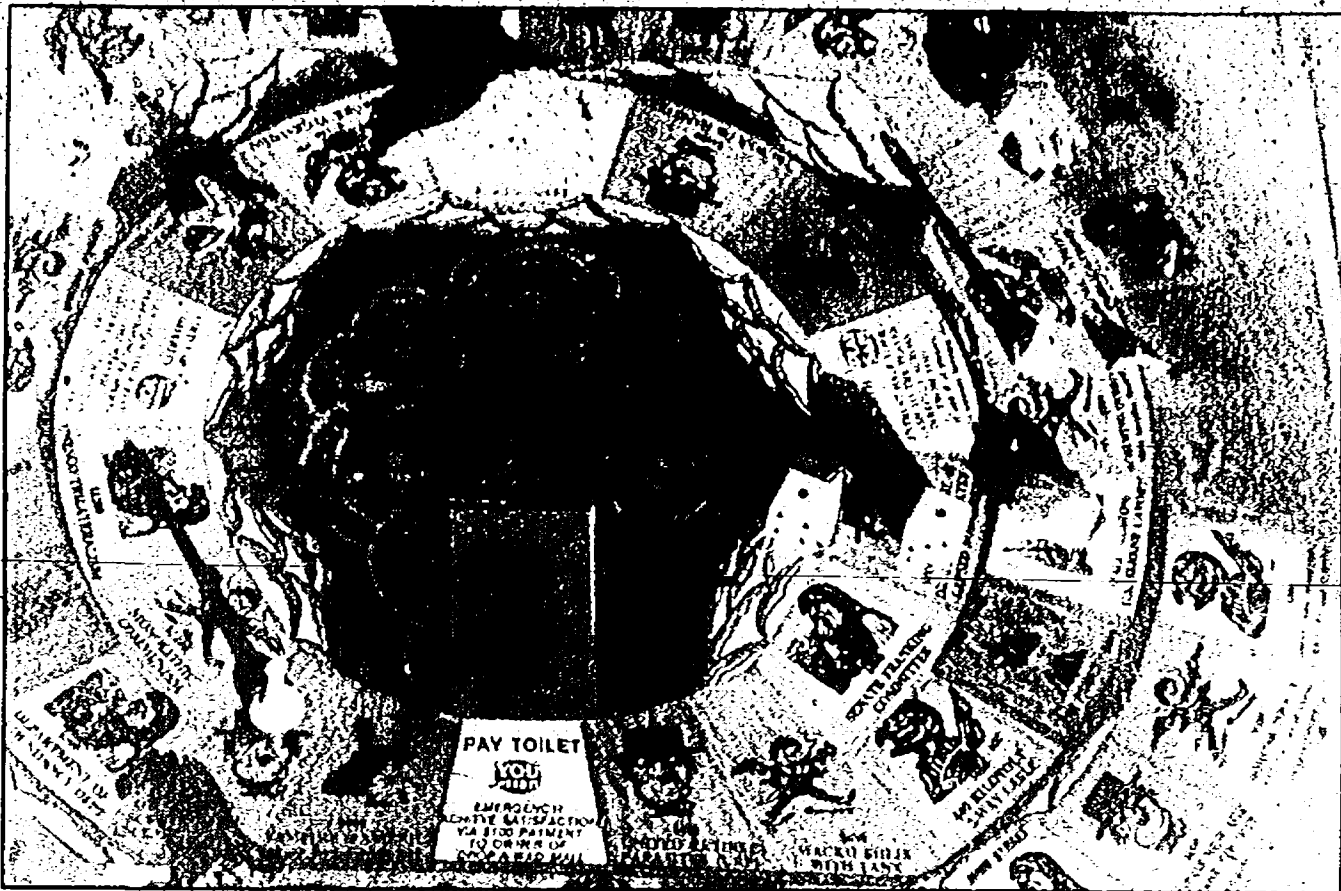
It took seven months from the time they attended the convention until "The Game of Lose" hit the market. The Hendricksons used those months to revamp the game board from a "Monopoly" board wannabe to a setup resembling Dante's "Circles of Hell."

"We've changed the board art seven or eight times," Reyn said. "We may be doing it the hard way by not mass producing it now, but we have the opportunity to make changes now rather than live with something less than perfect."

Reyn, with a background in improvisational comedy, has handled the verbal side of the game. Peter, the artist, got the job of designing the artwork, although his job was delayed because Reyn insisted on working with a professional.

"I kept telling him I could do it, but he wanted to work with a professional," Peter said. "I'd say we lost a month on that."

They have been doing all the assembly work, a fact that has made the game a hot object with collectors. At some shows, collectors have been known to have the brothers peel off the shrink wrap and autograph the game box.



JIM RIDER/staff photographer

In the "Game of Lose" the best a player can do is be the last one to lose. The elements in this board game include bankruptcy, hostile take-

overs, petty crime, S&L buyouts, graft, payola and rubber checks.

Their first experience with going public with the game was a booth at the Libertarian convention in Chicago. They took 50 game sets to the Windy City and sold out.

Since then, they have lined up five or six major distributors to get the into toy stores and hobby shops around the country. Locally, Greenfield Hobby Distributors in Ferndale is handling the game, and it can be found in Joe's Hobby Center in Rochester Hills, Metro Gift in Royal Oak and all-Rider Hobby Shops, to name a few.

"We've been on the market 45 days across the country, so we're still hot out of the starting gate, but I'd say it's been a success," Peter said. "I'm not talking about moving thousands of units, but we're at the point of averaging bulk orders from retailers every day of the week."

"It's an absolutely wonderful sound when the phone rings."

IN FACT, they now are grappling with the idea of when to begin mass production. It takes them roughly 20 minutes to assemble one game and while some may think it tedious work, they admit it's been fun.

The brothers expect to ship 1,000 game units by year's end and admit that they won't know how they're doing with the mass marketers until "about a year from now." As a result, they've "developed a dose of patience," Reyn said.

In the meantime, the Hendricksons aren't resting on their success. They have other games in the works, including one tentatively named "Captains of Industry," an industrial version of "The Game of Lose."

"If you take all the games and look at them, no one has never taken on the other half... that no one wins," Reyn said. "We now occupy a huge sector of the games market that no one ever thought of."

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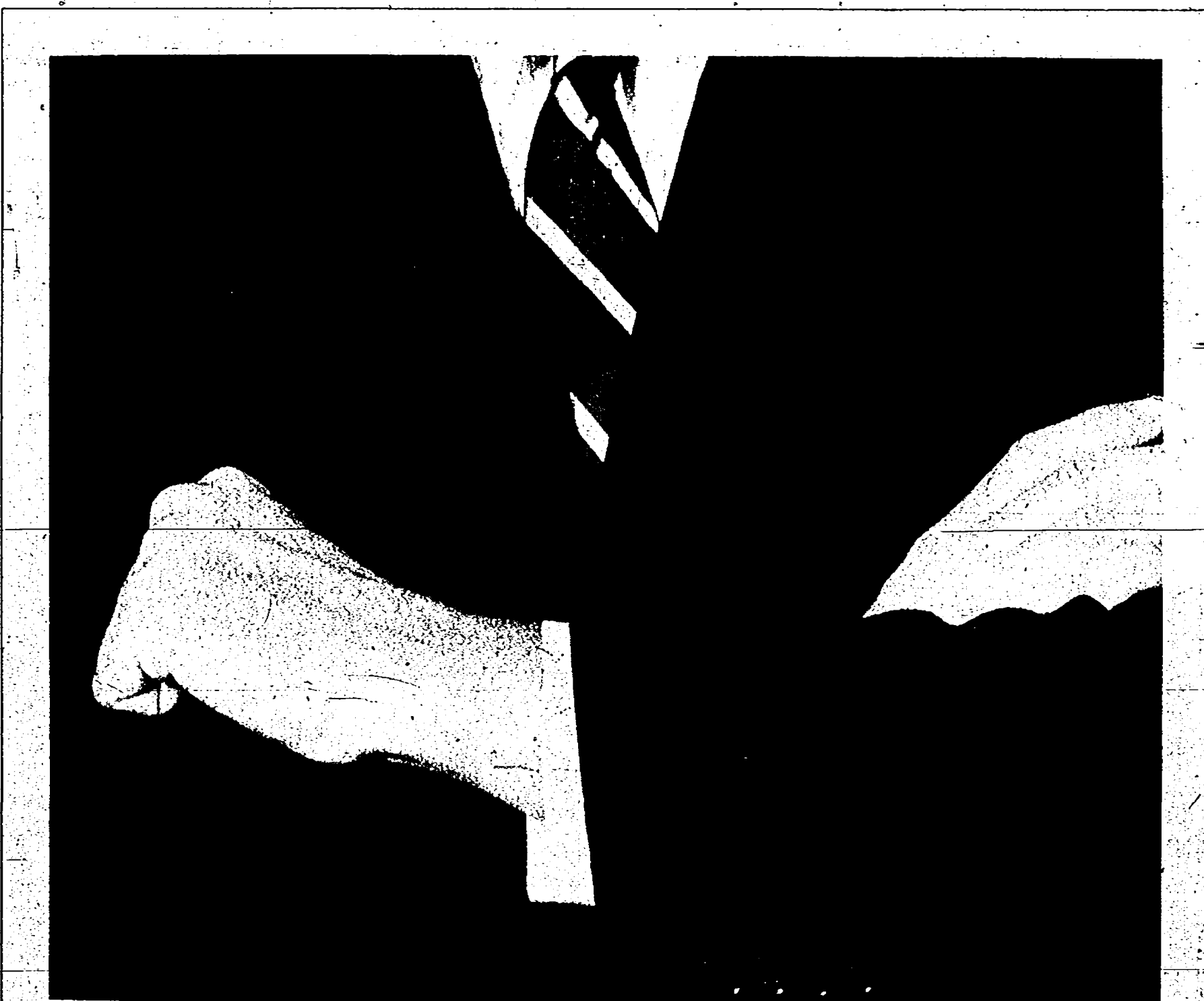
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The class of 1982 will have a reunion June 13. For information, call 380-6100.

• PONTIAC CENTRAL
The class of 1972 reunion committee is forming. For more information, call 625-6025.

• PONTIAC NORTHERN
The class of 1972 will have a reunion. For information, call 625-8267 or 682-9479.

• REDFORD THURSTON
The class of 1967 will have a reunion Saturday, Aug. 29 at the Holiday Inn in Livonia. For information, call Sue O'Koney, 937-9374, or Cathy Campbell, 937-8736.

• REDFORD UNION
The class of 1972 will have a reunion Aug. 1 at the Novi Hilton Hotel. For information, call 824-8550.

• REGINA
The class of 1966 will have a reunion Jan. 18 Alcamo's, St. Clair Shores. For information, call Kathy (Czarnik) Gallaher, 885-3636, or Dot (Woodley) Martin, 331-7917.

• ROCHESTER
The class of 1972 will have a reunion Aug. 1 Elks Club, Rochester Hills. For information, call Jim Munchiando, 879-0849.

• ROCHESTER ADAMS
The class of 1981 will have a reunion April 11 at Club Monte Carlo Utica. For information, call 465-2277 or 263-6803.

• ROSARY
The class of 1972 is planning a reunion. For information, call Mary Hall-Bieniek, 477-3142.

• ROYAL OAK DONDERO
The class of January 1952 is planning a reunion for the summer of 1992. For information, call Ruth (Hayward) Goulding, 641-7832 or

Georgina (Powell) Keoleian, 851-5038.

Classes of 1976, '78, '77 and '78 is planning a mega reunion Aug. 29. For information, call 380-6100.

• ROYAL OAK KIMBALL
The class of 1963 is planning a reunion. For more information, write The Class Reunion, CBC, Box 287, Ortonville 48462.

The class of 1982 will have a reunion July 18 at the Kingsley Inn, Bloomfield Hills. For information, call Memory Makers Inc., 549-4643 or 544-3081.

• ST. BRIGID
The class of 1963 is planning a reunion. For information, call 459-0511 or 887-4086.

• ST. CATHERINE
The classes of 1955 through 1965 will have a reunion Jan. 18 at the Athena Hall in Roseville. Cost is \$30 per person. For information, call Mary Catherine at 528-2660 (work) or 331-3258 or Mary Lou at 745-8521 (work) or 465-2693.

• ST. CLAIR
The class of 1973 will have a reunion July 10 at the St. Clair Inn. For information, call 824-8550.

• SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE
The class of 1966 is planning a reunion. For information, call Jean Marie Panyard, 462-4400 Ext. 5046.

• SOUTH LAKE
The class of 1967 will have a reunion in 1992. For information, call (313) 824-8550.

The class of 1972 will have a reunion Oct. 3 at the Sterling Heights Inn, Sterling Heights. For information, call 824-8550.

• STERLING HEIGHTS STEVENSON
The class of 1982 will have a reunion Aug. 1 at Zuccaro's Country House in Mount Clemens. For information, call 465-2277 or 263-6803.

• THURSTON
The class of 1966 is planning a reunion. For information, call Darlene Gardell, 229-5698, or Linda West, 474-3297.

• TROY
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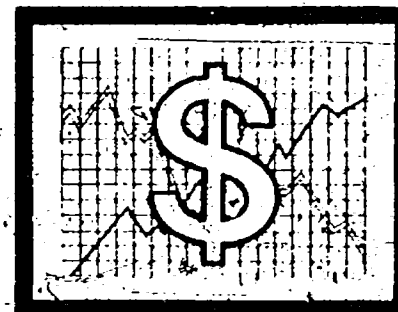
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Leading edge inventions distinguish businesses

By Gerald Frawley
staff writer

Invention, innovation, ingenuity, creativity — the three I's and big C long rumored to be dead in America — are alive and kicking.

At least that's what one is led to believe after perusing the accomplishments of local companies honored for excellence and achievement in technology with Michigan's Leading Edge Technologies award.

Gae Miller, executive director for the Michigan Technology Council, said the awards annually recognize the importance of invention in Michigan. The awards are given by the Michigan Technology Council, a statewide association of business, education and government leaders working to promote economic growth; the Detroit accounting firm of Arthur Andersen, and the Detroit Free Press.

"We feel there are so many of these small companies that don't get the recognition they deserve for what they're doing," Miller said.

Despite the economy, the world is beating a path to the doorstep of these companies — all of which bodes well for the Michigan economy.

The hope is other companies will follow suit, she said. There is already some evidence that indicates that variety in business is more than just wishful thinking.

"We're certainly seeing a lot of diversification."

Several of the Michigan Leading Edge Technology Award winners are from the Observer & Eccentric area.



American Dental Laser in Troy has developed a laser that's powerful enough to use in soft and hard tissue dental work.

Which would be fine if a bridge is built in a vacuum, but there are external factors like air movement or water movement across the structure including heat and cold effects, Paul said. "These are not the type of things you'd do on the back of a napkin."

Paul said the company has used the software on a variety of applications from Indy Formula One racer design to developing a more efficient baking method.

The key benefit to improved fluid flow and heat transfer is a savings in time, and therefore, money.

"Chrysler, when they would design a defrosting system, would have a six-week turnaround from design to prototype with no guarantee it would work. With this, we take the design and within a couple of hours we can tell if it will work or not — complete with ice melting patterns — so when they build the prototype they know it will work."

AMERICAN DENTAL LASER in Troy has developed a laser powerful enough to use in soft and hard tissue dental work, subtle enough for use in a person's mouth, and flexible and small enough for use in a dentist's office.

The three-watt, neodymium yttrium-aluminum-garnet (Nd:YAG) pulsed laser is delivered through an optic fiber, making it possible to reach most remote areas of the mouth, according to Bob Daulton, marketing director for American Dental Laser. The contact point is as small as the period at the end of this sentence, making it the first laser suitable for general dental work.

Daulton said ADL's dental laser has not been approved for hard tissue dental work, like removing tooth decay, in the United States, but it is being used for this type of work in Europe.

ADL is working with the FDA to gain approval for use in hard tissue dental work.

The laser has only been approved for soft tissue dental work, which includes removing diseased and infected gum tissue, Daulton said. The laser is far faster, less painful and kills bacteria that causes the problems, he said.

Daulton said earlier lasers were not suitable for dentistry because they were too powerful, and there was tremendous heat buildup. "You can see where that wouldn't be a good thing in a mouth."

The typical medical laser is 10 to 50 watts, he said. The Nd:YAG laser is a pulsed laser — meaning the laser beam fires rapidly for milliseconds at a time — which has a peak beam of three watts and allows a cooling period.

Also, previous lasers were large and bulky; the laser developed by ADL is approximately the size of a suitcase with a laser output device. It is designed to be similar in size and shape of current dental tools — connected to the case by an optic fiber.

The dental laser is already being used by more than 1,000 dentists, including 600 dentists in the United States.

FUTURE THREE SOFTWARE of Livonia developed software — called Automotive Release Shipping Control — that allows an automotive supplier to comply with basic electronic data interchange requirements of the original equipment manufacturers.

In a nutshell, this means better tracking and more efficient shipping in an industry that demands on-time delivery.

Sarah Eatherly, marketing director for Future Three Software, said the software allows the small auto supplier and the original equipment manufacturers to share computer data relating to shipping information.

Previously, data used by the original equipment manufacturers have been incompatible with the software used by the suppliers, Eatherly said.

Even after 1983, when electronic data transmissions were somewhat standardized, suppliers were still left out in the cold because each manufacturer's computer data had its own quirks, she said.

"That's why this has always been done with paper, which is slow and more likely to result in errors," Eatherly said.

The auto supplier would copy the data into its own system and use the copied data to generate shipping and receiving reports, inventory and manufacturing information, she said.

Automotive Release Shipping Control takes the raw data from the original equipment manufacturer and converts it into a form that can be readily used by the supplier. "It ties into the shipping, manufacturing and financials."

But the innovation in the product lies in software's ability to integrate the shipping and receiving data with other business applications, Eatherly said.

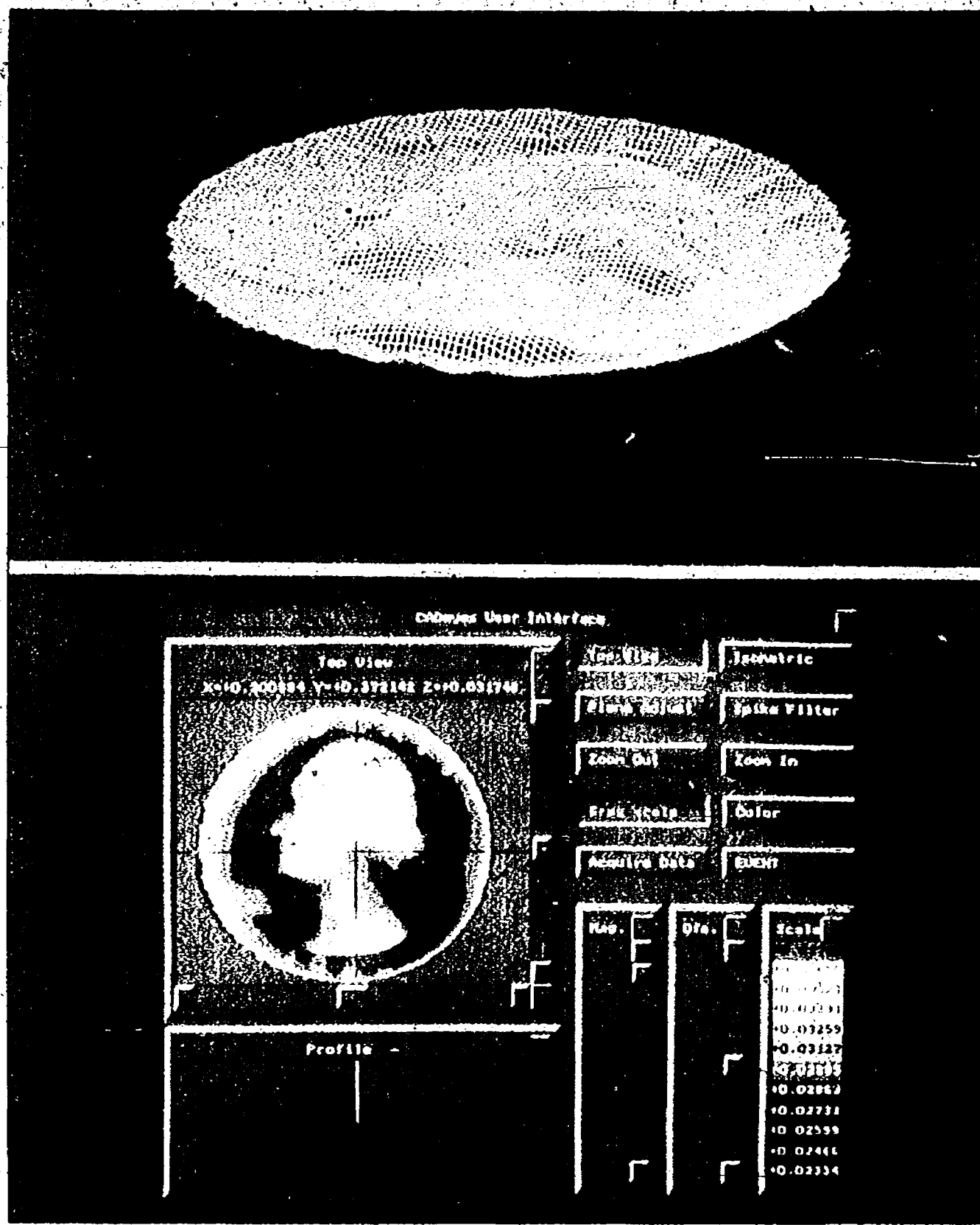
"Now the data from the original equipment manufacturers can be manipulated for use within the supplier company," she said.

