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Family seeks missing woman

A Westland woman suffering from depression has been missing for a week, and her parents fear that she may have become disoriented without her medication. Anyone with information is asked to call the Westland Police Department.

BY DARRELL CLEM
STAFF WRITER

Bill and Margaret Raglin of Westland remain hopeful that their only daughter, missing since Dec. 28, will be found alive and safe.

Vanessa Raglin-Webb, a 39-year-

old schoolteacher suffering from severe depression, disappeared without the medication that keeps her from becoming disoriented, her father said.

Vanessa, who lives with her parents in the 29800 block of Hanover near Van Born and Middlebelt, left home

at 10:30 a.m. Dec. 28. She said she was going to pick up some of her medical records at Oakland General Hospital in Madison Heights.

"She never went there," Bill Raglin said. "She drove off and never came back."

"Sometimes she gets disoriented when she's not on her medication," he said. "We're afraid she might have an accident or run out of gas and be stranded out in the cold. We're afraid she might harm herself."

Vanessa disappeared once before, and was found by Monroe County

sheriff deputies alongside a road where she had run out of gas. Disoriented, she had been missing for a couple of days.

"She's never been gone this long," Bill Raglin said Tuesday, five days after Vanessa was last seen by her parents.

"It's been a nightmare," her father said.

Vanessa's mother agreed and said 1996 hasn't brought any joy to the family.

See WOMAN, 2A

Skaters enjoy arena

Open skating: These skaters were among the hundreds who took advantage of the Westland Sports Arena's open skating hours. For more on the schedule and other arena activities, turn to Page 3A.



Confessed murderer gets long prison sentence

BY DARRELL CLEM
STAFF WRITER

A confessed murderer has been sentenced to prison for 20-40 years for killing a Canton Township woman who supposedly stumbled upon an illegal gun sale at a Westland apartment complex where she was a maintenance worker.

Keith Lamont Burns, 27, was recently sentenced after admitting in December that he killed 50-year-old Boonshoun Andrew, who was strangled and pistol-whipped at Hunters West Apartments on Yale, southwest of Wayne Road and Warren.

Andrew, a Thailand native, was found on the morning of March 29, 1995, lying face down near a first-floor, indoor swimming pool area of the high-rise apartment complex.

Burns was sentenced by Detroit Recorder's Court Judge Dalton Roberson after pleading guilty Dec. 8 to a reduced charge of second-degree murder. His plea averted a trial on first-degree murder and felony firearms charges.

Burns would have faced life in prison without parole if he had been convicted as charged.

Early in the investigation, Burns admitted to Westland police that he was selling a 9mm gun to another man when Andrew was killed, although he initially denied that he murdered her.

He was arrested about a half-hour after Andrew's body was found when police chased him through a nearby neighborhood. He had been described by some Hunters West residents who saw him running from the apartment building.

Hunters West residents and Andrew's relatives have described her as a caring woman who sometimes took gifts, such as fresh vegetables, to senior citizens.

After Andrew was killed, Burns told police that he left the 9mm gun with a sixth-floor tenant he knew. He also admitted that he changed clothes and soaked the clothing he wore at the time of Andrew's death.

Westland police have said that the gun and Burns' clothing were found in the apartment building based on information provided by the defendant.

Reading program planned

The Wayne-Westland Public Library will offer a Phonics First reading program for first, second, and third-graders, starting Wednesday, Jan. 17, in the library on Bine and Wayne Road, Wayne. Classes will stress reading using the phonics method. Classes will be limited to eight each for the seven-week program. Session will be at 4:30 p.m., 5:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. with the younger grades starting earlier. Fee is \$66 each, payable at registration. Registration is now under way. For information, call 721-7832.

Blood drive

Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center, Wayne, will sponsor a blood drive from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday, Jan. 22, at the hospital on Annapolis at Vasey, Wayne. The American Red Cross is spon-

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soring the blood drive. For information, call 407-2535.

Scholarship winners

Two Westland staffers at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Ann Arbor, has won scholarships to help them continue their nursing education. They are Wanda Marshall and Jennifer Zahnder, two of 12 scholarship winners.

A hospital announcement said that the 12 scholarships recognize outstanding members of the nursing staff who are furthering their nursing education and have made a commitment to work

at the hospital after the completion of their studies.

The competitive awards are made annually to those who demonstrate excellence in their work and take part in an accredited academic nursing program, a hospital notice said.

Helping animals

Killbuck School kindergarten and third-graders demonstrated the holiday spirit recently by sponsoring a food drive for the animals at the Michigan Humane Society's animal shelter, on Marquette near Newburgh, Westland.

Besides collecting pet food, the youngsters delivered the food to the animal shelter.

The students also took part in a fire safety program and visited the fire department's central station.

Residents flock to sports arena

Hundreds of Westland families took advantage of the Westland Sports Arena the afternoon of Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve the last two Sunday afternoons.

They put on their skates during the arena's open skating periods.

For those who were out of town for the holiday weekends, the arena staff is reminding residents that open skating will be scheduled from noon-1:45 p.m. weekdays and 1-2:45 p.m., Saturdays and Sundays.

Admission is \$3 for adults and \$2.50 for students and senior citi-

zens. Skate rental is \$2. The arena also offers drop-in hockey for the more serious skaters from 10-11:45 a.m. Mondays through Fridays. Players must have full equipment, including helmets. Players must be 18 years old. Fee is \$5.

Figure skating lessons are offered now through April with participants to be in the annual revue to be held in May.

The arena is on Wildwood near Hunter. For information on all skating programs, persons may call 729-4560.



Partners: Two young girls, dressed in their figure skating outfits, demonstrate their grace during the holiday weekend open skating at the arena.



Hand in hand: A small boy is steadied by his parents while trying to keep his balance at the Westland Sports Arena's open skating hours.



Getting ready: Skaters strap on their skates to take advantage of the Westland Sports Arena's holiday weekend open skating.

Monday is filing deadline for Livonia school board

BY MARIE CHESTNEY
STAFF WRITER

Westland residents in the Livonia school district who want to be considered for a seat on the board of education have until 4:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 8, to submit their application.

The three-page application is available at Livonia Public Schools, 15125 Farmington Road.

The board has tentatively scheduled candidate interviews Wednesday evening, Jan. 10.

The seat becomes vacant Monday, Jan. 8, when the resignation of trustee Joe Laura becomes effective. After that date, the board will have 20 days to appoint someone to fill his seat until a trustee is elected in the June school election.

Laura resigned his seat Dec. 18 but delayed the actual resignation until Jan. 8 so that the trustees can have a few extra days, if needed, to complete the appointment process in January.

The board hopes to name Laura's replacement at its Jan. 16 meeting.

Trustees earn \$30 a meeting. The number of school board meetings per year can't exceed 52.

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Therefore, the maximum a trustee can earn is \$1,660 per year.

The last time they faced the issue of replacing a board member, the trustees held interviews before appointing Frank Kokenakes to replace Sue Thompson, who resigned.

In appointing Kokenakes, the

trustees chose an applicant who had run in the previous board election and lost.

In the June 1995 school board election, Patrick Nalley placed third, thus losing his bid for a seat.

Nalley Tuesday said he plans to apply for Laura's seat.

"I hope that the board agrees with me that, because I gained 25 percent of the vote last time, I am the likely candidate," said Nalley, a Wayne-Westland Community Schools teacher who lives on Bristol Court in Livonia.

The application asks for an essay answer to these questions:

- Why do you wish to serve on this board of education?
- What quality, skills, experience, talents will you bring to this board of education and to our school district?
- What social issues are you currently interested in and involved in?
- List your experience on a board of directors or in a trusteeship.
- What do you see as the major issues confronting the Livonia Public Schools? How do you see yourself as being helpful in dealing with these issues?

Westland man killed after running in front of car

A Westland man was killed Tuesday night when he ran in front of a car while crossing Wayne Road in front of Forest Lane Apartments, between Ford Road and Hunter, a police officer said.

Bruce Allan Jokinen, 49, was crossing Wayne Road in an east-bound direction when he darted in front of a car being driven by a 16-year-old John Glenn High School student, Westland police officer Cathy Gilliam said.

The female driver wasn't at fault and no charges are expected, Gilliam said.

"She was traveling well below

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the speed limit," the officer said. Jokinen, a Vietnam veteran, became Westland's first traffic fatality of 1996, just two days into the year.

A divorced father of four, Jokinen was crossing Wayne Road to go to his Forest Lane apartment when he darted in front of a car that was headed northbound, Gilliam said.

Police believe that Jokinen was going home from Arbor Drugs,

less than a half-mile away on the northwest corner of Wayne Road and Hunter, Gilliam said.

Police are investigating the possibility that Jokinen may have been drinking, although the investigation hadn't been completed Wednesday, the officer said.

The driver, who was accompanied by three friends, had not been drinking alcohol, Gilliam said.

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O&E On-line has new look, more info

BY EMORY DANIELS
STAFF WRITER

Observer & Eccentric On-line entered 1996 by going live with its newly re-designed and content enriched World Wide Website to better meet the need of Internet users in the region and worldwide.

The re-designed Website is not only colorful and attractive but easier to use, streamlined for more efficient access, and loaded with information for anyone with Internet access.

"The Observer & Eccentric wants to remain out front in Web publishing to offer the very best to our on-line users," said General Manager Steve Pope. "Our re-designed Website is part of O&E On-line's commitment to maintain high quality at low cost, and to make 'surfing the Net' an enjoyable and fulfilling family experience."

System administrator Greg Day stressed that the restructured site contains map-style graphics which are colorful and attractive but are much faster loading into the user's Web browser. "It can be aggravating to wait for graphics to load. Our re-designed pages shorten that wait considerably and makes O&E On-line a responsible citizen on the Internet by lessening our demand on bandwidth use."

Day also stressed the increased functionality of the site. "Our Home Page has a real handy button-bar type menu at the bottom with eight easily-understood cate-

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Steve Pope
general manager

gories. Just select 'Marketplace' or 'Newsstand' and you are there. Marketplace and Newsstand has the same menu so it is easy to return Home or to another area such as 'Classifieds' or 'What's Hot'.

"There will be no learning curve with our re-designed Website because usage is very intuitive. We went live with our site the last week in December and immediately received very favorable comments from users. We hope all will enjoy our new look and new content."

O&E On-Line's Website can be accessed at <http://oconline.com> by anyone with a Web browser. Users with a graphic browser such as Netscape will receive the greatest benefit.

The "Newsstand" includes local news and sports, local weather, entertainment news, "Taste Buds" with Chef Larry James columns and other recipes, several reviews of local restaurants, Michigan Lottery numbers, Emory Daniels' Internet columns, and

columnists such as Phil Power, Tim Richard, Sid Mittra, Jack Gladden and Phil Sherman. The news and sports stories, recipes and restaurant reviews, and columns are refreshed weekly.

The "Features" page includes "8 Days A Week" entertainment calendar for southeast Michigan, The Detroit Institute of Arts, Movies, O&E Online User Home Pages, and much more.

Reviews are offered on such restaurants as Alexander the Great, Bombay Curry, Macaroni Grill, Don Pablos, Rochester Chop House, Cafe Bon Homme, Piccano's of Troy, Canton China, Fat Willy's, Pomodoro, Jakes, Relish, Muskie's Urban Pier, Sheik, and Cleopatra to name a few.

"Marketplace" provides instant access to the very popular RealNet service which provides a searchable database of homes for sale in the region. With just a few clicks, a user can select personal options wanted in a home including price and location and be given choices to review.

RealNet, a national pace-setter of Web services, offers: quick and easy access to listings; ability to browse 24 hours daily from home or work; research the market and community before actually viewing a home; search for specific home features and requirements; one-stop shopping for real estate, loans, title insurance and more; instant message service through RealNet e-mail and WebFax service. RealNet also offers related information such as current mortgage rates, residential real estate closings by county, and advice from mortgage columnist David Mully.

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Users visiting Marketplace can place classified ads, get newspaper and on-line advertising rate information, get rates and subscribe to O&E Online, get information on Web-page rates, view an O&E coverage area map, or sales calendars of special publications.

Onlineers also will find the new Website to be highly interactive throughout. One special area is "Your Turn" where users can send a letter to the editor of any of the O&E community editors or send a letter to the O&E Webmaster. New features to be added to this area soon are a guest book, on-line contests, and O&E Online Webchat.

SBT overhaul wins praise from business

BY TIM RICHARD
STAFF WRITER

Over a handful of sharp protests, the Michigan Legislature has passed a package of bills to cut the single business tax (SBT) in two stages.

"A powerful message to job providers to locate and expand in Michigan" was the description of Chuck Hadden of the Michigan Manufacturers Association.

"This bill is bad. Two special exemptions were written into it — one for Ford Motor Co. and one for Meijer," countered Sen. Gary Peters, D-Bloomfield Township. Peters said one key bill benefits 10,000 companies but ignores 170,000 firms.

The tax cut was estimated at more than \$300 million by senators. "The 28 largest corporations who employ less than 25 percent of the workers in this state, and pay less than 50 percent of the SBT, receive over 80 percent of the tax cut," complained Rep. Howard Wetters, D-Kawawlin.

One key change, said the business coalition backing the package, was to change the SBT apportionment formula. Currently it's 50 percent sales, 25 percent payroll and 25 percent plant and equipment.

The formula in 1997 will become 80-10-10; in 1998, it becomes 90-5-5, making it more of a consumption tax and less of a payroll and investment tax.

In 1997 the measure will provide a capital investment deduction only for new investments made in Michigan. Currently, the SBT allows the deduction for all property,

whether or not it's in Michigan.

"This encourages Michigan companies to stay here and ends tax breaks to firms for investment in other states," said Sen. William Van Regenmorter, R-Jenison, one of the sponsors.

How senators voted

On the key measure, Senators voted 29-6 in favor.

Voting yes were Loren Bennett, R-Canton; Robert Geake, R-Northville; and George Z. Hart, D-Deerborn.

Peters voted no because the Senate rejected his substitute which would have given credits for health care reimbursements and employee job training. "It also allows all 180,000 businesses in the state to see a tax reduction," he said.

How House voted

The House voted 77-26 on the key measure. Here is how local lawmaker voted:

YES — Lyn Bankes, R-Redford; James Ryan, R-Redford; Gerald Law, R-Plymouth; and Eileen DeHart, D-Westland.

NO — Deborah Whyman, R-Canton and Tom Kelly, D-Wayne.

Ever since it was passed in 1975, SBT has been an object of attack. Its purpose was to consolidate eight other taxes, including the corporate income tax, into a single, value-added tax.

Its base was to be business revenue minus the costs of materials, with adjustments for federal taxes, interest and royalties. Critics said it taxed payrolls and discouraged employment.

Volunteers needed to help disabled learn to ski

Rehabilitation Institute of Michigan will be hosting an "off-hill" volunteer training program for people interested in assisting physically challenged individuals in learning to ski.

Volunteers are needed to help both on the hill and off the hill, so

even those who can't ski can help.

The one-day volunteer training program for adaptive skiing will be held 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 6, at the Haggerty Center of Neurorehabilitation, a satellite facility of the Rehabilitation Institute of Michigan, at 22600 Haggerty Road in Northville.

At the workshop, volunteers will learn how to transfer physically challenged individuals to and from skis and learn specific techniques using different adaptive ski disciplines. In addition, participants will view a video on wheelchair sports and receive specific information about different

disabilities.

The workshop is free. To preregister or for more information, call Carol Rouhal at the Michigan Handicapped Sports and Recreation Association at (810) 682-3966. Register by Jan. 2.

New law allows horse tracks to expand wagering

State racing commissioner Nelson Westrin hailed the Legislature's passage of a bill he says will save Michigan's pari-mutuel horse racing industry.

House Bill 4526 "will enable the industry to compete effectively in the increasingly competitive environment in which it finds itself," said Westrin, a lawyer who commutes from Grand Ledge to his Livonia office.

Gov. John Engler praised the industry "for coming together to develop this bill that will hopefully permit this industry and prosper and grow once again." With Engler's signature, the law took effect Jan. 1.

The House on Dec. 13 concurred 93-9 in Senate amendments to a bill that allows eight horse racing tracks to expand their gaming operations. All area

lawmakers voted yes except Republicans Penny Crissman of Rochester and Willis Bullard of Milford who were absent.

The measure directly helps racing — particularly the major tracks of Ladbroke DRC in Livonia, Northville Downs and Hazel Park — by repealing the tax on wagers on live racing. This will increase funds for winners' purses and track operations.

All horse tracks are authorized to operate year-round with live or simulcast racing programs. Simulcasting is wagering on races televised from other tracks. Current rules allow one simulcast per day and 25 per season.

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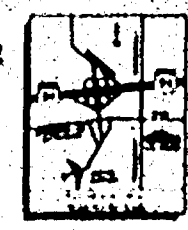
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Fund-raising idea

Book signing generates money

Local schools may have found a way to raise modest sums for specific projects or planned purchase of equipment. An example was discovered Dec. 2 by John Glenn High School officials.

They raised some \$15,000 through a book-signing event featuring Detroit Red Wings legend Gordie Howe and his wife, Colleen, who signed the just-published autobiography for interested buyers.

And boy, were they interested.

The school ordered 1,000 copies of the \$33 book. Nearly all were pre-ordered, with the balance sold at the end of the afternoon.

The high school will use the proceeds to buy equipment, pay for speakers, and support its Renaissance Program, which rewards students for improved and outstanding academic

and attendance achievements.

The Howes said they will provide a quantity of books and be on hand to autograph them for charitable or school organizations.

The more than 1,000 people who waited up to several hours in line certainly got their money's worth at the event. They bought a book at the same price offered by retail book stores, received the autograph and had a chance to chat for a moment with a real, live sports legend.

There are other local personalities or sports figures — such as Ernie Harwell — who would probably do the same as the Howes, if asked.

But what a way to build a positive bonding with the schools — having a legendary figure come into the community and help raise money for needed projects or equipment.

Look for more changes in 1996

The winds of change are blowing — howling? — through Michigan. But will change be improvement or deterioration for the suburbs in metro Detroit? Answer: both.

Republicans this year took control of both chambers of the Legislature for the first time since Gov. George Romney's era, but they weren't Romney Republicans. Their agenda was worked out in closed-caucus retreats fueled by ideology rather than knowledge, experience and public input. That's the chief reason why it's difficult to predict the results of their changes.

Bad: roads, schools

Our state and local roads and bridges are an embarrassment.

Who's at fault? Anyone with eyes and a sensitive spine knows both state and local roads need help. Gov. John Engler's position that the state roads should be favored is based more on tax-cutting ideology than the public good. We remind the governor and Transportation chief Pat Nowak that a smaller fuel tax hike, enacted five years ago, would have been sufficient. Instead, it looks as if more road deterioration is in store for 1996.

After Engler, lawmakers, educators and voters performed heroically in 1994 to fix public school funding. Lansing took the low road in 1995. Fortunately, Engler's goal of ripping up the School Code and opening up the floodgates for state aid to charter (private) schools was tripped up in the House, but not entirely derailed.

Public schools are getting better.

Only hard-core, private school zealots on the State Board of Education and the Senate Education Committee are continuing to push for lower curriculum standards, lower teacher certification standards, segregationist "choice" schools and a thinly disguised evangelical mantra called "parents' rights."

The Legislature spoke with forked tongue on the issue of crime. It stayed up at night to concoct new racketeering, juvenile punishment, license-lifting punishments. But it barely kept up state police strength, and it actually hurt law enforcement by cutting local revenue-sharing.

Lawmakers cut arts and cultural funding

26 percent this year. Then they cut several state taxes. Now they are moving to thrust the duty of preserving our heritage onto the counties through more property taxes. We see through this sham.

The jury is out on whether Engler was right to split off a new Department of Environmental Quality from the Department of Natural Resources. Their missions are related. Unfortunately, DEQ answers directly to the governor with little public input, whereas the DNR has a commission.

Engler provided little public education and no public debate on the question of whether our air, land and water will be better protected or not by DEQ. His style is abominable.

Now the good

The state will junk the shady practice of allocating aid to local units on the basis of "relative tax effort." Kudos to Engler if it sticks.

Our leaders hiked aid to public schools, community colleges and universities 2.7 to 3-plus percent. It's not much, but in an era of low inflation with many other demands on the budget, it shows a little respect for public education.

Engler and GOP lawmakers jammed through their welfare reform plan in a month. It's hard to say that those affected understand how the new system will work.

But conceptually, Michigan's new welfare system makes sense. The new system calls for a contract — albeit required by government — for the needy to plan steps to get out of poverty.

Lawmakers made many changes in the insurance and tort areas. One that looks good is removing the artificial link between Detroit and the suburbs on auto insurance rates. Premiums should be based on loss experience, not politics. More insurers should be offering drivers more competitive rates.

Finally, suburbanites can rejoice that work on trial court reform has begun. Wisely, Gov. Engler has blocked the creation of ever more judgeships, particularly in the suburbs, until the Legislature gets rid of the artificial barriers between circuit, Detroit Recorder's, probate and district courts, and between tiny districts.

In this respect, we can look forward to change in 1996.

Night carving



BILL BRISLER/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Chilly work: Plymouth is the place to be Wednesday, Jan. 10, when the 14th Annual Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular kicks off. The events in and around Kellogg Park run through Monday. Above, a professional ice carver works through the night.

LETTERS

Newt potshots unfair

So many potshots have been taken at Newt Gingrich that I don't know which absurdity to address first. Maybe I can put the lie or malfeasance to all of them with one response.

Newt Gingrich wants a smaller federal government; hence his drive is to reduce expenditures in many areas of government spending, eliminate expenditures in others. The Republican budget proposal doesn't even seek to reduce or cut expenditures for Medicare and Medicaid. Newt, Arney, and Kasich want to keep yearly increases at levels where a balanced budget might be realized by year 2002.

The budget proposed by the conservative Republicans is not unreasonable, let alone drastic. In my view, there isn't any reason why the budget couldn't be balanced in 1996.

There are a plethora of ways receipts and expenditures can be arranged so that a deficit is avoided. Gore and Clinton have attempted reinvented government by paring expenditures for programs and departments by four, five, maybe six percent. In some cases their efforts might be commendable; but where departments might be eliminated entirely, such cutting is fruitless, really dishonest.

OK, so Newt has preferred a little chin music not even I wanted to hear, but the man is inventive, ingenious. His efforts to make government smaller should be recognized. They are applauded in this corner.

Neil Goodbred, Livonia

Warren responds

It is a sad commentary on our times that a few Observer readers have chosen to criticize me not for what I write — but because I write! I would have hoped that their — not unexpected — criticism would have been more substantive.

To these critics I suggest — attack the message, not the messenger. Contribute to the public debate, don't try to stifle it. Let the public hear your ideas — not your wish for censorship. Let the public decide where the "truth" resides. In a true democracy ideas are never dangerous — but censorship is always dangerous.

Many years ago I became very disheartened by the low level of our public debate. Special interest "spin doctors" seemed to be feeding the public volumes of disinformation through a compliant and willing press. I decided to try to be a "contrary voice" in that discussion.

My "agenda" is neither right-wing nor left-

wing. I seek only to answer the question — "What's really happening?" My letters are intended to inform, amuse and hopefully stimulate discussion of the important issues that we all face.

Walter Warren, Westland

Serving customers

Recently, the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) and Gov. John Engler announced the three-year redirection of \$64 million per year in federal aid. This action represents an investment decision to meet the needs of more than 300,000 motorists per day. This redirection announcement was met with allegations that local government could not plow snow or fill potholes.

Wrong: Federal aid cannot be spent on snow plowing or pothole filling. These funds are for capital improvements only.

Michigan is more than generous with sharing federal aid. We are the only state to "share" federal aid with independent road commissions. As a matter of fact, in 1992, Michigan spent more than three times the national average on local roads.

Additionally, federal law neither requires sharing nor direction of federal aid to local road jurisdictions. However, it does require a small amount of funding be invested in bridges and urbanized areas, and we more than meet these requirements.

The redirected federal aid represents about 5 percent of Wayne County's 1995 total transportation funding. This does not change the need to set local transportation priorities and make decisions locally. MDOT will continue the long-established dialogue with local officials and residents to establish priorities for Michigan's federal aid transportation projects and fulfill federal requirements.

Michigan's state roads carry 53 percent of all traffic and 80 percent of the commercial traffic that keeps Michigan working. It makes sense to meet the needs of the majority of our customers first.

The real issues here are those of change — acceptance of responsibility and establishment of priorities to meet customer needs. Times are changing and so are customer needs. If we continue to do what we have always done, we will continue to get what we have always gotten, deteriorating roads and bridges and increased congestion. I do not believe this is what our customers want.

Patrick Nowak, Director, MDOT

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QUESTION:

What are you most looking forward to in the new year?



'Good health and luck for my family, friends and myself.'
Mike Meisner



'Having another good year.'
Ray Mohrlock



'Good health and a wonderful life for my children, especially my first grandchild, now 13 months old.'
Dorothy Palleschi



'Going back to school at Eastern Michigan University and moving into my second apartment.'
Sarah Simkins

We asked this question of people at the Kroger Supermarket on Ford at Central City Parkway.

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POINTS OF VIEW

Creches play an important role in holiday season

One of the prevailing questions at Christmas time that usually surfaces is the propriety of the public presence of a Nativity creche.

Webster identifies nativity as "circumstance of birth, the birth of Jesus"; and creche as a representation of the Nativity scene. If credence is given to opposing Nativity creches, we must also oppose Christmas trees, holly wreaths and gift-giving.

The usual opposition is that we should not force observance of a religious custom on unwilling and unwitting partisans. The argument is given that belief in Christ is not a universal accepted idea. The fact remains that the celebration on Dec. 25 is the Christian commemoration of the birth of Jesus.

While it is a matter of grave importance to Christians, it is at the same time meaningful to non-believers, who do participate in the secular celebration of the holiday season, especially by accepting time off work and who might reap the results and profits of the season's mercantile expenditures.

The fact cannot be denied that Jesus

existed, and was an extremely important personage in the history of our world. His life and leadership affected the lives of man in many moral and material ways.

One of the most obvious ways we have been affected is the time setting of the years of the world's history, forming the time space of B.C. and A.D. (Before Christ or Anno Domini — in the year of Our Lord).

It cannot be ignored that this historic figure did exist and had a great influence on the world. To deny his actual existence is impossible. To ignore any reference to him would mean the very exclusion of our year numbering system. Why then is it found to be such an affront to our senses to commemorate his birthday with reproductions of the Nativity creche? The setting of a man, woman, and child in a stable is an acknowledged account of the condition of the birth of Jesus.

We do not scream if we see log cabins when remembering Abe Lincoln's birth; we do not demean the rich heritage of Mt. Vernon and the implied high life style of George Washington.

GUEST COLUMNIST



SHIRLEY WELCH

There are many national and international personalities in different areas who have gained respect or recognition but none as worldwide remembered as Jesus.

England celebrates the Queen's birthday yearly. In India, the importance and impact of Mahatma Gandhi's work is remembered and honored. Greece had Plato and Socrates. In the United States, we take a special day (plus other remembrances) to honor the work of Martin Luther King Jr. But only in the instance of Jesus is

commemoration and homage worldwide.

If we are to deny the relevance and implication of the Nativity creche, we must also refuse to utilize as part of the December holiday season the Christmas tree. The Christmas tree was probably first used in Germany in pagan times as a fertility symbol, which is believed to have led directly to the tree becoming a symbol of Jesus' birth.

The lighting of the Christmas tree further connects to Jesus with Martin Luther "lighting" his Christmas tree with candles to simulate the star of Bethlehem. The use of holly was first called the "Holy Tree" with its pointed leaves representing the crown of thorns Jesus wore when crucified, and the red holly berries symbolizing his drops of blood.

We could eliminate the Christmas tree, the shining stars, the holly wreaths, and Nativity creches — but then we should also change the name of the day for if we are to not offend certain people we must erase ALL references to Jesus Christ.

We must then especially eliminate

that reminder of the gifts of the Magi and stop the practice of presents bought and exchanged. Now wouldn't that have an adverse effect on the economy of the season which the business world would find hard to tolerate? The candid truth is that as much as some would like to forget and deny the relation of Christmas to Jesus Christ, the connections are too far-reaching and encompassing.

Whether one believes Jesus Christ to be the Messiah or only accepts him as an important teacher and leader who was a very influential personage in the history of the world, the fact remains that Christmas is the celebration of his birth and the Nativity creche is a representation of that day and the condition of the birth.

This column was written by Shirley Welch, a retiree who has submitted guest columns in the past. Guest columns, typed, double-spaced and about 2 1/2 pages long, may be mailed to Leonard Poger, Observer Newspapers Editorial Department, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150. Our fax number is (313) 591-7279.

Parents demand change in the way schools operate

Several weeks ago in tony Oakland County, about 3,000 people rallied "in support of public schools."

The dominant view among the demonstrators was that public education is just fine, thank you, and that the Legislature's current efforts to improve the state's school code go "too far."

The heart of the present controversy is whether to lift the cap on the number of public school academies that universities may charter and whether the State Board of Education should be included as a chartering agency. The charge is familiar: We should move slowly with the charter "experiment" and wait until we have more research to know whether or not they work. Just how long, one has to wonder, are we supposed to continue to wait?

In 1983, the epochal "Nation at Risk" report warned us that "if an unfriendly foreign power had attempted to impose on America the mediocre educational performance that exists today, we might well have viewed it as an act of war."

Consider then the more recent report of our education condition contained in the Goals 2000 federal legislation backed by President Clinton:

- "During the last 20 years, relatively little changed in how students were taught . . . despite much research suggesting better alternatives . . ."
- "The rate of decline in our urban schools is escalating at a rapid pace. Student performance in most inner city schools grows worse each year. At least half of all students entering ninth grade fail to graduate four years later."
- "Many elementary and secondary

GUEST COLUMNIST



MARILYN LUNDY

schools in the United States . . . are structured according to models that are ineffective and rely on notions of management and governance that may be outdated or insufficient for the challenges of the next century; and are unsuccessful in equipping all students

with the knowledge and skills needed to succeed as citizens and in the working world."

Even the executive director of the country's largest teachers union, the National Education Association, is calling for dramatic changes in school governance. In a recent speech to his fellow union members in Arkansas, Don Cameron declared: "It's not sufficient for us to tinker at the margins. Even if we do a substantially better job at what we are doing now, we won't meet the needs of kids in the 21st century."

It's not just the "experts" that sense that something is wrong with the current system either. A nationwide poll done by the Public Agenda Foundation found that nine in 10 Americans say understanding academic basics is essential, but almost half of them believe

that a diploma from their own local public high is no guarantee that a student has done so. Moreover, a whopping two-thirds of the Americans polled are calling for a soup-to-nuts overhaul of the way our schools operate. (Twenty-eight percent favor school vouchers, 10 percent embrace the idea of school privatization, and 28 percent want an "overhaul" of public schools).

Talk to inner-city parents who look to the schools for a route to better lives for their children, but find them incapable of providing it yet cannot afford to pay tuition or move to a different school district. Tell them that we should be slow and cautious and evaluate for another 10 years. Tell them the Legislature is going too far. I'm sure you will hear a very different response.

Marilyn F. Lundy is vice president of the state Board of Education.

Unfinished business at the new year

THE RIGHT HAND DOESN'T KNOW DEPT.

News release from the House Republican Communications office in Lansing: "Our agenda this legislative session continued to build on our recent successes." (Speaker Paul) Hillemonds said. "The Republican agenda has resulted in a savings to taxpayers of over \$600 million this year alone."

News release from Rep. Willis Bullard Jr., R-Milford, chair of the House Tax Policy Committee: "Savings for taxpayers in 1995 totaled more than \$1.26 billion . . ."

Shucks, what's \$600 million here and there in a \$29 billion spending program?

WHOPPER OF THE YEAR AWARD:

Here's how the House GOP Communications office describes the way the Legislature lowered teacher certification standards in Michigan: "Senate Bill 679 . . . expands teacher certification standards . . ."

MISSING INTEREST DEPT.:

State Democrats are whooping it up over the way majority Republicans are refusing to place limits on political action committees and "special interest" donations to candidates.

Let us not hold our breaths while awaiting the Democrats' proposal to curb labor unions — the AFL-CIO federation, the UAW, AFSCME, AFT, MEA and other public employees' unions which are part of the Democratic Party structure.

FRIENDLY PERSUASION DEPT.:

The Outdoor Advertising Association of Michigan, in its latest newsletter, beats up on billboard opponents, specifically Attorney General Frank Kelley and Michigan United Conservation Clubs (which it refers to as "muck").

On the same page, the billboard lobby notes it received thanks from state Sen. Bill Schuette, R-Midland, and first lady Michelle Engler "for contributing 250 billboards — a donation valued at \$87,000" — to the 1995 Michigan Harvest Gathering to generate food and funds for the hungry.

Omitted is the fact that Schuette chairs the



TIM RICHARD

Senate Committee on Economic Development, International Trade and Regulator Affairs — the body that would deal with any bills to limit billboards.

Chances that Schuette's committee will report out legislation hurting the billboard business: somewhere between zero and nil.

TWO-EDGED SWORD DEPT.:

Economists at the University of Michigan's conference in November were puzzled: Unemployment is down, interest rates are low, inflation is very low, but consumers were pessimistic. It didn't seem to add up.

Perhaps Frank Kelley, our attorney general for life, put his finger on it when his investigators reported that price scanners in retail outlets showed an error rate of more than 20 percent — errors on 41 items out of 280 purchased — in Oakland County alone.

The real news: Not all the errors are overcharges. Undercharges are increasing. Undercharges accounted for 16 of the 41 errors, or 40 percent.

Kelley's guess: "Retailers are trying to attract customers with ever more complex sale schemes. Maybe these one-day sales, two-hour sales and percentage-off sales are as confusing to the stores as they are to the public."

We'll keep that in mind next time some bozo from the Mackinac Center or chamber of commerce tells us business is so much more efficient than government. Although we catch our friendly supermarket in errors practically every week, we've never caught the U.S. Postal Service or state Department of Natural Resources in those kinds of mistakes.

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

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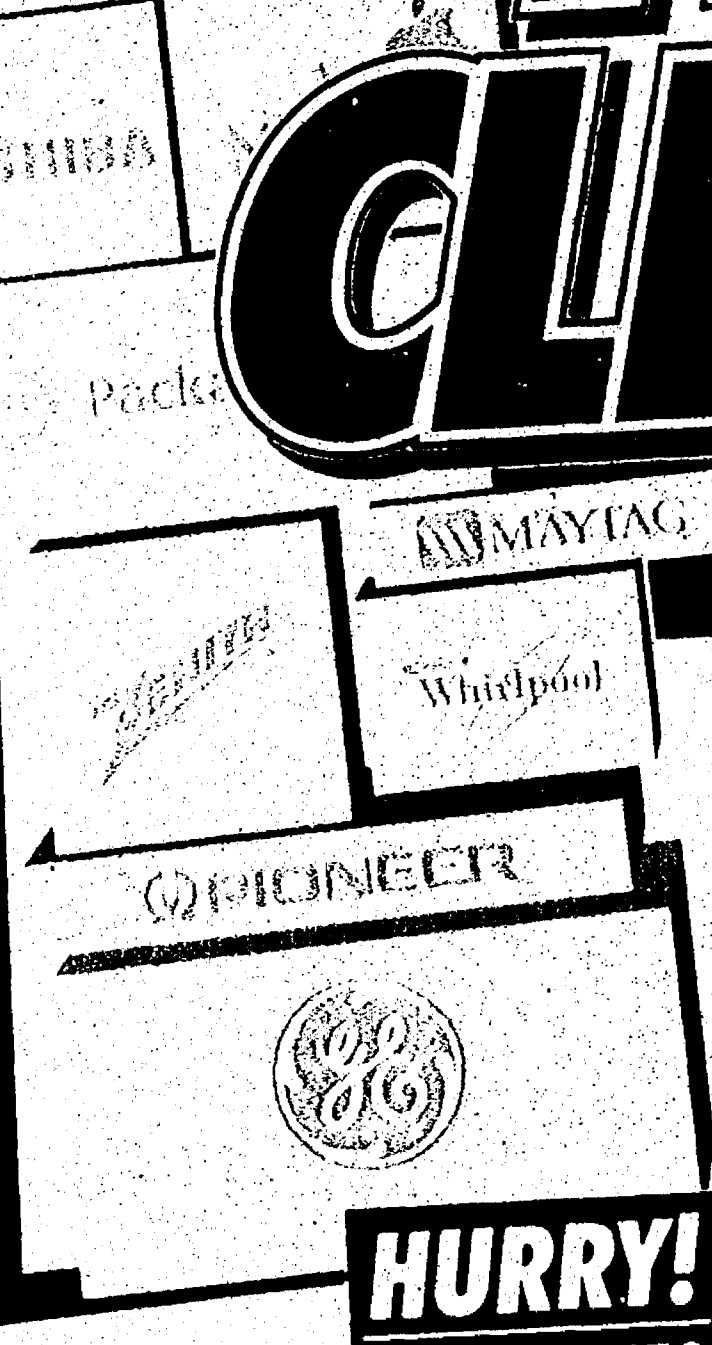
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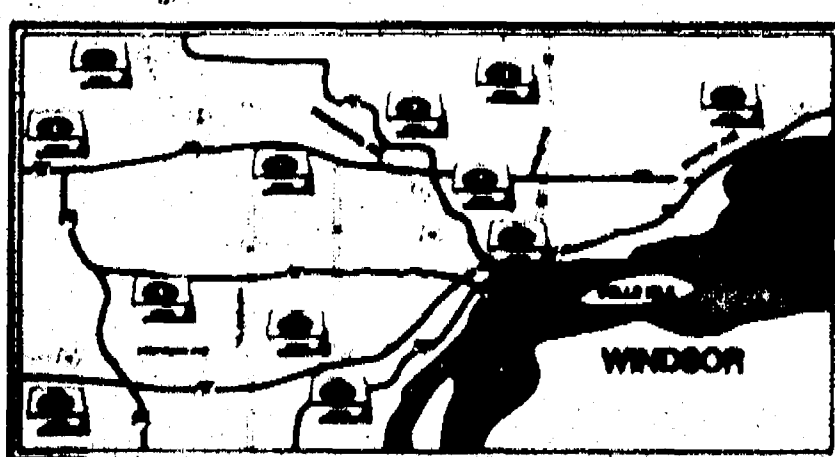
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FAMILY ROOM



KAREN MEIER

Wave good-bye at the airport

Once children come along, air travel becomes very challenging. So challenging that I, for one, haven't been on a plane since becoming a parent well over a decade ago. I think it's got to do with that when you become a parent, you become, also, overprotective and underfinanced.

Anyway, as I sit here inside my house, years later, on a cold winter's night, I hear the distant roar of an airplane, high above the clouds and I recall my own air travel days. As I remember it, flying was pretty awesome.

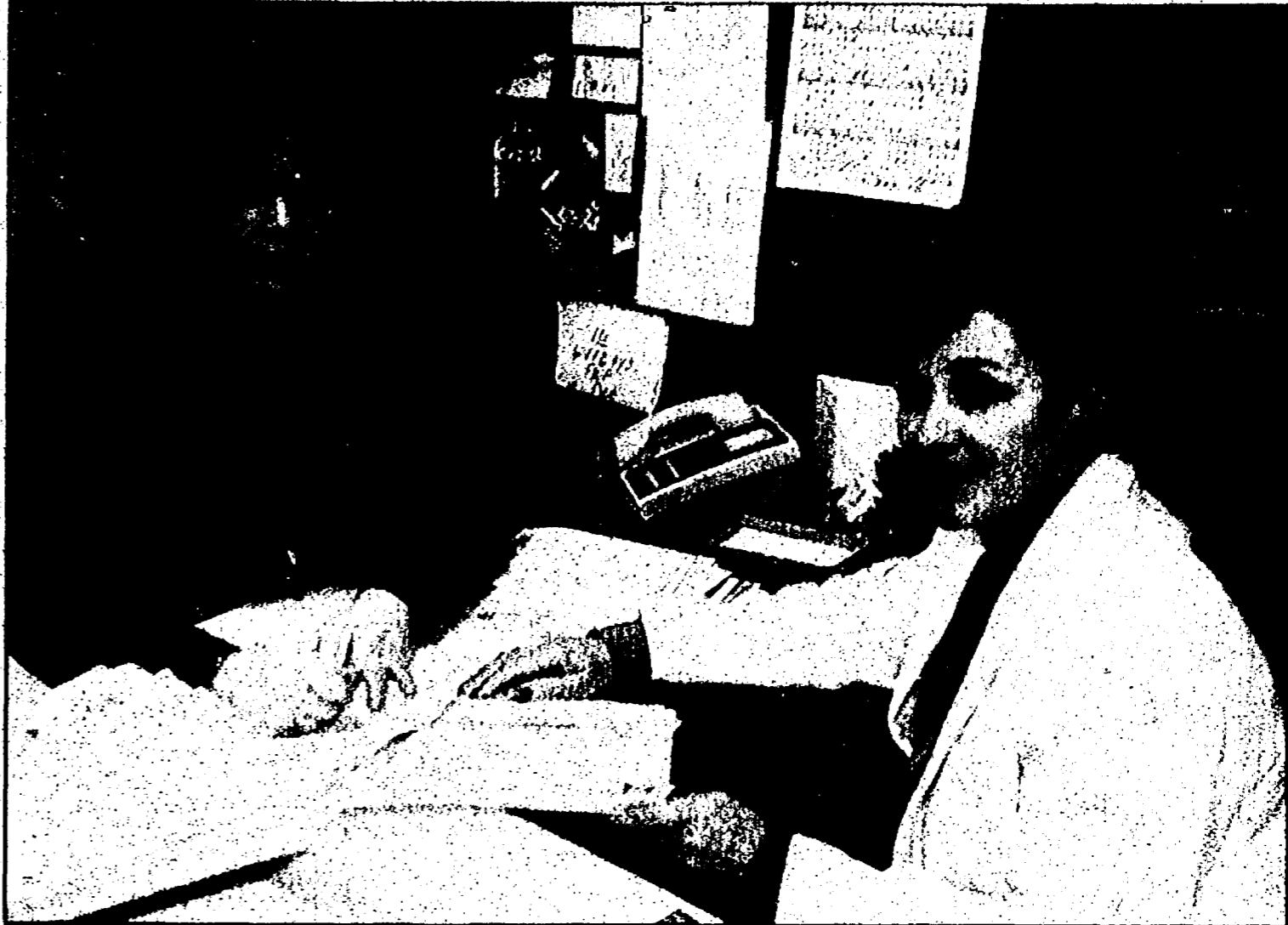
For instance, those people right now flying overhead in that plane are doing things like reading — blankets on their laps, pillows behind their heads. Or maybe they're eating some airplane peanuts and drinking a cup of Sprite. Or maybe they're just looking out through the window, if they're next to one. Though the lookers are looking out into complete darkness tonight, since a blanket of clouds covers us all up here down below. But maybe further on, the clouds won't be in the way, and the lights will shine from the patches of humanity and the fliers will feel connected again.

Flying is such an amazing thing; it's such a leap of faith on the part of those who climb aboard. Planes are huge and heavy, and they're packed with huge and heavy suitcases plus a whole bunch of people, some of them even huge and heavy. And there are the fuel tanks that

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VPO: helping hand for misdemeanant

When Shirley Riker discovered life after children, she decided to do some volunteer work. Five years later, she has been honored by her fellow volunteer probation officers at Westland's 18th District Court.



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Helping out: Madeleine Schroeder (left) shares a quiet moment with Shirley Riker, who was selected as the Volunteer Probation Officer of the Year for 1995 at Westland's 18th District Court. A former VPO veteran, Schroeder as a full-time court employee coordinates the program.

During the day, Shirley Riker deals with women.

As a clerical employee at the Scott Regional Facility in Plymouth, she does intake for the new female prisoners and enters their sentence into the computer system.

Some of the area's better known felons — Alberta Easter, convicted of murder in the deaths of three police officers at the Bungalow Motel in Inkster in 1987, and Toni Cato Riggs, convicted of plotting the death of her husband shortly after returning from the Persian Gulf War in 1991 — have sat across the desk from her as they began their prison terms.

"It's overwhelming, but interesting," she said. "Any female sentenced to prison goes through there. It's the only reception area in the state prison system for women."

But the scenery changes on Monday evenings. She trades in her computer terminal for manila file folders and the sights and sounds of prison for those of Westland's 18th District Court and puts her series of questions to mostly men rather than women.

Riker is among a cadre of volunteer probation officers who help keep the court's misdemeanants on the straight and narrow during their probation. She has been a VPO for more than five years and last month was honored as the court's Volunteer Probation Officer

of the Year. "All the VPOs vote on who they think it should be, on who they think does the best job," Riker said. "To get it makes you feel very special, makes you feel good you're doing this. It just makes you feel good inside."

Riker decided to find something to fill the free time she had available once she was done ferrying her two children two and from school

activities. She knew the program existed and decided to give it a try after seeing a newspaper story about the need for more volunteers. She signed on in March 1990 even though it meant getting the warden's permission. As a prison employee, she's not suppose to have contact with people on probation.

Her fellow employees at the prison thought she was crazy. Why, they wanted to know, would she

want to do such volunteer work after a day at the prison.

"I told them I really enjoy it and the people are nice here," she said. "It makes me feel good to be pushing a cart in Kmart and have a man ask if I remember him and then tell me, 'You made probation bearable.'"

"It's self-rewarding. You go home and think, 'Boy, I helped someone.'"

