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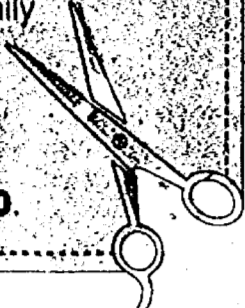
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Schools dominate news in 1993



The Wayne-Westland school district had its ups and downs in the past year. Although voters twice rejected a tax increase, the state legislature recently approved a school reform financing plan.

BY DARRELL CLEM
STAFF WRITER

Wayne-Westland schools rode a financial roller coaster — mostly downhill — in 1993, as voters rebelled against high taxes by defeating school ballot proposals by huge margins.

Tax-weary voters rejected ballot proposals in April and October,

prompting school officials to eliminate art, music, gym and libraries for elementary students and busing for secondary students.

Despite the worst fears, an unexpected boost in state aid allowed officials to restore most key programs.

But students involved in athletics, band and other co-curricular activi-

ties had to pay fees to play.

And play they did, making their community proud. For the first time ever, the John Glenn High School's Rockets played in the Class AA football championship, though they lost to the Dearborn Fordson Tractors in the Silverdome.

By year's end, the state Legislature had drafted two plans to help stabilize school spending in Michigan. The proposals, local officials said, should keep Wayne-Westland from deteriorating further.

-In other school news in 1993:

■ After a long wait, student scores on

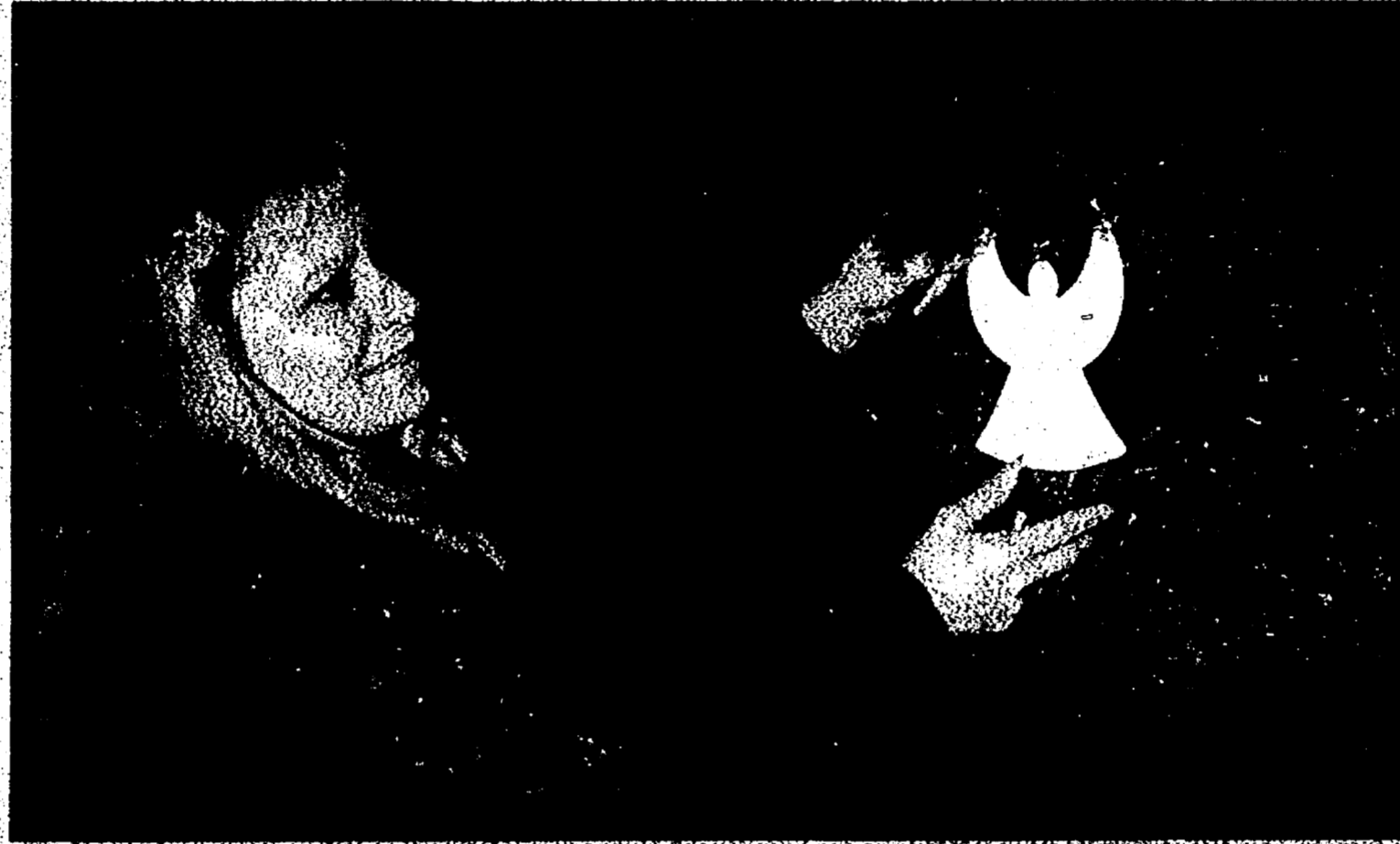
the state MEAP (Michigan Education Assessment Program) test began showing marked improvements.

■ Strong gains were made by Superintendent Larry Thomas's administration in hiring blacks and women for high-ranking district jobs.

■ Former school board member Mathew McCusker returned to the board, winning the June 14 election along with his running mate, Patricia Brown, a former Westland Eagle news editor. Both received strong

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Survivors struggle with grief during holidays



BY LEONARD POGER
EDITOR

While most people enjoyed the Christmas holiday by sharing good cheer with friends and family, many others struggled with their emotions in trying to deal with their first Christmas following the death of a family member.

Grief counselors at area funeral homes say that the first Christmas following the death of a relative is the hardest for the surviving relatives to get through.

A local counselor issued tips on how to handle the holidays for an estimated 100 persons who attended her funeral home's fourth-annual "Angel Tree" ceremony. The event had persons who lost a relative or friend within the past 12 months place an ornamental angel with the person's name on a tree.

The ceremony was sponsored by the R. G. and G. R. Harris Funeral Home, on Ford west of Meridian, Garden City.

While the suggestions from counselor Helen Poppenger helped many get through the holidays, several local persons who

Annual ceremony: Sue Rochowiak places an angel-shaped ornament on a tree in memory of her mother during the annual ceremony held by R.G. and G.R. Harris Funeral Home.

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Once-a-year tax collection rejected

BY MARIE CHESTNEY
STAFF WRITER

Livonia school district officials have had little chance to analyze the details of the school funding package approved in Lansing, coming as it did on Christmas Eve, when schools are closed for the holiday break.

But one fact is now certain. Because businesses are slated to pay 24 mills under both plans, the district will not be able to collect all school taxes next summer.

In giving itself the option of a one-time-only tax collection next summer, officials said they would not exercise the option if the number of mills levied is more than 20 mills.

"We did not distinguish between

residential and commercial millage," said Superintendent Joseph Marinelli, whose district serves the northern section of Westland.

For local homeowners, the only question is whether the tax will be 12 mills under the increased income-tax plan or 6 mills under the increased sales-tax plan.

One of these two plans will be adopted after the March 15 statewide special election.

Michigan Chamber of Commerce officials said they will decide by mid-January whether to file a lawsuit challenging the constitutionality of a 24-mill tax system for businesses when homeowners pay only 6 or 12 mills.

Details of the two plans are now trickling in to school administrators statewide.

"It's hard to assess the impact they will have on the school's dollars; there's too many unknowns," Marinelli said.

But, based on what little information he had, Marinelli outlined the following:

■ At the minimum, the district would get about 2½ percent more per pupil.

■ But that 2½ percent increase would not apply to every new student. "They'll give us the average between this year's enrollment and next year's enrollment," Marinelli said. "That means we'll get credit for only one-

half of our new students, but we still have to provide education for them. So the increase we'll get is not exactly what they say."

■ The district will have to borrow money next summer to open the schools in September. The state will provide some "up-front" money but it won't be enough, Marinelli said.

■ All school districts will pay full retirement costs for their employees.

Both state proposals will give Michigan property owners a tax break.

"It's a big break," Marinelli said. "Twelve mills is a far cry from 31

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Robbery defendants ordered to stand trial

BY DARRELL CLEM
STAFF WRITER

A robbery in which a Westland 7-Eleven employee was assaulted with a steel pipe has resulted in a criminal trial being ordered for two defendants.

Charles Emory Gates, 19, of Westland and Shawn Michael Fischer, 21, of Garden City were ordered Thursday to stand trial for armed robbery after they appeared in Westland's 18th District Court for a preliminary hearing.

Both could face up to life in prison if convicted of robbing an employee at the 7-Eleven on Hix Road, south of Cherry Hill. Two suspects escaped with \$33.50 during the 1:49 a.m. incident on Dec. 20.

The two men face trial in Detroit Recorder's Court. For now, Gates remains lodged in the county jail in lieu of a \$25,000 cash or surety bond. Fischer posted 10 percent of a \$5,000 bond and has been released.

Westland police have accused Gates of going into the 7-Eleven, as-

saulting the employee with a steel pipe and robbing the store of \$33.50. The pipe was 2 feet long and 1 inch wide, Westland Detective Sgt. Donald Haigh has said.

Fischer stayed in the "getaway car" while Gates went inside the store and committed the robbery, Haigh has said, based on statements that he said Fischer made to him.

In court Thursday, Gates waived a preliminary hearing in a move that averted pretrial testimony and automatically set his case for trial in De-

troit Recorder's Court.

Fischer decided to proceed with a hearing, but in the end was still ordered to stand trial.

Haigh has said that Fischer confessed to driving the car. Fischer initially came to the Westland Police Department posing as a witness to the robbery, but later confessed his involvement, Haigh said.

Fischer also implicated Gates in the robbery, and Gates was subsequently identified in a photo lineup of suspects, Haigh said.

Outdoor rink to open

Once upon a time, the city of Westland had an outdoor rink in Jaycees Park, Wildwood and Hunter. Then the rink was enclosed and renamed the Westland Sports Arena. Starting today, the city will again have an outdoor skating rink. It will be located in Central City Park, directly behind city hall, on the south side of Ford between Wayne Road and Newburgh, on what is used for tennis courts during summer months. The outdoor rink hours will be 9 a.m. to 10 p.m., said recreation program supervisor Marilyn Martin. Admission is free but persons are asked to bring their own skates. For more information, call 722-7620.

Santa stays busy

The peak of activity for Westland's Gene (Santa) Reaves is Christmas, when he dons his red and

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white outfit to play St. Nick at numerous holiday parties for children. In addition, WJR radio phoned him before the holiday to discuss his 60-plus years of playing Santa, including being the first St. Nick in the Hudson's Thanksgiving parades. But what does Santa do after the holiday? In this case, Reaves, who will be 92 on April 13, prepares for the next holiday — Easter. He is dusting off his bunny outfit for various children's Easter events in late March. Groups interested in having Gene appear at their group in the bunny outfit may call him at 722-5967.

Megabucks winner

Westland's Audrey Anderson won \$5,000 in a recent Megabucks Giveaway by the Michigan Lottery Commission. Anderson, 45, is a computer forms account executive for a Redford Township company, and happy to win the money. In a Lottery Commission announcement, Anderson said she plans to use part of the \$5,000 winnings to replace his "ailing" 1985 Chevette. With the balance, she plans to buy some furniture for her two teenage daughters.

Storytime

The Westland recreation department is planning a storytime program and music and art classes for preschoolers. The storytime program is free, while there will be a fee for the art and music classes. For details, call the Bailey Recreation Center at 722-7620.

CARRIER OF THE MONTH: WESTLAND

Steven Rice has been named the Westland Observer's carrier of the month for December. He is 13, an eighth-grader at Marshall Junior High School where he has a 3.3 grade point average and the son of Steve and Claudia Rice. In school, his favorite subjects are math and science. After school, he enjoys magic and drawing. He would like to be a professional puppeteer or a special effects creator for movies.



Steven Rice

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Poster contest deadline nears

The deadline is near for local elementary students to compete in the U.S. Treasury Department's third-annual National Student Poster Contest.

The national contest, for students in grades 4 through 6, promotes U.S. Savings Bonds.

Last year over 30,000 students entered the contest, which is co-sponsored by Lockheed Corp. Five thousand of these entries came from Michigan students.

Brochures containing contest rules were mailed to schools in November. Entries must be submitted through schools by Jan. 14.

The contest is a unique program that teaches our young people the importance of savings through a creative learning experience," said Daniel Tellep, Lockheed chairman and contest spokesman.

The 1994 contest theme is "Secure Your Future Today — Buy U.S. Savings Bonds." The first judging level will take place in schools throughout the nation. Winners in each school will be forwarded to state coordinators for judging of top state posters.

A \$1,000, \$500 and \$200 U.S. Savings Bond will be awarded to first-, second- and third-place winners, respectively, in each state and the District of Columbia.

Consumers Power and WJOL-FM, 97, will sponsor the savings-bond awards for the top three state winners in Michigan.

The first-place winner in each state and the District of Columbia will receive a personal computer for his or her school and will be eligible to enter the national competition.

National winners will be selected from state first-place winners. National first-, second- and third-place winners will receive, respectively, a \$5,000, \$1,000 and \$500 U.S. Savings Bond.

Each national winner and a parent/guardian will be provided transportation to Washington, D.C., to attend a special awards ceremony in their honor.

State entries should be sent to Bobbie McKennon, Special Assistant to the Treasurer, Department of Education, P.O. Box 15328, Lansing 48901.

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support -- and financial help -- from educators.

■ Brown became embroiled in a still-pending court dispute with a former board member, Sharon Felan, whom she defeated in the election. Brown accused Felan of shoving her during an argument.

■ Fred Warmbier left the school board after serving a total of 18 years. Leonard Posey, the first black ever to serve on the board, left the board Dec. 31 after serving four years.

■ Children continued to bring guns to school, and several were permanently expelled from the district. An armed police officer was placed at Wayne Memorial High, and school officials were seeking an officer for John Glenn.

■ One Wayne Memorial student was stunned in March when a man who shot him outside of another school, Franklin Junior High, received probation.

"It sends a message that it's OK to shoot someone as long as you don't kill them," Shawn Earl Nepsy said.

In city hall news, a political war raged in 1993 as Mayor Robert Thomas came under attack from challenger Charles Pickering, city council president and former mayor. But Thomas, highly popular among voters, won by a landslide in November, capturing 66.3 percent of votes compared to Pickering's 33.7 percent. Thomas became the first Westland mayor ever to win a second four-year term.

Councilman Kenneth Mehl, blasting the "Gestapo-type tactics" of the administration, left the council after 12 years, and Terri Reighard-Johnson, weary of political bickering, stepped aside after serving one four-year term.

Re-elected to the council two months ago for their second terms were Sandra Cicirelli and Sharon Scott. Other council election winners were Charles Griffin, a former council president and mayor, and David Cox.

In other city news: ■ Property assessments rose 13 percent for Westland homeowners, prompting hundreds of taxpayers to appeal the increases.

■ The city had some big business losses. Crowley's, closed, and the Meijer-owned Source Club opened only to announce late in the year that it would close in early 1994. Kroger broke ground for a super-size store being built on Ford Road, across from City Hall.

■ City police officer Tina Bertschinger received a heart transplant at age 28 after doctors removed a peach-size tumor from her old heart. A fighter, she is now back at work.

■ The council raised pensions for police and fire retirees who already were receiving an average of \$30,000 a year. Mayor Thomas vetoed the measure, and the council couldn't muster the votes to override the mayor. Taxpayers came out the winners.

■ A Westland police investiga-

tion indicated that some city officials got cedar wood at a discount through the city during a City Hall renovation in 1988. Much of the cedar also was mysteriously missing, the probe said. No one faced criminal charges, but the issue haunted the likes of Councilman Mehl, who accused his critics of using it against him during his failed bid in the mayoral primary.

■ In March, a huge fire swept through Glenwood Orchard Apartments, destroying a building but causing no serious injuries. Some residents criticized the way the fire department handled the blaze, but an internal probe found no serious flaws.

Gangs worry police
In crime news, Westland police became increasingly concerned about youth gangs in Westland. Gangs claimed turf, and some robbed children of athletic jackets that had gang "colors." Several robberies occurred at gunpoint.

On Easter Sunday, Westland's Robert MacMair, a Franklin High School student, was killed when his friend, Danny Haas, accidentally shot him with a 50-caliber black-powder rifle. The two had been "horsing around," police said. Haas pleaded no contest to manslaughter and remains in his father's custody.

In other crime news:

■ John Glenn football star Brian Morrison was cleared of charges stemming from the death of his girlfriend, Melissa Thompson, who died in a car accident in November 1992 while Morrison was driving.

■ The murderer of Westland's Charles W. Piper was sent to prison for life. Frederick Morris was found guilty of first-degree murder for shooting Piper at Chuck's Cycle Service in Wayne.

■ Christopher Kent Young was sentenced to 20 to 30 years in prison for the March stabbing death of Westland's Jeff Dansby. Young had claimed he was fending off a rape attack at the Blue Garden Apartments, but a jury questioned why Young -- if his story were true -- proceeded to rob Dansby.

■ John Glenn senior Tim Cassidy had both of his legs amputated after he was crushed between two cars while trying to push a friend's stalled car off of Ford road. An off-duty Westland police officer who hit Cassidy was slapped with a lawsuit. Friends and school officials held a graduation ceremony for Cassidy at the University of Michigan Hospital.