One of the especially useful features of the package, Eatherly said, is the ability to quickly make comparisons between previous and current reports, and daily and weekly reports.

"Now a supplier knows if an order he received today is a duplicate order that has already been sent," Eatherly said. That means fewer mistakes and less waste in shipping and manufacturing.

XYSYS, INC. of Bingham Farms developed computer

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For decades, companies have measured machined components with probes or air pressure — which is extremely accurate but also extremely slow.

The system developed by Air Gage makes roughly 250,000 independent measurements with each picture with a depth resolution of one micron — and it does it in seconds rather than days or weeks as required by existing measuring methods.

"In the world of inspection and measurement, it's desirable to find out what X, Y and Z (are)," said Len Bieman, manager of Air Gage CADEYES division. CADEYE uses a camera to convert an image into three-dimensional representation that can be measured by a computer.

Bieman said it is unlikely the new system will make others obsolete. Although faster at measuring, the system is limited by what the camera lens can see.

Despite this limitation, the camera-based measuring system has numerous automotive and other manufacturing applications where precision measuring is absolutely critical.

"The U.S. mint is looking at it to measure coins (see photo), and there are other applications (including medical applications) as well."

Perhaps one of the most unusual uses, he said, is the ability to use this device in reverse engineering.

"If we have a part that we want to reproduce — but original plans for that part are no longer available, we can take a picture of it and work backward."

AIRFLOW SCIENCES CORP., a Livonia-based consulting engineering firm, developed computer software to solve problems in fluid flow and heat transfer — a deceptively simple term for a complex problem.

Prior to the development of the software, fluid networks were balanced mainly by trial and error, according to Jim Paul, Airflow Sciences executive vice president.

Paul said Airflow Sciences Corp. developed the software because it kept running into situations in its consulting work that necessitated it.

"We've used this for everything from looking at the dimples in a golf ball to seeing what happens inside a boiler," he said.

Fluid flow and heat transfer begins where structural analysis leaves off. For example, when an engineer designs a bridge there are numerous load and stress measurements of mass, shape and weight that determine the structure's integrity.

Hats tipped to inventors

By Gerald Frawley
staff writer

There are as many — if not more — inventions developed by backyard mechanics and home handymen as there are by corporations.

Never has this been more obvious than at a recent Inventor's Council of Michigan's second annual reception at the Henry Ford Estate in Dearborn where more than 150 guests from Michigan business and scientific community gathered to

watch as awards were presented to six Michigan inventors who have successfully built businesses around their inventions.

Local winners include:

Peter A. Hochstein, principal and project manager of Quantex Engineering in Troy that licenses automotive and consumer electronic products. His most recent products include a high powered performance audio amplifier, a battery-powered automatic video light and an inte-

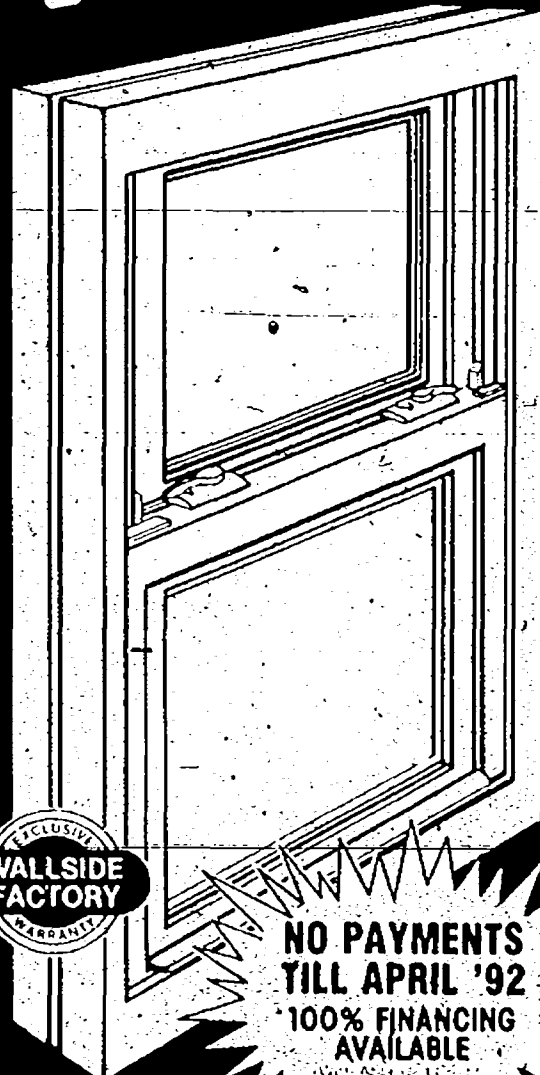
grated automotive mirror and compass.

Skip McWilliam, president and owner of Teacher's Discovery in Troy, has invented and sold more than 1,000 teaching aids for foreign language phrases. His company now creates 200 products per year.

Other inventors, although not necessarily award winners, who made presentations at the show include Jack Shirin and Bob Kaiser of Garden City, who brought their air-operated roof shingle removal tool.

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Auto journalists caught off guard in '91

It hasn't been a good year for journalists, what with most of the epoch-making events of the latter part of the 20th century all happening in 1991, and all of them catching the correspondents, newsmen, anchor-people et al. more or less asleep at the switch.

It is one of the hazards of the trade — which mainly relies on thumb-sucking, pontificating and analysis — leaving it unprepared when something like the breakup of the Soviet Union, the Persian Gulf War, or the makings of a trade war with Japan suddenly just happens, and none of the experts, consultants, or unnamed sources ever leaked a word in advance. The result is a mad

scramble in the face of real news.

Nowhere is this more apparent than the coverage of some fundamental activities in the auto business, which took some profound turns in 1991, few of which got much notice.

The abrupt downsizing of GM was one of the few exceptions, at least on the surface. When GM President Robert Stempel marched into the packed GM press room, no fewer than six reporters already were interviewing each other. Stempel had his say, and then it was back to the consultants, analysts and other reporters, who were anxious to report what Stempel really meant.

What Stempel really meant was it was a whole new ball game. It was



auto talk
Dan McCosh

profound acknowledgement from one of the most thoughtful leaders of American industry that the auto business is dramatically cutting back on its role as a quasi-public economic institution that cushions the technocrats and middle managers — the people that make up much of middle class America. It was only a few years ago when GM

moved 10,000 new employees into the northern suburbs, setting off a real estate boom that contrasted with the dismal red ink on both coasts. Now they are moving out.

The announcement coincided with the so-called "trade mission" to Japan, in which President Bush and a cadre of executives extend fingers toward the dike, not quite acknowl-

edging the dam has burst.

The point being that 1991 was, in fact, the year of the most profound change in the world industrial scene in this half of the century. The consolidation of Germany; the moves to build a European economic union; the upheaval in Eastern Europe; the growth of industry in India and Pakistan; the shift to Malaysia, Singapore and Indonesia of Japanese production capacity; the flight of capital from Hong Kong; the sudden comeback of Mexico, among other happenings, have shaken the basics of the world's economies.

Not so surprisingly, much of this has altered even the face of the landscape of Detroit and its suburbs. The new technical centers built just this

year, with the most dramatic being the huge Chrysler complex in Auburn Hills, ultimately will shape how people live in this urban landscape as profoundly as the shopping center did in the 1950s. The influx of Asian immigrants has only begun.

What is lost is the quiet, dependable career epitomized by plugging away in the bowels of a company like GM or Ford, with a long-term future and a comfortable retirement, only the dullest of many possibilities.

The auto business changed in 1991 — profoundly — in a way some esoteric economic historian may recognize in the future. Meanwhile, dealing with the future is a scramble that has only just begun.

Invention award lauds businesses

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aided design-access products that are easy to use and will operate effectively on data generated by all major CAD systems.

CAD-Access, XYSYS Inc.'s newest innovation, encourages communication and teamwork among diverse users of data, from the high-powered automobile makers with huge mainframes to the smallest of auto suppliers with a desktop personal computer.

Patrick Kennedy, marketing director for XYSYS, said there has been a need for CAD-Access ever since the automotive companies began pressuring suppliers to take on some of the design aspects of component manufacturing.

All large manufacturers do product design on computer, he said, but parts suppliers — because of an incompatibility of data between major auto computer and smaller auto supplier computer software — have been left out of the loop.

"There's always been a mystique surrounding these big CAD systems," he said. Smaller desktop computers — those which are likely to be found in an auto supply firm — couldn't work with designs made on the large mainframes.

For the U.S. to compete, it will be important for everyone to be involved in the production process, he

said. "All we have is a mechanism for top-down engineering — the auto companies would design something and say this it, build it," Kennedy said. "The problem with that is these designers with unmet degrees don't have any practical experience.

"But we have guys in the shops who smell like oil and have metal shavings embedded in their skin that know things from experience that the designers couldn't," Kennedy said.

The way production process has been set up, those people in the shops couldn't communicate their ideas back to the designers. "That's what this does."

With CAD access, the auto supplier can take data from any of the large original equipment manufacturers and work with it on a desktop.

The supply companies have been reluctant to buy large CAD systems because the auto companies are constantly changing their systems and because each auto manufacturer uses a different method, he said.

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● DISABILITIES ACT

Thursday, Jan. 9 — "Americans with Disabilities Act Workshop I — Planning for Compliance" 8:15 a.m. through 12:15 p.m. at the American Society of Employers, 23815 Northwestern Highway, Southfield. Non-member fee: \$125. Information: Pat Murphy, 353-4500.

● USING A TELEPHONE

Tuesday, Jan. 14 — "Effective Telephone Techniques" 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the American Society of Employers, 23815 Northwestern Highway, Southfield. Non-member fee: \$225. Information: Pat Murphy, 353-4500.

● BLACK MANAGERS FORUM

Wednesday, Jan. 15 — A live national videoconference for non-minority and minority managers will be conducted on Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday in the Varner Recital Hall by the Oakland University Division of Continuing Education.

● PROFESSIONAL SECRETARIES INT'L

Wednesday, Jan. 8 — The Tri-county chapter of Professional

Secretaries International's 1992 membership meeting will be at the Handeman Company, 500 Kirks Blvd. in Troy. Also, the chapter will view a video presentation, "Difficult People, How to Deal With Them." Contact 362-4400, ext. 303, for information and reservations.

● INVESTING SEMINAR

Tuesday, Jan. 14 — Free investing and tax seminar noon to 1 p.m. at Merrill Lynch, 32255 Northwestern Highway, Triatria Building Suite 260, Farmington Hills. Additional seminars planned for Tuesdays in March. Information: Dennis Herula, 1-800-937-0446.

● SMALL BUSINESS DIRECTORY

Copies of the free "Small Business Resource Directory" are available at all National Bank of Detroit offices. The booklet, produced by New Detroit and NBD, offers resource information for operators of small business.

business people

Thomas C. North, of Farmington Hills, has been appointed general sales manager of North Brothers Ford in Westland. Previously, Thomas North was business manager for the dealership.

Thomas L. Bradburn was honored by the Greater Detroit Chapter of the American Society of Safety Engineers in Southfield by being chosen as the Chapter's Safety Professional of the Year Award winner for the 1991-92 Chapter year.

Susan Crusoe of Southfield was named marketing director of Westland Center. In her new position she will be responsible for the creation of merchandising and promotional events, as well as overseeing the advertising and public relations activities for the center.

Phillip Lyon was appointed assistant vice president for Southfield-based Republic Hogg Robinson of

Michigan Inc., a subsidiary of Republic Hogg Robinson Inc., international insurance brokers and risk management, consultants, headquartered in Boston.

Plante & Moran of Southfield, an accounting and management consulting firm, announced that Lori Ratzano, CPA of Rochester was promoted to associate.

Thomas C. Padgett has been named and promoted to general manager of the Radisson Plaza Hotel at Town Center in Southfield.

Franklin Bank of Southfield announced that its board of directors appointed six new officers. They are: Elizabeth Wauldron to vice president; Assistant vice president Lisa Aupperle, Carmelita Berger, Linda Comps, Ruth Curtis and Cheryl Kehny-Nairn.

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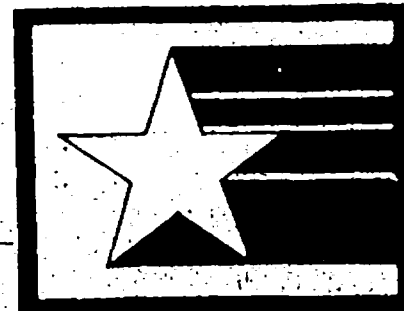
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Dance, theater students get 'Movin' in 1992

MOVIN' THEATRE, Wayne State University's traveling dance troupe, will take to the road once again in January. Bookings are now available for the group's new show, "Hooray for Hollywood," and for related workshops in dance and movement.

"Hooray for Hollywood" is a narrated program, performed by 11 actor-singer-dancers, tracing the history of the silver screen from "42nd Street" to "Singin' in the Rain."

The Movin' Theatre, founded in 1977 by Wayne State University choreographer Nira Pullin, has given over 200 performances throughout Michigan. The company has performed at Hart Plaza, at the Detroit Institute of Arts, on Good Afternoon Detroit, and at the Macomb Center for the Performing Arts, as well as at numerous elementary and high schools and for various community organizations.

THE MOVIN' Theatre company includes Thad Avery, Marnie Baumer (Garden City), Craig Bentley, Andrew Fitch and Rhonda Furman (Farmington), Rachel Loiselle (Southfield), Scott Peerbolte, Frank Polito, Michael Serapiglia (Troy), Wendy Shapero (West Bloomfield) and Christy Watson.

The artistic director of the Movin' Theatre is Nira Pullin, assisted by director-choreographer Bill Wilson (Troy), musical director Mark Ianate and assistant choreographers Scott Peerbolte and Michael Serapiglia. Costume design is by Mary Copenhagen.

Also available for booking are two brand-new shows, "Ragtime Remembrances" and "Victorian Serenades," performed by smaller companies featuring Pullin and Wilson. "Ragtime Remembrances" details the history of ragtime dance as told through the lives of Vernon and Irene Castle, and "Victorian Serenades" recalls the gilded age of the Astors and the Vanderbilts.

For more information or to book performances and/or workshops of-

ferred by the Movin' Theatre, call Bill Wilson, 577-3010 or write: Bill Wilson, Movin' Theatre Outreach Director, Department of Theatre, Wayne State University, Detroit, Mich. 48202-3489.

The Hilberry Theatre, also on the campus of Wayne State University, continues its season with the opening of Christopher Hampton's "Les Liaisons Dangereuses," Jan. 17 through Feb. 28.

THE PLAY, adapted from an obscure 18th century novel, looks at the debauchery and ruthless game playing of the French upper class in the years before the revolution.

It opened in 1986 at the Royal Shakespeare Company's Other Place at Stratford-on-Avon and won a Laurence Olivier Award for Best Play. In 1987 the play received critical acclaim for its limited run on Broadway.

For ticket information, call 577-2972.

The award-winning comedic-drama, "Trouble in Mind," by Alice Childress opens at Wayne State University's Bonstelle Theatre for a two-weekend run 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 24, performances run Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m.

SET IN the 1950s, the play deals with the societal issues of racism and sexism, specifically with the obstacles that many black actors face when they choose theater as a career.

"Trouble in Mind" is set on a Broadway stage as the actors rehearse "Chaos in Belleville," a play written, directed and produced by whites. Black and white cast members become involved in a real-life drama of racial tensions arising from the black stereotypes in the play.

Running for 91 performances, "Trouble in Mind" won the first Village Voice Obie award for best original off-Broadway play of the 1955-56 season.

For ticket information, call 577-2960.



Movin' Theatre, Wayne State University's touring dance troupe, goes back on the road in January. Top: Michael Serapiglia (Troy). Third row: Craig Bentley, Rachel Loiselle (Southfield), Frank Polito, Amy Kittinger, Bill Wilson (Troy), Christy Watson. Second row: Marnie Baumer (Garden City), Thad S. Avery, Scott Peerbolte, Andrew Fitch. Bottom: Rhonda Furman (Farmington).

American Artists Series features music for oboe, strings, piano

Music for the oboe, strings and piano will be featured by the American Artists Series Chamber Players when Donald Baker, principal oboist with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra joins them 3 p.m. Sunday, Jan.

12. The concert will be at Kingswood Auditorium on the Cranbrook campus, 600 Lone Pine Road, Bloomfield Hills. The program will feature some fa-

vorites of chamber music devotees, programmed in response to requests from the American Artists Series audience.

The concert will open with Mozart's Oboe Quartet in F Major and

close with Johannes Brahms' Trio in C major, opus 87, for piano, violin and cello. The same instruments are featured in John Knowles Paine's Larghetto and Humoreske, opus 32.

Baker performs in a second Oboe Quartet, opus 61, composed by Malcolm Arnold for oboe, violin, viola and cello.

An informal reception with the artists follows the concert.

Donald Baker has been a member of the AAS Chamber Players for most of the group's 21 years. Regular performers in the series include concert pianist Joann Freeman and Detroit Symphony Orchestra members Ronald Fischer, violin; Hart Hollman, viola; Linda Snedden

Smith, violin; and John Thurman, cello.

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The Livonia Symphony Orchestra, under the leadership of Maestro Francesco DiBlasi, will open its 8 series concerts with selections from Corelli to Gershwin, 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 3 and will feature soloists from the orchestra. This is the first of three concerts that will take place at the Civic Center Library auditorium. Tickets available the evening of the performance or in advance from Hammell Music, Civic Center Library and Madonna University. Cost is \$10 for general admission, \$5 students and seniors or \$30 family rates. Call 458-6575 for information.

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COMMUNITY CHOIR AUDITIONS
The Schoolcraft College Community Choir will hold auditions for experienced male and female singers for the Spring 1992 season Tuesday, Jan. 7 at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 27775 Five Mile Road, west of Inkster in Livonia. To arrange an audition time, call choir president, Shari Clason, 349-8178. For more information, call 462-4448.

PLYMOUTH THEATRE GUILD
The Plymouth Theatre Guild will be holding auditions for "On Gold Pond" 7:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 17 and 2:5 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 18 at the Water Tower Theater on the campus of Northville Regional Hospital, 41001 W. Seven Mile Road, west of I-275 between Haggerty and Northville roads. The cast consists of three men (ages 35 to 60), one boy (age 12-16) and two women (ages 35 and 60). Performance dates March 13, 14, 15, 20, 21, 22, 27, and 28. Help is also needed behind the scenes. Call 349-7110.

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College is at 8426 West McNichols at Wyoming.