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must hold about a million gallons and on top of that, the bags and bags of peanuts. And to think, the whole kit and caboodle becomes airborne — that's amazing! What faith airline passengers have — believing and trusting the impossible, counting on something weighing so much to take them above the clouds.

I got to thinking about this airplane stuff today after taking my Uncle Howard to the airport. My children and I drove our holiday visitor to the airport right after lunch. We stayed to see him off. We watched him through the windows at Gate E6.

Not many people do that you know, go inside the airport to see their loved ones off. And if they do go inside, they don't much stick around to see the plane actually become airborne. And nobody, at least from the somewhat limited observation I made today, waves at the plane to say goodbye to the traveler.

We did that, stayed and waved. And I got really weird looks from those milling about waiting for other flights. Maybe it's because I was waving. Maybe it's because my daughter, Carmen, started weeping when I started waving. She hates to say "good-bye." Or maybe it was Joe who was sitting on top of the garbage receptacle. Or Jack who was handing his boots up to Joe so Joe could hide them in there. Or maybe it was Tony, because he was waving at the departing plane. We just seemed to stick out in the airport.

Years ago I don't think we would have stuck out. It used to be quite an event going to the airport. At least that's what I remember. I remember whole families, even extended families, dressing up in Sunday clothes to go to the airport, whether they were actually going on the plane or merely waving good-bye. I also remember how the wavers would watch the entire loading process, the airplane's door shutting, the stairs wheeled back, yes stairs — no "jet-ways" back then — the airplane taxiing down the runway, and the final, exhilarating moment when the plane's back

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wheels were no longer earthbound and the face of the airplane pointed upward, straight towards the sun. The wavers would stop waving and simply point and lean down to the children and say, "Look at that! There it goes."

That doesn't happen nowadays. First of all, whole families don't see uncles off, no one dresses up to go to the airport anymore, not even the fliers, no one waves to the plane, and no one cries.

Folks get dropped off, or just take themselves and park in the long-term lot, or they take a taxi. And inside, it's bus station attire now, jeans, flannel shirts, tennis shoes, that sort of thing. And runways are not visible from inside the airport. At least we didn't see any. And so we weren't able to see Uncle Howard's plane leave the surface of the earth and point upward, towards the sun and the heavens. And I couldn't lean down and say to my children, "Look at that. There it goes."

Instead I explained how it was, how I remembered it.

Joe then got off the garbage can, Jack grabbed his boots back, Tony gave a final wave, Carmen cried a little more, and I noticed travelers waiting at the next gate looking at our strange tableau of the old-fashioned send-off.

To myself, I said, "Godspeed people. Have a safe trip home." Someone had to say it.

If you have a question or comment for Karen Meier, a Plymouth resident, call her at 953-2047, mailbox number 1883, on a Touch-Tone phone, or write her at The Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150

Volunteer from page 9A

Helping hand

The volunteer probation officer program was the brainchild of retired Judge Keith Leenhouts who believed that by taking the person on probation for a misdemeanor by the hand and helping him or her through it would keep young offenders from going any further down the path of crime.

Now retired Judge Thomas Smith picked up on the idea and started a volunteer probation officer program at Westland's 18th District Court in 1969. Today, 27 volunteers spend as little as one hour a month up to one evening a week working with clients sentenced to one or two years probation.

"It kind of grabs you after awhile," said Madeleine Schroeder, who was a VPO for 23 years before being hired to a full-time position with the court and who, because of her experience, now coordinates the VPO program. "When you get invited to a wedding or a christening six months later, you know it's effective."

There are few requirements to be a VPO — at least 21 years of age, an interest in people and a willingness to listen to them and a one year commitment to the program. Applicants are screened and training is provided to understand what the judge has ordered.

"There's no special requirement as far as a college course, only a desire to listen to a person who may need that," said

'There's no special requirement as far as a college course, only a desire to listen to a person who may need that. All you need is a real desire to help someone else.'

Madeleine Schroeder,
VPO coordinator

Schroeder. "All you need is a real desire to help someone else."

There's no residency requirement. One volunteers drives in from Hartland and others live in Canton and Dearborn Heights. Riker joined the program while living in Westland and stayed with when she moved to Inkster.

"When I moved, I was afraid to tell them because I thought they wouldn't let me be a VPO," she recalled. "Then I found other people who did the same thing. I'd be a volunteer no matter where I lived."

Selection process

The VPOs choose their own cases and determine when and how long they will work. That allows Riker to select male clients, although when asked she will take on a female client. Most are middle-aged; their crimes range from spousal abuse and unlawful blood alcohol level and shoplifting to civil infractions.

Riker tries to keep her caseload at three to five per evening, meet-

ing with the clients on Mondays. She allows 15 minutes per case but the norm is 10 minutes "unless I run into someone who needs longer."

"I never see more than five a night," she said. "If you run into problems and have one who wants to talk, then you have two people waiting. What they want to do is talk and the biggest thing we give them is to just listen."

On the average she sees a client for a year on a monthly basis, unless she feels she needs to see him more often. She makes sure a client is meeting the terms of probation and reminds him to pay their court costs. Those who don't comply are turned over to the regular probation staff.

"When you tell them they're done with probation, you usually get a handshake and a 'thank-you,'" she said. "When they get into therapy, they either like or hate it. Some say it was meant to be and others will say, 'I'm going only because you made me.'"

Riker has not missed a Monday evening "unless it's a legal holi-

day" since becoming a VPO. She has several reasons for being there in addition to her interest in helping people. One is so she can help out if someone is sick, the other is her fellow VPOs and court employees.

"I don't only come to see my clients, I come to see the people I know here," Riker said. "I've made some really good friends and the people here want to be your friends. We share same interests. We want to help other people."

Riker unabashedly says she deserved being named Volunteer Probation Officer of the Year then quickly points out that there are others who deserved it more. She admits that the work isn't what she thought it would be. It's better. It makes her feel good and feel she has really helped people by the time she's done seeing them. Hopefully, she adds, "they'll never come to prison."

Eighteenth District Court is always in need of volunteer probation officers and Riker joins Schroeder in encouraging people to sign up.

"Try it," Riker said. "If you don't like it, you're not stuck. But I'll bet you money you'll like it."

People interested in becoming a volunteer probation officer for Westland's 18th District Court can call Madeleine Schroeder at (313) 595-8724 to receive an application.

Madonna students named to 'Who's Who'

Six western Wayne County residents, all senior students at Madonna University, have been selected as national outstanding leaders for the 1996 directory of "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges."

Students are chosen based on their academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities and potential for continued success. The 1996 selections include:

■ Tricia A. Elickman of Canton, a general science major. She is a member of the Student Michigan Education Association, Kappa Delta Pi, an education honor society, the Michigan Science Teach-

ers Association and the Metropolitan Detroit Science Teachers Association. She serves as a catechism teacher at St. Thomas A'Becket Catholic Church and volunteers as the pompon coach for Hilbert Junior High School in Redford.

■ Jennifer Bogden of Livonia, a sign language studies major. She is president of Madonna University's Student Government Association and serves as an SGA senator for Dash, a club for deaf, hard of hearing and sign language students. She also is an active volunteer in numerous deaf organizations.

■ Deborah Herman of Livonia, a history major. She is a member of

the Student Michigan Education Association. She is involved with several activities at St. Edith Church in Livonia, including serving as section head of the preschool Sunday school.

■ Sister Bernadette Marie Jimkoski of Livonia, a management major. She joined the Felician Congregation in 1989. She volunteers her time for the university's phone-a-thons, auction and craft shows as well as with St. Christine's Soup Kitchen, St. Cabrini's Medical Center, Angela Hospice, St. Mary Hospital's blanket drive and right-to-life activities.

■ Lisa Marie Shermer Ross of Livonia, a nursing major. She is a

member of Sigma Theta Tau, an international nursing honor society, and is a note taker for the hearing impaired at Madonna University. In addition to learning the piano, she is active in parish and civic duties.

■ Phyllis M. Whitaker of Livonia, a business major. She is a member of the Student Advisory Panel, sponsor of the Minority Advisory Scholarship Program/Ameritech and a participant in the Business Career Fair. Whitaker also is on the Dean's List and active in her church as both a teacher for vacation Bible school and an instructor for youth and young adult overnight worship services.



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WEDDINGS AND ENGAGEMENTS

Harden-Borgens

Bob and Kathy Harden of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Stacey Lynn, to John Bryce Borgens, the son of Jill Farrell of Berkley.

The bride, a graduate of Livonia Churchill High School, is a senior, majoring in political science, at the University of Michigan-Dearborn. She is employed in the accounting department at Valassis Communications Inc.

Her fiancé is a student at Oakland Community College where he is studying criminal justice and law enforcement. He is pursuing a career in law enforcement.

An April wedding in St. Edith's Church in Livonia is planned.



Murray-Rehling

John and Jackie Murray of Redford announce the engagement of their daughter, Kelly Renee, to Frank Rehling III, the son of Frank and Cheryl Rehling, also of Redford.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Redford Union High School. She will receive her degree in medical technology from Michigan State University in May.

Her fiancé also is a graduate of Redford Union High School and the Schoolcraft Fire Academy.

A December wedding is planned.



Mross-Ziroll

Lori Eileen Ziroll and Mark Andrew Mross were married on Oct. 7 at Grace Lutheran Church in Redford. The bride is the daughter of Howard and Margaret Ziroll of Redford, and the groom is the son of Roland and Joyce Mross of Indianapolis, Ind.

The bride is a graduate of Thurston High School and the University of Michigan-Dearborn, where she received her bachelor of arts degree in finance and German. She currently is pursuing a master of business administration degree at Eastern Michigan University. Employed by Kelly Professional Services, she is working as a purchasing specialist at Ford Motor Credit Company in Dearborn. She also is employed by Livonia Public Schools as a swimming instructor.



A January wedding is planned at the First Baptist Church in Plymouth.

Pritchard-Eirschele

Boston and Noreen Pritchard of Plymouth announce the engagement of their daughter, Marsha Anne, to Douglas Gerald Eirschele, the son of Charles Eirschele of Detroit and Donna Eirschele of Farmington Hills.

The bride-to-be is a 1988 graduate of Plymouth-Canton High School and 1992 graduate of Schoolcraft College where she majored in child care and development. She is now studying accounting at the college. She is employed with Allied Signal at Laurel Park.

Her fiancé attended Farmington High School and is employed by Hovinga Business Systems in Novi.

NEW VOICES

LUC and STACEY BEAUDREAU of Canton announce the birth of NICOLE DANIELLE Nov. 22. Grandparents are Larry and Carmen Michrins of Canton and Paul and Georgette Beaudreau of Livonia.

Mary Hospital in Livonia. She has a brother, Erik, 3½. Grandparents are Bart and Josephine Lucic of Dearborn Heights and Jerome and Veronica Nelson of Jackson.

JOHN and DONNA RUSNICA of Livonia announce the birth of JESSICA LOUISE Nov. 28 at Oakwood Hospital in Dearborn. Grandparents are John and Rosemary Rusnica of Dearborn and Aurel and Gilda Schryer of Dearborn Heights.

GLENN and KIM MACORKINDALE of Livonia announce the birth of CHAD MITCHELL Nov. 21 at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne. He has a brother, Andrew. Grandparents are Jim and Noreen Reuk of Westland and Gordon and Doris Macorkindale of Livonia.

MICHAEL and DANA JEVINCE announce the birth of ELIZABETH ELLEN and JULIA LOUISE Oct. 27 at St. Mary Hospital in Livonia. Grandparents are Andy and Judy Donatiello of Livonia and Joe and Carol Jevince of Hot Springs Village, Ark., formerly of Plymouth. Great-grandparents are Anna Donatiello, Elinor Leone, Lucy Jevince and Glenn Fisher.

DOUGLAS and COLLEEN GRAY of Hartland announce the birth of AUSTIN DOUGLAS Oct. 25. Grandparents are Tom and Doreen Herr of Livonia and Don and Mitzi Gray of Hale.

PHILIP and JANA BORGES of Westland announce the birth of LAURA ALEXANDRA Oct. 27 at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne. She has two sisters, Colleen Nicole and Valerie Danielle. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Gavin of Gladwin and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Borges of Garden City.

JEFF and CATHLEEN HODGES of Garden City announce the birth of STEPHANIE RENEE Dec. 4 in the Birthing Center at Garden City Hospital in Garden City. She has a brother, Kevin Jeffrey. Grandparents are Ed and Joanne Hodges of Houghton Lake and Terry and Linda O'Callaghan of Garden City.

KEVIN and REBECCA RUNDEL of Redford announce the birth of KELLY ANN Oct. 10 at Botsford General Hospital in Farmington Hills. Grandparents are Katherine Smolinski of Livonia, Mr. and Mrs. John Schwartz of Woodhaven and Kurt Rundel of Oxford. Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Edward Tobin of Redford, Rita Rundel of Redford, William Rundel of Wabash, Ind., and Mr. and Mrs. John Schwartz of Wyandotte. Great-great-grandmother is Louiselle Rundel of Detroit.

DENNIS and ANNETTE ALISON of Livonia announce the birth of BRANDON PAUL Oct. 29 at Botsford General Hospital in Farmington Hills. Grandparents are Dennis and Nancy Alison of Garden City and Jim and Camille Javello of Westland. Great-grandparents are Paul and Betty Mersino, Helen Kowalski and Anna Javello.

Lynn Del Signore served as the matron of honor, with Jill Bender, Kris Ziroll and Ruth Ritzema as the bride's attendants.

BRADLEY and MARJORIE LLOYD of Northville announce the birth of KIA MARIE Nov. 24 at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne. Grandparents are Emily Lloyd of Garden City and Carole Douglas of Manton.

GREG and LORI NELSON of Livonia announce the birth of MARISA ANN Nov. 19 at St.

MARK and RENE COLTON of Garden City announce the birth of DALE RICHARD Oct. 29 at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne. He has a sister, Kandice, and two brothers, Benjamin and Travis. Grandparents are Ilene Markley of Livonia and Dale and MaryAnn Colton of Westland.

ANDREW and CAROLYN BELLIS of Redford announce the birth of TYLER CHRISTOPHER Dec. 5 in the Birthing Center at Garden City Hospital in Garden City. He has two brothers, Timothy and Ryan. Grandparents are Frank and Barbara Bellis of Westland and Dave and Jan Pugh of Redford.

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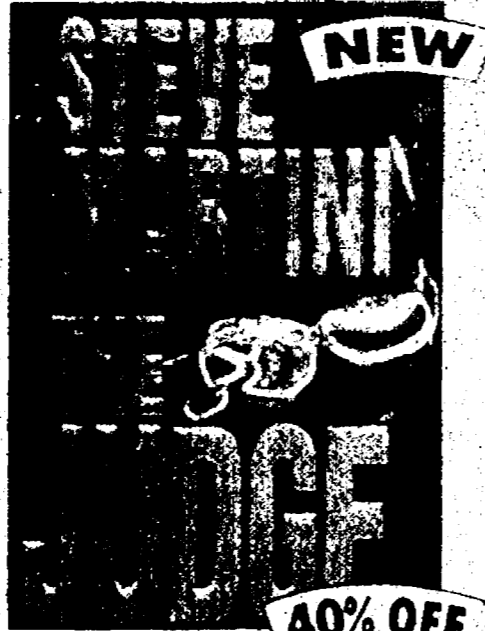


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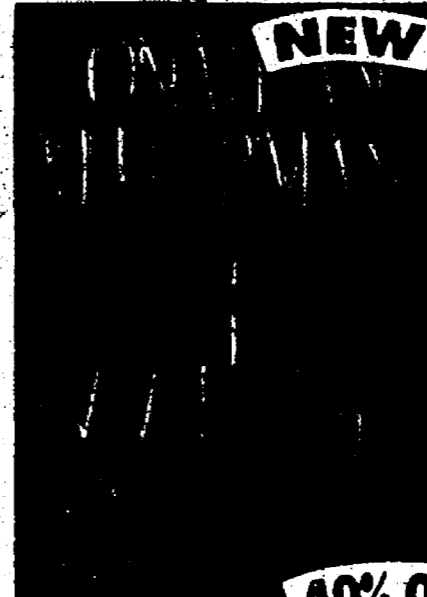
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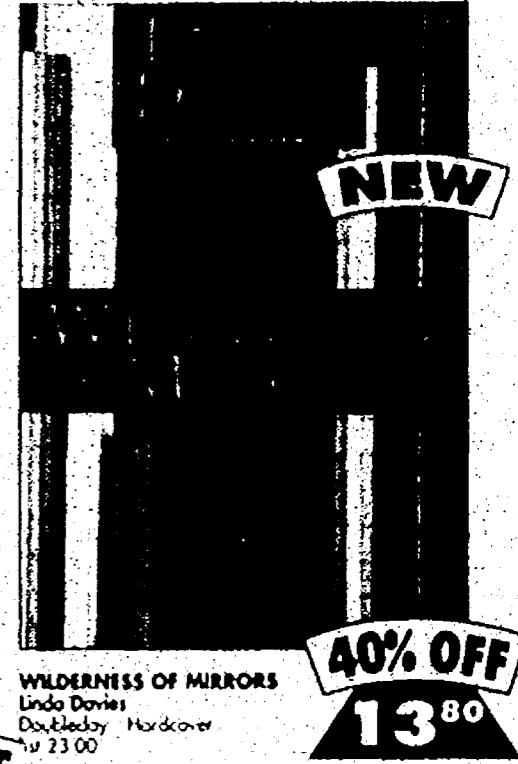
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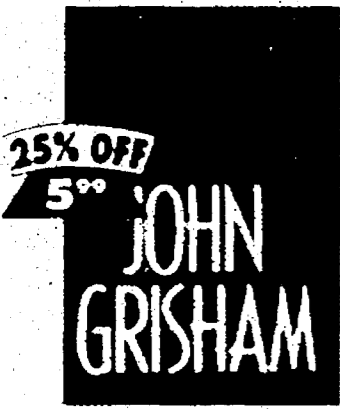
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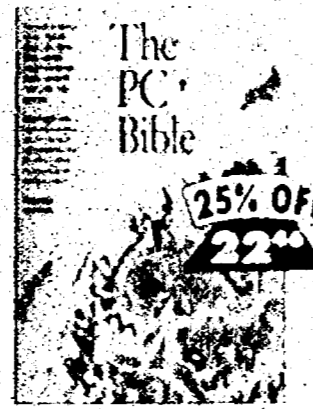
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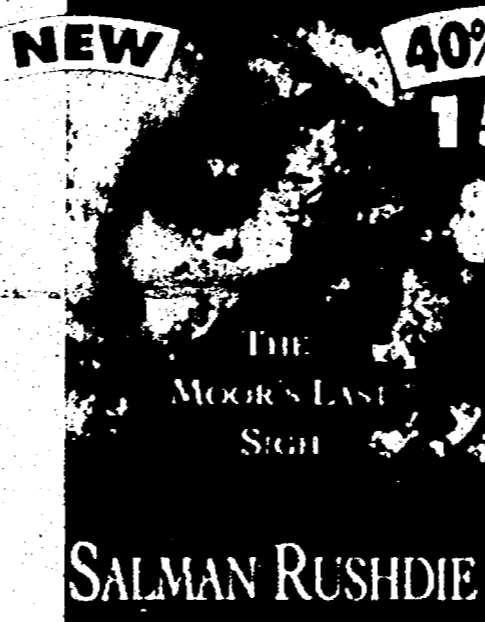
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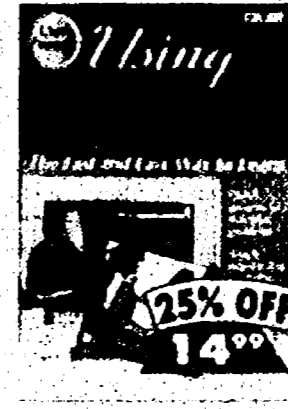
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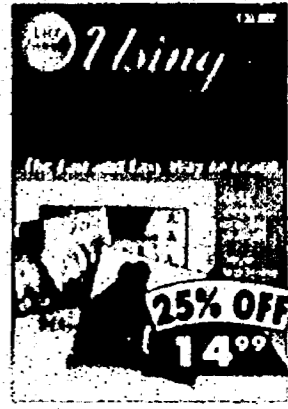
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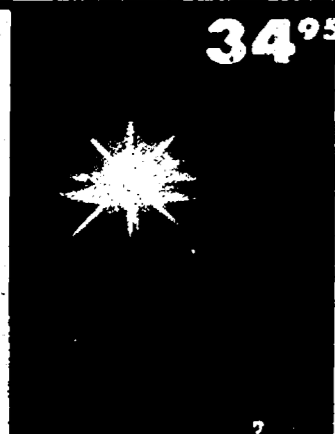
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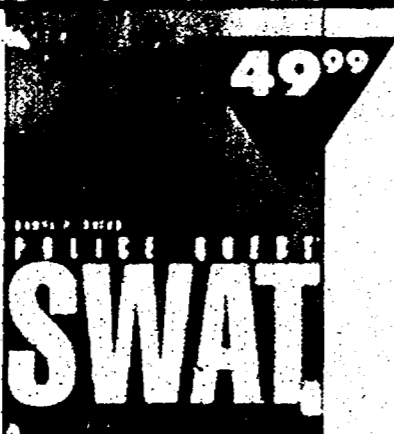
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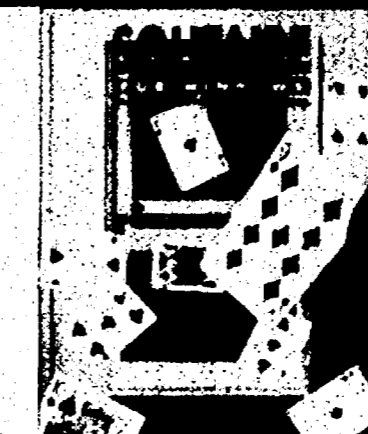
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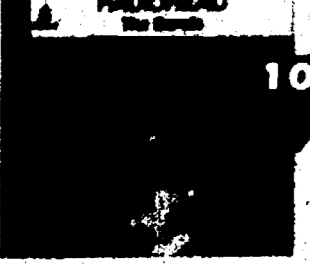
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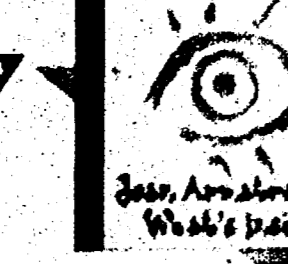
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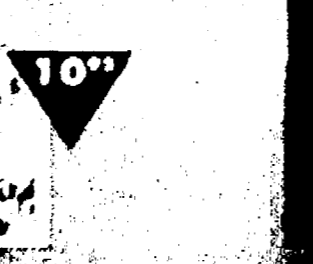
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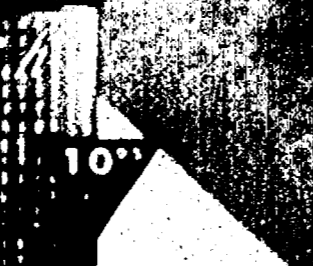


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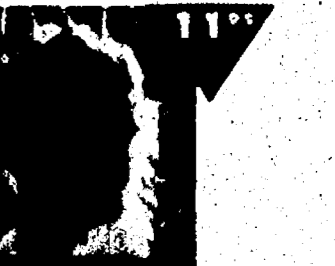
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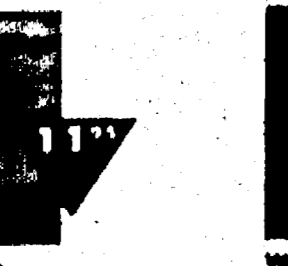
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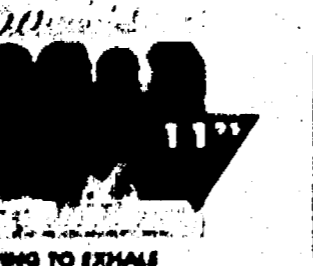


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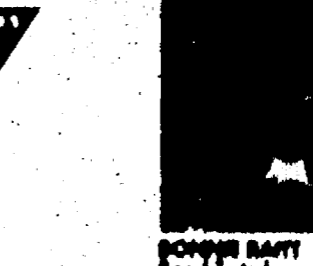


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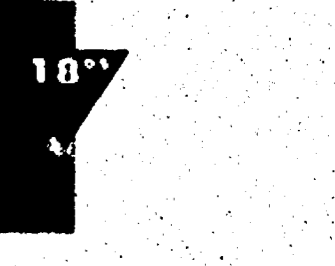


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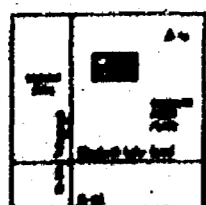
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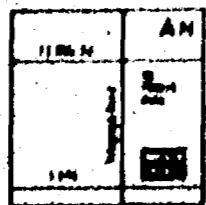
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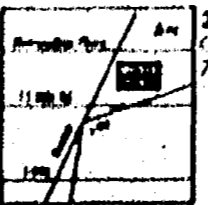
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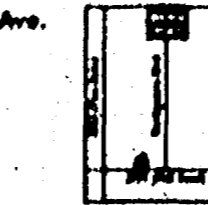
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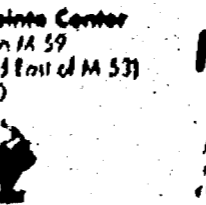
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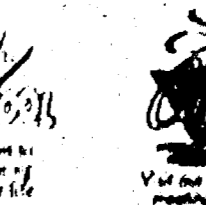
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Metro Girl Scouts prepare for annual Cookie Sale

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That's the message Girl Scouts of the Huron Valley Girl Scout Council want to get across during the 1996 Girl Scout Cookie Sale. Order taking begins Jan. 5 and continues through Jan. 26. Girl Scouts will deliver cookies beginning Feb. 19.

Girl Scouts in Huron Valley

Girl Scout Council will sell eight varieties of cookies — Thin Mints, Peanut Butter Patties, Lemon Pastry Creams, Peanut Butter Sandwiches, Shortbread, Caramel DeLites, low-fat Strawberries N' Creme and no-fat Cinnamon Oatmeal Raisin Bars.

The cost is \$3 per box this year and reflects the first increase in price in five years. It also reflects an increase in the cost of the

cookies from the bakery and the increased cost of providing programming for girls, a council spokesperson said.

Of that \$3, 42 cents (or 14 percent) goes to the individual to the troop; \$1.60 (or 50 percent) to the cookie company for cookies, incentives, promotional materials and delivery; 96 cents (or 32 percent) to Huron Valley Girl Scout

Council for camps, services to low-income girls, volunteer training, scholarships, "camperships" and staff support; 5 cents (or 2 percent) as extra troop profit; and 5 cents (or 2 percent) for Cadette and Senior bonuses.

The cookie sale started as a bake sale nearly 60 years ago. Last year, Huron Valley Girl Scouts sold 977,976 boxes of cookies.

The money from this year's cookie sale will help maintain such things as the new swimming pool at Camp Linden, the council's resident camp. Before the pool was built in 1995, campers swam in Lake Louis, which became too polluted to use.

Girl Scouting gives girls a chance to develop their potential, to make friends, and to become a

vital part of their community. Based on ethical values, it opens up a world of opportunity for girls working in partnership with adult volunteers.

The Huron Valley Girl Scout Council serves more than 14,000 girls and 4,000 adults in Livingston, Monroe, Washtenaw, and western Wayne and Oakland counties.

'Waste not want not' may be writer's guiding principle



LORENE GREEN

Dear Lorene, Your article on handwriting analysis is very interesting. Good quality reading. My handwriting will be a challenge for you.

I am a 67-year-old woman. Retired from a part-time job which I started when my three boys were in college. I have been married 45 years. Have two very nice daughter-in-laws, and three great-grandsons.

Your request in the word "handedness" is a tricky word. All I could come up with in my Franklin Language Master (which I really need for my spelling) is handed meaning many things.

Good Luck on analyzing me. I'll let you know if you are correct.

Have a lovely holiday. And thank you.

A.J., Plymouth

Tenacity is perhaps the most salient trait in today's handwriting. This woman does not give up! She clings to the familiar. Security is all important.

Our writer is not a wasteful person. Luxuries do not hold much appeal. With money, she is conservative. She clings to her possessions or what she has gained. It is not easy for her to let go of anything.

Generosity is carefully calculated. "Waste not want not" may be a guiding principle in her life.

Close friends are selected with care and she is loyal to them. Rarely does she reveal personal information. Quality is probably more important than quantity in her choice of friends. She is inclined to make conscious selections regarding with whom she wishes to spend her time and/or her abilities. Her behavior is often

directed toward the satisfaction of her desires.

This woman harbors intense feelings, whether happy or sad. And these feelings stay with her for a long time. Currently, she appears to be feeling frustrated or down in the dumps. There may be money challenges here.

We all need to experience love and affection from those around us. It is one of our greatest needs. Criticism of a personal nature can be upsetting. I think she would blossom from hearing more positive reinforcement, especially from the male gender.

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Building Self-Esteem will be offered 7-9 p.m. Mondays for 10 weeks, beginning Jan. 8. Discus-

sion will cover breaking out of bad moods, defeating depression, feeling calm, serene and in control and developing self-esteem.

Exploring the Insights of "The Celestine Prophecy" will be offered 10 to noon Mondays for 10 weeks, beginning Jan. 18. The focus will be James Redfield's "The Celestine Prophecy," and will "intensify and expand the exciting knowledge" contained in insights into "Prophecy," said Janisse.

Participants also will discuss

specific contributions they can make to the world, explore a deeper connection with their personal energy and power within and how to make a difference in the lives of loved ones and the planet on which they live.

The last class will be Living with Joy, offered 7-9 p.m. Thursdays for eight weeks, beginning Jan. 25. Participants will learn to create clarity, harmony and peace in their lives, change negatives to positives and gain clarity in relationships.

All the classes cost \$25 per session and pre-registration is required. It can be completed by calling (313) 484-2160.

Janisse, a limited licensed psychologist, has a master's degree in education and marriage and family counseling. She taught for 15 years before becoming a therapist 11 years ago.

Her private practice is based at Newman House and she also does some work at the Eastwood Clinic in Livonia.

Voices from page 11A

MARK and CHERYL JONES of Westland announce the birth of **LAUREN MICHELLE** Sept. 6 at St. Mary Hospital in Livonia. She has a brother, Ryan. Grandparents are Michael and Phyllis Hutzman of Westland and Harold and Gladys Jones of Wixom.

KEN and LINDA BLAD of Westland announce the birth of **KATLYN DELORES** Oct. 31 at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis

Center-Wayne. Grandfather is William Crump of Garden City.

RICHARD STAMPER of Garden City and **STACEE STANGER** of Westland announce the birth of **AUBREE PATRICIA** Dec. 6 in the Birthing Center at Garden City Hospital in Garden City. She has six brothers — Robert, Randy and Ryan Stamper and Larry, Todd and Scott Stanger — and one sis-

ter, Carrie Stanger. Grandparents are Bob and Sophie Bilkie of Garden City and Bob and Renee Stanger of Westland.

DAN and PAULETTE WYMAN of Canton announce the birth of **ROBERT WILLIAM** Nov. 3 at Oakwood Hospital in Dearborn. Grandparents are Art and Linda Trent of North Judson, Ind., and Mike Brownier and Sandy Wyman of Culver, Ind.

Great-grandparents are Kenny and Patty Chessore of Forsyth, Mich., and Laura Beran of Delavan, Wis.

GREG and MICHELLE TRAME LANZI of Plymouth announce the birth of **GABRIELLA MARIE** Dec. 7 at Garden City Hospital in Garden City. Grandparents are Paul and Joanne Trame of Canton and Al and Wanda Lanzi and Tom and Janet Fern, all of Atlanta, Ga.

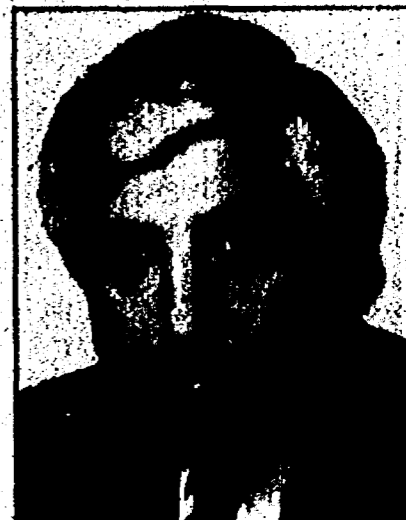
Seminar will focus on head pain issues

Dr. Joel Saper, director of the Michigan Head Pain and Neurological Institute, will lead a discussion on "Migraine and Other Headaches" from 7-9 p.m. Monday, Jan. 8, at the Novi Hilton Hotel, Haggerty Road north of Eight Mile Road, Novi.

The seminar, presented by the Head Pain Association of Michigan and Chelsea Community Hospital, will focus on issues associated with recurring head pain. It is open to the public and admission is free.

Saper will speak about current treatment strategies, headaches and head trauma, headaches and children, hormones and headaches, the impact of chronic pain on families and more.

A prominent Michigan neurologist and a pioneer in the treatment of chronic head pain, Saper is chairman of the Michigan Council on Pain.



Dr. Joel Saper

A well-known educator and author, Saper also chairs the Michigan Council on Pain, an advisory council created by the Michigan House of Representatives' Health Policy Committee.

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Enjoy
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Carving: Ted Wakar of Canton, a professional carver, turns a piece of ice into a stunning sculpture at the Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular.

They don't call Michigan a winter wonderland for nothing. What could bring out seasonal affective disorder in a Floridian means it's the high season for skiing, sledding, skating and ice sculpting in Michigan.

And, in our own back yards, the Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular - commonly called the ice festival - is the main draw.

The 14th annual ice festival begins Wednesday, Jan. 10 and runs through Monday, Jan. 15. Up to 500,000 visitors are expected to view the show, which will feature professional carvers from around the U.S. as well as from Japan, Canada and Switzerland.

Carvings are on exhibit continuously, free of charge, in downtown Plymouth. Special events, such as a light show, individual and team carving competitions and a fireworks display, are scheduled for each day of the six-day festival.

Kellogg Park, The Gathering and the central parking structure are the sites of the major displays and events. (See related story for a schedule of events.)

Visitors can shop and eat in downtown Plymouth in addition to enjoying the ice fest. The festival is run by a nonprofit group but has a number of sponsoring organizations and companies.

Here is a look at other winter events around the state:

■ The third annual Walled Lake Ice Festival will be held Saturday, Feb. 3, from 9 a.m. until 11 p.m., and Sunday, Feb. 4, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Ice-carving demonstrations at the Walled Lake Community Education Building courtyard, 815 North Pontiac Trail, south of Maple in downtown Walled Lake. Indoor activities throughout the weekend at the Community Education Building's "Thaw-Out Center." Key Largo Restaurant's annual polar golf outing will take place on Sunday, Feb. 4, on Walled Lake. The free event is sponsored by the Walled Lake Parks and Recreation Commission, Walled Lake Community Education, the Downtown Development Authority and Midwest Ice Co.

■ Senior citizens can enjoy skiing free on trails throughout northern Michigan during Silver Streak Week, Sunday, Jan. 21 through Thursday, Jan. 25.

The Northern Michigan Nordic Ski Council has nearly 1,000 kilometers of groomed trails, and they will be offered free of charge to skiers 55 and older. For more information, call (616) 271-6314.

■ Beginners and expert skiers will enjoy Ski & Feast Gourmet Weekend March 8-10. Enjoy trail-side gourmet fare and skiing at all northern Michigan Nordic Ski Council facilities. For more information, call (616) 271-6314 or

write to: NMNSC, P.O. Box 525 Suttons Bay, Mich. 49682.

■ Every Thursday, beginning today through March 14, excluding Feb. 9, is ladies day at Sugar Loaf Resort. With every lift-ticket purchase women will receive free nursery care for up to two children. All women are invited to participate in a \$5 ladies day clinic at 1 p.m., hosted by Donna Popke and Sugar Loaf's pro staff. There will also be a lunch special served in the skiers cafeteria for skiers and nonskiers. Advance reservations for nursery care required - call (616) 228-1866. Reservations appreciated for 1 p.m. clinic - call (616) 228-1867. For more information, call the Sugar Loaf ski school desk, (616) 228-1867.

■ Zehnder's Snowfest '96, Jan. 30 through Feb. 5 in Frankenmuth, features snow- and ice-sculpting, dog sled races, an ice maze, a fireworks display, entertainment and more. For more information, call (617) 652-9925.

■ The White Pine Stampede, which offers point-to-point skiing events of 60, 20 and 10 kilometers, is Saturday, Feb. 3, in Manacelona. Entry fee is \$45, \$25 for 10-kilometer event. For information, call (616) 587-8812.

■ Cross country skiers can get up-to-the-minute trail conditions and special event information by calling 1-800-M14-SNOW.

Here is a tentative schedule of events for the 14th annual Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular, which begins Wednesday, Jan. 10 and runs through Monday, Jan. 15.

Every day of festival

- First of America's Fantasyland, "Animation in Ice."
- International, professional and student sculptors carve major sculptures in Kellogg Park and Fantasyland.
- Twenty-four hour light show in Kellogg Park and Fantasyland.
- Register at participating businesses to win the "Plymouth Basket of Hospitality," valued at over \$3,000.
- Plymouth Observer-decorated cake competition and display at Westchester Square Mall on Forest Avenue 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.
- Plymouth Observer gingerbread house contest and display at Westchester Square Mall from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 10

- "Miniatures of Many Sizes" exhibit at the Plymouth Historical Museum from 1-4 p.m.

Thursday, Jan. 11

- Sunshine Honda and Acura celebrity charity carving competition at noon in The Gathering. First-place winner will make a donation to his or her favorite charity. All celebrities will be assisted by a professional ice-carver.
- "Miniatures of Many Sizes" exhibit at the Plymouth Historical Museum from 1-4 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 12

- Ford Motor Co. 20-hour, two-man professional team competition in Kellogg Park from 6 p.m. through Saturday afternoon.

Saturday, Jan. 13

- Food and beverage demonstrations at Sideways Gifts on Forest Avenue.
- Twenty-hour, two-man professional team competition continues in Kellogg Park.
- Individual college and high school competitions from 1-5 p.m.
- "Young Country 99.5" fireworks display, 7 p.m.
- "Miniatures of Many Sizes" exhibit at the Plymouth Historical Museum from 1-4 p.m.

Sunday, Jan. 14

- Ford Motor Co. individual professional and amateur competition, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- Two-man student team competitions in Kellogg Park, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Food and beverage demonstrations at Sideways Gifts.
- "Miniatures of Many Sizes" exhibit at the Plymouth Historical Museum from 2-5 p.m.

Monday, Jan. 15

- Awards presentation to the winners of the Plymouth Observer middle school art students ice sculpture design contest, 4 p.m. in Kellogg Park.

SPECIAL EVENT

New guidelines give carvers more freedom

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
SPECIAL WRITER

All John Fitzer will reveal about the subject he will carve in competition at the 14th annual Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular Jan. 10-15 is that "it's something of a prehistoric nature."

The 44-year-old Westland resident enters the Individual Professional Competition 9 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 14, in the Central Parking Structure.

Winner of the 1994 professional single block competition, Fitzer finds this year's change in judging guidelines and other rules refreshing for carvers. In his event only traditional ice carving tools like chisels and chain saws will be permitted this year, no power hand equipment.

"Each year we try to come up with something new. It's the creativity of an idea that makes the difference in winning, the uniqueness of a carving," said Fitzer as he pointed to a

wall lined with plaques and medals won in team and individual competitions.

A commercial ice carver by trade, Fitzer learned his sculpting skills from his nephew Ted Wakar, an award-winning carver from Canton Township. If Ford unveils a new model of truck, Fitzer recreates it in ice for the occasion. He does about 250 pieces a year, everything from logos for supermarket grand openings to Detroit Lions' events. A Grammy for a party for Aretha Franklin, and a Bacardi rum bottle created with a new technique called ice painting were two of his most memorable.

Although he received no formal training in art, Fitzer's ice carving skills have since led him to pursue sculpting in the mediums of wood and polymer clay.

Granted, Fitzer has built up a tolerance to cold while working at Midwest Ice in Detroit, but that doesn't

give him an edge over his competitors most of whom are professional culinary artists. Carving remains a taxing sport no matter how you cut it.

"Physically, it's very hard to do. At the ice house you have to be able to stand up a 400 pound block of ice on a pallet, and working with a chain saw for hours is difficult," said Fitzer.

Sculpting a block of ice 12-inches thick to portray depth is not easy either. "The most difficult thing to do is to get three dimensions. It's easy to get one dimension," he said.

So what makes a good ice carving? For the first time this year, competitors will vote the Carvers Choice Award, revealing their standards. According to Fitzer, most will award points for a piece that is proportionally correct, especially as it pertains to figures.



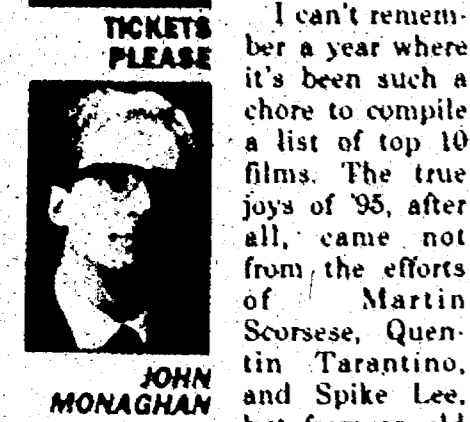
Ice House: John Fitzer did this commercial carving of a Victorian house for the cover of a builder's brochure.

Creativity in Action: John Fitzer of Westland carves out the competition at Plymouth's International Ice Sculpture Spectacular Jan. 10-15.

See EVENT, inside

MOVIES

Top films hard to find in '95



JOHN MONAGHAN

I can't remember a year where it's been such a chore to compile a list of top 10 films. The true joys of '95, after all, came not from the efforts of Martin Scorsese, Quentin Tarantino, and Spike Lee, but from an old Cuban propaganda film and a pixilated piglet.

Before I list eight films that really worked for me this year, there are a handful of ambitious runners-up to share the nine and 10 spots.

Audiences were smart enough to turn the art-house thriller "The Usual Suspects" into a mainstream hit.

"Get Shorty" further proved that John Travolta's comeback wasn't just a fluke.

"Smoke" found small pleasures in Harvey Keitel's Brooklyn cigar store.

Woody Allen's "Mighty Aphrodite" became his most fully-realized female creation since "Annie Hall."

"Kids," though difficult to watch, provided an important social statement that critics tended to ignore rather than debate.

"Leaving Las Vegas," also tough to sit through, still sticks with me in its uncompromising take on love without judgment.

I still consider "Home for the Holidays" the cleverest Hollywood comedy of the past holiday season, though a surprising number of readers disagreed. I haven't attracted this much hate mail since I called the sainted "Forrest Gump" manipulative.

And some screenings dragged on. "A Vampire in Brooklyn" comes to mind immediately. Much of "Four Rooms" was an embarrassment. Sean Penn's artless "The Crossing Guard" and the controversial "Priest" were wildly overrated by some local critics. Fortunately I got to miss "Showgirls" entirely, but enjoyed the gusto with which audiences and critics trashed it.

The Detroit Film Theatre continued to premiere not only bold new works but also fresh prints of the classics, including "Dr. Strangelove," "Stairway to Heaven," "Mamma Roma," "Diabolique," "Belle de Jour," and "Chinatown." I was unfortunately out of town during the weekend-long tribute to silent films with the Alloy Orchestra, but heard it was glorious.

There are other films I missed that have been surfacing on top 10 lists including "Clueless," "A Little Princess," "Once Were Warriors," and "Burnt by the Sun." What's left from the 150 or so movies I did see on area screens last year are eight favorites (in no particular order):

"Red." Though other big cities screened it in '94, Detroit got a look at the culminating work in Krzysztof Kieslowski's "Colors Trilogy" last January. The final images delivered goose bumps to those who saw all three.

"The Secret of Roan Inish." John Sayles' touching Irish fairytale failed to find an audience, but was nevertheless a successful attempt at bringing oral history (along with stunning Emerald Isle vistas) to the screen.

"I Am Cuba." My mouth gaped during most of this visually arresting 1964 Communist propaganda film, which played as part of the DFT's Monday night film series. Response has been so great that it will return for an encore in March.

"Toy Story." Though Tom

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REVIEW

Hanks and Tim Allen provided the voices, state-of-the-art computer animation was the real star of this cleverly plotted Disney film. It entertained adults at least as much as kids.

"Crumb." A reclusive comic artist might seem an unlikely subject, but Terry Zwigoff's documentary got under his skin (and ours) through candid interviews with R. Crumb, his fans and critics, and his wildly dysfunctional family.

"Babe: The Gallant Pig." The biggest surprise of 1995 came in this deceptively simple tale about an orphaned pig who thought he

was a sheepdog. It had suspense, laughs, clever camerawork and special effects, and several layers of meaning if you cared to look.

"Sense and Sensibility" and "Persuasion." Separately they were brilliant examples of how to adapt antique novels for the screen. Together (not to mention the updating in "Clueless") they proved that Jane Austen was by far the hippest writer on the screen in 1995.

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Advertisement for the movie 'Balto' featuring a dog character. Text includes 'ONE OF THE BEST FAMILY MOVIES OF THE SEASON' and 'AN INSPIRING ADVENTURE'. Shows a list of theaters and showtimes.

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Advertisement for the movie 'Sudden Death' featuring Van Damme. Text includes 'THE ONLY ACTION IN TOWN!' and 'A PURE ADRENALIN RUSH'. Shows a list of theaters and showtimes.