In a bizarre case last summer, Robert Michael Mulka was accused of setting his house on fire while his pregnant wife and their two young children slept. He then left for work, police said. His trial is still pending, and his wife says he is innocent.

■ Garden City's Robert John was shot and killed in front of the Wayne Road residence of Westland's Robert Miguel in August, in what police described as a Gypsy family feud. Miguel is scheduled for trial in early 1994.

■ Westland's Kyleen Hargrave-Thomas was sent to prison for life for stabbing to death her boyfriend, Manuel "Joe" Bernal Jr., and setting his house on fire to cover up the crime. Another Westland woman, Leslie Jill Hicks, is awaiting trial for the September stabbing death of her husband.

Threats made
As guns and crime drew increasing national attention, local officials had some scares in 1993. School Superintendent Larry Thomas was placed under police protection after he received death threats from a parent, who was upset because officials wouldn't remove his child from special education classes.

Trial ordered

A Garden City man was ordered bound over for trial on two charges of sexually assaulting a 13-year-old girl following a preliminary examination in 21st District Court Tuesday.

Lawrence Garry, 23, is charged with two counts of first-degree criminal sexual conduct in the incident, which was reported in November 1992. He stood mute at his earlier arraignment and was released on \$100,000 personal bond.

The Westland girl, who is now 14, testified that she and Garry had both been at a party held at a Garden City residence in November 1992.

The girl said she accompanied Garry on what was supposed to be a trip to a nearby convenience store. Instead, she said he parked outside a medical office near Arcola Street and sexually assaulted her.

The investigation by police had been delayed as results of forensic evidence -- specifically DNA testing -- are expected to be completed in February.

Garry is scheduled for circuit court arraignment on Jan. 10.

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Measuring the MEAP

Here's a school-by-school breakdown of the Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP) scores for the Livonia public schools. Results for 1993 are shown in bold. Last year's figures are italicized.

The MEAP numbers represent the percentage of students who have at least a satisfactory mastery of the subject. "Satisfactory" is defined as achieving 75% or more of the subject.

ELEMENTARY	READING (Grade 4)	MATH (Grade 4)	SCIENCE (Grade 5)
Adams	37.2 (93) 33.3 (92)	34.9 (93) 38.3 (92)	78.9 (93) 75.7 (92)
Buchanan	57.4 65.0	61.8 81.7	93.7 79.1
Cass	55.2 42.0	58.6 44.0	78.3 83.3
Cleveland	38.0 23.2	25.4 17.4	67.6 83.3
Coolidge	56.1 32.2	43.9 31.7	76.8 72.6
Cooper	24.3 19.4	48.6 9.7	64.3 74.3
Garfield	36.4 43.8	36.4 66.7	87.8 75.5
Grant	46.4 27.5	42.0 26.1	82.0 76.6
Hayes	32.9 30.4	45.7 32.1	63.5 67.8
Hoover	55.2 46.8	68.7 53.2	93.4 85.9
Hull	49.1 38.2	58.2 29.1	78.3 54.6
Johnson	34.7 27.7	44.9 31.9	84.8 61.1
Kennedy	53.2 18.4	46.8 30.6	78.3 73.8
Marshall	48.7 30.9	57.5 47.3	91.5 87.7
McKinley	38.3 39.7	38.3 27.4	75.4 79.6
Nankin Mills	31.1 34.7	27.0 34.7	64.0 69.8

ELEMENTARY (Continued)	READING (Grade 4)	MATH (Grade 4)	SCIENCE (Grade 5)
Randolph	51.5 (93) 41.7 (92)	54.4 (93) 35.0 (92)	74.6 (93) 88.9 (92)
Roosevelt	49.2 33.3	47.5 35.2	78.0 72.6
Taylor	65.8 53.8	60.5 58.5	90.6 78.1
Tyler	54.3 39.1	42.9 47.1	83.1 72.7
Washington	25.8 55.2	29.0 55.2	87.9 78.1
Webster	92.1 92.1	92.1 94.7	100.0 97.2

MIDDLE SCHOOLS	READING (Grade 7)	MATH (Grade 7)	SCIENCE (Grade 8)
Emerson	32.4 (93) 26.2 (92)	31.9 (93) 37.3 (92)	56.1 (93) 47.2 (92)
Frost	56.8 51.1	58.8 60.8	69.2 65.1
Holmes	43.2 48.2	49.4 52.1	73.9 67.2
Riley	42.2 40.9	42.2 41.4	66.6 60.4

HIGH SCHOOLS	READING (Grade 10)	MATH (Grade 10)	SCIENCE (Grade 11)
Churchill	61.7 (93) 44.8 (92)	41.5 (93) 34.5 (92)	63.8 (93) 59.0 (92)
Franklin	24.2 24.8	24.2 24.8	47.8 45.6
Stevenson	55.2 46.8	38.4 32.2	64.8 58.9



Video game: Enjoying the Gameboy video game are Adam Kirk, 8, Eric Stanberry, 11, and Treveor Stanberry, 9, during the Y's holiday day camp.

YMCA keeps kids busy

Arts, crafts: Counselor Lynn Shelly works with Ellen Grutta, 5, during last week's YMCA holiday day camp.



Some children spent the two-week holiday break visiting out-of-town relatives. Others walked to the homes of school friends to watch TV or play video games.

But one group of youngsters enjoyed a different kind of vacation. They spent all or part of the 10 days at the Wayne-Westland Family YMCA's annual day camp.

Pauline King, office manager, said the daily activities included use of the swimming pool, making sun-catchers for windows, renting movies, enjoying arts, crafts, and finger-painting, as well as a pizza party.

The Y, which includes Garden City and Canton Township in its service area, holds the day camp for children whose parents work during the holiday period.

Notice: Public Comment Period Transportation Improvement Program (FY 1994-1996) Amendments

Presented by: SEMCOG, the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments
660 Plaza Drive, Suite 1900
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The public is invited to review and submit comments on amendments to the Fiscal Year (FY) 1994-1996 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) during the public comment period, **January 3 to January 28, 1994**. The TIP is a listing of federally and non-federally funded major road and transit service improvements proposed by various communities, road agencies, transit agencies and the Michigan Department of Transportation. The Federal Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA) emphasizes the public's opportunity to review and comment on road and transit projects proposed for federal funding. This public comment process is part of SEMCOG'S overall responsibility for formulating the TIP and for approving projects for federal funding.

The additional projects are located in the Southeast Michigan counties of Livingston, Macomb, Monroe, Oakland, Washtenaw, Wayne and the City of Detroit. The types of proposed projects include construction of new roads, widening of existing roads, resurfacing and repair of roads and bridges, large bus and equipment purchases by transit agencies and operating assistance for transit agencies. The TIP document identifies the location of each project, estimated cost, the source of funds and the agency or community which has jurisdiction over the project.

Written comments concerning the projects should be submitted to John M. Amberger, Executive Director of SEMCOG, at 660 Plaza Drive, Suite 1900, Detroit, MI, 48226. Verbal responses may also be made, at SEMCOG'S Transportation Advisory Council (TAC) meeting to be held in SEMCOG offices (same address) on Wednesday, January 26, 1994, at 9:30 a.m.

The TIP amendments are available for review starting January 3 at the following locations:

- SEMCOG offices (address above)
- The Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation (SMART), First National Bldg., 660 Woodward Ave., Detroit.
- The Detroit Department of Transportation (DDOT), 1301 E. Warren, Detroit.
- The Ann Arbor-Ypsilanti Urban Area Transportation Study, 278 Collingwood, Ann Arbor.
- The Ann Arbor Transportation Authority, 2700 Industrial Hwy., Ann Arbor.
- The St. Clair County Metropolitan Planning Commission, 108 McMorran Blvd., Port Huron.
- County planning departments and the main offices of county road commissions in Livingston, Macomb, Monroe, Oakland, St. Clair and Washtenaw and the Wayne County Department of Public Services (Department of Engineering).
- The City of Detroit's planning department and Planning Commission office.

Survivors *from page 1A*

had relatives die within the past year had their own way of handling the emotional struggle.

Barbara Gasco of Westland told the Observer that she tried to keep busy by having relatives come to her home as well as repainting her Holiday Park townhouse.

"I had my family with me," said Gasco, whose husband of 14 years, Neil, died April 3. It was the second time that she lost a husband. Her first died 23 years ago after a 17-year marriage.

She said her son, four daughters, grandchildren and her mother visited her during the holidays.

The grandchildren "kept me busy," she said. "I managed to get through the holidays," saying it helps to keep busy.

Garden City's Catherine Bilek consistently thinks of her father, who died June 6, and her mother, who died several years ago.

When she's alone, Bilek said she tells her parents that she loves them and missed them and ask them for guidance.

Also remembering her parents are Bilek's teenage son and daughter, Robert and Scarlett.

But Bilek admits that she "just wants the holidays to go away," feeling "empty and lonely" without the company of her two children and an aunt.

"I miss my parents daily, particularly during the holidays," she said.

Bilek offered a suggestion to others who had a relative die.

"Think of all the good memories of them," she said. "Don't dwell on what you should have done. Remember — they (parents) loved you despite your faults."

One positive memory she has during this holiday period is buying a new winter coat for her father last winter.

Her father, Robert, died at the age of 85 on what would have been her parents' 50th anniversary.

Bilek noted that her mother, Agnes Bilek, died on Jan. 21, the Feast of Agnes holiday for Catholics.

In material issued to persons attending the annual "Angel Tree" ceremony several weeks

ago, Poppenger said:

"One of the most painful issues for you to deal with is how to survive the holidays after the death of the person that you loved. Because holidays are supposed to be

family times, and because of the heavy expectations that you should feel close to everyone, this time of the year can underscore the absence of your loved one more than any other time."

Counselor offers tips for warding off grief

Here are tips from grief counselor Helen Poppenger on how relatives can get through their first Christmas following the death of a relative:

■ Have a plan to help you get through each day. Planning gives you control over the time and how you will spend it.

■ Be aware that the anticipation of pain at the holidays is always worse than the day itself.

■ What you decide to do this year doesn't have to be the same the next year. You can always be creative and design the day to fit the needs of both you and your family. Remember that your needs take priority.

■ Be aware that the distress and anxiety you are feeling about the holidays is normal. There are other people who are in the same situation and they feel exactly as you do now.

■ Do something symbolic. Create a moment that will be special in honoring the memory of your loved one. Light a candle, have a special decoration, write notes and place them in a stocking. Develop an observance that is comforting to you and will honor your loved one where their memory and presence as a part of your life are remembered and acknowledged.

■ Take care of yourself. Fatigue, rich foods, alcoholic beverages and all the pressures that are part of a holiday season can take a toll on you and cause your feelings of despair to increase. Take time to nurture yourself.

■ Think about your past family traditions and decide with your family whether you need to keep them intact or can you change them.

■ Tears and sadness don't have to ruin the holiday for you or for

others. Let yourself have the cry that you need. You will be surprised that you can go on again until the next time you need to release the tears. Facing family holidays in your loved one's absence are normal mourning experiences and part of the healing process.

■ Give others permission to talk about your loved one during the holidays. Let family and friends know what you need and that it is important for you to discuss and acknowledge your loved one. Have them share their thoughts, so you can share yours.

■ It's OK to have fun during the holidays. It doesn't mean that you don't miss your loved one. Give yourself permission to laugh, just as you give permission to feel sadness and tears.

■ Let others know what you need and how they can help you. Don't do anything with which you aren't comfortable, just to make someone else happy.

■ Don't over-commit yourself. Do only what you want to do, not what others want.

■ Reach out to others and do something for someone else. The reaching out can give you a sense of fulfillment and can brighten the day of another person.

Insurance agents donate food

The Independent Insurance Agents of Wayne County have delivered some 200 boxes of food to needy families in the Detroit metropolitan area.

More than 20 independent insurance agencies and companies in Wayne County participated in the food drive. Included with each box of food was a smoke detector and battery.

The boxes of food were dropped off Thursday and Friday at Timemaster Business Forms Inc. at 13000 Inkster Road in Redford Township.

The filled boxes were then delivered by insurance agent volunteers to local charities and distributed to needy families during this week.

A spokesperson for the Independent Insurance Agents of Wayne County said the food drive donation presents agents with the opportunity to help those within the community they serve.

"It's important that insurance agents demonstrate that their concerns are not limited to selling auto insurance," said Denise McHenry of Cambridge Underwriters in Livonia. "We have a social and moral responsibility to do whatever possible to improve the lives of those less fortunate."

McHenry added that the free smoke detectors are designed to increase the chances of early fire detection during the holi-

day season. "Each year, there are horror stories of families losing everything they own. In too many cases, poor people cannot afford smoke detectors and the results are often tragic," said McHenry.

Anyone wishing to contribute boxes of non-perishable food items can contact McHenry at 525-2442.

The truck was loaded up on Monday for deliveries to such locations as Focus:HOPE, the Salvation Army Corps in Plymouth, Grandale Church of the Master in Detroit, The Information Center in Southgate, Civic Concern in Northville, St. Mary Hospital in Livonia, and Northville Christian Assembly in Northville.

OBITUARIES

MARGARET T. SAVAGE

Services for Mrs. Savage, 62, of Westland were Dec. 22 from St. Theodore Catholic Church with interment in Mt. Hope Cemetery, Livonia. Rev. Jerry Cupple officiated.

Mrs. Savage died Dec. 18 in her residence. Born July 2, 1931, in Belfast, Northern Ireland, she was a homemaker.

Survivors include: sons Sean, Kevin, Patrick, Brian, Michael and Timothy; daughters Geraldine Savage and Mairead Powell; four grandchildren, and sisters Mary Murray, Josie Myles and Annie Caldwell.

Memorials may be donated to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Arrangements were by Vermeulen Funeral Home, Plymouth Township.

EVA E. WALTON

Services for Mrs. Walton, 77, of Westland were Dec. 30 from the Vermeulen Funeral Home, Plymouth Township, with interment in United Memorial Gardens, Superior Township. Rev. Michael York of the Main Street Baptist Church, Canton Township officiated.

Mrs. Walton died Dec. 28 in St. Mary Hospital, Livonia. Born Oct. 10, 1916, in Obion County, Tenn., she was a homemaker.

Survivors include: husband Nobel; sons John of Canton and Ronald of Westland; daughter Wanda Weitzel of Ash Flat, Ark.; 12 grandchildren; 11 grandchildren; brother Robert Guynn of Barryton, Mich. and sister Rachael Stofa of Brooksville, Fla.

GLADYS L. MILLER

Services for Mrs. Miller, 87, of Northville were Dec. 20 from the Vermeulen Funeral Home, Plymouth Township, with interment in Glen Eden Cemetery, Livonia. Rev. Jerry Yarnell officiated.

Mrs. Miller died Dec. 17 in the Star Manor Nursing Home, Northville. Born June 28, 1906, in Hesteler, Ontario, she was a homemaker.

Survivors include: sons Robert of Bradenton, Fla., William of Central Lake, Mich., James of Garden City, Thomas of Tecumseh, and Richard of Frostproof, Fla.; daughter JoAnn Ost of Plymouth; 11 grandchildren, and 11 great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be donated to the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

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mills (the district's current school millage rate)."

The plan on the March 15 ballot, if approved by voters, will raise the sales tax from four to six cents on the dollar. The homestead property tax would be cut to 6 mills.

If voters reject the plan, then a fallback plan passed by the Legis-

lature will take effect. This plan requires no voter approval. Under this plan, the personal income tax rate will rise to 6 percent from the current 4.6 percent. And homestead property taxes will be cut from the current statewide average of 37 mills to 12 mills.

It's premature to say which plan would be better for the dis-

trict other than to say that the property tax is a more stable source of funding," Marinelli said.

Under either plan, districts will be allowed to ask voters for 3 mills of additional property taxes. However, these 3 mills could only be levied for three years, Marinelli said.

