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Cuts to follow millage defeat

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By **Tedd Schneider**
staff writer

Wayne-Westland school officials said they would begin implementation this week of massive budget cuts following Monday's sound defeat of a tax proposal by district voters.

The two-year 7.75-mill request, combining a renewal and increase, was turned down 58.8 to 41.2 percent in the largest school election turnout in recent years.

Although the ballot measure fared better than three similar proposals last February, it still lost by nearly 1,900 votes, or 6,251 to 4,379 in unofficial returns. The proposal won out in just five of 25 precincts.

"We had to go out and get the message to our parents, that they had to go out and do the job for our kids. We didn't do the job," Superintendent Dennis O'Neill said after the returns were in.

O'NEILL, ADDRESSING a crowd of about 150 millage supporters in Dyer Senior Center lounge, said he felt like he was at "an Irish wake."

The superintendent also lambasted critics of the millage proposal, saying they would find out what it was like to run a program "with no sugar daddy, no money tree."

"If we don't have the resources to

do the job, there's no way to improve the quality of education," he said.

The Wayne-Westland Citizens for Education Committee actively opposed the tax increase.

O'Neill said school officials would sit down Tuesday morning to begin planning for next fall. Some \$5 million in administrative and program cuts approved by the school board this spring will mean the elimination of most of the elementary expressive arts program, one junior high class period, and district-funded sports and extracurricular activities at junior and senior high schools. The school board has approved a student activity fee for non-academic programs.

In a brief interview following his speech, the superintendent reiterated his view that the single proposal was the only way to provide the funding necessary to operate the district at its current level.

In earlier statements, O'Neill said the 7.75 mills would have provided about \$10 million in revenues for 1990-91, or enough to restore the cuts and provide salary increases for teachers and other district employees.

THE DISTRICT'S contract with the Wayne-Westland Education Association expires this summer.

The superintendent said the likelihood of another special election before or shortly after school begins was "virtually nil." He cited the

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— Dennis O'Neill
superintendent

statewide August primary and November general election and state law which requires at least 45 days between elections.

School officials made similar statements following the February defeat, but said they changed their minds after hearing loud support from parents, students and teachers.

In a prepared statement issued Monday, Citizens for Education chairman David Moranty said school officials now have a responsibility "to begin a realistic appraisal or revenues and expenditures for the coming year. Then they must restore as many student programs, recall as many laid-off employees and rebuild as much integrity as possible for the education of our children."

The statement also said school officials should "devote as much energy, effort, initiative and leadership to running the schools without the tax increase as they did in campaigning for its passage."

THE INTENSE effort by the pro-

millage Funding Effective Schools Committee may have been partly responsible for the large turnout. The 10,633 ballots cast represented 15.6 percent of the district's approximately 68,000 registered voters, said Eleanor Harrington, district elections clerk.

The turnout was higher than the 11.7 percent who voted in the Feb. 8 special election and substantially more than the 7-10 percent turnout in school funding elections during the early and mid-1980s.

Checks at several voting sites during the day revealed heavy voting.

"It's the biggest (turnout) we've ever had," said Winnifred Story, a worker at Precinct 16 (at P.D. Graham Elementary School), where 675 voters had cast ballots and 25 people were waiting in line at 7:30 p.m.

Peggy Crunette, captain at precinct 30 in Edison Elementary School, said the early evening total of 317 voters was up 50 percent from February.



JOHN DISCHER/staff photographer

Sue King, co-president of the John Glenn football boosters, frets Monday as she watches election returns. King said people were misled by some of the information they received about the tax proposal.

Incumbent Laura wins in a landslide

By **Marie Chestney**
staff writer

In one of the most lopsided election victories ever, Livonia school board trustee Joseph Laura overwhelmed challenger Nagi Musleh to win a second term Monday.

The margin of victory was 2,413 to 243 with Laura gaining nearly 91 percent of the vote. The district includes the northern section of Westland.

Livonia City Clerk Robert Nash said he could not recall a local election in which the vote was more lopsided.

"Usually it's at least 75 percent-25 percent," Nash said. "It's shocking that it's 90 percent."

With four more years on the Livonia board now assured, Laura said one of his major tasks ahead will be

to encourage residents to get more involved with the school system.

"They should want to know where their dollars are going and they should be concerned about the youth in the city. The school district's reputation is reflected in their property values."