TARTUFFE
Trinity House Theatre of Livonia announces open auditions for "Tartuffe" to be performed Feb. 28-March 28. Auditions, 7:30 p.m. Monday and Tuesday, Jan. 6 and 7 at Trinity House Theatre, 38840 W. Six Mile Road, Livonia, corner of I-275 and Six Mile. Callbacks, Wednesday, Jan. 8. Roles available, seven men and five women of varying ages. Script used will be the verse translation by Richard Wilbur. Wear casual, comfortable clothes. Performance dates, 8 p.m. Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays, Feb. 28 to March 28, except Thursday, March 26. For information, call 464-6302.

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MOVIES AT THE REDFORD
New Winter series at the Redford, 17360 Lahser Road. Films start 8 p.m. with organ overtures and intermissions at 7:30 p.m. Jan. 10 and 11, "The Sound of Music." Guest organist for the overture and intermission, Tony O'Brien. Tickets \$2.50 each. Call 487-9638.

LIVONIA YOUTH PHILHARMONIC
The Livonia Youth Philharmonic is holding auditions 4-7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 6 and Wednesday, Jan. 8 for the second half of the concert season. There are openings for all string players, and limited openings for winds and brass. Membership is open to young musicians from the Detroit metropolitan area. Rehearsals held Saturday mornings at Churchill High School in Livonia. To schedule an audition, call 453-8887.

GREENFIELD VILLAGE
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MOVIE MAKERS CLUB
Michigan Movie Makers club meets the third Wednesday of every month. Meeting scheduled 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 15 at the Detroit Historical Museum, 5201 Woodward, Detroit. Call Donald MacKenzie, 838-1788, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. or Allen MacFadyen, 549-1820, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. for information.

MOZART CELEBRATION
All-Mozart celebration, 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 17 at First Presbyterian Church of Dearborn, 600 North Brady, Dearborn. Dearborn Symphony Orchestra, "Magic Flute Overture,"

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NORTHVILLE PLAYERS
Auditions for Northville Players production of Neil Simon's "Plaza Suite," an adult comedy, 7:30 p.m. Monday and Tuesday, Jan. 6 and 7 at the United Methodist Church, (Eight Mile and Taft) Northville. Production dates, March 6 and 7. Parts for 7 males (3 major), and 5 females (4 major). Major roles have a 30 to

mid-40 age range. Call Jacquie Ruedell for information, 344-1969.

THEATER SCHOLARSHIPS
Auditions and interviews for scholarships for incoming freshmen to Wayne State University's Department of Theatre will be Jan. 18 and March 28 in the Studio Theatre (downstairs at the Hilberry). To schedule an appointment, or for information, call 577-3508. Or write: Robert McGill, Department of Theatre, Wayne State University, Detroit, MI 48202-3489.

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Yale Glee Club plans benefit concert

The Yale Glee Club, one of the oldest amateur choral ensembles in the United States, will present a scholarship benefit concert, 8 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 7, at Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward, Detroit.

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Other area people involved in presenting this concert include Yale Alumni Association of Michigan members Ward Randol, (Birmingham), Kurt Ward (Birmingham), John Knudsen (Bloomfield Hills) and Bob Ufer Jr. Knudsen, is a glee club alumnus and sings with the Christ

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Neaton's not so easily satisfied

U-M star always seeking to improve

By C.J. Rlsak
staff writer

Not too many years ago, Pat Neaton used to spend at least part of his Christmas vacation at the same place he spent it last weekend — at Joe Louis Arena, site of the Great Lakes Invitational college hockey tournament.

"I used to always come to this tournament when I was younger," he recalled Saturday. "I loved coming down here."

After Saturday, he still relished those feelings, although his reasons were a bit different. He's not a college hockey fan any longer; Neaton is very much part of the action. He was very helpful in guiding University of Michigan to its fourth-straight GLI championship last weekend with a 3-1 win over Harvard Friday and a 7-1 trouncing of Michigan Tech Saturday.

Neaton, from Redford Township, spent three of his high school years at Redford Catholic Central. He transferred as a senior, graduating from Toronto's DeLaSalle HS.

NOW A JUNIOR, Neaton is counted on to provide leadership for the young Wolverines (only four seniors on the 25-player roster). He's one of two alternates to team captain David Harlock. And as a defenseman, he's also expected to frustrate opponents.

U-M sophomore goalie Steve Shields got his second-straight GLI most valuable player award after surrendering just two goals in the two wins. That's something Neaton could take pride in, too.

Particularly since this tournament, although highly-regarded by Neaton ("It's so much fun to win this," he said. "It's such a good feeling") and many others, isn't U-M's goal this season. The Central Collegiate Hockey Association title and the NCAA Tournament are foremost.

Neaton figures he pretty well knows what must be done to win both. The Wolves finished 34-10-3 last season, second in the CCHA, and gained an NCAA playoff berth. They beat Cornell in the opening round before losing to Boston University.

"OUR TEAM defense will be the key, I think," he said. "Defense is going to win you games. We have offensive talent here, but our defense will make the difference."

Neaton doesn't consider himself that strong a defensive player, either. Last year, he was U-M's top scoring defenseman with 43 points (15 goals, 28 assists); now he wants to be more proficient defensively.

"I've always been up in the offense," he said. "I'm trying to play the defensive side better now. I'm learning more about the defense."

He's hardly been struggling. The 20-year-old was drafted by current NHL champion Pittsburgh in the seventh round in 1990; he missed last year's GLI because he was playing for the U.S. team at the World Junior Championships. Named to the CCHA's all-rookie team following his freshman year, Neaton has had impressive plus-34 and plus-18 marks in his first two seasons at U-M.

One reason he was chosen as an alternate captain is his attitude. Neaton concentrates on the positive,



PAUL HURSCHMANN/staff photographer

Pat Neaton was Michigan's top-scoring defenseman last season. Now he wants to be an even better defenseman.

always searching for ways to improve.

"I DON'T want to feel bad, I just want to keep building," he said. "You have to keep getting better, you have to keep learning."

"You should always feel you can get better. Once you get to a level where you feel you can't get any better, it becomes self-defeating."

Are they improving? The two GLI wins upped U-M's record to 11-3-3 overall; the Wolverines are tied with Michigan State for second in the CCHA, four points behind Lake Superior State. They were ranked fifth in the nation last week.

"There were a couple of breakdowns, but overall we're getting better," said Neaton. There isn't anything in particular he thinks he has

to do to force U-M to that next level. "I want to help (Harlock) and lead by example," he said. "We don't have to overextend ourselves. We can lead by example."

His offense is down — he had one assist over the weekend, when Dave Roberts deflected his shot from the blue line for the Wolves' fourth goal against Tech. He has just 12 points

(two goals, 10 assists) in 18 games.

But it won't matter if U-M extends its season into April. The CCHA Championships will be at Joe Louis Arena March 21-22; the NCAA Regionals arrive there the following week. If the Wolverines can keep their JLA-win streak going — it's at nine-straight — they may reach the NCAA Finals April 2-4 at Knickerbocker Arena in Albany, N.Y.

Best have goals set

By C.J. Rlsak
staff writer

In swimming, focus is everything. Those goggles they wear should concentrate on narrowing the vision considerably.

Because that's what high school swimmers need — the ability to channel all their energies into two or three days of competition per season. The remainder of the time they devote to their sport is for training for those few moments.

The Observerland's best swimmers, therefore, are those who do the best at the biggest high school meet of the season: the state championships. The top swimmers will train hard during the summer, rest and taper sometime early in the fall to reach state qualifying standards, then go back into heavy training for the state finals.

Two underclassmen share the title as Observerland's best, according to these standards — Farmington Hills Mercy junior Erika Smith and Livonia Stevenson sophomore Mandi Falk. They were the only two from the area to score in two individual events at the Class A state finals.

FALK BOASTED the best individual finish, and it came in what was easily the best event for Observerland swimmers. She placed fourth in the 100-yard breast stroke, one spot ahead of Mercy senior Katie Knipper (two of the three-championship heat qualifiers in individual events from the Observer area).

Three Observer swimmers placed among the top seven at the Class A meet in the 100 breast, and another — Farmington Hills Harrison's Dana Dizon — finished ninth in the 100 breast at the Class B-C-D finals.

Mercy claimed top team honors, finishing 10th in Class A. Stevenson was 17th, Livonia Churchill 25th and Plymouth Canton 29th. Of the 12 individuals lauded as the best of the year, five are underclassmen who will get a chance to come back next fall and repeat.

Here are the Observerland's top female swimmers for 1991.

ALL-OBSERVER INDIVIDUALS

Erika Smith, Mercy, 200-yard freestyle: Smith finished fifth in the state in the 200 free in 1:56.38; it was one of five events she qualified for and one of four she scored in. The junior also placed fifth in the 100 free in 53.95 and was part of Mercy's 200 medley relay and 400 free relay.

Smith was the Catholic League champion in the 50-yard free for the Catholic

all area swimming



Mandi Falk
Livonia Stevenson



Erika Smith
Farmington Hills Mercy



Amy Kodrik
Plymouth Canton

League champs, and at the always-tough Oakland County meet she placed second in the 100 free and third in the 50 free.

Mandi Falk, Stevenson, 100-yard breast stroke: Falk has two more seasons of high school swimming left. Surpassing her sophomore campaign will be difficult.

A transfer from Redford Thurston who was first-team all-area last year, Falk was unbeaten in dual-meet competition and captured the Western Lakes Activities Association championships in the 200-yard individual medley and 100-yard butterfly.

At state, she placed fourth in the 100 breast in 1:07.32 (one of three events she qualified for) and was 11th in the 100 fly in 59.85. She was also part of Stevenson's ninth-place 200 medley relay team.

Spartan coach Greg Phill described Falk simply: "Mandi is a great swimmer with a great future."

Katie Knipper, Mercy, 100-yard butterfly: Only Falk had a better time in the 100 fly among area swimmers than Knipper's 1:01.41. The senior was accomplished in other events as well, most notably the 100 breast, in which she finished fifth at the Class A state meet in 1:07.86.

A member of the Marlins' third-place 200 medley relay team at state as well, Knipper reigned as both Oakland County (1:10.04) and Catholic League (1:09.78) champion in the 100 breast.

Jennifer Knapp, Stevenson, all-around: Another member of the strong contingent of area breast stroke, Knapp — a senior — finished seventh at the Class A meet in the 100 breast in 1:08.07. She was also part of the Spartans' ninth-place 200 medley relay team.

Twice named Stevenson's most valuable performer and twice elected as captain, Knapp placed second in the 100

breast and sixth in the 50 free at the WLAA meet. "Jennifer's a great kid and competitor," said Phill. "Iowa (where Knapp is headed) is going to be very happy with her over the next four years."

Ellen Lessig, Livonia Churchill, 100-yard freestyle: A senior, Lessig shattered Churchill's team records in both the 50-yard and 100-yard freestyle, which is why she anchored both the 200 and 400 free relays at the WLAA meet. Churchill won both.

And Lessig won both the 50 (24.33) and 100 (53.36) free at the WLAA finals. She placed ninth at the Class A meet in the 50 (24.82) and Churchill's 200 free relay finished 11th.

"Ellen is a very hard worker," said Churchill coach Ken Stark. "She was one of our captains and she showed a lot of leadership, and was a great example of hard work and dedication for the rest of the team. We'll miss her very much."

Jenny McCombs, Mercy, 100-yard backstroke: The best time in the Observer area in the 100 back — and the best finish at the state meet — both belonged to McCombs, a junior. After placing sixth at the Oakland County meet, she rebounded for a ninth at the state meet in 1:00.77. Only two other Oakland County backstrokers beat her at the state finals.

Her diversity also aided Mercy. She captured the 200 individual medley (2:17.74) and 100 butterfly (1:04.10) at the Catholic League meet and was part of the Marlins' third-place 200 medley relay at the state finals.

Jamie Anderson, Stevenson, 500-yard freestyle: Twice in her career, Anderson — a senior — scored at the state meet, including a 12th in the 500 free this year in 5:18.34. Twice a team captain and

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Top swimmers reach objectives

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Stevenson's MVP for 1991. Anderson placed second in the 500 free and fourth in the 200 free at the WAAA meet. "Jamie's a tremendous trainer and championship competitor," said Phill. "She's a great team leader, and a pleasure to work with."

Stacey Krause, Farmington Hills Harrison, at-large; before Krause, the Harrison team record in the 100 back dated to 1976. Now a senior, Krause has lowered it every year for the past three; she finished 10th this season at the Class B-C-D meet in the 100 back in 1:03.16. A versatile swimmer (she was also part of the Hawks' 12th-place 200 medley re-

lay at state); Krause this year swam personal best times in the 50 and 100 free, the 100 back, 100 fly and 100 breast. She swept most of the top honors at the team banquet, landing the MVP, leadership and high-point scorer awards.

Headed for the University of Michigan in the fall, Krause will take with her "a great attitude and a zest for life that will assure her of success in whatever she chooses to do," said Harrison coach Teresa Peterson.

Jill Mellis, Plymouth Canton, 200-yard individual medley: A sophomore, Mellis just missed scoring at the Class A meet in the 200 IM — she placed 13th. She did score at state as part of Canton's 11th-place 400 free relay.

Mellis was second in the 100 fly and third in the 200 IM at the WAAA meet, and was part of three team record-setting relays. Her efforts earned her MVP honors in a vote of her teammates.

"Jill improved greatly over last season," said Canton coach Hooker Wellman. "She worked very hard in the off-season and came into the season in great shape. She works as hard as any swimmer I've coached and spreads her work ethic throughout the team. It's nice to know we have her for two more years."

Amy Kodrik, Canton, diving: It isn't often a diver is chosen to captain a swim team, but Kodrik was, which should indicate her value to the Chieft. The senior was chosen for the second-consecutive season as the Observer's top diver after winning the WAAA title for the second-straight year.

Kodrik was unbeaten in WAAA meets and set team records with both her six (248.20 points) and 11 (403.70) dive totals. "Amy had another great year," said Wellman. "Working with her for four years taught me an awful lot about diving and diving people. She did a great job in leading our team, especially our younger divers."

Mandi Ras, Plymouth Salem, 50-yard freestyle: A two-time state qualifier, Ras, a sophomore, finished second in the 50 free and third in the 100 free at the WAAA meet. Her best times were 25.13 in the 50 and 55.89 in the 100, which makes Salem coach Chuck Olson believe Ras has the talent to become one of the state's finest sprinters.

Ras has already proven herself. She holds the Salem team record in the 50 free and is part of two others, in the 200 medley and 200 free relays.

Elaina Trager, Harrison, at-large: One of three team captains, Trager — a senior — scored personal bests for both her six (258.85 points) and 11 (398.45 points) dive lists.

Her 11-dive total set a team record and earned her a second-place at the WAAA meet. Trager finished fifth at the Class B-C-D regional and was 19th at the state final.

"Elaina is a very determined young lady," said Peterson. "She overcame a disappointing end to her 1990 season that gave her great strength and motivation to achieve her goals in '91."

the area's fastest backstroker; Knipper, a senior, was second among area breaststrokers to Stevenson's Falk, and Smith, a junior, scored at state in both the 100 and 200 free.

Mandy Speer — a senior, was second only to McCombs among area backstrokers with a best time of 1:01.51. This foursome combined to finish third at the state meet in the 200 medley in 1:50.96.

Earlier in the season, they captured Catholic League (1:53.98) and Oakland County (1:53.77) titles.

Churchill, 200-yard freestyle relay: Lessig, who finished ninth at state meet in the 50-yard free, anchored this Charger unit that started the season by breaking both the WAAA Relays Meet and Salem pool record, and finished it by lowering the WAAA Meet and the Salem pool records.

Jaime Strauch, a freshman; Liz Sorokac, a junior; and Tara Ditchkoff, a senior, joined Lessig in a record-setting season. Their best outing came at the WAAA meet, which they won in 1:41.66. They finished 11th at state meet in 1:42.18.

Mercy, 400-yard freestyle relay: Speer, sophomore — Andrea Hoeflein, Smith and senior Amy Machacek teamed to give the Marlins the top 400 free quartet in the area. Their 3:41.81 clocking at the state finals earned them a ninth place and was the best time by a local team this season.

They weren't as fast at the Catholic League meet, but they were successful, finishing first in 3:50.98. Speer, Hoeflein and Smith were each listed among the area's top 10 100-yard freestylers.



At-large 200-yard medley relay: From left, Jill Knapp, Mandi Falk, Jennifer Knapp, Julie Petrillo, from Livonia Stevenson.



At-large 200-yard freestyle relay: From left, Jeni Cooper, Jill Mellis, April Billins, Beth Berger, from Plymouth Canton.



At-large 400-yard freestyle relay: From left, April Billins, Janet Roberts (seated), Jeni Cooper, Jill Mellis, from Plymouth Canton.



First-team 200-yard medley relay: From left, Jenny McCombs, Mandy Speer, Erika Smith and Katie Knipper, from Farmington Hills Mercy.



First-team 200-yard freestyle relay: From left, Jaime Strauch, Liz Sorokac, Ellen Lessig, from Livonia Churchill, and Tara Ditchkoff.



First-team 400-yard freestyle relay: From left, Andrea Hoeflein, Erika Smith, Amy Machacek, Mandy Speer, from Farmington Hills Mercy.

AT-LARGE RELAYS

Stevenson, 200-yard medley relay: Junior Julie Petrillo, sophomores Jill Knapp and Falk, and senior Jennifer Knapp performed solidly throughout the season, capping it with a ninth at the state final in 1:53.70. Only Mercy's foursome was superior locally.

The Spartans combined to supply Stevenson with its best medley relay in five years. With all but Jennifer Knapp returning next season, this medley — which captured the WAAA title — could move even further up the ladder.

Canton, 200-yard freestyle relay: Two seniors, April Billins and Jeni Cooper, and two sophomores, Jill Mellis and Beth Berger, made this a formidable group. They placed second at the WAAA meet and were just out of the scoring at the state meet, finishing 13th. En route, they set a new team record of 1:42.62.

All four girls were state qualifiers, with Cooper and Billins listed among the Observer's top 10 in both the 50 and 100 free.

Canton, 400-yard freestyle relay: Billins, Mellis and Cooper were joined by senior Janet Roberts to give the Chieft a strong team, one that placed 11th at the

state meet in 3:44.88. Earlier, they set the Canton team record of 3:43.11. The foursome finished second at the WAAA meet. Their coach, Hooker Wellman, knows it will be difficult to replace the three seniors. "Their leadership, as well as their swimming ability, is outstanding," he said.

FIRST-TEAM RELAYS

Mercy, 200-yard medley relay: Three of the team members have been mentioned already. McCombs, a junior, was

1991 ALL-OBSERVER GIRLS SWIM TEAM
First-team Individuals

- 200-yard freestyle: Erika Smith, junior, Farmington Hills Mercy.
- 200-yard individual medley: Jill Mellis, sophomore, Plymouth Canton.
- 50-yard freestyle: Mandi Ras, sophomore, Plymouth Salem.
- Diving: Amy Kodrik, senior, Plymouth Canton.
- 100-yard butterfly: Katie Knipper, senior, Farmington Hills Mercy.
- 100-yard freestyle: Ellen Lessig, senior, Livonia Churchill.
- 500-yard freestyle: Jamie Anderson, senior, Livonia Stevenson.
- 100-yard backstroke: Jenny McCombs, junior, Farmington Hills Mercy.
- 100-yard breaststroke: Mandi Falk, sophomore, Livonia Stevenson.

First-team relays

- 200-yard medley: Mercy (Jenny McCombs, Katie Knipper, Mandy Speer, Erika Smith).
- 200-yard freestyle: Churchill (Jaime Strauch, Liz Sorokac, Tara Ditchkoff, Ellen Lessig).
- 400-yard freestyle: Mercy (Mandy Speer, Andrea Hoeflein, Erika Smith, Amy Machacek).

At-large individuals

- Stacey Krause, senior, Farmington Hills Harrison; Elaina Trager, senior, Farmington Hills Harrison; Jennifer Knapp, senior, Livonia Stevenson.

At-large relays

- 200-yard medley: Stevenson (Julie Petrillo, Jill Knapp, Mandi Falk, Jennifer Knapp).
- 200-yard freestyle: Canton (Jill Mellis, April Billins, Beth Berger, Jeni Cooper).
- 400-yard freestyle: Canton (April Billins, Jill Mellis, Janet Roberts, Jeni Cooper).