Table listing theaters and showtimes for 'Sudden Death'.

GUIDE TO THE MOVIES

Main table listing movies and theaters. Columns include movie titles, genres, and theater names. Shows a wide variety of films and their local listings.

FINE ARTS

Portrait exhibit 'turns heads' Event *from Front*

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MEET THE ARTIST

Meet Detroit artist Lin Baum at a reception 2-4 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 7, Livonia Civic Center Fine Arts Gallery, 32777 Five Mile Road east of Farmington.

The reception opens Baum's one woman exhibit of oil paintings from "They Turn Heads," a series of portraits focused on people often overlooked by society.

At least two of the works feature people in shelters while another zeroes in on bikers.

A University of Michigan graduate, Baum is best known for her portraits of children in war-torn areas. These works evolved from painting sessions in Nicaragua, the Thai-Cambodian border, Mo-

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zambique, the Gaza Strip and West Bank, and Northern Ireland.

Baum, a portrait instructor at Schoolcraft College in Livonia, is listed in the 1995-96 edition of "Who's Who of American Women."

Regular gallery hours are 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday, until 5 p.m. Friday-Saturday, and 1-5 p.m. Sunday.

ORIGAMI DEMONSTRATION

Learn the ancient art of folding paper called origami at a free demonstration and lesson 5 p.m. Friday, Jan. 11 in the library wing Exhibit Gallery at Madonna University, 1-96 and Levan, Livonia.

The demo kicks off "Origami IV," an exhibit by members of the Ann Arbor Society of Origami continuing through Jan. 31.

TRANSFORMING VISIONS

John Shannon, a Plymouth Canton High School graduate and Elizabeth Hull, a former Livonia resident are part of an international juried exhibition at Swords into Plowshares Peace Center and Gallery 33 E. Adams on Grand Circus Park in Detroit.

"Transforming Visions," an exhibit honoring the United Nations 50 years of working for peace, features 32 artists.

Swords into Plowshares Peace Center and Gallery is a project of Central United Methodist Church. For information call (313) 965-5422.

Juried by Detroit artist and educator Charles McGee, the show includes sculpture, painting, fiber and photography dealing with the UN's programs relating to health, disarmament, economic development, refugees, non-violent resolution of national conflicts, and education. It continues through Jan. 20.

Also for the first time this year, carvers are being asked to avoid the human form in competition. Fitzer thinks the recommendation will release sculptors' creativity. Also a first is the new rule stating no templates or stencils will be allowed. This insures a knowledge of draftsmanship on the part of the carver.

"You have to have a basic ability to draw," Fitzer said. In addition to competing in Plymouth he will carve a 14-foot tyrannosaurus rex as part of the "Animation in Ice" Fantasyland display in The Gathering.

Certified Master Chef Dan Hugelier, who's presiding over the judging, agrees with Fitzer that the new guidelines will bring out the best in carvers. In the past, judges followed the 100 point system of criteria established by the National Ice Carving Association.

This year, entrants compete under the simpler guidelines set

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down by the U.S. Culinary Federation's 12 member committee of which Hugelier is a part. Ice sculpture will be judged under a 40 point system.

An ice carving and chef instructor at Schoolcraft College in Livonia, Hugelier's seen both sides of the competition, as an ice carver the last 25 years, and as a judge. He believes carving is more competitive now because the overall quality of ice carving has improved in the last 10 years. He tries to instill in his students the need "to study the great artists, to become excited and mesmerized by their work, how they broke into the morgues to study cadavers'

muscle structures." "It's an open judging format this year where carvers meet the juror before the competition. The guidelines ask if it's aesthetically pleasing. Does it display strong or weak lines? The carvings are always judged on craftsmanship," said Hugelier, a member of the U.S. Culinary Olympic Team in 1980, '84 and '88.

"Creativity is part of the composition or design. We want to encourage art. We want to encourage creativity."

"The ACP's guidelines allow more artistic creativity. That's the focus of the competitions — the artistic aspect of ice carving. This is the same type of sculpting that's done in granite. The carvers from Switzerland are professional wood carvers," said event coordinator Michael Watts.

"It's almost like going to a museum. It's our version of the Monet exhibit."

TRAVEL

Successful packing begins with organization

Because many travelers tend to overpack, the Auto Club of Michigan has some tips on how to "pack for perfection."

Start organizing several weeks before leaving. Make a list of everything you think you will need. Then, review the list for essential items, eliminating what you really do not need. Remember, laundry facilities are available at most destinations.

Inquire whether toiletries, hair dryers and irons are available at your destination. No need to pack items that will be provided by the

hotel or on the cruise ship.

Coordinate your wardrobe around one or two color schemes, like black or navy. Bring no more than three complete outfits that you can mix and match for different functions.

Save space by tightly rolling items that do not wrinkle such as belts, T-shirts, sleepwear and sweaters.

Pack small rolled items, like socks and underwear, into shoes. This helps shoes keep their shape.

Tissue paper helps fight wrin-

kles. Line each garment with paper, then fold it lengthwise in thirds.

Fold clothes along permanent or "set" creases (in pant legs, shirtsleeves, etc.) whenever possible. This encourages the "fresh from the dry cleaner" look and cuts down on ironing.

Pack the heaviest items on the bottom layer to prevent everything else from wrinkling, the most crushable items on top.

Should you need to take hangers, the inflatable kind (available in travel stores) take

up almost no space and weight next to nothing.

Pack essentials in a small carry-on bag. Pack tickets, your business itinerary, medicine, eyeglasses, and a change of clothing, including underwear.

Don't carry a lot of hand luggage. Storage space on planes is scarce and it's often a long walk through the terminal, even if you don't have to pass through customs.

Try to limit your luggage to a garment bag, a carry-on duffel, and one suitcase.

Visit Mt. Rainier

Southfield's World Travel and Adventure Series visits majestic Mt. Rainier 7:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 12.

Join Bob Brunner on an airplane wildflower safari up the slopes of Mt. Rainier as he presents his film — "Tahoma Beckons — Mt. Rainier" — in the City Council Chambers, Southfield Civic Center, 26000 Evergreen Road, Southfield. Tickets \$4, available at the door. Call (810) 424-9022 for information.

Hike up the slopes of Paradise Glacier to view its ice blue interior of the spectacular caves that form under the glacier as it melts and forms the Paradise River. Along the way stop and view wildflowers that grow on the slopes.

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- VIUDU HIPPIES
9 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 11, 3 D, 1815 N. Main St., Royal Oak. Cover charge, 21 and older. (810) 589-3344

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"Camping With Henry and Tom," through Jan. 28, Oakland University campus, Rochester. (810) 377-3300 or (810) 645-6666

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Neemi Jani conducts, guest soloists Alexander Malashevski, violin; Ivanovskiy's "The Seasons," excerpts; Bartok, Viola Concerto; and R. Strauss, "Schlagobol," 10:45 a.m. Friday, Jan. 5, 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 6, 3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 7, Orchestra Hall, Detroit. (313) 833-3700

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ROCKET FROM THE CRYPT



Scream, Dracula, Scream!
— Rocket From The Crypt

Most rock bands understand the power and beauty of the distorted power chord. San Diego's Rocket From The Crypt takes it one step further and finds all the noisy glory of a single power chord strummed endlessly.

All of their best songs contain at least one simple, chugging section, everybody pounding away at the same fret with John "Speedo" Reis's raw howl barely audible over the din.

The Hammer horror film-titled "Scream, Dracula, Scream!" (Interscope) is the band's third full-length album, coming after a slew of vinyl-only singles. It's classic Crypt. All 14 songs slam from start to finish with no breathers and minimal filler. Especially heady is the opening combo of "Middle," which (to paraphrase Morrissey) is so urgent that it seems to end before it's even begun right into the curled lip and backbeat of "Born in '69."

Evocative, visual titles like "Ball Lightning" and "Heater Hands" start blending into each other with the breathless pacing of the album, but it doesn't matter. "Dracula" is meant to be digested as a whole.

That said, there are few standout songs. Rocket From The Crypt's last album, 1993's "Circa: Now!" contained the one-chord classic "Sturdy Wrist" and the working man's anthem "Ditch Digger."

But if nothing here is as memorable, the overall quality is higher this time around. You can practically see the bowling shirts and smell the hair grease in every slice of guitar-crazy punkabilly. Whenever the riffs get stale, a newly expanded horn section joins in the fray to keep things moving.

Reportedly a raging live act, Rocket From The Crypt's only real sin is churning out too much of a good thing. There are other great bands whose songs are all variations on the first one they ever wrote (AC/DC, Psychedelic Furs), but their albums usually contained 10 songs, max; they knew their weakness.

However, Reis and company's charisma and "Dracula's" incredible energy make up for its few dim lights. Like someone once wrote about the Furs, "Who cares if it's all the same song? It's a great song." Fortunately for Rocket From The Crypt, their song still rocks.

—Todd Wicks

A Rochester Hills resident, Todd Wicks is a Michigan State University journalism student.

The Forbes Brothers
— The Forbes Brothers

Guitarists, vocalists and brothers Scott (who owns Mr. B's in Troy) and Dennis Forbes (who owns Mr. B's in Shelby Township, and engineered Bob Seger's "The Fire Inside"), performing as the Forbes Brothers, have been heralded as one of the area's best country bands for a couple of years. If this is any indication, the reasons are clear. With a sound reminiscent of sources like the Flying Burrito Brothers, Desert Rose Band and Dan Fogelberg, this is hands down one of the best local releases of 1995.

The opening, "She's Alright," with gorgeous harmonies and an exceptional electric guitar break, for instance, could have come straight off the first Desert Rose Band album.

"Man Like Me" has a sound that brings to mind a cross between the Ozark Mountain Daredevils and the New Riders of the Purple Sage. That's how this disc goes. Every song here is a treasure for those of us who have fond memories of those nascent days of "country-rock."

Even the song with Mitch Ryder guesting, "How Are They Gonna Learn" is closer to a country root than the legendary rockers has probably ever been. If Joe Walsh could assimilate to Fogelberg, why not?

Bands like the Forbes Brothers, who recently won a Detroit Music Award for Best Country Band, are a rarity in this town, if for no other reason than that this kind of music is too frequently blown out of the water by high-octane rock, techno and blues bands. If there's still room on your musical platter for organic, adult country music, make this a priority item. The Forbes Brothers are not just the best the area has to offer, they have here one of the best reasons to take a visit back to the roots released in 1995.

—Mark E. Gallo

Mark E. Gallo is a freelance critic from Farmington Hills.

Blues festival takes off winter chill

BY MARK GALLO
SPECIAL WRITER

Twenty-five years ago, when Bobo Jenkins was organizing blues festivals and just getting his Detroit Blues Club off the ground, he couldn't have imagined that his efforts would still be bearing fruit on a frigid three-day weekend in January 1996.

The 10-year-old non-profit Detroit Blues Society, organizers and beneficiaries of the second annual Deep Freeze Blues Festival benefit Jan. 5-7 at the Magic Bag in Ferndale, have travelled a ways from Jenkins' early vision, though they remain true to the spirit of "keeping the blues alive," the late bluesman's famed battle cry.

Representing the most proficient members of a multi-generational contingent of Detroit blues musicians, the festival is a guaranteed pleaser, no matter what your blues preferences might be.

Friday night's lineup of Robert Noll, the reigning electric bluesman in town who has recently added Johnny B. Gayden, a long-time member of the late Albert Collins' Icebreakers to his Blues Mission; Mimi Harris and the Snakes, who will be debuting a new lineup; the harmonica-guitar duo of Peter "Madcat" Ruth and Shari Kane; and Mudpuppy; with Big Daddy Kinsey and his sons, the Kinsey Report, headlining, is a major snow melter all by itself. Martin Gross of the Howling Diablos and WEMU fame serves as master of ceremonies and this is only the beginning.

Saturday has the award-winning Butler Twins, whose "Not Gonna Worry About Tomorrow" (on the British JSP label) garnered critical praise worldwide; guitarist Johnnie Bassett, an early session player for Fortune Records in the 1950s, fronting his Blues Insurgents; the Grandmaster Revue, with one of the Grand Dames of the Detroit blues scene, Alberta Adams; and WDET's Robert Jones, who doubles as an extraordinary acoustic bluesman; with guitarist/keyboardist/vocalist Lucky Peterson and the Sun Messengers Rhythmic Krew closing it up and Jay Butler of WQBH doing master of ceremonies duties.

On Sunday, former Howling Wolf saxophonist and harmonica player Eddie Shaw and his prodigious guitar-playing son Vann Shaw will be preceded by Willie D. Warren, one of the stellar names of the 1960s and '70s Detroit blues scene, joining forces with Jimmy McCarty Of Mystery Train (and formerly of the Detroit Blues Band, Mitch Ryder and Cactus); Thornetta Davis, whom

many fans call the best singer in town, with the Blues Disciples; former Bobo Jenkins bandmate Johnny "Yard Dog" Jones, among the most exciting and authentic acts in town who we rarely get to see, joining forces with the Blue Suit Blues Band; and the great Uncle Jessie White and his 29th Street Blues Band, representing the old guard.

Among many highlights of the weekend will be the appearance of one of the most recognized blues names in town, the Famous Coachman, who will serve as MC for the Sunday night program. It was on Jan. 6, 1976, that he first cued up what was to become his theme song, "After Hours" by Erskine Hawkins, and launched his Blues After Hours program on WDET (101.9 FM). To call him one of the most important bluesmen in town is an understatement.

"I started in 1970," he said, "broadcasting out of my store (Coachman's Records) on WGPR. Bobo Jenkins called me up and asked why I stopped doing the show and I said it was because I had run out of money — I was paying them to do the show. He said, 'When I get a radio station, you're going to be on it.' A couple of years later, he called me up and said, 'I got a station.'"

Jenkins didn't exactly own the station, but he had pitched the blues show idea to the Wayne State University public radio station.

"They said I talked too much, but Bobo said, 'listen to what he's saying. He's telling you the history.'"

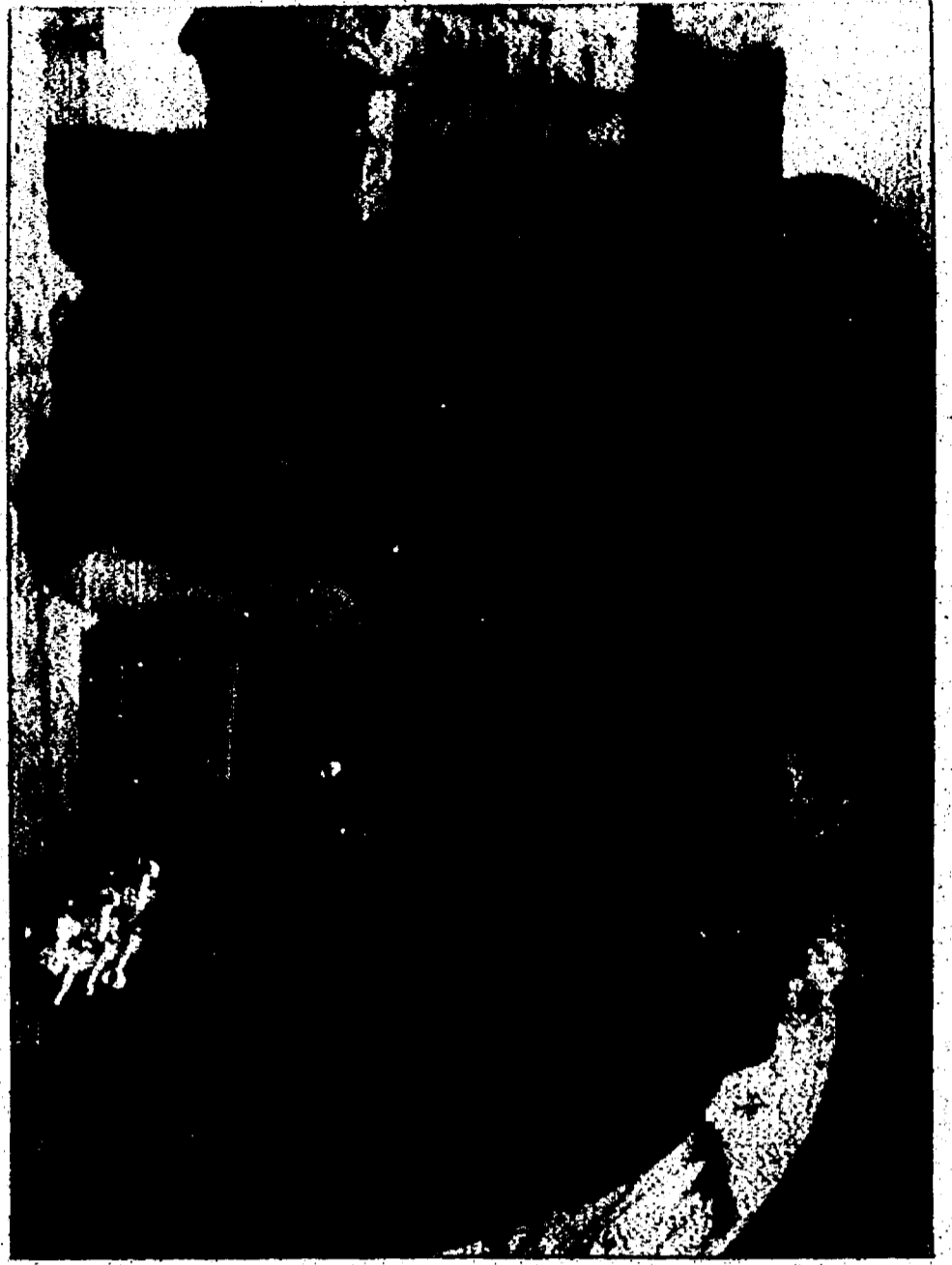
George Seedorff, president of the Detroit Blues Society, understands history, too. A blues buff of the first order, he can wax eloquently on the subject endlessly. One of his and the Detroit Blues Society's most noteworthy projects is their Son House Memorial Project.

"Son House, who was a mentor to Robert Johnson, spent his final years here in Detroit," Seedorff said. "He is a founding father of the blues and he is buried on the west side of Detroit."

Among the society's future plans are to dedicate a park adjacent to the cemetery as Son House Memorial Park.

When he joined the Blues Society in 1990, there were "35 or 40" members. Now there are 350 paid members. When Bobo Jenkins was hustling theaters for Blues Club concerts, there were rarely more than 25 or 30 people in the audience. The Deep Freeze Festival will see close to 1,000. Times have changed, but not the enthusiasm that greets this music.

"When the holidays are over, there is a deep chill that pervades the land-



Heating up Ferndale: The Kinsey Report, featuring Big Daddy Kinsey, will headline one night of the "Deep Freeze Blues Festival" Jan. 5-7 at the Magic Bag in Ferndale.

scape," Seedorff said. "There's nothing like red hot blues after the holidays. And the quality and the price just can't be beat."

Blues artist Mimi Harris agreed.

"The idea of gathering in the cold of winter — any excuse is good — because it takes about 15 bands to melt the snow," she said warming to the subject.

"The lineup is great. I like group efforts. And I can't wait to debut (my) new band. This will be the first job of the new year with a new band."

Famous Coachman, never one to sit and talk about it, is already planning for his Indoor Blues Festival at the Magic Bag in March and is working out details for a summer concert on 60 acres outside of Mount Clemens, with, he teases, a "special surprise guest who will be making a homecoming."

"We've got more blues clubs and more blues on the radio than any other city in the nation — and that includes Chicago, and we get less publicity," he said.

Like Magic Bag's Steve Milgrom and Detroit Blues Society's Seedorff, though, the Coachman sees the future for the blues as getting better all the time.

"When Bobo Jenkins died," he said, "I was there at his hospital bed and I shook his hand and promised him I'd keep the blues alive."

This barbecue, beer and blues blast is certainly a major step in that direction.

Tickets for the festival are \$12.50 per night or \$25 for a three-day pass. For more information, call (810) 544-3030.

Guitarist got push from David Bowie to sing

BY CHRISTINA PUOCO
SPECIAL WRITER

Guitarist Reeves Gabrels is fighting the problem that inevitably comes up whenever an axeman releases a solo album and goes out on tour.

"Being a guitar player, people think it's all instrumental music. It's obviously not an instrumental record. It's a trio — guitar, bass and drums — with me singing," Gabrels said during an interview via telephone from his Boston home.

One listen to Gabrels' debut album "The Sacred Squal of Now" (Upstart) and it's obvious he's after more of a solo project than a guitar wank record.

The instrumental pieces on the album show Gabrels' depth which impressed David Bowie enough to include him on his Tin Machine and solo projects as well as his tour.

As a matter of fact, Gabrels may not have released "The Sacred Squal of Now" without the urging of Bowie.

"One of the prime motivating factors in doing the record was David taking me aside when we were working on (Bowie's latest) 'Outside' record, and saying, 'You're always playing me tapes of stuff that you're working on and it never comes out. Do I have to get you a record deal? I told him he was a done deal if he sang on it. He said yes and I said, 'Feel free to get me a record deal,'" Gabrels said with a laugh.

"David was always pushing me to sing as well. When I would do backing vocals, he said, 'You know, you really should sing.' When David Bowie tells you you should sing you say, 'Wow.'"

Gabrels got the record deal on his own. While working with slide guitarist David Tronzo on the album "Night in Amnesia," Gabrels casually mentioned Bowie's comments to executives at Upstart Records. The deal was done.

Some would say that Gabrels' association with Bowie is nepotism at its best. The two met when Gabrels' wife served as Bowie's press agent on the "Glass Spider Tour."

"Part of the deal was they would fly me out to visit her periodically. I got to know him that way. I had all-access (passes) and basically he and I



Flying solo: David Bowie's guitarist Reeves Gabrels will sing and perform songs from his debut solo record "The Sacred Squal of Now" at the Magic Stick in Detroit on Friday, Jan. 5.

"Being a guitar player, people think it's all instrumental music. It's obviously not an instrumental record. It's a trio — guitar, bass and drums — with me singing."

Reeves Gabrels
Guitarist

were the two people backstage who didn't have much to do. He was sort of sitting at the top of the pyramid. Everything was being done on his behalf so we'd watch TV and hang out," Gabrels said.

When his wife's stint with Bowie ended, she handed Bowie her husband's demo tape. Soon thereafter Bowie called Gabrels' house and asked his wife to call him.

"I didn't call him. I sent him a postcard. I was uncomfortable with calling him. A couple days later, somebody's voice on the phone said, 'Hi it's David. I listened to the tape and you're the guitar player I've been

looking for.' I said, 'OK, who is this?' and he laughed. It was actually him. I thought it was somebody winding me up. He said, 'Can you come over to my house in Switzerland to hang out and write some songs? I want to erase everything that's happened since 'Last Dance.'"

The fact that the two started out as friends before venturing on a music project has helped strengthen their bond, Gabrels said.

"We have common arts school backgrounds. I think that and the fact that the friendship started based on something other than starting to record music together has actually

contributed to the longevity of our working relationship."

"The atmosphere (of recording) is more like an art studio workshop. (We) don't get tense like people can in the recording studio. It's a lot of fun."

When it came time for Gabrels to record his album, Bowie showed his appreciation by appearing on two tracks. A host of other singers, such as Frank Black, Charlie Sexton, and Jeffrey Gaines lend a tenor.

"I just wanted to collect people that I liked working with and just have a good time making a record on a low budget over a very short period of time," he said.

On the tracks "You've Been Around" and "The King of Stamford Hill," Bowie is joined by actor Gary Oldham.

"He used to joke that he wanted to sing on a record just because there's so many rock singers that think they can act or in fact do become actors. It would only be fair if he got a chance to sing on a record," Gabrels said.

Gabrels will tour with his band for about a month at which time he will meet up with Bowie in Helsinki, Finland, to resume his tour. In March Gabrels will embark on the next leg of his solo tour until he leaves for Japan and Australia with Bowie.

Jet-setting around the world with Bowie has helped Gabrels deal with being in the spotlight.

"With David, the basic instructions from 'Tin Machine to the present is, 'When I'm not singing you're in the spotlight.' (So) In a way it always felt like there's a certain amount of spotlight attention on me."

"The thing about this is that it doesn't ever let up. You always feel some sort of responsibility to be communicating with the audience. You can't step back next to the drummer and sort of groove with him for awhile while someone else is doing something up front. That's an interesting thing to have to deal with."

Reeves Gabrels plays the Magic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit, on Friday, Jan. 5. Tickets available at Ticketmaster for the 18 and older show. For more information, call (313) 833-POOL or (810) 645-6666.

SINGLES CALENDAR

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DANCE PARTIES

- SKI DANCE**
Farmington Single Professionals along with the Metropolitan Single Professionals will host the "Single Mingle Dance" 7:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 6, at Mt. Brighton Ski Area (I-96 exit 145 follow the signs). Dance will be held in Smart Aleck. There will be a D.J. cash bar and hors d'oeuvres from 8-9 p.m. Admission is \$6. Attire is casual. (810) 851-9909.
- ASTROLOGY DANCE**
Tri County Singles will hold an "Astrology Dance" 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 6, at Burton Manor, 1-96 and Inkster, Livonia. Admission \$4, or \$3 before 8:30 p.m. Dressy attire required and you must be 21 or older. (313) 842-7422.
- WEDNESDAY DANCES**
Wednesday Suburban Singles hold "single mingles" dance parties every Wednesday 8 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at Burton Manor, 1-96 and Inkster, Exit 177, Livonia. Admission \$4. No jeans. Must be 21 or older. Arrive early for hot hors d'oeuvres. (313) 842-0443.
- FRIDAY DANCES**
Westside Singles dance parties occur 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Fridays through Jan. 26 at Burton Manor in Livonia. Dressy attire. Must be 21 or older. Admission \$5 (\$3 before 8:30 p.m.) (313) 981-0909.

BALLROOM DANCING

- BALLROOM CLASS**
A "Ballroom Class" will be 7-8:30 Mon-

- day, Jan. 8, at Jane Addams Elementary School, 14025 Berwyn, Redford. Cost is \$22 for 10 weeks, 471-4168.
- 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 dancing specialist, Tony Babenko, 7-8 p.m. for \$2. If you attend lessons, you receive \$1 off your admission ticket. (313) 565-3656.
- 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 Heights. 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
- MOON DUSTERS**
Ballroom dancing 9 p.m. to midnight Saturdays at the Moon Dusters, Farmington Road and Five Mile, Livonia. Coffee and snacks. Admission \$4.25. Married couples welcome. Ladies; date style clothes and men; coat and ties. (313) 422-3298.

- STARLITERS**
Ballroom dancing for singles age 40 and older will be 9 p.m. to midnight every Friday in the Northwest YWCA, 26940 Grand River, at Beech Day, Livonia. Dressy attire, no jeans. Married couples welcome. (313) 525-8913.

SINGLE GROUPS

- CATHOLIC ALUMNI CLUB**
The Catholic Alumni Club is a non-profit organization comprised of single Catholics age 21 and older who have a bachelor's degree and are free to marry in the Catholic Church. Indoor volleyball at 7:30 p.m. every Tuesday at Birney Middle School. \$3 members, \$5 non-members. (810) 557-6183, (810) 682-1807.
- ACTIVITIES GROUP**
The Activities Group is single adults participating in 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 or Val (313) 79-1974.
- 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) 648-3347.

- 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. (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 Mama Mia's Restaurant, 27770 Plymouth Road between Inkster and Middlebelt in Livonia. 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 Meridian, 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.

- SELECTIVE PROFESSIONALS**
Selective Professionals is a group for professional singles that sponsors seminars, brunches, speeches and varied activities. 422-8700.

- SELECTIVE SINGLES SOCIAL/TRAVEL CLUB**
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- SINGLE PLACE**
Single Place Adult Ministries of First Presbyterian Church of Northville, 200 E. Main, Northville, presents a social group called Single Place, which meets 7:30 p.m. every Wednesday at the church. (810) 349-0911.

- SINGLE PLACE**
Single Place Adult Ministries of First Presbyterian Church of Northville meets

- every Sunday, at 9:45 a.m. in the Library/Lounge. (810) 349-0911.

- SINGLE POINT**
The Rev. Paul Clough leads Scripture messages relevant to daily single living 10:45 a.m. Sundays, in Knox Hall, Ward Presbyterian Church, 17000 Farmington Road, at Six Mile Road, Livonia. Talk It Over (TIO), 7:30 p.m. second and fourth Friday of each month, in Knox Hall of Ward Presbyterian Church. Also available, volleyball, 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays. Second and fourth Saturdays BYOS (bring your own sneakers) to the Livonia YMCA on Stark, north of Schoolcraft, Livonia from 8 p.m. to midnight. Second Saturday for adults only, fourth Saturday, bring the kids. (313) 422-1854.

- TEMPLE BAPTIST SAM**
Four separate classes meeting 9:45 a.m. on Sundays, at Temple Baptist Church, 23800 West Chicago, Redford. Groups divided by age and life situation. Weekly activities: sporting events, concerts, trips, Bible studies, prayer times, Girls Night Out. (313) 255-3333.

- TIP TOPPERS CLUB OF DETROIT**
The club is a social network for TALL men and women, age 21 and older. Men must be at least 6 ft. 2 inches tall and women at least 5 feet, 10 inches tall. Membership meetings are held the first Tuesday of every month at Ruby Tuesday on 12 mile at Orchard Lake Road. 24-hour hotline (313) 458-7887, or Barbara Turgeon (313) 453-4682. (Days, Barbara Turgeon (313) 464-3811.)

- U.S. SINGLETONS, P.O. BOX 2175, FORT DEARBORN STATION, DEARBORN 48123.**
Voyagers, Singles
Voyagers is a non-denominational group for singles 45 years and older. They meet at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 27474 Five Mile, Livonia. They will host a "game night" at 7:30 p.m.

(313) 422-3091.

SPORTS/RECREATION

- BOWLING**
Bethany Singles Bowling League has openings for single, widowed, divorced or never-married bowlers. Bowling is 6 p.m. every other Sunday at Mayflower Lanes, 26600 Plymouth Road, Redford. Trsh (313) 728-1936.

- BOWLING**
Voyagers Singles Mixed bowling league meets 2:30 p.m. Sundays at Mem-Bowl Lanes, Five Mile and Meridian Road, Livonia. The league is open to those ages 35 and older. Regulars and subs needed. Ann (313) 591-1350.

- BOWLING**
Single Place Adult Ministries of First Presbyterian Church of Northville bowls

- 8:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 19, at Novi Bowl, Novi Road between 8 and 9 Mile Roads, Novi. (810) 349-0911

- CO-ED BOWLING**
F.S.P. sponsors Co-Ed Bowling every other Sunday beginning 5:45 p.m. at Drake Lane, Grand River east of Drake Road, Farmington. Cost will be \$12 per week (3 games). RSVP. (810) 851-9909.

- BOWLING/PIZZA**
The Activities Group has bowling and pizza 7 p.m. every other Friday at Langan's Bowling Center, 32905 Northwestern Highway, Farmington Hills. Pizza afterwards at Buddy's, 31646 Northwestern Highway, Farmington Hills. Non-members welcome. Teams are rearranged before each game. Members/\$108 for season or \$12 drop in, non members drop in add \$3. Shoes and pizza extra. Send check payable to: The Activities Group, 2180 North Pontiac Trail, Commerce Township, 48390-3161. (810) 624-7777.

- BRIDGE**
Singles bridge group meets 7:30 p.m. Mondays in the First Presbyterian Church of Northville, 200 E. Main. Lessons are offered 7:30 p.m. Thursdays. (313) 349-9104 or (313) 420-3177.

- EUCHRE NIGHT**
Single Place presents at First Presbyterian Church of Northville, 200 E. Main, euchre night every second and fourth Wednesday of the month; \$4.

- EUCHRE**
F.S.P. play euchre 6-10 p.m. Mondays at Glen Oaks Golf Course, 13 Mile Road between Orchard Lake Road and Middlebelt, Farmington Hills. They meet in the Grill Room. Attire is casual. Tables will be set up for all skill levels: beginner, intermediate, and advanced. There will also be instructional tables. Cost is \$4/members and \$6/non-members. (810) 851-9909.

- CO-ED FLAG FOOTBALL AND VOLLEYBALL**
F.S.P. meet at 2 p.m. Sundays, at Harrison High School (12 Mile Road between Middlebelt Road and Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills. They will be going out afterwards. (810) 851-9909.

- RECREATION NIGHT**
BYOS (Bring Your Own Sneakers) Single Point of Ward Church sponsors recreation 8 p.m. to midnight the second and fourth Saturdays of each month at Livonia YMCA on Stark, north of Schoolcraft. Second Saturday for adults only, on the fourth Saturday, bring the kids. (313) 422-1854.

- VOLLEYBALL**
First Presbyterian Church of Northville, Single Place plays volleyball, 9-10:30 p.m., Fridays, Jan. 12 and 26 at Northville Recreation Center, 303 W. Main, Northville. Cost \$4. (810) 349-0911.

Win tickets: 'Cry the Beloved Country'

Forgiveness, reconciliation, accepting people who are different from you, these are some of the themes in "Cry, The Beloved Country," opening Jan. 12 exclusively at the AMC Maple in Bloomfield Hills. Based on the novel by Alan Paton, "Cry the Beloved Country," opening Jan. 12 exclusively at the AMC Maple in Bloomfield Hills, is the story of the reconciliation of two men, who have each lost a son to the violence of South Africa — one black, the other white. "Cry the Beloved Country," a Miramax release, stars James Earl Jones, Richard Harris, Charles S. Dutton and Leleti Khumalo and rated PG-13.




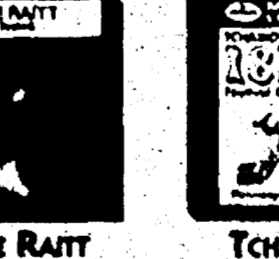
Send us a postcard with your name, address, and daytime telephone number to receive a pass for two to a preview screening of "Cry the Beloved Country" 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 11 at the AMC Maple. To fax the information, call (313) 591-7279, attn: Keely Wygonik, Entertainment Editor. Address postcards to Keely Wygonik, Entertainment Editor, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, Inc., 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150. The first 50 readers to respond will receive a pass for two to see the movie.

In addition to movie passes, we're giving away 10 copies of "Cry the Beloved Country" by Alan Paton. To enter the book giveaway explain — What's your favorite story about forgiveness, reconciliation and/or acceptance? Include the name of the book or story and author with your entry. Briefly explain what the story is about, no more than 50 words, and send or fax to the address and number listed above. Send entries as soon as possible. Movie passes will be mailed, book winners will be notified by phone.

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DINING

Mrs. Lovill's Tea Cozy offers leisurely lunches

BY SANDRA DALKA-PRYSBY
SPECIAL WRITER

It's a step back in time when luncheon guests walk up the steps of a quaint farmhouse on busy Grand River in downtown Farmington. It becomes an even more authentic journey to a bygone era when they cross the threshold of Mrs. Lovill's Tea Cozy.

Visitors are greeted by waitresses garbed in long dresses, aprons and caps in an entry area resplendent with turn-of-the-century furniture and accessories. The period pieces fill each an every room of the house-turned-eatery and every niche, creating a feast for the eyes.

Another initial attraction, and one that gently creates the peaceful atmosphere, is the harpist (either Cecelia Webster or Kay Brown) who strums lilting music from a location near the front door.

This unique eatery is a dream come true for Doris Lovill, who established her reputation as a warm hostess and exceptional baker, especially of cheesecake, by owning and operating a popular tea room in Franklin for a number of years. Her search for a bigger place to offer an extended menu brought her to the Farmington location.

Lovill purchased the house in 1993 and spent several months renovating the interior. The house was built in 1884 and was the home of Minnie Maas for many years. On the grounds, which contain lovely gardens, patios and a gazebo, is the original barn, complete with the cedar horse stalls.

"It was a lengthy process converting the house into a restaurant, but it was an exciting chal-

Mrs. Lovill's Tea Cozy
Where: 32905 Grand River, Farmington, (between Farmington and Orchard Lake roads), (810) 477-8307.
Hours: Luncheon, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday-Saturday. Some special occasion dinners (Valentine's Day, Mother's Day, etc.) by prepaid reservation only.

Menu: Light (tuna stuffed tomato, seafood, and chicken salads and soups du jour) and hearty (chicken pie, stuffed chicken breast and quiche of the day). A wide assortment of teas and desserts.

Meatless options: Choices are available in the light range, including the fresh fruit and cheese tortellini salads. Those with a

hearty appetite can be satisfied with the homemade vegetable lasagna.

Highlights: A step back in time to the days of peace, tranquility and graceful good manners is offered with delicious and totally satisfying fare. A harpist entertains, providing soothing music in a quiet atmosphere conducive to unhurried and easy conversation.

Prices: Moderate to expensive. Entrees range from \$9.50 to \$11.95 (seafood pasta salad). A pot of tea, which serves two, is \$3.

Reservations: Not accepted except for prepaid special dinners and events.

Credit cards: Visa and MasterCard accepted.

lenge," Lovill said. She participated in each and every step of the renovation and decorating, including making the exquisite valances and drapes for the windows.

Tables, covered with linens, vases with fresh flowers and other period adornments, including small bells to summon the waitress, fill what was once the house's parlor and dining room. One dining area, known as Lady Kathleen's room, was once the kitchen. The kitchen occupies the former bedchamber of Miss Maas.

"It was when I visited a Williamsburg inn on vacation one year that I realized what I really wanted to do," she said. "I wanted to create an elegant atmosphere for dining that would give my guests a pleasant experience and perhaps take them back to a quieter time."

Mrs. Lovill's Tea Cozy does just that. And, with the help and support of other family members, including sons Carl Jr. and Steven, she has not only created a charming environment, but she offers a wonderful assortment of homemade entrees, desserts and teas.

Carl Jr. is the cook and a creative chef with the ability to provide guests with delicious and satisfying offerings. One especially popular dish is the homemade chicken pie, which is flaky pie crust filled to the brim with chunks of chicken breast, fresh vegetables and a creamy chicken gravy. Like most of the entrees, this dish is served with a fresh fruit garnish, a salad of fresh garden greens (the house dressing — raspberry walnut — is wonderful) and either a homemade muffin or bread.



Cozy dining: Doris Lovill, owner of Mrs. Lovill's Tea Cozy, encourages guests to relax and have a leisurely lunch.

Another popular offering is the My Friend and I Luncheon. This includes an assortment of delicate tea sandwiches, a cup of homemade soup (which varies daily), fresh fruit garnish, warm peach cobbler and French vanilla ice cream, and a pot of Mrs. Lovill's Friendship Tea.

"My desire is for the guests to not only enjoy the food and the atmosphere, but to also feel that they can relax and have a leisure-

ly lunch. This is definitely not a quick 'in and out' type of place," Lovill added.

To help maintain the gentle atmosphere, Lovill enforces a "proper attire" code. "No jeans, no shorts and no sweats/jogging suits are allowed," she said.

Lovill invites all her guests to join the Tea Cup Club. Whoever desires donates a teacup and saucer, which is kept at the res-

taurant. These people are then invited to monthly functions at which time they drink from their teacup.

"One restriction we do have because of our limited seating (60) is that we cannot serve dessert and/or beverages only during our luncheon hours," Lovill added. "We initiated this policy because we have become more popular than we ever dreamed."

RESTAURANT SPECIALS

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Events
EAST SIDE MARIO'S

Garlic Festival through Jan. 21. Seven new garlic-enhanced menu items will be offered, and Gallo Winery's new Turning Leaf Pinot Noir and Chardonnay will also be available. Garlic Festival entrees start at under \$8. East Side Mario's serves lunch and dinner seven days a week from its Rochester Hills and Livonia locations.

EAGLE TAVERN
Costumed wait staff serve dinner at the tavern, Saturday, Jan. 13 in Greenfield Village, Dearborn. Cash bar begins 6:30 p.m., followed by family-style dinner at 7 p.m. Cost \$25 per person includes tax, gratuity, and musical entertainment. The meal will include potato soup, baked trout, rib of beef and vegetables. Call for reservations. (313) 271-1620, Ext. 383

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AMERICAN HARVEST RESTAURANT
Waterman Center, Schoolcraft College, opens for lunch Thursday, Jan. 11. Open noon to 1 p.m. Tuesday-Friday. Call for reservations. (313) 462-4488

menu in addition to its regular fare. Owner Steve Goldberg is encouraging patrons to stop in after theater, exercise or work to enjoy specialty priced after-9 favorites including fish, chicken, sandwiches, soups, salads, desserts, coffees and more. Stage & Co. is open everyday except Monday. (810) 855-6622

Schoolcraft College presents Winter Getaway dinner dance

You can escape the doldrums of winter at Schoolcraft College's Winter Getaway dinner dance, 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 19. Dinner will be prepared by the college's award-winning culinary arts students and features roast prime rib.

The Johnny Trudell Orchestra will serenade dancers after dinner. Tickets \$37.50 per person and tables of eight are available. Proceeds will be used for the Culinary Arts and Continuing Education Services — Physical Educa-

tion departments. For ticket information, call (313) 462-4417. Schoolcraft College is at 18600 Haggerty Road, (between Six and Seven Mile Roads, just west of I-275) in Livonia.

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THURSDAY, JANUARY 4, 1996



BRAD EMONS

Resolutions to bring in the new year

I know, the Guy Lombardo Band has already played and New York's Times Square enjoyed another big celebration (even if they don't toast with Korbel champagne).

1996 is already upon us, but it's just four days old.

So how about some New Year's resolutions for the gang?

Livonia Franklin High School: Some lights for the football field this fall.

Milwaukee Bucks guard Shawn Respert: Demand a little playing time from Mr. Dunleavy.

Schoolcraft men's basketball coach Glen Donahue: Recruit another Vernon Carr.

Livonia Churchill football: A Northwestern-type season.

Franklin football coach Rick Lee: Use the kicking game as an offensive weapon.

Wayne football coach Chuck Howton: Develop a line that will protect quarterback Lorenzo Guess.

Michigan football coach Lloyd Carr: Sign two receivers better than Amani Toomer and Mercury Hayes.

MSU football coach Nick Saban: A little more discipline come bowl season.

Madonna baseball coach Mike George: More pitchers like Craig Benedict and Dan Pydyn. Plus, own stock in your own peel-and-eat shrimp restaurant.

Westland John Glenn football coach Chuck Gordon: Buy a pair of scissors and order a subscription to all 15 Observer & Eccentrics.

Western Kentucky guard Dawn Warner: A win over Louisiana Tech and one more trip to the NCAAs.

Livonia Stevenson boys basketball coach Jim McIntyre: Find somebody who can light it up like Johnny Aiso, a purchase a mega-phone so we can really understand what you're saying to the refs during the game.

Lutheran Westland football/basketball coach Scott Wiemer: Send for a catalog from the University of Nebraska bookstore.

Mike Gentile and Jeff Cassar: Spots on the U.S. Olympic men's soccer team.

Heart and Sole Running Club: Always pray for good weather each and every Monday.

Stevenson girls cross country team: An eye on the ultimate prize.

Wayne State forward Tony Goins: A little more intensity.

Madonna University girls volleyball coach Jerry Abraham: Put Notre Dame on the schedule.

Redford Union boys basketball coach Tip Smathers: Trap the Panther that's been running loose near Milford.

Stevenson football coach Tim Gabel: Another chance at first-and-goal at the 1 versus Redford Catholic Central in the playoffs.

CC basketball/assistant football coach Rick Coratti: Basketball training camp in Florida.

Livonia Public Schools (I): Time to look seriously at a more competitive and expanded middle school program.

Livonia Public Schools (II): Time to get this pool situation ironed out before it gets worse.

Franklin pole vaulter Paul Terek: Clear 16 feet.

Proposed Western Lakes/Kenelington Valley mega merger: Maps designed with alternative routes to I-96 (during rush hour).

UNC-Charlotte forward Bobby Kummer: A big game when I come down to Cincinnati.

Livonia Ladywood basketball fans: A little sense of humor come tournament time.

RU hockey: A competitive team right off the bat.

O&V dispatch driver and MRU fan Jack Wood: Another brick in the foundation.

Claremontville High sports: A Metro Conference championship in something besides volleyball.

EMU and U-D Merry hoops: Upset specials in the NCAA tournament.

Titan baseball coach Bob Miller: One trip to the NCAAs before you retire.

Legends Hall of Fame: Don't change a thing, Bruce.

Seattle Mariners scout Ken Wandrak: Find another Randy Johnson or Ken Griffey Jr.

William Clay Ford: Sell the team or move the franchise to Cleveland.

Every young basketball player: Hoop Dreams is required viewing.

Michigan basketball coach Steve Fisher: Keep an eye on that kid Kevin Garnett.

Yours truly: Another hole-in-one, break 80, a trip to the Masters, and Point Loma, 28.5 miles, no injuries, and find a suitable motel room for the Great Lakes Relay.

Spartans win Cleveland tourney



Livonia Stevenson came away with the St. Edward's Eagle Classic hockey championship after winning its final two games. The Spartans will carry a 6-5 record into Friday's games with Livonia Franklin.

Livonia Stevenson's hockey team experienced some joy during last week's holiday break by winning the four-team St. Edward's Eagle Classic at the Winterhurst Ice Arena in Lakewood, Ohio.

The Spartans bounced back from a 4-0 loss to host St. Edward's in the tournament opener (Dec. 27) by defeating Culver Military Academy (Ind.) in an overtime shootout, 7-6 (Dec. 28), followed by an 8-5 victory against Shaker Heights (Ohio) University-School (Dec. 29).