During the campaign, Musleh said he accomplished what he had set out to do.

"My primary objective was to raise the consciousness of the residents (of the school district) to many powerful issues and concerns that will provide them with the opportunity to assess and evaluate and plan ahead for a great future for them and their kids."

"The beauty of democracy is that it allows us to voice our concerns. I'm also concerned about the silent majority who did not cast their votes."



JOHN DISCHER/staff photographer

Leonard Posey raises a victory salute Monday as he joins supporters at a celebration at Paddy's Pub.

Posey wins narrow victory

By **Tedd Schneider**
staff writer

It was a bittersweet evening for Leonard Posey.

Posey, who narrowly defeated challenger Laurel Raisanen, Monday became the first black elected to the Wayne-Westland school board. Linda Pratt finished third.

But in remarks to supporters, the winner said his victory was marred by the defeat of a tax proposal that he and other board members supported.

"I enjoy winning just like the next person," Posey said. "But I don't feel like a winner for a very obvious reason."

"As a parent and a member of the board of education I feel terrible (about the millage defeat)."

POSEY EDGED out Raisanen, who was supported by a local anti-

millage committee, by 64 votes out of more than 9,000 ballots cast in the school board race.

In unofficial returns, Posey finished with 3,202 votes or 35.4 percent. Raisanen received 3,138 votes for 34.7 percent.

Pratt received 2,696 votes for 29.8 percent.

Raisanen won 11 of the 25 precincts, while Posey took nine and Pratt finished first in five.

Raisanen said Wednesday she briefly considered asking for a recount but dropped the idea. The first-time candidate said she didn't want to act "like sour grapes."

THE THREE were running for the seat vacated last December by Terri Reighard Johnson after her election to the Westland City Council.

Posey was appointed by the board to fill out Reighard John-

son's term. Pratt and Raisanen had also applied for the vacancy.

Despite the millage setback, Posey said there were "a lot of positive things that happened during the campaign."

"Going into this campaign I didn't know whether anyone knew whether a black man could be elected to districtwide office. It (his election) is a tribute to this overall community that people (who had doubts) put that aside."

POSEY PRAISED his opponents for their campaign but criticized what he said were negative contributions from Raisanen's backers on the Wayne-Westland Citizens for Education Committee, whom he referred to as "people who don't believe in what we believe in."

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Planners endorse McDonald's plan

By **Tedd Schneider**
staff writer

Residents of a northeast Westland neighborhood are satisfied with revisions in a site plan for a McDonald's restaurant, a spokeswoman for the group said Tuesday.

"This is an improvement over any previous development that's been proposed," said Wilhelmina Lawson following Tuesday's special meeting of the city planning commission. "McDonald's has been responsive to our requests."

The commission voted 8-0 to for-

ward the revised site plan to the Westland City Council. The council could act on the plan as early as Monday, said planning director George Wilhelm.

Construction of the fast-food restaurant would end a three-year battle over commercial development at the southeast corner of Joy and Merriman.

About a dozen residents, including several from Livonia, attended Tuesday's meeting.

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Resident, 27, shot by off-duty trooper

A Westland man was shot once in the head Saturday night during an altercation with an off-duty Michigan State Police officer at Jefferson and Chene in Detroit, police said.

The 27-year-old man was listed in serious condition Tuesday at Detroit Receiving Hospital, according to Officer John Leavens of the Detroit Police public information unit.