Honorable Mention

- North Farmington — Carrie Kranz, Sherr Richardson; Mandy Terrell, Carole Worthen; Farmington — Jill Hawkins, Becky Weary; Farmington Hills Mercy — Michele Welch, Katie Scallen, Nancy Harvey, Amy Dombrowski; Plymouth Salem — Katie Williams, Alyssa Sofos, Candi Bosse, Amy Kodrik; Plymouth Canton — Selena Bastine; Farmington Harrison — Danae Dixon.

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Styers looks for sweet return

By Steve Kowalski
staff writer

Considering the support Jeff "Sweet Ice" Styers has drummed up in the last six months, it's hard to believe anyone could sour on his return to the boxing ring.

After more than a two-year absence from professional boxing, the 1984 Wayne Memorial graduate has moved up two weight classes and also received new direction. Styers, now a middleweight, is managed by Wolfgang Mueller, trained by Ernest Howser and weight trained by Guy Monarch, the manager of Powerhouse Gym in Farmington Hills.

Styers' previous manager, Johnny "Ace" Smith was shot to death in 1989 after Styers had built an 8-0 record as a lightweight (135). After Smith's untimely death, Styers took the long sabbatical but returned last June when he knocked out Milwaukee's Donald Tucker in a welterweight (147) fight on a card at Livonia's Laurel Park.

Mueller is trying to set up his next fight, as a middleweight, for some time in February.

"I don't want to call it a 'come-back' because I was defeated (prior to the time off)," Styers said. "But with the incident that happened to 'Ace,' that was Point 1 in my career. I was young, but I've matured, in

boxing

and out of the ring.

"I don't fight because it's a way-out for me. It's not a pipe dream, there's just a desire in me to be a world champion."

MUELLER, WHO works with the Plunkett & Cooney law firm out of Detroit, said Styers is a marketable fighter. Along with devoting much of his time to boxing, Styers works as an account representative at Microware Distributors in Farmington Hills.

"Jeff is the antithesis of the stereotype boxer," said Mueller, a newcomer to the sports agent business who also represents Tampa Bay Buccaneer player Robert Martz. "You don't see a lot of fighters giving motivational speeches to youth groups, being actively involved in the church. I talked to a writer from Ring Magazine, which is the 'bible of boxing,' and he said Jeff is the thinking man's boxer, which sets Jeff apart."

"Jeff is a prime example of what a positive role model should be as an

athlete. He's one guy who won't be like a William Bedford or Reggie Rogers. A fighter's personality carries so much, my role is to not only direct his career but also of importance is to provide for a secure financial future."

Styers said he has moved up to middleweight because it is a more visible weight class and because his metabolism got to a point where he can't keep his weight down anymore. Working out at Powerhouse Gym has become just as important to Styers as the time he spends in the ring because moving up in weight has put more premium on being stronger.

Styers' typical day begins at 6 a.m. at the Powerhouse Gym where he works on strength and conditioning, followed by an eight-hour day at Microware, and a four-mile run after work. At night he trains at the Livonia Boxing Club.

STYERS SAID WHEN he first began weight training last fall, the maximum he could bench press was

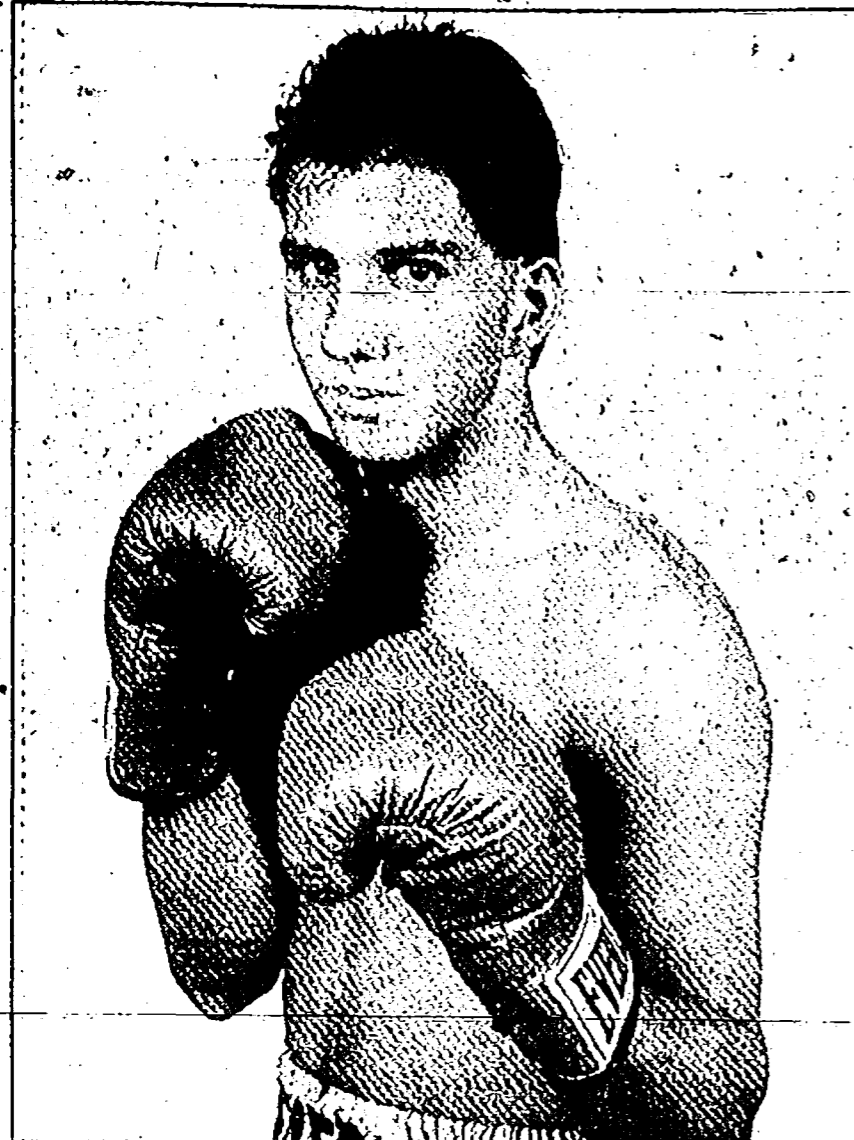
160 pounds. Now he can bench 225. "Guy has been instrumental in making the transition happen," Styers said. "You're not going to go to middleweight because you want to go there. You have to have the power to go there. Prior to (heavyweight) Evander Holyfield, weight lifting was considered taboo. For me to move up to middle weight and at the same time tackle a weight lifting program, I was hesitant at first, but with Guy's help my strength is increasing."

Said Mueller: "You don't get comfortable fighting at that higher weight overnight, but even his (boxing) trainer (Howser) noticed an increase in strength and that he was hitting the mitts harder."

Although his middleweight career is just started, Mueller plans to "get Styers in a position for a title shot in a year, year-and-a-half or two years, at the most."

If all goes well for Styers his father Jerry will be the first beneficiary.

"I'm trying to retire my father early," Styers said. "He's made a lot of sacrifices for myself and family. Taking care of him would be the first thing I'd do with my first big payday."



Jeff Styers is determined to make it as a professional boxer despite a more than two-year sabbatical from the sport. Styers is a 1984 Wayne Memorial graduate.

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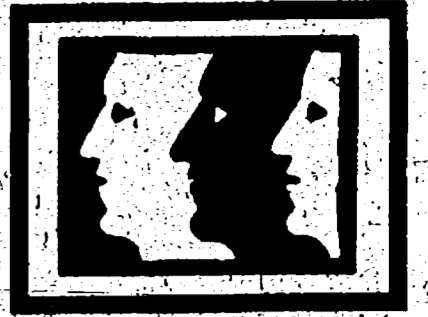
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WELL IT'S JANUARY, THE January everyone has been waiting for. The January that somehow holds the magic panacea for all that ails the U.S. economy.

Will things better? Stay the same? Get worse? According to astrologer Evelyn Button, status quo may be the description of 1992.

"The cycle of change will continue on its merry way, mowing down anyone who tries to stop it," she says.

She has a few general observations about the new year:

- President George Bush is still in a difficult period which started a year ago. His health continues to be an issue along with his inability to get off dead center.

- The elections in 1992 will bring some real surprises. The mood of the country is very challenging and the Bush Administration will be burning the midnight oil.

- Look for some seismic activities around the Hawaiian Islands.

- Interest rates continue to fall, to unprecedented lows. The economy continues its slide through 1992 and into 1993, and then some. The stock market may visit the 2,000 mark and maybe lower.

"The news is not good, however, this happens to be the cycle we're in . . . and this too shall pass," said Button. "The universe is only telling us it's time to get back to basics."

As for event further into the future, Button foresees a breakthrough in the treatment of AIDS around 1998 — "Hopefully, the year 2000 may bring some real relief in this area," she said. "This is only the beginning but look for some form of national health insurance to be in place by 1993."

And what's in store for us in 1992? Let's see . . .

ARIES (March 21-April 20): You are known as the pioneer of the Zodiac, with an energy level that leaves most people in the wake of your dust. This is a year when concentration on your goals is a must as the cycle of the planets continues to rattle your cage.

The March 21-April 4 births can take a breather. Uncertainty and change await the April 5-20 births. Fear not, for many this may indicate some positive trends. Resistance to change may be the real culprit in this whole scenario.

Business activities or conditions related to domestic issues may prove to be challenging. Pay attention and stand alert as this is the year when opportunity may knock at your door.

TAURUS (April 21-May 21): A penchant for the material world has sharpened your appreciation for the finer things of life. Thus you are known as the gourmet of the Zodiac. However, changes for you are never easy, and it may require an act of Congress to convince you.

This is your year to reap some of the rewards. New and exciting opportunities are in reach. If in litigation, look for it to be resolved.

The May 5-11 births may find some obstacles in getting focused, as relationships or domestic issues may fog your view. Patience and fortitude are the key words here.

This is the year when "bored" will not be a part of your vocabulary. The favorable visit of Jupiter aspects to your sign will dilute any adversities that cross your path; keeping in motion your efforts toward progress.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21): Your T-shirt should read "The Great Communicator." You are never at a loss for words. Your nature and personality, unlike your Taurus neighbor, lends itself to ease in change and great flexibility.

1992 cycles for you, focuses on laying a foundation through formal or self-taught studies. Keep a sharp pencil handy along with a good eraser as taxes, insurances or some legal papers may be highlighted, requiring your attention. Things in general are brighter as time goes on.

Your management skills are lending themselves as more confident and efficient; be it on the job or in organizational matters. The new home or plans for renovations should be approached with caution. Your optimism is high but needs to be tempered where major investments are concerned.

CANCER (June 22-July 23): The principal of nurturing and the gift of keen sensitivity to the needs of others is your hallmark in life. The challenges of the last year continues in the area of partnership and/or joint venture. Difficult marriages or relationships will be resolved one way or another.

Increased responsibility tends to hamper your need for self-expression. Control the urge to "burn your bridges." There is, however, a bright side as Pluto, the Planet of Change, suggests difficulties can be and are resolved.

1992 — A new future

Investments prove to be realistic. Be alert for opportunities to advance in your profession. The July 6-11 birthdays must remember the law of physics "for every action there is a reaction." Your basic need to nurture may take second place as you start to expand your horizons in some public forum.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23): The sign Leo is known as the great choreographer; as you tend to do everything with style and flare. Look for some improvements in cash flow as the year progresses.

Increased responsibility may tap into your energy level as the planet Saturn opposes your sign. Relationships in general may be testy, some of you may find you are forced to deal with unsupported relationships. Now is the time to resolve these feelings, stand up and be counted!

Put your house in order. Job changes, residential moves, repairs or remodeling continue to influence you. The Aug. 10-15 birthdays may want to consider a good physical checkup.

Rest and relaxation is very important to help offset some of the power struggle you are apt to engage in with others. Remember the old adage that "Patience is a virtue." You will win in the long run!

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23): Who ever said "Everything in its place and a place for everything" had Virgo in mind as you are one of the most fastidious signs of the Zodiac. Your strengths lie in your practicality, thus wasting time can be very annoying.

The year 1992 finds you in a new 12-year cycle. For many of you, it is time to smell the roses. With the benefic planet Jupiter in your sign, you should experi-

ence more self-confidence, wise investments and, if you have children, resolution to past problems are within the realm of reason.

Saturn, a planet that forces discipline, may bring about some delays through obstacles in the work area. Standard concepts and traditions may be challenged. The earlier Virgos (Sug. 24-Sept. 7), relax; this does not apply to you.

A diet and fitness program may be just what the doctor orders. It will do you a world of good. Are you considering a new pet? Make sure you have the time, think twice and weigh the consequences of your decision.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23): The diplomat of the Zodiac, the negotiators in the Middle East could really use you. Your ability to soothe ruffled feathers is well known.

The Sept. 24-Oct. 8 births have taken their knocks the last year or so. Rest easy, these cycles for you are leaving. Some of the later births, however, may find the detours lead to a narrow, rocky road. Just hang on and get off at the nearest exit.

The most challenging problems you have are resistance to change. Remain flexible and take advantage of the new people and opportunities that will be presented to you. New doors will open, letting the sunshine in. Children should be a source of comfort to you. House moves or renovations are likely as your in a restless mode. Just avoid impulsive actions and above all, be aware of the sleek con artist.

This is also a good time to see your ophthalmologist; the visit may help you see better in more ways than one!

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22): The most intense sign of the Zodiac, with a power of concentration that is equal

to none. You have your own cue cards and always seem to know when to make your move.

This is an excellent year to stimulate and stretch your mind and spirit. Transformation and change continues on its course determined to alter your resistance. It's time you started to go with the flow.

For some, wedding bells will ring; for others the possible gavel of the judge as he hands down the decree. Job changes are in the form of a promotion for some, while others have all they can do to hang on to what they have.

Just remember no matter what, you are in a cycle of self-empowerment. This can be a positive period, but you must go for the "burn."

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21): The song, "Don't Fence Me In," had you in mind; confinement or restrictions of any kind would be very distressful as it would hamper your charm and lighthearted manner.

Your need for honesty this year must be couched with diplomacy. Serious studies or other mental disciplines will be part of the scenario of 1992. It is a favorable year to make steady progress in your chosen field.

This is a year to see where you are going as you look back to see where you have been. Stick to your constructive plans. Care must be exercised when signing any contracts or engaging in any verbal agreements.

A generous attitude will come with ease where siblings or other family members are concerned. Watch the enthusiasm; you may promise more than you can deliver. Gambling and unwise speculation should be avoided. Focus your energy on goal setting and laying the foundation for future success.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 20): Ambition and determination are gifts bestowed on you at birth, along with organizational skills which endear you to upper management.

This is the year to define your goals, seek out new friends and improve your technique in networking. Jan. 3-10 births may encounter idealistic romances or fall in the trap of self-deception while in these encounters. The Dec. 22-Jan. 2 births can attest to this. The last several years, your standards and traditions have and continue to be challenged by none other than yourself.

The most difficult problem you face is the feeling you are not in control as you search the bag of surprises sitting at your feet. Life will not be dull. Travel, romance and job contacts will keep you bouncing. Believing in yourself will help you deal with whatever comes your way.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19): Your sincere interest and concern for others is part of your charm. This is why Aquarians are known as the humanitarians of the Zodiac.

1992 finds you cautious and reserved due to the burden of responsibility this cycle has placed on you. The good news is your business acumen will be highlighted, shedding favorable light over you for all to behold.

Rest and relaxation are a must on your agenda as your energy levels will be taxed. Latent intuitive faculties are stimulated as you expand in business or in your profession. The Feb. 7-12 birthdays may engage in power struggles with yourself or others — job changes or a sense of "now what should I do" type of thing.

See your doctor as health issues may come up that are not very serious but let your doctor reassure you. New people are coming into your life that may help expand your horizon and dispel your fear of rejection. The sweet smell of confidence will do wonders.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20): Your sensitive and demure nature is what most people observe. By contrast and not easily observed is your strong will and inner strength. Your gift of perception helps you avoid many pitfalls and the quality of your imagination enhances your talents in the arts.

The March 6-13 births can climb the higher rung of the ladder and experience a new found sense of freedom. This continues to be a time for personal advancement in organizations and/or business. New friends and financial benefits are favorable.

Nothing is perfect as small glitches will continue to nag you from time to time. You tend to fret over conditions that are not important. The opportunities are there, but the choices are yours. Get your reservations in early; it looks like you may decide to do some traveling.

Persons interested in astrology classes beginning in mid-January can contact Evelyn Button, a local astrologer, teacher, lecturer, radio/TV columnist and representative for Astrology Software, at 464-1691.

Old tool offers new alternative to a hysterectomy

By Sue Mason
Staff Writer

As one woman's hysterectomy was the solution for menorrhagia (excessive menstrual bleeding), a procedure that has been used for more than 30 years to treat male infertility is coming to the forefront as the latest alternative.

The technical name is endometrial ablation, the shortening of the uterus's endometrium. The tool has a less than technical name, roller ball ablation, for years used to treat the condition of the endometrium.

"The roller ball ablation is done by hand," said Dr. Michael Kent, a gynecologist at a local hospital, who is the procedure for WOOD-TV's

"Health Advantage" show. "Six hundred thousand of the 700,000 performed each year are done because of excessive bleeding."

Kent, an obstetrician/gynecologist with offices in Livonia and Northville, is one of a few doctors in the metropolitan area performing endometrial ablation using the

Roller ball surgery is performed with an instrument, called a resectoscope, a thin wand with an electrically charged ball or loop at the tip, equipped with a built-in light and miniature camera, allowing the surgeon to visualize the endometrium on a video monitor.

Karla Westergard of Walked Lake was one of Kent's patients to opt for the alternative surgery. At age 34, Westergard was experiencing heavy bleeding three out of four

weeks each month.

Kent recommended a hysterectomy, but Westergard balked. She waited six months before seeing him again. Expecting to hear about the hysterectomy again, she was surprised when Kent offered her a new option — roller ball surgery.

Westergard, who appears on the show with Kent, decided on the outpatient surgery and is glad she did.

"I felt so good after the surgery that I wanted to go back to work the next day, but I didn't because he told me to take a few days off," she said.

"There shouldn't be any change in the woman," Kent said. "The cervix is still there, the vagina is still there. There's just no menstrual cycle."

KENT PERFORMS roller ball surgery

on an outpatient basis at Sinal Hospital in Detroit, one of the pluses of the new procedure.

A hysterectomy requires use of surgical suite, a hospital stay of 5-6 days and 6-8 weeks for recovery. Its cost can be \$8,000-10,000. And because it is major surgery, it has a higher complication rate.

Roller ball surgery, on the other hand, requires no hospitalization, no recovery time or disruption in work or home schedule. It is far cheaper than a hysterectomy at about \$2,000 and its complication rate is considerably lower, according to Kent, who lives in West Bloomfield.

Kent admits that the procedure isn't for every woman. While it is an effective treatment for excessive bleeding, it's not an ap-

propriate treatment for uterine cancer.

And, according to Kent, it isn't 100 percent effective. Some women will experience some bleeding after the surgery and in a few (2 percent), it fails to stem the bleeding, prompting a hysterectomy.

There also is one other problem. Because it is a relatively new procedure, the costs — all or a portion — aren't covered by some medical insurers. Patients need to check with the insurance companies in considering the surgery, he said.

The "Health Advantage" segment on roller ball surgery, with host Letitia Wiegand, will air at 6:30 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 12, 3:30 a.m. Friday, Jan. 17, and 7:30 or 8 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 18, on WXON-TV Channel 30.

clubs in action

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

ATTENTION DEFICIT

The Attention Deficit Disorder Association will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 2, at the Farmington Hills Library, 32737 W. 12 Mile Road, west of Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills. The meeting will be a rap session. Registration begins at 7 p.m. For more information, call 464-8233.

BOTANICAL CLUB

The Southeast Chapter of the Michigan Botanical Club will meet at 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 5, at the Troy Public Library, 510 W. Big Beaver Road, Troy. Helen Johnson will speak about mushrooms. For more information, call Forbes Miller at 348-0559.

WOMEN'S NETWORK

The Women's Network will start the New Year off with a guest speaker from Weight Watchers at its Monday, Jan. 6, meeting. The program will be at 6 p.m. with hors d'oeuvres at 5:30 p.m. at the Mountain Jack Restaurant, 26207 W. Warren, Dearborn Heights. Cost is \$4 for members, \$5 for guests. For information, call 425-0941.