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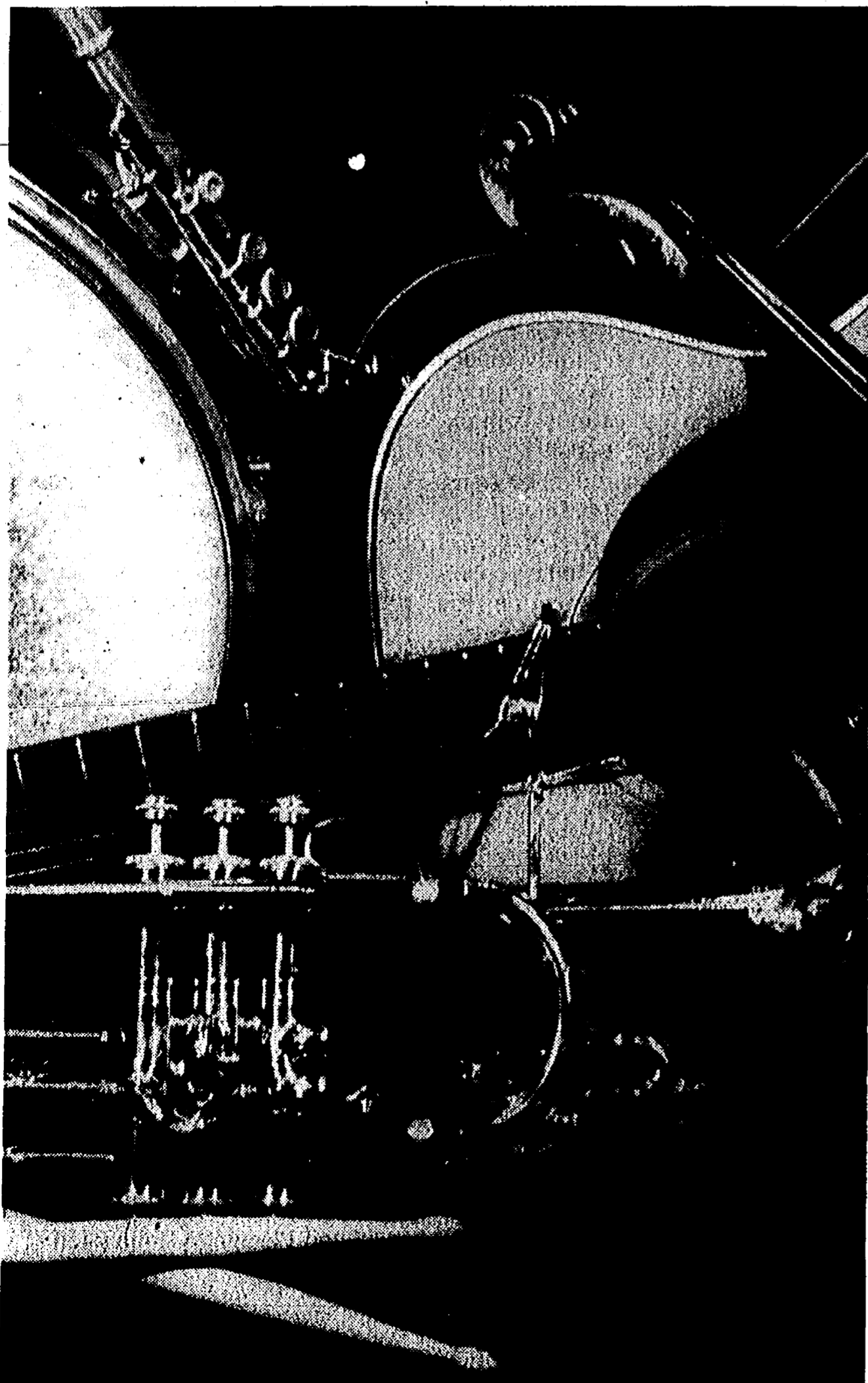
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First-term local commissioners tackle county issues

BY RALPH R. ECHTINAW
STAFF WRITER

Continued expansion of Metro Airport, improvements to Wayne County parks, a county car ordinance and budget battles made headlines in county government news in 1993.

Here's a review of some of the most notable county stories of 1993.

■ The year started off with a cabal of suburban county commissioners attempting to overthrow commission Chairman Arthur Blackwell.

Dissatisfied with Blackwell's performance, the commissioners had promised their votes for chairman to commissioner Kay Beard, D-Westland.

Their hopes were dashed when Beard remained loyal to Blackwell and declined the offer. She was subsequently named vice chairwoman by Blackwell.

■ The dissatisfaction with Blackwell continued, and in August commissioner William O'Neil, D-Allen Park, forced through changes to the commission's procedural rules that stripped the chairman of much of his power. O'Neil had been working on the project since 1992.

The end of 1993 found the com-

missioners getting along much better. Democrat Bryan Amann, who represents Canton Township, says he feels like one-15th of the commission again.

The year also brought three new members to the county commission, including Ligonja Republican Thaddeus McCotter and Dearborn Heights Democrat Michelle Plawewski. They made their presence felt almost immediately and were praised by many. In June, Plawewski, whose district also includes Redford Township and a small part of Livonia, and McCotter, whose district includes Plymouth and Plymouth Township, led the way in blocking a budget transfer to pay for airline tickets for Nigerian dancers flown in from Africa at county expense for Black Awareness Month.

■ In the same month, an audit of the county car policy determined that there wasn't much of a policy at all. McCotter was chosen to draft an ordinance to regulate the use of county cars.

Working with members of Wayne County Executive Edward McNamara's staff, McCotter finished the ordinance in October. Although approved by the commission and signed by McNamara, the ordinance is still in limbo because one of McNamara's lawyers called it unenforceable and void. They're not through fighting about this



New members: Elected to the county board in 1993 were Ligonja Republican Thaddeus McCotter, whose district encompasses Plymouth and Plymouth Township, and Dearborn Heights Democrat Michelle Plawewski, whose district also includes Redford Township and a small part of Livonia.

one yet.

■ A comprehensive federally-funded experimental cleanup project on the Rouge River gathered steam in 1993. The project is expected to take 20 years to complete and cost more than \$1 billion in just the first 12 years.

■ The Wayne County Parks System continued spending on capital improvements like the expan-

sion of Nankin Mills, additional volleyball courts and the refurbishment of Newburgh Pointe. A Hines Park holiday light show began in November will run through Jan. 9, and by all accounts is a success.

■ In April, the long-running feud between McNamara and Sheriff Robert Ficano wrote a new chapter as McNamara wrestled control

of the Metro Airport deputies from the sheriff's department, creating the Metro Airport Police. Ficano fought hard to keep control of the deputies, but lost in Circuit Court.

■ Three months later, McNamara began a regular Channel 4 TV show with Oakland County Executive Brooks Patterson. "The Brooks and Ed Show" airs at noon or 12:30 p.m. most Sundays, but it will likely be canceled as soon as McNamara announces his candidacy for re-election.

■ Perhaps the project McNamara is proudest of is the expansion of Metro Airport. The multi-million dollar project is expected to take many years to complete, but this year they opened a \$90-million runway, which is supposed to reduce the length of delays, and continued to work on a new parking structure.

■ Commissioner Amann was successful in getting an ordinance passed that declared most of the airport smoke free. Now there are supposed to be well-marked, fully-enclosed smoking areas in the terminals.

■ Wayne County Prosecutor John O'Hair had a run-in with Dr. Jack Kevorkian and his attorney, Geoffrey Fieger, but chief assistant prosecutor George Ward made headlines, too.

Ward convinced a Circuit Court

judge to attach specific conditions to the parole of a man with nine prior convictions, instead of just effectively setting him free, as the state parole board tried to do. But the parole board countered Ward by canceling the man's parole, leaving him in prison. This story isn't over yet, as Ward has appealed the parole board's decision.

■ McNamara made headlines again in October when he took three bus loads of local officials to Lansing to protest proposed cuts in state subsidies to local government. At a speech-filled lunch in the civic center that day many prominent Democratic state pols dropped by to pay homage to McNamara.

One area Republican official declined an invitation to join the protest, saying it sounded too much like a McNamara-for-governor campaign event.

■ The county budget made news, as usual, first as bitter arguments boiled over and layoffs were threatened and officials struggled to wipe out an \$11.75 million shortfall in the fiscal 1993 budget. Later, when the 1994 budget was discussed, the same officials cooperated, compromised and complimented one another on the terrific job they were doing. "We're sick of bickering," said commissioner O'Neil. "We wanted to see if we could do this like adults."

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POINTS OF VIEW

Improve education by merging school districts

Some said it couldn't be done. But the Legislature did it. Now the issue of how to pay for schools is in voter hands. And no matter which tax plan is chosen, there will be more equity between have and have-not districts. Plus, the legislative plan includes some effort at making changes in the actual education our children receive. This is a start, but we can do more. One issue that still cries for attention is reducing the number of school districts from the current 562. It makes sense on the basis of cost savings, educational opportunity and community spirit. When you think about it, it's kind of ridiculous. Detroit, with a population of 1 million is all one district. But West Bloomfield Township, with a population of about 50,000, is divided among seven school districts.

Consolidation of districts should save significant dollars. Why do we need a Clarenceville, which schools 1,700 kids from three communities — Livonia, Redford Township and Farmington Hills? Clarenceville has fewer students in the whole district than attend many of our high schools. If Clarenceville students were doled out to the districts near where they live, taxpayers probably wouldn't be paying the salaries of Clarenceville's superintendent, an assistant superintendent for business, a director of special and vocational education and an administrative assistant for instruction. Just multiply this by the number of other small districts. Larger districts also allow more educational opportunities. Think of the advantage Plymouth-Canton high school students have, with both high



JUDITH DONER BERNE

schools on one campus and the ability to choose among offerings at each school without having to figure out how to get there. Those kinds of choices are available only in larger districts. I remember the reasons given for the elementary school in the tightly knit village of Franklin, part of the Birmingham School District, more than

15 years ago. The village's student population had declined to the point that it was down to one teacher per grade, and sometimes that teacher would teach a split-grade class. But even back then the Birmingham schools knew that certain children learn better in a more rigid atmosphere, while others need a more "open" classroom. Indeed, individual districts have always had to consolidate by closing schools for both educational and financial reasons. Birmingham's going through that right now. And it's time for the state to do the same kind of housekeeping. Another reason for consolidating districts is to revive "Our Town." Having pride in where you live and where you go to school is a pretty basic human emotion. If they can be one and the same, all the better. Bitterness pervades Redford Town-

ship because its Redford Union district lacks the tax base of South Redford schools. The school reform plan may help to alleviate some of that tension. But wouldn't the community be better served by having a single school district that is a source of unity, rather than of divisiveness? Just as closing individual schools causes an uproar, consolidating school districts causes an initial emotional uproar. But these things pass. And children, and finally their parents, form attachments to the new. (Who in the Wayne-Westland system mourns the passing of the Cherry Hill district?) The Legislature has accomplished a lot this year. But its resolution for 1994 should be "We have just begun." Judith Doner Berne is managing editor of the Eccentric Newspapers. You can reach her at 901-2563.

You can do some really dumb things acting naturally

It's nearly an impossible task to make it though New Year's without reading or seeing a review of the past year. There are death lists, navel-gazing stories about school financing and predictions of peace in the Mideast. These days, chances of peace in the Mideast are better than coming up with a school financing plan that will work. But I'll leave all the serious looks back and looks forward to others. For me, New Year's is the time to look back at all the stupid things I did all year. Here's a sampling: Stupidity came in with the New Year. It was time for a new car battery. However, I didn't buy one until the following December when the car engine was dead as a New Year's resolution and it was 5 degrees. Forgetting Valentine's Day. Being a seventh-generation red neck, I thought

it fell on Leap Year. Too bad it doesn't. Even having thoughts of spring during March sentences you to a prison for the terminally stupid. I'm serving a life sentence. April is a month for new beginnings; baseball and trout seasons open. I was on more road trips for trout than the Tigers for away games. And, of course, the "Tigers" middle-of-the-pack finish was much better than my trout record. May was the month that I gave up on the idea of jogging. Stupid me, I hadn't run much in 10 years but kept the shoes in vague hope that I'd start again. Perhaps it was my 45 birthday, but it was probably my realization that it's better to walk than run. June is the month for school tax elections and, like others, I voted yes for a small tax increase in Livonia for sports and other activities. It's also the month during which it dawned on me that, after listening to the woes of



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school financing for more than 20 years, there never will be a solution. Stupid me to think there would. For years I would stupidly drive for hours into the brush country of the Upper Peninsula in quest of an unfished portion of a trout stream, ignoring the easily fished areas near major roads. In July my son and I got lazy and fished near a black top road. In 40 minutes

my kid had caught more fish than he had all summer. Having campers whiz past 20 feet from us may bother our sense of nature aesthetics, but trout aren't bothered by such intellectual nonsense. August was a relief. It was too hot to do anything too stupid. For the first time I was going to get all the storm windows early in September, but there was that one last fishing trip; and grouse season started. I remembered that well while putting up storm windows the day after Christmas. In October I actually did something smart. For years I had stupidly piled my leaves in the street, usually on the wrong day, waiting for the city to pick them up. This fall I tested the old theory that they'll blow away if you ignore them. In November I made up for August. For years I just thought I was a sexist,

but then I learned I was nothing of the sort, I was just unevolved. I had always thought that not being evolved was the same as not being able to walk upright and tossing stones at animals. It turns out that being unevolved is being a man of the 1890s living in the 1990s. December is a month filled with potential for being stupid. I lived up to my potential. Here's a quick sampling: Ever try to find The Clapper at Meijer on Christmas Eve when you have other things on your mind? Don't buy the first Christmas tree you see. The amount of bourbon consumed doesn't help you get through the holidays, much less put up the crooked tree. Don't even try to pretend you know the words of a Christmas song. Jeff Counts is the editor of the Plymouth and Canton Observer Newspapers, who is still in quest of The Clapper. He can be reached at 459-2700.

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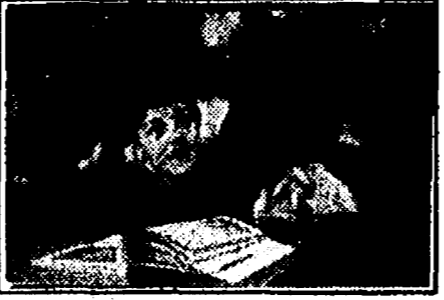
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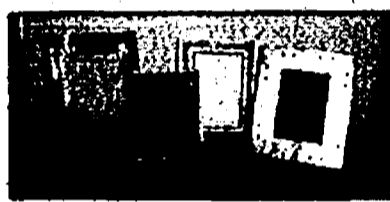


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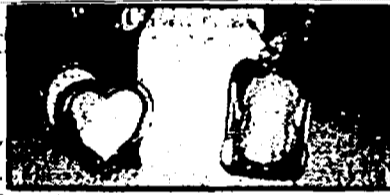
Pretty frames hold memories

Though the holidays come and go in a blur of tinsel and gift wrap and return receipts, the memories of the good times are usually captured on film. We would forget the delightful look on Dad's face when he got the gift certificate for a putting clinic, or little sister's rakish pose in flannel boxers, if we didn't allow Mom to snap photos of us looking our early-morning, pre-gel worst.

So now that you've had all of those rolls of film developed and you've chosen the ones to send to out-of-town relatives and the ones to magnetize to the fridge, show off the rest of your favorites in inexpensive frames. A grouping of family photos in eye-catching frames warms a room like no other accessory. T.J. Maxx and Marshall's department stores practically corner the market on attractive picture frames at reasonable prices. A friend recently bought some interesting examples at Marshall's. Included were a hammered metal frame with brass accents (4x5) by Urban Primitives (\$9.99), a Southwest-look bronze and brushed aluminum design (3x5) for \$17.99, and a whimsical ceramic tiger paw print (\$8.99). The selection at T.J. Maxx includes a painted wildflower frame in antiqued gold finish (\$6.99) and a green marbled creation, also \$6.99. My daughter presented her friends with mini pewter frames in various shapes (set of 3/\$9.99) and delicate hand-painted ceramic frames strewn with ribbons and roses by Two's Company (\$5.99).



For a contemporary setting, choose elegant scrollwork frames in a verdigris finish (\$5.99 and \$9.99). Or if, like me, you admire antique sideboards crowded with miscellaneous silver frames, begin a collection with fanciful silverplated ovals (\$9.99) from T.J. Maxx.



Look for Marshall's in Southfield, Rochester and Pontiac and visit T.J. Maxx in Bloomfield Township, Farmington Hills, Troy, Rochester Hills and Beverly Hills.

Special occasions

If your baby celebrated a first Christmas, consider nursery-themed ceramic frames decorated with bunnies, bears, fairies and kittens (2x3 and 3x4 for \$3.99).

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If you're looking for distinctive and artistic picture frames, one of the area's best selections is at Jacobson's. Displayed beautifully in curio cabinets and open shelving are hand-carved wooden frames in Egyptian motifs (\$30-\$40), antique brass Italian works-of-art featuring cherubim in bas relief (\$50-\$60) and the burlwood collection priced from \$95 to \$110.

A hand-painted "partridge in a pear tree" design would enhance any Christmas photo (\$65 and \$75), as would an elegant etched glass Victorian frame (\$110). Ultrasuede might look perfect on the office desk. In jewel tones, the 5x7 frames are \$65.

Select miniature bronze-enamels by Haffke of Germany if you're thinking of starting a collection (from \$45), and, for a conversation piece, consider the tree bark frame by Lia entitled Andalusian Flowerpots (\$65).

If you'd like to showcase a grouping of holiday photos, see Jacobson's "Be A Show Off" Lucite collage frame. Each holds four 4x6 prints (\$25).

Maybe you're so organized that you've already popped your seasonal pics into the "year-at-a-glance" photo album. But if, like me, you have a cluttered picture drawer in your kitchen, grab a bunch of frames and enjoy the faces of all the special people in your life every day.

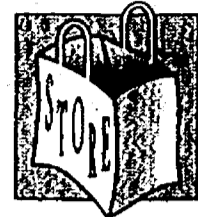
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LOOKING AHEAD

What to watch for in Malls & Mainstreets next week:

- An answer to that age-old question, Who owns the malls?
- Linda Bachrack shops for ice cream treats.
- Added Attractions returns with special events.

'New' Hudson's gets mixed reviews



When Hudson's opened in Summit Place Mall in 1962, the area was mostly cottages around the district's many lakes. Today, young families with dual incomes demand a different kind of store, and Hudson's is renovating to please them.

BY SUSAN DEMAGGIO
STAFF WRITER

A whole new world is opening up at the Hudson's store in the Summit Place Mall in Waterford, but it's to mixed reviews from shoppers.

Hudson's is half-way through a complete renovation of its "old, Pontiac Mall" store, patterning the project after its recent remodeling of the upscale Oakland Mall store in Troy.