"After the first day a lot of people thought we'd be 0-3, but the kids

came back and played with a lot intensity," said Stevenson coach Mike Harris, whose team is 6-5 overall entering Friday's Suburban High School Hockey League battle with Livonia Franklin at Edgar Arena. (Game time is 6 p.m.)

"The trip was very worthwhile," Harris said. "The kids really played with a lot of determination."

The Spartans also showed self-control, taking only six penalties in three games.

Both Stevenson and Culver finished with 2-1 records, but the Spartans won the title based on its shoot-

out win over the Indiana military school.

Culver and Stevenson were deadlocked 5-5 through 60 minutes of action, including a five-minute overtime period.

In penalty-shot format, Stevenson's outscored Culver 2-1 on goals by Andy Domzalski and Jay Ward.

In the shootout, Stevenson starting goaltender Jordan McCormack stopped two of three shots, while backup Ron Tackett went two-for-two.

Kyle McNeillance led the victorious Spartans with two goals and one assist. His game-tying goal occurred with only 62 seconds left in regulation.

Domzalski drew the assist as the Spartans were on a power-play and had a two-man advantage (six on four) after Harris pulled his netminder.

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Domzalski finished with one goal and four assists. Mike Schmidt and Ward had the other goals. Brian Calka and Nick McCormack also had assists.

In the final day of the tourney, Stevenson built a 7-1 advantage over two periods before coasting home against University-School.

Domzalski and Calka each notched hat tricks, while McNeillance contributed one goal and four assists.

Bruce Baloh picked up two assists, while Chris Jarczak, Ryan Zalewski, Dennis Quener, McCormack and Calka contributed one each.

Tackett was the winning goaltender.

In other games, Culver downed University-School, 6-0; while University-School topped St. Edward's in shootout, 3-2. St. Edwards also lost to Culver.

MSU's 'Kozy' is comfy

BY STEVE KOWALSKI
STAFF WRITER

Michigan State University freshman defenseman Jeff Kozakowski arrived with his teammates Tuesday afternoon in Fairbanks, Alaska, where he expected to see only about three hours of daylight per day.

That's the way it is in the middle of winter in Eskimo country. It's something the Spartans have to deal with as they prepare for a three-game series with Alaska-Fairbanks.

When it comes to his role on the ice, Kozakowski is glad he isn't left in the dark by MSU coach Ron Mason.

The 6-foot-1, 206-pound defenseman from Garden City has a regular shift and also plays the point on most power plays and short-handed situations.

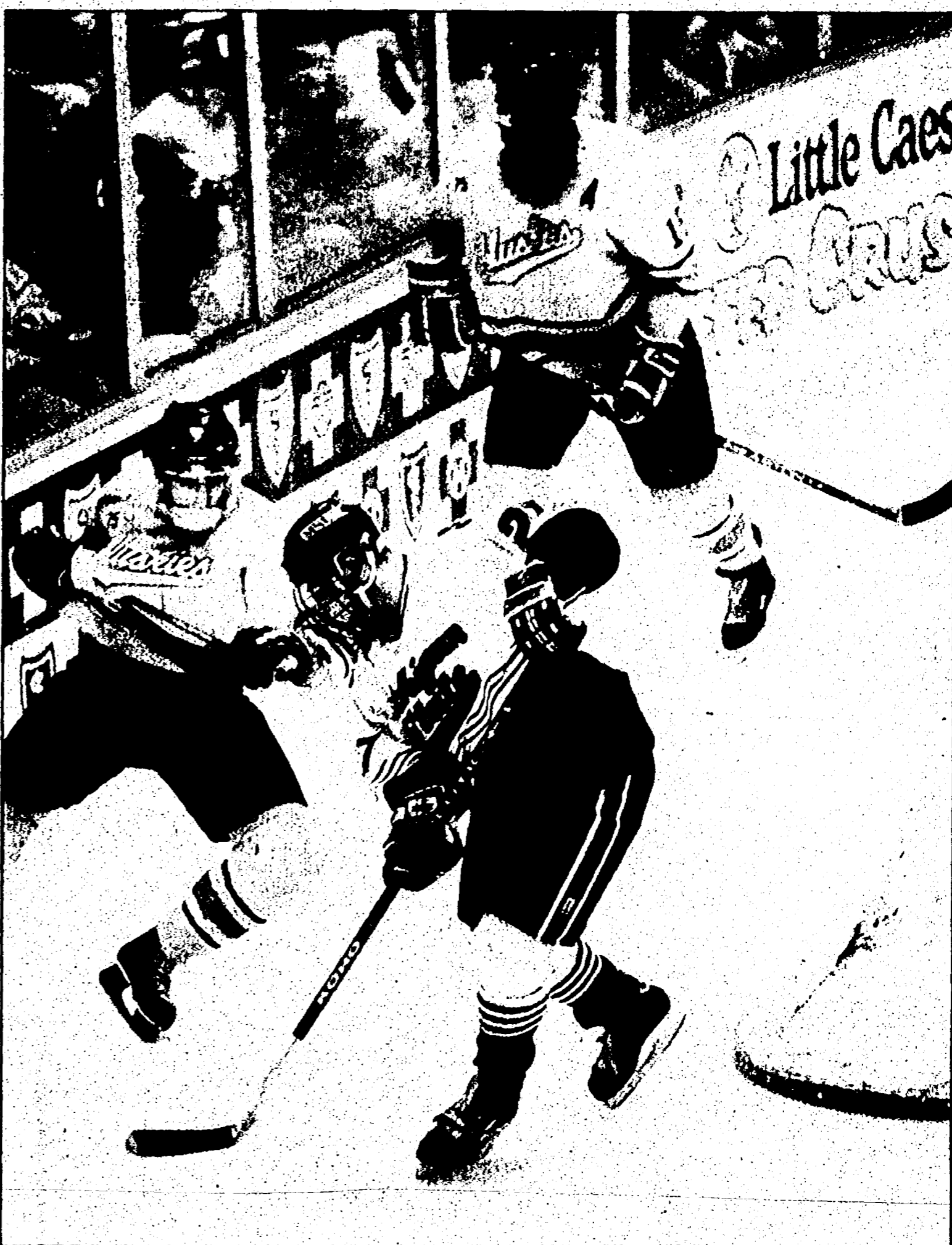
His role expanded with the absence of one of the Spartans' top defensemen, Chris Bogas, on loan with the United States team playing in the World Junior Championships until next week.

Kozakowski, nicknamed "Kozy," has three goals and five assists for the Spartans, who were runners-up at last weekend's Great Lakes Invitational at Joe Louis Arena. The Spartans, 15-6 overall and ninth ranked in the country, lost to No. 2-ranked Michigan 3-1 in Saturday's championship game.

Despite his class standing, Kozakowski is one of the older Spartans, turning 21 last Halloween. It's rare for 18 year old Americans to get scholarships in hockey, which explains why he played three years of junior hockey after graduating from Garden City in 1992.

"I love it (MSU). The people have treated me well, the coaching staff, just giving me the chance to play," said Kozakowski in a telephone conversation Tuesday night. "My goal is to keep playing consistent hockey, help us get home ice advantage for the (Central Collegiate Hockey Association) playoffs. Mason is a great

See KOZAKOWSKI, 2C



JIM JACOBELD/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

MSU ice: The 6-foot-1, 206-pound Jeff Kozakowski, a freshman, has made an immediate impact with the Spartans this season. He spent last season with the Dubuque (Iowa) Fighting Saints of the USHL.

Finding a way

'Distracted' Zebras rally to beat Brother Rice

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

Even outside distractions couldn't keep Wayne Memorial from winning its fifth straight boys basketball game Friday at Birmingham Brother Rice.

With one starter on an extended leave of absence and two other regulars sitting out the first part of the game because of disciplinary reasons, Wayne Memorial rallied from a 10-point second-quarter deficit to beat the up-and-coming Warriors on their home floor, 50-52.

"None of it (the suspensions) was major, but we've had to work through some Christmas (vacation) things that happened," explained Wayne coach Chuck Henry, whose team is 8-1 overall. "Under the circumstances, it was a nice win. And this is not an easy place to play because I look at Rice as an athletic team that is bigger and stronger than we are."

BASKETBALL

Things looked pretty bleak for Wayne with 3:18 to go in the opening half when Rice junior guard Brian Marshall connected on two straight free throws to give the Warriors a 24-14 advantage.

To make matters worse, Wayne's All State candidate, 6-foot 3 junior point guard Lorenzo Guess, picked up his third foul on the play.

Rice built its lead by using its height advantage - working the ball inside to 6-7 sophomores Tom Marx, 6-6 sophomore Jon Poyer and 6-7 senior Dan McGrath.

But Wayne refused to fold, going on a 9-3 run to end the half, cutting the margin to 27-23 at intermission using mainly reserve players.

Starter Richard Johnson, a 6-2 senior who was held out by Henry during the opening quarter,

scored a hoop with 40 seconds left to slice the deficit to four.

"Lorenzo and the group of kids who played the last three minutes of the first half did a nice job," Henry said. "Richard always plays hard and goes to the glass. He has a knack of picking up those garbage baskets and quick layups."

With starter Roland Patterson back to play in the second half, Wayne resembled the team that finished 20-5 and reached the state Class A quarterfinals a year ago.

It was 42-40 in favor of the Zebras after three quarters following Johnson's driving layup with only one second left.

Rice's last lead occurred with 5:53 remaining in the final quarter when Marx, who led the Warriors with 17 points, connected to make it 46-45.

See ZEBRAS WIN, 2C

COLLEGE SPORTS

Mott edges Owens Tech for Schoolcraft crown

A month ago, Schoolcraft College's men's basketball team had a chance at vengeance and nearly made the most of it, losing in the

final seconds to Grand Rapids CC — a team that had beaten the Ocelots by 46 points 2 1/2 weeks earlier.

MEN'S CAGE

In last week's Holiday Classic, hosted by SC, the Ocelots faced a similar scenario when they played Owens Tech (from Toledo) in the opening round Friday. On Dec. 9 in the final of the Owens Tech Tournament, SC had been pummeled by the host team 114-58.

Unfortunately, the outcome bore no resemblance to the SC-Grand Rapids CC rematch. Owens treated the Ocelots the same way they did in the earlier meeting, building a 46-27 half-time lead and rolling to a 98-62 victory.

Mott CC, which defeated Spring Arbor's junior varsity 106-47 in Friday's other game, ended

up edging Owens Tech 63-62 Saturday for the tournament championship.

SC beat Spring Arbor 97-70 in Saturday's consolation game. The tournament MVP was Mott's C.J. Harrelson. Tim Burns was the Ocelots' lone selection to the five-man all-tournament team.

The split left SC with a 5-8 record.

The Ocelots played both games without starters Aaron Brown and Naron Burks, who were being disciplined after missing practice. Burks is the team's top rebounder; both players averaged better than nine points a game.

In the loss to Owens Friday, only Dwan Warmack (with 15 points) and Dave Pavlak (12 points) reached double-figures in

scoring for SC. Warmack also had five assists and eight steals, but he committed 12 turnovers. Burns collected six points and 11 rebounds.

Owens had six players reach double-figures in scoring: J.T. Reese (18), Marcus Langhorne (16), Kevin Roberts (15), Wesley Lamb (12), and Byron Gladdan and Jerry Wells (10 each).

Part of SC's problem came at the free-throw line. The Ocelots were a mere 12-of-29 (41 percent), including just 6-of-20 in the second half (30 percent). Owens was 24-of-35 for the game (69 percent).

In the win over Spring Arbor, SC's offense was working far better. Burns connected on 10-of-12 from the field and led the Ocelots with 23 points. Warmack had 16 and 10 assists, with both Dave

Pavlak and Jason Maackke (from Livonia Franklin) netting 11 points and Tyrus Williams getting 10. Rudy Hatfield (Livonia Churchill) added nine.

Jason Feig topped Spring Arbor with 25 points; Dave Tebo netted 19 and Matthew Taylor had 18.

SC exploded in the first half, jumping out to a 48-34 lead, and just kept cruising, outpointing Spring Arbor 49-36 in the second half. The Ocelots made 42-of-76 shots from the floor (56 percent) to Spring Arbor's 25-of-68 (37 percent). However, SC's free-throw troubles continued; the Ocelots were 5-of-15 from the line (33 percent).

The Ocelots are now idle until next Wednesday, when they host Alpena CC.

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Dow Jones weekend for Madonna

After a nine-day holiday break, Madonna University's women's basketball team returned to action last weekend with mixed results.

The Lady Crusaders had won six of their previous eight games prior to the Christmas vacation. On Friday, they picked up where they left off by routing Concordia College 83-64 at Madonna.

Saturday, however, the competition was far more fierce. Aquinas College visited the Crusaders, using a second-half getaway to pound out a 73-45 triumph.

The split left Madonna with

an 11-8 record. Concordia's loss left it at 4-7.

In the win over Concordia, Katie Cushman and Stacy Lamphere combined for 46 points and the Crusader defense limited the Cardinals to eight first-half baskets (8-of-31, 25.8 percent) allowing Madonna to pull out to a 46-23 halftime lead.

Cushman's 24 points paced the Crusaders. The freshman guard connected on 5-of-9 three-pointers, dished out four assists and had five steals. Lamphere scored 22 points on 9-of-13 shooting (4-of-7 threes); she also grabbed eight rebounds and had

four assists.

Mary Murray added 11 points, with Meegan Marlatt collecting nine and Erin Wiley eight.

On the down side for the Crusaders, they did commit 37 turnovers. Cushman had seven, with Lamphere, Francine Williams and Angie Negri making five apiece.

Concordia's Pam Scheer had 18 points. Lori Shingledecker netted 12 and Kristen Strang scored 11 (with nine rebounds).

In Saturday's loss to Aquinas, Madonna managed to keep it

close for a half — the Saints led at the break, 30-25. But the Crusaders, who were just 10-of-35 from the floor in the opening half (28.6 percent), were even worse in the second, making only 6-of-35 (17.1 percent). Aquinas outscored Madonna 43-20 over the last 20 minutes.

Cushman and Lamphere each scored 10 points to pace the Crusaders. But Cushman was 4-of-20 from the field, and Lamphere was 3-of-13. Bridget Lamoreaux's 22 points was best for Aquinas; Nikki Tuttle had 15 and 14 rebounds, and Dana Manel scored 10.

Kozakowski from page 1C

coach, teacher and person."

Kozakowski had an assist on the winning goal scored by Tony Tuzzolino in a 3-2 overtime victory over Michigan Tech in Friday's G.I.I. semifinal game.

Drawing an assist in a 4-3 win over Michigan earlier in the year was his highlight of the season.

He didn't take long to make an impact, scoring a goal in his second career game Oct. 15 against Maine.

"I always thought about when I would score my first goal; for it to come that early was surprising," said Kozakowski. "I went top shelf. It was a pretty good goal, any goal is good for a defenseman. I'd like to model myself after (Detroit Red Wings star Paul) Coffey, but no one can do that. I like to get involved in offense, here and there. It's every defenseman's job to be an enforcer, have opponents fear to be in your own end."

Zebras win from page 1C

Wayne, led by the all-around play of Guess, then proceeded to outscore Rice 14-6 down the stretch. And once the Zebras got the lead, they spread out the floor and executed their offense to near-perfection.

"We just switched a couple of matchups (defensively) and were able to match up much better," Henry said.

Guess's tip-in with 47 seconds to go, putting the Zebras ahead by seven, 56-49, sealed the hard-fought win.

"Guess is a good dribbler, penetrator, rebounder, passer... you name it," Rice coach Bill Norton said. "And the thing you like most is his competitiveness and

his athleticism. And Chuck (Henry) does an excellent job. They're well-schooled in the fundamentals."

Guess finished with 11 points, eight rebounds and six assists.

With junior sharpshooter Rodney Hurst out of the lineup, 6-foot senior Jameel Wooden stepped up his game, leading Wayne in scoring with a game-high 19, including three triples. Johnson, meanwhile, added 16 points.

Poyer contributed 12 for the Warriors, while McGrath added nine.

Rice, however, just couldn't duplicate its first-half effort.

"It was not them (Wayne) changing any one thing. It was

just a case where we didn't dominate in the areas where we had dominated early," said Norton, whose team is a deceiving 2-4 overall because of its difficult schedule. "We also came up short rebounding in the fourth quarter."

Norton, however, saw some positives, despite the loss.

"Brian Marshall showed me a lot," he said. "I wouldn't say he neutralized Guess, but he played him tough. Guess is a great athlete, and so is Brian. He did an excellent job against him."

Rice shot 21 of 38 from the floor (55.2 percent) compared with Wayne's 23 of 58 (41.0).

But the quickness factor played out. Rice committed 21 turnovers to Wayne's eight.

"We need to get better as far as punishing a team with our size advantage," Norton said. "We have to get better defensively, we have to get better running the floor and do a better job rebounding."

Henry, meanwhile, is trying to eliminate the distractions which have plagued the Zebras during the first half of season.

"I have to admit it's tougher coaching this year," he said. "Last year they were young and all ears, but now they're a year older and are all head."

SPORTS ROUNDUP

Items for the Sports Roundup must be submitted by 5 p.m. Friday (for Monday edition) and 5 p.m. Tuesday (for Thursday edition). Items run once only.

CC'S MACH HONORED

Redford Catholic Central's Tom Mach, who guided the Shamrocks to a 13-0 record this season and the state Class AA football championship, was named 1996 Coach of the Year in Class AA by the Michigan High School Football Coaches Association.

ALL-STATE ACADEMIC

Redford Catholic Central offensive lineman Jeff Monnette and Farmington quarterback Tim Streit were both named first-team Academic All-State by the MSHFCA.

Earning All-Academic Special Mention honors: Lutheran High Westland's Kris Skov, Livonia Churchill's Robert Lusa and Plymouth Salem's Ashraf Younsel.

YOUTH HOCKEY CHAMPS

The Livonia Squirt A Penguins, sponsored by Community

EMS, blanked Southgate's No. 3 team, 3-0, to win its tournament division Dec. 30 at the Southgate Civic Center.

Goaltender Kyle Busewitz, who posted the shutout, earned MVP honors.

Other members of the Penguins, who outscored their opponents, 17-4, include: Shawn Janik, Kenneth Haas, Tony Devlin, Nick Beauchemin, Tony Graesel, Jim Wood, Kevin Bendor, Jonathan Sokolowsky, Rob Petke, Nick Arnold, Jason Bydor, Jason Paljusevic, Pat Tullio, Mike Kalen and Paul Hetu.

The Penguins are coached by Fred Haas, Greg Beauchemin and Mike Graesel. The team manager is Diane Wood.

The Livonia Squirt B Devils captured the 1996 Wayne Christmas Hockey Tournament with a 5-2 victory over the Westland Canucks in the final.

The Devils also downed the Wayne Mustangs, Ann Arbor Weber's Inn, and the Wayne Eels to reach the championship. They outscored their opponents 39-3.

Members of the Devils, now unbeaten in 22 games, include Mike King, Derek Heskett,

Jared Perras, Kenny Sinclair, Andrew Klacik, Brian Shekell, Chris Heckman, Ryan Vella, Ryan Mann, Jamey Messer, Nathan Pavach, Ryan Wischmeyer, Jonathan O'Neill, Jacob Sidor, Patrick Clark and Patrick Norton.

The coaching staff includes Craig O'Neill, Doug Wischmeyer, Dave Pavach and Chuck Vella. The team manager is Jim Messer.

The Livonia Mite Sabres, sponsored by Mike Tonarelli Construction, took first place in the Livonia Christmas Tournament with a 3-1 triumph recently over the Bruins in the championship final. The Sabres also defeated the Oilers (10-2) and Capitals (7-2). They also earned a 3-3 tie with the Flyers.

Members of the Sabres include: Erik Anderson, Evan Boyajian, Jordan Boyajian, Ryan Burke, Michael Cieslak, Seth Diegel, Sean Hestetter, Sam Hoyt, Michael Lynne, David Moss, Jeff Palason, Garrett Redford, Frank Soapstone, Matt Stapleton and Michael Yaroch. The coaching staff includes Jim

Hadford, Paul Anderson and Joel Layne. The team manager is Cody Stafford.

INDOOR SOCCER CHAMPS

The '83 Livonia YMCA Michigan Hawks, an under-13 girls Little Caesars Premier League team, finished 7-1-0 to win the November/December '96 Season I title at Total Soccer at Beechwoods in Southfield.

Members of the '83 Hawks, who outscored their opponents 48-11, including a 6-1 championship win over the Farmington Flames, include: Suzanne Morrison, goalkeeper; Jessica Zwiesler, Macey Winn, Christina Lewis, Cheryl Fox and Katie Beaudoin, defenders; Emily Carhot, Natalie Shaheen, Abby Shepherd and Leslie Knapp, midfielders; Sara Piepke, Carrie Kluska, Angela Maile and Lindsay Quasick. The '83 Hawks are coached by Lon Diebler. He is assisted by Fred Menko. The team manager is Margaret Quasick. Jerry Diebler is the team trainer.

Shamrocks hope to recoup losses

BY STEVE KOWALSKI
STAFF WRITER

Redford, Catholic Central returns only two letter winners from a ski team that finished second in the Class A regional and eighth at the state meet.

Duplicating last year's success may be difficult with the loss of five main point-getters, including Jeff Buckley, who won the Mount Brighton Division of the Southeastern Michigan Ski League, the regional, and finished fourth in the giant slalom at the state meet.

The Shamrocks' other significant losses were Steve Williams, a top five finisher at both the division meet and regional, Matt Connolly and Steve Hartsock.

Williams was 16th and Connolly 28th in the slalom at the state meet. Hartsock finished 46th in the giant slalom.

The Shamrocks will have only one senior on the roster when they begin the season at 4 p.m. today with a giant slalom race at Mount Brighton.

"It's a coach's nightmare graduating five seniors," CC coach Tom Gable said. "That was a solid group that skied together for four years. They had some tough races, but kept their chins up and that's a sign of maturity. It's hard to replace that leadership."

If there's any consolation, Gable said he expects a lot of last year's strong teams also to be young.

The Shamrocks finished second in the division behind Brighton before surpassing the Bulldogs for second place in the regional behind Birmingham Brother Rice. CC then outdueled Rice in the

Marathon goal alive

BY JIM TOTH
STAFF WRITER

Kathy Kubicki has run herself right into a select group of Olympic hopefuls.

Kubicki, 29, a 1984 graduate of Rochester Adams High School and current resident of Troy, will

RUNNING

be all smiles when she joins nearly 200 women marathoners from across the country Feb. 10 in Columbia, S.C., to take part in the Olympic trials.

"I'm really excited," said Kubicki, who earned a spot in the upcoming trials after running a personal-best 2:49.08 in a marathon held earlier this month in Huntsville, Ala. "My goal has always been to just get to the starting line. I want to be able to tell people I was in the Olympic trials."

For a while there Kubicki said she was beginning to doubt if her Olympic dreams would ever turn to reality, as several attempts to break the 2:50 qualifying barrier came up agonizingly short. After doing the unheard-of among marathoners — running in more than one or two events per year — Kubicki decided to give it one more try — that coming Dec. 9 in Alabama.

"Most marathoners run one or two a year; this was going to be my third in six months," Kubicki said. "I ran a 2:54.41 and finished fourth in this year's Free Press Marathon and I said I would give it one more try before the year was over. I heard of the race in Huntsville, got ready for it, and came in second."

The runner-up finish was quite satisfying, but what made the trip so much more worthwhile was Kubicki's 2:49.08 clocking that enabled her to be, so far, one of 180 women qualifiers.

"I wasn't too fired up (for Huntsville) because I thought Detroit was my race," Kubicki said. "But once I finished all I could scream out was, 'I did it, I did it.'"

Kubicki, who said she runs an average of eight miles per day around different area courses, is "taking it easy" at the present time before setting a course of action to prepare her for February.

"I understand the Olympic course is a hilly one and I feel that might be to my advantage," Kubicki said. "I've been running some, but I've also been working out on the Stairmaster. I hope it works."

Things going to be different in '96

TEN-PIN ALLEY



AL HARRISON

Looking for some New Year's resolutions? Here are some that bowlers may want to consider.

I will only get into jackpots that I have a reasonable chance to win.

I will use more lane courtesy (this seems to be more and more ignored lately).

I will not get upset when someone else wipes his sweaty hands on my towel.

I will make all of the supposedly "easy" spares, but won't go bonkers if I do miss one occasionally.

I will be supportive of my teammates, and encourage them even if we are losing.

I will concentrate on my target and not rush the foul line.

I will do my part to keep the bowling area clean.

I will not get too elated from a high score; it can be so much different next time out.

I will quit smoking, or at least not smoke in the bowling setting area.

I will conform to a proper dress code; no more dirty T-shirts or tank tops.

I will learn how to make my own corrections on automatic scorers.

I will have more fun in 1996 than ever before.

Condolences to the family of Harvey Jacobs, who bowled with the Shriners and the Masonic leagues.

Harvey passed away last Wednesday after suffering a stroke earlier in the season. He sure loved his bowling

and his Inter-Lodge team No. 10 Strike Zone took first place for the first half.

He was a good man and will be missed by those who knew and loved him.

The Pro Bowlers Tour will be coming this June to Taylor Lanes, rather than October, as in past years.

Entry forms for the popular Pro-Am event will be out next month and there will be a new ball included (to be announced soon).

Another big difference over past years is that this event will be televised by ABC instead of ESPN.

This means a much greater TV audience since cable penetration is estimated at 65 percent. It also means we get Chris Schenkel as the announcer for the program, which is a real plus.

The Pro-Am will start on June 7 and the TV finals will be on the 14th, a very busy and eventful week to look forward to when the world's finest professional bowlers are in town.

The Livonia Parks and Recreation city youth bowling program is starting the week of Jan. 19 at the following locations: Cloverlanes, 28900 Schoolcraft, contact Carol Wiklanski at 427-6410 (4:15 Wednesday & Friday for all ages and bumpers); Merri Bowl Lanes, 30950 Five Mile, contact Marge Keith at 427-2900 (all ages 4:15 Mon.-Wed.-Fri., bumpers Thurs.); Woodland Lanes, 33775 Plymouth Road, contact Cheryl Slipek at 522-4515 (all ages 4:15 Mon. & Fri., bumpers Mon., bumpers/turbo Tues.); Wonderland Lanes, 28455 Plymouth Road, contact Marge Goodell at 427-1060 (all ages, 4:15 Friday, all ages, 9:30-11:00-12:30 Sat., bumpers both days).

Entry forms are available at the bowling centers, open to boys and girls of all ages. There are separate age divi-

sions for bantams, preps, juniors, masters and bumpers.

The nominal cost of \$5.60 includes two games of bowling, special awards, shoe rental, coaching and a banquet or party at the end of season.

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Country Lanes (Farmington Hills): Greenfield Mixed — Chuck O'Rourke, 268/728; Tom Koebel, 219/722; Debbie Vokietel, 229/831; Tom Gow, 259/889; Ed Wright, 269/682.

Inter-Lodge — Mark Severstein, 256/849; Ba Vida, 224/563; Todd Woringer, 271/579.

Country Keggers — Bob Shmiko, 274; C.I. Bishop, 270/652; Pat Forma, 269/643; Walt Ulrich, 268; Paul Postula, 247/648; Dave Moraschine, 246/702.

Tuesday Mixed Trio — Joe Stakris III, 278/691; Tom Atobebo, 267; Steve Fortney, 258/708; Tom Heenan, 265; Carleen Kapetarsky, 225/831; Lynne Wegener, 247; Erik Herman, 252.

Metro Highway — Mark Sztakowski, 268/604; Craig Bowles, 255/602; Ray Yuerger, 243/651; Christ Kasprinsky, 238/631; Frank Darabos, 236/641; Don Laurin, 235; Jim Tomaszewski, 235.

Novel Bowl: West Side Lutheran — Al Hunt, 686; Ron Williams, 677; Don Johnson, 673; Terry Krohn, 257/631; Randy Krohn, 631.

Woodland Lanes (Livonia): Easy Rollers — Pam Wosik, 247.

Men's Trio — John Weiss, 279/726; Jim Rozel, 280/716; Monty Wannacott, 289; Mano Thenn, 269/675; Gumper, 275/710.

Super Bowl (Canton): Super Tuesday — Ed Mintz, 265/736; Ed Schuler, 289/713; Dave Tome, 269/707; Bryan Comel, 269/709; Bob Varga, 268/704.

Town 'n Country Lanes (Westland): Michigan Truck — Mel Long, 300; Dan Croy, 300; Greg Rouska, 299.

Friday Night Men's Invitational — Andy Deverich, 778; Tony Mach, 300.

Airlines — Jerry Adams, 300.

Sunday Doubles — Jason Satrague, 290/778.

Westland Bowl: Ford Motor Co Div 1 — Gary Asher, 280/730; Brian LeBlanc, 279;

Dave Wolich, 277; Bill Barnes, 278/733; Bobby Williams, 284; Steve Bester, 258-257/748.

Ford Motor Co Div 2 — Tom Heblert, 257; Wayne Walters, 258; Charles Buttigieg, 254; Rick Homberg, 245/713; Phil Puczkowski, 728.

Woodland Lanes (Livonia): Saturday Night Live — Randy Payne, 268/733; Maggie Madigan, 219/599; Keith Rys, 268/708; Tarmy Riley, 219/513; Barb Madigan, 211/548; Richard Bornevick, 247.

No Hitches — Al Biscoe, 265/744; Dennis Cunningham, 264/714; Tom Kutek, 684; Greg Young, 255.

Wonderland Classic — Jim Moirer, 744; Ron Moore, 300/741; John Taton, 300/740; Bill Gakagher, 739; Dennis McDonald, 296/737; Rick Patton, 738.

Traveling All-Stars — Dan Ottman, 779; Dave Mahaz, 278-279/771; Steve Basczuk, 766; Rick Esermann, 277/760; Harry Sullivan, 752; Kerry Kraft, 289/737.

Plaza Lanes (Plymouth): Sheldon Road Men's — Vigi Hargrove, 268/737; Ken Fortes, 257/622; Craig Hokebaert, 247; Ernie Golum, 246.

Plaza Men — Bob Healy, 258/729; John Paz, 265; Jim VanSickle, 262; Bryan Maciek, 259/762; Walt Ulrich, 259; James Burden, 257.

Garden Lanes (Garden City): St. Linus Classic — Mike Baldwin, 246-236-268/750; Rance Bartok, 300-216-226/742; Dave Barina, 237-225-245/707; Jerry Urban, 258-226/662; Dan Bohinger, 222-235-203/660; Steve Marjusz, 223-214-215/652.

Garden Lanes Ladies Classic — K. Siemest, 252/647; Kim Even, 236/610; Jeri Toner, 241/657; Cheryl Roberts, 244-258/688; C. Adams, 225; Pettit, 234.

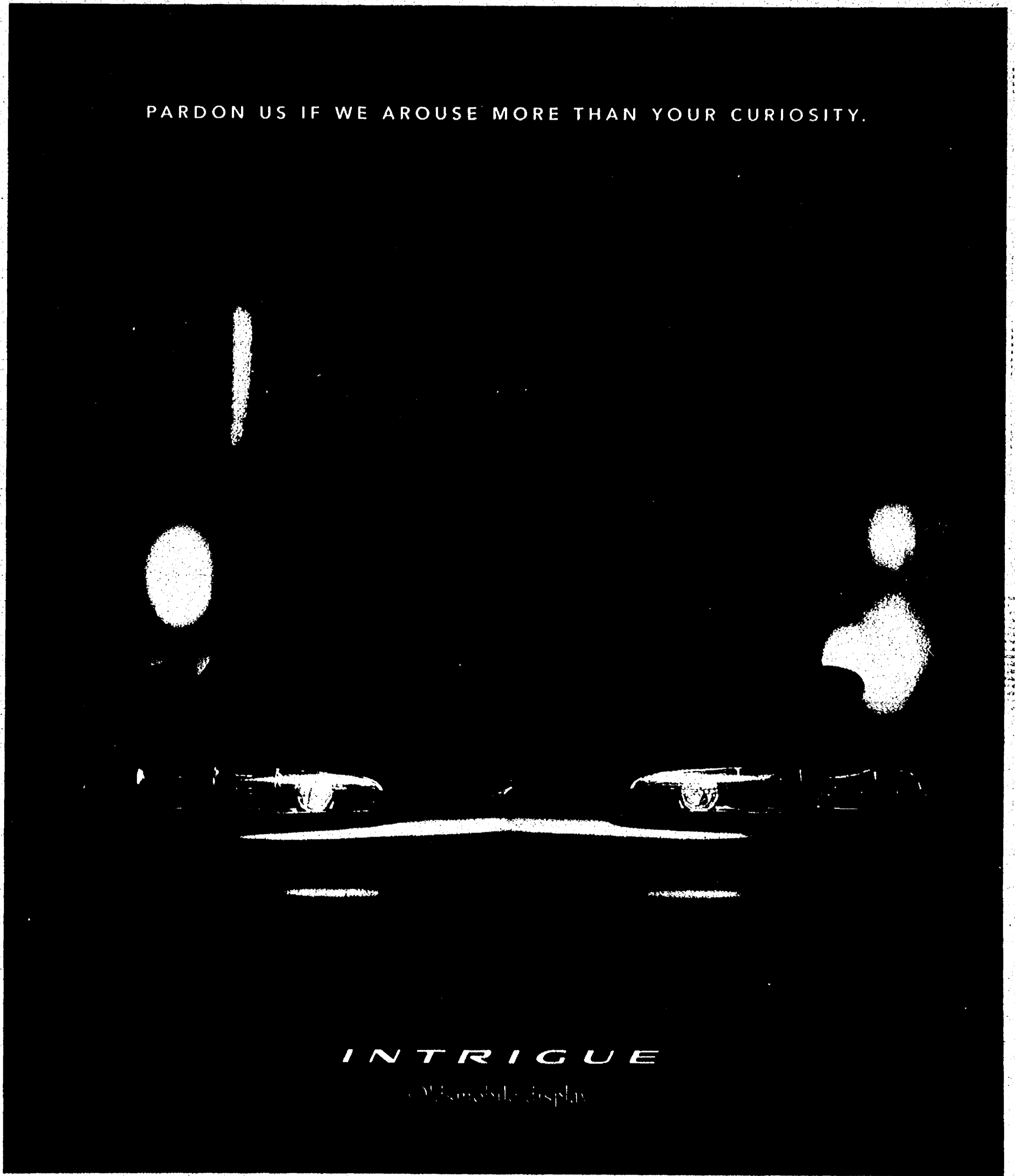
Vinco League — Kurt Smith, 300/760.

Saturday Kings & Queens — George Wilkey, 300/780.

Mayflower Lanes (Redford): Wednesday Men's Senior Classic — Al Thompson, 234-238-236/708; Jim Webster, 212-258-229/699; Hank Les, 246; Dick Thompson, 258/617; Bill DeLoach, 208-217-233/658; Bob Sherwood, 224-242/636.

Merri Bowl (Livonia): Golden Eagles — Rich Kozula, 289/676; Matt Figurski, 256-675; Chuck Wright, 249/679; Andy Anspach, 255/634.

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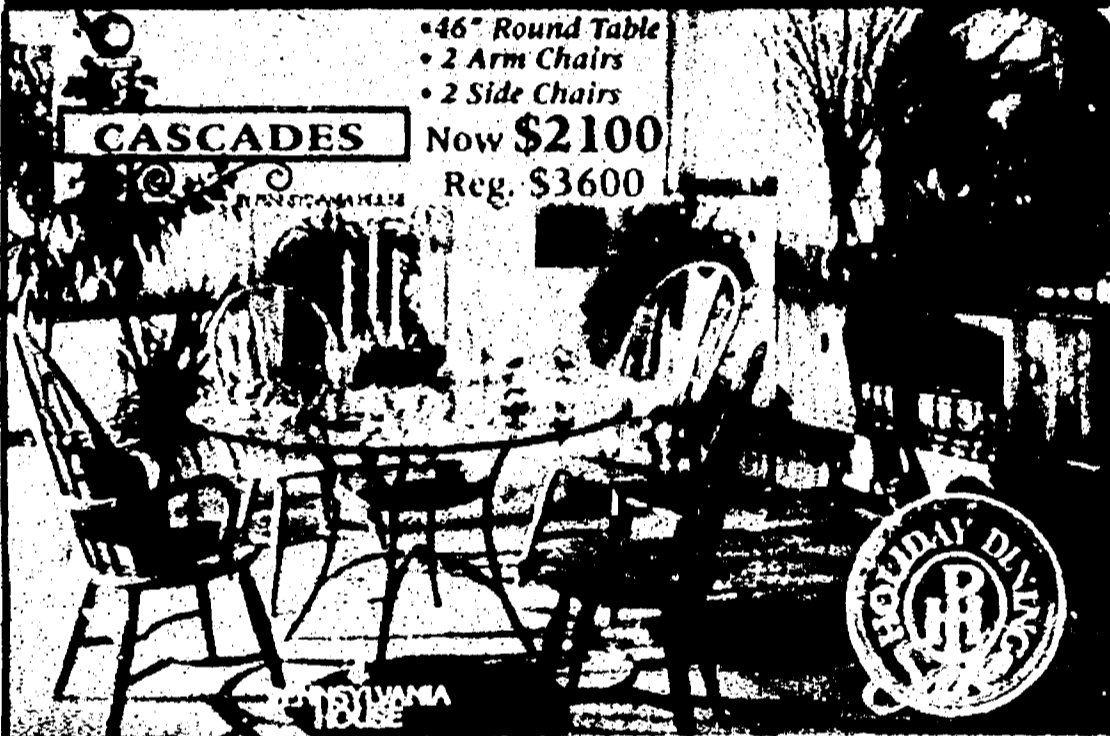
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GARDEN SPOT

A gardener's winter: memories and plans



MARTY FIGLEY

Another year, and before we know it the gardening season will be upon us. Catalogs are filling our mailboxes so it's time to dream and plan as the winter weather continues.

Sit by the fire and contemplate what was successful in your garden and what you would like to change. This is the time for memories and plans. Soon it will be time to press these tiny life-giving seeds into some warm soil and wait for the miracle to regenerate our belief in their power.

Gardening is the top recreational activity in the United States. Perhaps that is why we need to keep in touch with nature and the world of growing things to preserve our connections with our past.

As you turn the pages of the catalogs you may come upon some terms that

aren't clear in your mind. Therefore I will try to demystify species, hybrids, standards and cultivars so that you will be more aware as you make choices.

Hybrids

The National Garden Bureau published a bulletin in July 1993 that clearly explained about hybrids and standards. Hybridized plants result in specific cross breeding.

"A hybrid is the result of pollinating one specific variety of a class of plants with the pollen of another genetically different variety of that class."

The female plants have their pollen-bearing anthers removed and are then only pollinated (by hand) from plants that have been specifically selected.

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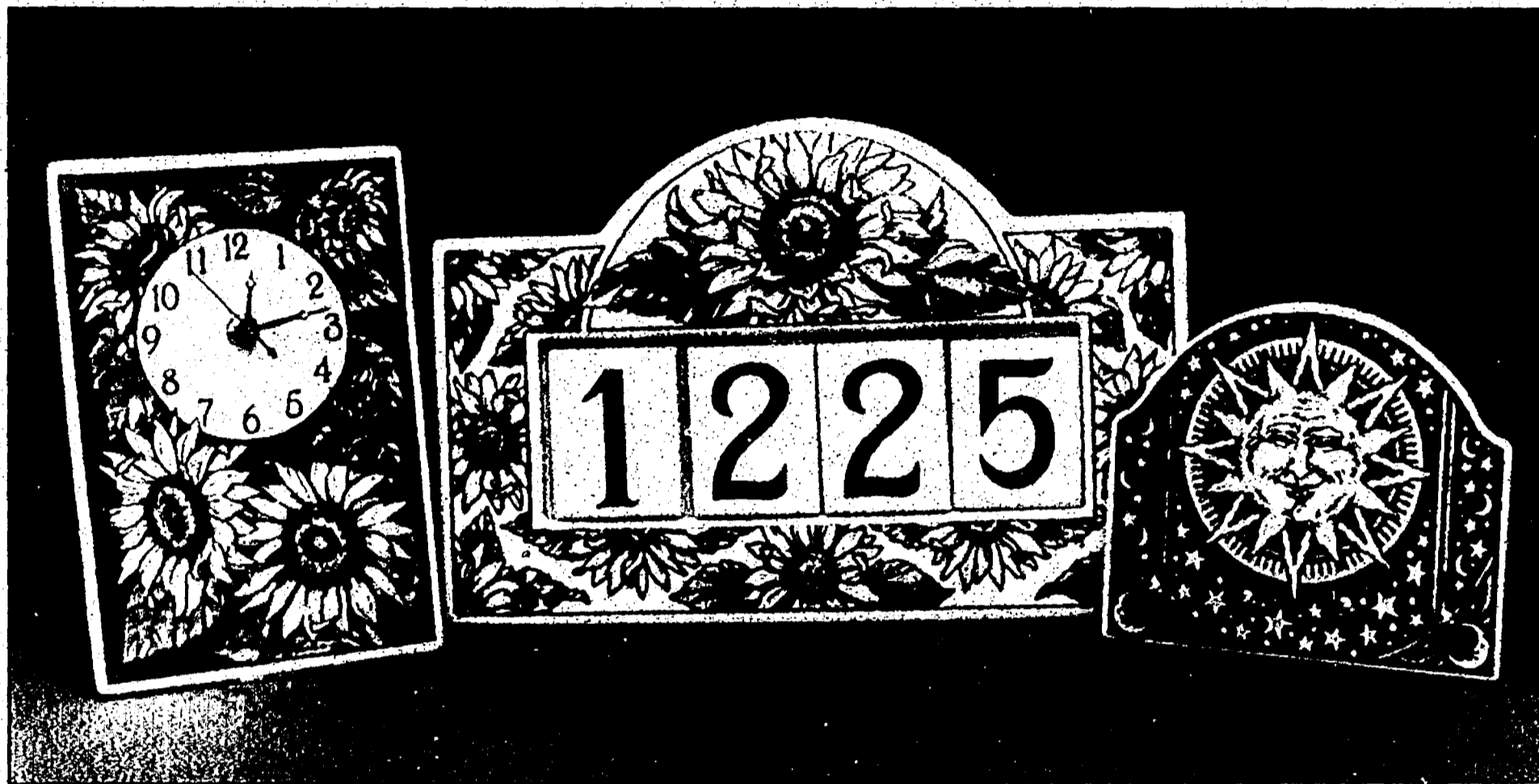
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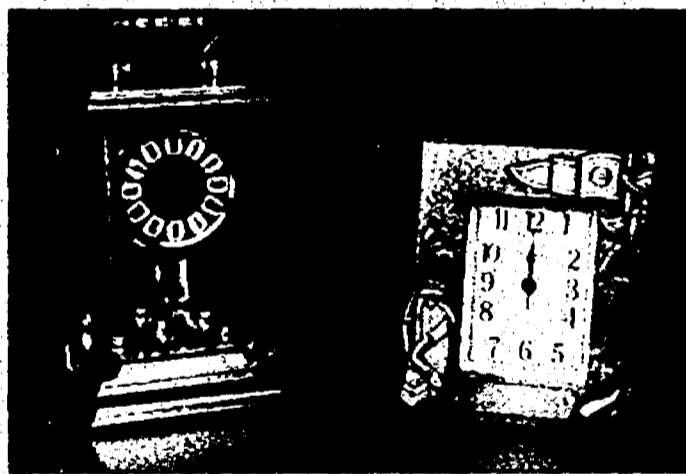
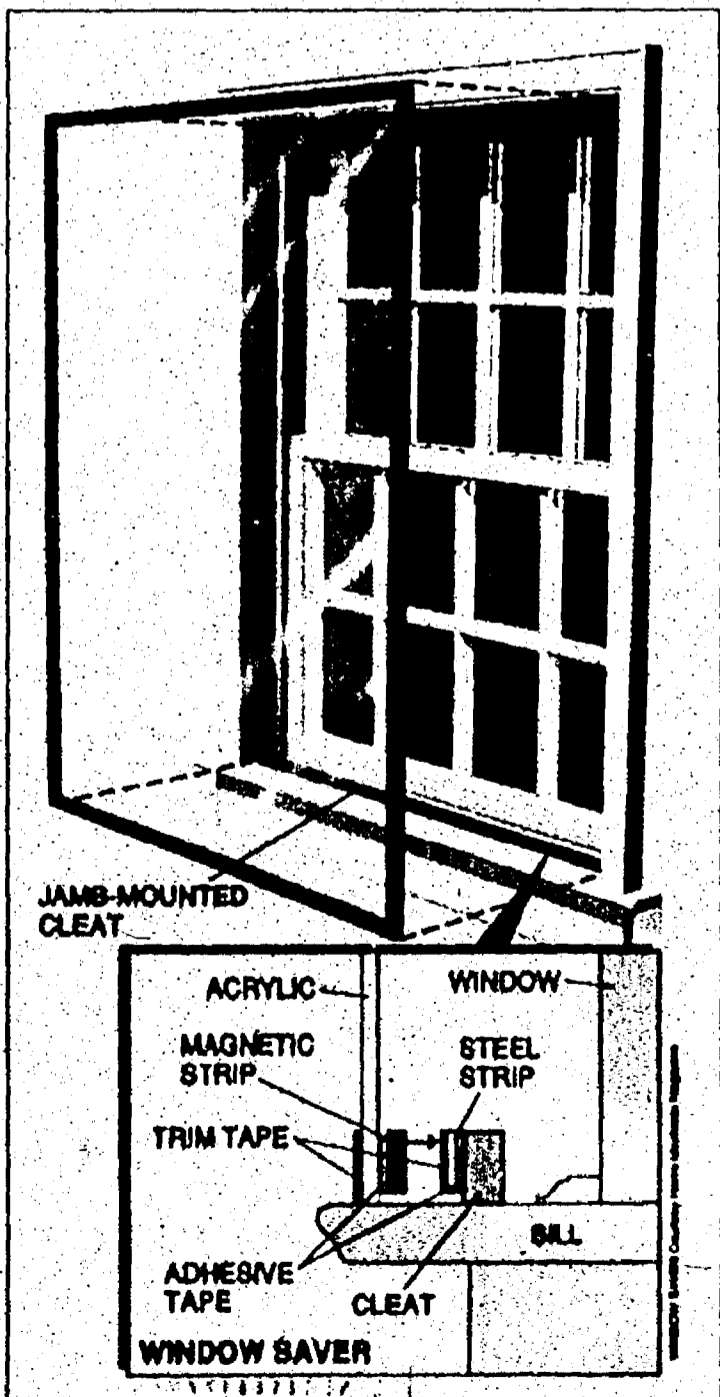
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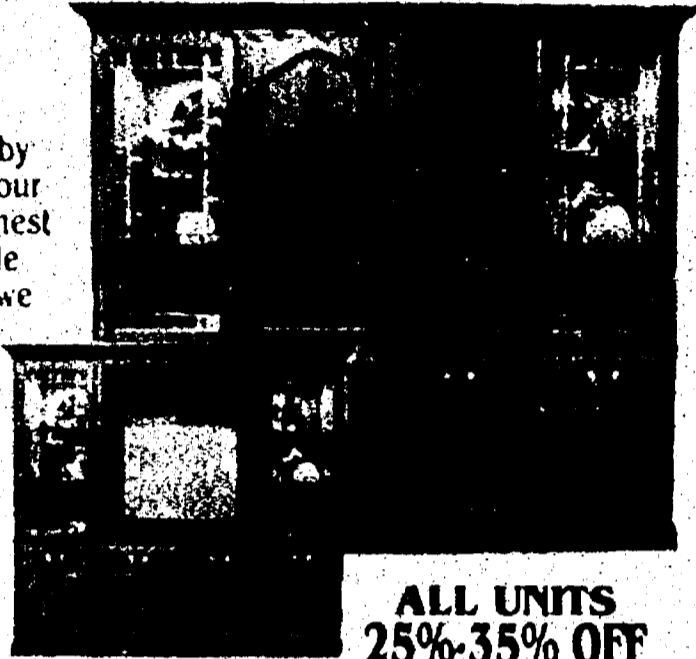
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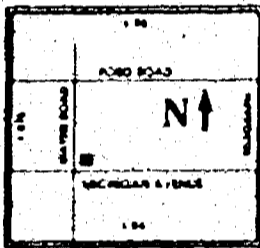
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stress, and more uniform characteristics than non-hybrids."