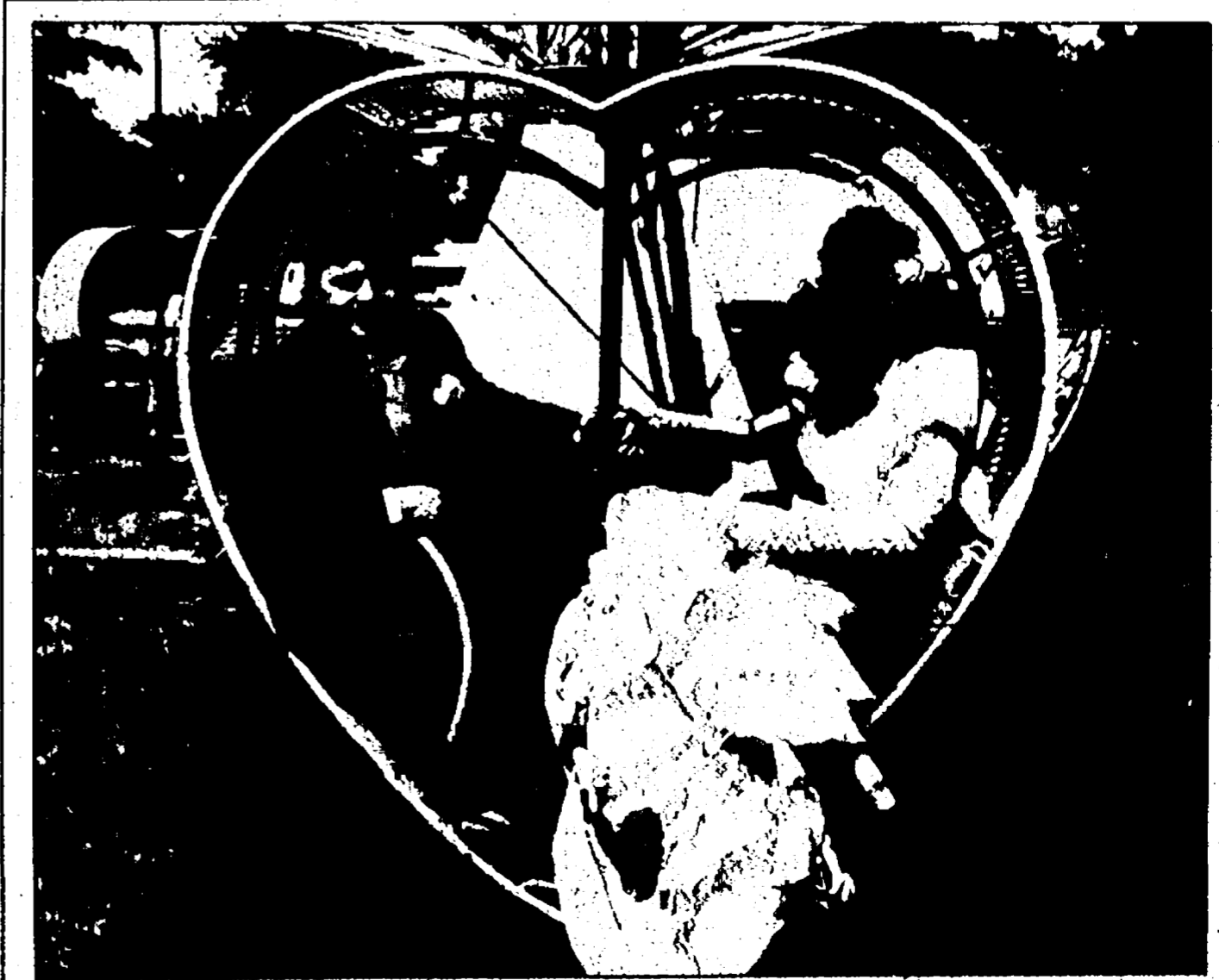
Leavens declined to identify either the victim or the police officer involved and said the incident was still under investigation. He said the victim is being held as a police prison-

er.

Leavens said the altercation occurred at 6:30 p.m. after the two men were involved in a traffic accident.

"The trooper identified himself as a Michigan State Police officer and the Westland man raised a handgun and fired one shot, missing the officer," Leavens said. "The officer returned fire and wounded the man."

Leavens declined to release further details of the incident and said he was unsure what charges, if any, would be filed.



ART EMANUELE/staff photographer

Bridal ride

Newlyweds Michael and Renee Whipple got their marriage off to a fast start Saturday afternoon with a carnival ride at the St. Richard Catholic Church festival. They were married in the church and then took the

planned ride on the heart-shaped "vehicle." The church, on Cherry Hill between Wayne Road and Newburgh, held its annual carnival Friday through Sunday to raise funds.

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McDonald's plan satisfies residents

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Representatives from McDonald's and a Southfield consulting firm that did a study of traffic patterns in the neighborhood addressed concerns from residents and commissioners.

RESIDENTS ON Cooley, which backs up to the property, and other nearby streets are worried about increased noise, traffic, trash, vandalism and decreasing property values if the restaurant is built.

McDonald's has agreed to increase the height of a wall at the

south end of the property from six to seven feet and add a gate to the wall so residents will be able to. Operating hours haven't been set, said Bernie Whitman of McDonald's Corp., but restaurants are traditionally open from 6 a.m. to 11 p.m. during the week and until midnight on Friday and Saturday nights.