The grand opening of the tri-level, 284,000-square-foot store is set for

fall 1994, but most of the renovation will be completed by spring, according to Chris Morrisroe, Hudson's spokeswoman. Currently, a new Marketplace deli, complete with espresso/cappuccino bar is open on the third floor; the men's department on the lower level is finished; the cosmetic and jewelry departments on the main floor are new, (though other main floor departments are still under construction), and upstairs, the children's, housewares, and electronics departments are also under the

hammer and saw.

Polished marble floors, wide aisles, brass accents, new light fixtures and bright ceilings get rave reviews from shoppers and mall employees, but the elimination of the restaurant and book, drapery and furniture departments have disappointed others.

Pat Hunter of Waterford and Joan Townsend of Clarkston stopped in to have lunch at the restaurant — only to discover it gone, replaced by a deli counter and minimal cafe seating.

"We ordered lunch from the deli counter; the service was good, the food was excellent, but we won't be back," said Hunter. "I don't want to take a number, stand in line and carry my own food to the table. I like to be waited on when I go out to lunch, especially when I'm shopping. How

are shoppers going to manage food trays, purses, strollers and packages? Is that Hudson's idea of convenience?"

Townsend agreed.

"I would like the restaurant back, thank you," she said. "We're retired and at a point in our lives when we don't want to stand in lines anymore. I'm disappointed. Maybe some shoppers will like this set up, but I don't know about the older folks."

One employee who did not want to be identified said she was sad that the book department was gone.

"Many of us used to buy paperbacks in the book department to read on our breaks," she said. "I'd buy a different one every week."

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Jockey underwear changes through the years

BY SUSAN DEMAGGIO
STAFF WRITER

You put it on every morning and take it off each night. In between, your mother worries that it's clean. At this time of year, you care more that it's warm.

A brief history of underwear reveals that cold and dirt were the twin inspirations for the wearing of undergarments back in the 1870s when Samuel T. Cooper established the forerunner to Jockey International in St. Joseph, Mich.

Cooper died in 1892, and his three sons moved the company to Kenosha, Wis., where they turned Cooper's into a household name — Jockey. Jockey perfected the union suit, invented the men's brief, patented the Y-front (it provides "restful buoyancy") and pioneered new methods of marketing, promoting and packaging its products.

The Chicago Historical Museum is hosting an exhibit of Jockey International's contributions to the industry through Jan. 15. Today, three manufacturers lead the sale of undergarments in the United States — Fruit of the Loom, based in Bowling Green, Ky.; Hanes, based in Winston-Salem, N.C.; and Jockey International.

Lisa Witek, spokeswoman for 118-year old Jockey International, refused to give out sales figures for the privately owned company but said that Jockey is in the number three spot in terms of underwear sales. The product is sold only in department and specialty stores around the world, through 14,000 vendors. Locally, Jockey is sold at Crowley's, Jacobson's and Hudson's.

Why wear it?

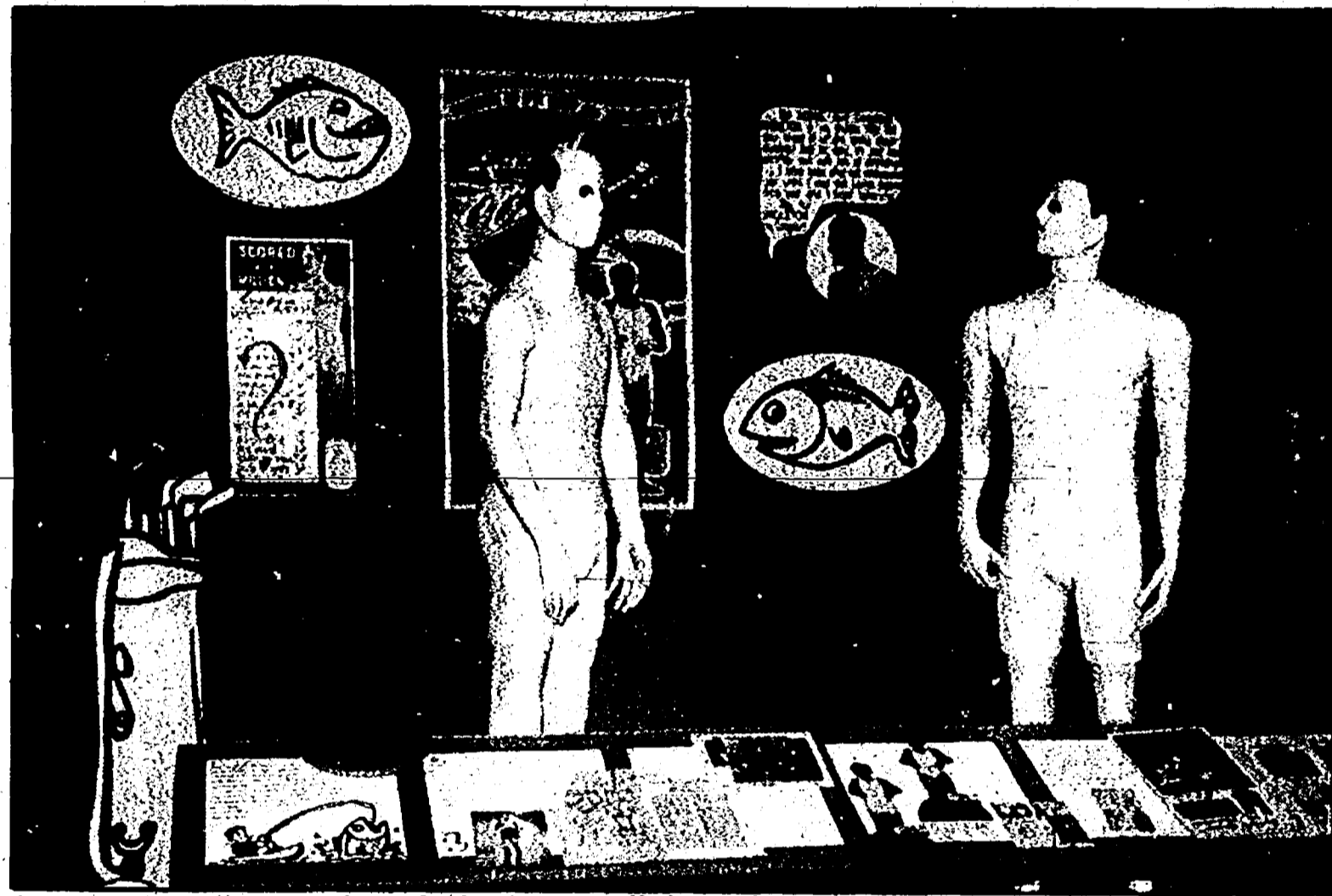
Underwear served as an additional layer of warmth when households were drafty and without running water. Wearing undergarments was also a way to keep clothing cleaner longer when frequent laundering was impossible.

When Cooper introduced the

union suit in 1915, sales boomed. Men loved the one-piece, white, wool suit because it eliminated bulk at the waist and it stopped drafts before they reached the skin. In 1911, Coopers became the first underwear company to advertise in a national magazine with an ad in the Saturday Evening Post for the Kenosha Klosed Krotch.

Advertising illustrator J.C. Leyendecker (of Kellogg's Corn Flakes fame) created the "Man on the Bag" emblem for Cooper's, picturing the rear view of man in a union suit with one leg on a sack of flour, revealing the way the Kenosha Klosed Krotch

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Second skin: Vignettes from Jockey's past tell the underwear story at the Chicago Historical Museum. Jockey rode to fame on its patented "Y-front" pictured here in the classic brief (left) and the Singleton.

RETAIL DETAILS

Retail Details features the latest openings, closings, new merchandise lines and personnel changes around the Malls and Mainstreets. To include news, write: Retail Details, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150. The fax number is (313) 591-7279.

■ KIDS SERIES

Rory, kidrock recording artist and Learning Channel television host, performs at Lakeside Mall, to kick-off the 1994 Family Night Series held each first Wednesday of the month. Rory will sing with her four-piece Knock-Your-Socks-Off Band, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 5 in the Performing Arts Court. She will sign autographs after the show. Lakeside is at M-59 and Schoenherr in Sterling Heights. The concert is free.

■ AFFORDABLE ANTIQUES

Judy Trumbull, a Birmingham resident, opened Trumbull's Antiques Emporium, downstairs at 222 Merrill Building selling "funky, trendy, affordable" antiques. "My customers tell me I'm just what Birmingham needed," she laughed. Open seven days a week beginning 10 a.m. through the holidays. Antiques also purchased for several dealers. Call for more information, 647-6833.

■ WOMEN'S GOLF CLOTHING

The Forward Tee, the first woman's golf apparel store in Michigan opened in the Meadowbrook Village Mall; Walton and Adams in Rochester Hills. Owner Barb Thorpe said she patterned the store after similar shops in Denver and Cleveland. The Forward Tee offers a range of lines from top sportswear designers LeCoq Sportif for Golf, Hanaaport, Jean Bell, and Lily's of Beverly Hills, among others. In addition to dressing for the links at The Forward Tee, women can get golf tips or sign up for lessons from local golf professionals. 1-810-375-5TEE.

■ STYLIST QUOTED

Jeffrey Jucowicz, hair stylist at the Salon Bellissima in West Bloomfield, 14 Mile and Farmington, is quoted in the December edition of Allure fashion magazine, commenting on style trends. Jucowicz gained national attention as a stylist through his makeover expertise and guest appear-

ances on Kelley & Co.

■ UNITED WAY SUPPORT

Hudson's 1993 United Way Campaign ended raising over \$900,000 for local UW agencies. Hudson's employees have supported the UW for more than 65 years. Hudson's Oakland Mall hosted a potluck picnic, used book sale, geranium sale and cookbook event to earn \$51,000 for the campaign.

■ SERVICE AWARD

Wonderland Mall in Livonia has been named one of 60 shopping centers to receive the "Get Centered 50" award from the International Council of Shopping Centers. Wonderland Mall was chosen for its Flood Relief project to help mid-west flood victims, through the Salvation Army.

■ ASSISTANT AT BARNEYS

Louise Hetner of Birmingham has been named assistant store manager women's accessories, Chelsea, Apothecary and Shoes at the Troy store in the Somerset Collection. She was recently department manager at Neiman Marcus.

■ LAKESIDE NEWCOMERS

Four new stores have opened at Lakeside in Sterling Heights. World Bead Company, On Air Designs, Franklin Mint, and Hickory Farms. The check-out counter at On Air Designs is 22-foot long and resembles an enormous TV remote control with neon lights. The company carries shirts, mugs, posters, watches and ball caps with scenes and logos from television programs.

■ DISCOUNT MENSWEAR

Fashion Quest, 29260 Franklin Road at the Claymor Complex, sells designer men's sportswear and accessories priced 30-50 percent below retail. A specialty is men's made-to-measure neckwear for taller men requiring extra length ties. Open Monday by special appointment only. Tuesday-Saturday 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more details call 362-5557.

■ TOBACCO SHOP OPENS

Hugo's Tobacco is open at Tel-Twelve Mall in Southfield. Specializing in tobacco products and men's gifts, the store also sells cigarettes, mugs, pipes and accessories. The store is the second location for owners Tina and Alex Harb, a brother

and sister team. It's located across from the food court.

■ WINKLEMAN'S EXPANDS

Also at Tel-Twelve Mall, Winkleman's remodeled and expanded to become a full-line women's dept. store. The Tel-Twelve Winkleman's store is similar to the large Winkleman's branch at the Oakland Mall in Troy. Shoppers enjoy a new marble floor, wider aisles, and a new all-glass front entrance that opens onto the food court.

■ NEW COSMETIC LINE

International makeup artist Joey Mills, debuts his new Makeup For Women Of Color line at Hudson's Northland and Eastland stores. Mills designed colors for each of three ethnic skin tones, Suntan, Bronze and Mahogany. Each \$15 kit contains eight eye shadows, highlighter, eyeliner, two blushers, mascara, two corrector colors, foundation and pressed powders.

■ NORTHLAND NEWS

The Avenue is open at Northland Center in Southfield. The Avenue sells moderately-priced fashions for full-figured women, sized 14 to 32. The shop also carries jewelry and accessories.

Also at Northland, The Merry Go Round has expanded, providing 4,000-square feet of trendy men's and women's casual apparel.

■ CHANGES AT BIG & TALL

Casual Male Big & Tall, promoted eight employees to store managers in the Detroit area: Brad Hill at Lathrup Village, Tim Couture at Westland, Irene Kariman at Waterford, Ron Oleski at Madison Heights, Ilene Warren at South Gate, Kevin Summerall at Roseville, Karen Eick at Farmington Hills and Sonya Girty at Warren.

Casual Male Big & Tall is a division of J. Baker Inc., a \$940-million retailer of specialty clothing and footwear. The chain also operates Parade of Shoes stores; Fayva shoe stores; Work 'n Gear clothing stores.

Compiled by Susan DeMaggio.

MALLS & MAINSTREETS

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worked for him.

Less to come

In the 1930s, men's topsless bathing suits were making their way onto private U.S. beaches from Europe. These form-fitting bathing suits influenced Cooper's executive Arthur Kneibler, who came up with a close-fitting knit garment with an elastic waistband in 1934.

Cooper's named the underwear, "The Jockey Brief" to suggest

athletic freedom of movement. The Jockey brief became the standard, but the original design did not have a fly. Cooper's added the patented Y-front and advertised the new masculinized undergarment as providing "restful buoyancy which could stay closed without buttons."

The Jockey brief was introduced in Chicago in January 1935 by a display in the front window of the Davis Store on State Street. The display featured the photo-

graph of a man wearing Jockey briefs instead of an illustration. Despite a snowstorm, hundreds of people came out to see the window display, and 12,000 briefs were sold within a week!

The success was repeated around the country. To ensure continued attention to the Jockey brief, "The Squirmer" ad campaign was launched in the late 1930s. The Squirmer was portrayed in a variety of social situations as the victim of his under-

wear. The Squirmer suffered torment until he switched to Jockey underwear.

By the 1950s, Jockey was promoting novelty print underwear packaged for Valentine's Day and Christmas. This marked the first time underwear was sold as a gift item.

Jockey trademark

Late 18th, early 19th century manufacturers began to develop trademarks, symbols that made their products easily recognizable to customers. In 1940, Cooper's commissioned Frank Hoffman, sculptor of horses and riders, to create the jockey boy statue for in-store displays of Jockey underwear. The logo also appeared on packages and — with a few minor changes — remains today.

Since the '30s, Jockey hired famous sports figures to appear in their advertisements, such as Red Grange, Yogi Berra, Tommy Armour and Babe Ruth. These men were photographed in their sports uniforms with a heading that stated they had on Jockey products underneath. In 1975, a group of athletes clad only in their Jockey briefs, appeared in national magazines under the heading "Take away their uniforms and who are they? — Jim Palmer, Steven Carlton, JoJo White and Pete Rose." Palmer became Jockey's official spokesman, the "Man on the Bag" for modern times.

Jockey goes Hollywood

Arlene Francis read the first advertisement for Coopers Underwear on television on *The Home Show* in 1956. Jockey has been worn in the movies by Tom Cruise in *Risky Business* in 1983, and Kevin Costner in *Bull Durham* in 1988, and in *Lethal Weapon III* in 1992.

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90s Lifestyles

Hudson's Morrisroe explained that the new Marketplace deli was designed in response to on-the-go lifestyles of the '90s where health conscious, busy shoppers can get fresh, nutritious meals to go or eat in. Unlike the Marketplace departments in other Hudson's stores, the Summit Place shop is experimenting with deli meats and cheeses.

"The old restaurant was not doing as well as it used to do," she said. "It was time to change and move ahead. With this new concept, we actually provide more options for our shoppers. There's a deli counter where customers can create individual menus to enjoy there or have packaged to go. There's a cappuccino counter where people can take a break and chat. There's a counter for the Yogurt & Juice Express customers with seating."

The food and candy division is the fastest growing in the Dayton-Hudson Corp., with the increase gourmet food sales a national trend, Morrisroe said. Ten Hudson stores now have a Marketplace Foods section, yet these departments vary from store to store. All sell fresh salads, light dishes and entrees, soups and a variety of hot and cold beverages. Marketplace Food stores are at Twelve Oaks in Novi, Northland in Southfield, Briarwood in Ann Arbor, Eastland in Harper Woods, Fairlane in Dearborn, Oakland in Troy, Westland, Genesee Valley, Grand Rapids and now Summit Place in Waterford.

As for the elimination of books and draperies, Morrisroe said the decision to drop those departments was made a year ago and had nothing to do with the reno-

vation plans. However the furniture department will be eliminated as a result of the remodeling to give more space to better-selling categories such as shoes, women's wear and children's clothing.

The whole idea behind the renovation is to "make the Summit Place store more elegant and customer-friendly with deeper assortments and clearly defined departments," said Morrisroe.

Irene and Joyce Montante of West Bloomfield were taking a yogurt break at the new Marketplace Food store last week, also surprised by the new surroundings.

"We usually got our treats from the yogurt counter downstairs, but they moved it up here now," Irene said. "It's nice. Real clean. Just something new to get used to. I'm a longtime Hudson's customer though, I've been through lots of changes with them. In the '40s and '50s, when I was raising my six children, my Hudson's bill was always \$300-\$400 a month. I used to shop at the downtown store. Then I followed Hudson's out to Northland. Now I'm shopping here at Summit Place. That's progress, I guess."

Progress with a capital P, according to mall manager Joe Tyree.

