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Assault at plant nets prison terms



Two temporary workers at a Westland video-packaging plant face prison for attacking a third employee, who was stabbed in the head with a footlong metal chisel. The assault came as the plant was under fire for its hiring practices.

BY DARRELL CLEM
STAFF WRITER

Two former workers who assaulted a third employee at the once-controversial Technicolor Video Services plant in Westland have been sentenced to prison.

Detroit Recorder's Court Judge

Terrance Boyle on Tuesday sentenced Carlos Fanning, 35, to two to four years in prison for the Oct. 12 assault on Elton McKnight, 21, who was stabbed in the head with a metal chisel.

Boyle sentenced co-defendant Johnny Ezell Williamson, 30, to one

to two years in prison. Both men averted a trial by pleading guilty as charged to assault with intent to do great bodily harm, less than murder, a court clerk said.

Fanning and Williamson could have faced a maximum 10-year sentence.

The two men had been on a work-release program from a Detroit halfway house when McKnight was attacked. Fanning had served nearly 11 years for second-degree murder, and Williamson had been in prison for a 1992 robbery.

Both men were nearing their parole eligibility when McKnight was stabbed near his right temple during a dispute that he said erupted over an employee sign-in sheet. He testified during a preliminary hearing in November that someone grabbed the book and that Fanning blamed him.

McKnight accused Fanning of stabbing him, and he said Williamson held him from behind while Fanning jerked a gold necklace from his neck.

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Officials turn the dirt for first library



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Ceremony: Above, from left, Tom Brown, Norman Stockmeyer, Edward McNamara, Robert Thomas, Marjorie Kay Daniels, Loren Bennett and Sandra Wilson take part. At left, Stockmeyer and, at right, Wilson address the crowd.



Officials praise planned public library

BY DARRELL CLEM
STAFF WRITER

Saying a public library will "elevate Westland a tremendous notch in Michigan," County Executive Ed McNamara joined state and local dignitaries Wednesday for an upbeat groundbreaking ceremony that drew 150 to 200 people.

"I really look forward to the day we open those doors," McNamara said to a cheerful crowd gathered under a red and white tent on the library site, on the west side of Central City Parkway between Ford Road and Warren.

The \$11.2 million, 33,450-square-foot William P. Faust Public Li-

brary of Westland is expected to open in November of 1996. The building is being named in honor of the late state senator who was instrumental in securing a \$1,375,000 million state grant for the project.

"His progressive vision will always be remembered," Deputy Mayor George Gillies said in opening re-

marks Wednesday.

The remaining \$9,830,000 million will come from tax revenues collected in a special Tax Increment Finance Authority (TIFA) district in central Westland.

Mayor Robert Thomas stressed

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Ship ahoy

The Westland Parks and Recreation Department is sponsoring a toy sailboat contest 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, July 8. Children ages 6-14 are invited to come with a parent or adult friend and make a toy sailboat. All supplies are provided although children may bring hand tools or some supplies from home.

Every child will be given four hours to construct a boat, a departmental spokeswoman said. At 1 p.m., the boats will be judged. After the judging, there will be a demonstration of radio-controlled toy motorboats by Hobby House store and then at 2 p.m. there will be a toy sailboat race on Friendship Lake in Central City Park.

An awards ceremony will follow. Every child will receive a certificate of participation and his or her boat to take home. This program is sponsored

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by the department and the Hobby House business. Fee is \$4 in advance and \$5 at the park. For more information, call Bailey Center at 722-7620.

Street dance workshop

Street dancing is fun to do and exciting to watch. Join instructor Robby Dickerson at the Bailey Recreation Center for a weeklong intensive dance workshop. Pre-teen workshop time is 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, beginning July 10.

Teen workshops are 1-2:30 p.m. Cost is \$35 a week for residents, \$58 a week for non-residents. Pre-register at the Bailey Recreation Center at

36651 Ford Road. Street dance classes are also available. Call 722-7620 or Bobby at 953-469.

Fall soccer

The Wayne/Westland Soccer League is now registering participants for fall soccer. Registration dates are 6-8 p.m. Monday, July 3, 6-8 p.m. Wednesday, July 12, and 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, July 22. Register at the Wayne Community Center, 4635 Howe, at the corner of Howe and Annapolis. Teams are offered for kids under the age of 6 all the way to teens under age 19. Under-6 to under-8 registration fee is \$40, which includes a T-shirt.

Cost for kids under 9 and up is \$45. A \$10 late fee will be charged for any registration received after the last open registration date. No registrations will be received after Aug. 26. For more information, call 458-7786.

Hurricane Swim Club starts its summer season

The Hurricane Swim Club has started its summer swimming season for boys and girls between 5 and 18.

The group formed two years ago by Jim McNellis is co-sponsored by the Garden City Public Schools' adult education department and Westland recreation department.

McNellis, Hurricanes' coach and manager, said the team is open to boys and girls between 5 and 18 who can swim 25 yards and are comfortable putting their faces in the water.

He added: "Our summer season will run from the free trial period until the first week in August. We also run a fall/winter program from September-March for those interested."

"We offer practices mornings, afternoons and evenings to accommodate everyone's schedule. Each child must attend at least three hours of practice per week if he/she plans to compete. We practice at the Bailey Center Pool in Westland and at Garden City High School Pool."

McNellis may be contacted at 981-7578.

Summer fee is \$60 per swimmer with a \$10 discount for additional family members. The manager offers team suits, caps and related team apparel at a discount.

Interested persons may register at the Cambridge Community Center, 28901 Cambridge, Garden City, south of Warren Road and east of Middlebelt. Call 422-7198 for times.



In the swim: Hurricanes' manager and coach Jim McNellis (left) gives tips on techniques to his team, formed several years ago under the co-sponsorship of the Garden City Public Schools' community education department and the Westland parks and recreation department.

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Good form: Showing off his diving form is Bret Morton during a tryout held by the Hurricanes' Swim Club.



Summer season: Sarah Minich does the breast stroke at a swim club tryout held by the club which is now in its summer season.



Backing in? Kent Morton starts his backstroke at a Hurricanes' Swim Club tryout at the Garden City Community Swimming Pool, adjacent to Garden City High School.

Practicing: Lindsay Ramps does the butterfly stroke during a Hurricanes' Swim Club tryout.



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Parade kicks off summer festival

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Although there was precipitation two hours before the start of the annual event, the skies were blue with few clouds as the crowds lined the one-mile parade route, which began at Ford and Wildwood and ended at the Civic Center.

Besides perfect weather, the parade had everything a parade should have: colorful floats, clowns, antique cars, marching bands, the festival queen and her

court, and an appreciative crowd. The Plymouth Five and Drum Corps and the Taylor Shriners provided some of the color with their marching unit and motorized vehicles, respectively.

The parade opened the annual holiday event which will conclude at 10 p.m. tonight with a fireworks display in Central City Park, on the south side of Ford, between Wayne Road and Newburgh.

During the five-day festival, the committee had carnival rides, midway games, food booths as well as contests and games for children and adults.



STAFF PHOTOS BY ART EMANUEL

Marching by: The Plymouth Five and Drum Corps didn't stop at the donut shop at Ford and Wildwood as it marched along the Westland Summer Festival parade route Thursday.



Great view: Kristen Abicht, winner of last year's Westland Summer Festival Baby of the Girl of the Year contest, and her mother rode atop an antique car in Thursday's festival parade.



Rapid transit? Taylor Shriners drove their antique and modern vehicles in the Westland Summer Festival parade, with an old-fashioned bicyclist accompanying them on the right.

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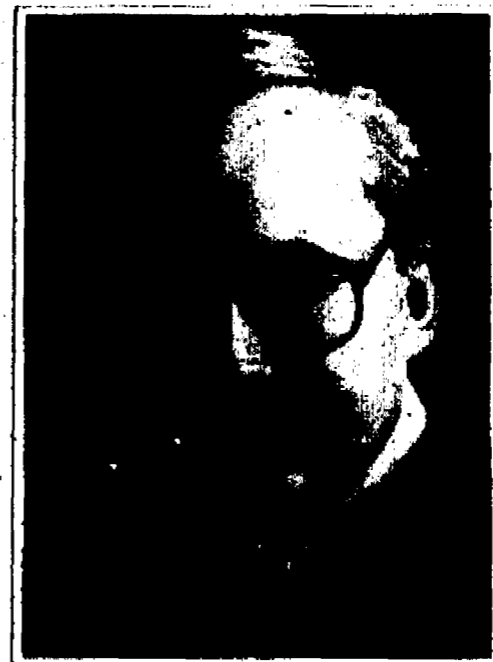
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County planning \$80-million building program

BY RALPH R. ECHTINAW
STAFF WRITER

Wayne County Executive Edward McNamara plans to borrow up to \$80 million for several building projects, including construction of a \$30 million juvenile detention facility and the purchase of the county government headquarters building.

Construction of the juvenile hall should begin in the fall, said chief financial officer Tom Naughton. It will replace the dilapidated existing 101,000-square-foot detention facility, which was built in 1960 and suffers from overcrowding.

A U.S. Department of Justice investigation of the youth home, located in Detroit, was conducted in 1994. Federal authorities released a report in December with accounts of physical abuse, overcrowding and food containing worms, roaches and rocks.