Why grow hybrids? Higher yield, earlier flowers or fruits, uniform size and appearance, and more disease resistance. Growers appreciate the fact that hybrids have better germination vigor; more survive this period and grow earlier and uniformly. As you choose plants for your garden, especially bedding plants, you can be assured they will be uniform in size and color and bloom in the same time period.

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Seed companies or breeders can then control the sale of seeds of this variety.

"This encourages the development of new standard varieties."

What about species and cultivars? Species is a group of individual plants that share many characteristics and interbreed freely. A species is identified by two Latinized words. To go back to the hybrids, when two members of the same species (with very different characteristics) are crossed the result is a hybrid.

A cultivar (short for cultivated variety) is a plant variety maintained in cultivation by vegetative propagation or inbred seed. Vegetative propagation (or asexual) is done by grafting, leaf cuttings, softwood cuttings and tissue culture. If a plant is propagated from regular seed, a mixture of genetic material would result in variations in the plant.

A named cultivar is written with a capital letter and is enclosed in single quote marks, written after the Latin species name on the label or any other written material where it is to be identified.

TIMELY GARDEN TIPS

■ Use the Christmas tree branches as a mulch on garden beds.

■ Take a cutting from a favorite houseplant to increase your stock.

Marty Figley is an advanced master gardener based in Birmingham. You can leave her a message by dialing (313) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, then her mailbox number, 1859. Her fax number is (810) 644-1314.

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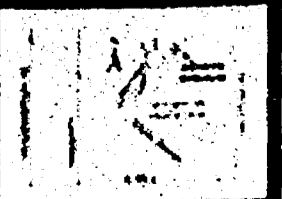
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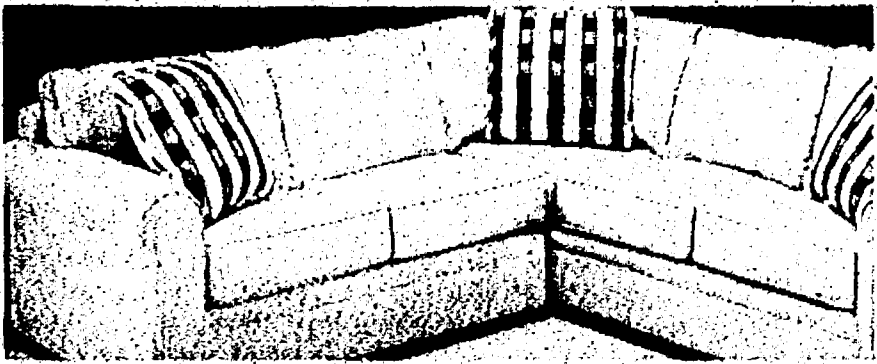
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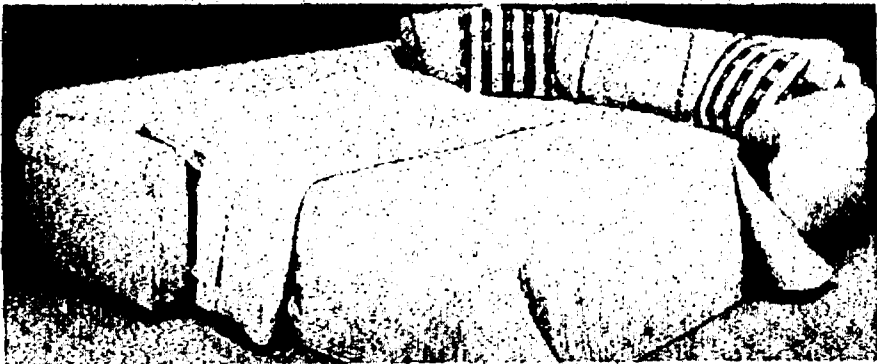
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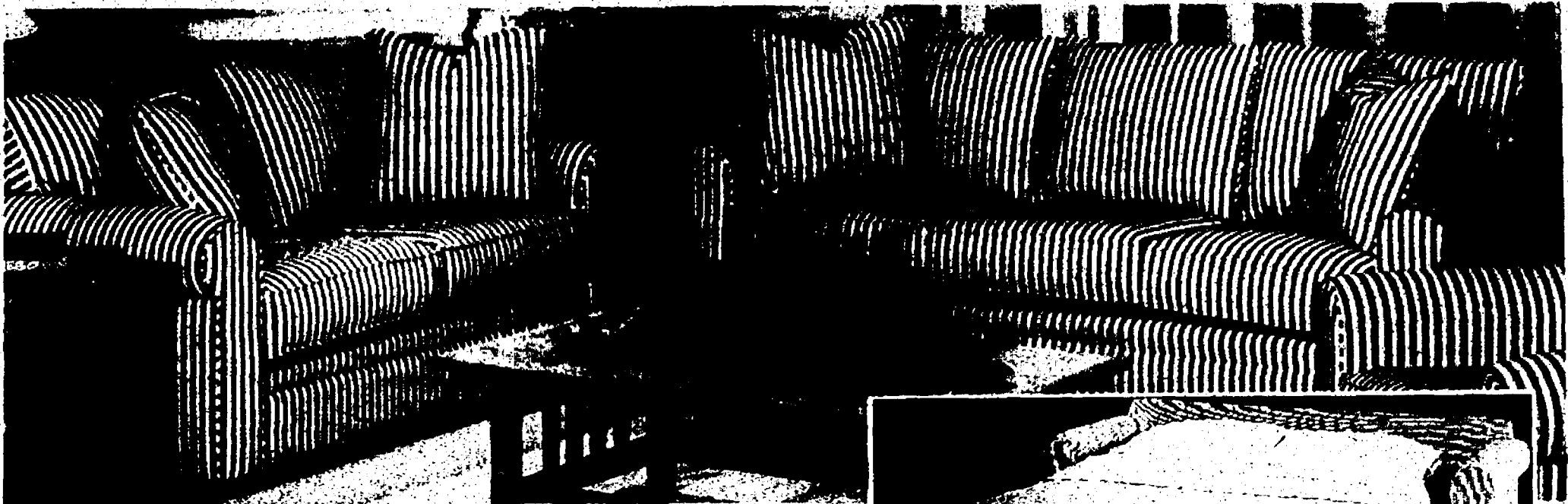


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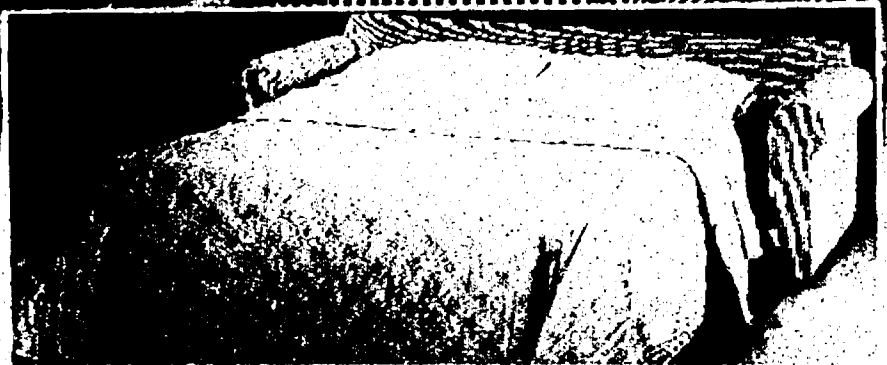
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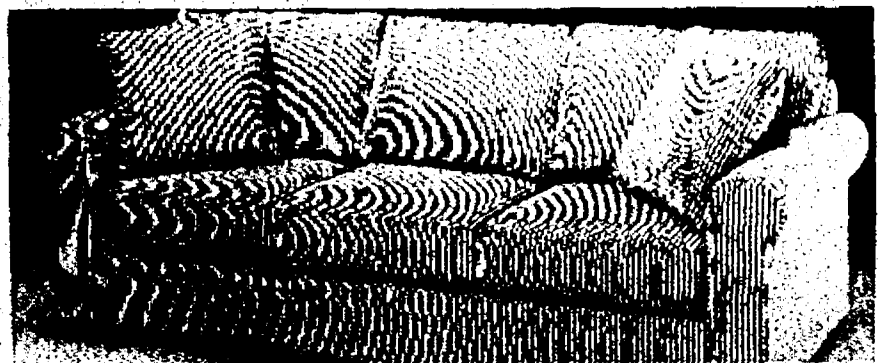
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BOOK BREAK

Reuther biography is penetrating study



ESTHER LITTMANN

"The Most Dangerous Man in Detroit" (Harper Collins, 1995, \$35) by University of Virginia history professor Nelson Lichtenstein is billed as the biography of Walter Reuther, president of the United Auto Workers for 24 years.

But Lichtenstein's 445-page book covers more than the life of the revered and resourceful union organizer. It is a penetrating study of the American labor movement, a narrative account of the epic struggle between workers and corporate management as the two parties fought over wages, working conditions and, most of all, control of the production process and price structure in the automotive industry.

At no time was this conflict greater than in 1945 during the UAW strike against General Motors. Basing its demands on corporate profits accrued during wartime high-capacity production, the UAW insisted on a 30-percent wage boost without an increase in the price of cars. The giant auto firm, declared Reuther, had the "ability to pay" and must guarantee that wage increases wouldn't be paid by the "wooden nickels of inflation."

In response, George Romney of the Automobile Manufacturers' Association articulated corporate America's

darkest fears by calling Walter Reuther "the most dangerous man in Detroit because no one is more skillful in bringing about the revolution without seeming to disturb the existing forms of society."

Early years

The object of such consternation was born in Wheeling, W.Va., on Labor Day even, Sept. 1, 1907. He was the second of four sons in a German immigrant working class family. Like his brothers, young Walter was exposed to all the vicissitudes of his family's financial fortunes as well as his father's brand of Debsian socialism.

Pre-World War I socialist ideology, Lichtenstein explains, was an organic outgrowth of American life, not an alien import. It took the moral high ground, proclaiming the dignity and independence of the working man and teaching that "industry, knowledge and socialist ideas go hand in hand."

Throughout his life, Reuther remained dedicated to his father's principles and to his close-knit family. As an adolescent, he and his brothers renovated the farmhouse that his parents were finally able to buy. At 15, he contributed to the family income by dropping out of school to do menial work at Wheeling Corrugated. A year later, Walter landed an apprenticeship in the firm's tool and die department to learn a trade. Higher wages soon followed, half of which were sent home until he was 21 years old.

In 1927, Reuther headed for Detroit, the boom town anonymous with

"speed, innovation, skill and power." After more than five years with Ford Motor Co. and a program of self-improvement, which included finishing high school at Fordson, Walter and his brother Victor traveled to the Soviet Union. There they worked at an auto plant and taught Russian workers to use equipment manufactured by Ford.

Full of enthusiasm for what they considered "genuine proletarian democracy," their letters home extolled the virtues of the Soviet system. Composed mainly by Victor but signed by both brothers, the Gorky letters were a source of embarrassment years later when the "workers' paradise" was exposed as a brutal regime of corruption and repression.

Aside from Reuther's marriage to the attractive and intelligent daughter of Russian-Jewish immigrants and the birth of their two daughters, we learn very little about the man's personal life. Ostensibly, his aspirations and activities were integrated with those of the union he shaped and led.

Thus, most of the book is devoted to Reuther's professional life, from the early, sometimes bloody, confrontations with corporate management to the later triumphs in collective bargaining with GM and Ford.

Reuther's relationships with high-profile unionists of all stripes are meticulously described and documented, as are his interactions with corporate magnates such as Alfred Sloan, Charles

Wilson and Henry Ford II. Rising to the heights of international fame, Reuther's work with four presidents, from Truman to Johnson, and his meetings with prominent European and Soviet leaders are portrayed in vivid detail.

Weathering the storm

By the time of Reuther's death in 1970 as the result of an airplane crash, it could truly be said that American workers had entered the middle class. No one could have predicted that only 25 years later, the union movement in the United States would lie in shambles, its membership laced with lost strikes and plant closures.

The rise of worldwide competition has certainly contributed to union failures, writes Lichtenstein, but the United States could have weathered that storm, as did Germany, Sweden and Canada. If this country had formed an independent Labor Party, Reuther's efforts produced results in improved working conditions and higher wages, but did little toward the structural reorganization of American capitalism.

To blame, writes Lichtenstein, is liberalism itself, foremost its inability to solve the racial conflict and thereby create a united front against conservative policies. In the end, the labor movement failed in its original ideological mission — to inculcate in its members the socialist principles of justice and solidarity.

Strangely, Lichtenstein says little about the economic hardships countries such as Germany, Sweden and Canada have faced in recent years. The welfare state, whether private or public, must fund the growing costs of social spending, often at the expense of business expansion. Nonetheless, Lichtenstein's book is fascinating and sheds much light on the economic problems facing us today.

Nelson Lichtenstein will be at Borders Book Shop on Southfield Road 7:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 26, to speak and sign copies of his book.

Esther Littmann, a resident of Bloomfield Township, is a lecturer of English and German at Lawrence Technological University in Southfield. As an only child, Littmann grew up regarding books as substitutes for siblings. You can leave her a message from a touch-tone phone at (313) 953-2047, mailbox 1893. Her fax number is (810) 644-1314.

Haberman holds home fashion seminars

Haberman Fabrics, 117 W. Fourth in Royal Oak, offers an extensive lineup of seminars and hands-on classes on creating home fashions for winter and spring 1996.

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MCCabe, manager of Haberman Fabrics' second floor home decorating department, is the source of much excite-

ment at the store. Joining the staff last November, with a bachelor of fine arts degree in fashion design and education, McCabe brought a wealth of knowledge, experience and enthusiasm and is engineering the expansion of the home fashion merchandise and educational programs at the store.

Poole, with years of design and upholstery experience, including fine antique pieces at Greenfield Village, is another bonus to the decorating department.

In Haberman Fabrics' winter and spring home decorating series:

Master the techniques of upholstery as you reupholster your own piece of furniture in class in six Saturday sessions. Bring a small item, preferably a chair, that will remain until the end of class. Choose sessions meeting 2-5 p.m., beginning Jan. 20 or March 16. Cost is \$60.

Learn the basics for creating your

own exciting window treatments and accessories in a seminar 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 27. Cost is \$15.

Bring your window measurements, swatches of the colors in your room and decorating ideas to share in a personal home design seminar 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 3. Cost is \$15.

Sessions in March will create a working Roman shade (10 a.m. to 1 p.m. three Saturdays beginning March 2, cost \$30) and a swag or valance window topper on a decorative rod (10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, March 23, cost \$15), and inspire ideas for tapestry accessories (10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, March 30, cost \$15).

In April, learn to make an impressive working balloon or cloud shade. The four sessions will be 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturdays. Cost is \$40.

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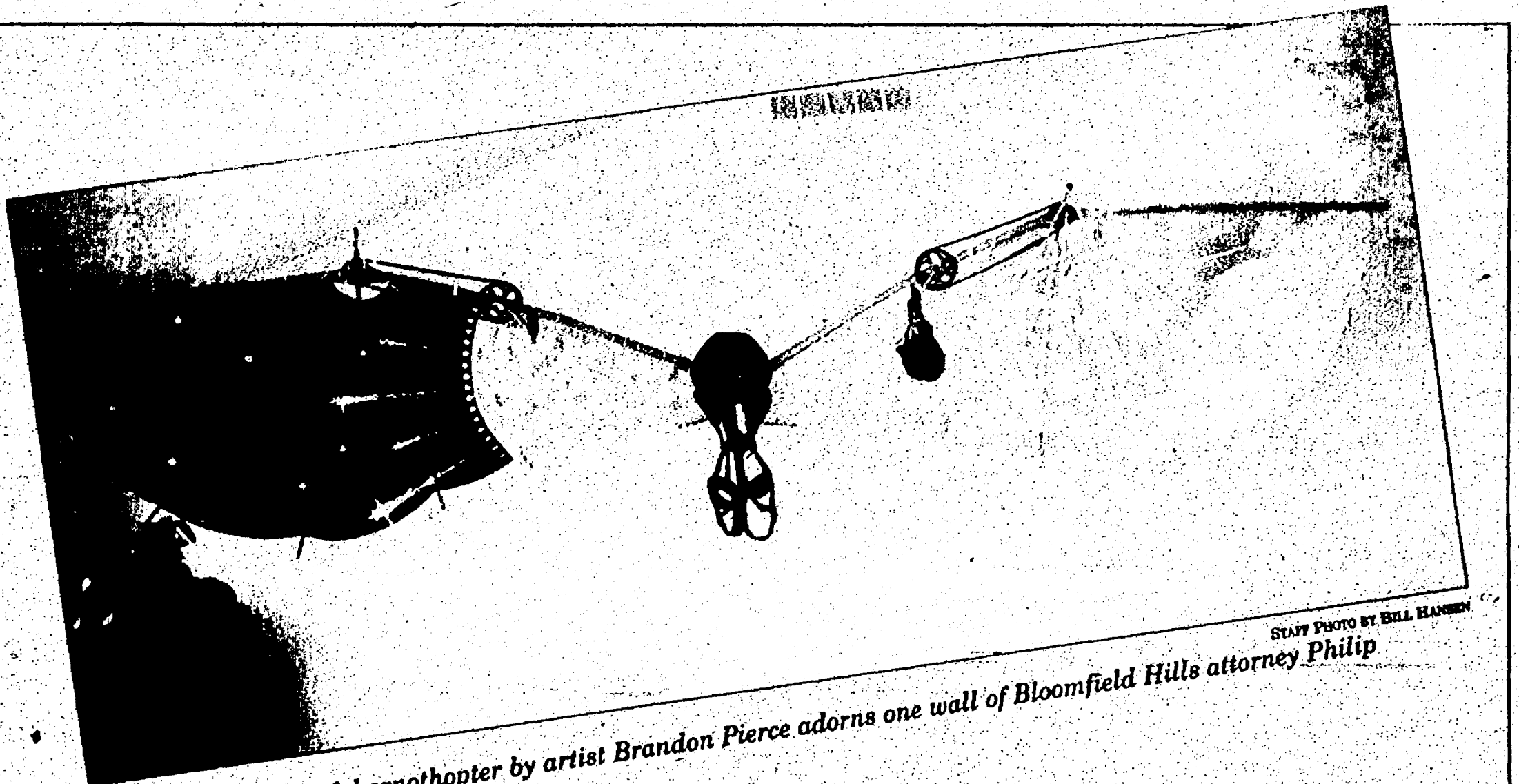
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COVER STORY



Winging It: This colorful ornothopter by artist Brandon Pierce adorns one wall of Bloomfield Hills attorney Philip Adkison's residence. STAFF PHOTO BY BILL HANSEN

Wings!

On the Cover:



Philip Adkison poses under an unusual art work at his home. The little flying machine by Brandon Pierce measures 19 feet tip to tip, stretching across one wall. Staff photo by Bill Hansen.

BY MARY KLEMIC
AT HOME EDITOR

Call it decorating on a wing and a flair. The residence of Bloomfield Hills attorney Philip Adkison features a spacious living room with tall ceilings and broad walls. To work with some of the space at one end of the room, the Adkisons commissioned artist Brandon Pierce of St. Joseph.

Pierce created a whimsical, wonderful flying machine — a giant ornothopter — that adds an unusual and attractive touch. The room contains white, off-white and black furnishings.

"What we really wanted was some color in this room," Adkison said.

"I had this design kicking around," said Pierce, who attended the Rhode Island School of Design.

Pierce combined such materials as ash, leather, metal, walnut, sprockets and grommets to form a graceful piece.

The art work consists of two wings stretched out as

if already soaring, a harness in the center and an arrangement of gears and wheels. It measures 19 feet tip to tip; the wall where it hangs is 25 feet wide.

One wing has a night motif, with a starry, dark blue sky and part of a textured moonscape. The other wing has a day motif, with part of a fiery sun, a light blue sky and puffy, white clouds.

For the harness, Pierce made a plaster cast of his own back. The finished harness is made of hammered metal and leather.

Handles, which were made to look used, are placed arm's length from the harness. One handle is on each side. Each handle is attached to a gear wheel, which is in turn attached to a bicycle chain and a smaller gear wheel at about the center of the top of the wing. A leather helmet hangs from one gear wheel.

The way the adjustable piece is held in place could be a work of art itself, with curtain cord forming a geometric ballet around it.

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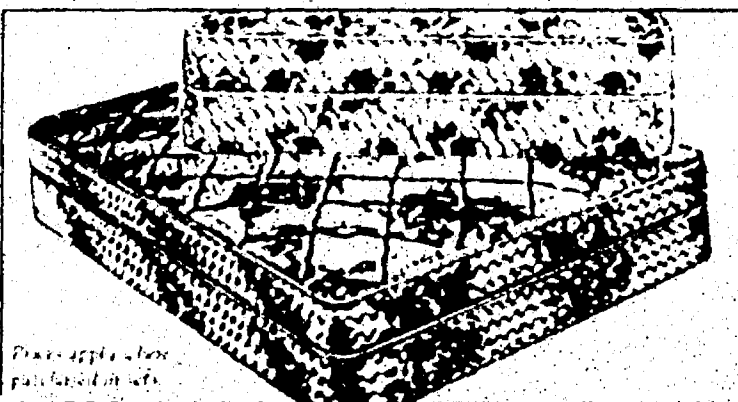
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RUTH MOSSOK JOHNSTON

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Beans, another word for pulse, are just what the doctor ordered. They contain calcium, iron, niacin, riboflavin, thiamin and small amounts of vitamins K and E. They're deliciously trendy and economical.

Quick soaking is how I like to prepare beans. Place picked over, washed beans into a pot. Be sure to remove any debris, stones, damaged or discolored beans. Cover beans with cool water and bring to a boil, keeping the pot uncovered. Boil beans for 2 minutes, cover the pot and remove from heat. Let beans sit 1-2 hours or until they appear plump. All types of lentils and split peas can be cooked without soaking.

Specialty food shops, ethnic grocery stores, and many upscale produce markets stock an array of beans pretty enough to place in glass jars and use as part of your decor.

For something different, try designer beans. My favorites are Anasazi Beans and Christmas Limas. Here are two sources for designer beans: Adobe Milling Co., Inc., P.O. Box 596 Dove Creek, CO 81324, 1-(800)-54-ADOBE or Dean & DeLuca Imports, 560 Broadway, New York, NY 10012, 1-(800)-212-7714.

PASTA AND BEANS SUPREME

1 1/2 cups beans of your choice — use three types (1/2 cup of each)

Navy beans, garbanzo beans, fava beans — or any three of your favorites

- 1/4 cup light olive oil
- 1 medium onion, finely chopped
- 2-3 cloves garlic, minced
- 2 ribs celery, finely chopped
- 1/2 red or yellow sweet bell pepper, finely chopped
- 4 cups beef stock or vegetable broth
- 1 cup sliced mushrooms (any type, try wild mushrooms)
- 3 bay leaves
- Sea salt and freshly ground pepper to taste
- 1 pound pasta (any type — ziti, linguini or spaghetti)
- Freshly ground Parmesan and Romano cheese

Prepare beans ahead. Quick soak so they are plump and ready to cook. Heat olive oil in a medium size pot, add garlic and onion. Saute until the onions are transparent. Add celery and peppers. Continue to cook until vegetables are tender.

Drain beans and add to pot. Add beef or vegetable stock, mushrooms and bay leaves. Cover and bring to a boil.

Reduce heat to a simmer and remove lid. Continue to cook beans until they are soft (approximately 1 1/2 hours, depending on the type of bean used). Remove bay leaves and add red pepper. Season with salt and pepper to taste.

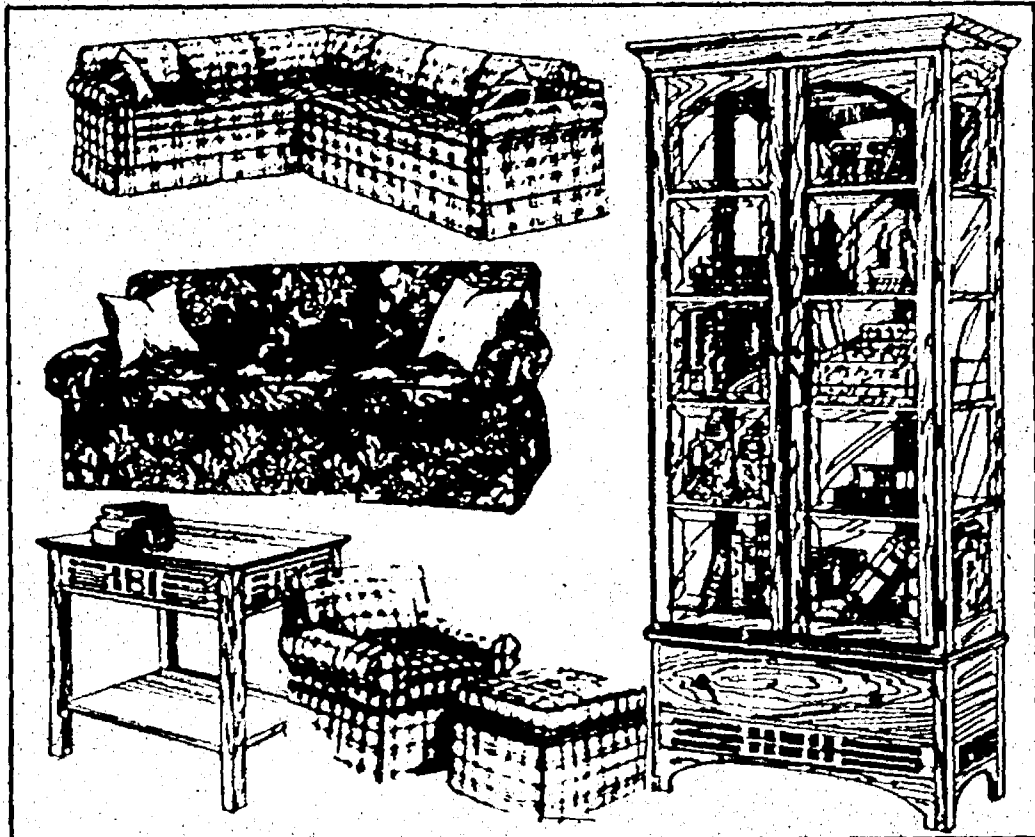
In a separate pot cook the pasta according to package directions (al dente). Drain pasta thoroughly.

Place pasta in a large bowl. Toss with cooked beans and freshly grated cheese. Serve warm. Serves 4-6.

Ruth Mossok Johnston is an author and food columnist who lives in Franklin. To leave a Voice Mail message for Ruth, dial (313) 953-2847, mailbox 1902.

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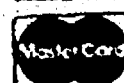
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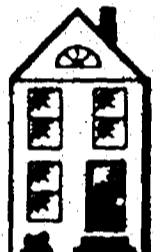
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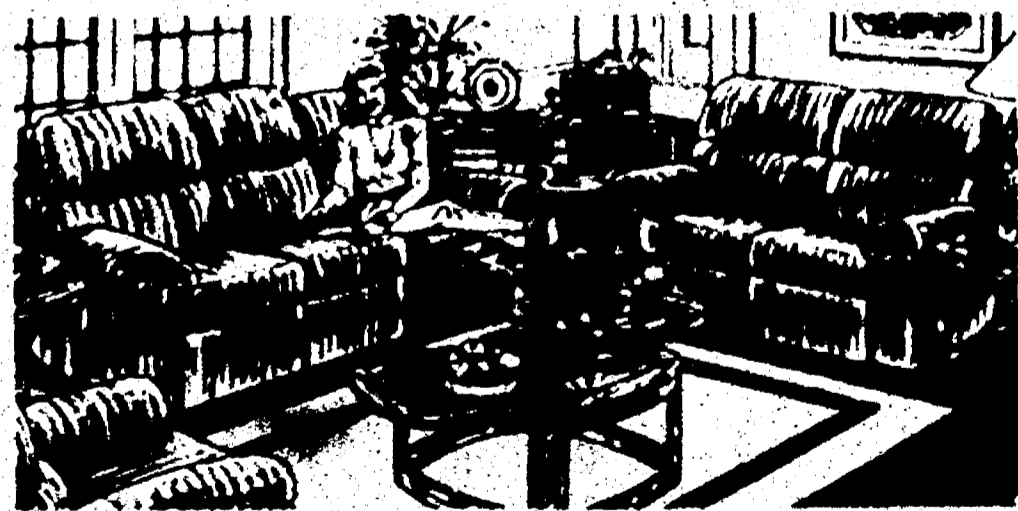
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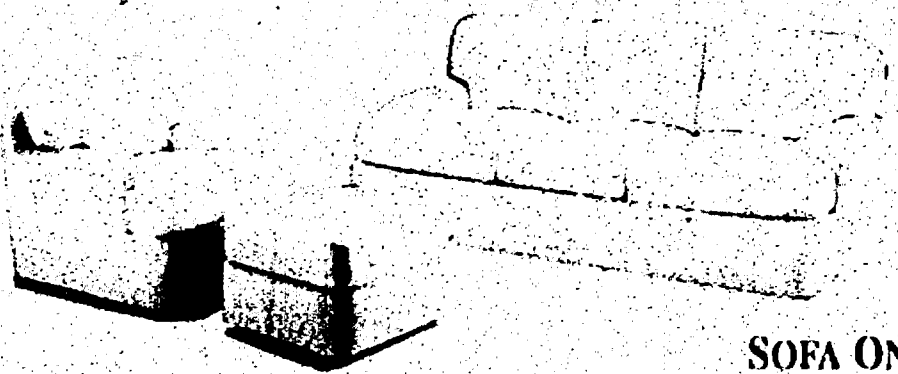
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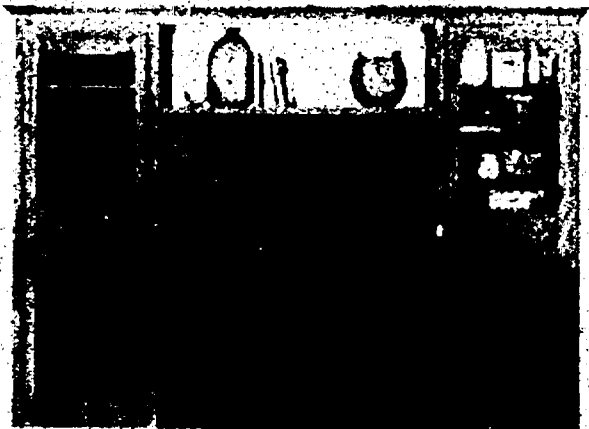


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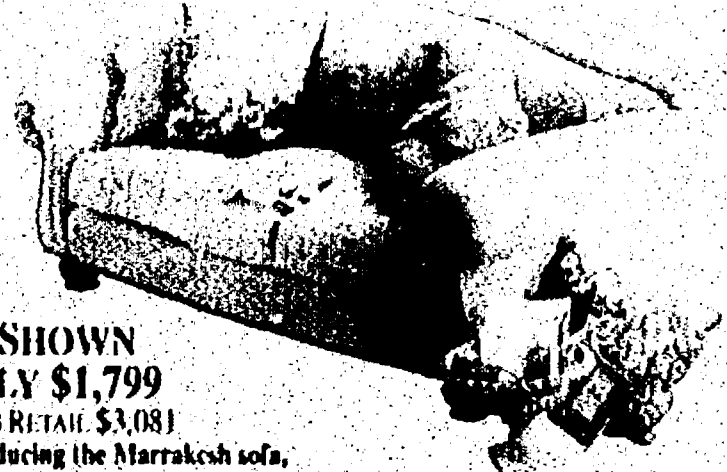
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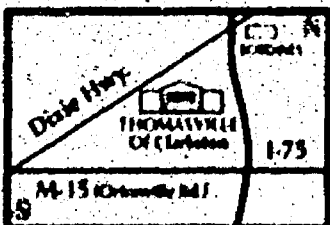
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Sielaff gets certification



Nancy Sielaff

Nancy Sielaff, a sales associate with Coldwell Banker Schweitzer Real Estate in Bloomfield Hills, has received the professional designation of Certified Residential Specialist.

Agents receiving the designation must complete required course work and demonstrate specific expertise in applied residential real estate marketing.

Sielaff is a member of the Birmingham, Bloomfield, Rochester, South Oakland Association of Realtors. She is membership chairman of the Birmingham/Bloomfield Women's Council of Realtors.

Howe tops \$15 million



Jared Howe

Jared Howe, a Westland resident and a 1973 graduate of Wayne Memorial High School, has topped the \$15 million mark in a personal financial portfolio that includes about 160 residential mortgages, U.S. Treasuries and state municipal bonds.

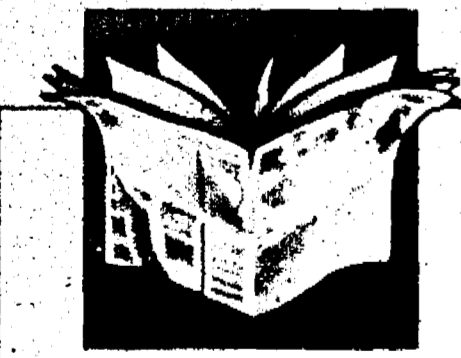
Howe also is president of Great Lakes Investment Group. He's mulling the possibility of opening an appraisal company here sometime this year.

Bennett certified

Michael Bennett, vice president of Trammell Crowe Co. in Southfield, has been awarded the professional designation of Certified Commercial Investment Member by the Commercial Investment Real Estate Institute. Bennett lives in Rochester Hills.

Jockett certified

Janice Jockett, an agent with Real Estate One Livonia, has received the professional designation of Certified Buyer Representative. Jockett, a Redford resident, is a multi-million dollar producer.



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REAL ESTATE

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Real estate outlook rosy for '96

By NORMAN PRADY
Special Writer

If you're looking for a pessimistic real estate agent, leave town.

If you're searching for a real estate agent who didn't love 1995, save your strength.

If you're dreaming of a residential real estate agent who does not say that 1996 will be even more lovable, wake up and smell the marketplace.

It's a marketplace riding an upward curve and refueling itself again and again with its own optimism.

It's a marketplace unlike many others in the U.S., where smaller and small increases in used-home values are expected and where you probably could find those lower-spirited real estate agents.

It's a marketplace where the median price of a used home is predicted to rise 4.9 percent in 1996, from \$97,003 to \$101,756, according to a recent report in Money magazine. ("Median" is the point at which there are as many homes priced above as below.)

And in this \$101,756 halfway-world, according to local agents and brokers, is opportunity both for buyers and sellers.

While the current and coming sales status generally is described as a "seller's market," many agents say that buyers, too, can benefit. The sooner buyers become owners, the sooner they have a chance to join what one agent calls "the appreciation process," riding their higher-priced purchases to even higher values in months to come.

Money credits "a manufacturing resurgence" for Metro Detroit's move up from last year's number-30 position on its list of the 60 largest Metropolitan areas to this year's number-four position.

(Preceding the metro area on the list are Salt Lake City, with a predicted price rise of 7.8 percent; Portland, Ore., 6 percent; and Charlotte, N.C., 5.5 percent. In last place: Los Angeles, 0.2 percent.)

In a recent informal and random survey of opinions about market conditions, conducted by The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, many agents said they thought the 4.9 percent was literally on the money, some thought it was conservative, and some had doubts.

Whatever differences there might be among the agents, they sing harmoniously about the bright days ahead.

Presented alphabetically by agents' names, here are views of what they saw in last year's real estate activity and thoughts of what might be ahead.

CHARLES AFLIGIAN, Realtor, Red/Max West, Livonia:

"Hard to say what's going to happen in '96, being a political year. Every year we have a political year, odd things happen. In '92, the market was down, that was a political year. '85 was a little on the softer side than it was in '87. Political years, there's a lot of nervousness with the buying public. I don't know if we'll see that. Maybe not."

AL BUTTS, broker, Red Carpet Homes, Birmingham:

"I saw the '96 housing market as exceptionally good."

"One of the problems that we did encounter, though, was that we ran into a lot of people selling their own properties."

"Most of this, I've seen in the lower price ranges. Probably under \$125,000, \$135,000. A lot of first-time buyers in that price range. The sellers'



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Moving houses: Realtors who stay focused usually have a good year whether the market tends to favor sellers or buyers.

net-out wasn't that great so they felt they couldn't afford to pay the brokerage fees."

JIM DUGGAN, broker/owner, Dugan Realty Inc., Livonia:

"There's been four or five percent appreciation in Livonia, so a house that was \$135,000 last year might be \$160,000 next year and the year after \$180,000 and then \$175,000. I moved here in 1966, paid \$13,600; in '72, (these houses) were selling for \$25,000; in '82, they were \$66,000, and now they're \$105-\$110,000."

EVELYN F. FORREST, broker-owner, Help-U-Sell of South Oakland, Royal Oak:

"I think a lot of the people who normally would have moved, refinanced and they need to stay a little longer to recoup their equity because they took some money out when they refinanced."

GORDON E. FOX, Realtor, Hall & Hunter, Birmingham:

"I think that '96 is going to be very good... the interest rates are going to hold... or drop a little bit, so that will encourage even more."

"(A cause of the current) limited inventory is that people trying to move up are finding that there isn't a comparable community around. If you had a house here in Birmingham, and even though it's an older house, and it's worth, say, \$260,000, and you want to go and find a larger home, and in order to do that, maybe it becomes \$400,000."

"But then you're out someplace where you don't have the community sense or feeling. So it's easier for them to put an addition on the home. For the \$160,000 difference, the addition will make the home comparable to the other one and retain the owners (neighborhood) comfort area."

"(As for Money magazine), it's a very large area. That could be the middle of downtown Detroit, where a house here that's \$300,000 you could buy there for \$37,000. If it goes to \$41,000, it's seen a 10 percent increase. The three most important things in real estate are location, location, and location. Location generally is per community, not per metropolitan area."

CAROL FRICK, manager, Ralph Manual Associates, Inc., Birmingham:

"I think continued low interest rates are going to keep growth strong. And I think that in an election year the government is going to do everything it can to keep the economy stable. And that bodes well for housing. Everybody who has the power to change the

economic factors wants to stay in office, so they keep everything as strong as they can."

"There's much less volatility in the marketplace than there used to be. People don't pick up and move the way they used to move. I think there's a difference in how people think and in what they expect of each other."

"It used to be socially expected to move up in housing every five or seven years. I don't think that's expected of people anymore. It people like the house they're in, they're going to put on an addition. You don't have to move just to prove... how successful you're being. So that socially competitive moving is no longer a factor."

SHANE HUSACK, marketing executive, Jack Christensen Inc, Troy:

"With the influx of buyers out there, there's not necessarily less inventory... it just moves real fast and therefore you've got more competition for the seller and that drives prices up."

A woman bought a house for \$30-\$36,000 in Madison Heights. Two and a half years ago, she refinanced it up to \$50-\$55,000 and put it all into the house and we ended up selling it this year for \$62,000. It's a strong market."

CHRIS KNIGHT, Realtor associate, Coldwell Banker Schweitzer Real Estate, Plymouth:

"I think the stock market being up meant people had a little more money than they anticipated. I think a lot of people were concerned with interest rates and when they started dropping toward the middle of the year, that obviously helped us."

FRANK KUEN, broker, Max Brock, Birmingham:

"Prices have been boosted up (by multiple bids). Because of the demand for homes, the astute buyers are very knowledgeable because they've looked and they've done a thorough investigation of the market, and now that they have an opportunity to bid on a new listing, they're not going to take a chance of letting it slip through their fingers."

"I think (the Money magazine prediction) is conservative."

"If there's anybody who is pessimistic relative to the real estate market here in '96, they should get out of the business."

BOB OLSON, broker-owner, Realty World Robert Olson Realtors, Canton:

"It was a great market. Seller's market, for the most part."

"In a buyer's market, buyers will pay more in interest, so if they pay a

little more in price now, they got on the bandwagon and becomes a part of the appreciation process. And the sooner they got into the market, there's the tax-deductibility aspect as well as building equity."

"Buyers should not be fearful of this market."

SHELLY SCHELLENBERG, associate broker, Century 21 Town & Country, Rochester:

"(In this rising market) we're seeing increases (in home values of) as much as 10 percent a year."

"I think a lot of people who bought homes as recently as one or two years ago are going to be looking to refinance in March, April, May. They'll want to watch out for the prepayment penalties (in their current mortgages)."

DICK SCHRAEGER, Realtor, Century 21 Advantage, Troy:

"(The year) went well and '96 will be the same or better. The buyers are there."

The question is if the sellers feel confident to take the next step to the next level. Entry-level buyers are eager."

"Inventory was much lower than in the past, but in years past when the inventory was higher, 40 percent of it never sold."

"(In the past year), I've seen houses sell in two, three, or four days, some with multiple offers and I've seen houses on the market for three to four months and nothing wrong with them. Now there's a good balance between inventory and buyers. There's no problem coming up with 10, 16, or 20 homes to show."

DARLENE SHEMANSKI, broker-owner, Better Homes & Gardens Quality Real Estate Properties Inc., Plymouth:

"Demand in the less expensive homes was very fierce, especially in Plymouth and Canton. When you got to \$300,000... \$400,000, those houses took a longer time to sell. We're anticipating the same thing for '96, as long as the interest rates remain low. We'll still have a large demand for houses under \$300,000, and the houses over \$300,000 will take expert marketing."

"I think (Money magazine's estimate) is conservative. Our prices in '95 rose at least 10 percent from January to December. As long as the rates remain low and the demand is as high as it is, I continue to see the houses under \$300,000 increase in price, especially in the western suburbs."

SUZANNE STEWART, Realtor, Countryside, Inc., Real Estate, Troy:

"There's more pressure on buyers: they have to react more quickly and bid higher. They proceed cautiously in the first ones and then they get realistic. They have to make their best offer. (But some) sellers think they can get anything."

"(Regarding Money magazine's prediction), part of that is because our prices have been so low compared with the rest of the nation. This area was noted for being very affordable."

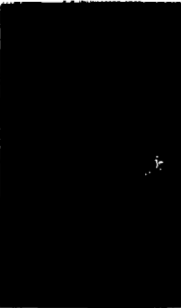
JAMES P. SUNDBERG, associate broker, Snyder, Kinney, Bennett & Keating, Birmingham:

"It was a very good year, from beginning to end. Confidence in the economy, interest rates, and the pent-up demand from people that were sitting on the fence for some time."

"And '96 looks as though it's going to be even better."

Ethics code covers conflicts of interest for managers

REAL ESTATE
QUESTIONS



ROBERT M. MEISNER

Q. I understand that the Community Associations Institute has published a professional managers Code of Ethics. Does it address the question of conflict of interest on the part of a manager?