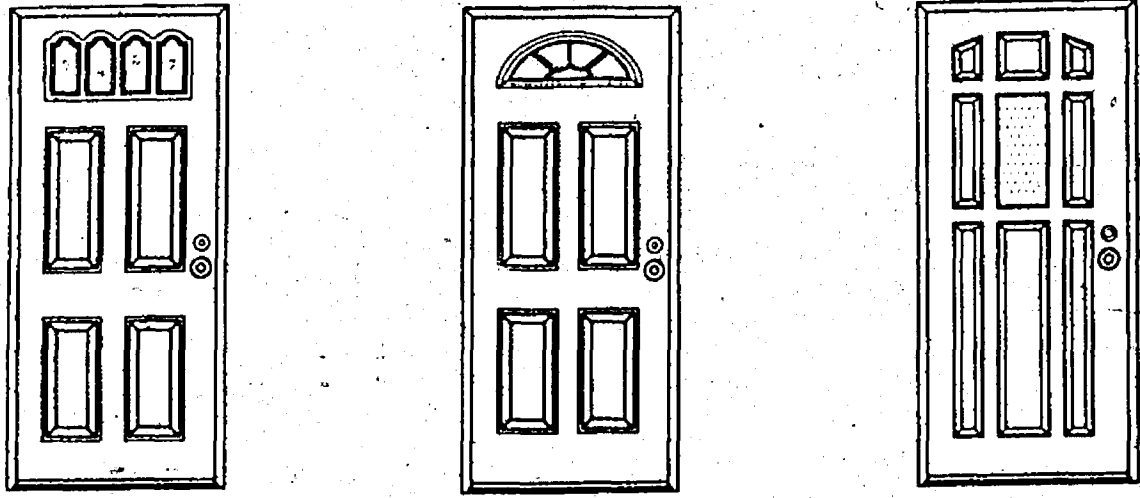
"We're all excited about the changes at this Hudson's store," he said. "It's got mall traffic up. Everybody's talking about it. It's beautiful, so far."

Four other Hudson stores will be remodeled in 1994, but not as extensively as the Summit Place store. Westland, Northland, Southland and Eastland will be spruced up, again with the aim of making the stores more convenient and accessible to the shopper of the '90s.

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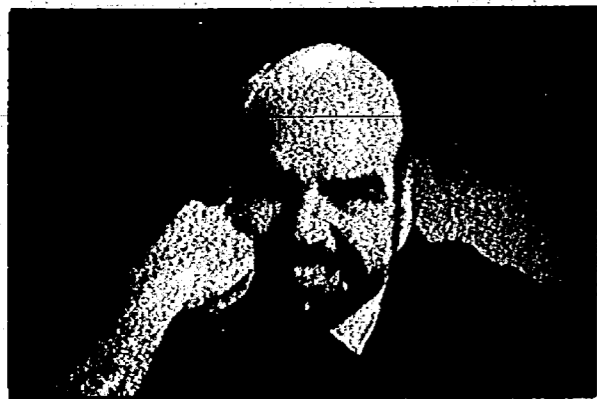
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CHEF LARRY JANES

Make 1994 a year of healthy eating

Yours truly has once again concocted a list of New Year's resolutions. Rather than bore you with a list of solicitous changes of habit, some of which are carry-overs from 1993, I'll be making 1994 a year of health and good eating.

Please note the word "diet" has been omitted simply because the first three letters of "diet" are "die." Most of us equate dieting with the death of things we like and enjoy eating.

Cookbooks

Dropping the old mind-set of having to diet, changing my outlook toward a year of health and good eating will surely get off on the right start with copy of *The Light Touch Cookbook* (Copyright 1992, Chapters Publishing). This book is just the thing to buoy your spirits and get you back on a healthy eating regimen. Marie Simmons (who co-authors *Bon Appetit* magazine's "Cooking for Health" column) wrote the book, which features healthful renditions of favorite recipes. Best of all are her streamlined versions of old standards including chicken pot pie, beef stew and black bean chili.

Dessert freaks will go bananas over Susan Purdy's new book entitled "Have Your Cake and Eat it, Too" (Copyright 1993, Morrow Publishers), which contains more than 200 luscious, low-fat cakes, pies, cookies, puddings and other desserts you thought you would never eat again.

While you're at the bookstore, those who have puzzled over the names of mysterious chemicals and food labels will surely appreciate "A Quick Guide to Food Safety" by Robert Goodman (Copyright 1992, Silvercat Publications). Along with providing all kinds of tips for preparing and storing food safely, the author includes comprehensive information on natural contaminants and chemical food additives and concludes with a dictionary of common additives to help consumers decipher food labels. It's a useful tool for grocery shopping and if not available at the bookstore, send for it by enclosing \$6.95 to Silvercat Publications, 4070 Goldfinch St., Suite C, San Diego, CA 92103.

My voice mail number that runs at the end of this column frequently receives requests and questions from diabetics. Being away from home can upset anyone's good eating regimen; it can be doubly difficult for people with diabetes. But the "Diabetic Traveler" can make it easier for those with sugar imbalances to eat right no matter where they are. Recent issues of the quarterly six-page newsletter have dealt with diabetics in the context of adventure vacations, air travel, cruises and offered reports on topics such as seafood selections and drinking water in foreign places. A one-year subscription is available for \$18.95 from the "Diabetic Traveler," P.O. Box 8223 RW, Stamford, CT 06905.

New products

Walk through a gourmet shop lately? Hidden between the bread makers and the imported Scottish shortbreads are two products that will surely help us all make 1994 a year of health and good eating. Momma always made the best homemade meatloaf, and she still does. Now she owns a special pan manufactured by the folks at Chicago Metallic that is designed to siphon the fat away from the meat. Resembling a standard 9-by-5-inch baking pan, the two-piece unit contains a ridged inner pan with a perforated bottom that allows fat to drip away from the meat as it cooks. You can get one by calling a mail-order company called Chef's Catalogue at 1-800-338-3232 (ask for item 6318).

We should drink more water and the folks at Kitchen Glamour have the Britta Water Filtration System on sale now. The large gallon container allows you to make filtered water right on a refrigerator shelf, and the system has a built-in spigot. If you buy bottled water, this will save you oodles of bucks.

Folks who love Caesar salad and homemade mayonnaise will enjoy Simply Eggs. They are real eggs, yolks and all, with 80 percent of the cholesterol removed. Because they are pasteurized, they can be used in the likes of a Caesar without the guilt. Simply Eggs sell for about \$2.

Callers with questions about fat and cholesterol can speak to registered dietitians at the National Center for Nutrition and Dietetics. The consumer hot line is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. EST by calling 1-800-336-1655.

Happy New Year from Momma and everyone at the Janes Gang Casa.

See Larry Janes' family-tested recipes inside. To leave a message for Chef Larry, dial 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, then mailbox number 1886.

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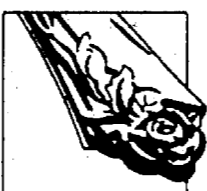
■ Meet Susan Purdy, author of "Have Your Cake and Eat it, Too."

■ The Watts family is busy getting ready for Plymouth's International Ice Sculpture Spectacular, but they make time to have dinner together.



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Cutting fat: Marilyn Berman (left) watches as Gail Posner explains how to lower the fat in salad dressing by waiting until the oil rises to the top. Irene Sable and Nina Schneyer discuss the healthy changes they've made in their lives. Homemade soups and stews can be defatted by refrigerating the warm soup, then scraping the fat off the top.



Eat out with a plan. Have lunch with dietitian Gail Posner, and learn how to make the healthy choices that will help you keep your New Year's resolution to lose weight. Don't set yourself up for over eating the wrong foods.

By KEELY WYGONIK
STAFF WRITER

Cooking is the last thing some of us want to do after weeks of preparing for, and enjoying, the holidays. But we also want to watch our weight after weeks of over-indulging.

As anyone who has ever gone on a diet can tell you, losing weight is all about making low-fat choices. This applies to eating out, too, said Gail Posner of West Bloomfield, a registered dietitian.

A lot of Posner's pointers can be applied in the home, too. For instance, to cut the fat, but add flavor to soft bread sticks or rolls, spray them with a non-stick spray such as Pam, put in a bag with generous portions of garlic, and other herbs, and shake. The seasonings will stick to the bread, and you won't even miss the butter.

Try salsa on your baked potato instead of sour cream; but, by all

means, choose the sour cream over butter. One teaspoon of sour cream has half the calories of butter.

It's getting easier to maintain a healthy diet, even when you're eating out. Many restaurants offer low-fat menu items, but it helps to have a strategy when you're eating out.

"Be bold," said Posner who teaches classes in healthy dining out at E.G. Nick's in West Bloomfield. "Tell the wait-person that you are on a low-fat, low-cholesterol diet, and that you know the food will taste different if it's prepared with less oil. Ask them to recommend something that might not be on the menu."

During a luncheon class, Posner ordered Greek salad with feta cheese on the side, and house dressing in individual souffle cups. She showed everyone how to spoon off the oil on top of the dressing and drizzle the remaining seasonings on their salad. Diners were cautioned

about eating olives which came with the salad - four olives have the fat calories of one teaspoon of oil.

Some people mixed their own low-fat vinegar mustard salad dressing at the table in cups the restaurant provided.

Rounding out the menu was linguini with red clam sauce prepared with no fat except for the oil in the provencale sauce, angel hair pasta with marinara sauce, white fish broiled with no fat, steamed vegetables served with spice mixture on the side, and mixed grill vegetarian pizza, prepared with no cheese.

"We've been here seven years and are used to special orders," said corporate chef Frank Agostini. "If customers request it, we broil the fish dry, brush it with water and sprinkle a little paprika on top for color. The natural oil in the fish rises to the top."

As the dishes arrived, Posner gave the healthy diners some tips - "Get rid of temptation," she said. "Pass the bread around the table for others to try, or get rid of it. Remember, it takes 20 minutes for the stomach to tell the brain it is hungry. Slow down when you eat, put your fork down between bites,

or sip water.

Be specific. "Don't say I want the food prepared with less oil, state an amount you find acceptable, agree to one teaspoon of oil for entrees, or one tablespoon of salad dressing on a Caesar salad. Once I asked for something to be prepared with less fat. They used two tablespoons of oil instead of three."

Roz Fantich of West Bloomfield, one of the people attending Posner's luncheon, said the next time she goes to a restaurant she won't feel intimidated when she asks how foods are prepared.

"I started cutting out fat two years ago and noticed a difference," she said. "You learn what food tastes like."

See for yourself, how choices can make a big difference when you eat out. Enjoy a healthy dinner with Posner 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 25 at E.G. Nick's. The cost is \$20 per person. Call 855-4558 to register.

Here are some more pointers for dining out healthily:

■ Look for low-fat protein items such as chicken, fish, veal and seafood. You can even ask the chef

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Gallo cabernet challenges premium market

FOCUS ON WINE



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prise. These folk weren't watching. Gallo's been planning this for decades.

It started in 1947 when Ernest Gallo, now age 84, and his late brother, Julio, began acquiring prime vineyards in select regions of northern Sonoma County. Since release of the 1978 bottling, Gallo's cabernet sauvignons represent major strides made with cabernet in Sonoma County. The latest release, the winery's first estate-bottled red wine, a 1990 Sonoma Estate Cabernet Sauvignon (\$60) is a crowning achievement. It is a Bordeaux-styled blend of 79 percent cabernet sauvignon, 14 percent merlot and 7 percent cabernet franc.

The cabernet release is Gallo's second entry into the ultra-premium and ultra-pricey wine market. It came fast on the heels of the stylish 1991 Estate Chardonnay (\$30) released last August. Winery spokesman Dan Solomon insists that before his death, Julio personally selected and approved the "best of the best barrels" for the two estate wines.

"Years ago, Julio Gallo told us, 'Without good grapes, there cannot be good wine.' And the key to quality grape growing worldwide is warm days and cool nights. Northern Sonoma County's climate offers this. The advantage to cabernet sauvignon is that grapes mature slowly, developing balanced acidity, and intense color with superior varietal

complexity."

Julio Gallo pointed out the advantages of grape-growing in northern Sonoma County, particularly Dry Creek Valley. "On the Dry Creek Valley hillside locations, red-colored soils predominate," he said. "The climate is slightly warmer because the hills come under less fog influence. For over 100 years, it has proven to be an historical area for premium red wine grape growing."

Believing in the merits of the wide diversity of Sonoma County soils, Gallo has, over the past 45 years, purchased five separate vineyard parcels, three in the Dry Creek Valley, one in the Russian River Valley and one in the Alexander Valley, the newest acquisition.

Located in Asti, this 1,000-acre parcel reportedly cost the winery \$11 million, although Solomon declined to confirm that figure. Gallo owns 2,000 acres of Sonoma County vineyards.

Gary Patterson, Gallo's northern Sonoma County vineyard manager, detailed the extensive experimental program aimed at achieving cabernet sauvignon of greater concentration and flavor complexity.

"Only two factors affect wine quality - one-half is location and the other is soil," he said. "Currently, Gallo is engaged in over 100 experiments to augment these two factors."

"Since the winery's founding in 1933, vineyard research has been a cornerstone in the Gallo family's philosophy of producing the best possible wines. There are nine different cabernet sauvignon clonal selections on 13 different rootstocks. Additionally, five natural weed control systems are under observation in all vineyards. We are very focused on the continual adoption of new insect control techniques to reduce use of synthetic chemicals."

What all this means is that Gallo is tuned in to

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Wine selections of the week



The current best white wine buy is Great White Wine (\$4.50) from Michigan's St. Julian Wine Company, a blend of seyval and vignoles. It's made like a chardonnay and tastes better than many chardonnays priced at \$8. Tropical fruit aroma and flavors make a mighty tasty pour that's perfect for light seafood or pasta and the Great White Garlic Soup recipe that follows.

Great White Garlic Soup

- 1/3 cup unsalted butter
- 2 small onions, chopped
- 1/2 cup chopped garlic
- 5 scallions, chopped
- 1/2 cup flour
- 5 cups beef broth
- 1 1/2 cups St. Julian Great White Wine
- 1/2 cup sour cream
- 1/2 teaspoon nutmeg
- cROUTONS

In a saucepan, melt butter and saute the onion, garlic and scallions until soft. Stir in flour and cook for three minutes stirring constantly. Add the beef broth and St. Julian Great White. Bring to boil, then reduce to a simmer for 20 minutes. Remove and cool to lukewarm. Puree and return to pan. Stir in the sour cream and nutmeg and reheat, but do not boil. Serve in warmed soup bowls topped with croutons. Serves 8.

Healthy recipes keep New Year's diet on right track

See related column, *Tastebuds on Taste front.*

CLASSIC ANGEL FOOD CAKE, A LIGHTER VERSION

1 cup sifted cake flour
 1/2 cup sifted powdered sugar
 1/2 teaspoon salt
 3/4 cup superfine sugar
 1 1/2 cups egg whites (about 11) at room temperature
 1 teaspoon cream of tartar
 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
 1 teaspoon almond extract

Position a rack in the center of the oven and preheat the oven to

325 degrees. Do not grease the angel food cake pan. Sift the flour onto a sheet of waxed paper, then resift it with the powdered sugar and salt. Sift the superfine sugar into a separate bowl. In a large grease-free bowl, combine the egg whites with the cream of tartar. Whip whites until foamy. Gradually add the superfine sugar and whip until whites are nearly stiff but not dry. They should look satiny smooth. Sprinkle in the vanilla and almond extract and beat once by hand to incorporate. Using a rubber spatula, fold in the flour mixture about 3 tablespoons at a time, incorporating

after every addition. Cut into the batter with the spatula but do not stir. Turn the batter into the ungreased angel food cake pan. Bake for 45 minutes at 325 degrees or until golden or until a cake tester comes out clean.

As soon as the cake is baked, invert the pan to hang upside down for several hours or overnight.

Chef's Note: This cake contains less than 1 percent of its calories from fat. Nutritional analysis per serving: 113 calories, 4 grams protein, (fat) saturated fat, 24 Mg. Carbos. Recept

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I love hummus dip and you will too, especially with this healthy recipe!

HUMMUS DIP

1/2 small jalapeno pepper, stem and seeds removed
 1 large clove garlic
 1/2 medium onion, cut into chunks
 1/4 medium green pepper, cut

into chunks
 2 teaspoons olive oil
 1/2 teaspoon cumin
 1 can (15 ounces) garbanzo beans, drained
 3-5 tablespoons water

Place jalapeno pepper and garlic in a blender or food processor. Process until well chopped. Add onion and green pepper, process until well chopped, scraping down the sides of the blender or processor as necessary. Heat olive oil in a non-stick skillet over medium heat. Add chopped vegetable mixture and cu-

min and cook and stir until vegetables are tender crisp. Cool. Place the vegetable mixture with the drained beans and water in a blender or food processor. Cover and blend until smooth, about 30 seconds to 1 minute. Scrape sides if necessary. Serve with vegetable dippers, pita wedges or cracker bread. Yields 2 cups (32 servings)

Per serving: 17 calories, 1 gram protein, 3 grams carbohydrates, 1 gram fat, 0 mg cholesterol. Source: The Kitchen Aid Ultra Power Instruction and Recipe Book.

Chicken piccata tastes sinful, but it's not

See related story on *Taste front.*
 Go grocery shopping with Gail Posner, and sample a variety of healthy foods, 9:30-11 a.m. or 7:30-9 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 19 at Shopping Center Market, 6443 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield. The cost is \$15 per person. Call 855-4558.