The new youth home will be built because the Justice Department has threatened to sue Wayne County if the problems it discovered are not addressed.

Naughton estimates that the county building at 600 Randolph in Detroit can be purchased for \$20 million from the Wayne County Building Limited Partnership. That would save county property owners about \$750,000 per year that they are paying to rent the building.

Other planned improvements include:

- \$1.4 million for a new elevator in Detroit Records Court.

S'craft to help debut software

BY RALPH R. ECHTINAW
STAFF WRITER

When the Microsoft Corp. introduces the Windows 95 computer operating system July 24, Schoolcraft College will be on display along with the software.

Because Schoolcraft, Walsh College and Macomb Community College have been chosen to take over training in southeast Michigan for the giant software company, the much-anticipated Windows 95 will be debuted at the three colleges.

This publicity blitz is scheduled to occur 9-11 a.m. Monday, July 24, in the McDowell Center on the Livonia campus.

Schoolcraft personnel are excited about the Microsoft agreement, said Bruce Sweet, the college's director of business and industrial services.

Ultimately, the three colleges will be the only Microsoft-approved software certification centers in southeast Michigan. All certification training for Microsoft products in metro Detroit will occur on the three campuses.

Furthermore, there are plans to offer seminars on products and topics, technology fairs for faculty, staff and students, plus "business technology nights" and "community technology nights" where area business persons and residents may see what the latest software can do for them in the office and at home.

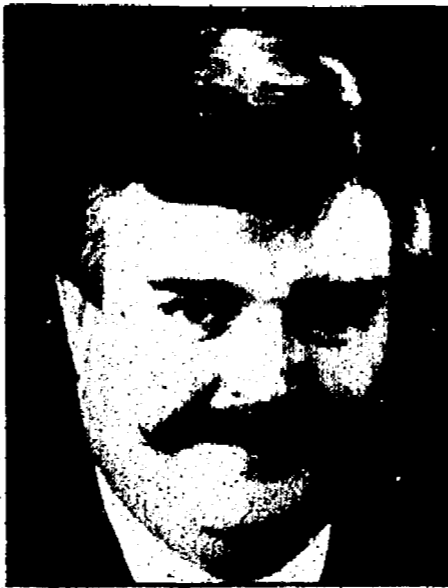
Microsoft plans to share its software with the three colleges, said Microsoft spokeswoman Karen Casman, and hopes the colleges can help get the bugs out of new products before they go on the market.

Schoolcraft personnel will be asked to identify the faults in prototype products so that Microsoft engineers may fine-tune the software before it goes on the shelves. "As the technology develops, we'll be right on the front edge," Sweet said.

It's expected to take a year or two to get the system running, however. "We're going to learn a lot of new stuff in the next year and a half," Sweet said.



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- \$1.5 million to put up a new building in Detroit for the county's Environment Department staff.

- \$4.4 million for improvements at Wayne North Yard in Wayne and Central Maintenance Yard in Romulus, including construction

of a 36,000-square-foot building at the Wayne North Yard to house the Public Services Department's engineering permit office and field engineering staff, and modification of two buildings in the Central Maintenance Yard to provide additional storage capacity.

- \$700,000 to build a kitchen at the Eloise Campus in Westland.

- \$1.1 million to move a public health clinic from the Gibraltar Trade Center, where rent is \$114,000/year, to a new building in the Taylor Human Services

Complex.

- \$5 million to provide matching funds for state and federal grants that could be used to make improvements to county parks.

Naughton said the bonds will probably be issued in two series, one this summer and another in 1996. Naughton expects to get 30-year, 7-percent bonds. Building the new youth home is the highest priority item, he said.

The County Commission voted 8-5 on June 15 to approve a "notice of intention" to bond for up to \$80 million.

This means that the bonds may now be sold without putting the proposal to the voters unless someone gets 15,000 signatures on a petition by Aug. 8. Three of the four Observer-area commissioners voted against the notice of intention.

The commissioners are Bruce Patterson, R-Canton Township; Thaddeus McCotter, R-Livonia, who also represents Plymouth and Plymouth Township; and Michelle Plawecki, D-Dearborn Heights, who also represents Redford Township and Livonia east of Middlebelt.

Commission Vice Chair Kay

Beard, D-Westland, who also represents Garden City, voted yes.

Patterson said that bypassing voters in this manner "is as offensive as it can be, a very slick means by which you can avoid going to the people."

McCotter hammered on a theme he has emphasized since 1992, when he was first elected commissioner. "County government has over-extended itself beyond what it can realistically and necessarily accomplish, and all services suffer as a result," he said. And besides, "they shouldn't have to borrow \$80 million to do these things."

Plawecki said she opposes the borrowing because no one knows if voters will approve the renewal of a 1-mill property tax next year that pays for the operation of the Hamtramck jail. "I wasn't going to put the general fund at risk," she said. However, she adds, "if I get the right information, then maybe I'll support it."

McNamara was asked if it isn't risky to borrow \$80 million when the jail millage is up for renewal next year.

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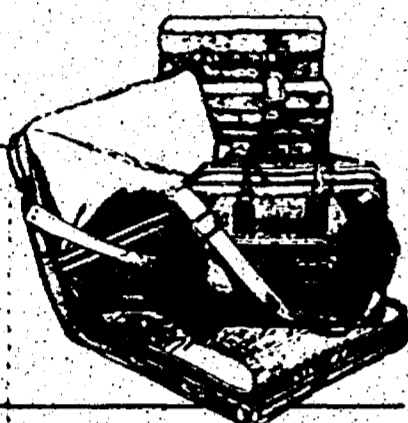
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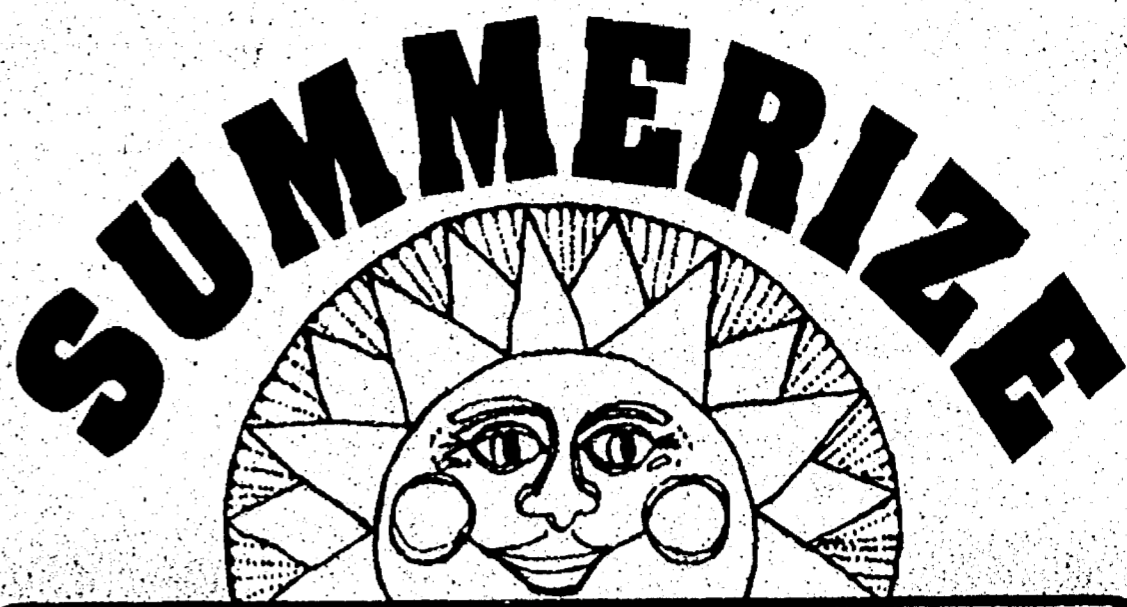
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Newburgh Pointe comes on line 12 months late

BY RALPH R. ECHTINAW
STAFF WRITER

The Wayne County Parks System opened its newest attraction last week on Newburgh Lake in Livonia, more than a year after it was supposed to open.

The Newburgh Pointe project, which cost about \$640,000, was originally scheduled to open in spring 1994. "We had a lot of construction delays and water quality problems," said parks Director Hurley Coleman.

Some work had to be done over, Coleman said, and there were problems with the work quality of subcontractors. Great quantities of weeds in Newburgh Lake delayed the project, too, but a weed harvester cut them back considerably two weeks ago.

Yet the project came in under budget, Coleman said, and its fishing pier, paddle boats and boat launch are ready for use.

The paddle boats are available for rent noon to 8 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday. The cost is

\$3 per half-hour for a two-seater, \$5 per half hour for a four-seater. A dozen boats are available.

Newburgh Pointe is located west of Newburgh Road on Edward Hines Drive in Livonia. The chief landmark is a comfort station built more than 50 years ago. It looks suspiciously like a railroad station, said parks design chief Nancy Darga, because the fellow who designed it had previously worked for a railroad.

The comfort station contains restrooms and a few historic photos. A large fishing pier is available outside at no charge. A paved-stone area is adjacent to the 150-acre, man-made lake.