DOG OBEDIENCE

The Detroit German Shepherd Dog Obedience Training Club will offer all-breed obedience classes, beginning Monday, Jan. 6, at the American Legion Hall, 31775 Grand River, Farmington. Novice classes are at 7 and 8 p.m. Mondays, advanced classes at 7 p.m. Wednesday, followed by open and utility classes at 8 p.m. Classes are open to dogs six months and older at a cost of \$75 for the 12-week session. A health certificate is required. For information, call Diane Sachs at 476-2477.

DAR

The John Sackett Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution, will meet at noon Saturday, Jan. 11, at the residence of Cynthia Cote, Carroll Jackson, executive director of the Greater Detroit Society for the Blind, will present "Overview of Services to the Visually Impaired from Revolutionary Times to the Present." Members should bring school supplies for the boys at the Michigan Mooney Godard Cottage.

The Three Flags Chapter of the DAR will hold its monthly meeting at noon Monday, Jan. 13, at the residence of Harriet Tindal of Lathrup Village. Tindal, the state DAR chairman for the Columbus Quincentennial Committee, will give a presentation on "Columbus: The Admiral of the Ocean Sea" and discuss some of the changes following his 1492 discovery. Hostesses will be Beverly Outright of Royal Oak and Irene Foster of Novi. For information, call 559-4109.

The Colonel Joshua Howard Chapter of the DAR will meet 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 21, at the McFadden Ross Museum, 915 Brady, Dearborn. Kurt Sebal of the Penrickton Cen-

ter for Blind Children will be the guest speaker. For information, call Mary at 721-7227 or Hilary at 278-1181.

MUSIC CLASSES

Schoolcraft College has expanded its professional level music instruction to voice, piano, guitar, violin for high school and college students. Professional teaching and peer involvement in a private setting will be available, beginning Saturday, Jan. 11. To register, call the music department at 462-4400, Ext. 5225. Schoolcraft College is at Haggerty and Seven Mile roads, Livonia.

TORTICOLLIS SUPPORT

The Torticollis Support Group will meet at 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 11, at Peace Lutheran Church, 11701 E. 12 Mile Road, just east of Hoover, Warren. The speaker will be Woody Swartz who will discuss "Turning Stress into Your Ally." For information, call 462-0663 or 534-8539.

HOSPICE VOLUNTEERS

Hospice of Southeastern Michigan is offering training for hospice volunteers Saturday, Jan. 25, at the Northville United Methodist Church, 777 W. Eight Mile, Northville. To register or for further information, call Shirley Moore, 559-9292.

Hospice of Washtenaw County needs volunteers to assist with program support or direct care of terminally ill clients and their families. For information, call Maureen at 741-5777.

CRAFT FAIR

Artisans and crafters are needed for a spring arts and crafts fair April 4-5, sponsored by Northwestern Community Services. Hours will be 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. both days at UAW Local 157 Hall, 29841 Van Born Road, Romulus. For information, call Shirley or Denise at 425-7977 between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.

NICOTINE ANONYMOUS

Nicotine Anonymous-NICA meets at 7 p.m. Saturdays at Botsford Hospital Administration Building, 28050 Grand River, Farmington Hills. The group offers a 12-step program to help quit smoking and stay quit. For more information, call Becky at 728-9123.

WATCH

WATCH (Wives and Their Cheating Husbands), a support group for women coping with and/or recovering from their spouse's extramarital affairs, meets at 6:45 p.m. the first and third Wednesdays of the month at the Novi Public Library, 45245 W. 10 Mile Road. For information, call 357-5856.

ARTHRITIS SUPPORT

The Dearborn-Dearborn Heights Arthritis Support Group meets 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. the last Thursday of the month in Room 5 at the Henry Ford Medical Center-Fairlane, 19401 Hubbard Drive, Dearborn. The meetings feature group discussions and support, speakers, videos and range-of-motion exercises. For information, call 350-3030.

Writer is remarkable but complex

Dear Lorene Green,
Please consider me for your next graphology candidate.
I am fascinated by your unusual ability to comprehend the human personality.
I am right-handed and female.
Looking forward to your insightful comments.



*Dear Lorene Green,
Please consider me for your next graphology candidate.*

S.D. Franklin
Today we are studying the handwriting of a remarkable, though rather complex young woman. The old cliché, "Never judge a book by its cover," is a caveat worth consideration here.

This young woman has an over-desire to shine. She appears to be seeking love and recognition to compensate for what she feels she lacked in early life.

Life has not always been a bowl of cherries for her. It seems quite possible that she experienced some trauma in her parental home. To her credit, she has moved away from some of this and is learning good coping skills.

Our writer has developed quite a charming side. She appears to be a

glib talker and is able to blend comfortably with people or conditions of the moment. She is gracious and accommodating much of the time and is probably not above some manipulation when it serves her purpose. A little social ambition is also suggested.

She seeks to avoid friction. How-

ever, when push comes to shove, she can take care of herself.

Seemingly, our writer does not wish others to see the real inner person. She tends to cover up and/or overcompensate for qualities she feels are shortcomings. Not always confident, she does a little grandstanding to propel herself into the

limelight.
There is an artistic flair to this handwriting. She has an eye for aesthetics. Her enthusiasm comes to the forefront when involved in things which are appealing to her.
Keeping her moods on an even keel doesn't always come easy for our writer. At times, she struggles with changeable feelings. This is when she feels quite lonely, I think.

A little carelessness weaves through this sample of handwriting and may result in small mishaps. This could be a subconscious ploy for attention from those around her.

Two things are suggested by the careful writing of her numbers. The first is a preoccupation with security. The second could be job-related.

If you would like to have your handwriting analyzed in this newspaper, write to Lorene C. Green, a certified graphologist, at 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48156. Please use a full sheet of white, unlined paper, writing in the first person singular. Age, handedness and full signature are all helpful and objective feedback is always welcome.

new voices

KIM and LAURA MARCH of Canton announce the birth of **CODY JODY** Oct. 15 at Sinai Hospital in Detroit. He has twin sisters, Jacqueline and Alexandra. Grandparents are Edward and Delores March of Livonia and Bill and Joyce Walker, also of Livonia.

DANIEL and ROBIN EDWARDS of Ypsilanti announce the birth of **ROBERT DANIEL** Nov. 4 at Annapolis Hospital in Wayne. Grandmother is Mona Riegel of Westland.

GREGORY and PAULETTE EDGECOMB of Westland announce the birth of **ANGELA LYNN** Nov. 10 at Annapolis Hospital in Wayne. Grandparents are Albert and Bernadette Adam of Westland and Charles Edgcomb of Los Angeles, Calif.

PAUL and JENNIFER RAN-DALL announce the birth of **NICHOLE TERESA** Nov. 10 in Raleigh, N.C. She has a "big" sister, Grace June. Grandparents are Leonard and June Randall of Livonia and William and Terri Diniak of Haver, Mass.

WILLIAM and JULIA KESSLER of Westland announce the birth of **MICHAEL JOSEPH** Nov. 12 at Annapolis Hospital in Wayne. He has a "big" sister, Nicole Marie. Grandparents are Michael Kessler of Southgate and Loren and Wanda Brennan of Taylor. Great-grandparents are Harris and Anita McCandless of Taylor.

ROBERT and ARLENE HELDT of Redford announce the birth of **MITCHELL EDWARD** July 27 at Oakwood Hospital in Dearborn. He has a "big" sister, Ariel, and a "big" brother, Darick. Grandparents are Edward and Carol Heltd of Ann Arbor and Donald and Beatrice Johnson of Marquette.

KEVIN and MARY ANN REILLY of Livonia announce the birth of **ANGELA** Nov. 17 at Annapolis Hospital in Wayne. Grandparents are Giacomo Mini of Hasbrouck Heights, N.J., Maureen Reilly of Springhill, Fla., and Joseph Reilly of Canton Township.

RUSS and KATHY LARABELL of Livonia announce the birth of **SARAH KATE** Oct. 5 at Huron Valley Hospital. She has two "big" sisters, Kellie, 7, and Karen, 4. Grandparents are Jim and Margaret Hawes and Joseph and Craven Larabell, all of Livonia.

PAUL and PATRICIA PORTER of Wayne announce the birth of **EMILY ANNE** Nov. 21 at Annapolis Hospital in Wayne. Grandparents are LeRoy and Emily Porter of Arcadia, Fla., and Albert Dempsey and Gail Dempsey, both of Garden City.

BRIAN and PATRICIA HORANOFF of Mt. Pleasant, formerly of Livonia and Westland, announce the birth **NICHOLAS THOMAS** July 20 at St. Luke's Hospital in Houston, Texas. Grandparents are Donald and Marie Horanoff of Livonia and Thomas and Alice Maloney of Westland.

STEVE and ANN RUCKDASCH of Westland announce the birth of **GREGORY STEVEN** Nov. 19 at Annapolis Hospital in Wayne.

Grandparents are Don and Gladys Peterson of Des Moines, IA., and Doug and Kay Ruckdaschel of Polkville, Iowa.

JIM and RENA SINCLAIR of Orchard Park, N.Y., announce the birth of **CHRISTINA MARIE** Nov. 7. Grandparents are James and Marilyn Sinclair of Plymouth and Leo and Christina Wojtylo of Hamtramck. Great-grandparents are Tom and Doris Wood and Roland Johnson, all of Redford.

MR. and MRS. JAMES A. VILLEROT of Garden City announce the birth of **MARY SARAH** Nov. 11 at Providence Hospital in Southfield. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. William A. Villerot of Livonia and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Chapman of Belleville.

CHUCK and JULIE WOLF announce the birth of **DAVID MATTHEW** Nov. 4 at the Family Birthing Center in Southfield. He has two "big" brothers, Daniel, 6, and Kevin, 2.

anniversaries

James and Violet Mix



A Dec. 28 party at the Riverside Park Church of God in Livonia honored James and Violet Mix of Canton Township, who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

The couple exchanged wedding vows on Dec. 25, 1941, in Bono, Ark. She is the former Violet Jones.

The Mixes have three children — Jerry of Florence, Ore., Karen Glenn of Westland and Cindy Reed of Canton Township. They also have six grandchildren.

They have lived in the Detroit area for 43 years and currently winter in Punta Gorda, Fla. He is a retiree of Detroit Edison, and she is a retiree of the GM Hydra-Matic Division.

singles connection

WESTSIDE

Westside Singles will have a dance 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday, Jan. 3, at Burton Manor, formerly Roma's of Livonia, 27777 Schoolcraft, west of Inkster Road. Dressy attire is required. For information, call 562-3160.

TR-WEST

Tri-West Singles and Friday Night Singles West Side will have a dance 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday, Jan. 3, at Roma's of Garden City, 32550 Cherry Hill Road at Venoy. There will be DJ entertainment and a cash bar. Admission is \$4. For information, call 427-0037 or 425-1430.

MEETING PLACE

The Meeting Place will have a singles dance party 8 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Friday, Jan. 3, at the Karas House, Plymouth Road, one block east of Telegraph, Redford. For information, call 397-3992.

SINGLE PROFESSIONALS

Single Professionals will be bowling at 9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 3, at the Drakeshire Lanes, 3500 Grand River, east of Drake. There also will be cross country skiing at 11:15 a.m.

Sunday, Jan. 5, at Kensington Metropolitan Golf Course. For more information, call 478-9181.

TRI-WEST

Tri-West Singles and Friday Night Singles West Side will have a dance 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday, Jan. 3, at Roma's of Garden City, 32550 Cherry Hill, near Venoy. Admission is \$4. For information, call 427-0037 or 425-1430.

SATURDAY WESTSIDE

Saturday Night Singles Westside will have a dance 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 4, at Hawthorne Valley Country Club, Merriman north of Warren Road, Westland. Dressy attire. For information, call 277-4242.

TRI-COUNTY

Tri-County Singles will have a dance 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 4, at Royce Hotel, I-94, and Merriman, Romulus. For information, call 842-7422.

GRIEF SUPPORT

New Start, a group people who are widowed, will meet 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 12, in the chapel of Ward Presbyterian Church, 17000 Farm-

ington Road, at the corner of Six Mile, Livonia. Attorney Robert Perry will discuss some of the health laws recently passed by Congress. Grief support groups continue at 10:30 a.m. Wednesdays, Jan. 15 and 29, and 7:30 p.m. Thursdays, Jan. 9 and 23. These groups are sponsored by Single Point Ministries, a singles ministry of Ward Presbyterian Church. For information, call 422-1854.

BETHANY WEST

Bethany West, a support group for divorced and separated people, will have its monthly meeting at 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 4, at St. Robert Bellarmine Catholic Church, Inkster Road at West Chicago. Guest speaker will be handwriting analyst Al Woods. An afterglow will follow the meeting. Price is \$3. For information, call 326-9156 or 522-2394.

BALLROOM DANCE CLASS

Ballroom dance class for beginners starts 7-8:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 6, at Jane Addams Elementary School, 14025 Berwyn. The classes are sponsored by Redford Parks and Recreation. Price is \$20 for the 10-week session. For information, call 471-4168.

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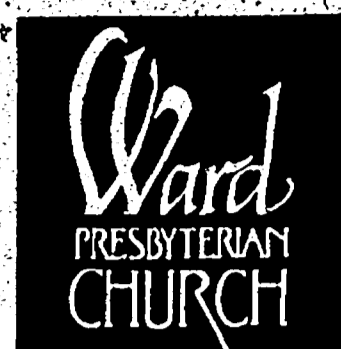


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Timothy Lutheran Church
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Dr. Ritter preaching
Dr. William Ritter
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Rev. William Frayer

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Phil. 2:11

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Saturday 4:30 & 6:30 P.M.
Sun. 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 A.M. & 1:00 P.M.

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Rev. Randy Whitcomb
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9:30 A.M. - Sunday School
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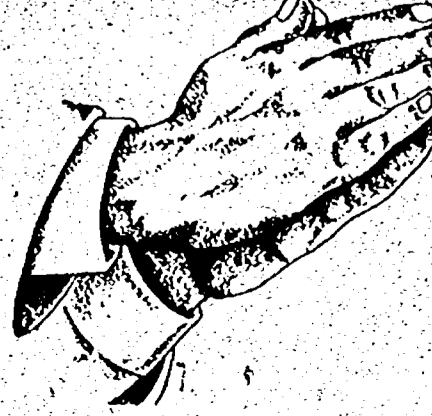
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Mormon faithful on rise in western Wayne County

By Sue Mason
staff writer

Its beginning may have been fraught with persecution, but more than 130 years after its founding, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints is experiencing a growth spurt. So much so that a new ward, or congregation, has been formed in western Wayne County.

The church's Plymouth Ward, with 637 members, recently divided to form a Canton Ward, which takes in all of Canton Township and part of Superior Township.

According to Mark Beauchene of the Westland Stake, of which the wards are a subdivision, the growth in the Plymouth Ward was because of people moving into the area, growth within the member families and the addition of new members

through conversion and baptism.

Generally, wards have between 300-600 members. When membership tops 600, a division is considered. In the case of the Plymouth Ward, members spent 8-12 months studying the division, making some proposals and choosing one that they "felt best about," Beauchene said.

"The wards aren't particularly large because of the emphasis on closeness," he said. "It's a size where we have enough people to teach classes and still have the closeness."

Also known as the Mormon Church from the church's Book of Mormon, the history of several civilizations in ancient America, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints places considerable emphasis on family and individual development.

IN FACT, if a person is interested in joining the church, he or she is en-

couraged to join with his respective family, Beauchene said.

The church has no professional clergy; lay members are chosen as regional and local officers. Believing in revelations — "In Genesis, Moses asked Aaron to serve." — male members are asked to serve. According to Beauchene, a worthy male member 12 years and older is eligible to hold an office of responsibility in the priesthood.

The priesthood is divided into two subdivisions — Melchizedek (higher) made up of the elders and high priests and Aaronic (lesser) made up of the deacons, teachers and priests.

Men called to the Melchizedek priesthood are called by the stake president, and it is those elders who confirm members of the church and confer blessings through "the laying of the hands."

"There's a worthiness factor," Beauchene said. "The church sees if you have lived a life in the way of the church and if you're interested in teaching. It's like free agency. You've got to make your own choices. You're tested to learn and grow."

A PRESIDENT and two counselors preside over each stake and district, and a bishop and two counselors preside over each ward. Dan Dunningan of Canton Township, who was the bishop of the entire ward, is now bishop of the Canton Ward. His counselors are Denny Holyboak and Larry Asay also of Canton.

Stepping in as bishop of the Plymouth Ward is Hal Anderson, with Jim Makenzie of Novi and Mike Richardson of Plymouth Township as his counselors.

While women can't be ordained to the priesthood, they are organized in

a similar pattern in the Relief Society. They serve as missionaries, preach sermons from the pulpit and lead congregational prayers in worship services and hold administrative and teaching positions at all levels.

The temples are reserved for such sacred ordinances as marriages and baptisms, so wards use chapels or other buildings for worship services and other weekly meetings. With the division, the Plymouth Ward will share facilities with the Livonia Ward at Six Mile and Merriman roads, Beauchene said. The Canton Ward will use the Westland Stake Building on Hix Road in Westland.

And it appears another new ward may be organized in the near future. Membership in the Westland Ward nearing the 600 mark, Beauchene said.

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— Mark Beauchene

Computer age poses a threat to our moral values

As we celebrate the 200th anniversary of the Bill of Rights, a contemporary concern not envisaged by our forebearers has emerged — the invasion of privacy. Anyone who has attended school, applied for a job, sent in an income tax form, or used a credit card is the object of an information file, or dossier. In fact, most adult Americans are the subject of not one, but as many as 20 dossiers.

Without information about its citizens, American society would be incapable of carrying out some important law-enforcement functions. For example, reservoirs of data allow officials to apprehend dangerous animals, or restaurants and stores to allow credit to strangers. But computer banks do pose a threat to human society and moral values.

Consider this item: A man



moral perspectives

Rabbi Irwin Groner

bought a turntable from a Chicago mail-order electronics distributor. When it didn't work properly, he promptly sent it back, making no payment. Soon he received threatening letters from the company, which he ignored. Today, no store will extend him credit, no matter where he goes in the country.

CREDIT BUREAUS presently cause the most problems for the private citizen. They compile all types

of data — drinking habits, medical histories, driving records — anything that might reveal what kind of credit risk the applicant is.

Once labeled a "dead-beat," the consumer must go through considerable effort and red tape to get his status changed or have his name removed.

A potentially far more serious threat to personal well-being is posed by governmental information

gathering. If need be, we can live without credit, but we can't live without government.

The executive branch of the federal government alone uses 10,000 computers. Included in these data banks are 86 million individuals on file in the Justice Department's Fingerprint and Criminal Identification Division, as well as 7 million Army investigative files.

Several years ago, the Office of Management and Budget proposed a national data bank. Everyone would be assigned a number, which would serve for every identification purpose imaginable. Existing information from various agencies could be linked by the new communications technology.

Many aspects of our lives including religion, occupation, education,

marital status, income, preference in restaurants and stores, leisure-time pursuits, and even love affairs would be available for retrieval by government officials.

SUCH A SERIOUS invasion of privacy was met by vigorous opposition which forced the abandonment of this proposal. But the danger remains, for every federal agency considers itself a data center, and we have not yet developed policies and regulations to control and restrain the impact of computer technology on the legitimate concern of individual privacy.

Vance Packard once warned of an "Electronic Frankenstein's monster in the making." He wrote: "My hunch is that Big Brother, if he ever comes to the United States, may turn

out to be not a greedy power seeker, but rather a relentless bureaucrat obsessed with efficiency."

And yet, the computer has brought great benefits to our society, and has made possible the development of communications, and the storage of information on a scale never before possible.

The computer is not an enemy. It can make no moral judgments — only the people who program it can do that. In the computer age, eternal vigilance continues to be the price of liberty. New challenges to freedom require greater social awareness and an informed and responsible public policy.

Rabbi Irwin Groner is with Congregation Shaarey Zedek in Southfield.

religion calendar

Items for the religion calendar should be submitted no later than noon Friday the week prior to publication.