Copies of Posner's booklet, "Dining Out Healthy," which includes specific menu ideas for a variety of ethnic restaurants, are available for \$8. Send \$8 check to Gail Posner, Nutritionist, 6016 West Maple, Suite 700, West Bloomfield, MI 48322.

Here are some of Posner's recipes to get you started on a healthier new year.

CHICKEN PICCATA

1 1/4 pounds boneless, skinless chicken or turkey breasts
 2 tablespoons flour
 Pepper to taste, or Mrs. Dash

2 tablespoons low-calorie margarine
 3/4 cup chicken bouillon
 2 tablespoons lemon juice
 6 paper thin lemon slices

Pound chicken into thin cutlets between sheets of wax paper with a mallet. Mix together flour and pepper and dredge chicken lightly in seasoned flour, shaking off excess. Melt margarine in skillet and saute chicken 2 to 3 minutes on each side, or until golden. Remove chicken and set aside.

Add chicken bouillon and lemon juice to skillet, bring to a boil and boil 1 to 2 minutes. Return chicken to skillet and place 1 lemon slice on each cutlet.

Cover and simmer 5 minutes or until chicken is tender. Remove chicken with a slotted spoon and place on a heated serving platter; reserve pan liquid.

Surround chicken with cooked lemon slices. Cook liquid over me-

dium-high heat until reduced to a thin syrupy glaze. Pour sauce over chicken. Makes 4 servings.

Each serving contains about: 225 calories, 8 gm fat, 33 gm protein, 402 mg sodium (use salt-free chicken stock to reduce sodium), 89 mg cholesterol, 4 gm carbohydrates.

POTATO KEBABS

2 small potatoes — each cut into 8 wedges
 4 large mushrooms
 1/2 large tomato, cut into quarters
 1/2 green pepper, cut into quarters
 4 pieces of onion
 Paprika
 2 teaspoons diet margarine, melted
 4 bamboo skewers

Place potato wedges in a sauce pan with 1 inch of cold water. Bring

to a boil, cover and cook 10 minutes. Place partially cooked potato wedges on bamboo skewer, alternating with mushroom, tomato, green pepper and onion pieces.

Brush with margarine, sprinkle with paprika. Spray cookie sheet with vegetable cooking spray. Place skewers on cookie sheet. Bake 20 minutes in a 350 degree oven. Serves 2.

Each serving (2 skewers) contains about: 120 calories, 42 mg sodium, 4 gm protein, 0 mg cholesterol, 3 gm fat, 23 carbohydrates.

VINEGAR MUSTARD DRESSING

2 tablespoons red wine or balsamic vinegar
 1/2 teaspoon Dijon mustard
 1/8th of a packet of Sweet & Low

Stir ingredients together in a small cup for a fat-free dressing. Serves 1.

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to remove the skin on the chicken. Look for low-fat cooking preparation for entrees such as steamed, poached, blackened or grilled, with no fat.

Find out what else comes with the dinner. Ask to have vegetables steamed instead of sauteed. A plain potato is a healthier choice than rice pilaf; salad in place of coleslaw or two vegetables in place of the starch.

Try pizza with half the cheese, dip lobster or crab in seafood broth instead of butter.

Share an entree, order two salads and double the vegetables. Or order an appetizer for your entree. Pasta dishes usually contain about three cups, (480 calories for just the pasta), appetizer sizes are usually 1 1/2 cups, (240 calories for the pasta), side dishes of pasta contain about one cup (160 calories for the pasta).

Select pastas with tomato, marinara or red clam sauces rather than butter, cream, heavy cheese, pesto or rich meat sauces.

Order food with a low-fat sauce such as mustard, wine, garlic, roasted pepper, spicy tomato, grilled or blackened.

Omelets have 400 calories, compared to egg white omelets, grilled dry, which have 100 calories.

On salads, skip the bacon, croutons, nuts and cheese. Ask for dressing on the side, dip your fork into the dressing, then spear a piece of lettuce.

Salads are a great choice at fast food restaurants, but watch the dressing. Each packet contains four tablespoons. Try to limit yourself to one tablespoon.

See recipes, and more tips inside.

Low-fat pears make versatile addition

AP — High in fiber and low in fat, pears can be used in a variety of dishes — from salsa to salad. Bartlett pears are featured in the following recipes for pear salsa and curried pear fruit salad. The Bosc, a spicy pear that keeps well, is combined with cooked chicken for a zesty salad topped with blue cheese and flavored with a buttermilk dressing.

Toss to blend. Add the garlic, coriander and salt. Toss well. Chill for 30 minutes to 1 hour; serve. Makes 1 1/2 cups.

CURRIED PEAR FRUIT SALAD

1 large Bartlett pear, cored and diced
 1 Gala or Crispin apple, peeled, cored and diced
 1 banana, sliced
 1 cup seedless green grapes, halved
 1 Teaspoon lemon juice
 1 cup yogurt
 1 Teaspoon curry powder
 1 Teaspoon honey

In a bowl, combine the cut-up fruit and toss with the lemon juice. In a small bowl, mix the yogurt, curry powder and honey until blended.

Add curried-yogurt mixture to fruit and mix. Chill and serve. Makes 4 servings.

1 large Bosc pear, peeled, cored and diced
 1 Teaspoon freshly squeezed lemon juice
 1 Tablespoon crumbled blue cheese
 1/2 cup buttermilk
 Freshly ground pepper
 8 large Romaine lettuce leaves
 1/4 cup sliced almonds, toasted
 Alfalfa sprouts for garnish (optional)

In a bowl, toss the cubed chicken and diced pears with the lemon juice.

In a small bowl, use a fork to mash the crumbled cheese with the buttermilk until the cheese is dissolved and the mixture is the consistency of sour cream.

Add the blue cheese mixture to the chicken and pears and mix until well-blended. Season to taste with pepper.

Stack lettuce leaves and fold in half. Cut crosswise into half-inch strips. Divide lettuce among four serving plates.

Mound a quarter of the chicken salad on the lettuce on each plate. Sprinkle toasted almonds over chicken salad. Garnish each plate with sprouts, if desired and serve. Makes 4 servings.

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growing grapes organically and has, through the years, become environmentally conscious.

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Gary Patterson Gallo manager

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PEAR SALSA

1 medium Bartlett pear, peeled and cored
 1/2 cup jicama, peeled and finely diced
 2 Teaspoons freshly squeezed lime juice
 1/2 Teaspoon salt
 1 small clove garlic, finely minced
 1 Teaspoon chopped fresh coriander
 1/2 Teaspoon chopped fresh mint

Finely chop the pear. In a bowl, combine the chopped pear and jicama with the lime juice and salt.

CHICKEN AND PEAR SALAD

2 cups cooked chicken, cut into 1/2-inch cubes

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prevents the growth of these pathogens in or on food.

Not all foods that we buy are contaminated with pathogens at the time of purchase. In fact, one of the ways food becomes contaminated is from our handling it and transferring the pathogens on our hands to the food. Personal hygiene is a critical first step in safe food handling. It's important to wash your hands in hot, soapy water and to lather for 20 seconds before handling food or before eating. Food poisoning is often contagious. If you have diarrhea, avoid preparing food and wash your hands frequently.

The first cardinal rule of safe food preparation at home is: keep everything clean. The cleanliness rule applies to the areas where food is prepared and, most im-

portantly, to the cook. It's plain common sense to wash hands thoroughly before starting to prepare a meal and after handling raw meat or poultry. If there are any cuts or sores on your hands, stay out of the kitchen. Keep the work area clean and uncluttered. Always use clean utensils and wash them between cutting different foods. Don't spare the soap. Hands or utensils that touch raw animal products or the juices need to be washed before touching anything else.

The second cardinal rule of food preparation is: keep hot foods hot and cold foods cold. Use a thermometer to ensure that meats are completely cooked. Cook meat to an internal temperature of 160 degrees or until the center is light gray and the

juices run clear. Cook poultry to 180 degrees. Undercooked hamburger is risky, ordering any meat rare is taking a chance. Pass up steak, tartare, sushi, raw oysters, clams, scallops and any food that contains raw eggs. Do not drink unpasteurized milk or apple cider, they may contain food poison.

Any perishable food can cause food-borne illness so the careful handling of food is extremely important. Thorough cooking destroys most bacteria that can make you ill. Freezing does not destroy bacteria, only the heat. Most bacteria do not grow or grow very slowly at refrigerator temperatures (below 40 degrees), so put meat or poultry in the refrigerator or freezer as soon as possible after being bought. Never

thaw meat or poultry on the kitchen counter. Bacteria can multiply rapidly at room temperature. Cook frozen food directly or thaw it in the refrigerator.

Cooked foods should not be left standing on the table or kitchen counter for more than two hours. Disease-causing bacteria grow in temperatures between 40 and 140 degrees. Cooked foods that have been in this temperature range for more than two hours should not be eaten.

If a dish is to be served hot, get it from the stove to the table as quickly as possible. Reheated foods should be brought to a temperature of at least 165 degrees. Keep cold foods in the refrigerator or on a bed of ice until serving.

After the meal, leftovers should be refrigerated as soon as possi-

ble. (Never mind that scintillating dinner table conversation.) Meats should be cut in slices of three inches or less and all foods should be stored in small, shallow containers to hasten cooling. Be sure to remove all the stuffing from roast turkey or chicken and store it separately. Giblets should also be stored separately. Leftovers should be used within three days.

Holiday time is prime time for food poisoning, but by using safe food handling techniques and practicing good personal hygiene the chances of contracting a food-borne illness from food prepared food at home is eliminated.

Lois Thieleke of Birmingham is an extension home economist for the Cooperative Extension Service, Oakland County office.

Building a better pizza for the new year

Americans eat more than 11 billion slices of pizza a year — about 23 pounds of pizza for every man, woman and child in the country. If a food so popular could also be wholesome, it would be a nutritionist's dream.

In fact, pizza has great potential for pulling its weight nutritionally. A study of pizza revealed that a single serving provides 26 percent of the daily recommended intake of protein, 20 percent of the calcium, 19 percent of the riboflavin, 14 percent of the niacin and thiamin and 10 percent of the vitamin A required by a teenage boy.

Of course, the typical pizza can also provide more than the recommended limit of 30 percent of calories from fat and tends to be very high in sodium.

You can, however, make healthy and delicious pizza using fresh, low-fat ingredients. A crust made of enriched flour provides vitamin B, thiamin, riboflavin,

niacin and iron. A whole wheat crust provides these nutrients plus dietary fiber.

The challenge in making a wholesome pizza really lies in the toppings. Pizza sauce adds vitamins A and C from the tomatoes, and moderate amounts of low-fat cheeses such as part-skim mozzarella will provide some calcium.

Fresh vegetables can help you replace or cut back on higher fat meat and cheese toppings, and they provide vitamins and minerals. Use the traditional mushrooms, green peppers and onions, or try carrots, broccoli, spinach or cauliflower.

Be sure to cut vegetables that cook quickly (such as tomatoes) about 1/2-inch thick; dense vegetables (such as carrots) cook more slowly and should be thinly sliced or finely chopped.

If you're a fan of meat pizza, remember that lean ground beef and Canadian bacon have far less fat than sausage, pepperoni or an-

chovies. If you're adventurous, experiment with tuna, shrimp, chicken or turkey on your pizza.

Italian bread, English muffins or pita bread can be turned into quick pizza foundations. This recipe for Vegetable Pizza — featuring a sauce topped with plenty of vegetables and a limited amount of low-fat cheese — is terrific. Remember, however, to watch the amount you eat. Round out the meal with a salad.

VEGETABLE PIZZA

- 1 package frozen pizza dough, thawed; 1 ready-made pizza crust or boboli; or pizza dough made according to any basic cookbook recipe
- 1/2 tablespoon olive oil
- 1 14.5-ounce can tomato puree
- 2 teaspoons basil
- 1 teaspoon garlic powder
- 4 teaspoons oregano
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- 8 ounces part-skim mozzarella cheese, grated

- 1/2 cup fresh or frozen (un-thawed) vegetables, chopped (1/2 cup each broccoli pieces, sliced mushrooms, green or red pepper chunks, thin carrot slices and tomato slices)

Preheat the oven to 500 degrees. Roll out pizza dough or place pre-baked crust on a baking pan (10 to 15 inches) or use a large, round pizza pan (at least 13 inches in diameter).

In a small bowl, blend the tomato puree, basil, garlic powder, oregano and pepper together. Brush the pizza dough or crust with 1/2 tablespoon of olive oil. Spread the sauce on the pizza and arrange the vegetables and cheese on top. Bake until crust is golden and cheese is bubbling (7-10 minutes).

Each of the 8 slices contains 6-7 grams of fat and 200-310 calories, depending on the amount of fat in the crust.

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Student, amateur and professional cake decorators are invited to enter cakes in a contest being hosted by the 12th annual Plymouth Ice Sculpture Spectacular.

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For more information, call 455-0052. Forms are available at Days Gone By, 550 Forest in the Westchester Mall, Plymouth.

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MUSIC NOTES



CHRISTINA FUOCO

You could say that The Indians' Angelique Bianca is a big "Ren and Stimpy" fan. So much so that she got her own little Ren — her now 5-month-old Chihuahua. "When I walk down the street, people ask 'Is that Ren?' Actually, it is . . . I call her Renny though since she's a girl to make it more feminine." Renny will be in the house on Thursday, Jan. 6, when The Indians play Industry, 15 S. Saginaw, Pontiac, as part of 89X-alternative dance night. It's a fitting night since The Indians — which also includes bassist Chris Wilson and guitarist Zeb — blend Bianca's hip-hop, funk, and rock influences into a danceable sound. "I basically grew up in junior high listening to a lot of different kinds of music — black music and rock music . . . I got the best of both worlds," she said. She began writing raps for other artists then out of frustration started her own band. She keeps the raps to a minimum on her band's debut release "Indianism," instead choosing to go a more musical route. "It's really like a mix (of everyone's influences)." Raps may be in the future for her though.

Bloomfield Community Television has begun its weekly music series "Metro MusicScope." Guests so far have included acclaimed local rocker Kristin Sayer, gallery owner David Klein and jazz saxophonist Keith Saxton. The half-hour show also includes reports on local music news with Lisa Bica, manager of Berkley's Harmony House superstore, and Bill Close, manager of Harmony House's classical store in Royal Oak. Bands wishing to be interviewed can send music and a press kit to the show's host Mary Ann Verdi, Bloomfield Community Television, 4200 Telegraph, P.O. Box 489, Bloomfield Hills 48013.

Sometimes Why will release the single "Perpetual Love" with the B side "Forever" on Jan. 11. The single, recorded at The Disc in Eastpointe, will be available at Sound Warehouse and local independent record stores.

The Tuesday, Jan. 18, performance of The Who's "Tommy" has been rescheduled for Monday, Jan. 31. Tickets will be honored on Jan. 31. Refunds are available at the Fisher Theater or Masonic Temple box offices. For more information, call (313) 872-1000 or (313) 832-2232.

Blue Nation and SisterSeed drummer Benjamin Ridley has opened "The Boneyard," a 24-track digital recording studio in Warren. Ridley said his studio is musician-friendly — monetarily speaking. "The whole premise is, I know how hard it (recording) can be on bands. It's easy to spend 500 bucks a day to record. Basically, I'm trying to do it for half." He said he can do it without swallowing other bands' costs. "Basically, I'm not going to be greedy. I don't need a million bucks to live on." So far, both of Ridley's bands as well as the rock band Lemon Juice have recorded there.

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LOCAL SPINS

Here's a sampling of top 10 recordings, in no particular order, being played on Detroit Music Scene, heard 4:30-5:30 p.m. Sundays and 5-6 p.m. Thursday on WDTR-FM 90.9.

1. "Mr. X and Drain-O," Mr. X and Drain-O (Bam Boom)
2. "Dancing Dogs," Tiles
3. "No Telling Why," Satin Steel (Sheppard)
4. "Mumbo Jumbo," Jes Gru
5. "McFly," Spanking Bozo (.44 Caliber)
6. "Father Christmas," Jimmy G.
7. "Steve Gornall and the Blue Collar Blues Band," Steve Gornall and the Blue Collar Blues Band (Blues Factory)
8. "Real Live Love," Deborah Veda (Nebula)
9. "Lingo," Hope Orchestra (Deep Scen)
10. "Scott Shipmann," Scott Shipmann.

CUTTING GROOVES

The 10 most underrated albums released in 1993, according to music coordinator Christina Fuoco (they're listed in no particular order):

1. "Transnational Speedway League: Anthems, Anecdotes, and Undeniable Truths," Clutch (East West)
2. "Pureafunalia," Pure (Reprise)
3. "This Midwestern," Hannibals (Hogwash)
4. "Give a Monkey . . ." Fishbone (Columbia)
5. "Pop Smear," The Verve Pipe (LMNOPop! Musio)
6. "Mack Avenue Skull Game," Big Chief (Sub Pop)
7. "Been There" Best Kissers in the World (MCA)
8. "Primary Colors: A Rain Forest Rock Musical," various artists including dada, Mary's Danish, Chad Smith, Adam Horowitz, School of Fish, Toad the Wet Sprocket, and X (Kid Rhino)
9. "Modern Life is Rubbish," Blur (ERG)
10. "Candlebox," Candlebox (Maverick)

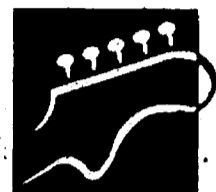
LOOKING AHEAD

What to watch for in Street Scene next week:
■ The latest concert listings on 1994 happenings in the metropolitan Detroit area.