A boat landing is also available for anyone who wants to put a non-motorized boat in Newburgh. For this you need a permit from the parks department, however.

Newburgh Lake was created in 1934 when the Ford Motor Co. dammed the Rouge River to generate hydroelectric power to its Newburgh Village Industry Plant.



STAFF PHOTOS BY GUY WARREN

Snip: Livonia resident Eddie Duggan cuts the ribbon to open the newest attraction in the Wayne County parks system, Newburgh Pointe in Livonia. To the left of Eddie is his sister Carolyn. Also on hand were (from left) parks Director Hurley Coleman, Livonia City Council President Gerald "Joe" Taylor, Livonia Councilman Dale Jurcisin, Wayne County Executive Edward McNamara, Livonia Councilman Mike McGee, Westland City Council liaison Joe Benyo and Wayne County Sheriff Robert Ficano.

Decline in park services noted

BY RALPH R. ECHTINAW
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Although Newburgh Pointe brings positive publicity to the Wayne County Parks System, many residents have noticed a decline in service in area parks.

Plymouth resident John Paton notes that many of the Hines Park restrooms have been closed when they should be open. "It's kind of tough on the people who are out there," he said. "You hear complaints from runners, bikers and rollerbladers about the restrooms."

Parks director Hurley Coleman

readily acknowledges the slippage and hopes to counteract it.

Full-time staff has been cut from 55 individuals in 1989 to 28 this year. Seasonal staff dropped from 80 to 40 over the same period. Four full-time-equivalent positions have been cut since last year.

Wayne County Executive Edward McNamara and the county commission have cut parks spending for the current fiscal year. "We're still about maybe \$400,000 short of where we were last year," Coleman said.

We had a really rough start this

year with mowing, with staffing, everything," Coleman said. "Every area was a really rough start, but things are going to pick up and you'll see us back to where we ought to be. Our long-term hope is that we'll be able to maintain a status-quo operation until we come up with some sources of dedicated revenue that will allow us not to have budget cuts."

For now, Coleman added, "we're intentionally focusing on the high-use areas for mowing and maintenance," while letting other areas "go to meadow lands — high grass where it wasn't high before."

Coleman has negotiated with other county departments and local governments to get additional help.

Coleman bristles when parks funding is characterized as non-essential spending. "What we're doing is even more essential than jails," he said.



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Ahoy: Wayne County Deputy Executive Michael Duggan takes his two children, Carolyn and Eddie, for a spin in one of the 12 paddle boats now available for rent on Newburgh Lake in Livonia.

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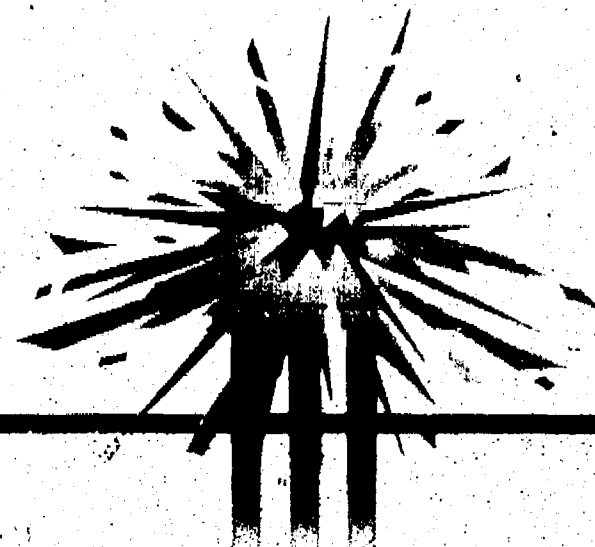
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MONDAY, JULY 3, 1995

TASTE BUDS



CHEF LARRY JANES

Take small steps toward better health

Summer's here, and I'm celebrating! If you haven't guessed, I've changed my eating habits, and adopted a healthier lifestyle. As of this writing, my weight is the lowest it's been in eight years.

Please note here that there's absolutely no mention of the word "diet." I gave up on diets years ago after realizing all diets work, when you stick to them. But I wasn't happy depriving myself, eating carrot sticks and lettuce salads, and pretending to enjoy plain broiled fish.

I've finally found a program that promotes a healthy eating regimen. Tri-weekly visits to the gym for a stress-buster easy workout also help. My waist is shrinking from a 46 to a 38, my cholesterol dropped 20 points, and I've lost over 70 pounds.

I feel good, and I love it! Some readers have been asking about my healthy changes, and with summer in full swing, I thought now is the perfect time to share my successes, and encourage you to adopt some health changes too.

We all know the importance of good eating. As a food writer, I found myself "pigging out" one day and starving the next.

"That's one of the worst things you can do to your body," said Gail Posner a registered dietitian who also offers personalized nutrition counseling. "Those traits are indicative of a person out of control who needs to learn proper eating techniques or they will always have weight problems. If you starve one day, your body will need and crave even more calories to replenish itself."

■ Big lifestyle change number one - begin your day with a good breakfast. On busy days it might be something as basic as an apple cored and filled with peanut butter, but most of the time it's cereal with milk and a big glass of juice.

Lunch usually consists of a sandwich topped to the rim with loads of vegetables, and some fresh fruit. Main dish salads with loads of last night's fish or poultry, and a great tasting fat free salad dressing are good alternatives.

Dinner brings forth the base of the food pyramid and plenty of beans, pasta, legumes and vegetables, usually in the disguise of a stir-fry or something grilled, baked or broiled.

■ Lifestyle change number two has me exchanging my adoration for Diet Coke and Crystal Light for water. Especially during this hot season. I purchased a Britta Water Filtration System (two-gallon size) that sits comfortably on the shelf in refrigerator, and can get icy cold, great tasting water at the flick of a switch.

Posner recommends drinking at least eight (eight ounce) glasses of water per day because it fills you up, and flushes out toxins. Posner claims the more water her clients drink, the more weight they lose.

Believe it or not, this was probably one of the most difficult changes I've ever made. I'm a big diet pop addict, but now my system has become accustomed to water, and I find myself drinking it every chance I get.

■ Lifestyle change number three was making a commitment to exercise. Now anyone who knows me knows that my idea of exercising was driving a golf cart. I do not run, but I do enjoy getting my heart pumping with a three times a week 20 minute aerobic workout. I go mainly because I enjoy my fellow exercisers and the instructors. You don't have to be a marathoner, and I'll never be in the running for a Mr. Universe contest, but just get moving, no matter how slow.

Posner also recommends that her clients learn to slow down and learn to enjoy the taste of food. It's a proven fact that it takes the stomach 20 minutes to tell the mind that it's full.

■ Last but certainly not least, Posner's final suggestion, and my major lifestyle change number four, is never eat while standing. Most snackers stand in front of the fridge or over the counter and eat far in excess what they really need or want. If you want it, sit down and enjoy it!

Two of my favorite cookbooks are the American Heart Association Cookbook and Steven Raichlen's "High Flavor Low Fat Vegetarian Cooking" (Viking Press \$24.95). If you're looking for a more personal approach, Posner heads the Healthy Ways Nutrition Counseling Company with offices in West Bloomfield, and can be reached at (810) 855-4558.

See Larry Janes' family-tested recipes inside. Chef Larry is a free lance writer for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. To leave a voice mail message for him dial (313) 953-2047 on a touch tone phone, then mailbox number 1886

LOOKING AHEAD

What to watch for in Taste next week

- Fortin family shares "Super Supper"
- Victoria's Gourmet Syrups

July 4th menu inspires 'oohs and ahs'



MICHIGAN PORK PRODUCERS ASSOCIATION

Sparklers: Red, White and Blue barbecue menu spices up American favorites.

BY KEELY WYGONIK
STAFF WRITER

Add some flair to Fourth of July, or any summer celebration this year, with new flavor twists to traditional favorites.

Serve spicy Latin Back Ribs with Rockets' Red Glare Barbecue Sauce, which includes chili sauce, garlic, chili powder, cumin and crushed red pepper.

"Food like potato salad and cole slaw actually have roots in other cultures, but we've claimed them as American classics," said Anne Roberts, a home economist and director of marketing and education for the Michigan Pork Producers Association. "This year, celebrate our rich American culture by adding 'new' ethnic ingredients and flavors."

Spice up deviled eggs with hot peppers to create Double Deviled Eggs. Or add blue cornmeal, reflecting our native foods, to make Blue Heaven Cornbread.

"Changing just one ingredient can change the flavor and color - of an entire meal," said Roberts. "Put a little bang in your Fourth of July with ethnically inspired, restaurant ribs and sparkling side dishes."

The latest ethnic influences being passed from restaurants to kitchens are hot and spicy foods from the Caribbean and Latin America, like ribs with cumin, coriander and chili powder rubbed in.

Sweet tomato-based barbecue sauces are being replaced or combined with spicy dry rubs from around the world.

"Rubs are easy to make and easy to apply," said Roberts. "And you can create your own rubs based on your favorite flavor profiles."