CHARISMATIC MASS

The Catholic Charismatic Groups of the South Region will have a charismatic Mass at 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 10 at St. Edith Catholic Church, 15089 Newburgh Road, north of Jeffries Freeway, Livonia. Msgr. Edward Burkhardt, the Rev. James Scheik and members of the clergy of the South Region will be the celebrants. Prayer teams, refreshments and fellowship will follow. For information, call 464-1222.

BIBLE STUDY

Hosanna-Tabor Lutheran Church, 9600 Levee, Redford, will present a winter session of Bible study 7-8:30 p.m. Thursdays, Jan. 9 through Feb. 27. Three classes will be offered: "Parenting the Child," Haroldine Witto; "Working Women," Pat Sadler; and "Law and Gospel," Dean Wachholz and Gerald Schueller. Special classes will be offered for children age 5 through sixth grade. A youth program for seventh through 12th graders is also planned. For information, call 937-2424.

EXERCISE CLASS

Mt. Hope Congregational Church, 30330 Schoolcraft, Livonia, will offer an exercise class 9:30 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, beginning Jan. 14. Proceeds will benefit the church. For information, call 459-9485.

ADULT CLASSES

Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 14175 Farmington Road, Livonia, will offer adult information classes for those who want to learn more about the Christian faith and the Lutheran church. Sessions will be led by the Rev. Luther Werth, senior pastor. They will begin 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 21, and will run for 12 consecutive Tuesdays. Child care will be provided. For information, call 522-6830.

SCRIPTURE EXPERT

The Rev. Jack Castelot, a well-known Scripture expert and speaker, will discuss Luke's Gospel 8 p.m. Wednesdays, Jan. 8-29, at St. Edith Parish, 15089 Newburgh, Livonia. The focus of the series will be Luke's

Gospel as compared to Matthew, Mark and John.

Castelot holds a doctorate in sacred theology from Catholic University of America and a Licentiate in sacred Scripture from the Pontifical Biblical Institute of Rome. For information, call 464-1222.

FAMILY HOUR

Livonia Church of Christ, 15431 Merriman, at Five Mile, will have family hour 7-7:45 p.m. Wednesdays for families with children of all ages. In December, the group will focus on the birth of Christ. Stories, songs and activities will be included. For information, call 427-8743.

NEW MINISTRY

The Main Street Baptist Church, 8500 N. Morton-Taylor, Canton, has started a new ministry to help persons suffering from substance abuse. The program, "Overcomer's Outreach" meets twice monthly and is for the chemically dependent and their families. The support group will meet at 7 p.m. on Jan. 7 and Jan. 21. For more information, call 453-4785.

DIVORCE GROUP

Bethany West, a support group for the divorced and separated, will have its monthly meeting on Saturday, Jan. 4, at St. Robert Bellarmine Catholic Church at Inkster and West Chicago roads in Livonia. For more information, call 326-9156 or 522-2394.

TIBETAN BUDDHISM

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

CHARISMATIC PRAYER

Singing, praise and Scripture are featured 6-7:30 p.m. Sundays at the Patio Classroom No. 1 at the Madonna University Center, 14221 Levan, north of Schoolcraft in Livonia. The meetings are open to the public.

NORTHWEST SOFTBALL

The Northwest Christian Women's Softball League is looking for additional churches. The league will have its first meeting Tuesday, Jan. 21.

The NCWS is a low-competitive, recreational league that emphasizes fellowship and cooperation among its teams. For information, call 478-4929.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE

Main Street Baptist Church, 8500 N. Morton Taylor in Canton, has begun an outreach ministry to aid those whose lives have been affected by the problems of drug and alcohol abuse. Support groups for family members and friends of substance abusers meet regularly, as do drug and alcohol recovery groups.

The next meeting of the recovery group, the Overcomers Group, will be at Main Street Baptist Church. The family support group will meet 7 p.m. Tuesdays, Jan. 7 and 21. For information, call the church, 453-4785, anytime.

LIFE LIGHT SERIES

Christ the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 42690 Cherry Hill, west of Lilley in Canton, will start a new Life Light series 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 7. Participants will study the Book of Romans.

Price for materials is \$4.50. Child care will be provided. The series will last nine weeks. For enrollment information, call 981-0286 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

NEW BEGINNINGS

New Beginnings, a support group for those who have lost a loved one, meets 7-9 p.m. Thursdays at St. Matthew United Methodist Church, 30900 W. Six Mile, east of Merriman, Livonia. For information, call 476-1842 or 422-0957.

EMPLOYMENT HELP

A.C.T.I.O.N. Ministry provides support and practical help for people who are unemployed or changing careers. Meetings are 7 p.m. the second and fourth Mondays of the month at Ward Presbyterian Church, 17000 Farmington Road, Livonia. For information, call 422-1826.

SENIOR FELLOWSHIP

Bethel Baptist Temple, 29475 W. Six Mile, Livonia, sponsors meetings for senior citizens and retirees the first and third Tuesday of the month. For information, call 525-3664.

TOUGHLOVE

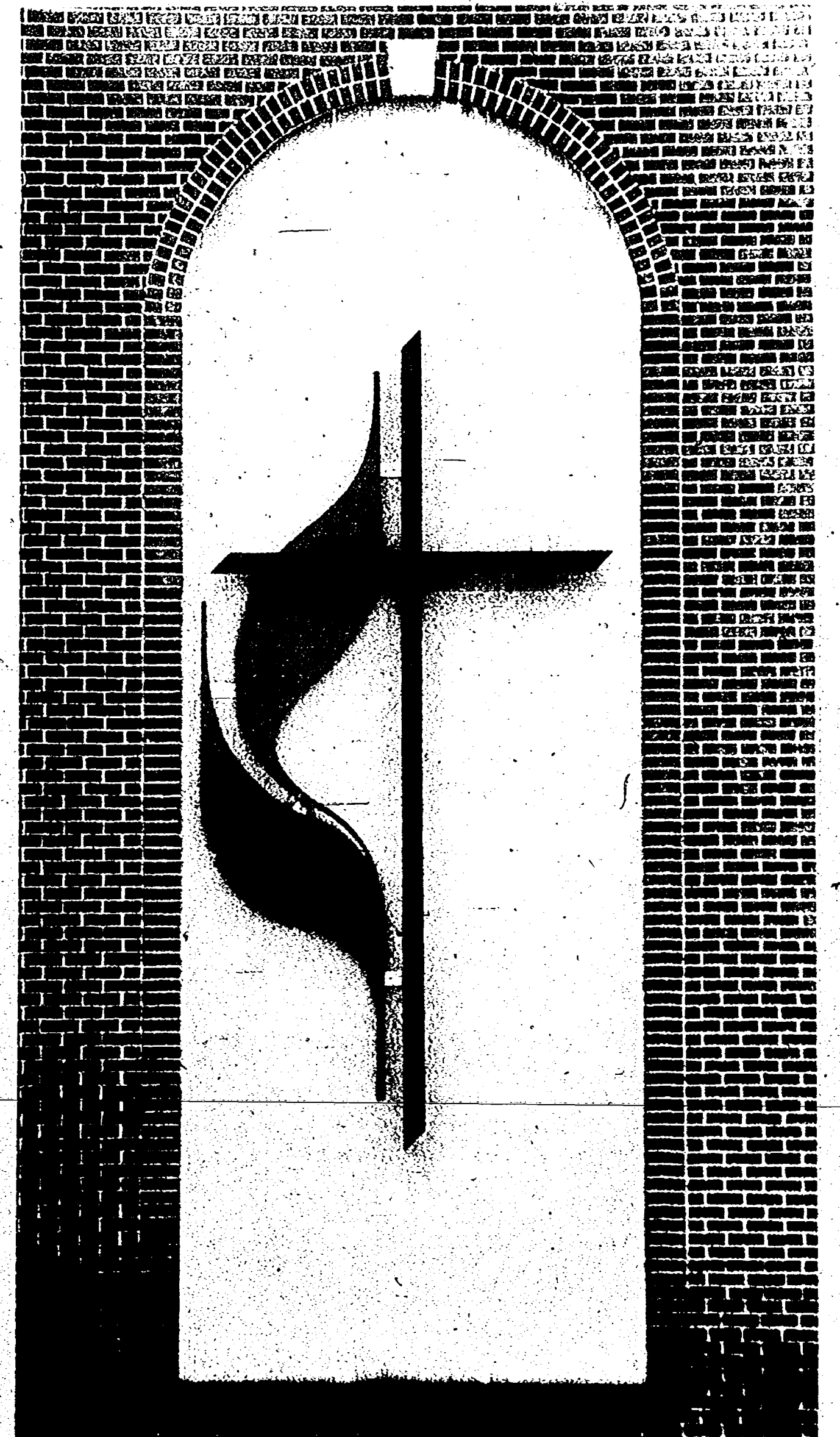
Toughlove is a group for parents who have troubled teenagers. It meets 7:30 p.m. Thursdays at St. Paul Lutheran Church, 21915 Beech, at Monroe in Dearborn. For information, call 285-0823 or 295-0030.

WOMEN OF THE WORD

Women of the Word, a women's Bible study group, meets 9:15-11:15 a.m. Tuesdays at Detroit First Church of the Nazarene, 21260 Haggerty, off I-275 and north of Eight Mile, Farmington Hills.

RESALE STORE

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



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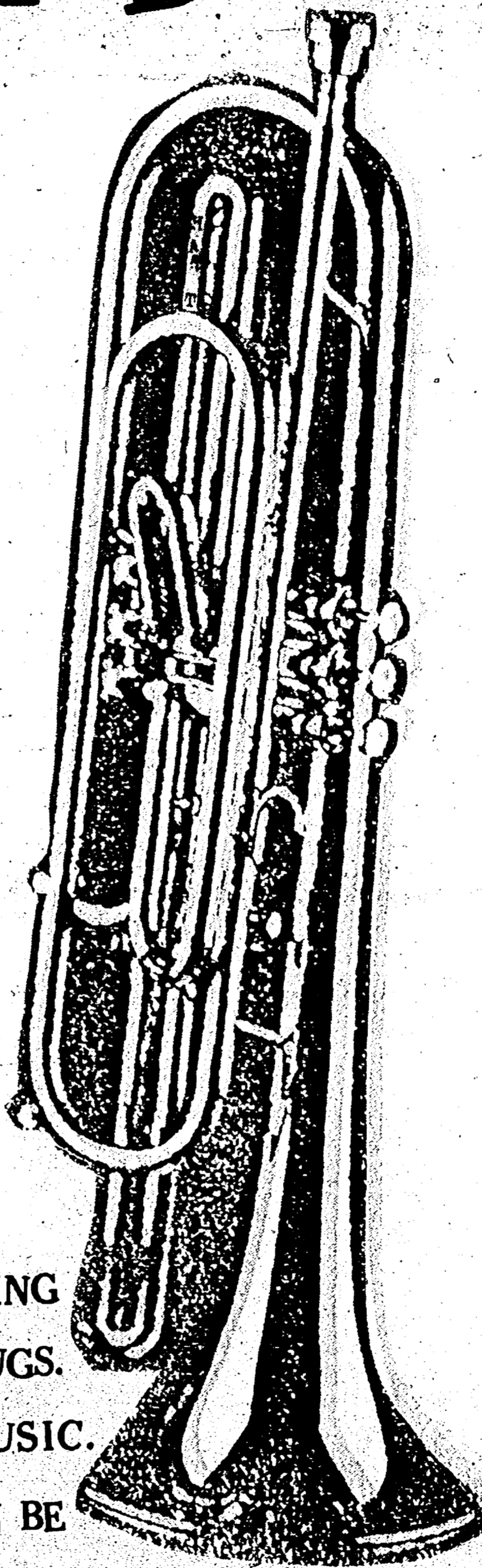
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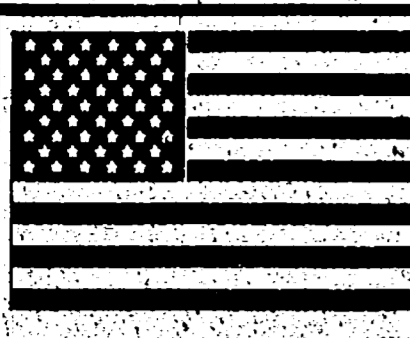
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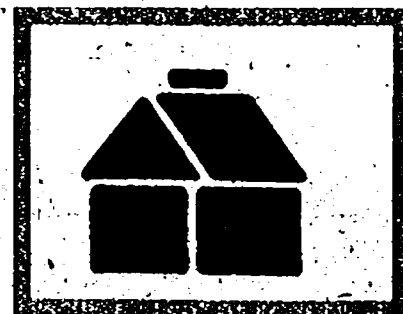
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Art Beat

Designer turns silk into wearable art

Artbeat spotlights vignettes from the suburban arts scene. Send news leads to: *Artbeat*, *Creative Living*, *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers*, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150.

Dare to try something new this year through art. Instead of giving up something this New Year, resolve to develop your creativity through art classes.

Local arts organizations, businesses and adult education programs offer classes in watercolor, acrylic and oil painting, drawing, ceramics, and costume jewelry making.

"Even if they never picked up a brush before, they don't have to be intimidated," said wildlife artist Donna Enders of Canton. She teaches oil painting Thursday evenings at The Art Store on Ford Road in Canton.

"In the oil painting class, I get them to use the three primary colors. All the paints and brushes are there. All they have to do is bring themselves."

For class information, call The Art Store in Canton, 981-8600; D & M Art Studios in Plymouth, 453-3710; Plymouth Community Arts Council, 455-6620; Visual Art Association of Livonia, 464-6772; and Schoolcraft College Continuing Education Services, 482-4448.

Did you know that the Plymouth Community Arts Council awards more than \$15,000 in grants or contributions yearly to encourage students training in the arts, assist teachers in creating innovative new art-related projects and provide amateur and professional performances at school assemblies?

The council also manages and staffs an art rental gallery in the Dunning-Hough Library, 223 S. Main, in downtown Plymouth. Business and individual rental of original artwork is available. Hours are 10 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays.

Calling all writers. Unpublished plays and nonfiction prose submissions for the 1992 Judith Siegel Pearson Award at Wayne State University will be accepted through March 2.

The annual award is a prize for the best creative or scholarly work on a subject about women. The award is named in memory of a WSU alumna who died of leukemia in 1979, ending a promising career in education.

Prose or drama entries should be limited to no more than 20 double-spaced pages with standard documentation. Submissions are open to all interested writers and scholars.

Poetry manuscripts will be taken in 1993 and fiction manuscripts in 1994. Award winners will be announced April 15.

For more information, call the English Department: 577-2450.

By Linda Ann Chomin
special writer

Fashion designer Cynthia Wayne Gaffield of Livonia turns yards and yards of heavily textured raw silk from China into handpainted, one-of-a-kind fashions sold by galleries and boutiques from Martha's Vineyard to Portland, Ore.

"They're all art-oriented," she said in an interview at her Farmington Hills studio. "I want to provide somebody with something different to wear."

Stretching from ceiling to floor, a

"... my designs are what I like to refer to as timeless treasures."

— Cynthia Gaffield

production schedule is filled with orders in various stages of completion soon to be shipped coast to coast. The schedule records the current status and due date of jackets, coats, vests and scarves bearing Gaffield's timeless designs.

It was really theatrical. You just wanted to stay away from it, but my designs are what I like to refer to as timeless treasures," Gaffield said.

"I do all the dyeing, cutting and sewing myself. This is art. When I turn something over to somebody, it becomes strictly production."

GAFFIELD USES fabric dyes that bond and become part of the fabric to create the flowing, handpainted designs with geometric stampings. She begins with naturally colored fabric, stretching and fastening it

to a waist-high frame that runs the entire length of the room. This prevents the silk from sagging and ruining the design.

"This particular material has to be wet before being painted, otherwise the paints sit on top," Gaffield said. "After it's dry, the fabric is steamed. This makes the garment washable and dry-cleanable."

fabric. Verville applies metallic paint to the stamp before each stamping.

"I pull a lot of things from African inspiration," Gaffield said.

After the paint has dried, the fabric is heat-set a final time. The fabric is now ready to be cut into garments.

"Every year, we add new colors and new designs," Verville said.

SOME OF the fashions designed and created by Gaffield are decorated with hand-twisted fringe and hand-beading.

"I do a lot of geometric beading with semi-precious beads," Gaffield said.

Fashions designed by Gaffield are loose and flowing, moving with the body, not against it. When wearing the floor-length coat, the cape-like garment feels royal, similar to a mantle.

Gaffield's creations come in a variety of earth-based colors with the exception of those garments available in magenta/red, deep purple, seafoam, deep cobalt and carnation.

Ideas for the handpainted fabric designs occur to Gaffield at all hours of the day and night.

"The more you do, the more you think about what you'd like to do," Gaffield said. "Whenever I think of something, I sketch it down and then, at a later date, I'll try it."

Gaffield started her design career working in the art department of the Observer, followed by a stint at an advertising agency.



photos by BILL BRESLER/staff photographer

"My Megan Shaw," an oil by Donna Enders, features her 2½-year-old granddaughter. Streaming in from the window, a strong, almost white light floods the room. The painting won

Best of Show in December at the Garden City Fine Arts Association's holiday art show.

Artist's palette creates themes to save wildlife

Exhibitions: 4C

By Linda Ann Chomin
special writer

OSPREY, CRANE, raccoon, muskrat, mallard, deer and weasel make their home on land surrounding artist Donna Enders' Canton Township farmhouse. Collectively, the animals and birds serve as inspiration for her oil paintings of wildlife.

Enders was honored at a Garden City Fine Arts Association awards ceremony after winning Best of Show and an honorable mention at the Holiday Art Show Dec. 9-14.

"People at the show asked me where is this, I said in Canton Township. They said, 'no.' They

couldn't believe it," Enders said. "It's not going to be here long. Pretty soon, it will be gone."

Enders is dedicated to speaking her mind on the destruction of the environment and wildlife through her paintings.

"I feel I'm here for a reason. That's what the artwork's all about. It's time. If I can't raise the consciousness of people who view my paintings, by the end of my life, the wildlife will be gone. That's why I paint pictures."

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Right: Donna Enders continues work on a painting, begun a year ago, of four zebras drinking from a lake. Using a palette of gold and dark charcoal, she highlights the faces and necks with white.



Here's a sampler of some favorite books from 1991

So what were the best books of 1991 anyway? Which will still be read 200 years from today? Which will be studied by literary scholars? Which will be referred to as classics?

Darned if I know. Catch me 200 years from today and I can probably come up with some pretty reliable answers. Right now, though, I'm not willing to hazard a guess.

I do know, however, which books I personally found most impressive during the last year.

I'm sure I've missed some real winners since I can't get around to every new book published, but, of the ones I've read, here are my top choices:

• "The Sweet Hereafter" by Russell Banks (Harper Collins, \$19.95). Where do you place blame for senseless disaster? In the small town of Sam Dents, deep in the heart of the Adirondacks, a school bus careers

off an icy road one morning, killing 14 children, injuring others, and changing the life of driver Dolores Driscoll forever.

• "St. Maybe" by Anne Tyler (Knopf, \$22). In Tyler's most captivating novel since "Dinner at the Homesick Restaurant," young Ian Bedloe blames himself for his troubled, older brother's death. This is the story of his atonement.

• "A Thousand Acres" by Jane Smiley (Knopf, \$24). Iowa farmer Larry Cook decides to turn his thousand acres over to his three grown daughters in this dramatic King Lear-like story. When the eccentric widower reneges on his decision, dark secrets come to light. Smiley depicts the infinite complexities of familial relationships with extraordinary skill.

• "Maximum Bob" by Elmore Leonard (Delacorte, \$20). Leonard's deliciously bad guys are more memorable than his heroes in this tale of



book break
Victoria Diaz

a corrupt judge, murder, psychics, habitual criminals and hungry alligators. You'll see, hear, feel, taste and smell Palm Beach County, Fla. You'll even learn something about how to eat a banana underwater.

• "The Axeman's Jazz" by Julie Smith (St. Martin's/Dunne, \$19.95). A serial killer roams the sultry streets of New Orleans, and homicide detective Skip Langdon walks a razor's edge of danger by getting up close and personal with her suspects. An outstanding whodunit.