Kid Rock fires up his career

■ Kid Rock has known since high school that he was going to be a rock star. After selling 100,000 records through word-of-mouth referrals, he's proving that he wasn't all talk.

BY CHRISTINA FUOCO
STAFF WRITER



Everybody had someone in a high school class who kicked their feet up on the desk, didn't pay attention and said they didn't need to study because their music was their ticket to success. Romeo High School had one of them — Kid Rock. When his teachers would tell him to shape up or else he wouldn't have a future, he had a stock answer.

"I'd tell my teachers, 'I'm gonna be a rock star, baby. I'm gonna rock.' I knew I had a deal comin'," said Kid Rock, a.k.a. Bob Ritchie, who plays The Ritz in Roseville on Friday, Feb. 11.

His counselor and mother both told him he needed something to fall back on.

"I have something to fall back on. I'm gonna fall back on my . . ."

So far, his dreams haven't failed him. Kid Rock's first album "Grits Sandwiches for Breakfast" sold

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100,000 copies — mostly through word of mouth — for RCA/Jive and he subsequently toured with Ice Cube and Too Short.

Now signed to New Jersey's Continuum Records, Kid Rock's latest EP, "Fire It Up," is selling briskly and about 900 fans showed up for his record release party in November.

The six-song EP mixes tumultuous guitars, funky basslines and Kid Rock's ghetto-born rap style, immediately bringing to mind comparisons to Rage Against the Machine or the Beastie Boys. The first side of his tape ends with a shocking diversion — a befitting acoustic cover of the Hank Williams Jr. song "A Country Boy Can Survive."

The self-proclaimed "semi-hick, semi-city slicker" is even considering temporarily departing from rap to do an album of Williams songs. He said he admires singers like Williams for their stage presence.

"Those are the last of that generation of entertainers," he said. "Hank would come out in his black suit and a guitar with Hank on it. They build themselves up larger than life. I like to do that."

Aside from being a competent rapper, Kid Rock has a keen busi-



LIP SERVICE PUBLIC RELATIONS

In cement: Kid Rock, a.k.a. Bob Ritchie, puts his hands in cement at the Metro Music Cafe in Royal Oak prior to the release of his latest EP, "Fire It Up."

ness sense. He started and incorporated a record company, Top Dog. Known by his friends as the "merchandise king," Kid Rock markets his own "trinkets." Through his catalog, fans can order three different kinds of T-shirts, a "light weight" windbreaker, waterbottles, socks, Thermax winter hats and patches. He said that if people see a name enough times, it'll pique their curiosity.

Since the release of "Grits Sandwiches" Kid Rock has earned a reputation as the bad boy rocker of Detroit. Rumors about drunken bar fights, drug use and backstage vandalism have travelled around faster than Snoop Doggy Dog raps. But the slight, blonde-haired blue-eyed man said he's just misunderstood.

"It's just jealousy; people hate that (success), man," he said.

"There's enough money to go around. There was a time when I had an (attitude), but I've learned to be humble."

On the other hand, he said, "If you're gonna make change, you gotta be a part of the problem."

"I know I've changed tons of kids. When they listen to 'Oedipus Complex,' they know I have problems, too."

The song re-creates a father/son battle: "You never loved me/You never held me tight/Instead you shook me like a fist and woke me up at night."

Closed-minded people, he said, won't be able to wade through the sometimes explicit lyrics to see that he's just like any other kid. Those who can see that learn a lot about Kid Rock, primarily that he worked hard to get where he is, he said.

"I'm sure parents aren't thrilled to have their kids listening to my stuff. But unfortunately every parent can't meet me before their kids buy the record so they can see I have good manners and stuff."

Kid Rock began rapping and DJing when he was the same age as

most of his fans — in high school with his "two creepy friends from Romeo."

"They'd cart me down to the middle of the projects in Mount Clemens. I'd sit there and scratch (records). People would tell me I could DJ a wedding at Club Monte Carlo and make a hundred bucks. Instead, I came home drunk with \$30 in my pocket. I still like to do that."

His mother wasn't exactly approving of his hobby, but the practice earned him offers from record labels before he was finished with school. They were tempting, but he decided to give in to his mother's threat.

"She said if I signed it I'd get kicked out of the house, so I decided to stick it out until graduation."

He had six offers but opted to sign with RCA/Jive because of Jive's rap history. By the time he was 19 he was touring with Ice Cube and Too Short. Being from Romeo, he didn't know much about gangs and was intrigued by his tour mates' lifestyles.

"I'd ask them about gangs and stuff and they'd say, 'What do you mean, you're from Detroit? You have gangs in Detroit. I'd say, 'No man, I'm from Romeo. I had corn fields in my backyard. I used to ride horses.' I was just a little hick from Romeo with these big gang guys."

Due to lack of support, Kid Rock battled to get out of his contract. Turning down offers from Tommy Boy and Profile, he opted to go with the little-known label Continuum, which now works with Roger Daltrey and Rolling Stones' Ron Wood.

"They said, 'We have tons of cash and we want to put it all behind your record.'"

In March 1993 he released "The Polyfuzze Method" on Continuum. One video "You Don't Know Me," received 1,200 calls a week on the Jukebox video network. "Prodigal Son" was in the top five on large college metal stations across the United States.

With the release of "Fire It Up," Kid Rock has established himself as the spokesman for troubled teens. That's one job he doesn't mind having.

"When I look out from the stage, I see me all over the auditorium. That's cool. If I was gonna get a call from a kid who said he saw me at St. Andrew's and was in jail, I'd probably go get him and bail him out. If kids call me, that's flattering."

Kid Rock performs at The Ritz, 10 1/2 and Gatiot, Roseville, on Friday, Feb. 11. Doors open at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$10. Must be 18 to enter. Call (810) 778-6404. For more information about Kid Rock merchandise and releases, write Top Dog Records, P.O. Box 102, Mount Clemens, MI 48046-0102.

This time Kiara's doing it their way



On their own: The rhythm and blues duo Kiara (Greg Charley and John Winston) — co-owns BCI Records with Dor Barden.

BY CHRISTINA FUOCO
STAFF WRITER

When Kiara formed in the mid-1980s, they experimented with a string of genres from rock to rhythm and blues. They also tried out a seemingly endless line of musicians.

But when Greg Charley came into the group, John Winston knew he was looking at his band's future.

"We recorded, and then we decided to kick out the rest of the group," said Winston, a Southfield resident.

As a duo, Kiara had a string of smooth yet funky rhythm and blues hits in the late 1980s through the early 1990s. When creative differences plagued their relationship with Arista Records, the duo decided — once again — to try it on their own.

With a help from Don Barden, Kiara has resurfaced with a new single, "Tell Me," from their upcoming release "Condition of the Heart." The album will be released — appropriately enough — on Valentine's Day on the Detroit-based BCI Records. The label is co-owned by Kiara and Barden, giving the group a sense of freedom they haven't had before.

"It (the album) was produced, written and mixed by us in our own studio," Winston said. "It was more relaxed and much more honest."

The single was released in November to radio and to record stores. Meanwhile, the video, directed by Andras Mahr of New York, has been airing two to three times a day on

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Thursday, Jan. 6

SOMETIMES WHY
Gotham City Cafe, 22848 Woodward, north
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DFT celebrates 20 years of quality films

By JOHN MONAGHAN
SPECIAL WRITER

For the 20th anniversary season of the Detroit Film Theatre, curator Elliott Wilhelm originally considered a sort of greatest-hits package along with first-run features. The availability of so many quality new films has made him change his plans.

"We figured the best way to celebrate the anniversary is to do business as usual," Wilhelm said.

Among the more anticipated titles are "The Snapper," the second in a trilogy of Dublin-based movies that began with "The Commitments," the latest from Wim Wenders, "Faraway, So Close," and "Naked," a controversial new work from British director Mike Leigh.

The current series does begin on a nostalgic note this weekend with the revival of "La Strada" (1953) from late director Federico

Fellini. Wilhelm considers it "one of the films that put Fellini on the map stylistically... it's also one of the early memories for people who started going to foreign films in the 1950s."

Wilhelm's own interest in movies was launched in 1960, when he was 10. That's the year he saw revivals of "Pinocchio" and "Citizen Kane" and the original release of "Psycho." For the Hitchcock shocker he had snuck into a theater full of adults and was shocked to find them screaming at the top of their lungs.

"It was probably that experience more than anything," he says; "that made me want to show films for the public."

The Detroit Institute of Arts has been showing foreign and specialized films "in fits and starts" since 1927, according to Wilhelm. But it was the 23-year-old movie fan, armed with a \$10,000 grant

MOVIES

from the National Endowment for the Arts, that made the DFT a regular weekend program in 1973.

"I put together the kind of theater I'd love to go to but wasn't here yet," Wilhelm said.

Wilhelm discovers films by attending up to four film festivals annually, including Telluride in Colorado. He sends assistant curator Larry Baranski and production assistant Serena Donadoni to check out the latest at the Sundance and Toronto Film Festivals, but the final choice remains his.

Up until the mid-1980s, the DFT limited its premiers mostly to Fridays, with Saturdays devoted to older films and Sundays to a thematic series. Orson Welles, Alfred Hitchcock, George Stevens, Luis Bunuel and Warner Broth-

ers classics were all honored with Sunday retrospectives.

Perhaps the most ambitious Sunday program was the series of 3-D movies (from "Dial M For Murder" to "Gorilla at Large") shown on two simultaneously running projectors. Though a technical headache (that came off flawlessly — I saw all 13 films), the DFT sold out for practically every performance.

Wilhelm believes that availability on video and cable has made it harder to attract an audience for vintage titles. He has, however, booked a pair of rare Hitchcock short films made in support of French resistance fighters during World War II.

"They were made as propaganda, but they're also rather wicked exercises in Hitchcockian perverseness," Wilhelm notes. "That combination I find very interesting."

The Afternoon Film Theatre, a weekday series organized by assistant curator Baranski, was stalled due to the DIA's much-publicized budget cuts. Wilhelm hopes it will start again soon.

New releases now play full weekends (sometimes two) and often fill the 1,150-seat auditorium. In recent seasons, the DFT has premiered art-house hits "The Crying Game," "sex, lies, and videotape" and "The Piano."

Though it would appear at first glance that the DFT's success alone could help the struggling DIA, Wilhelm is less certain. "I don't get the bill every month for heating and air-conditioning," he pointed out, also noting the staff, security and advertising needed to keep the DFT running.

Wilhelm does admit that the film program is "not a financial drain on the DIA."

What has kept people coming

back to the DFT over the past 20 years? Wilhelm thinks "it's a combination of discovery and celebration. Most people understand that films are shown here for a reason — not because we have to fill 13 screens. Because films are hand-selected, this turns the DFT into a year-round film festival."

It was once a common-sight for a bearded Wilhelm to address audience members from the auditorium stage, alerting them to upcoming films that might need an extra push. According to Wilhelm, who now concentrates his energy behind the scenes, "the series more or less sells itself."

If you have a comment for John Monaghan, call him at 953-2047, mailbox number 1866, on a Touch-Tone phone, or write him care of Street Scene, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150.

SCREEN SCENE

A sampling of what's playing at alternative movie theaters across metro Detroit as reviewed by John Monaghan.

DETROIT FILM THEATRE

Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward, Detroit. Call (313) 833-2323 for information. (\$5)
"La Strada" (Italy-1953). 7, 9:30 p.m. Jan. 7-8; 4, 7 p.m. Jan. 9. Federico Fellini's deceptively simple story about a carnival strongman (Anthony Quinn), his woman assistant (Giulietta Masina) and a taunting acrobat (Richard Basehart). A fitting tribute to

the late director kicking off the DFT's 20th anniversary season.

MAGIC BAG THEATRE

22918 Woodward, Ferndale. Call 544-3030 for information. (\$4)
"A Clockwork Orange" (Britain-1971). 8 p.m. Jan. 6. Stanley Kubrick's harrowing look at the future, where a charismatic hooligan (Malcolm McDowell) undergoes treatment for his anti-social behavior. Based on a novel by the late Anthony Burgess.

MAIN THEATRE

118 N. Main (at 11 Mile), Royal Oak. Films play through at least Thursday. Call 542-0180 for information and show times. (\$6.50; \$4 students; \$3 twilight/matinee)

"The Piano" (New Zealand-1993). Through Dec. 6 (call for show times). Jane Campion directed this stunning tale of a mute woman who arrives in the New Zealand bush as part of an arranged marriage. While her husband (Sam Neill) leaves her cold, she carries on a bizarre relationship with a neighboring settler (Harvey Keitel).

"The Summer House" (Britain-1993). Joan Plowright, Julie Walters and Jeanne Moreau star in this very-genteel-looking story about a young woman trying to escape marriage to a most unappealing suitor.

"Schindler's List" (USA-1993). Stephen Spielberg directed this uncompromising tale of Oskar Schindler (Liam Neeson), a war profiteer and Nazi crony who protected and saved the lives of more than 1,000 Jews during the Holocaust. Expect big things from this one around Oscar time.

MAPLE THEATRE

4135 W. Maple, Bloomfield Township. Call 855-9090 for information. (\$5.75; \$3.95 matinee; \$2.95 twilight)

"Heaven and Earth" (USA-1993). Oliver Stone directed this account of a Vietnamese woman's experiences in both her native land and in America. Tommy Lee Jones and Joan Chen star in this adaptation of Le Ly Hayslip's autobiographical books.

"Schindler's List." See Main listing above.

"The Piano." See Main listing above.

REDFORD THEATRE

17360 Lahser, Detroit. Call 537-2560 for information. (\$2.50)
"The Man From Snowy River" (Australia-1982). 8 p.m. Jan. 7, 2, 8 p.m. Jan. 8 (organ overture begins a half hour before show time). Kirk Douglas has a dual role in this Australian-made Western about a cattle baron who tangles with the young ranchhand in love with his daughter. Great old-fashioned entertainment.

Kiara from page 5B

Black Entertainment Television (BET). "Condition of the Heart" will be the first album released on BCI.

"It's hard to find the right artist, so we figured the best thing to do was to kick off the label with Kiara," Winston said.

The collaboration, the duo hopes, will continue the success they've had since the late 1980s. The songwriters/musicians produced a string of hits from the albums "Kiara: To Change And/Or Make A Difference" and "Civilized Rogue" including the singles "The Best of Me," "Every Little Time" and "This Time," a No. 1 charted duet with Motown artist Shanice Wilson.

From 1987 to 1991 Kiara toured with the likes of MC Hammer, New Edition, Keith Sweat, Roberta Flack and Midnight Starr. With the rigors of touring taking a toll on them, the duo decided to pursue other projects for a while. Charley worked with a vocal coach, while Winston concentrated on increasing his knowledge of other instruments and studio production. The duo also left Arista due to "creative differences."

"We still have a lot of good friends at Arista," Charley said. "A lot of people supported us; a lot didn't."

Charley and Winston then signed on with Don and Keenan Barden, owners of BCI Records. The Bardens and their collective Barden Companies were named Black Enterprise Magazine's 1992 Company of the Year, featured as one of the nation's top black-owned businesses in the Wall Street Journal and was recognized as the fifth-largest black-owned business in the country.

Charley, Winston and Barden's 26-year-old son, Keenan, share the duties of running the record company. Keenan Barden works with rap artists such as the female rapper Kyng Ceaze. Charley and Winston take care of the rhythm and blues acts.

"We all wear a bunch of different hats," Winston said.

Kiara's single "Tell Me" is available at area record stores or by contacting: BCI Records, 243 W. Congress, Suite 1000, Detroit 48226; (313) 963-5010. "Condition of the Heart" will be released Feb. 14.

Blue Nation and SisterSeed drummer Benjamin Ridley has opened "The Boneyard," a 24-track digital recording studio in Warren. Ridley said his studio is musician-friendly — monetarily speaking. "The whole premise is, I know how hard it (recording) can be on bands. It's easy to spend 500 bucks a day to record. Basically, I'm trying to do it for half." He said he can do it without swallowing other bands' costs. "Basically, I'm not going to be greedy. I don't need a million bucks to live on." So far, both of Ridley's bands as well as the rock band Lemonjuice have recorded there since he opened it two months ago. For more information, call (810) 755-2589.

After taking a holiday break, the rock band Reignance will return to the studio to record their follow-up to "Problem Factory" for Interference Records, according to lead singer and former Royal Oak resident Andre Comeau. While in town for the holidays, Comeau — decked out in shiny multi-colored bowling shoes — took in the Big Block/Lemonjuice show at St. Andrew's Hall in Detroit on Dec. 29.

Dan Vitale (of Bim Skala Bim) recently returned to the area with his side project, Steady Earnest for a show at the Falcon Club in Hamtramck.

"We're trying to focus more on a pop ska with a soul twist," he said describing Steady Earnest. "Bim Skala Bim never did that much of that."

Steady Earnest also includes members of Maelstrom, Ska'd For Life and The Prophets. They recently released their album, "Out of Line" on Vitale's BIB Records. Aside from that, his company is also busy with the release of the all-Boston ska compilation "Mash It Up '93," "The Shack" featuring performances by Special Beat, the Toasters and Madness; Bim Skala Bim's live album; and the album by the Concussion Ensemble, a band with four drummers and no vocalist.