For a taste of the Far East, Roberts suggests rubbing ribs with a mixture of coriander, five-spice, brown sugar and gar-

Red, White and Blue Menu

- Spicy Latin Back Ribs
- Rockets' Red Glare Barbecue Sauce
- Corn on the cob
- Double Deviled Eggs
- Black and Blue Cole Slaw
- Stars and Strips Spud Salad
- Dr. Bill's Barbecued Beans
- Blue Heaven Cornbread
- Betsy Ross' Berries with Creamy Custard Sauce

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Russian River pinot noir at the head of its class

Wine Selections

Be creative with foods and chardonnay. Use lemon, orange, parsley, dill, tarragon and fennel in recipes and light tomato sauces.

- 1992 Davis Bynum Ltd Release Chardonnay - \$18
- 1993 Meridian Chardonnay, Santa Barbara County - \$18
- 1993 Merryvale Stargmont - \$18

Merlots are great with grilled meats such as lamb and beef tenderloin.

- 1991 Columbia Crest (Washington State) Merlot - \$18
- 1993 DeLoach Merlot - \$14

Cellar Selections:

- 1991 Davis Bynum Ltd Release Pinot Noir - \$18
- 1992 Davis Bynum Ltd Release Pinot Noir - \$21
- 1992 Merryvale Merlot - \$24
- 1991 Hess Collection Cabernet Sauvignon - \$18
- 1992 Sequoia Grove Cabernet Sauvignon - \$18
- 1990 Trefethen Cabernet Sauvignon - \$18
- 1992 Columbia Crest (Washington) Reserve Red - \$18

Best buys under \$18:

- 1994 Santa Rita Reserve Chardonnay - \$8
- 1993 Santa Rita 120 Merlot - \$8
- 1993 Canyon Road Merlot - \$8



Pinot noir is a lush, smooth, flavorful, positively delicious red wine. When searching out a bottle, look for more than the grape name on the label. Read the label carefully and choose a pinot noir from the Russian River Valley appellation of California's Sonoma County.

Are we saying that the producer's not that important in this case? Right!

California's Russian River Valley pinot noirs are cohesive with flavors that fit together. Whether you choose a pinot noir from Davis Bynum, Dehlinger, Gary Farrell, Porter Creek, Rochioli, Rodney Strong, Williams-Selyem or Windsor Vineyards, you will notice characteristic red or black cherries in both aroma and flavor.

"Russian River pinot noirs have a supple, velvety mouth feel," said Rick Sayre, Rodney Strong Winery's winemaker. "This separates Russian River pinots from those of the Carneros region. Frequently, I find Carneros pinots hard." Additional aroma and flavor distinctions run the gamut from fresh strawberry, plum and dried rose petal to sandalwood, leather, toasty oak, and gamey, meaty hints.

"Carneros pinots are very showy, but they lack the mouth weight of Russian River pinots," said Tom Rochioli. "I enjoy Central Coast pinots because they are completely different. In the Russian River, we get full, rich, concentrated flavors and supple wines each year."

At Dehlinger, winemaker Fred Scherrer makes two or three different bottlings each vintage with the same aim as Rochioli. He pointed out that

Russian River pinots have a big mouth feel without aggressive astringency. With the various bottlings, blended from about 16 fermentation lots, he strives to reflect the balance and personality of various parts of Dehlinger's estate vineyards.

"There are spectacular pinot noirs produced in other regions in a given year from an individual producer, but Russian River's strength is consistency, year to year, producer to producer," said George Davis, Porter Creek's owner.

Besides wines of elegance and balance, Gary Farrell seeks to make wines with good cellaring potential. "I want the wine to be fruit focused with regional identity, but complexed by wine-making influences," he stressed.

At Windsor Vineyards, winemaker Carol Shelton's stylistic aims are similar. "I strive to showcase the voluptuously, velvety character of Russian River pinot noirs and all their cherry fruit in a wine that is food complementary and ready to drink young," she said.

As a general rule, Russian River producers are using French oak to age their wines and they are not filtering or fining them. This means that you may find some sediment in the bottom of the bottle, especially if the wine has aged in the bottle for a few years. Before opening, sit the bottle upright for several hours. This will allow you to decant the wine and leave the sediment behind. Over the last few years, many winemakers have chosen to bottle wines unfiltered and unfiltered because they have learned that these clarification techniques strip wines of subtle flavors that make a wine both unique and ageable.

Pinot noir is one of those wines that bridges white meats to red meats, poultry and chicken to

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seafood. We like it especially with salmon. It is sufficiently versatile as a picnic wine — matching well with grilled sausages and roast chicken. With pinot, there's no butting heads with tannins. They're incredibly soft and fruity and saucing with them is a delight.

Gourmet, vegetarian pizzas with light-handed use of fresh to-

mato sauce, that is not cooked or canned, is a superior food match. But artichokes are frequently used in preparing this style pizza and we caution against their use. If there's one vegetable that does not pair with pinot noir, it's artichokes.

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Sizzling dishes perfect for July 4

See related story on Taste front.

SPICY LATIN BACK RIBS

6-8 slabs pork baby back ribs (about 12 pounds total)
Spicy Latin Rub
Pat ribs dry with paper towels. Rub Spicy Latin Rub generously over all surfaces of ribs; cover and refrigerate up to 12 hours or cook immediately. Prepare a banked, medium-hot fire in each of 2-3 kettle style grills. Place ribs, not overlapping, over indirect heat on each grill. Cover grills and roast ribs not directly over coals for 1 1/2 hours, until ribs are very tender.

Or: Roast ribs on a rack in a shallow pan in a 350 degree F. oven for 1 1/2 hours.
Remove ribs from grill, wrap securely in heavy aluminum foil. Place foil-wrapped ribs in brown paper bags, close bags and let ribs rest for up to 1 hour. Unwrap ribs, cut into serving-sized portions and serve with Rocketts' Red Glare Barbecue Sauce for dipping. Makes 12-16 servings.
Spicy Latin Rub: In a large jar with a tight-fitting lid, place 1/4 cup ground cumin, 1/4 cup chili powder, 4 tablespoons ground coriander, 2 tablespoons cayenne, 4 tablespoons ground black pepper, 2 tablespoons ground cinnamon, 2 tablespoons brown sugar and 1 tablespoon salt. Place lid on jar and shake until blended thoroughly. Makes 2 cups.

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lic powder. For Mediterranean flavor, try oregano, fennel seed, garlic and lemon pepper; or use chili powder with cumin, garlic and oregano for Mexican flair.

When cooking ribs, set gas or electric grill on medium heat. If you're using charcoal, bank coals and cook ribs over indirect heat.
Treat ribs tenderly, and cook with the lid down for at least an hour and a half. To prevent burning, wait until the last 20

minutes before adding tomato or other sugar-based sauces.
Ribs are considered done when you can wiggle the meat from the bone.

The Michigan Pork Producers Association offers a free brochure, "Rib Revelations — A Guide to Heavenly Ribs." Send a self-addressed, stamped business-sized envelope to: Rib Revelations, MPPA, 4801 Willoughby Road, Suite 6, Holt, MI 48842.

1/2 cup maple syrup
1/2 cup light corn syrup
3 (28-ounce) cans pork and beans, drained
2/3 cup dark beer or apple juice
In large skillet, fry bacon until lightly browned; remove extra fat from pan and discard. Stir onion and bell peppers into skillet and saute until vegetables are tender, about 3-4 minutes.

In large casserole or shallow baking dish (3-4 quart), stir together bacon, vegetables and remaining ingredients. Cover and bake 45-60 minutes, until heated through. Makes 12-16 servings.

DOUBLE DEVILED EGGS

12 large eggs, hard cooked, peeled
1/2 cup mayonnaise
2 teaspoons Dijon style mustard
1/2 teaspoon ground white pepper
2 jalapeno peppers, seeded and finely diced
2 tablespoons sweet pickle relish
Fresh cilantro, for garnish
Halve eggs lengthwise. Remove yolks and mash in small bowl with mayonnaise and mustard. Stir in remaining ingredients. Taste for seasoning; add salt or pepper if desired.

Transfer yolk mixture to a quart-sized resealable plastic bag. Snip off a small part of one corner and use the bag as a pastry bag to pipe filling into egg white halves. Place eggs on serving tray, cover and refrigerate until serving, up to one day. Garnish with cilantro. Serves 12-16.

BETSY ROSS' BERRIES

3 pints cleaned raspberries
3 pints cleaned blueberries
Creamy Custard Sauce
In large bowl, gently mix together both berries. Portion about 1/4-1/2 cup berries into individual serving dishes; top each serving with about 1/4 cup Creamy Custard Sauce. Makes 12-16 servings.

Creamy Custard Sauce: In large saucepan, stir together 1/4 cup sugar, 2 tablespoons and 2 teaspoons cornstarch, 1/4 teaspoon salt and 1 1/4 cups milk.
Cook and stir over medium-high heat until mixture comes to a boil; stir and boil 1 minute. Remove from heat; stir a little cooked custard mixture into 4 beaten eggs; return eggs to saucepan; stir well to blend thoroughly. Stir in 1/4 cup sour cream and 1 teaspoon vanilla extract; blend well. Remove custard to medium bowl, cover and refrigerate until serving. Makes 3 cups.
Recipes from Michigan Pork Producers Association.