A. Under item Number 6 of the 12 separate CAI Professional Manager's Code of Ethics, a manager is to "disclose in writing to the client any actual, potential or perceived conflict of interest if the client may have dealings with another party in some way related to the manager." The explanation corresponding to the paragraph provides as an example that a "manager (individually or through a company) may have a financial interest in the service contractor, supplier or professional firm which is being considered by that manager's client. Disclosure must be in writing and sufficiently in advance of the

selection process to allow full consideration of the possible conflicts and any alternatives. The fact that the client may still choose the manager's related entity is not a violation of the Code, provided ample disclosure was given." While this Code is not necessarily binding on managers in Michigan, those who have received designation by the CAI as a Certified Property Management Company should obviously be bound to this Code as should, for that matter, any other professional management company as a practical matter.

Q. I am so confused as is the Board of my homeowner's association regarding at-will contracts. Can you briefly describe what the law is in this state regarding a presumption in connection with at-will contracts.

A. Generally speaking, employment contracts for an indefinite period are presumed to be terminable at the will of either party for any reason or for no reason. This presumption may be rebutted where the employee establishes the existence of an explicit

or implied in fact promise of employment terminable for just cause only or presents evidence of employer policies or procedures creating a legitimate expectation of employment terminable for just cause only. However, an employer's written policy statements that create a legitimate expectation in employees of employment terminable for just cause only may be unilaterally modified by an employer upon reasonable notice of the change to affected employees. You are best off to have an attorney experienced in employment law advise you as to your rights and/or obligations.

Robert M. Meisner is an Oakland County area attorney concentrating his practice in the areas of condominiums, real estate, corporate law and litigation. You are invited to submit topics which you would like to see discussed in this column, including questions about condominiums, by writing Robert M. Meisner, 30200 Telegraph Road, Suite 467, Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025. This column provides general information and should not be construed as legal opinion.

Getting married? Here's a gift idea

MORTGAGE SHOPPING



DAVID C. MULLY

but I'll explain what I mean in a moment.

As we move into the new year, January and February are very popular months for bridal shows. It's during this time when many arrangements for weddings in the spring and summer are finalized. The bridal shows help the engaged couples settle on the details for their big day such as flowers, music, limos and formal attire. What many couples don't realize is that it can also be a good time to lay the groundwork for home ownership.

With all the preparations and expense involved in planning a wedding, many couples think they don't have the time or the money to buy a home. But thanks to recent innovations with mortgage programs (not to mention historically low mortgage interest rates), many young people may be surprised to find they can afford to purchase a home of their very own.

Today, many mortgage companies offer programs that make it easier than ever for low and moderate income couples (a classification that fits many newlyweds) to purchase a home. For example, most people think it's necessary to put at least 10 percent of the purchase price down in order to qualify for a mortgage.

But this isn't the case anymore. Now, with many mortgage companies offering affordable housing programs, you can purchase a home with only 5 percent down. And that's not all. You can also

take advantage of what is called the 3/2 Option.

The 3/2 Option means that 2 percent of the down payment can be supplied from a friend or relative as a gift. It can also come from a non-profit organization or local government program in the form of a grant or unsecured loan. In effect, all you will need for the down payment from your own funds is 3 percent.

This brings me back to my initial point about how the friends and relatives invited to your wedding can give you a new home as a wedding gift. Since 2 percent of your down payment can now be furnished as a gift, what better gift could you receive than to get help toward purchasing a home.

In fact, many mortgage companies are helping young couples set up a down payment "registry." Many brides will register at a local department store so friends and relatives can receive guidance on the type of gifts the couple needs. Your down payment registry is an account you set up where cash gifts can be deposited to be put toward your down payment. So, as I said before, your aunts and uncles can actually give you your own home as a wedding present.

If this sounds intriguing, contact your local mortgage professional for more details. Your mortgage professional can also help you obtain a credit report and give you some advice on the best way to begin the home buying process.

David Mully is a Senior Loan Officer for Source One Mortgage Services Corp. in Farmington Hills. Source One is Michigan's largest mortgage bank. He has specialized in residential mortgages in the Detroit metropolitan area for the last eight years. If you have any comments or questions regarding this column or would like some assistance in shopping for a home mortgage, you can call David at (810) 488-7664 or fax him at (810) 488-7590.

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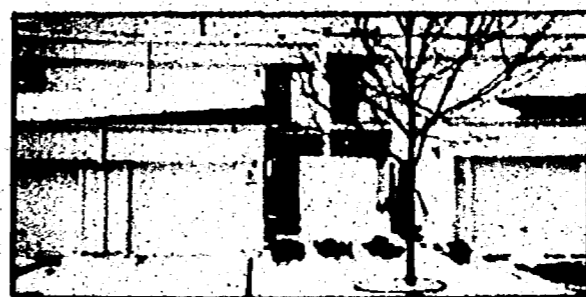
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There is still time on this 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath colonial that is being built in this new Canton subdivision. Offers a formal dining room and first floor laundry. (OE-N-36PHE) \$179,900 (810-347-3050)

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HOME BUILDING SEMINAR

Livonia Community Education and Oakland Builders Institute of Rochester Hills co-sponsor a seminar to help people build a house, vacation home or retirement home on their own.

The course goes 6:30-9:30 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays, Jan. 22 through Feb. 14 at Riley Middle School in Livonia. Cost is \$170 and includes a building textbook and course manual.

Topics include reading blueprints, buying property, financing, building codes and permits and insurance requirements. Also, benefits of wood frame construction, concrete and masonry, roofing and just estimating. Registration required by Thursday, Jan. 18 at (313) 822-9877.

OFFICE RELOCATES

Century 21 Towne Pride has relocated to 36450 Ford Road in Westland.

"This move will enable us to better provide the quality service our customers have come to know and expect," said Mary Larimore, broker/owner.

Century 21 Towne Pride has been involved in the Century 21 system for 20 years and supports various community organizations like Grant A Wish and Scouts.

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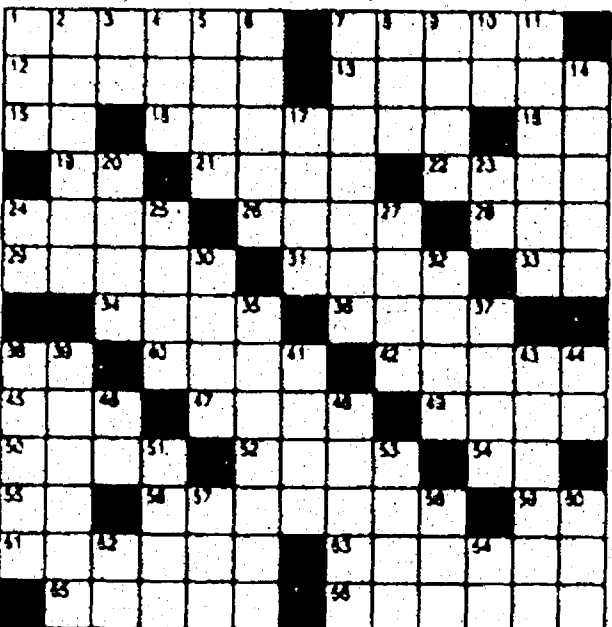
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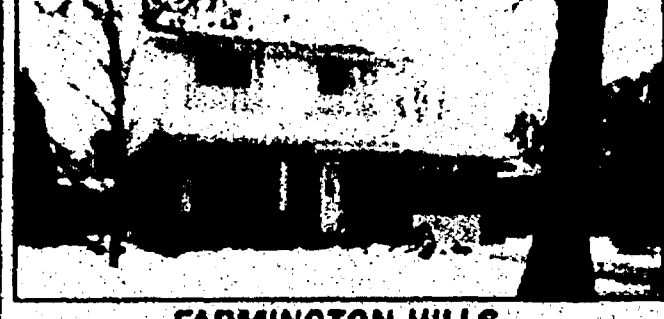
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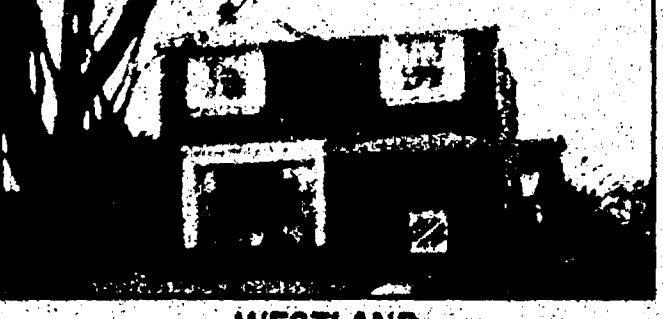
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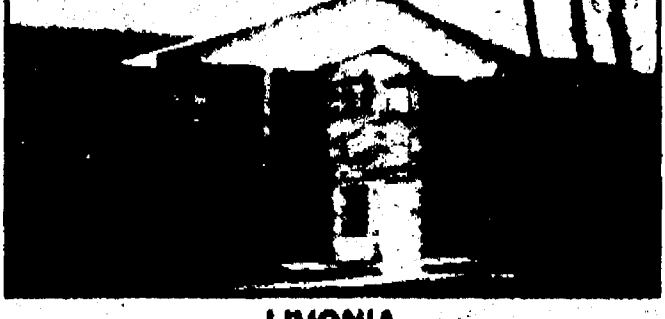
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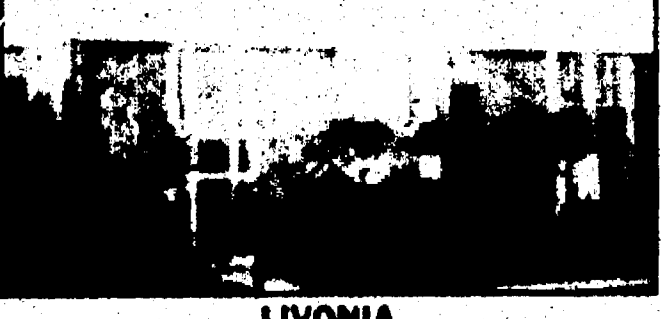
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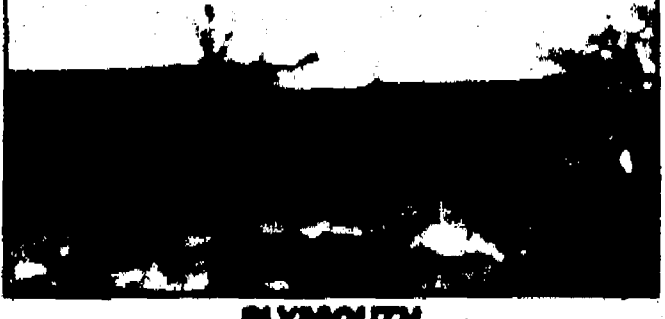
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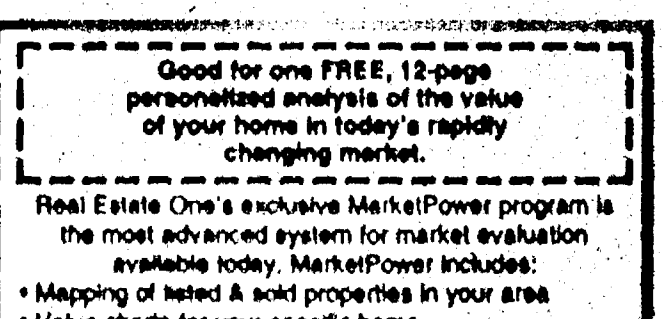
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512 Help Wanted - Sales

ACCOUNT EXECUTIVE

We are an aggressive leader in the communications industry and we are looking for self-motivated individuals to join our growing team.

We have immediate openings in several Southeast Michigan territories for individuals who are up to the challenge of building a territory from the ground up through:

- Direct Sales
- Lead Generation
- Client Base Maintenance

In turn, we offer base salary, plus commission and bonuses, as well as benefits.

Send resume to:

TELESTAR COMMUNICATIONS
Attn: Laura
3077 W. 30th St. #2
Livonia, MI 48152
Fax: 313-991-9118
Call: 313-991-9118

512 Help Wanted - Sales

CANTONS' HOT!!

There has never been a better time to be in real estate than now. Cantons ONLY real estate office is looking for a few good people, new and experienced. We have a GREAT PAY PLAN!! Call DAN CLEM

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These are 100% guaranteed wages!! M.P.I. has full as well as part-time jobs available in telemarketing. Call Today.

(810) 380-1700

REMERICA COUNTRY PLACE

CANVASSERS WANTED
Excellent pay, Weekend - Garden City, Mo.
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512 Help Wanted - Sales

MARKETING REPRESENTATIVE

John Hancock Financial Services seeks motivated individuals to market its products in the Detroit area. No experience necessary. "Fast Start" Training Program, financial package & complete support provided. Fax resume to: (810) 528-0620, Ext. 221

MORTGAGE OFFICERS

If you are enthusiastic, have a strong ambition to succeed and are willing to work with people, then you have what it takes to become an Originator with our company.

BENEFITS:

- \$24,000/mo. to start on our program
- Bonus
- Car Allowance
- 401K
- Opportunity for Advancement

All this and much more for those that qualify.

Some sales experience helpful, but not necessary. We will train.

Call Brian for interview: (810) 355-0477

512 Help Wanted - Sales

ROUTE SALES

Country's largest growing highest quality, wholesale based company manufacturer is looking to fill established route positions. Successful salary plus commission. No experience necessary. 2-3 days. Retail or grocery experience helpful but not necessary. Only retail, articles with good work and driving record need apply. FAX resume to: (810) 827-7605 or Mail to: Route Sales, 1978 W. 12 Mile Rd. #537, Southfield, MI 48078

SALES

Account Executive sales position available. Business Sales Management experience is helpful. Excellent communication skills is required in depth paid sales training program provided. For consideration, please forward your resume to: Branch Manager, Dean Weller, 17370 Royal Park Drive, Novi, MI 48240

SALES ADMINISTRATOR

Client based sales manufacturer. 2 yrs. & computer experience required. Full benefits & 401K. Send resume to: 1450 Jarvis, Farmington Hills, MI 48334

SALES ASSISTANT - great opportunity for entry level individuals with willingness to help. Some computer skills helpful. Temp-to-perm position in Farmington Hills. Call: 484-7978. ETO Temporary Agency. Equal Opportunity Employer.

512 Help Wanted - Sales

SALES REPRESENTATIVE

Michigan's largest USA based company is seeking a Sales Representative for the State of Michigan. This person needs to be a self-motivated, people oriented individual with excellent communication skills. Some computer skills helpful. Company auto salary & benefits. Send resume to: Sales Representative, Benco Products, Dept. 140, 173 Randall St., Elk Grove Village, IL 60007

SALES STAFF

Call for details

512 Help Wanted - Sales

TELEPHONE SALES

Full or part time. Salary plus commission. Excellent benefits. Farmington Hills, Michigan. Call: (313) 281-6544

TOOL SALES

Do you have experience in selling and precision tools? We need a good self-starter to sell inside. We supply all customers, except good work habits. Salary plus commission. Call: (313) 632-1515

TRAVEL CONSULTANTS

Friendly, outgoing, confident people for inside telephone sales, selling vacation packages. 20 hrs/week. \$10,000/mo. + commission. Paid training. Dearborn, Michigan. Call: (313) 278-4100

WAREHOUSE HELPER

Full time, 7:30-4:30pm. Detail oriented. Opportunity for advancement. Call: (313) 952-9654

WHOLESALE FLOOR COVERING

For Detroit and suburbs. Established territory. Great opportunity. Floor covering experience in 1980's. Call: (810) 756-2224 or FAX resume: (810) 756-3361

WHY WORK RETAIL? THE RUSH IS OVER. THE MALLS ARE EMPTY!

You can't make money there is no one to sell for! Our customers are still calling to place orders at the nation's largest dealer of home decorating products. Be part of our successful growing company.

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We are looking for experienced sales people to service our nationwide customer base. We'll provide the training, you bring your sales ability. Our sales representatives earn \$10,000 per year, working flexible schedules designed around their busy lives.

Call today!

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YELLOW PAGE SALES

Immediate opening. Established yellow pages publisher is expanding its directory division and has created additional sales positions in its yellow pages division. Excellent training provided. Guaranteed three year commission. Car & telephone allowance, travel, and profit sharing plan. Send resume to: Box 576, Traverse City, MI 49880

520 Help Wanted - Part-Time

SHOWROOM FRONT DESK

Household don't Earn money while enjoying a relaxing atmosphere. Part time position available. Flexible hrs. Application accepted at Kurts Kitchen, 12500 Merriman Rd, Livonia between I-96 & Plymouth Rd.

STOCK/FULL-BERIE ATTENDANT

Accepted at Kurts Kitchen, Good pay, flexible hours, 24 hr week. Call or Judy: 810-363-2340

SWITCHBOARD OPERATOR

Personnel part-time Livonia manufacturing company, entering a mature, professional field. Experienced in greeting the public & able to handle a 6 line telephone system. Hours 2:00-4:00, 1 day every other Saturday. Apply at: Almond Associates, 12001 Livonia, Livonia, EOE.

526 Help Wanted - Couples

ASSISTANT-MANAGER COUPLE

Dependable couple needed to assist in management of mid-size apartment complex. Previous management experience required. Good salary, apartment & benefits. Call: 313-261-7394

530 Entertainment

THE BRIDAL DIRECTORY APPEARS IN THE Observer's Community Life Section AND THE Eccentric's Suburban Life Section

The Third Thursday OF EVERY MONTH!

Whether you are a caterer, photographer, travel agent, florist, DJ, decorator, etc. with a product or service needed to create THE PERFECT WEDDING, you will reach thousands of potential customers when you advertise in our Bridal Directory.

For Advertising info. Call: Vanessa: 313-953-2008. From Jan. 21 - Effective Jan. 22, 1996 - New Bridal Directory. Coordinator will be: Heather 313-953-2099

ADVENT ELECTRONICS, INC. Inside Sales

We are currently seeking highly motivated self-starter with experience in the Electronic Component Distribution industry. The position requires excellent analytical, technical, and negotiating skills. Sales experience and a college degree are preferred. Adversely others an excellent compensation program, great benefits and maintain a drug-free & non-smoking work environment.

Please forward all resumes to: ADVENT ELECTRONICS, INC. Attn: Sales Manager, 24713 Greenleaf Ct., Farmington Hills, MI 48335

ADVERTISING

A local publishing company is offering a career opportunity for 2 motivated sales people. \$550 per year, sales oriented commission. Send resume to: 313-425-9533

ADVERTISING REPS

Fast growing advertising company is expanding! We are looking for 2 aggressive, money motivated people to hit the street & make over \$70,000 per year. We offer salary, unlimited commission and bonus. 810-478-2929

ADVERTISING SALESPERSON

With experience needed for fast growing business publication. Send resume to:

ADVERTISING BUSINESS JOURNAL

P.O. Box 260
Birmingham, MI 48116

A NEW OPPORTUNITY FOR 1996

Fastest growing company in Michigan is looking for a new Part-Time Salesperson to sell our products. Department. Our product is easy to sell and financially rewarding to our Salespeople. Our product is easy to sell and financially rewarding to our Salespeople. If you can close, come take a look at our \$15,000 per year. Call 313-875-2142 and ask for Leonard Johnson to learn more about this great opportunity. Equal opportunity employer.

Are You Serious About A Career in Real Estate?

We are serious about your success!

- Free Pre-licensing classes
- Exclusive Success System Program
- Variety of Commission Plans
- Join the #1 Coldwell Banker office

Call Pat Ryan at (810) 879-3400
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ARE YOU THINKING ABOUT A REAL ESTATE CAREER?

If so, you owe it to yourself to investigate why we are #1 in the market and best kept secret to insure your success. Look at our ad under Real Estate Professionals. All real estate companies are not the same!

512 Help Wanted - Sales

HAPPY NEW YEAR

Why not start 1996 with a New Career? Fastest growing company in Michigan is looking for Full-Time Salespeople. We are a top Producer, we have the perfect job for you. We offer a competitive salary with full benefits, and Residual Commission.

Call Albert, M.F. 9-5 at 313-973-5002 to set up an interview. Equal opportunity employer.

HIRING NOW - great hours. 2 shifts available. Monday work week, 9am to 4pm or 4:30pm to 8pm, 40 hrs. week. Excellent pay. Call Debbie at: 313-522-3773.

IMAGING TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS SALES

A rapidly growing imaging technology company is expanding its sales team within the state of Michigan. We are a full service developer of imaging technology with a focus on client education, training for systems integration and records management purposes. We are seeking a highly motivated professional with a proven track record of sales achievements. A college degree with computer systems programming, integration, and/or office automation products sales experience in the state of Michigan is required. This position offers an excellent compensation package geared toward individual income potential. Full training is included. Send or FAX your Resume to:

Business Manager
CEO Image Systems
255 E. Brown St. Suite 300
Birmingham MI 48009
810-642-8874 Fax 810-644-1183

IMMEDIATE OPENINGS for three senior, career minded individuals capable of participating on a dynamic team. People-oriented organization with average earnings, and a prime location. Call Chuck or Donna at (313) 553-0003. All inquiries held in confidence.

512 Help Wanted - Sales

NATIONAL FOOD COMPANY

We are seeking a part time & full time Sales Merchandiser, for the Birmingham/Southfield area. Applicants should have a minimum 1 year experience. The part time position is hourly, 20 hours/week. Reply to: Observer & Electronic Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft Rd., Farmington Hills, MI 48334. An Equal Opportunity Employer.

NEW CAREER?

Now is the time to make a change. **REAL ESTATE BROOKING**

We're looking for a few good people for new classes. Excellent Commission. On-going training. Saturday & evening classes. Call Doug Courtney of Chris Courtney

REAL ESTATE 18 OFFICES LOCALLY (313) 459-6222

NEW CONSTRUCTION

Sales Assistant 4 days a week including weekends. Great working environment with one of area's finest builders. Call: 313-495-1577

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NEW JOB For a New Year

Formosa 500 company is looking for 10 motivated people. Call: 313-595-0679

PLYMOUTH LOCATION - All time permanent position. Job requires: excellent verbal & oral communication skills, ability to work in sales environment, excellent customer service/sales experience & computer knowledge helpful. Computer training - 3 pm to 5 pm to schedule an interview. 313-410-1800

PROFESSIONAL SALES CAREER

Entry level position available at REAL ESTATE ONE. Michigan's largest real estate company. First year salary \$50,000 plus call. Entry Elements at (810) 477-1111

512 Help Wanted - Sales

SALES CONSULTANT/MANAGER

For creative and self-motivated individual. Call: (810) 642-9900

SALES

Guardian Alarm in Southfield has an excellent part time opportunity for individuals to promote and create sales from our current customer base. Ideal candidates will have previous sales experience, college degree and/or alarm industry background. Excellent compensation package including 401K, profit sharing, and a comprehensive benefits package. Send resume or apply at: Guardian Alarm, 18000 W. 14 Mile Rd., Southfield, MI 48078. Call: 484-7978. EOE

SALES MANAGEMENT

A management position can be yours after 8-12 months of specialized training. Earn up to \$40,000-\$60,000 annually. Responsibilities include: sales, service, customer accounts and supervision of a local outside sales force. You need to be articulate, energetic, organized, and a team player. Call: 810-442-1112

SALES OPPORTUNITY

Meet promotions, \$18,000-\$38,000 income potential. First year Company paid training. Excellent benefits. Local. Call: 1-800-238-0996

SALESPEOPLE

Outside & inside sales positions available for established starting company. Outside sales experience preferred. Excellent benefits, bonuses, car expenses & benefits should equal over \$70,000 per year. Call Dan at: 810-442-1112

SALESPERSON

wanted for established remodeling company. Must be experienced in residential/commercial remodeling. One call close. Base salary plus commission. Please call: (313) 535-4630

SALES REAL ESTATE Broker/Manager/Partner

Dynamic real estate company looking for top notch, hard-working manager with future income potential. Must have 5+ years with minimal investment. Call 9am-5pm. Ask for Jim. 313-459-6222

SALES REP

For printing company. Experience helpful or will train. Call for info: (313) 664-2244

SALES REPRESENTATIVE

Searching for a better opportunity? Join the industry of the 90's. We are a fast growing, progressive temporary help service and we are looking for a dynamic, people oriented, money motivated sales individuals. We currently have three openings: East of Detroit, West of Detroit and Ann Arbor. The career position entails prospecting new business, getting appointments, developing a customer base, and customer follow up. We offer a healthy base salary, excellent commission, company auto allowance & paid benefits. Some previous sales experience required. Send resume & salary requirements to: Sales/Rec. Manager, P.O. Box 2222, Eastpointe, MI 48021. Or Fax to: (810) 775-7665 or (810) 775-6552

SALES SUPERVISOR

Salary bonus & benefits. Supervise existing staff of Man rep. Rep. doing sales contacts for sunroom construction. Successful direct sales experience required. Call: 810-524-1500 or Fax: 810-524-2481. PERSONNEL DATA REPORT

512 Help Wanted - Sales

SELL AUTO, Home & Life Insurance

On our office 5 weeks paid training. Earn \$500 weekly base. Thereafter. No experience needed. Call: 810-559-1650

Sell The American Dream

Real estate is booming! We are looking for self directed individuals who are interested in earning potential with an industry leader. Training available. Call Laura Cantin 810-644-4700

START FRESH

In exciting career in Real Estate. The market is Hot! Call for information on how to get started. Experience preferred. Training. Earn while you learn program. Ask for: Gary Jones 313-453-0012

STORE SALES

Michigan's largest window covering manufacturer/retailer needs experienced sales representatives for our Rochester, Farmington Hills, and Novi locations. Must have sales ability. Previous window covering or home furnishings experience preferred. Hourly pay plus commissions. Many benefits including 401K plan. EOE. Send resume to: Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action, 23000 W. 14 Mile Rd., Southfield, MI 48034. An Equal Opportunity Employer or call: (810) 357-4710

SUPPORT YOU CAN COUNT ON

Join our team and discover the benefits that leading edge technology, progressive education, national reputation department, and a comprehensive training plan provides. Our Livonia office offers semi-private offices and full support. Call Dave Swell at: (313) 462-1811. COLDWELL BANKER Schweitzer Real Estate

520 Help Wanted - Part-Time

BOOKKEEPER, PART TIME

for established business. 12 hours a week. 13 Mile & Telegraph area. (810) 258-5740

BOOKSELLER WANTED

part time, must be a reader. Books Commission. Livonia - 810-471-4742

CASHIER

Sal. Sun. Mon. Midwest at full service Mobil station. Southfield area. Ask for Judy at: 810-353-2340

CLEANERS FOR OFFICE

starting. Farmington Hills. 8:30hr to 10:30am. Call: 313-344-1492

CLERICAL

Insurance office ideal for person re-entering workforce. 313-453-5800

COUNTER CLERKS - part time

after school or college. Choose your schedule & location. The Job Center, 313-537-8050

DATA ENTRY

Accounting office-based real estate company seeking part-time accounts payable data entry person. Please fax resume & salary requirements to: Human Resources, (810) 268-3480

DESK CLERK - 20-25 hrs/week

6-11:30pm. Raquette Ball Farmington 810-474-1313

JEWELRY SALES

Experienced necessary, commission based. Observer & Electronic Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft Rd., Livonia, MI 48150

OFFICE CLERK - Part-time, 2 days

8:30 to 4:30. Duties: 1800 accounts payable, computer skills, phone. Call Livonia area: (313) 425-7100

SECRETARY

needed at busy real estate office. Flexible hours, competitive pay. For details, call Tony at 313-369-2000

524 Help Wanted - Domestic

CARE-GIVER For Elderly Women

Live in. Good wages & benefits. Transportation. (9-5pm). 313-741-1601

CAREGIVERS - needed for elderly

Part-time weekends. Light housekeeping. Garden City area. Must have references. Call: 313-421-6004

CLEANING LADY

needed for a Farmington Hills bachelor's home. 1 day per week starting immediately. Minor shopping & errands are required. Please call: 313-425-2008. For Advertising info. Call: Vanessa: 313-953-2008. From Jan. 21 - Effective Jan. 22, 1996 - New Bridal Directory. Coordinator will be: Heather 313-953-2099

DEPENDABLE WOMAN

for general household & ironing. Mon. Wed. & Fri. Must have recent household references. W. Bloomfield area. Call after 6pm: 313-555-3683

GROSSE POINTE EMPLOYMENT AGENCY

313-885-4578

60 YEAR OLD BUSINESS SERVICE

Needs experienced cooks, Nurses, Maids, Housekeepers, Gardeners, Babysitters, Child Care, etc. Call: 313-533-5555

18514 Mack Avenue

Grosse Pointe Farms

LIVE-IN CARE-GIVER

For Elderly Woman. Good wages & benefits. Transportation. Call to 5pm: 313-741-1601

LIVE-IN HOUSEKEEPER

to care for home & children. Experienced non-smoker, some English. (810) 683-2292

LOOKING FOR land caring and nature woman (non-smoker) to act as creatively/room for my elderly mother in my W. Dearborn home while I am at work. Resume & references required. Please call between 6pm & 9pm: 313-553-1136

LOOKING FOR land caring and nature woman (non-smoker) to act as caregiver/Companion for my elderly mother in my W. Dearborn home while I am at work. Resume & references required. Please call between 6pm & 9pm: 313-553-1136

METICULOUS, MATURE person

needed to clean our 2700 sq ft home conscientiously. Located in Troy. Needed 4 hours a week every other Saturday afternoon. Interview requested. Call: 313-425-1909

MANY/HOUSEKEEPER

Live-in person needed for home in Dearborn Heights. Paid for my elderly mother. Must have references, dependable. Good pay. Benefits: 313-730-9119

NANNY - Live-out Caring and reliable

person to care for 2 boys (11 & 5 Y. old), starting March. Mon. thru Fri. 7 to 5:15 Mths/hourly area. Previous experience & references required. (810) 489-5575

534 Jobs Wanted - Female/Male

APARTMENT, HOUSE or office

cleaning professional. Mon. Wed. & Fri. Available weekly. Experienced & bonded. 313-737-5555

CARING, EXPERIENCED Nurse

Acts as mother with a excellent references desired. Call: (810) 506-7932

CHILD CARE in my home. Lots of TLC & learning. Schedules. 7am - 6pm. Mon. thru Thurs. Low weekly rates. Call Kris: (313) 721-2000

CHILD CARE

Westland mother wishes to babysit 1-2 hrs weekdays for 2 yr. olds & up. (313) 729-2231

MOTHER OF TWO

has openings for day care in Royal Oak. Mon-Fri. 7:30-5:30. Experienced, references. Before 6pm: 313-533-9477

POUSH GIRLS to clean & polish.

Looking for long term employees. 18 yrs experience. Reliable. Excellent references. Spring cleaning. Senior discounts. Call Dana: 313-533-6589

PROFESSIONAL, experienced home health care assistant & direct

care worker looking for someone to give care to. Call ASAP. (313) 273-6558 or (313) 396-2981

512 Help Wanted - Sales

CONTRACTOR SALESPERSON

Expanding distributor of building products has positions available for sales oriented individuals in the tri-county area. Salary plus sales bonus, 80% Sales Commission. Full benefits. Please send resume and references to: Observer & Electronic Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft Rd., Farmington Hills, MI 48150

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COST ESTIMATION

Trained to estimate. Design company. Salary, benefits, bonus. 810-524-1500. Daily Report

CUSTOMER SERVICE

Experienced only. Strong customer service skills. \$400-\$500/week. Full benefits. Apply: 8125 Telegraph, Room 104, 1st Fl. B.

DYNAMIC REAL ESTATE COMPANY

is seeking goal oriented, energetic sales oriented individuals for the industry's best training programs and complete marketing and support services.

In Birmingham/Beverly Hills. Call Terry: 842-2400

In Bloomfield Hills. Call James: 846-1800

In Farmington W. Bloomfield. Call Ann: 737-9000

In Royal Oak/Berkeley. Call Gary: 396-1400

512 Help Wanted - Sales

CONSTRUCTION SALES/RENTALS

Super Staging Corp., Detroit Branch, has an opening for a Sales Rep to aggressively market tables, chairs, and other furniture for home staging. Stage, scaffolding & hosting equipment throughout Michigan. Seeking a sales professional with 4-6 years construction experience. Excellent commission & benefits. Send resume to: Equal Opportunity Employer, Attention Manager, Fax: (313) 522-0340. Super Staging, 32095 Industrial Road, Farmington Hills, MI 48334. EOE/M/F/D/V

Consumer/Electronic Sales

Mail Order Company. 800 Sales. Full time. \$22,000 plus 10% commission. Full benefits. No Sundays or nights. Applicant sales experience helpful. Plymouth/Canton area. Call: (313) 453-4050

CONTRACT EMPLOYEE

WORKING IN BUSINESS. People with backgrounds in Business, Import/Export, Sales, Finance, Automobiles, etc. are needed. Concerned about future financial security more than your boss or company? Develop a lifestyle you can live on. We are seeking individuals in the "expanding" field of global network distribution. No job disruption! (313) 458-7747

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512 Help Wanted - Sales

IN HOME SALES PROS

Top earnings potential. No experience necessary. We are seeking individuals to represent in the Tri County Area. Contact Mr. Schorn. Resort Real Estate, Inc.

INSIDE SALES

Good communication skills. \$40-50,000. Livonia. Call Ann: 810-442-1112

INSIDE SALES REPRESENTATIVE

Nonres. Mortgage. One of the nation's top mortgage lenders is seeking a high energy individual who enjoys challenge in a fast paced environment to join our team. Successful individual will sell various mortgage products and services over the phone to customers in need of mortgage financing. Nonres. offers a complete benefit package as well as a competitive salary. Applicant must possess at least 1 year sales experience with the mortgage industry. High energy, self-motivated, able to set and reach production goals, as well as have computer skills. Must be organized. Degree in marketing, finance or related business field. Please send resume, cover letter, salary history to: Nonres. Mortgage, Inc., One 11951, 2000 S. State St., Suite 401, Southfield, MI 48034. Fax: 810-500-6251. No phone calls please.

JOAN & DAVID Somerset Collection Troy, MI.

Has a full-time Sales position available immediately. This opportunity includes 30-40 hours per week, benefits, 401K, possible advancement. Experience preferred and a flexible schedule is a must. Please apply in person with resume and references.

RITCHEN DESIGNER / SALES

Join the #1 Live Show Kitchen & Bath Show. The Great American Kitchen Co. & Bath Works team. Excellent pay, commission & services. 810-663-8965 Fax: 810-663-9655

LAWN CARE SALES

Eratico Lawn & Tree Care is seeking sales oriented individuals for residential & commercial sales. Experience a plus, but willing to train. Salary, commission, car allowance, and benefit package including medical, dental, and vision plan. Year round selling season. For a complete details, please contact Larry Dickson at: (810) 478-9393

512 Help Wanted - Sales

LEASING/PROPERTY MANAGEMENT

Licensed Real Estate Agent needed for single family leasing and general marketing. Successful. Competitive salary plus incentives. Call: (810) 478-1100. RICHTER & ASSOCIATED

LOCAL OFFICE of a national organization

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Shoppers can surf Web for car info at no charge

PR Newswire — Car shoppers can now easily navigate the vast universe of makes and models by tapping into the huge database of a growing online automotive service on the Internet's World Wide Web.

The Web site, called The DEALERNET(R) Service, offers car shoppers a wide range of information on more than 350 current and 1996 models at no charge. Shoppers will find specifications, manufacturers' suggested retail prices, and details about options, safety features, and warranties. Photos, graphics and, in some cases, video footage are also

on line. The service can be found on the World Wide Web at <http://www.dealernet.com>. "Our interactive search tool helps shoppers quickly sort through 4,500 pages of model information from 45 auto manufacturers to find cars that meet their

requirements," said Marty Rood, director of DEALERNET operations. "Car shoppers can also visit the virtual showrooms of dealerships at the site." More and more dealerships across the country are utilizing the Web site to showcase their inventory and services to interested

car buyers. From a virtual showroom, buyers can easily set up test drives or make inquiries about models and prices using the service's electronic-mail feature. "On a whim at about 10 p.m., my wife and I decided to check out the automotive information on the World Wide Web," says Brian Schroeder, a San Francisco Bay-area resident upon discovering DEALERNET. "We were amazed to find exactly what we were looking for."

The Schroeders used the search feature, culled their list to four cars, and studied the specification sheets and photos they found at the site before scheduling test drives. "The entire process was much quicker than tracking down

information from individual sources," said Schroeder.

The DEALERNET site can be accessed on the World Wide Web through CompuServe, America Online, Prodigy and Microsoft Network at <http://www.dealernet.com>, or by direct Internet access at info@dealernet.com.

DEALERNET was recently purchased by Reynolds and Reynolds, a Fortune 1000 company headquartered in Dayton, Ohio. Reynolds provides integrated information management systems and related value-added services to automotive, health care and general business markets. The company reported fiscal 1994 revenues of \$809 million.

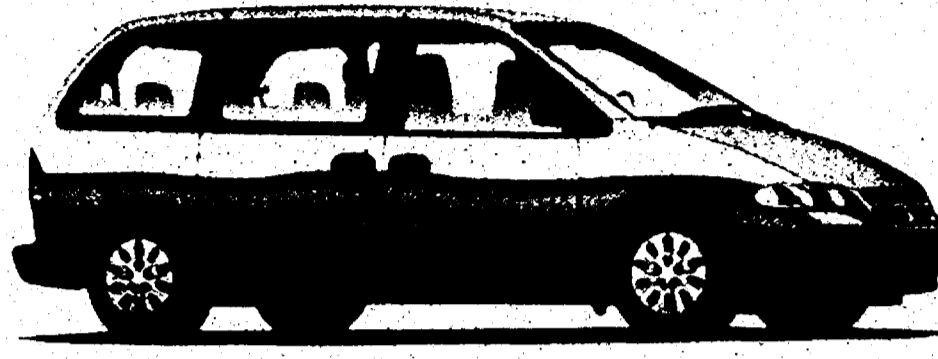
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Sport utilities are introduced

The list of production vehicles making their worldwide or North American debuts at the 1996 North American International Auto Show includes a wide assortment.

From entry-level economy cars to expensive, lightning-fast sports cars and everything in between, the auto industry is well-represented.

Sport-utility vehicles, including the first ones ever offered by Toyota's Lexus division and Ford's Lincoln-Mercury division, will play a starring role at the 1996 NAIAS. Toyota's new 4Runner and the 1996 AM General Hummer equipped with a turbo-diesel engine will make their worldwide debut. The next generation Jeep Wrangler makes its first North American appearance.

Indicating the increasing popularity of trucks, the introduction list also includes pick-up trucks and vans. Ford's F-150 pick-up, the best-selling vehicle in America, and GMC Truck's newest van, the Savana, make their worldwide debuts. Also making its first worldwide appearance is the 1996 Chevrolet S-Series sport side pick-up, which goes on sale

around auto show time. Luxury cars, likewise, take center stage at the auto show. Some represent the ongoing shift in manufacturing sourcing of luxury vehicles. For instance, Cadillac will debut the German-built Catera. Meanwhile, German maker BMW will display its U.S.-built Z3 as well as its new 5-Series from Europe. Honda's Acura Division will unveil its first U.S.-built luxury car, the CL. Buick will show the 1997 Park Avenue and LeSabre for the first time.

High-performance sports cars making debuts at the show include the Lamborghini Diablo Targa, Vector M12, Porsche 911 Targa and Porsche Carrera 4S. The NAIAS will be the venue for the worldwide debut of the Aston Martin DB7 Convertible and the North American debut of the Aston Martin DB7 Coupe.

Chrysler Corp. will display for the first time at any auto show a trio of Dodge Vipers: one that will pace the Indianapolis 500; the 1997 GTS Coupe; and the racing version, the 1997 Viper GTS-R. Chrysler further hints it has a number of other product reveals in store.

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Chevy's trusted nameplate offers much variety for '96

From the value-packed Cavalier, Lumina and Monte Carlo to the tested and praised Corvette and Caprice, Chevrolet is doing what it takes to become America's most trusted nameplate.

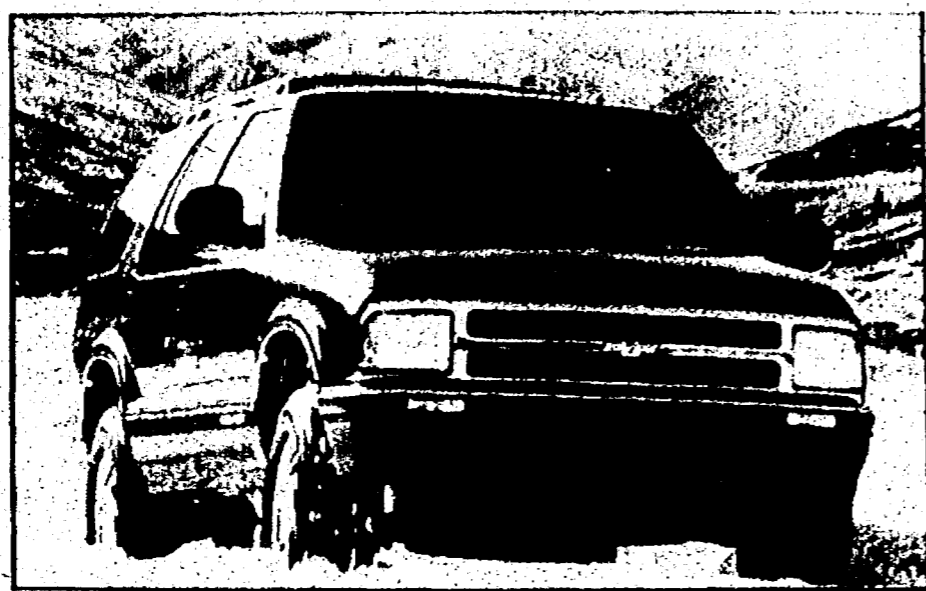
Cavalier - The 1996 Cavalier offers more value than ever, with features like the new 2.4 Liter Twin-Cam SPI engine, standard in Z24 Coupe, and available in LS Sedan and Convertible.

Lumina - Lumina for 1996 remains a contemporary, well-equipped sedan built to impressive standards, and is affordably priced. A powerful 3100 V-6 engine and more interior room than any Toyota Camry or Honda Accord sedan.

Monte Carlo - New for 1996 are radio controls on the steering wheel, standard on Z34, optional on LS. The performance-oriented Monte Carlo Z34 will have strong appeal to male buyers who will appreciate the refinements and additional performance of Z34's 3.4 Liter DOHC V6.

Corvette - Models help celebrate the final year of the Corvette current design life cycle. The new LT4 V8 engine is pure automotive adrenaline, with 330 hp C& 5800 RPM, a 10 percent improvement over its predecessor, the LT1.

Caprice Classic - Standard features include a powerful 4.3 Liter V-8 engine, interior room for six, spacious trunk and full-frame construction. Other features that make Caprice Classic one of the



Refined engine: Chevy Blazer boasts a refined V-6 engine, and five new exterior colors for 1996.

best full-size value in America include dual air bags, ABS and standard comfort features like air conditioning and an AM M stereo.

Impala SS - It packs a Corvette-inspired LT1 V8 engine with 260 eager horses. The look is mean and clean, with body-color grille, black taillight moldings and body-color wheel opening moldings, door handles and rocker moldings.

Camaro - A new, more powerful standard engine, the 3800 V-6 engine lurks under the hood in Camaro Coupe and Convertible, while a big 5.7 Liter V-8 returns for applause in Z-28 Coupe and Z-28 Convertible. A new, 2nd-gear select switch (V6 with automatic

transmission only) permits 2nd-gear starts for improved launch on slippery surfaces. Available T-Tops are a low-cost alternative to convertible models.

Corsica - For '96, Corsica offers ABS, a spirited 2.2 Liter engine and plenty of passenger room. Other standard features include air conditioning, power front disc rear drum brakes, 3-speed automatic transmission and AM M stereo.

Beretta - For 1996 key features include sporty style, affordability, standard ABS and a driver-side air bag. Several Beretta Special Value Packages bring together the options desired by most Beretta buyers at one low price.

Put 'tires' on your winter check list

PR Newswire - Now is the time to think winter and ensure that tires are in good shape to handle the cold weather and slippery driving ahead, according to America's number one tire maker.

The first step in winter preparations should be a thorough visual inspection of tires for damage or unusual tread wear patterns, according to Dave Cvengros, manager of passenger tire programs at The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company.

"Tires that are excessively worn should be replaced," Cvengros said. "An easy way to check tread depth is to look for treadwear indicators that begin showing up at 2 1/2nds-inch tread depth. Or you can stick a Lincoln penny head-down into the groove. If any part

of the head appears, it's time to replace the tires."

Checking air pressures is vitally important in winter, he added, because as outside temperatures fall, so do air pressures - as much as one pound for each 10 degrees when outside temperatures are 30 degrees or below. Correct air pressure also leads to improved fuel economy, longer tire life - and can help prevent flat tires, Cvengros said. Running a tire 20 percent underinflated - only four to five pounds per square inch - increases fuel consumption by as much as 10 percent and reduces tire life by as much as 15 percent. And the Society of Automotive Engineers reports that 87 percent of all flat

tires have a history of underinflation.

Vehicle manufacturer's recommended tire inflations (found on the door sticker or in the owner's manual) are stated in these "cold" inflation pressures. Tire pressures should be checked and maintained when the tires are cold, regardless of ambient temperatures. Always check air pressure before the vehicle is operated or after it has cooled down for a couple of hours.

"Wet, snowy or slippery conditions can present increased traction demands in the winter," Cvengros said. "A good visual check of tires to be sure of adequate tread depth, and checking correct inflation will help assure maximum traction."