• "Deadline: A Memoir" by James Reston. (Random House, \$25). Former New York Times columnist

I'm sure I've missed some real winners since I can't get around to every new book published, but, of the ones I've read, here are my top choices.

provides his view of 10 U.S. presidents and other public figures, and offers his perspective on newsworthy events of the last half century.

• "I Dreamed of Africa" by Kuki Gallman (Viking \$22.95). This relatively unsung memoir by Italian-born Gallman is easily the most moving book I read all year. With elegant simplicity, she tells of life on a large farm ranch in western Kenya after she moved there with her hus-

band and son in 1972. Their idyllic existence eventually met with profound tragedy, but this book is a great triumph. Don't miss it.

• "The Irony Tower" by Andrew Solomon (Knopf, \$25) This book offers a behind-the-scenes look at the avant garde art communities of Moscow and St. Petersburg during the era of glasnost, plus an intriguing view of the West, as seen through the eyes of Russian artists.

• "The Journals of John Cheever" by John Cheever (Knopf, \$25) Covering a period from the late 1940s to shortly before Cheever's death in 1992, these very personal writings of a great writer at war with himself are ultimately as moving as his fiction.

• "The Bookmaker's Daughter" by Shirley Abbott (Ticknor & Fields, \$19.95). Abbott, the daughter of a bookie, grew up in Hot Springs, Ark., during the '40s and '50s. This memoir chronicles that time, along

with Abbott's increasingly complicated relationship with her father. The book is richly detailed with family anecdote, feminist insight, history, sociology and Southern mythology. More than that, it's rich with fine writing.

• "Riveted" by Ben Hamper (Warner, \$19.95). In his no-holds-barred, heavy-metal style, Ben Hamper lays it on the line about life on the automotive factory line in Flint during the previous two decades.

• "Baghdad Without a Map" by Tony Horwitz (Dutton, \$19.95). Wall Street Journal reporter Horwitz journeys to Baghdad, where things are so secret, even street maps are forbidden. Horwitz also visits Cairo, Tehran, Beirut, Khartoum and other exotic spots. A treasure for those seeking a different perspective on the Middle East.

Victoria Diaz of Livonia tracks the book industry.

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Livonia lensman saluted

A Livonia photographer is one of six Michigan photographers whose work is included in a new book saluting photography 150 years after its invention.

Jay Asquini of Livonia, Junebug Clark of Farmington, Darwin Dale of Lansing, Santa Fabio of Berkeley, Stephen Graham of Ann Arbor and John Hillery of Detroit all have photos in the book. Graham's photo, an image of his young son emerging from a body of water reflecting clouds, is the cover.

"This book celebrates photography. It says this is what photography is like 150 years after its inception," said Jay Asquini, a Livonia photographer who specializes in industrial photography.

The American Society of Magazine Photographers produced the book, "10,000 Eyes," in celebration of photography's 150th anniversary.

Despite his professional specialty, Asquini's color photo in the book is a winter, night-time, slow exposure shot of a neon-illuminated city landmark: Bates Hamburgers at Five Mile and Farmington roads.

"It's a fun picture," he said.

MORE THAN 13,000 photos were submitted. Just 165 appear in the book. They illustrate the best in all disciplines, including advertising, fine art, scientific and photojournalism.

The coffee table-style book is published by Kodak and Thomason.

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With her work, artist tries to save wildlife

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SITTING IN the dining room surrounded by dozens of Enders' plants, it was hard to tell where the environment outside the windows left off and the home's interior began. No curtains or shades hampered the view of bare trees towering into a gray December sky.

Thriving green plants native to warmer climates welcome visitors to the home with a breath of the outdoors. Inside, Enders' paintings of eagles and caribou color the walls while a warbler's nest dangles from on high.

Enders' beliefs about man's destruction of the environment run deep, backed by truth in action.

"Out in my back yard, I try to preserve the habitat by leaving it alone. We've separated ourselves from the spirit of nature. When you break the balance, nothing survives," Enders said. "Let's have something left for our children and their children. Let's leave a tree."

Enders began to paint professionally in the early 1970s, after attending Toledo University School of Design. She took a 12-year hiatus from painting to raise four children. Sincere concern for the environment prompted her return to oils a year ago last October.

"I was searching for a way to express my opinions. Art, it's the ultimate expression of your views."

ENDERS IS an admirer of Impressionist Claude Monet because of his love for the environment, evidenced in the paintings of his gardens at Giverny.

"I love Monet because of his use of color and design, his color buildup. That's brought my color sense back to the canvas, experimenting with

the color, like Monet's. Towards the end of his life, he got cataracts and could barely see, but that didn't hinder his use of color," Enders said.

"I like Monet because of everything he's done to raise the consciousness about the environment."

Enders' work is pure realism with a dash of impressionistic brush work, here and there. Her love of the environment is showcased through her color use.

"I like to use color. Basically, I use the three primary colors. All colors stem from the primary colors. All colors stem from the earth," Enders said. "I use two or three colors and I mix and mix till I get the colors I want. I use some brown, the burnt umber and sienna."

BEFORE AND during painting, Enders thoroughly researches the environment in which the animals exist on canvas — the habits and make-up of the animals themselves.

"You have to do a lot of research. If you don't, someone out there, a wildlife enthusiast, will pick up on the smallest inaccuracy."

Enders' love for the environment, and her two grandchildren, Nathan and Megan, is inseparable. She took Best of Show in Garden City for "My Megan Shaw," an oil painting of her 2 1/2-year-old granddaughter.

"My grandchildren are very important to me. They're all we've got," Enders said. "You've got to start teaching your children. We've got to start with the children. We have to make them love the spirit of nature."

Call Donna Enders at the Wilderness Studio: 451-7591.



BILL BRESLER/staff photographer

Donna Enders uses oils to create paintings of wildlife after thorough research on the habitat in which they live. "Home My Deer" won an honorable mention at the Garden City Fine Arts Association's holiday art show.

Livonia landmark photo in spotlight

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Grant. It's available through bookstores. "Our (society) chapter, one of 34 chapters in the country, is quite well represented in the book," Asquini said.

Founded in 1944, the society promotes professional standards and

business practices in all aspects of commercial photography.

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Wearable art — It's one-of-a-kind

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"TEXTURES" IS the name of Gaffield's contemporary, collectible clothing business. She began it in 1983, fashioning makeup purses and eyeglass cases in her home.

Within a short time, the business had grown so fast, Gaffield moved it into an old winery for two years. Four years ago, she moved to the Farmington Hills studio, once the offices of her father's business.

Gaffield recently shipped an order to the health farm, 0.

"My friends say they have seen Carly Simon twice on TV wearing

my clothes during performances," Gaffield said.

Fashions designed by Gaffield range in price from \$15-\$18 for makeup and eyeglass cases to \$395-\$700 for floor-length kimono coats.

Cynthia Wayne Gaffield's collectibles are available locally at Christine Beaubien in Howell and the soon-to-be-opened Ann Arbor Art Association Shop in Briarwood Mall, Ann Arbor. To order fashions directly, call 471-3873.



SHARON LEMIEUX/staff photographer

Livonia artist Cynthia Gaffield displays her handpainted silk chiffon scarf in the back yard of her Farmington Hills studio.

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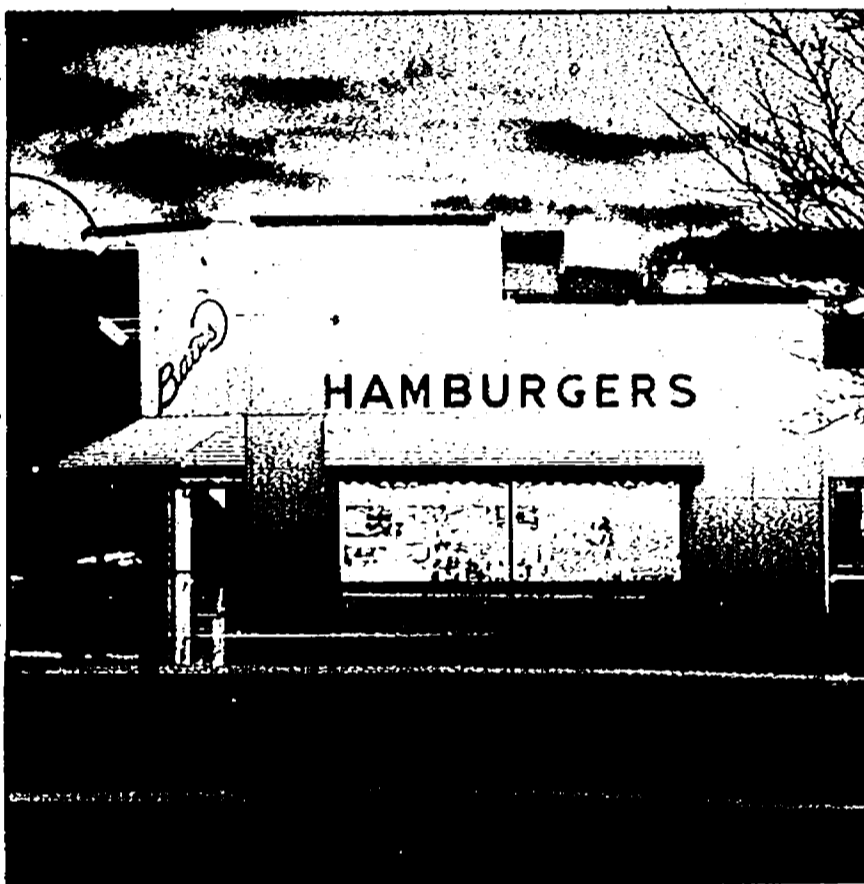
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This night-time shot of Livonia landmark Bates Hamburgers, circa 1988, was selected by editors for publication in "10,000 Eyes." Livonia native Jay Asquini took the photo.

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Legislative regulations that influence builders rank highly in their list of concerns, but financial matters also continue to rank highly. They ranging from construction financing and worker compensation costs to development costs and infrastructure financing.

Builders look at critical issues

By Gerald Frawley
staff writer

Although no growth/slow growth and wetland and environmental issues still rank among the top concerns of builders nationwide, the cost of doing business is beginning to take precedence.

Or at least that's the result of the most recent survey of builders in the National Association of Home Builders.

Each year, the association surveys its members to find out which issues are of critical importance to the building industry and also to determine which are new or emerging issues, according to Jay Shackford, NAHB president of public affairs.

AMONG CRITICAL issues there were few surprises, he said. Impediments to building and development, particularly wetlands and growth/no growth attitudes, continued to rank highly.

As has been the case for the past several years, wetlands — the right to develop or not to develop them — ranked first in the survey, Shackford said. "Wetlands have been an issue for years — and they promise to remain an issue."

Builders continue to view wetlands laws as an unlawful taking of property because they deprive builders of the right to do with their land as they see fit.

Growth/no growth pressures, another perennial top 10 finisher, ranked fifth overall, after ranking eighth last year, he said.

ALTHOUGH ISSUES like these are problems for builders, there are other issues that affect builders and all businesses, Shackford said.

"Financial concerns continue to rank highly," he said. Concerns ranging from construction financing and

TOP 10 CRITICAL ISSUES	
1. Wetlands (1)	6. Affordable housing (8)
2. Construction financing (2)	7. Stormwater management permits (9)
3. Workers' compensation (3)	8. Development Approval Process (10)
4. Development costs (5)	9. Impact fees/development fees (7)
5. Growth/no growth attitudes (8)	10. General infrastructure financing (4)

worker compensation costs to development costs and infrastructure financing also returned to the top ten.

Construction financing, the ability to get loans and spend efficiently for the actual construction work, returned as the second most critical issue for builders on a national scale, he said. Worker compensation costs, money spent on workers who are injured or otherwise unable to work, ranked third just as it did last year.

Development costs, the money developers spend to turn vacant fields into land with potential for building moved up from fourth to fifth on the top 10 critical issues list.

Infrastructure financing, an issue builders are interested in not only because the adequacy of infrastructure determines where they can build but also because it is a cost builder are increasingly being asked to shoulder, dropped from fourth to 10th on the list.

BUILDERS ARE also concerned with issues that are legislative in nature, Shackford said. Stormwater management and its permitting process, which is frequently used to block development or at least slow it down, and the development approval process, which has become increasingly more localized and diverse, continue to trouble builders, he said.

Stormwater management and its permitting process moved from ninth to seventh on the list; development approval moved from 10 to eighth.

A final issue, which has become increasingly important to builders in recent years and really encompasses all of the above issues in one way or another, is affordable housing, Shackford said.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING, which remains as the sixth most critical issue, is particularly important in southeast Michigan where local builders have been expressing concerns that the average person is being priced out of the dream of owning a house.

Michigan builders are much like their national counterparts — environmental pressures, legislative issues and everyday cost of business makes doing what they do increasingly more difficult.

Thomas Caterino, newly elected president of Michigan Association of Home Builders, said while wetlands is the most important issue, how wetlands affect a builder depends on where the builder is working.

MAHB also keeps a semi-annual list of critical issues, Caterino said. Issues like growth management, the small business tax, infrastructure financing and the state's Plat Act are all of great concern to builders, but the top issue is wetlands.

Caterino said in more developed areas like southeastern Michigan, builders are concerned that wetlands are being used as a tool to stymie development; in rural areas, there is simply no adequate definition of what a wetland is and is not.

PROPOSED LEGISLATION prohibiting local wetlands ordinances is being watched closely by builders, he said. "Now, there is no consistency (from community to community)."

A direct result of each community having its own rules governing developing in and around wetlands is that developers frequently don't know what to do and can make costly mistakes (for themselves, future homeowners and the wetlands themselves), he said.

Many local wetlands rules "go far beyond what was intended when the idea of protecting wetlands was proposed," Caterino said. Even without local control, Michigan wetland laws are some of strictest in the country — stricter than even federal regulations.

"EVEN IN the fairest interpretation of wetlands, people are getting hurt by this — and not just developers, but whoever happens to be standing when the music stops," Caterino said.

Developers, farmers, and people who buy land for investment and retirement purposes are essentially being deprived of their property rights, he said. "What we would like to see happen is that the politics get taken out of the process."

As for more rural areas — where wetlands are governed by state law — Caterino said the problem is not politics so much as bureaucracy. Most developers feel the definition of a wetland changes depending on whose desk the permit application lands.

Builders have long been concerned about Goemaere-Anderson Act — the law that restricts development in and around wetlands — and its ambiguities and have lobbied for clear rules, definitions and procedures.

Builders' glimpse of the future

While many of the critical issues remain the same and return to the list year after year, emerging issues give the national association an inkling of what may happen in the near future, said Jay Shackford, vice president of public affairs for the national association of homebuilders.

As in the case of the critical list, environmental concerns rank highly in emerging issues list, he said.

"Solid waste, from construction waste disposal, to the ability of disposing of household waste once a project is complete, to the difficult task of siting landfills and incinerators has ranked as the top emerging issue for several years," he said.

Ground water protection, which ranked second last year, dropped to fourth this year, Shackford said.

Closely associated with ground water protection is the availability of sewer and water capacity, he said. In recent years, municipal infrastructure improvement has slowed significantly.

"That means builders are being asked to provide things once paid for

TOP 10 EMERGING ISSUES	
1. Solid waste (1)	6. Safety and health legislation
2. Increasing lumber prices	7. Property taxes (4)
3. Labor availability and quality	8. Real estate transfer taxes
4. Groundwater protection (2)	9. Availability of sewers and water
5. OSHA inspections	10. Codes regulation (5)

by the government — builders pass those costs on to the buyers, which means higher housing costs."

The option is to either build where existing infrastructure exists — often in places where people don't want to buy, or, building water and sewage facilities or systems for each project that is again very expensive, he said.

SEVERAL EMERGING issues revolve around the ability of builders to compete and do business.

One issue is the availability and quality of labor.

"Fewer young people are choosing the trades as a career. Without tradesmen like carpenters, electricians and plumbers, there won't be any people to build houses."

Closely related to this are the Occupational Safety and Health Administration inspections and safety and health legislation. As builders are forced to follow more regulations, projects require more time, and therefore, cost more money — all of which is passed onto the buyers, he said.

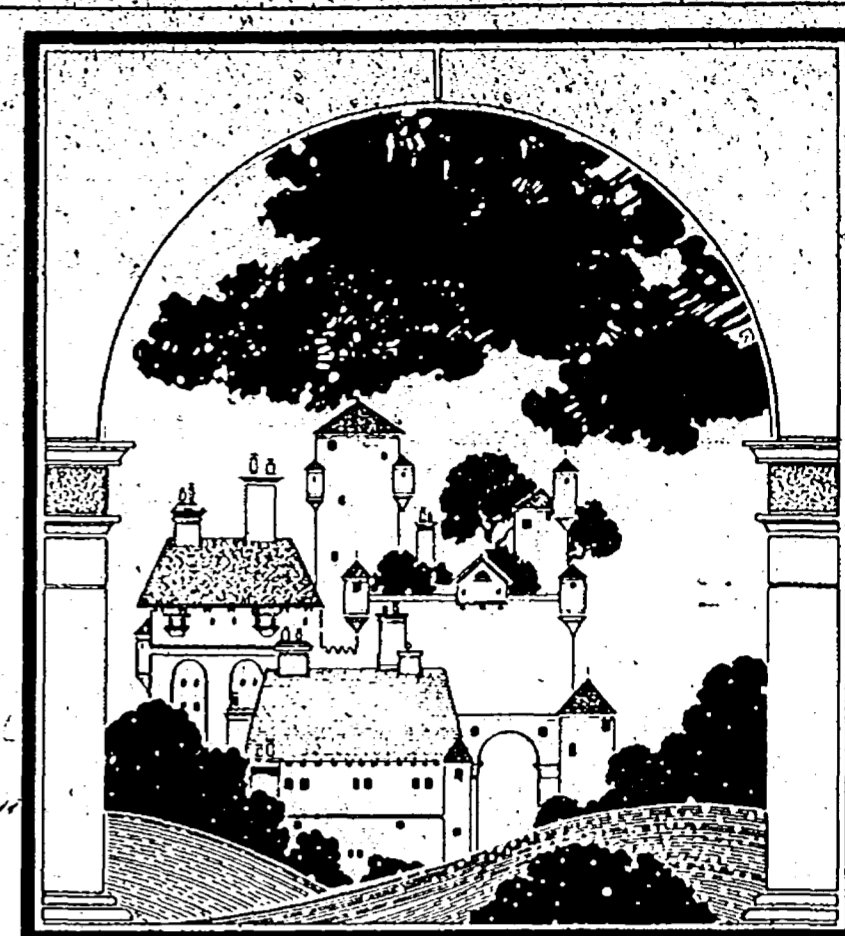
THE BIGGEST SURPRISE on the

emerging issues list is the appearance of increasing lumber prices as the number two emerging issue. Lumber prices have increased dramatically in the last year as once-productive forest acreage is being removed from government harvest programs — often in response to environmental pressures to preserve natural and old forest stands.

Coupled with the removal of tree harvesting has been the recession and slowdown in the building industry, he said.

As the recession began, fewer people were buying houses; as fewer people bought houses, many of the lumber mills slowed production or shut down altogether. When demand began to rise again, lumber was in short supply, and production has yet to catch up, Shackford said.

Some builders have even gone as far as to accuse the lumber industry — from lumber barons, to mills, to wholesalers — of taking advantage of the situation and price gouging, he said.



Survey seeks dream home specifications

If house designers would just ask me, you may have thought, I could tell them what people really want in a house.

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WHETHER YOU plan to build a house, filling out the form can help clarify your preferences. And it's an opportunity to let your imagination soar. Landmark Designs has provided the accompanying survey form that includes the same questions architects, designers and real estate agents ask to determine clients' wants and needs. Readers are encouraged to attach letters, sketches or other comments — the more detailed, the better.

Once the nationwide results of the survey are tallied, Landmark will design a national dream house. And because regional preferences vary widely, Landmark will design a house to meet the specifications preferred by Observer & Eccentric readers.

FLOORPLANS AND artist's renderings of the dream houses will appear on these pages in the spring.

Following publication of these plans, Landmark will provide a free set of working drawings to the first person who is willing to build one of the dream houses and open it to public display for a limited time.

Mail forms to Landmark Designs, Dept. 92, P.O. Box 2307, Eugene, Or. 97402. There is no charge to participate in the survey. But those interested in receiving a copy of the national survey results must include \$4 to cover the cost of postage and printing. Those persons must include their name and mailing address.