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1/2 cup cider vinegar
1/2 cup brown sugar
3 tablespoons Worcestershire sauce
3 tablespoons sherry
2 tablespoons chili powder
2 teaspoons ground cumin
1 teaspoon crushed red pepper

Stir together all ingredients in medium saucepan; bring to a boil and lower heat to just a simmer. Simmer for 20 minutes; stirring occasionally, until mixture is thickened and flavors are nicely blended. Remove to medium bowl or quart-size jar, cool slightly, cover and refrigerate until serving. Makes 4 cups.

BLACK AND BLUE COLE SLAW

1 medium head red cabbage, shredded (6 cups)
1/2 pound seedless grapes, halved

BLUE HEAVEN CORNBREAD

2 cups flour
2 cups blue cornmeal
2 tablespoons and 2 teaspoons baking powder
6 tablespoons sugar
1 1/2 teaspoons salt
2 cups milk
4 eggs, beaten
1/2 cup vegetable oil

Heat oven to 425 degrees F. Lightly grease two 8-inch square baking pans. In large bowl, blend well dry ingredients. In medium bowl, beat together milk, eggs and oil. Make a well in dry ingredients, add liquid ingredients and stir together, blending well, but not over-stirring. Divide batter equally between the two prepared baking pans. Bake for 20-25 minutes, until tops are nicely browned. Remove from oven and cool for at least 10 minutes before cutting into squares to serve. Makes 12-16 servings.

STARS AND STRIPES SPUD SALAD

4 pounds small new red potatoes, cleaned and halved
8 cloves garlic, peeled

1 cup chopped parsley
1/4 cup mayonnaise
4 tablespoons crumbled blue cheese
4 tablespoons Dijon style mustard
2 tablespoons sugar
2 tablespoons cider vinegar

In large bowl, toss together cabbage, grapes and parsley. Stir together remaining ingredients, add to the slaw and toss well. Cover and chill for at least 2 hours before serving. If desired, sprinkle with additional crumbled blue cheese and garnish with red grapes. Serves 12-16.

DR. BILL'S BARBECUED BEANS

8 ounces bacon, diced
1 medium sweet onion, diced
1 each red and green bell peppers, seeded and diced
1 cup brown sugar
1 cup purchased barbecue sauce
1/2 teaspoon liquid smoke
1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
2 teaspoons ground black pepper

1/2 cup olive oil
1 tablespoon black pepper
1 teaspoon salt
Dressing:
1/4 cup mayonnaise
3 tablespoons Dijon-style mustard
3 tablespoons balsamic vinegar
1 tablespoon mustard seed
8 slices bacon, cooked, drained and crumbled
1/2 cup diced red onion
1/2 cup minced green pepper
Salt and pepper to taste

Heat oven to 400 degrees F. Combine potatoes, garlic, olive oil, the tablespoon of black pepper and teaspoon of salt in a roasting pan; cover with foil.
Bake 15 minutes, uncover, and continue to roast for 15 minutes, stirring occasionally, until potatoes are tender and slightly golden brown.
Remove from oven, let cool slightly and cut potatoes into quarters; mash the garlic cloves. Place potato quarters and mash garlic in serving bowl.
For dressing: In small bowl, stir together all ingredients.
Pour dressing over potatoes and gently toss. Taste and adjust seasonings; serve immediately or cover and refrigerate until serving. Serves 12-16.

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You won't miss the fat in these salad dressings

See related Taste Buds column on Taste front.

HEALTHY POUPOUAISE

¼ cup plain non-fat yogurt
1 tablespoon light mayonnaise
1 tablespoon Dijon styled mustard

Combine all ingredients and blend well. Refrigerate in an airtight container. Makes ½ cup. Poultry, tuna, salmon or shrimp salad on the menu? Try this great dressing mixed with your favorite pasta. Good chilled or warmed.

PASTA SALAD DRESSING

1 tablespoon orange juice concentrate
2 teaspoons low sodium soy sauce
2 tablespoons wine vinegar
2 tablespoons lemon juice
1 tablespoon vegetable juice
1 tablespoon fat-free mayonnaise
1 tablespoon water
Fresh ground pepper to taste

Combine all ingredients in a bowl and whisk until smooth. Pour over pasta salad and toss to coat. Makes enough dressing to serve 4.

Chef's secret: try the pasta salad dressing over a bowl full of drained, canned beans like kidney, garbanzo, pinto and navy. Add a little diced onion and you have a healthy protein alternative!

CREAMY YOGURT POPPY SEED SALAD DRESSING

½ cup plain non-fat yogurt
1 tablespoon orange juice concentrate
2 tablespoons non-fat sour cream
½ teaspoon poppy seeds

Combine all ingredients in a bowl and whisk until smooth. Makes about ¼ cup.

LENTIL MUSHROOM BURGERS

¾ cup lentils, picked through and rinsed
1 medium potato, peeled and diced
1 tablespoon olive oil
1 small onion, finely chopped
2 tablespoons finely chopped red pepper
2 carrots, finely chopped
1 clove garlic, minced
8 ounces fresh mushrooms (2 cups) thinly sliced

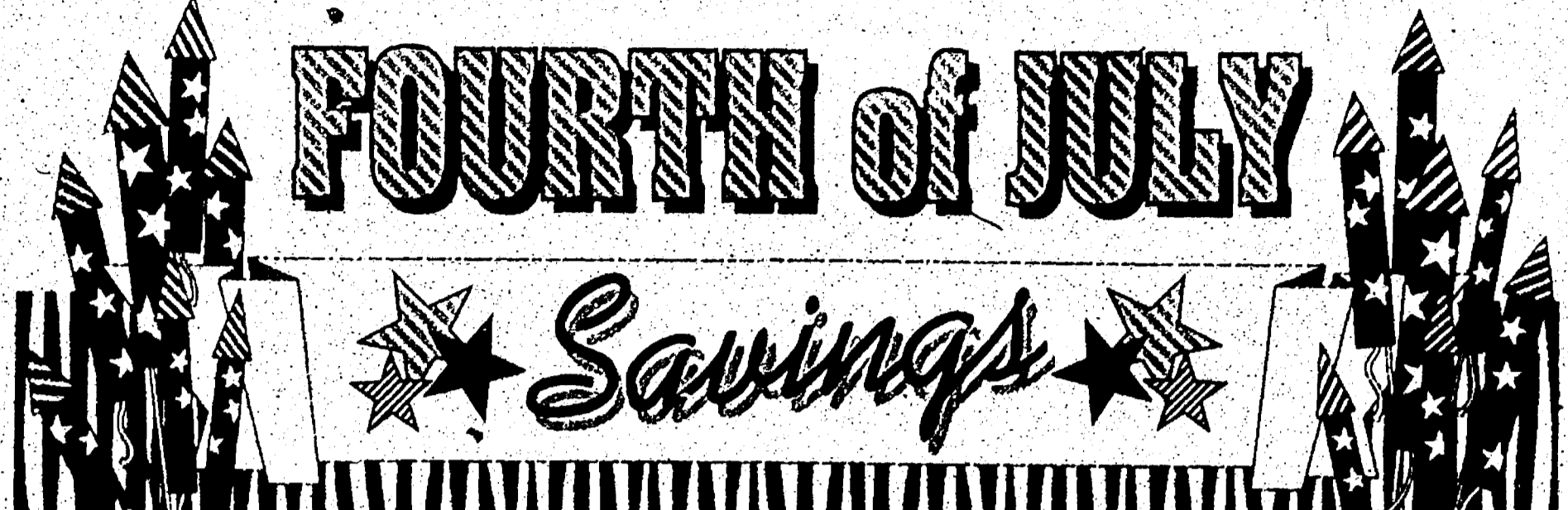
Salt and fresh ground pepper to taste
1 egg white
3 tablespoons chopped cilantro or dill
2 cups fresh bread crumbs

Cook the lentils in 5 cups boiling water for 20-30 minutes. Add the potatoes the last 10 minutes of cooking time. Drain the lentils and

the potatoes in a colander and allow to cool. Meanwhile, heat 1 tablespoon of olive oil in a fry pan. Add the oil, pepper and garlic and cook over medium heat until soft, about three minutes. Stir in the mushrooms and cook until most of the mushroom liquid has evaporated, about five minutes. Season the mixture with salt and

pepper. Combine the lentils, potatoes, mushroom mixture and egg white in a food processor or food mill and coarsely puree. Stir in the cilantro or dill and just enough bread crumbs to form a paste. Wet hands and form the mixture into eight 3-inch patties. Chill patties for 2 hours. Spray a non-stick fry pan with non-stick cooking spray and cook the burgers over me-

dium heat until crusty and golden brown, about 3-5 minutes per side. Serve burgers as is or in rolls with lettuce and tomatoes. Makes eight to 10 three-inch burgers, enough to serve 4 to 6. Total calories 278 per serving with only 6 grams of fat. Recipe from: "High Flavor Low Fat Vegetarian Cooking" by Steven Raichlen (Viking Press \$24.95)



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College offerings

SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE
Outdoor Grilling & Entertaining, three week course, 6-9:30 p.m. beginning Tuesday, July 11. The college is at 18600 Haggerty Road, Livonia. Call for registration information. (313) 462-4448