Charity Preview to raise money for kids

The Charity Preview gala, which officially kicks off the 1996 North American International Auto Show, is expected to raise more than \$1.6 million for 10 Detroit-area children's charities.

One of the largest black-tie events in North America, the 1995 preview drew 13,527 people in 1995 and brought in more than \$1.6 million.

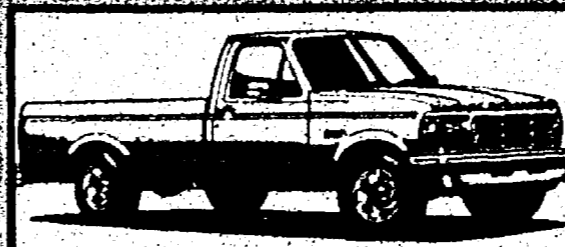
This year's gala begins with a pre-party in the Cobo Center concourse at 5:15 p.m. Friday, Jan. 5, followed by a brief ribbon-cutting ceremony at 6 p.m. when the doors open.

These charities include: Barat Human Services; Boys & Girls Clubs of Southeastern Michigan; Boys Hope Detroit; The Children's Center; Children's Services

of Northeast Guidance Center Assistance League; Detroit Institute for Children; the Easter Seal Society of Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties; Judson Center; March of Dimes; and the Detroit Police Athletic League.

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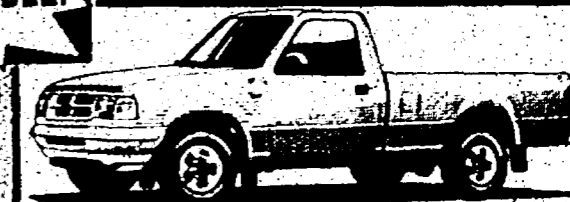
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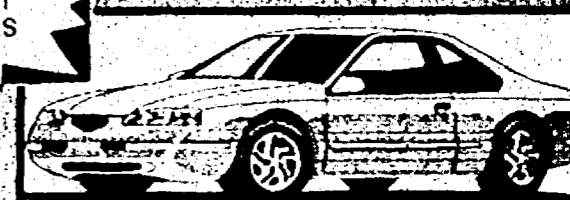
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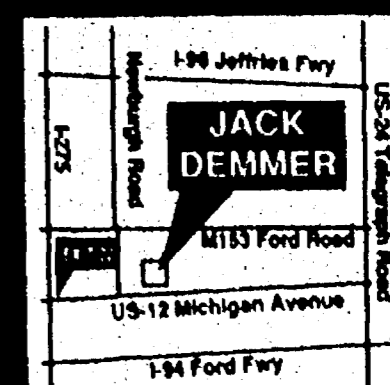
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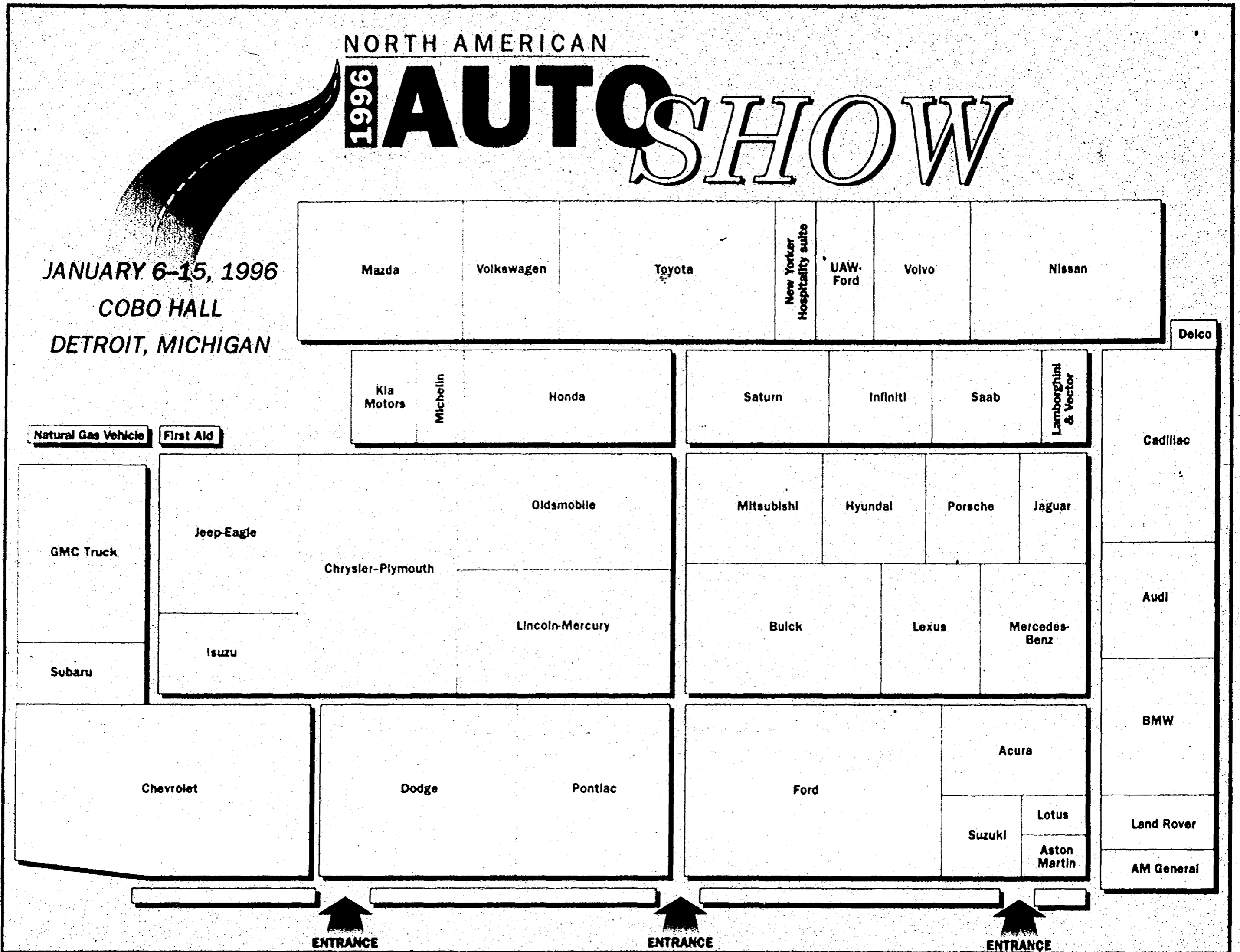
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Cobo to shine with 700 new cars and trucks

BY CASEY HANS
STAFF WRITER

All eyes will be on Detroit come January, as the 80th annual auto show opens at Cobo Center downtown. This is the eighth year the show has been an international event in the city.

Organizers of the 1996 North American International Auto Show said that since the show went international in 1989, not only has attendance leaped, but Detroit's profile has increased worldwide.

This year's show runs from Saturday Jan. 6 through Monday, Jan. 15.

"We put some big numbers on the table in 1995," said James P. Tellier, who co-chairs this year's

event with George M. Gorno. "For 1996, we want to top them all."

Tellier noted that more than 50 vehicle introductions are scheduled this year, and attendance from suppliers, press and visitors from around the world.

"Quite simply," he added, "everyone has come to the party."

In 1995, auto show organizers reported attendance of 693,569 for the 10-day show — the highest in NAIAS history. This year, the show will stay open for one additional day, with the final day of the show falling on a Monday — the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday.

Organizers said they hope that staying open for the holiday will encourage even more people to at-

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tend the show, which is expected to include six North American concept cars, nine worldwide concept cars and the introduction and unveiling of 31 new production vehicles.

More than 700 cars and trucks will be on display.

Show hours will be:
 ■ 11 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.
 ■ 10 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. Saturdays and on Sunday, Jan. 7
 ■ 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 14 and

■ 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 15, the closing day of the show.

Persons with disabilities may enter the show one hour early on all days.

Ticket prices are \$8 for adults \$4 for seniors 65 and over; children 12 and under are free when accompanied by a parent. Tickets are available through Cobo Center and TicketMaster outlets.

The show is coordinated through the Detroit Auto Dealers Association, with major financial

sponsorships from: Ameritech, Delco Electronics, Johnson Controls, Michelin North America and PPG Industries.

Manufacturer exhibits include: Acura, AM General, Aston Martin, Audi, BMW, Buick, Cadillac, Chevrolet, Chrysler-Plymouth, Dodge, Ford, GMC Truck, Honda, Hyundai, Infiniti and Isuzu.

Others exhibiting are: Jaguar, Jeep/Eagle, Kia, Lamborghini, Land Rover, Lexus, Lincoln-Mercury, Lotus, Mazda, Mercedes-Benz, Mitsubishi, Nissan, Oldsmobile, Pontiac, Porsche, Saab, Saturn, Subaru, Suzuki, Toyota, Volkswagen and Volvo.

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Corp., Michigan Natural Gas Vehicle Association, Suntera and UAW/Ford.

Other major events surrounding the auto show opening this week include:

■ A Black Tie Charity Preview Friday, Jan. 6 which is expected to raise \$1.5 million for Detroit-area charities. Call Detroit Institute of Children (313) 832-1100 x205.

■ Earlier that day, the Detroit Economic Club will feature Detroit Mayor Dennis Archer as keynote speaker. Call (313) 963-8547.

■ Automotive News World Congress. This conference of world automotive leaders discussing current issues runs from Jan. 7-10 at the Westin Hotel. Call (313) 764-5592.

Artists at work

Creative Studies alum have big impact on '96 auto show

If you like what you see at the 1996 North American International Auto Show, chances are you should thank a Center for Creative Studies alumnus.

Graduates of the world-renowned CCS transportation design program were designers for many of the cars on display this year, including some of the most important introductions of production and concept cars, like the Dodge Caravan, the Ford Taurus, and the Oldsmobile Aurora.

The design of the '96 Ford Taurus was credit to Douglas Gaffka (ID '78) the project's design chief. According to Gaffka, the final product used many ideas and design elements from Paul Hudacek (ID '90). Hudacek also worked on the Lincoln concept car, the Bentinal.

A showstopper, the new Mercury Mountaineer, was worked on by CCS alumni Gordon Flatto (ED '90) and Ron Steffley (ID '87). Steffley also helped design this year's Crown Victoria and Grand Marquis.

The design chief of AeroMax, Ford's commercial show truck, was George Bamber (ID '80). Dolly Cartwright, a 1986 graduate from the CCS Crafts Department, is the color and trim mana-

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ger for commercial trucks at Ford, and she is responsible for the color and trim for the AeroMax sleeper cab.

Chrysler boasts CCS alums as designers of two of their show cars. The design of the Dodge Intrepid show car was done 100 percent by two CCS alums. Bob Bonifacio (ID '83) designed the exterior and Ralph Gilles (ID '92) designed the interior. Mark Truette (ID '92) is credited for designing the exterior of the Chrysler LXH concept car.

Four CCS alums, including design chief Dave McKinnon (ID '88), Tom Odett (ID), Steve Holmes (ID '77), and Wallace Preston (ID '91) were among the designers who created the new Dodge Caravan, this year's Motor Trend Car of the Year.

At General Motors, Peter Lawlis (ID '86) worked on the Antara concept car and Oldsmobile Aurora.

The 1997 Buicks on display had a number of CCS alums contributing to their look. The Park Avenue and the Park Avenue Ultra had four CCS alums and one CCS student intern on the design team, including Brian Booth (ID '88), May Ellis (ID '83), Chris Gamble (ID '89), Gerald Durkin (ID '86), and intern David Gillespie (ID 194). Jim Fleming (ID '94) worked as an intern with Gamble on the 1997 Park Century.

Kevin Hunter (ID '82), a chief designer at Cally Design Research, Toyota's North American design studio, created the look for the 1997 Toyota Tacoma, which looks to be a big hit at this year's show. Also working out of Cally Design Research are: Dennis Campbell (ID '74), senior chief designer, who was in charge of the Lexus SC400 and Dave Doyle (ID), senior designer, who designed Toyota's Previa.

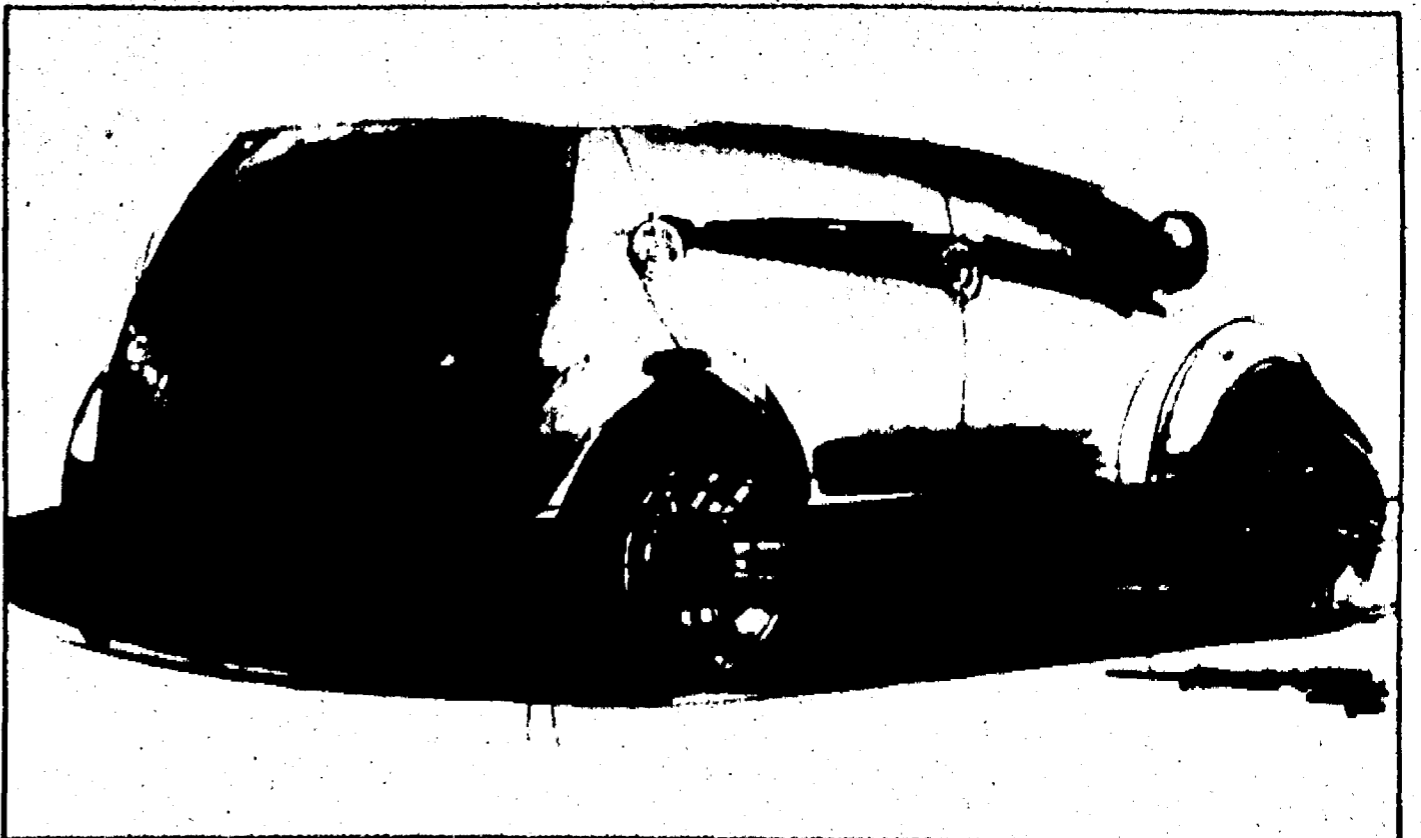
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Mini-van: Here is one of several sketches on display at the Center for Creative Studies booth at this year's auto show. The display is sponsored by Ford Motor Company. A number of CCS graduates are involved in the design of new vehicles being shown this year at Cobo Center.



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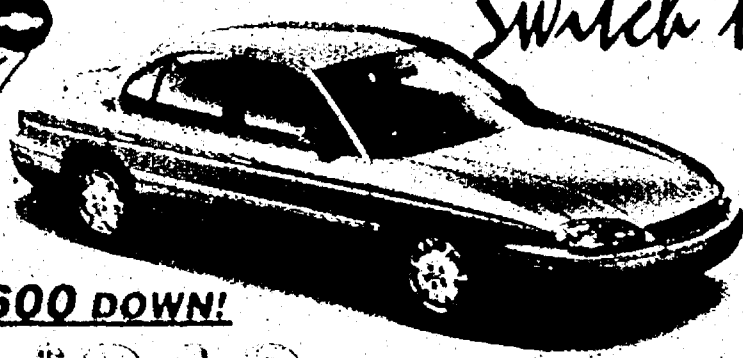
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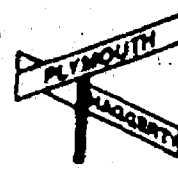
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Concept cars add spice

Concept vehicles are always a strong draw for those attending the North American International Auto Show, and the list of concept vehicles for the 1996 show is impressive.

It is not surprising that many of the concept vehicles announced for debuts at the NAIAS are sport-utilities, based on their popularity. Mercedes-Benz, Subaru and Mitsubishi will display their latest ideas for sport utilities.

Likewise, new ideas for popular trucks and vans will be displayed at the auto show. GMC Truck will showcase a concept pick-up truck; Mazda will display a prototype mini-van.

A number of concept cars also will make their debut in January, among them cars from Audi, Chrysler, Honda and Volvo. Ford Motor has announced it will unveil a concept vehicle from its Ford Division and one from its Lincoln-Mercury Division.

For the first time in North America, Lotus will show its Elise concept, which was a major hit at the auto show in Frankfurt this fall.

Following are details from the auto companies about cars being shown for the first time in the world.

Mercedes-Benz All-Activity Vehicle concept

Mercedes-Benz will reveal a concept design of its much anticipated concept vehicle, which will go on sale in the U.S. in 1997. It offers the off-road performance and ruggedness of an sport utility and well as the safety, comfort and on-road performance of a Mercedes-Benz passenger car.

Volvo C7 Coupe Concept

Volvo Car Corp. will debut its C7 Coupe. This world preview of Volvo's styling model is based on the company's popular 850 platform and offers a unique insight into future Volvo design trends.

Chrysler Division will introduce the Chrysler LSX concept

car, which combines heritage design with contemporary proportions and develops the thesis for the next generation of Chrysler full-size luxury cars. The LHX begins to explore the future direction of cab-forward architecture, featuring an extremely fast windshield and rear window, large 20-inch rear wheels and a sculpted silhouette.

Dodge Intrepid ESX

The ESX offers a glimpse of what a sport/family sedan could be in the next century. The exterior silhouette forms a singular smooth curve, which hints at an exotic supercar with a dose of the muscular Dodge Viper to stay true to the brand's performance image. Yet, the interior is as roomy as today's full-size family sedans, thanks to advances in cab-forward architecture. The body is 100 percent aluminum and the powertrain is a series-type hybrid.

Mazda MPV prototype

Mazda will unveil to the world a special MPV that is beyond a concept and more in the realm of a prototype. Its styling cues further enhance its sport-utility nature.

GMC Sonoma Sport Truck concept

GMC Truck will unveil a concept of a new Sonoma GT Sport Truck. The extended cab version of GMC's popular small truck is expected to go into production in the next few years.

Following are details from the auto companies about cars being shown for the first time in North America:

Audi TTS Convertible

The Audi TTS, shown for the first time in North America, is a roadster conceived by Audi's young team of designers and engineers. It is a variation on the Audi TT Coupe theme first presented at the Frankfurt Motor Show.

The Audi TTS features integral roll bars over which a soft fabric top can be stretched in tent-like fashion. It is equipped with a powerful 1.8-liter, five valves per cylinder, 210 horsepower, four-cylinder engine.

Honda SSM

Honda will bring to North America for the first time its SSM concept car, shown in November at the Tokyo Motor Show. The SSM—sport study model—is the Honda design team's expression of the company's unique interpretation of vehicle control. Powered by an in-line, 2.0-liter, five cylinder front engine, the rear-drive SSM provides the driver with direct response and superb linearity.

Mitsubishi GAUS

The Global Adventure Utility System will make its North American debut at the auto show, after premiering at the Tokyo Motor Show in October. The GAUS is a new-age recreational vehicle. The aim was to produce a roomy cabin, made possible via the long wheelbase and cab-forward layout, in a highly maneuverable, compact body.

The front and rear curbside doors feature a new mechanism that allows part of the door to slide up into the roof while the lower half turns into a retractable step. Other innovative features include front seats which rotate 180 degrees to face to the rear and driver and passenger-side airbags as well as side airbags built into all seats.

Subaru sport-utility concept

The auto show will mark the debut of a sport utility concept vehicle from Subaru of America. Based on the Streega concept vehicle shown at international auto shows in Frankfurt and Tokyo, the multi-purpose, 4-wheel-drive vehicle will be customized for the U.S. market. The concept vehicle stresses features Subaru advertises on its current line of vehicles: active safety, traction control and a horizontally opposed engine for a better center of gravity.

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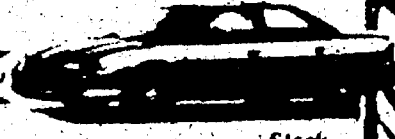
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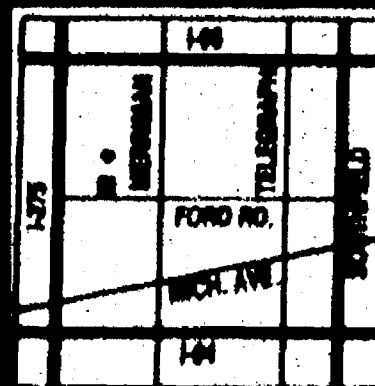
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Dodge Viper is '96 Indy Pace car

In 1991, a car unlike any other appeared at the front of the Indianapolis 500 field. Fast, loud and unrestrained, it reintroduced the classic American sports car and showcased the beginning of a Chrysler Corporation product renaissance. On May 26, 1991, one of the first chapters in the history of Dodge Viper RT 10 was written.

Fast-forward exactly five years

to May 26, 1996 where Viper historians will pen another exciting chapter in the car's short, but storied, history as the 1996 Dodge Viper GTS Coupe will pace the 80th running of the Indianapolis 500.

The 1996 Indy 500 marks the first public introduction of the next generation Of Viper: the GTS Coupe. The metallic blue Viper will not require any power-

train modifications to meet the Indy pace car standards and is nearly identical to the production version due out in the Spring of 1996.

After the overwhelmingly positive reaction following Viper's debut as a concept car at the 1989 North American Show.

The first and most noticeable changes in the 1996 Viper are three new exterior design themes.

Customers will have a choice of red exterior paint with yellow five-spoke wheels and yellow Viper logo decals; black exterior paint with a silver center stripe and polished aluminum five-spoke wheels; or stone white exterior paint with a blue pearl center stripe and white five-spoke wheels. All previous color choices will be retired at the end of the 1995 model year run.

Interior changes include red leather-wrapped steering wheel, transmission shifter knob and hand brake with the red and yellow exterior theme; and blue leather-wrapped steering wheel, transmission shifter knob and hand brake with white exterior paint and blue pearl stripe. A new all-black interior will be provided with the black exterior paint and silver stripe.

Ford trucks add appeal

Ford Motor adds even greater appeal to its products for 1996.

The F-Series full-size pick-up offers a wide variety of body and cab styles, wheelbases and power-train combinations for 1996. On 4-wheel-drive models, the hub-locking system is modified for greater durability.

"Signal mirrors" seen on the Ford GT90 concept car get their first "real world" use on the 1996 Bronco. The mirrors are standard on the Bronco XLT Sport and optional on XLT and Eddie Bauer models.

The 1996 Ranger maintains its wide choice of models. It is also first in its class to offer an optional passenger air bag to supplement the safety belt and complement the standard driver's side air bag. All Ranger models now have a 100,000-mile scheduled tune-up interval under normal driving conditions with routine fluid and filter changes.

Ford Explorer offers V-8 power for the first time in 1996. While the 4.0-liter V-6 remains the primary engine on the Explorer, a 5.0-liter V-8 can be ordered on XLT, two-wheel-drive models equipped with a four-speed automatic transmission. Along with the expanded engine line-up, Explorer provides standard dual air bags to supplement the safety belts.

Improvements to engines and transmissions are seen in Econoline cargo vans and Club Series full-size passenger vans in 1996. In addition, four new metallic clearcoat paint colors are available, and lighter, 15-inch wheel covers are standard on all E-150 models.

Ford Windstar upgrades its 3.8-liter V-6 engine to produce 200 horsepower. The engine is optional on the GL series and standard on the LX model. The 1996 Windstar also is the only minivan to offer All-Speed Traction Control and four-wheel disc brakes. Windstar is available as either a seven-passenger wagon or a cargo van.

A fully electronic automatic transmission is standard on the Ford Aerostar minivan for 1996. An improved AM/FM electronic search radio with 24 watts of power, controls that are easier to use, and four speakers is now standard on the passenger wagon and optional on the van. Properly equipped, the rear-wheel drive Aerostar wagon has a trailer-towing capacity of 4,400 pounds.

Awards to be announced

The North American Car and Truck of the Year awards will be presented to winners at the 1996 North American International Auto Show in Detroit.

Modeled after the highly respected European Car of the Year Award, the North American awards are determined via special ballot by a jury of North American journalists who cover the auto industry for daily newspapers, news weeklies, wire services, enthusiast publications and radio and TV stations. The winners are selected by a jury of 43 journalists from a list of 18 eligible cars and six trucks.

To be eligible, cars and trucks must be introduced into the North American market between Dec. 15, 1994 and Dec. 15, 1995. Cars must have an anticipated sales of at least 5,000 units per year; trucks require expected annual sales of at least 2,000 units. Vehicles must be all new or have significant design, structural or mechanical changes from a previous year in order to be eligible.

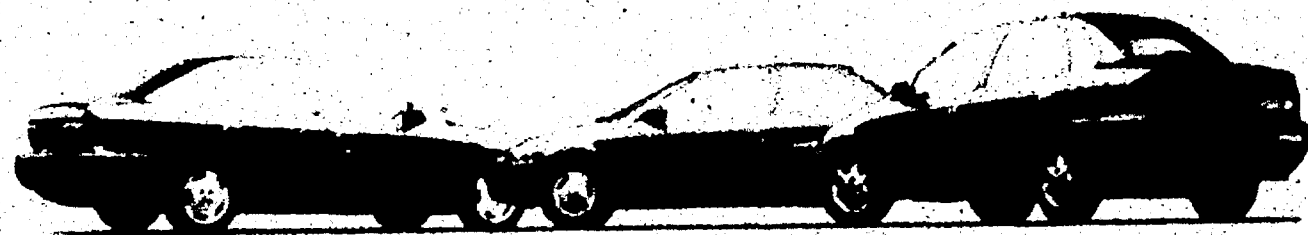
Nominees for Car of the Year honors are: Acura TL, Audi A4, BMW 318i, Chrysler minivans, Chrysler Dabbling convertible, Mercedes E-Class, Ford Mustang Cobra, Ford Taurus/Mercury Sable, Honda Civic, Honda Odyssey, Hyundai Accent, Infiniti I30, Lincoln Continental, Nissan Sentra, Nissan 200SX, Saturn SL, Subaru Legacy Outback and the Suzuki Esteem.

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Chevy Tahoe, Ford F-150, Nissan Pathfinder, Range Rover 4.0SE, Suzuki X90 and Toyota Tacoma.



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Lexus to introduce sport utility in early '96

The Lexus Division of Toyota Motor Sales has announced it will introduce a luxury sport utility vehicle in early 1996.

The newest Lexus model will join the highly acclaimed Lexus line-up of three sedans and two sport coupes.

Building upon Toyota Motor Corporation's formidable history of creating the most respected 4X4 vehicles in the world, Lexus will base its SUV on the rugged and proven Land Cruiser platform and powertrain. This platform brings with it a heritage of outstanding service and reliability.

Currently designated the LX450, the newest Lexus will be the ultimate expression of the SUV, combining exceptional off-road capabilities, well-appointed interior accommodations, the highest quality platform in sport utilities and the luxury ownership experience unique to Lexus.

LX450 will incorporate new features and options appropriate for the luxury vehicle customer and consistent with the overall Lexus model line-up. It will be positioned above such SUV's as Jeep Grand Cherokee, Ford Explorer,

Nissan Pathfinder and Toyota RRunner and Land Cruiser and will compete most directly with Range Rover and offerings from other luxury competitors.

In addition to providing a more comprehensive luxury vehicle line-up, the LX 450 will enable Lexus Division to retain satisfied and loyal customers, whose lifestyle makes a sport utility attractive.

"Lexus has enjoyed the highest

customer loyalty among import luxury makes," said James E. Press, Lexus senior vice president and general manager. "Our owners interested in an SUV have told us very clearly they would prefer to purchase from their Lexus dealership." The LX450 will provide these customers and others, he said "the finest combination of product, quality, dealer treatment and ownership experience available."

This new Lexus will be targeted at a different customer profile than Land Cruiser, which will continue this successful role as the top-line Toyota SUV. LX450 buyers are more likely to be affluent couples who place an emphasis on prestige, luxury and urban driving while traditional Land Cruiser buyers purchase their vehicles more for functional, rugged and family oriented attributes.

In developing the LX450, Lexus chose a proven and powerful high torque, 4.5-liter, twin-cam, 6-cylinder powerplant. Compared to V8s and even the 4.0-liter Lexus V8, this engine provides excellent low rpm torque and pulling power as well as smooth highway driveability.

Both interior and exterior elements will offer Lexus design and expected refinements such as al-

loy wheels, unique colors, leather, wood, automatic climate control and premium audio systems.

Lexus vehicles have gained a reputation for the industry's best quality and durability and Lexus dealers provide a level of service and treatment that exceeds customer expectations. Lexus has earned the top spot in the JD Power and Associates Customer Satisfaction Index for five years in a row.

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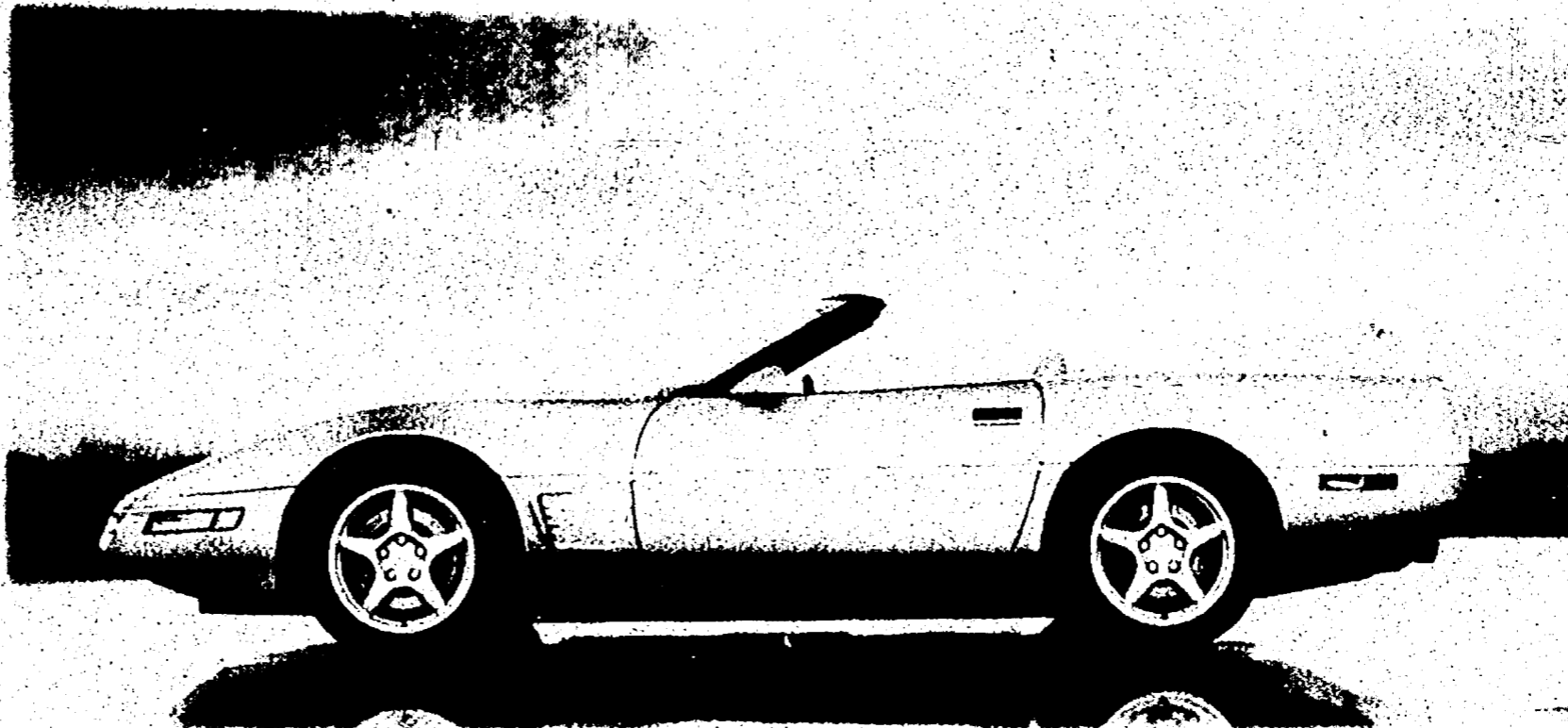


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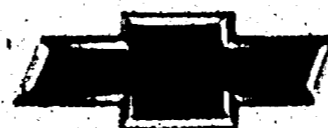
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Breeze leads class

The newest entry from Plymouth - the Breeze compact sedan - is further confirmation that Plymouth is taking aim at the affordable entry level market.

With the latest in cab-forward architecture, comfort, handling and style for much less than many simpler subcompacts and compacts, this four-door sedan offers a combination of features and benefits for younger buyers with an active lifestyle.

Available in the first quarter of 1996, the Breeze will come equipped with a standard 2.0-liter 16-valve, SOHC four-cylinder engine mated to a five-speed manual transmission. A four-speed electronically-controlled automatic transmission will also be available. Breeze offers class-leading room, numerous storage compartments in both front and rear seats, the largest trunk (15.7 cubic feet) in its class with lockable pass-through, and many other standard comfort and safety features. Standard equipment will include driver and passenger air bags, air conditioning, AM/FM stereo radio, tilt steering column, electric rear window defroster, full-folding rear seat, remote trunk release and tinted glass.

Anti-lock brakes, power windows, locks and mirrors, an integrated child safety seat, personal security group and either cassette or compact disc player will be optional.

"Breeze supports our philosophy of providing vehicles for important life stages, specifically young people who have recently married or have a small family," said Steve Torok, Chrysler-Plymouth general manager. "Along with Neon and Voyager, we now can welcome the entry level buyer at any stage."

Plymouth's research shows that 45 percent of people trading out of sub-compact cars graduate to a compact full-size car, while 30 percent of compact full-size traders move on to a minivan. "We no longer run the risk of losing our owners coming out of sub-compacts," Torok said. "With Breeze, Neon owners can now find a compact sedan with the same kind of style and personality they enjoyed so much."

Plymouth's efforts to reach the entry-level market go beyond building fun, youthful cars and minivans. They involve breaking down the apprehensions of first-time buyers who are hesitant about entering the shopping process. Over the past six months, Plymouth has test-marketed several concepts aimed at providing customers with practical, helpful information before they enter a dealership. This has included information centers and vehicle displays in shopping malls, where consumers cannot buy a car, get pricing information and design the Plymouth vehicle they want before entering a showroom. The in-mall showroom - known as Plymouth Place - features vehicle displays, interactive computers and customer advisers to answer any questions.

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Brookstone Village offers tradition with a twist

There's traditional and twists on traditional in the eight floor plans offered by Cohen & Associates at Brookstone Village in Northville Township.

You have colonials with the living room flowing into dining room along one side of the house, and the kitchen eating nook and family room together along the back.

Then there's living rooms and dining rooms, but on separate sides of the house. Also, first floor master suites and studies. Two-way hearths and hearth sitting areas off the kitchen. Bedrooms and a loft upstairs.

All that's available at Brookstone off Six Mile west of Haggerty.

Prices range from \$279,500 for a 2,544-square-foot colonial to \$313,500 for a 3,268-square-foot colonial, each with four bedrooms and 2½ baths.

"We have two types of buyers," said Larry Cohen. "We have family buyers who have children in school."

"We also see people who have raised a family and maybe have kids in high school or college. They want to live in Northville. Perhaps they want a master bedroom on the first floor," he said.

Typically, buyers will have built at least one new house previously. Fifty-one houses are planned for the 35-acre site.

Twenty-five to 30 percent have been devoted to open space," Cohen said of the acreage. "We are adding over 200 trees. We're putting sidewalks in."

"Brookstone is big enough to be substantial, small enough to be private. We're a mile and a half from Laurel Park. We have great access to all freeways, a mile from I-275."

Two models will be built. The Cambridge II, nearly finished, contains about 3,500 square feet of living space.

The main floor features a library and family room with a two-way fireplace between those two



rooms; a kitchen/eating nook with island, walk-in pantry and built-in desk; dining room and butler's pantry connecting to the kitchen and a living room/parlor off the foyer.

Four bedrooms and two full baths are upstairs. The master, with cathedral ceiling, has a pair of walk-in closets, a vanity on either side of the soaking tub and a separate shower.

"In the Cambridge, I wanted to do something different, but not so different that people don't want to live in it," Cohen said of the living room separated from the dining room and inclusion of a library.

A variation of the Cambridge II with smaller rooms proved to be a hot seller at Westmont in Novi, Cohen said, and he expects the same in Brookstone. Base price is \$313,500.

The Concord II, a story and a half with the master suite on the main floor, also will be constructed as a model.

This plan, 2,870 square feet, features a kitchen/eating nook/hearth area with a two-way fireplace connecting to the family room. A library and dining room are on either side of the entry foyer.

The master, with tray ceiling, also has two walk-in closets, separate tub and shower and two vanities.

Upstairs, there's an option for three bedrooms and a bath or two



Brookstone Village: Houses built by Cohen & Associates in Northville Township will feature many peaked gables and blend brick, wood and stone on the exterior.

bedrooms, loft and bath.

Base price of Concord II with either selection is \$302,500.

Standard elements in all floor plans at Brookstone include fireplace, two-car garage, first floor laundry, oven/cooktop/dishwasher and basement. Exterior materials are brick, wood and stone — no vinyl or aluminum.

"I think the things we include as standard impresses many people — brick on all four sides, nine-foot ceilings," said Judy Kirby, sales manager. "A lot of

people are familiar with the builder's reputation. That's very important."

All except seven lots carry a price premium ranging from \$2,500 to \$23,500, the latter allowing for a three-car garage.

The subdivision, within the boundaries of Northville Public Schools, is serviced by city water and sewers.

The property tax rate is \$27.80 per \$1,000 of state equalized valuation; half of market value. That means the owners of a \$280,000

house in Brookstone would pay nearly \$3,900 the first year.

Cohen projects an annual fee of \$100-130 per house to maintain and landscape common areas.

Mitchell and Linda Lupescu, along with children Jason, Brice and Randi, are buying a colonial.

"It always came back to location," Mitchell said. "It's a mile away from 275. There are other added pluses like the fact they offered cement driveways. Others were offering asphalt."

"I also like that they're going to

have sidewalks," he added. "I like newer stuff like nine foot ceilings. We're going to get a three-car garage. I wanted the option of getting an extra-height ceiling in the basement."

"My wife made the comment how nice sized the utility room, laundry, was," Lupescu said.

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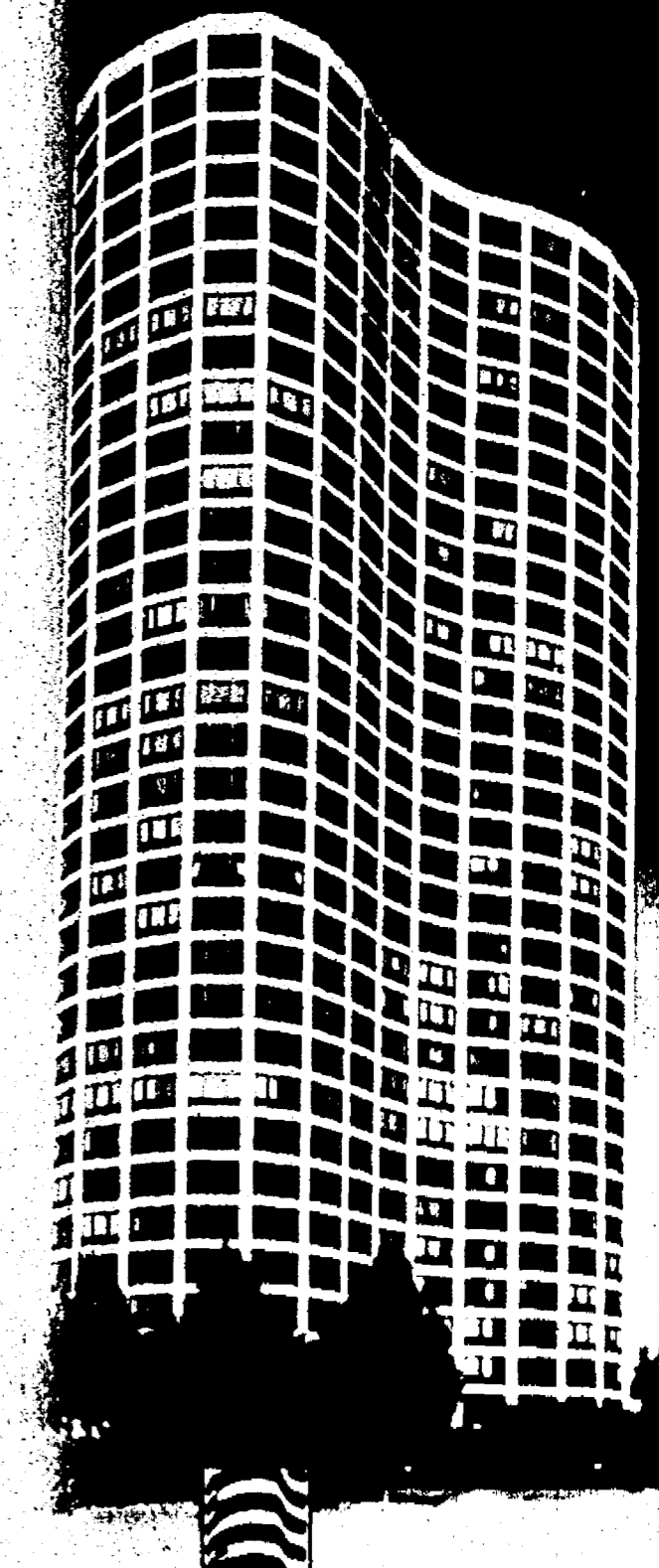
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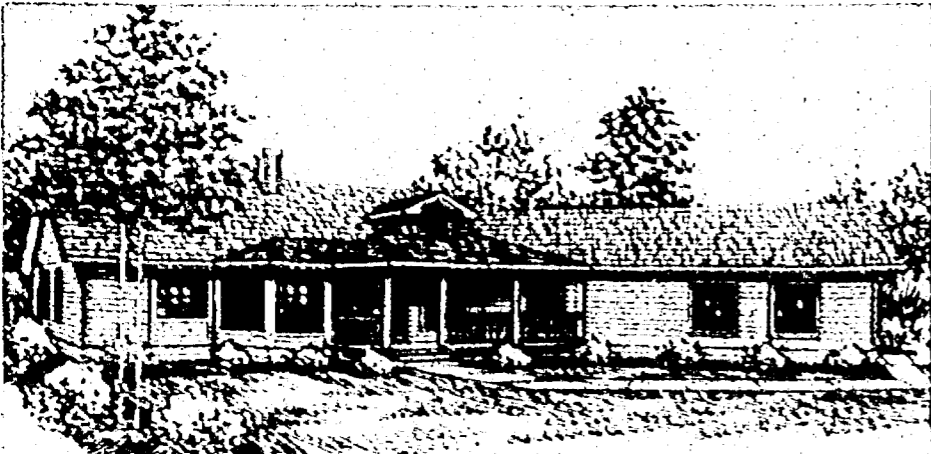
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The walk through kitchen is separated from the main section of the room by a convenient eating bar. Informal meals may be eaten here, or in the adjacent breakfast nook, without the cook in the family feeling left out of the fun.

A walk-in pantry, lined with shelves, affords ample storage room for dry goods. When the sun is shining, there are two rail decked available for outdoor enjoyment.

The isolated master suite occupies the left side of the Stella. Large and well appointed, your privacy is assured. Amenities here include a roomy walk-in closet, vaulted ceiling and private bathroom with twin basins and a spa.

The two secondary bedrooms are on the opposite side of the house. The front one is somewhat larger and would serve nicely as guest accommodations. The smaller, if not needed as sleeping quarters, can easily be converted for use as a home office. The bedrooms are divided by a full bathroom, and linen storage is available across the hall.