A year ago The Afghan Whigs released "Uptown Avondale," an album of their versions of Motown songs. In early December, they came face-to-face with one of their influences. The band toured the Motown Museum with Martha Reeves and snapped a few

photos with her while Rolling Stone magazine, MTV and Raygun magazine covered the event. The quartet walked around the historic studio awestruck, giggling nervously over things such as a photo showing the Temptations' moves. At the end of the tour, a few lucky(?) tag-alongs were chosen by a tour guide to sing a few Motown tunes for Reeves and the Afghan Whigs. Later in the evening, Reeves joined the Afghan Whigs, touring in support of their latest album "Gentlemen," halfway through their set to sing "Heat Wave."

The synthesizer-influenced rock band Discipline is looking for a new keyboardist. David Krofchok is leaving the band at the end of January. The bands stresses that musicians applying for the job need not own keyboards. Discipline also requires that the person be "dependable, able to play in unusual time signatures, able to play by ear and able to groove." To set up an appointment with the band, call (810) 548-8665 and leave your telephone number on the answering machine.

Sixteen years after forming Bad

Brains, the band is finally enjoying the success of releasing an album on a major label, Epic Records.

"It's positive," lead singer Israel Joseph-I said. "We get an opportunity to spread the message to a wider range of people." The message? "Love and awareness, spiritually and mentally. Now is not the time for blinders."

Bad Brains recently visited St. Andrew's Hall in Detroit to promote their album "Rise." Their last tour swing through Detroit was an opening spot for Living Colour at the State Theatre earlier this year.

He hopes that that tour dispelled rumors that the bands were arch enemies.

"We got together and went out and did this thing. We hoped it would discredit any animosity that the two bands had. We love each other and respect each other as musicians."

Harmony House has opened an all-classical store in Grosse Pointe — 17116 Kercheval (313-417-9530). The chain opened its first store devoted to classical music in Royal Oak.

Stereotyping is easy to do



BARBARA SCHIFF

Reader's Note: Some weeks ago an 80-year-old reader wrote to say that baby-boomers were often brilliant, but impulsive, and in need of immediate gratification. She said that they are responsible for our country's troubles and need to listen to seniors, if they want to run our country right. The following call is a response to that letter.

Voice Mail Message:
Barbara,
Your 80-year-old self-proclaiming wise person would be even wiser to not stereotype all baby boomers in such a negative way. She would think it quite unwise to categorize sen-

iors as a bunch of disgruntled old people.

Baby boomers are people who come in all shapes and sizes just like seniors, and most boomers are footing the bill for the Social Security benefits that seniors are now enjoying. Let's work together!

Dear Caller:

I enjoyed your message very much. All old people aren't the same. Some are wise and some are no different than they were as teen-agers.

Stereotyping is an easy thing to do. What is difficult is to treat each individual according to the reality of the person. This takes thought and freedom from prejudice.

Yes, there are baby boomers who fit the description given in the letter of the '80s boomer. They could even be running our country. The greater wisdom, however, is in individual evaluations rather than bias

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Barbara

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DSO offering minority fellowships

The Detroit Symphony Orchestra is offering two performance and study fellowships to African-American orchestral musicians. Applications are now being accepted for the period of September-May. The deadline for applications is Tuesday, Feb. 15.

The residency provides regular

performance opportunities with the DSO, individual coaching sessions with DSO members, mentorship assistance, and a rigorous program of required audition training. In addition, fellows participate in other DSO educational programs such as the Detroit Symphony Civic Orchestra (a pre-

professional training orchestra).

For more information about the program, write to: DSO Fellowship Program, Detroit Symphony Orchestra Hall, Education Department, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit 48201. By phone, contact (313) 833-3362, Ext. 138.

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VERVE PIPE Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. (313) 996-8555
CHEAP THRILLZ With DreamScape at Griff's Grill, 49 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. (810) 334-9292
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ALI AND ALEXANDER TRIO Pearl City, 27522 Northwestern Highway,

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MICHIGAN DEATH METAL FEST III St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. Doors open at 9 a.m. (death metal) (313) 961-1111
VERVE PIPE Record release party for "Pop Smear" at the Magic Bag, 2291B Woodward Avenue (two blocks north of Nine Mile Road), Ferndale. (Originally scheduled at the Majestic). (alternative rock) (810) 544-3030
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Unemployment benefits extended

The Michigan Employment Security Commission has started mailing federal unemployment benefits to 9,000 long-term unemployed workers in Michigan who have filed Emergency Unemployment Compensation claims.

Michigan is among the first

states to issue EUC benefits since the program's extension was approved in late November.

The EUC program pays federal jobless benefits to workers who exhaust their state unemployment benefits. The program expired Oct. 2, but was

reinstated retroactively by the federal government.

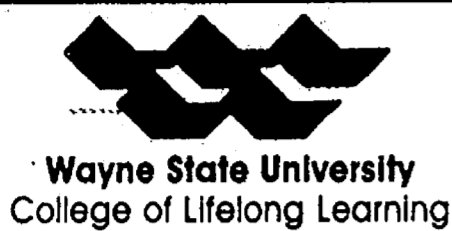
In Michigan EUC pays up to seven additional weeks of jobless benefits to eligible claimants. The program will continue to accept new applications for EUC benefits through Feb. 5.

Schoolcraft offers European food tour

Schoolcraft College is accepting reservations for its second-annual Culinary Educational Tour of France and Switzerland.

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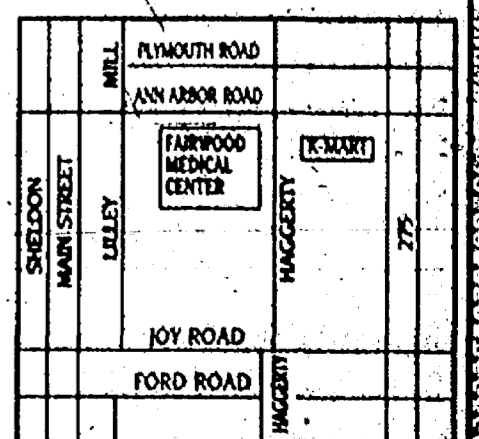
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 A.A. Pioneer at L.V. Stevenson, 7:30 p.m.
 Westland Glenn at A.A. Huron, 7:30 p.m.
 Ypsilanti at Ply. Canton, 7:30 p.m.
 Redford CC at Bishop Borgess, 7:30 p.m.
 Cardinal Rooney at St. Agatha, 7:30 p.m.
 Ply. Christian vs. Burton Valley
 at D.H. Fairlane Christian, 7:30 p.m.
 Huron Valley vs. Detroit Trinity
 at Marshall H. High, 7:30 p.m.

Friday Jan. 7
 Luthier: West at Luth. Westland, 7 p.m.
 Belleville at Garden City, 7 p.m.
 Edsel Ford at Redford Union, 7 p.m.
 Fair-Harrison at Farmington, 7 p.m.
 W.L. Western at N. Farmington, 7 p.m.
 L.V. Churchil at L.V. Stevenson, 7:30 p.m.
 L.V. Franklin at W.L. Central, 7:30 p.m.
 Northville at Westland Glenn, 7:30 p.m.
 Ply. Canton at Ply. Salem, 7:30 p.m.
 Wayne at Taylor Truman, 7:30 p.m.
 Allen Park at Red. Thurston, 7:30 p.m.
 Borgess at H.W. Notre Dame, 7:30 p.m.
 U.D. Jesuit at Redford CC, 7:30 p.m.
 St. Agatha at Oak Catholic, 7:30 p.m.
 Huron Valley at A.A. Greenfield, 7:30 p.m.
 Ply. Christian at Wa. Bethesda, 7:30 p.m.

PREP HOCKEY
Wednesday Jan. 5
 L.V. Stevenson at Wyandotte, 6 p.m.
 L.V. Franklin vs. Birmingham
 Redford CC vs. L.V. Churchil
 at Livonia's Edgar Arena, 6 & 8 p.m.

Thursday Jan. 6
 Redford CC at Riv. Gro. Richard, 6 p.m.

Friday Jan. 7
 L.V. Stevenson at Luth. Westland, 7 p.m.
 St. Agatha at Oak Catholic, 7:30 p.m.
 Huron Valley at A.A. Greenfield, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday Jan. 8
 Redford CC vs. Grosse Pointe North
 at Redford Ice Arena, 8 p.m.

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL
Monday, Jan. 3
 St. Francis (Ind.) at Madonna, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday Jan. 5
 Madonna at Shawnee St. Onon, 7:30 p.m.
 St. Mari at Schoolcraft, 8 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 8
 Madonna at Schoolcraft, 7:30 p.m.
 St. Mari at Schoolcraft, 7:30 p.m.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL
Wednesday Jan. 5
 Holy Mat at Schoolcraft, 6 p.m.

Thursday, Jan. 6
 Madonna at Siena Heights, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 8
 Spring Arbor at Madonna, 3 p.m.
 TBA — time to be announced.

Abraham will have plenty of talent returning for '94, which should help Madonna return to the NAIA Tournament. Of all the programs at Madonna, this one is the sturdiest, top to bottom.

The only question: Can Abraham handle two coaching positions?

Schoolcraft College
Basketball: Unlike the leadership at Madonna, which at least can visualize the value of a sound athletic program on a smaller scale, those in charge at SC seem directionless.

This is not meant as a criticism of athletic director Marty Nowak, simply because I don't believe he has much control of the situation. When school administrators removed Mary Gans from his leadership role, they sliced up the job to be sure no one person could gain as much control over the program.

Well, it worked. Now, no one seems in control.

The basketball programs are a good example. I have nothing but praise for Dave Bogataj, the men's coach who has never come close to producing a winning record. The frustration factor alone must be overwhelming, but he keeps plugging away, battling all odds.

He usually starts with a decent team, but when the first semester expires (within the next week) half his team is sidelined by academic woes. Every year, the school institutes new programs to help the athletes, to monitor the athletes, to guide the athletes, and every year, the basketball team suffers key losses because of poor grades.

Saying he should recruit better students is no answer. Better students who have any proficiency at all in basketball don't go to SC. I don't have an answer. But

some sort of commitment would help. There's no common thread to bind the various sports programs together; indeed, they often seem to be treated more like unwanted necessities than potential enrollment boosters.

Jack Grenan faces many of the same problems as SC's women's basketball coach, but (and please pardon me if this sounds biased) generally speaking, female athletes are more focused on academics than men are.

Grenan should be able to work that to his advantage, but for the past four years his program has slipped steadily.

Bottom line: It would take a lot of fortunate breaks for SC to actually challenge for an Eastern Conference title on the men's side. Grenan, however, has the resources and should be able to keep the Lady Ocelots in the hunt every year.

Soccer: When Gans was in command of athletics at SC, this was the center-stage sport. Too bad he was replaced just when soccer's popularity took off.

Both Ocelot soccer teams remain at the top of the athletic totem pole at SC. But neither has quite lived up to expectations.

The men's team, under Van Dimitriou's direction, has racked up regional title after regional title. The Ocelots have excelled record-wise in his 10 years at the helm.

But they never manage to take that next step, even with the abundance of local talent. In my mind, making just one trip past the NJCAA Inter-regionals to the big show in the last decade is a disgrace.

Last season offers a clear-cut summary: Unbeaten SC travels to the Chicago area for the four-team Inter-regional. But instead of the

expected cakewalk first match against Bethany Lutheran, the Ocelots discover the day before their opening match they must play College of DuPage instead, a team they beat 2-1 earlier in the season at SC.

The Ocelots lose, and DuPage goes on to win the NJCAA championship. The nagging doubt — had Dimitriou just gotten the pairings down: right.

His team does well, but it should. In fact, it should do better.

The women's team is hard to figure. Nick O'Shea did guide the SC women to an NJCAA title in 1987; he has few detractors in soccer coaching circles.

But the Lady Ocelots have struggled the last few years. Prior to '93, the problem was in numbers — O'Shea just couldn't recruit enough players. Last season he had the numbers, but not the talent. Still, the '93 crew came up far short of realizing its potential.

The coach can be blamed for that, but I witnessed first-hand all sorts of different techniques employed by O'Shea, in an attempt to motivate his team. Nothing worked.

So I wouldn't downgrade him much for his team's (lack of) performance. However, his recruiting efforts do remain lackluster.

Volleyball: Again, Tom Teeters has been — for all his eccentricities — a stalwart coach for SC. He has, for the most part, brought acclaim to the school in a sport that has been deemed minor by many JCs.

The '93 campaign was his worst, however — in many ways. The team was caught using an ineligible player, and it went downhill from there. There was bickering between conference coaches, with all sorts of finger-pointing

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The end result: No team represented Region 12 at the NJCAA

Tournament, which was a travesty. And Teeters is at least partially responsible.



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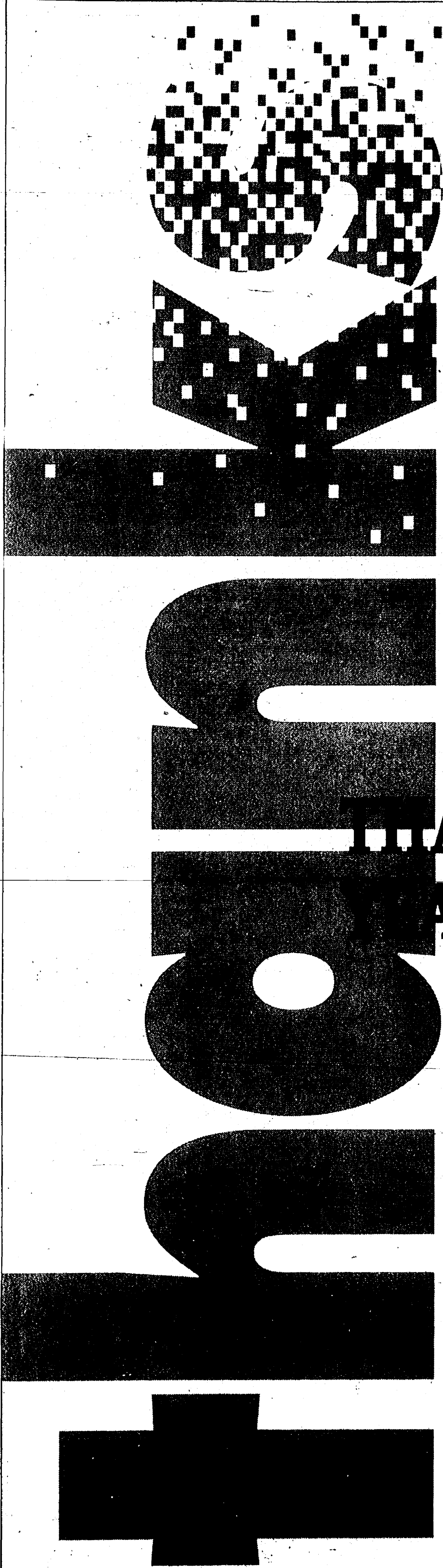
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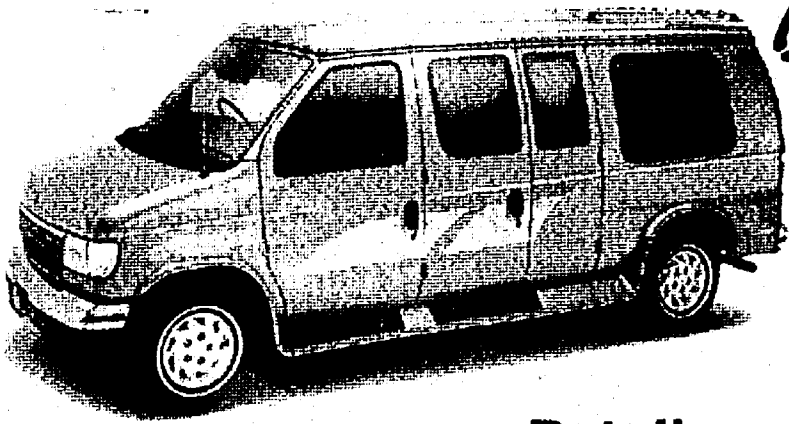
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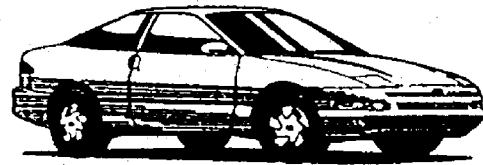
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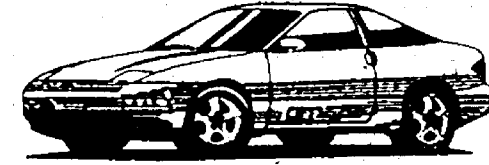
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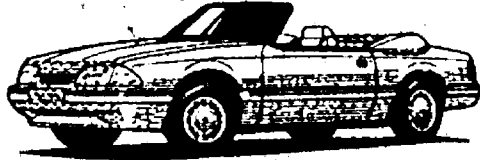
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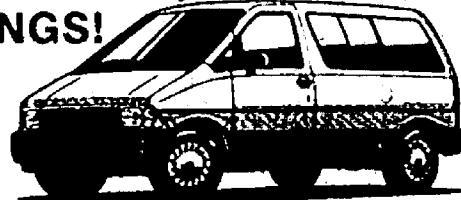
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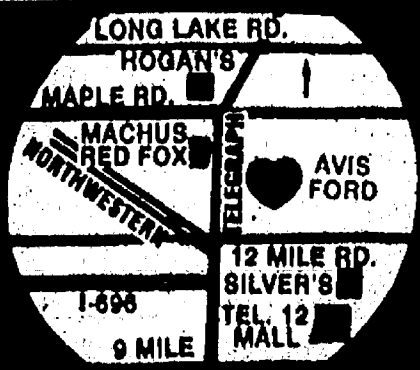
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