Classes

FOOD PRESERVATION
Mini hands-on canning, freezing, and drying food preservation class, 9 a.m. to noon, Saturday, July 29, Michigan State University Extension, Oakland County, 1200 N. Telegraph, North Office Instructional Room. Cost \$10 covers all handouts. Preregister by July 26. No registration at the door. Send \$10 check to: MSU Extension, Food Preservation, 1200 N. Telegraph, Dept. A16, Pontiac, 48341-0418. Seven week home study course available for \$15. (810) 858-0904

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Cooking demonstrations

COOKING WITHOUT FAT
Cooking demos with samples 7 p.m. Tuesday, July 25. Botsford's Health Development Network, Nov. Cost \$5, preregistration required. Women's Health Series - Grocery Shopping Made Easy, 7-9 p.m. Thursday, July 27. One of a series of special sessions offered through August. Cost \$5. Call to register. (810) 477-6100

SEAFOOD COOKING
Superior Fish Company, 309 E. 11 Mile Road, Royal Oak, features Executive Chef Roger Sutton of Peabody's Restaurant, 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, July 8. No charge. (810) 541-4832

Dieting

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Support Groups

FOOD ALLERGIES
Meeting for people with Anaphylaxis, a life-threatening allergic reaction, which can be caused by foods, insect stings, medications and even exercise. Learn about the signs and symptoms, and what to do when a medical emergency occurs. 7:30 p.m. fourth Monday of the month, Arbor Health Building, 990 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth. For information, call (810) 689-9424 or (313) 420-2805

MENDED HEARTS
Volunteer support group for people who have heart disease and their families. Meets 7 p.m. on the third Tuesday of each month at Beaumont Hospital Administration Building, Classroom 2, 13 Mile Road, Royal Oak. (810) 557-5627

Answers to food questions

For answers to questions about food safety, nutrition and preservation, call the Food and Nutrition Hotline, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, (810) 858-0904 in Oakland County, (313) 494-3013 in Wayne County.

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LINDA BACHRACK

Galleries glorify creepy crawlers

What is it about creepy crawlies? We cringe when we see a spider scamp across the floor. We become frantic when a bee buzzes about our heads. We drown beetles, centipedes, and mosquitos with bug spray. And yet, the sheer artistry of an insect's tiny body is alluring and fascinating. Spindly legs and feathered wings and curled antennae are intricate miracles of nature.

The images of these critters, therefore, are appealing. We don't hesitate to display a bejeweled bug on a shirt collar or a brass grasshopper in the garden.

Insects on parade

At the Ariana Gallery, 119 S. Main in Royal Oak, giant insects spread their metal wings. They are the creations of Michigan artist Rich Branstrom, who fashions found objects into flies, mosquitos, fish and birds. Pots, pans, oil cans, buckets, headlights and colanders combine with wire cable to make these folk art sculptures. Ironically, a restaurant bought one of the enormous flies to display on its dining room wall. Ahh... the charm of art as opposed to the disgust of the real thing! Branstrom's work is priced from \$100 to \$600.

From the Andy Brinkley studio, Ariana offers brass and copper garden stakes topped with ladybugs and grasshoppers (\$45). Also find rusty iron bees and butterflies and metal frogs and lizards to nestle among the impatiens in your flowerbed. Art glass bugs by Tim Jerman add whimsy to a coffee table and Drew Smith's blown glass and metal wall sculptures are eye-catching.

Look for frogs and lizards (\$750 to \$850). New this month to the gallery are giant freestanding metal insects — guaranteed to keep the squirrels away.

Down the street at Royal Oak's new Clique Gallery, 200 West 5th, Eve and Elaine Redmond sent out feelers and collected all manner of insects for their "Insects Inside" bug show this month. They involved the entire community in the show, inviting school children to draw bugs. Wait until you see the results! Some are real works of art.



Bug benefit

All of the masterpieces are displayed in a special album and five are framed to hang in the gallery. Proceeds from the sale of the children's art will go to their schools. Local jewelers and artists created special pieces for the show and area galleries also sent appropriate creature collectibles.

The jewelry is the show's highlight. Luna Parc's jointed yellow jacket earrings, and ladybug and cricket pins, are incredible with their life-like moving parts. A scarab beetle is eerily authentic. "Lunch At the Ritz" is the name given a



glitzy golden butterfly embellished with beads, gemstones and enamel. John Hamill's titanium pins and earrings glow in iridescent

shades of turquoise and pink. He's partial to dragonflies and mosquitos.

Other wearable bugs include Venetian glass beetles, scarab clay pieces by Rhea Schaefer and glass caterpillars. Also, don't miss "Beetle Bob's" surprise art pieces.

They're crawling with critters at Objects of Art in West Bloomfield this month. In conjunction with its artful garden show, the gallery displays Arthur Higgins' aluminum sculptures of abstract critters (\$70-\$192), Lloyd Enoch's colorful metal ladybugs, crickets, and salamanders (\$38) and Dean Petaja's outdoor wall pieces (\$300-\$650). Insects also light on ceramic bowls, flowerpots and clocks. Objects of Art is located at 6243 Orchard Lake Road.

Linda Bachrack is a Birmingham resident. You can leave her ideas for this column at (313) 963-2047, mailbox 1899, or fax them to (810) 644-1314.

LOOKING AHEAD

What to watch for in Malls & Mainstreets next week:

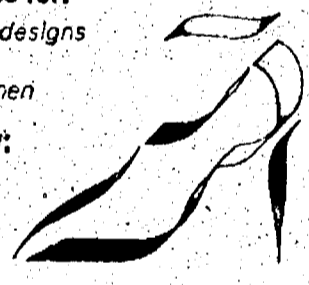
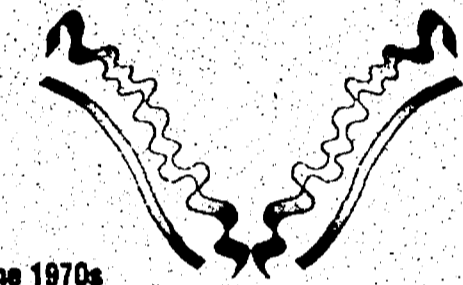
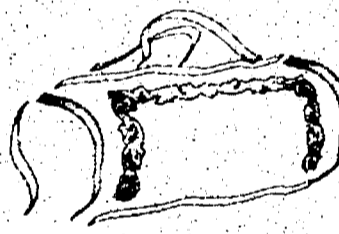
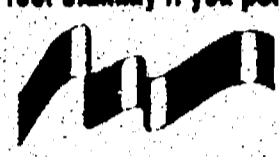
- Downtown Plymouth welcomes a special shop for people recovering from addictions.
- Linda Bachrack goes shopping for summer shades.

A QUIZ TO TEST YOUR FASHION SAVVY

STYLE POINTS

If you think you could run away with the grand prize on an All-Fashion Jeopardy Show, this quiz is for you! Have fun!