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 One Story Two Story Split Level Basement

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Budget for home (land excluded) \$ _____

Lot location
 Standard Lot Acreage Other _____

Exterior style
 Contemporary Country Spanish Ranch
 English Tudor Colonial Victorian Other _____

Exterior material
 Brick Stone Wood Stucco Other _____

Garage
 Number of cars _____ Shop Storage RV Parking

LIVING AREAS
 In addition to kitchen and living area I would like the following rooms in my home:
 Formal Entry Formal Dining Recreation Family Room
 Media Room Exercise Office Den
 Guest Suite Library Utility Nursery
 Number of Bedrooms _____ Number of Baths _____
 Other rooms _____

KITCHEN FEATURES
 Style and Shape
 Country U-shaped Walk Thru Other _____

Amenities (in addition to standard appliances)
 Breakfast nook Pantry Eating Bar Recycling Center
 Appliance Center Island Double Oven Trash Compactor
 Garden Window Freezer Grill Other _____

MASTER SUITE FEATURES
 Attached from OR Adjacent to other bedrms Patio Sitting Room
 Private bath with the following features:
 Tub/Shower comb Balhtub Shower Oversized Tub
 Two wash basins Skylight Bidet Spa Other _____

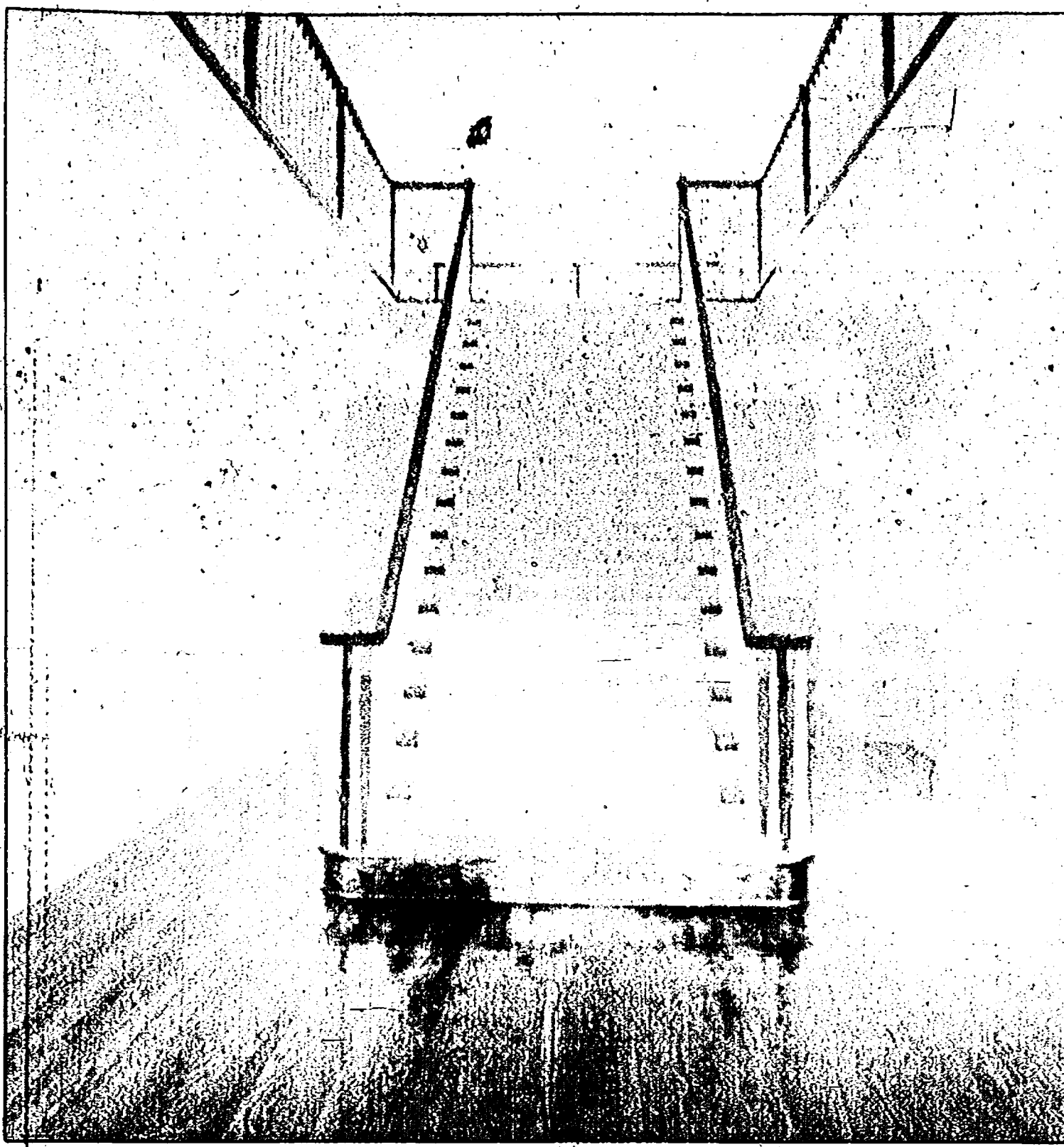
MAIN BATH FEATURES
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 Two wash basins Skylight Bidet Other _____

SPECIAL REQUESTS
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A wood floor was chosen as the decorating foundation for this hall, complementing the stairway, banister and wainscoting.

Floors set backdrop for decorating theme

The joys of owning a new house can sometimes be offset by the thought of turning an unfinished, unpainted empty space into an attractive and functional house.

One of the easiest ways to begin making decorating decisions is from the bottom up. The floor is your house's decorating backdrop, and with the vast array of options available today, floor coverings can unify the decorating theme of your home while serving the functional needs of your household.

When selecting floor coverings, one of the biggest considerations is the traffic pattern of the rooms. Some rooms, such as the kitchen, family room and dining area, require floors that can withstand spills, splashes and the wear and tear of family activity. Other areas, such as the living room and bedroom, can serve as the house's showplaces with sumptuous floor coverings. Here are some possibilities:

- **Carpet.** If you are trying to achieve a feeling of warmth and coziness, expand the appearance of space in a small room or highlight tactile comfort, wall-to-wall carpet is one of the best floor covering choices.

- **Carpet.** Carpet has a more varied price range than most flooring materials, is relatively inexpensive to have installed and offers a wide range of colors, textures and patterns.

- **Softness and resiliency** make carpet one of the most luxurious choices," said Janice Hall, senior stylist for Allied Fibers. "Its broad expanse creates a sweep of color and texture that gives a room a serene visual foundation."

- **Recent technological developments** in carpet fiber have yielded carpet systems with unprecedented resistance to household stains. These carpets are freeing consumers to choose lighter, airier colors such as peach, sea foam green and beige, and bring the warmth of carpet to rooms where stains previously have been a problem.

- **Area rugs.** Area rugs can bring color, pattern and personality to a room. Oriental rugs, dhurrie rugs, ryas, flokatis, Indian rugs and modern designs featuring bold graphics and patterns are just a few possibilities. Braided hooked rugs and colorful rag rugs lend ambience to early Americana decor and rooms with a country feeling.

- **Wood.** More owners are knocking on wood these days — natural hardwood, that is.

Industry sources report that almost 23 percent of U.S. households now have wooden floors in one or more rooms. Contractors and do-it-yourselfers are installing them in new houses and restoring them as part of remodeling projects.

Thanks to this renewed interest, companies are responding with flooring that goes a long way toward mitigating some of the old complaints about hardwood in the house. Most new hardwood flooring is prefinished with several coats of polyurethane that make waxing obsolete. Just vacuum and buff occasionally.

You can also select flooring in a wide variety of styles, widths, and colors, from chestnut parquet to bleached white solid oak to a wide-plank ranch-style oak with walnut pegs.

For creative flair, try one of the new color stains, paint your floor or embellish it with stenciling or painted designs.

Properly finished wood floors are relatively easy to keep clean.

If floors have a surface finish such as polyurethane or Swedish finish, simply vacuum and damp mop weekly. As with all wood floors, do not pour water on the floor when cleaning. Some water may find its way between the boards and warp or stain the wood.

If floors are new or are newly refinished with a penetrating sealer, varnish, shellac or lacquer, apply a liquid buffing wax-cleaner or paste wax. The wax will form a protective barrier to keep dirt and potential stain-causing matter from reaching the floor finish.

Liquid wax is easier to use than paste wax; whichever is used, make sure it is designed for use on hardwood floors. Avoid using water-based products on wood. Use a solvent-based wax, which will smell like dry-cleaning fluid.

Follow the manufacturer's directions when applying the wax, and buff it well with a 16-inch machine buffer available from rental companies. Buff small areas by hand with clean cloth rags.

When floor luster has dulled a bit and scuff marks have begun to show, restore the original luster without applying more wax by simply machine- or hand-buffing. Apply a new coat of wax every four to six months.

Discolored wax or dirt buildup can be eliminated by applying a liquid cleaner-wax with a cloth or pad of fine steel wool, rubbing gently to remove grime and old wax. Then wipe clean, wait 20 minutes, and buff.

If dull spots remain, apply a second coat and buff again. If the floor is stained, use a colored cleaner-wax that matches the floor to help maintain the original floor color.

- **Resilients.** Easy maintenance and durability are the battle cries of vinyl floor coverings, which are sold from rolls or in individual square tiles. But today's selection offers more than just easy cleanup.

There is a variety of vinyl patterns available, ranging from wood-grain look-alikes to intricate mosaic designs. Vinyl floor coverings are also water-resistant and easy-to-maintain — only requiring a little ammonia in water to maintain their shine and luster.

While the kitchen is a logical place for resilient floor coverings, they also can be attractive design components for entryways, family rooms, bathrooms, sun porches or living/dining areas.

- **Non-resilients.** No longer banished to the bathroom, ceramic tile is one of the most beautiful and long-lasting ways to decorate and remodel a house. Now with improved materials, such as quick-set adhesives, special trim pieces and ready-mix grouts, tile also is easy and inexpensive to install yourself.

For indoor tiles, the main consideration is how much traffic a floor will receive, according to the Italian Tile Center. While a single, neutral shade is often chosen for floors, tile color can be selected with the same freedom as carpet color. Smokey blue or salmon in the bedroom or a deep green in the study can be striking. Different colors can be combined to create a pattern or to define separate areas of the room.

Pattern tiles also can be effective. Decorated tiles can be surrounded by solids — either of the same or contrasting background color — to give the illusion of an area rug.

Under cover: Duvets fit bill

(AP) — Colorful bed linens and accessories make it easy and relatively inexpensive to create a new look in the bedroom, and with those big, billowy comforters bed-making is a breeze.

But what to do with the old comforter when you want a new look? It cost too much to pitch, and it's too bulky to store.

Enter the duvet (pronounced doo-VAY) cover. This fabric envelope, the name French in origin, allows you to slip your old comforter into a new dress — and no one's the wiser.

Duvet or comforter covers, long a staple in Europe, used to be harder to find than hen's teeth in the states. If the companies were making them, retailers weren't ordering them. The consumer was reduced to buying another comforter or stitching a cover from a couple of bed sheets.

But in the past year or so, the covers started catching on with retailers, according to Ana Maria McGinnis, vice president of sales and marketing for the Utica brand of J.P. Stevens.

"The down business is taking off in stores all around the country," said Dale Williams, senior vice president of Pillowtex Corp. of Dallas. The company, said to be the largest distributor of down comforters and pillows in the nation, is selling down even to chain and discount stores.

But not everyone wants down. It doesn't launder and it isn't allergy-free. New polyester fiberfill constructions may be for them.

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"Although there are differences in warmth-to-weight ratios and draping characteristics, they all have similar advantages," Williams said. "They attempt to offer the warmth of down with the washability and non-allergenic properties of polyester."

In the long run, it seems to make sense to buy a quality comforter and duvet cover rather than a comforter made to match. That's exactly what's happening.

Buying a durable comforter in a plain cover and changing the look with new covers is a good way to deal with the urge to splurge on a new set of bed linens.

WHILE FOCUSING on a new look for your bed, try to create a more sleep-friendly environment. Controlling noise and light and minimizing visual distractions and temperature variations can lead to a better night's sleep.

Some tips from DuPont's Sleep Products Division:

- **Noise:** To absorb sound, carpet the floor and hang draperies. Ear-plugs or a white sound machine can filter out sporadic noise.

- **Temperature:** No temperature is right for everyone, but 65 degrees F. promotes undisturbed sleep in many people.

- **Light:** Light stimulates eye movement. Cover windows to help prevent untimely awakening.

- **Surroundings:** The goal is to create a soothing atmosphere. To tone down a room that is too stimulating, select muted colors and compatible accessories. Put items that relate to daytime activity, such as a sewing machine and a computer, out of sight at night.

- **The bed:** A good mattress, pillow and bedding are important. Replace the mattress and pillows when lumps develop. An overly soft mattress could be contributing to morning aches. The mattress should be large enough to allow space for a sleeper to move freely. These days, a 60-inch queen-size mattress is considered minimal for a couple.

Pillow preferences vary. Foam and polyester pillows are non-allergenic and washable. Down and feather pillows are soft but are more expensive and difficult to launder.

Sheets and bedcovers can influence sleep. Select the texture and weight that are comfortable for you.

Homearama drops curtain on 1991

Area house shoppers were able to squeeze some time into their holiday schedules to attend the 1991 Homearama in Novi's Riverbridge subdivision Dec. 6-22.

Organizers called the ninth annual showcase of new houses "well attended" and said they were surprised to see lines out to the street even during the week. Homearamas are generally more heavily attended on weekends.

This marked the first time the Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan sponsored a winter house walk. Spring and fall are the more typical seasons for the event.

Of the 13 Homearama houses, priced in the \$200,000-\$250,000 range, four were sold and three will remain as models. Both

Cornerstone Building houses, the Carrington and the Wellington, were sold. Fairway Construction of Southfield sold its Bellevista model and will keep its Landon model open. Michigan Custom Homebuilders Group of Livonia sold its Morgan II model. Both houses by Cohen Associates of West Bloomfield, the Aspen II and the Collingwood II, will remain open as models.

Three Homearamas are planned for 1992. They are in Oakland Township (spring/summer), Detroit (June) and Sterling Heights (fall). The Oakland Township Homearama will feature a Smart House model built by Wake-Pratt of Troy.

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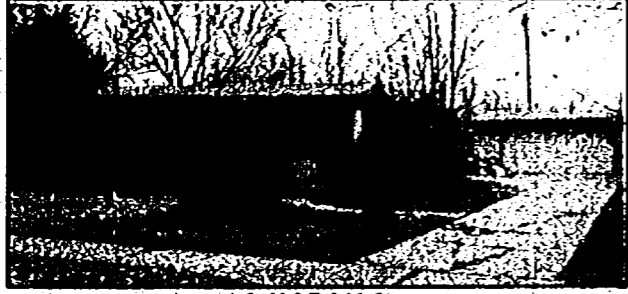
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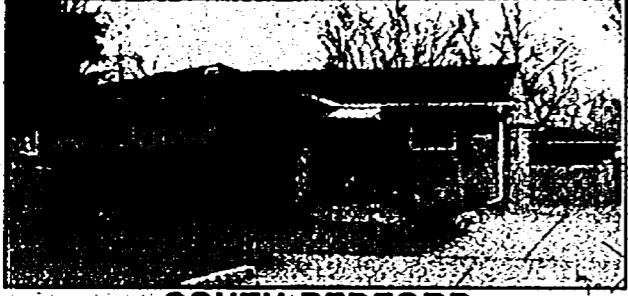
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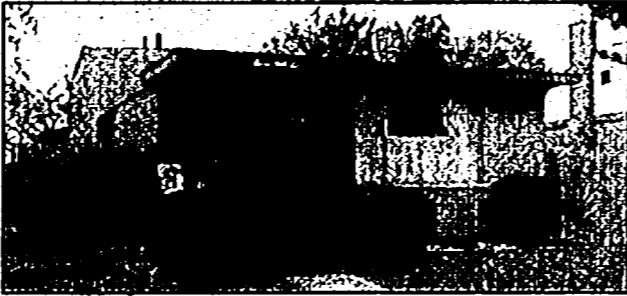
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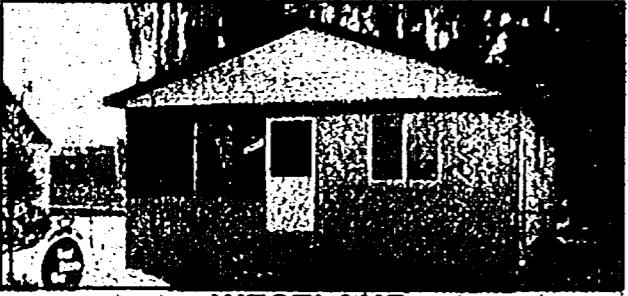
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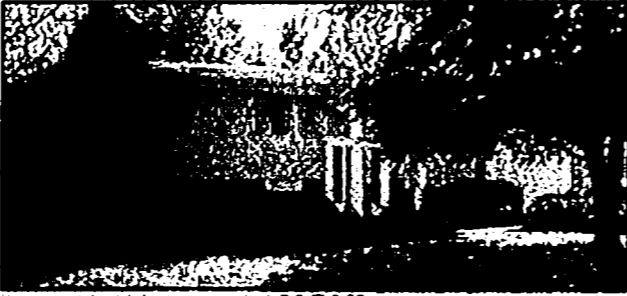
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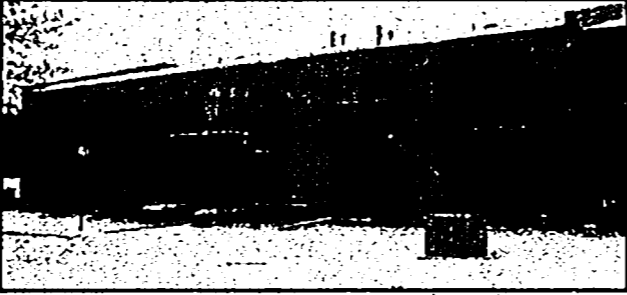
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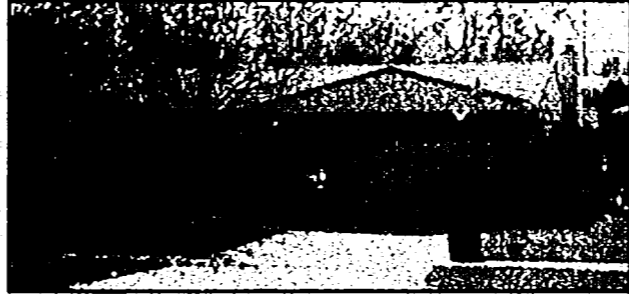
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SIMPLY DONE BUT NICE. Is this clean 3 bedroom brick and aluminum ranch with full finished basement. Two car garage on nice sized lot. Central air conditioning. Remodeled kitchen. \$69,900 326-2000



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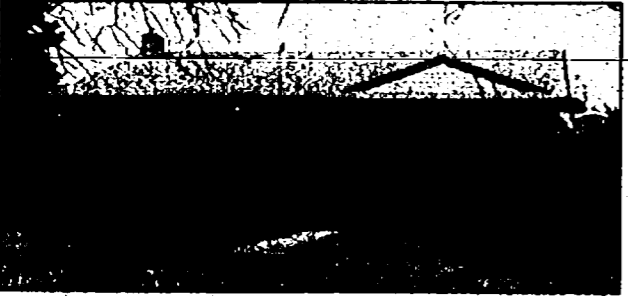
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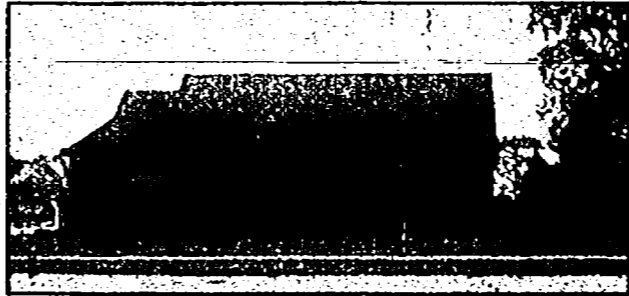
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