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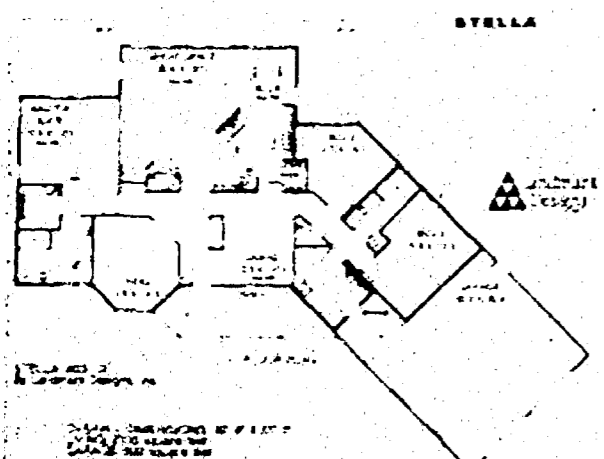
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HI GUYS!!!
SWF, 21, 5'7", 145lbs, brown hair, green eyes, big heart, sensitive, independent, likes doing in/out, cuddling up, and watching movies, looking for SM, no games. Ad# 1792

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SWF, 24, seeking down to earth, outgoing, laid back SM, 21-29, enjoys doing various activities for friendship leading to possible romance. Ad# 2323

FINDER THINGS IN LIFE
SWF, 25, 5'6", blonde hair, blue eyes, attractive, funny, smart, down to earth, secure, mom, likes movies, sports, opera, talking TV, seeking kind, caring, warm, romantic SM, for dating, maybe more. Ad# 7536

FUN WITH RIGHT PEOPLE
SWF, 25, 5'8", blonde hair, blue eyes, honest, sincere, sometimes old-fashioned, college-educated, likes water, videos, seeking N/S, educated SM, 24-30, for friendship, maybe more. Ad# 4270

SERIOUS RELATIONSHIP
SW, mom, 26, 5'7", 125lbs, attractive, smoker, social drinker, clean, enjoys doing out, dancing, seeks attractive SM, prefers dark hair who will make her laugh, for possible serious relationship, no games. Ad# 5569

SERIOUS REPLY ONLY
SWC, mom, 26, 5'8", medium build, red hair, brown eyes, enjoys camping, quiet evenings at home, seeks marriage minded, church-going SWCM, 27-40, with kids, to share interests and possible relationship. Ad# 6967

BLUE-EYED BORN-AGAIN
SWF, 27, 5'5", adventurous, attractive, intelligent, enjoys theatre, travel, born in Europe, seeking handsome Born-Again professional SM, to live with forever. Ad# 1891

HOPELESS ROMANTIC
SWF, 27, N/S, college educated, professional, loves art museums, old movies, long walks, seeking SWM, 25-35, with similar interests, no children, N/S, light to non-drinker. Ad# 5145

ONLY SERIOUS CALLS
SWF, 29, likes movies, doing out, candlelight, travel, seeking intelligent, down to earth, honest, outgoing, sincere, open, career-minded SWCM, 25-50, no games, for dating, long-term relationship, possible marriage. Ad# 8108

ACTIVE IN CHURCH
SWF, 29, 5'9", N/S, employed, likes ballroom dancing, mountain biking, fishing, seeks SWM, with a sense of humor, Catholic, a preferred. Ad# 1793

CATHOLIC
SWF, 30, 5'11", petite, cute, professional, enjoys outdoor activities, cross country skiing, doing out, seeks Catholic SM, for conversation, possible relationship. Ad# 6702

SHE'S UNIQUE
SWF, 30, 5'5", 110lbs, enjoys talking about growth, sensory, nature, land, snow, wood burning stoves, learning, unlearning, resourcefulness, seeks SWM, 30-35, for friendship. Ad# 2347

GIMME A CALL!
SWF, 31, fit, figured, very sure, likes all things in life, needs SM, to share life with together. Ad# 5456

RESCUE HER!
SWF, 31, fit, figured, pretty eyes, patient, understanding, strong minded, analytical, seeks strong SM, with similar qualities, who stands by his beliefs, for possible relationship. Ad# 6710

MOM OF ONE
SWF, 31, blonde hair, pink church, the beach, seeking honest, kind SM, same interests. Ad# 9874

LEAVE PHONE NUMBER
SWF, 31, enjoys sports, working out, church-going, marriage minded, seeking SM, for friendship, possible relationship. Ad# 2814

READY?
SWF, 31, 5'6", 130lbs, attractive, serious, career oriented, fun loving, loves the lord and his child, seeks SM, for friendship, possible relationship. Ad# 1964

SIMPLE THINGS IN LIFE
SWF, 31, mom, loves reading, travel, beach/park walks, seeking sincere, honest, laid back, church-going SM, who loves children, for dating, maybe more. Ad# 7412

START AS FRIENDS
SW, mom of two, 31, enjoys working out, church, hockey, football, crafts, cooking, seeks sweet, sincere, marriage minded SM, with good attitude, for friendship, possible relationship. Ad# 7777

REMINGTON STEEL MIND
SWF, 31, 170lbs, communicative, enjoys adventure, travel, family games, seeking SM, for dating/long relationship. Ad# 4189

ARE YOU A CHARMER?
SWF, 31, blonde hair, tan eyes, professional, seeking handsome SM, 35-50, into quality, N/S, non-drinker, sense of humor. Ad# 8717

CALL HER
SWCF, 34, enjoys going to church, singing, candlelight dinners, good times, seeking special SWM, with similar interests. Ad# 1316

CONVINCED & DEDICATED
Attractive SW, 34, N/S, no dependent, athletic type, enjoys gymnastics, plays sports, outdoor activities, seeking college educated, athletic SWM, 28-38, not allergic to cats. Ad# 3328

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SWF, 37, 5'3", 115lbs, brown hair, attractive, two children, offering nice looking M, active, busy, please offer a PM, who enjoys outdoors, good food, great friends, and lots of romance. Ad# 6110

JUST AROUND CORNER
SWF, 38, tall, professional, honest, romantic, affectionate, loves sports, outdoors, movies, sailing, seeking SM, 6'2", employed, romantic, confident, cuddly, for possible relationship. Ad# 8737

SEEKING SPECIAL SOMEONE
SWF, 39, super queen sized, seeks SM, who can love and appreciate a woman of size, for friendship and possible serious relationship. Ad# 7185

NO GAME PLAYERS
SWF, 40, 5'6", 168lbs, no dependent kids, warm, caring, sincere, seeks kind, considerate, well-grounded SM, 30-45, who is ready for a serious, committed relationship. Ad# 7080

LOVES THE LORD
SWF, 40, mom of one, friendly, open nurse, likes aerobics, swimming, horseback riding, family/church functions, music, plays, seeking SM, for dating. Ad# 9291

LIVONIA MOM
SWCF, 40, 5'5", 130lbs, golden hair, loving, caring, son 8, N/S, enjoys music, dancing, bowling, family, seeking sincere, confident, committed SWM, Ad# 1164

A MORNING PERSON
SWF, 40, 5'4", 5'11", attractive, active, enjoys working/playing hard, being spoiled, seeks attractive SWM, N/S, with good communication skills, who is willing to share the good and bad times, for a possible long-term relationship. Ad# 1617

ATTRACTIVE LADY
SWF, 40, 5'5", medium build, N/S, social drinker, enjoys doing out, movies, cruising, travel, seeks honest, sincere, financially secure, good-humored SM, 40-60, 5'8", with similar interests for friendship, possible special relationship. Ad# 5413

ARTISTICALLY-TALENTED
SWF, 41, 5'11", red hair, blue eyes, mom of two, likes biking, park walks, camping, art, music, concerts, doing out, dancing, seeking SM, with similar interests, for companionship, maybe more. Ad# 4283

MARRIAGE-MINDED
SW, mom, 41, 5'8", medium build, smoker, social drinker, old-fashioned, enjoys music, doing out, movies, seeking honest, romantic SWM, 5'11", financially secure, togetherism important. Ad# 5925

SOMEONE SPECIAL
Professional SWF, mid-40s, petite, Rochester, NYS area, enjoys dancing, museums, fishing, canoeing, for theatre, antique shows, seeking N/S, non-drinking SM, 50-65, 5'8", for dating, strong activities. Ad# 1045

LIKES A TALKER
SWF, 43, 5'6", red hair, green eyes, funny, honest, intelligent, enjoys the performing arts, hiking, dancing, seeking smart, mainstream CM, N/S, light drinker for relationship. Ad# 1130

LIKES CHILDREN
SWF, 44, down-to-earth, medium build, looking for a relationship built on honesty and communication, 40-49, Ad# 2147

HOPE YOU CALL!
SWF, 44, 5'5", 125lbs, brown/blonde hair, blue eyes, college educated professional, seeks SM, to share fun times, activities, dates and possible long-lasting relationship. Ad# 4567

DREAMS DO COME TRUE
SWF, 45, 5'5", blonde hair, green eyes, healthy, spiritual, loving, professional, seeking fit, secure, healthy, N/S, gentle, compassionate, loving D/SW, 44-55, 5'11", who places God first, for possible happy relationship. Ad# 1578

OPEN TO SUGGESTIONS!
SWF, 45, 5'3", 110lbs, brown hair/eyes, loving, compassionate, humorous, N/S, non-drinker, enjoys bowling, doing out, walks in the rain, seeking convenient M, for relationship. Ad# 2872

CHAT SOME TIME?
SWF, 47, employed as a health care professional, seeks SWM, who likes cappuccino, bookstores, long drives, music, country walks, freetrails, chatting over a plate of pasta. Ad# 4837

LET'S HAVE COFFEE
SWCF, mid-40s, petite, fit, attractive, enjoys reading, dancing, biking, gardening, seeks romantic, honest SM, to share life and grow with, for a loving and caring relationship. Ad# 9432

TO SHARE FAITH WITH
SWCF, 47, fit, petite, attractive, honest, humorous, passionate, enjoys simple pleasures, seeking Born-Again, down-to-earth, romantic SM, to share life with. Ad# 2227

KEEP UP WITH HER?
SWF, 48, 6', 140lbs, blonde hair, blue eyes, extremely active, enjoys biking, dancing, aerobics, long walks, seeks honest SM, 35-45, 6', with similar interests, for possible relationship. Ad# 7238

ATTRACTIVE
SWF, 47, 5'7", 145lbs, N/S, social drinker, professional, seeking SM, 40-57, for one on one, honest, monogamous relationship. Ad# 9627

DINNER DATE
SWF, 47, no dependent, employed, N/S, enjoys bookstores, long drives, music, country walks, freetrails, chatting over dinner, seeking SWM, with similar interests. Ad# 4833

EXPLORE NEW HORIZONS
SWF, 48, independent, enjoys theatre, plays, concerts, music, flea marketing, Saturday matinees, antique seeking M, educated, financially secure, for companionship. Ad# 4089

CLASSY & ATTRACTIVE
Professional SWF, 48, 5'4", brunette, blue eyes, warm, caring, lenient, honest, employed, enjoys gardening, computers, seeking SM, with similar qualities. Ad# 9238

TAKE CHARGE OF LIFE
SWF, 49, trustworthy, honest, reliable, seeking educated SM, with similar qualities, who likes the finer things in life, but can also enjoy a Saturday matinee. Ad# 9804

NEW TO MICHIGAN
SWF, 49, 5'7", autumn hair, brown eyes, outgoing, seeking nice, intelligent, tall, easygoing, humorous SM, who enjoys good conversation, going out, doing different things. Ad# 7183

ALL REPLY ANSWERED
SWF, 50, employed, independent, enjoys sports, movies, theatre, music, outdoors, seeking SWM, 49-58, for friendship, companionship, possible relationship. Ad# 1127

"Whoever calls upon the name of the Lord will be saved." Joel 2:32

LET'S MEET AND TALK
SWF, 50, N/S, employed, college graduate, has a daughter in college, two dogs and three cats, enjoys antiquing, flea markets, theatre, watching, coffee, conversations, seeking N/S SM, to share time/common interests. Ad# 4545

LET'S BEGIN TOGETHER
SWF, 50, short, medium build, enjoys movies, dining in/out, bowling, camping, walks, Greenfield Village, seeks SM, to share interests and possible relationship. Ad# 2045

YOGURT AT HUDSONS
SW, mom, 50, enjoys dining, movies, flea markets, antiquing, weekend travel, seeking degreed SM, N/S, with some interests. Ad# 5454

YOUNG MIND/HEART
SWF, 51, 5'6", plus size, lively, smart, interesting, loves music, reading, movies, plays, friends, dogs, children, walking, board games, trying different things, seeking someone who is 5'8", to share interests in life, for friendship. Ad# 3344

LET'S TALK!
SWF, 55, 5'2", brunette, brown eyes, N/S, non-drinker, educated, flexible, enjoys family activities, movies, doing out, nature, seeking M, for companionship, possibly more. Ad# 1940

PLEASE CALL!
SWCF, 57, N/S, loves the lord, enjoys water travel, entertaining friends, sports, seeks SM, who also loves God, for friendship, possible relationship. Ad# 1938

SOUTHERN BELLE
SWF, 58, 5'5", 135lbs, warm, caring, sincere, charming, enjoys antiques, dancing, Greenfield Village, basketball, museums, big band music, seeks a long-term, meaningful relationship with a quality, gentle SM. Ad# 2236

ELEGANT & INTELLIGENT
SWF, 59, 5'7", brunette, slender, attractive, enjoys golf, tennis, dancing, water activities, gardening, spectator sports, music, seeking honest, caring SM, for friendship. Ad# 1930

LET'S GET ACQUAINTED
SWM, 28, 5'11", medium build, enjoys travel, concerts, movies, doing out, outdoor activities, seeks honest, up-front, affectionate, fun SM, 22-30, who knows what she wants for possible relationship. Ad# 1169

HOPELESS ROMANTIC
SWM, 28, 6'1", brown hair, attractive, athletic build, enjoys cooking, movies, water hockey, baseball games, seeking sporty, fit, Born-Again SM, 19-36, for friends first relationship. Ad# 9277

CALL ME!
SWM, 28, 6'1", 180lbs, athletic, romantic, enjoys romance, movies, travel, seeking compatible SM, for relationship. Ad# 3646

INVOLVED IN CHURCH
SWM, 28, 6'3", 195lbs, mechanical designer, enjoys dining, dancing, night clubs, working out, using water ball, softball, hiking, seeking SCF, for dating, maybe more. Ad# 7266

FRIENDSHIP FIRST
SWM, 28, 5'10", down-to-earth, looking for SCF, same interests. Ad# 8646

RECENTLY RELOCATED
Professional SWM, 29, metro/Detroit area, seeks compatible, kind, intelligent, educated SCF, never married, no kids, for possible relationship. Ad# 1234

TOGETHERNESS
SWM, 29, enjoys reading, doing out, music, long walks, seeking SM, 19-25, for possible relationship. Ad# 4140

INTERESTED? CALL!
SWM, 31, professionally employed, likes travel, seeks SM, who likes dancing and doing out, for friendship, maybe more. Ad# 1138

MULTI-FACETED
SWM, 32, 6'2", 180lbs, attractive, outgoing, down to earth, seeks SM, with similar qualities for friendship and more. Ad# 2720

SEEKING BORN-AGAIN
SWCF, 32, 5'10", 180lbs, never married, good sense of humor, loves church, seeking SWCF, blonde hair, brown eyes, 20s, similar interests. Ad# 3663

SEEKS A SPORTY LADY
SWM, 32, seeking honest, energetic SM, 21-31, for friendship, possibly more. Ad# 9280

AKA GABRIEL
SWM, 33, 6'2", slender, dark hair, handsome, born-again Christian, enjoys all outdoor activities, traveling, seeking SM, similar traits, interests, friends first. Ad# 4826

A BIG GUY
SWM, 34, 6'1", 340lbs, brown hair, green eyes, outgoing, non-drinker, enjoys quiet nights at home, cooking, dining out, shopping, seeking SM, 25-45, who is a homemaker. Ad# 5432

KIND OF SHY
SWM, 34, 6', brown hair, blue eyes, truck driver, seeking fun loving, humorous SM, who likes the outdoors. Ad# 3777

SEEKING A COMPANION
SWM, 34, 6'4", 190lbs, enjoys snowmobiling, boating, old cars, dogs, looking for tall, slim SM, N/S. Ad# 2453

BELIEVES IN FAMILY VALUES
SWM, 34, seeking romantic, loyal, sincere SM, who believes in God, taking care of body and mind, for dating, maybe more. Ad# 7952

THINGS OF NATURE
SWM, 35, 6'1", 190lbs, sandy brown hair, hazel eyes, born-again, loves lifting weights, horseback riding, seeking athletic SM, 28+, for companionship, maybe more. Ad# 6730

ONE-TO-ONE WANTED
Italian SWM, 35, 5'6", 160lbs, enjoys sporting events, concerts, time with friends, seeks SM, who knows how to deal with ups and downs and keep smiling, for possible lifetime relationship. Ad# 7767

WON'T BE DISAPPOINTED
SWM, 35, 6'1", 190lbs, attractive, athletic, professional, seeking slim, firm, attractive, romantic, thoughtful SM, for a quality, monogamous relationship. Ad# 3333

DEVELOP MUTUAL INTERESTS
SWM, 35, 5'8", 145lbs, slim, brown hair, light blue eyes, mustache, clean-shaven, good dresser, likes bowling, going north, waterfalls, looking for good, classy, easygoing SM, with character & style. Ad# 3164

GIVE HIM A CALL
SWM, 37, 6', brown eyes, enjoys karate, movies, concerts, old, long walks, seeking SM, for SM, for relationship. Ad# 1957

NEVER MARRIED
SWM, 37, 5'9", 185lbs, enjoys outdoor activities, exercise, long walks, rollerblading, biking, for dating, seeks SM, with similar interests for possible relationship. Ad# 1980

THINK IT'S YOU?
SWM, 37, 6'3", dark brown hair, hazel eyes, humorous, dad of one, lives in Garden City, likes car racing, summer festivals, doing out, movies, seeking good-hearted, humorous, old-fashioned, moral SM, for dating, possible marriage. Ad# 1933

NOT NECESSARILY SERIOUS
SWM, 37, 6', 230lbs, brown hair, blue eyes, likes going out, movies, sports, seeking SM, with red hair, for dating, possible relationship. Ad# 1928

CREATING NEW LIFE
SW, dad, 37, 5'8", brown hair, hazel eyes, great shape, professional, two kids, lives in Cedar Point, cooking, movies, computer, drinks, seeks slim SM, 34-38, kids a plus. Ad# 7265

LOOKING FOR HAPPINESS/JOY
SWCF, 37, employed, student, loves God, romantic, creative, enjoys children, church, playing guitar, writing poetry, seeking SCF, with some interests for long-term relationship, possible marriage. Ad# 5155

WON'T BE DISAPPOINTED
Very attractive SWM, 37, 5'10", 165lbs, never married, no kids, kind-hearted, spontaneous, romantic, enjoys travel, theatre, movies, seeks sincere, tender SM, 28-40, for possible relationship. Ad# 5663

MENTALLY SECURE
SWM, 38, 5'11", 175lbs, light brown hair, blue eyes, local, N/S, never married, but family-oriented, likes water sports and togetherism, looking for fit, mid-twenties, with positive outlook, who can have fun. Ad# 8782

WIDE AREA OF INTERESTS
SWM, 38, attractive, fit, likes ballet, cuddling, walking, seeking SM, attractive, romantic SM, for dating, maybe more. Ad# 1123

MARRIAGE-MINDED
Roman Catholic SWM, 39, 5'9", 175lbs, athletic build, enjoys doing out, concerts, intelligent conversation, beautiful places, seeks SM, beautiful SM, 31-39, any race, to share activities and a life together. Ad# 6869

SEEKING CHRISTIAN WOMAN
SWM, 39, never married, enjoys outdoors, music, kids, good loving, seeking SWCF, Ad# 6268

TRUST AND HONESTY
SWM, 39, 5'7", 165lbs, strawberry-blond hair, blue eyes, affectionate, romantic, professional, enjoys doing out, traveling, fishing, movies, videos, seeks slim, romantic, affectionate, caring, humorous SM, 30-43, for possible long-term relationship. Ad# 1720

STRIVE FOR GROWTH
SWM, 40, 5'8", brown hair, blue eyes, Catholic, humorous, sincere, intelligent, down-to-earth, educated, employed, enjoys biking, water, jogging, music, movies, concerts, reading, seeking fit, bright, educated SM, for a long-term relationship, marriage. Ad# 3721

KNOW YOU'RE OUT THERE
SWM, 40, never married, professional, likes biking, jogging, long walks, movies, music, reading, traveling, seeking fit, educated, never-married SM, 28-40, willing to share happy, healthy, monogamous relationship. Ad# 5757

PLEASE CALL!
SWM, 40, shy, sincere, enjoys golf, outdoor activities, looking for SM, same interests. Ad# 4242

BALLROOM DANCERS
SWM, 40, never married, outgoing, automotive designer, likes outdoors, camping, tennis, biking, rollerblading, dancing, seeking SM, for dating, friendship, maybe more. Ad# 3335

READY FOR DANCING
SWM, 40, loves art, music, dancing, concerts, working out, seeking SWF, honest, smart, adventurous, exciting, upbeat, slim, fashionable, for friendship, maybe more. Ad# 9495

SPIRITUAL, NOT RELIGIOUS
SWCF, 41, 6', 180lbs, handsome, N/S, non-drinker, caring, positive, enjoys rollerblading, cappuccino, photography, seeks employed, spiritual, tall, slender SM, 30-40, N/S, non-drinker, for safe, healthy, trusting relationship. Ad# 1753

LOVES PRAISING THE LORD
SWM, 41, 5'8", fun loving, dad of four professional, loves movies, walks, concerts, plays special events, dancing, seeking humorous SM, under 5'8", weight/height proportionate, who loves children, for friendship, possible relationship. Ad# 3425

ONCE IN A LIFETIME?
SWF, 41, 5'9", 165lbs, considerate, never married, educated, home owner, enjoys attending church, seeking a healthy SM, for fun, friendship, and possible relationship. Ad# 1953

IN ROCHESTER HILLS
SWM, 42, 6', 180lbs, dark hair, mustache, handsome, romantic, employed, enjoys outdoors, music, arts, family, friends, seeking attractive, slim, loving, kind SM, Ad# 3284

LET'S MEET SOON
SWM, 42, 6', 170lbs, black hair/eyes, self-employed, seeks down to earth, simple, open SM, who enjoys life, for possible relationship, no heavy drinks/drug users. Ad# 1213

SEEKS HIGH-SPIRITED LADY
SWM, 42, 5'10", 185lbs, dark wavy hair, attractive, down-to-earth, two teenagers, enjoys bowling, shooting pool, doing out, seeking fit, attractive SM, for relationship. Ad# 1766

RARING TO GO
SWM, 42, never married, good career, financially stable, honest, dependable, caring, enjoys keeping in shape, rollerblading, reading, dancing, seeking slender SM, with moral values. Ad# 2020

GIVE & RECEIVE
SWM, 43, 6'1", brown hair/eyes, intelligent, sensitive, caring, affectionate, romantic, enjoys traveling, quiet walks, candlelight dinners, seeking SWF, 33-43, Ad# 1472

FINANCIALLY SECURE
SWM, 44, 5'10", N/S, non-drinker, attractive, likes biking, dancing, antique, water, nature, seeking SM, with similar interests. Ad# 1960

LOVES DANCING
SWM, 45, 5'9", 190lbs, N/S, old-fashioned, secure, Catholic, business professional, likes bowling, softball, biking, music, watching, playing cards, seeking talkative, weight/proportionate SM, for friendship, maybe more. Ad# 4549

CONCERN FOR THE LOST
Professional SWM, 45, 6'4", 220lbs, fit, attractive, very active in church, loves God with all heart, well-traveled, seeks attractive, weight/proportionate SM, 30-45, with similar qualities for possible relationship. Ad# 9647

LET'S BUILD A FUTURE
Professional SWCF, 45, 5'11", 190lbs, N/S, social drinker, open, compassionate, honest, good conversationalist, enjoys cooking, walks, family, seeks educated, attractive, down-to-earth, SCF, for monogamous relationship. Ad# 7450

HOPELESS ROMANTIC
SWM, 45, western Wayne county, 2 children, under 45, multi-talented, enjoys outdoor activities, church choir, dancing, reading, story-telling, seeking SM, 5'2"-5'8", under 160lbs. Ad# 1534

PREFERS JEANS
SWM, 45, 5'10", 175lbs, brown hair, blue eyes, athletic build, easygoing, family-oriented, fun-loving, outgoing, romantic, positive, witty, enjoys conversations, movies, theatre, concerts, walks, holding hands, seeking CF, 35-44, N/S, petite. Ad# 2581

A CHURCHGOER
SWM, 46, 6', 180lbs, N/S, enjoys outdoors, travel, antiques, new things, seeking WCF, N/S, same interests. Ad# 6684

WOLFMAN JACK LOOK-ALIKE
SWM, 48, salt/pepper hair, beard, romantic, good natured, likes candlelight dinners, candlelight, rollerblading, park walks, movies, seeking pretty, fun-attractive, church-going SWCF, 30-40, to pray, laugh, cry together. Ad# 2264

AWAITING YOUR CALL
SWM, 50, 5'10", 185lbs, honest, easygoing, enjoys dancing, teaching dance, seeks SM, for same interests for possible relationship. Ad# 7890

COUNTRY DANCER
SWM, 50, 5'9", 190lbs, enjoys travel, outdoor activities, seeking SM, under 48, to be dance partner/best friend. Ad# 9870

CHRISTIAN GUY
SWM, 50, 5'

WAYNE BUSINESS & Finance

Exhibit Works out details for auto show

BY BETH SUNDRIA JACHMAN
STAFF WRITER

A Livonia company has been putting its creativity to work with the opening of the 1996 North American International Auto Show in Detroit this weekend.

A year in the planning and executing, the Volkswagen and Audi exhibits have been handled by Exhibit Works of Livonia down to the last detail.

An international auto show is different from a domestic auto show, according to Tony Rutkowski, sales manager at Exhibit Works. The international shows have "unbelievable attention to detail," he said.

Details such as permanent installation of stonework wouldn't be thought of for a domestic show, he said.

This year the Audi and Volkswagen exhibits will also feature German food.

Rutkowski has traveled to France, Germany and Japan in preparation for this auto show.

"The last trip I had was literally around the world," he said.

Coordinators from around the world have contact with Rutkowski in Livonia as he coordinates the exhibit here. "My morning is very unique I have to create a window for calls," he said. He talks with people in Europe in the morning because of the time difference.

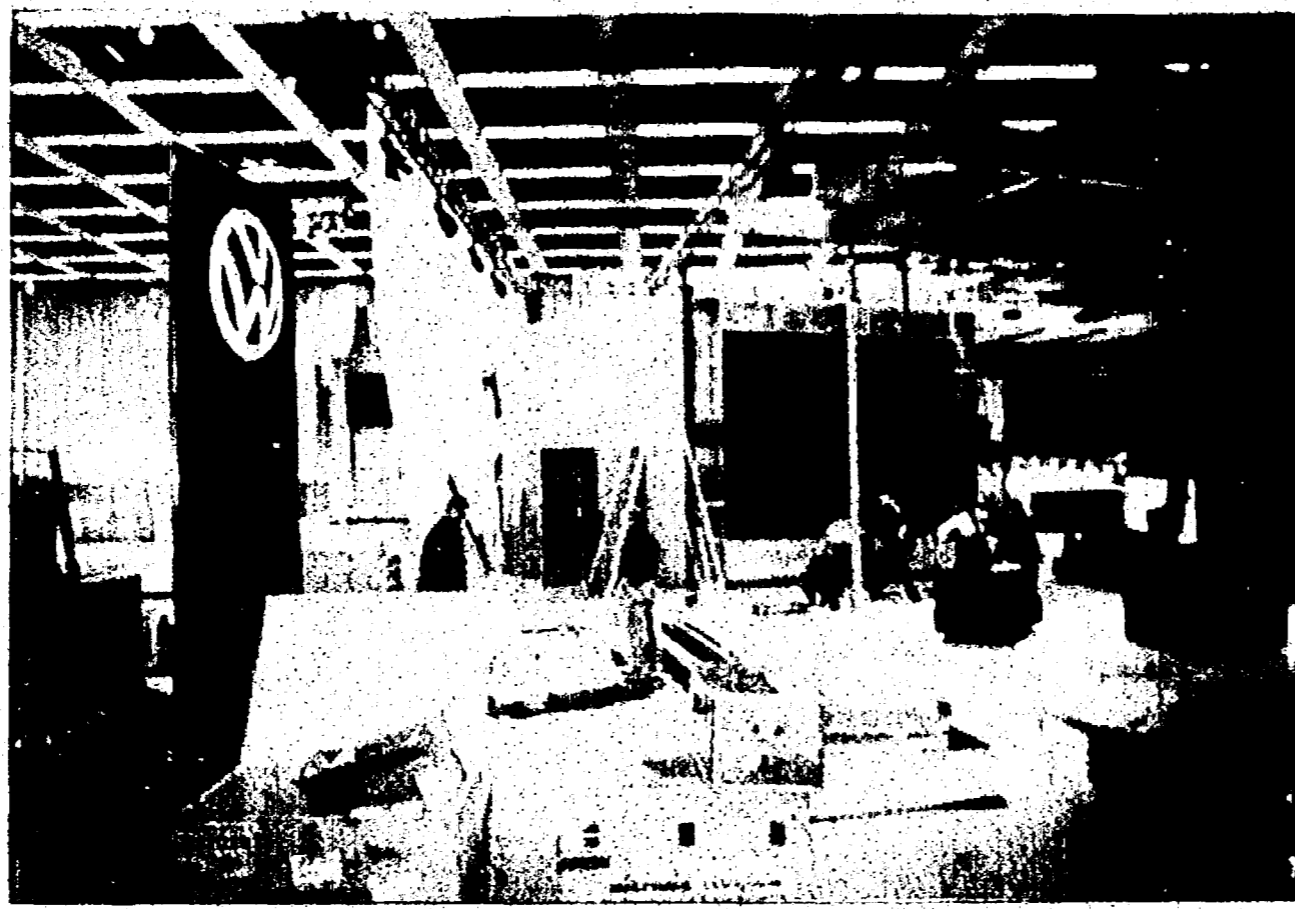
Correspondence is also done by fax, where he often receives 20-30 faxes from Europe.

A lot of what keeps him busy are the details — the emphasis is on detail — such as fabric for the table top, which must be six inches off the ground, and the napkins which have to be folded in a precise way.

"My beeper's going, the phone's going and I'm talking about folding napkins," Rutkowski said.

Along with the German cuisine supervised by chefs from Germany, the exhibit will feature a Cyberdrome, which is an 80-person presentation area where cybernauts will perform for visitors wearing 3-D glasses.

Granite flooring has been installed by a German stone mason flown in from Europe.



Under construction: The Volkswagen exhibit at the Detroit North American International Auto Show is assembled by Exhibit Works of Livonia.

Welding supervisors were flown in to assemble a two-story stainless steel structure.

And professional European actors and actresses have been flown in to perform at the exhibit.

In all about 45 supervisors, carpenters, electricians, and riggers have put in more than 11,520 hours of labor in 16 days to assemble the exhibit.

Exhibit Works is part of the whole process and keeps the message going, Rutkowski said.

In his travels, Rutkowski has visited Paris, Geneva, Frankfurt and of course Wolfsburg, Germany, home of Volkswagen. He's encountered some differences between German and American culture. German culture doesn't condone some of the things Americans have made commonplace, Rutkowski said. Germans don't condone drinking coffee while driving.

"They go ballistic on that."

VW is the fourth largest auto manufacturer in the world, but because of smaller sales in the United States, "We're not aware of what they do in the world," he said. "They're the General Motors of Europe," he said.

The Audi is the more elegant side of Volkswagen so there are two different marketing strategies. At Exhibit Works, they've had to learn the marketing strategies so that the auto show displays can exemplify them.

Along with that, Susan Hillis, the account coordinator, works for Audi in Auburn Hills and also has been working at Exhibit Works as the displays have been designed and engineered to make sure everything is perfect.

Volkswagen does 26 shows a year and the same message, including the same color scheme, is followed throughout, Rutkowski said.

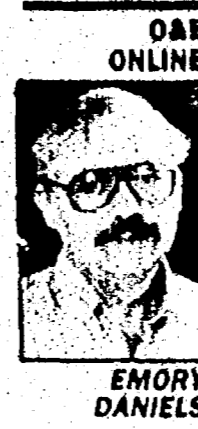
Exhibit Works, which also worked on Ford's exhibit, went into competition to do an international show. They had done a domestic show, but that doesn't automatically mean an international show. "We went through a bid process," he said.

Winning the account shows that Exhibit Works has gained a reputation for quality, Rutkowski said.

Now Rutkowski hopes Exhibit Works can get in on the shows in Europe. "We're not on that circuit yet," he said.

The North American International Auto Show runs from Saturday, Jan. 6, through Monday, Jan. 15, at Cobo Center in Detroit. Ticket prices are \$8 for adults, \$4 for seniors 65 and over, children 12 and under are free when accompanied by a parent. Tickets are available through Cobo Center and TicketMaster outlets.

Troops in Bosnia as close as on-line



EMORY DANIELS

Still cleaning off my desk.

And I came across an item of interest to any on-line user who knows someone in the military who has been sent to Bosnia. A new Website to help people contact the UN troops in Bosnia

was launched in mid-December. The site is called "Operation Home Front" and features E-mail service, private and public chat rooms, postcard gifts and more. Anyone wanting to contact troops in Bosnia should point to <http://www.worldshop.com/HomeFront/>.

If you have spent a minute on the Internet you know there's this large database of Websites that you can search by category known as Yahoo. If you spend three minutes on the Net you have discovered and used large searchable Internet sites such as Lycos, InfoSeek, and Webcrawler.

There also are now appearing several Websites with search capabilities on specific and narrow subjects. An easy way to obtain reviews of the latest movies, and older movies as well, is to visit the Movie Review Query Engine at <http://www.cinema.pgh.pa.us/movie/reviews/>.

The Living Medical Encyclopedia has a full-text search engine that allows users to locate archived information on all types of cancer. Most of the existing cancer-related lists on the Internet are now archived at this site and to date some 44,375 records have been organized. You can also search by specific cancer-type re-

source. Simply point to <http://www.medinfo.org/>. I learned of this source through Liz Tompkins, president of NBNSOFT Corporation who herself maintains many lists of Web links on specific topics which can be accessed at <http://www.tricky.com/liz/>.

The Michigan Travel Bureau has its own Website on the Internet that can be visited at <http://www.travel-michigan.state.mi.us>. The Michigan Travel Bureau Web Site, which includes written and photographic information about Michigan travel attractions, also has links to other Websites with Michigan information through convention and visitors bureaus and other state agencies, such as the Governor's office, the Michigan Jobs Commission, the Department of Natural Resources and the Bureau of History. This move by the travel bureau is part

of ongoing upgrades by the Michigan Jobs Commission to expand Michigan's economic and workforce information.

General Media is hosting "A Lost Dog on the Net" contest on the Internet. The contest is done on a weekly basis with the winner announced every Friday. Entering is as easy as finding General Media's lost dog. Just go to General Media's site at <http://hey-mon.com> and find the lost dog. This is done by following the trail of clues carefully placed throughout the site.

Once the person has found the dog, he/she can send a message via e-mail to General Media letting them know that they found the lost dog. Prizes include trips to such places as Hawaii, Mexico or Aruba. General Media created this contest to put a cute and fun site on the Internet. It is also used as a marketing technique to generate traffic to clients. General Media's home page will link you to other useful and enjoyable sites.

Franco Public Relations Group has completed its interactive WWW Internet site on the World Wide Web site which can be visited at <http://franco.com>.

The site has four major areas, each with interactive capabilities. "Our Firm" tells of services provided by the public relations, technology and graphics design units, plus biographies of Franco Group staff, lists of clients by categories, and case studies. E-mail addresses and links to other sources in the site are available.

A separate section, called "PR Chat," allows business people to post questions and comments about public relations issues, interacting with each other and with senior personnel in the Franco firm.

A third section, "News You Can Use," contains articles that offer tips to business executives on topics ranging from improving their presentation style to using video. With a single click, readers can access e-mail and send a message directly to the author regarding topics in the articles.

The final section, "Client News," contains recent news releases of general interest about Franco clients. News media will be able to call up the full text of these releases at any time.

(You can direct questions to Emory Daniels by E-mail with emory@oconline.com or fax number 591-7279. To sign up for O&E On-Line, dial (313)591-0903, at "log-in" prompt type "new" and at "Key:" prompt type GL6NY2. Past columns may be accessed online at <http://oconline.com/tilde/mark/emoryd/archive.html>.)

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SCHOOL HONORED
Detroit Catholic Central High School in Redford Township recently received an award from General Motors Institute in Flint. Presented by Ken Snelton from GMI to principal the Rev. Harold Gardner, the award states: "Catholic Central is one of the 25 top schools for its outstanding preparation of students for GMI's unique cooperative education program, designed to develop future business, government and community leaders."

MAGAZINE LAUNCH
"The Left Bank," a magazine designed to produce cultural and art awareness through the eyes and ears of the people of Detroit, will be published bimonthly and distributed through suburban and campus bookstores and local retailers. The magazine plans to publish articles on local restaurants, architecture, art, music, business and city of Detroit developments.

Shawn A. Santo, editor in chief, studied at Wayne State University, pursuing urban planning, architecture and design and fine art. Magazine design will be under the direction of graphics artists/de-

signers Chris Gorski and Rita Sayegh.

EXPANSION ANNOUNCED
Performance Personnel Ltd. now has a Livonia location. The company places people for temporary and long-term employment in light industrial, clerical, electronic assembly and supervisory fields.

Anne M. Parks has joined the company as sales manager. The new office is at 33813 Five Mile Road in the Civic Center Plaza.

DISTRIBUTOR
STA Detroit Diesel-Allison (Singapore) Pte. Ltd. has been appointed the new distributor for Detroit Diesel products in Singapore.

Singapore Detroit Diesel-Allison is a joint venture company, with Singapore Technologies Automotive Ltd. holding a 60 percent equity position and Detroit Diesel Asia Pte. Ltd., a wholly owned indirect subsidiary of Detroit Diesel Corp., holding the remaining 40 percent.

The new company will sell and service three products: heavy-duty and medium-duty diesel engines from Detroit Diesel Corp.; automatic transmissions from Allison Transmission Division of General Motors Corp.; and power generation equipment.

MOVE ANNOUNCED
Livonia-based Co-op Services Credit Union has moved from its 1,700-square-foot branch at 955 N. Pontiac Trail to a 3,200-square-foot new building at 1260 N. Pontiac Trail in downtown Walled Lake, between South Commerce and Decker roads.

RELIGION CALENDAR

Items for the religion calendar should be submitted no later than noon Friday for the next Thursday's issue.

NEW BEGINNINGS

Dr. Joy MacDonald will speak on "The Physical Effects of Grief" at New Beginnings 7-9 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 4, at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 30900 W. Six Mile, Livonia. New Beginnings is a grief support group that meets on Thursdays at the church. For more information, call (313) 422-6038.

SINGLE POINT

Single Point Ministries of Ward Presbyterian Church will have its First Friday Night Live at 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 5, in Knox Hall. Author Tom Jones will discuss "Sex and Love When You Are Single Again." Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. on a first come-first served basis in the Fellowship Hall. Cost will be \$5 and child care will be available.

Other activities include Talk It Over at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 12, in Knox Hall. James Hoover will discuss the new tax laws and amendments. The Friday, Jan. 26, guest will be Dr. Don Verhulst who will share a new lifestyle. Free child care will be provided.

There's also BYOS (Bring Your Own Sneakers) for adults only at 9 p.m. the second and fourth Saturdays of the month at the Livonia Family YMCA, Stark Road north of Schoolcraft, and volleyball in Knox Hall at 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays.

For more information, call the Single Point office at (313) 422-1854.

RADIO SHOWS

The radio series "What Is This Christian Science and Who Are These Christian Scientists?" is being broadcast at 9:30 a.m. Sundays on WAAM-AM 1600. Topics include "How Do Christian Scientists Feel About Modern Medicine?" on Jan. 7; "Is Care in Christian Science as Reliable as Medicine?" on Jan. 14; "How Do Christian Scientists Feel About Jesus?" on Jan. 21; and "What Kind of Faith in God Heals?" on Jan. 28. The series also can be heard at 8:30 a.m. Sundays on CKLW-AM 800. The series is produced by the Christian Science Committee on Publication for Michigan and sponsored by local Christian Science churches. For more information, call 1-800-856-1212.

NEWBURG NIGHT OUT

Newburg United Methodist Church's mid-week evening of education, fellowship, drama and music will get under way Thursday, Jan. 11, at the church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia. Dinner will be served 5:30-6:30 p.m. at a cost of \$2.50 for adults and \$1.50 for children 10 years and under (reservations not necessary).

Educational opportunities include Noah's Ark for preschoolers, Comparative Religions, the Church Studies Homosexuality, Teaching Your Child Values, Faithlink, Men of Faith (Promise Keepers) and quilting.

Musical opportunities include the Cherub Choir for kindergartners through second-graders, the Children's Choir for third-through sixth-graders and the Youth Choir for seventh-through 12th-graders. Drama opportunities include youth drama for seventh-through 12th-graders and children's drama for third-through sixth-graders.

For more information, call the church at (313) 422-0149.

SINGLE PLACE

Single Place Adult Ministries of the First Presbyterian Church of Northville will offer a divorce recovery workshop 7:30-9:30 p.m. Thursdays, Jan. 11 through Feb. 22, and an opportunity for Growth Workshop at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 11, 18 and 25, at the church, 200 E. Main St., Northville. The divorce recovery workshop will cost \$30, while the fee for the opportunity workshop will be \$29.

Other activities include volleyball 9-10:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 12 and 26, at the Northville Recreation Center, 303 W. Main St. (cost \$4), bowling at 8:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 6 and 19, at the Novi Bowl, on Novi Road between Eight Mile and Nine Mile, and a ski weekend Jan. 26-28.

For more information, call Single Place at (810) 349-0911.

75TH ANNIVERSARY

Former members of Redford Lutheran Church are invited to come back to the church at 22169 Grand River, Detroit, on Sunday, Jan. 21, to celebrate 75 years of grace.

A service of praise and thanksgiving at 10:30 a.m. will

have the Rev. Carl E. Mehl, former pastor of Redford Lutheran, as the guest speaker. Following the Holy Communion service, a luncheon buffet will be held in Mossner Hall at 1 p.m. There also will be a program of entertainment and reminiscing with present and former members.

Reservations for the luncheon are necessary and must be made by Jan. 15 by calling the church at (313) 535-3733.

ACTON LECTURE

"Can Conservatism Be Compassionate?" will be the topic of a lecture given by Gregory Gronbacher, director of research and academic affairs for The Acton Institute for the Study of Religion and Liberty, at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 24, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lake Shore Drive, Grosse Pointe Farms.

Gronbacher is a specialist in Catholic social thought and Austrian economics. He earned his doctorate in philosophy from the

Milltown Institute of Philosophy and Theology, a pontifical institute run by the Jesuits in Dublin, Ireland. He has lectured in France, England, the Czech Republic, Germany and Canada.

LITURGY ON TAPE

The Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom is available on videotape for a cost of \$15, plus \$3 postage, from Holy Transfiguration Orthodox Church, 36075 W. Seven Mile, Livonia 48152. The tapes make a great gift for a shut-in or those unable to attend the liturgy. The tapes also can be given to those people who are either seeking or expressing an interest in the Orthodox faith.

LOOKING FOR A CHURCH?

An open invitation is extended to anyone inquiring about membership in the Catholic Church by St. Richard's Church, 35637 Cherry Hill, Westland. For more information, call Claudia at (313) 729-4411.



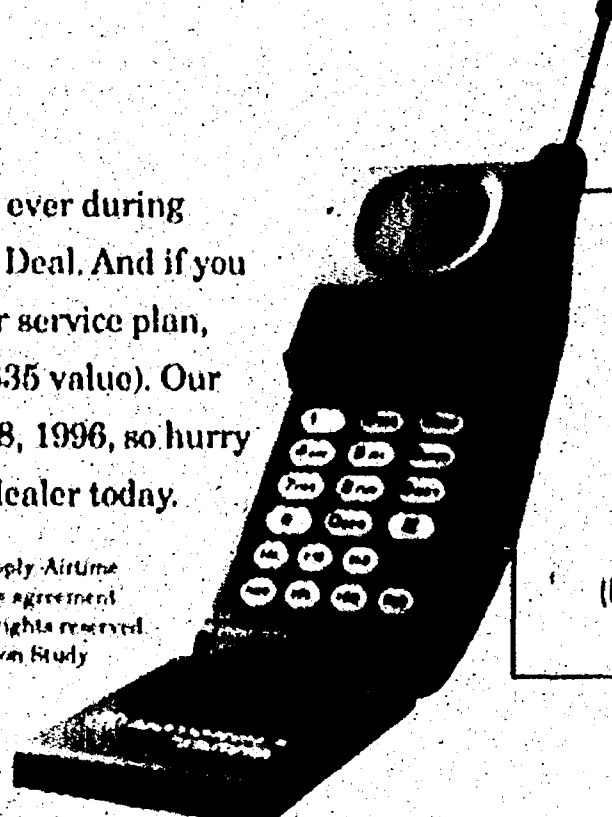
Hard workers: Members of Hosanna Taber Lutheran Church's Youth Group cleaned out and painted a garage, trimmed trees and bushes and did general yard cleanup for senior citizens as part of Redford's Operation Cleanup this fall.

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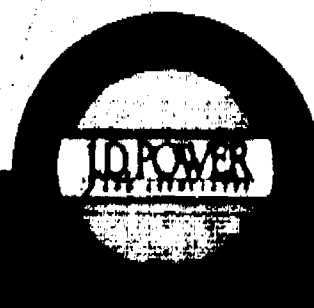
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