1. What is a minaudiere?
A. Metal eyeing handbag
B. A child's beret
C. A diamond-studded hearing aid
2. What U.S. clothing manufacturer was founded in 1818?
A. The Levi Strauss Company
B. Fruit of the Loom
C. Brooks Brothers
3. A fiber made from wood pulp that is used in linings. It won't absorb perspiration, so you'll feel clammy if you perspire in it. It's inexpensive and mildew resistant.
A. Rayon
B. Acetate
C. Matte Jersey
4. Acrylic is the warmest synthetic so it's often made into sweaters, socks and jogging suits. It comes from what 5 ingredients?
A. Coal, air, water, petroleum and limestone
B. Acetone, water, coal, vinegar and petroleum
C. Olive oil, salt, limestone, bicarbonate and water
5. This designer is an aristocratic Cuban who's lived in New York since 1949. He is best known for his Chanel-inspired suits.
A. de la Renta
B. Orlo
C. Adolpho
6. The first designer elected to the Coty Hall of Fame in 1958.
A. Gloria Vanderbilt
B. Norman Norell
C. Geoffrey Beene
7. What is the difference between a cape and a cloak?
A. Capes are short, cloaks are long
B. Capes are wool, cloaks are velvet
C. Capes came from France, cloaks came from Ireland
8. A soft, lightweight fabric printed with floral patterns against a dark background, made of cotton, wool or synthetic fibers.
A. Chamois
B. Challis
C. Chambray
9. A rectangular piece of bright cloth tucked in or tied on one hip and worn as a skirt by both sexes.
A. Sarape
B. Santora
C. Sarong
10. The French house established in 1837 as a royal saddle and harness maker, known today for luxurious handbags, luggage and scarves.
A. Vuitton
B. Gucci
C. Hermes
11. What is Ralph Lauren's real name?
A. Ralph Lauren
B. Ralph Lipschitz
C. Ralph Kramden
12. What clothing manufacturer still makes and sells the same Mackinaw cruiser jacket worn by prospectors during the 1897 Alaskan Gold Rush?
A. Levi Strauss Company
B. Lands End Company
C. L.L. Bean Company
13. Which designer created Nancy Reagan's inaugural gown of white satin and begie beads?
A. James Galanos
B. Bill Blass
C. Herbert Kasper
14. Khaki comes from:
A. An ancient Hindu word meaning dusty
B. An American Indian word for mud
C. An African word for brown
15. Italian designer from Florence who made a fortune in the 1980s with silk jersey dresses printed with bright, geometric patterns.
A. Emilio Pucci
B. Giorgio Armani
C. Giuseppe Gucci
16. In the 1970s this designer was often called "the world's most tasteful."
A. Hubert Givency
B. Halston
C. Christian Dior
17. A large-volume American manufacturing firm begun in the late 1940s selling very conservative separates in quality fabrics.
A. Evan-Picone
B. Liz Claiborne
C. Brooks Brothers
18. Which item is not part of a "preppy" wardrobe?
A. Fair isle sweaters
B. Seersucker suits
C. Clog shoes
19. A British manufacturer of women's wear known for quality fabrics like cashmere sweaters, gabardine slacks and Harris tweeds.
A. Peck and Peck
B. Ellen Tracy
C. Jaeger
20. This Paris designer got her start making hats so she would have something to fall back on when a love affair ended.
A. Charlotte Chenille
B. Coco Chanel
C. Chemise Chatelaine
21. This Oregon-based manufacturer got its start making woolen blankets. In 1940 it premiered pleated plaid skirts and classic hacking jackets.
A. L.L. Bean
B. Pendleton
C. Lands End
22. Ruffles which fill in the V-neck of a blouse or dress.
A. Jacquards
B. Jabots
C. Fagots
23. She uses the swan as her logo.
A. Elsa Peretti
B. Joan Vass
C. Gloria Vanderbilt
24. She made an overnight fortune in the 1970s with a design for a cotton-knit wrap dress.
A. Gloria Vanderbilt
B. Mary Quant
C. Diane Von Furstenberg
25. Lady Bird Johnson loved the designs of this 1947 Coty Award Winner.
A. Adele Simpson
B. Mary McFadden
C. Betsy Johnson
26. Designer Sonia Rykiel is famous for:
A. Long cardigans and angular designs
B. Pleats and tucks
C. Introducing pantsuits for women
27. Shoe silhouettes change subtly:
A. Every year
B. Every 2 years
C. Every 3 years
28. A diamante garment means:
A. It's covered with sparkling beads or stones
B. It was created by Jean Claude Diamonda
C. It must be dry-cleaned
29. The oldest discount store in the country opened in 1920:
A. T.J. Maxx
B. Loehmann's
C. Linen Exchange
30. Founded in 1977 in Palo Alto, California by a graduate of Stanford University because he did not get the customer service he needed from a department store:
A. Williams & Sonoma
B. The Body Shop
C. Victoria's Secret



Answer key: 1-A 2-C 3-B 4-A 5-C 6-B 7-A 8-B 9-C 10-C 11-B 12-C 13-A 14-A 15-A 16-B 17-A 18-C 19-C 20-B 21-B 22-B 23-C 24-C 25-A 26-A 27-B 28-A 29-B 30-C

The questions were extracted from fashion encyclopedias and several handbooks on style.

THANK YOU TO STAFF ARTIST

Retailers in suburban Malls and Main Streets can submit announcements of upcoming events and promotions for Added Attractions. The deadline is the Wednesday before publication on Monday. Send the facts to: Malls & Mainstreets, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, 48009. Or fax to: (810) 644-1314.

ADDED ATTRactions

- MONDAY, JULY 3
- SUMMER HOURS**
Frigates (100 percent cotton clothes for the family) begins its clearance sale. Longer hours for the summer: Monday-Friday until 7 p.m., Thursday until 9 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Sunday 11:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Frigates: Maple/Woodward, Birmingham. (810) 644-4988.
- BEANS & SAUCE**
Newcomers welcome 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Live hand, refreshments. Free. Lower level community room. Westland Center, Wayne/Warren. (313) 425-3001.
- PUPPET SHOWS**
"The Musicians of Bremen" presented daily through July at 11 a.m., 1, 3 and 7 p.m. Saturday 11 a.m., 1 and 3 p.m. Sunday 1 and 3 p.m.
Meadowbrook Village Mall, Adams/Walton/Rochester Hills. (810) 375-9451.

- TUESDAY, JULY 4
- INDEPENDENCE DAY**
Most malls open to 5 p.m. for holiday shoppers.
- WEDNESDAY, JULY 5
- PARK CONCERT**
Music in the Park. Noon. Bring a lunch and enjoy an outdoor concert each Wednesday through July 26. Kellogg Park, Main/Ann Arbor Trail, Downtown Plymouth. (313) 416-4 ART.
- THURSDAY, JULY 6
- INFORMAL MODELING**
See the latest fashions from Hersh's modeled during lunch from noon to 2 p.m.
Stage & Co. Orchard Lake./s. Maple, West Bloomfield. (810) 856-8822.
- PARK CONCERTS**
Summer Series 7:30 p.m. Free. Bring a blanket or lounge chairs.
Shain Park, Bates/Merrill, Downtown Birmingham. (810) 644-1700.

- FRIDAY, JULY 7
- SPORTS COLLECTIBLES SHOW**
Cards, stamps and coins for show and sale. Regular mall hours through July 9.
Livonia Mall, Seven Mile/Middlebelt. (810) 476-1166.
- INFORMAL MODELING**
Latest looks from A. Pea in the Pod and Casual Corner modeled during lunch, noon-2 p.m. at D. Dermison's and Allie's American Grill.
Laurel Park Place, Six Mile/Newburgh, Livonia. (313) 462-1100.
- TEDDIE BEARS**
Charished Teddies Town 100th Anniversary, 2-6 p.m. Old World Canterbury Village, Off I-75/Joshyn Road, Lake Orion. (810) 391-5700.
- INFORMAL MODELING**
Featuring styles from Clothes Encounters informally modeled during lunch at The Grand Cafe, noon to 2 p.m.
33316 Grand River, Downtown Farmington. (810) 815-9181.
- SATURDAY, JULY 8
- CLOWN WORKSHOP**
Blinky the Clown teaches kids how to "put on a happy face." All materials provided. 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Center Court. Registration required. 50 seats per session. More information at Customer Service Desk. Tel. Twelve Mile, 12 Mile/Telegraph, Southfield. (810) 353-4111.

SINGLES CALENDAR

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DANCE PARTIES

WEDNESDAY DANCES
Wednesday Suburban Singles hold dance parties every Wednesday 8 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. every Wednesday at Burton Manor, 1-96 and Inkster, Exit 177, Livonia. Admission \$3. Proper attire, No Jeans. (810) 842-0443.

BALLROOM DANCING

ANN ARBOR SINGLES
Ann Arbor Singles Ballroom Dancers meet 8:30-11:30 p.m. Tuesdays in the Grotto Club of Ann Arbor, 2070 W. Stadium Blvd. Live band. Admission \$4.50 per person. Dance lessons available 7-8 p.m. for a fee. (313) 930-1892, (313) 665-6013 or (313) 487-5322.

FAIRLANE SINGLES
The Dearborn Fairlane Singles present "Ballroom Dancing" 8:30-11 p.m. every Thursday, at Bishop Foley K of C Hall, 15800 Michigan Ave., (3 blocks west of Greenfield). Popular live bands, couples welcome. Cost \$4. Dance lessons by instructor, Nick Dean, 7-8 p.m. for \$2. (313) 565-3656 or 425-688.

MSGR. HUNT K OF C SINGLES
Ballroom dancing to the sounds of Mike Wolverton and Eddie O. 8-11 p.m. Wednesdays, Msgr. Hunt K of C Hall, 7080 Msgr. Hunt Drive, between Southfield and Outer Drive, Dearborn Hgts. Cost \$4. Dance lessons 6:45-8 p.m. Cost \$2. (313) 295-1134

PATRICK O'KELLY K OF C SINGLES
Ballroom dancing, ages 30 and older, married couples welcome, 8-11:30 p.m. Mondays, at Patrick O'Kelly K of C Hall, 23663 Park, Dearborn. Cost \$3.75. Dance lessons available, 6:30-7:45 p.m., cost \$2. (313) 295-1134

STARLITERS
Ballroom dancing for singles age 40 and older will be 9 p.m. to midnight every Friday in the Northwest YMCA, 25940 Grand River, at Beach Day, Livonia. Dressy attire, no jeans. Married couples welcome. (313) 525-8913.

SINGLE GROUPS

ACTIVITIES GROUP
The Activities Group is single adults participating in a variety of activities on an organized year-round basis. They are not affiliated with any self-help group, religious or political organization. Membership fee is \$30. (810) 624-7777.

BETHANY
Bethany, a support and social group for divorced and separated Christians, meets 8 p.m. the third Saturday of each month at St. Kenneth Church, Haggerty Road south of Five Mile, Plymouth Township. (313) 261-9123.

EXPRESSIONS
An adult discussion group meets 7:30-11:15 p.m. the second and fourth Friday of each month in First Unitarian-Universalist Church, 1917 Washtenaw Ave., Ann Arbor. The program is not church-affiliated. The group is open to those age 21 and older. Admission is \$5 per person and \$2 for volunteers. Snacks are served at each meeting. (313) 996-0141.

FARMINGTON SINGLE PROFESSIONALS
A nonprofit social group for singles ages 25-40, who share common interests and want to form new friendships. It's not limited to the Farmington area and members participate in more than 200 activities per year. (810) 478-9181.

METRO MINGLERS
The Metro Minglers, a singles group for people with disabilities ages 21-35, is sponsored by the Easter Seal Society. (313) 338-9626 or (810) 646-3347.

NEWBURG SINGLES
Newburg Singles ministries

meets 7 p.m. on the third Sunday of each month in Guthrie Hall of Newburg United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, east of Newburgh, Livonia. Light refreshments served. (313) 663-0014.

PWP/LIVONIA-REDFORD
The Livonia-Redford Chapter 130 of Parents Without Partners meets the first and third Thursdays of the month at the Cadillac Cafe, 30555 Grand River, Farmington Hills. Orientation is 8 p.m., the general meeting 8:30 p.m., followed by dancing. (313) 464-1969.

PWP WAYNE-WESTLAND
The Wayne-Westland Chapter 340 meets the second and fourth Fridays of the month in the Wayne AMVETS Hall, 1217 Merriman, Westland. Meeting is 8-8:30 p.m. Dance is set for 8:30 p.m. to midnight. Admission is \$4 before 9 p.m., \$5 after 9 p.m. New members welcome. (313) 525-6937.

ST. EDITH SINGLES
St. Edith Singles, 21 and over, meet at 7:30 p.m. the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at St. Edith Church, on Newburgh south of Five Mile. Jack Mastan (313) 840-8824.

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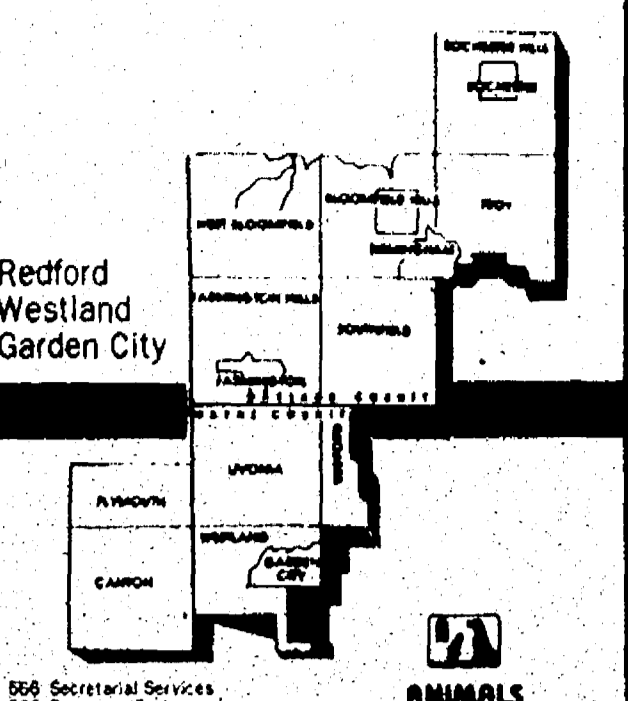
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Chrysler minivans keep getting better as 1996s arrive

Ten years have passed since Chrysler Corp. revolutionized the automotive industry by inventing the minivan, giving buyers an alternative to the station wagon.

Since that time, every major automaker, both domestic and import, has followed suit and now offers minivan versions of their own. Since 1983, more than 4 million minivans have been sold in the U.S. and abroad.

"Chrysler has maintained a high market share (50 percent) in the minivan segment," said Dave Bostwick, director of minivan marketing and market research at Chrysler. "Right now, we're outselling anyone in corporate sales and with the (new) model, we're sure to strengthen those sales even further."

Chrysler, hoping the next decade will show even stronger sales, touts changes in safety, interior enhancements, appearance, powertrain, environment and quality in its current crop of minivans.

"(Today's) Chrysler mini-



Road Test
By Anne
Fracassa

vans now meet 1998 federal safety standards, including passenger and driver's-side air bags, stronger side-impact door beams, knee bolsters, energy-absorbing steering wheel, a stronger front end structure, and improved seat belts," said Chris Theodore, general manager of minivan platform engineering at Chrysler.

This month, Chrysler dealerships around the country

began getting their first taste of the 1996 minivans — their first-ever total remake. The new face isn't cheap. Chrysler spent more than \$2 billion to develop these new minivans, code-named NS.

In an effort to make them more functional, the minivans Chrysler has code-named NS come with four doors so kids and older relatives can get in and out easier, according to Chrysler clinic and focus-group organizers.

The interiors grow by 9 inches; the exterior by 5. The vehicles are also slightly longer and taller than their predecessors, but not remarkably so. Horsepower ranges from 141 to 166, depending on which model is chosen.

Mileage expectations for these new products range from

15-20 mpg city to 20-27 mpg highway.

Engine options include a DOHC 2.4-liter 4-cylinder and 3.0-, 3.3- and 3.8-liter SOHC 6-cylinders. The NS vans come in front-wheel-drive and 4-wheel-drive and cost as little as \$17,000 and as much as \$35,000 with all the goodies.

As these new minivans come into dealer showrooms, they're sharing space with left-over 1995s.

The changes to the Caravan, Voyager, Grand Voyager and Town & Country for 1995 were not only safety enhancements. Rounder corners, enhanced styling, and a host of interior and under-the-hood changes were included.

"We were the first to introduce integrated child safety seats in our minivans,"

Theodore said. "This year the child safety seat reclines for the child's sleeping comfort. We're taking care of our younger customers as well."

The most radical change in the 1995 minivans was an all-new instrument panel. Redesigned to accommodate the passenger-side air bag, instrumentation in those minivans is fully recessed and includes easier-to-read gauges, stereo relocation at the top and fewer buttons to manipulate. Power window and door lock buttons have been moved forward on the interior driver and passenger doors.

"We talked to a lot of our customers who said they wanted cup holders that could accommodate both a Snapple bottle and Big Gulp containers," said Theodore. "So we changed that as well. Believe it or not, some customers asked if we could make the cup holders large enough for those athletic water bottles. We didn't do it this year, but... "Anti-lock brakes are standard this year on Town & Country minivans. Keyless entry is available on all models.

And all the minivans are best-in-class quiet. Added were nearly a dozen sound deadeners to silence everything from road noise to engine noise, resulting in a 3-decibel difference in interior noise.

A 3.8-liter V-6 engine, is available with 162 horsepower, deliver 213 lbs.-feet at 3,600 rpm. Still available is the 3.3-liter V-6 that produces 161 horsepower.

Anne Fracassa is senior editor of Avanti NewsFeatures.

If you'd like to see a particular model tested or if you have a car question, send Anne Fracassa a message at AVANTI11054, Avanti's America Online mailbox. Or comment through the Internet at AVANTI11054@aol.com.

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LEASECRETS

by David J. Knipper

Leasing's hot. Not just in metro Detroit but across the nation.

CNW Marketing Research of Bendon, OR says, through March, leasing accounted for 31% of car and nearly 22% of truck volume, up from 25% and 18%, respectively.

But lease transactions are complex. Caveat emptor ("buyer beware") never applied more aptly. Experts urge consumers to educate themselves before they talk to a dealer.

According to Carl Fischer of The Fischer Automotive Group in Troy, leasing is popular here due in big part to the presence of the major auto makers in our town. But he also adds that "as leasing evolves and people understand it, it is becoming the affordable way to go for more and more consumers."

Today, we'll focus on what is a lease, how does it work, and why lease.

Leasing is a contract between a lessor (usually a finance company) and a lessee (you, the consumer) for a new or used vehicle to be driven a specified time period for a fixed payment. Total payments generally are equal to the value of the vehicle used up (depreciation) plus leasing charges, or interest. The cost of the vehicle less depreciation equals its estimated value at lease end, or its residual value.

Four parties are involved in a lease. The dealer (1) buys the vehicle from the manufacturer (2). You (3) negotiate the lease with the dealer who sells the vehicle for a profit to the finance company (4). You make payments to the finance company.

People lease because they prefer to own what appreciates but lease what depreciates, which vehicles do, particularly in the first few years. Since they are basically paying for only a portion of the cost, namely the depreciation, plus interest, monthly payments can be lower. Less cash outflow can leave room for leasing a more upscale auto. You can still buy the vehicle at lease end, usually for the residual amount. Little or no down payment is normally required but some down payment will reduce the monthly payment.

Who should not lease? Probably those who drive substantially more miles than allowed in the lease or who intend to keep one vehicle - at any reasonable cost - for many years. Both make sense, particularly the later since vehicle quality is superior to yester-years.

In negotiating a lease, it is safe to say that a dealer is entitled to a fair price on a lease deal but you, the consumer, are entitled to a fair deal on the lease price. Next time, we'll explore ways to arrive at your fair deal.

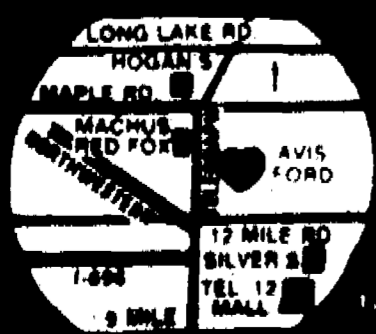
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