"If the hours do become a nuisance to the neighbors, certainly we can talk about it and adjust them," he said.

A "soft play area" adjacent to the restaurant will be accessible only from inside the building and

won't draw unsupervised local school children, McDonald's officials said.

Tapan Datta of Goodell-Gravis, Inc., the traffic consultants, said traffic from nearby Franklin High School and the adjacent 7-Eleven store will have "no impact" on McDonald's traffic.

"The peak hours for those (buildings) are different from the peak traffic time for McDonald's, which would be noon to 1 p.m.," he said.

CONSTRUCTION OF the restaurant could start as early as the fall, but spring 1991 would be more

likely, according to McDonald's officials.

McDonald's bought the property for an undisclosed price from developer Glenn Shaw last January. Shaw, who owns the 7-Eleven property, previously won approval for a strip mall on the site but Blockbuster Video, backed out as the major tenant and the deal fell apart last fall.

Area residents have been fighting commercial development of the property since 1987 when Burger King announced plans to build a restaurant on the site.

Posey wins seat in close board race

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Raisanen, at a rally of about 50 supporters in the Oddfellows Hall on Glenwood, said she was pleased with the result "but I really thought I was going to win."

She said she could have done a better job of winning votes from people who "came to vote strictly on the millage" and among absentee voters. About 1,600 fewer people voted in the board race than on the tax

proposal. Raisanen told her supporters she thought she would be "right back" on the ballot next year when two school board seats will be decided.

Posey, 36, is vice president and director of human resources for First Independence National Bank of Detroit. An Inkster resident, he has been active with the Hicks Elementary School PTA and the PTA Area Council and has served on several district committees.

Man gains new eating habits, TOPS state title

By Tom Henderson staff writer

David Zynda of Westland isn't nearly the man he used to be — and is proud of it.

Zynda has lost 89 pounds — from a peak of 254 — and was recently crowned for his efforts as the King of Michigan by TOPS, a weight-loss organization officially known as **Take Off Pounds Sensibly**, at its annual convention in Marquette.

Zynda took the weight off the hard way — by permanently changing his eating habits and lifestyle. No crash diets, no dramatic losses. The pounds came off like water slowly dripping from a faucet — slowly, steadily, bit by bit.

"If you take it off on a crash diet, you just put it back on," said Zynda, 40, a veteran of crash diets, diet pills, huge weight losses and equally huge weight gains.

ZYENDA JOINED TOPS in January 1988. The local affiliate meets

carrier of the month
Westland



Jessica Krug

Jessica Krug has been named the Westland Observer's carrier of the month for June.

Jessica, a B student at Hayes Elementary School where she is a sixth grader, has been a carrier for 12 months.

In school, her favorite subject is math. After school, Jessica enjoys roller skating and swimming.

The daughter of Rick and Brenda Krug, Jessica will be 12 on Aug. 9.

The part she likes best about her Observer route is the collecting.

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weekly in the Log Cabin building in Garden City's City Park, on Cherry Hill east of Merriman. Members are taught that getting their weight under control is a matter of getting their diet under control and starting an exercise regimen.

Once a junk-food king and fat for longer than he can remember — his mother said he weighed 36 pounds when he was 9 months old — Zynda now touts the benefits of vegetables and fruit, of eliminating fats, of meats like chicken and turkey, and brisk walks and bike rides.

Gone are the days when he'd split a five-pound pork roast with his dad. Gone are the nights — every night — when he'd eat a one-pound bag of potato chips and wash it down with two liters of root beer. Gone are the barbecues when his dad, Stanley, would have two hamburgers, his mom, Audrey, would have one, and David would have the other six.

AND GONE, too, are the days of the triple extra large shirts, of needing a beard to cover up his triple chin, of hearing people say, "Look at that fat man" when he went out in public.

"Anything out there, I'd grab it and eat it," he said.

"He was breaking the furniture, he was so big," his mother said. "It's just a shame his father isn't still alive so he could see him, now."

People interested in joining TOPS may call Christina Smith at 561-9205.



ART EMANUELE/staff photographer

David Zynda has proof that he isn't nearly the man he used to be.

cop calls

A RESIDENT on the 31800 block of Tuscola told police her ex-husband assaulted her during an argument early Sunday.

The woman said she was thrown against a fish tank, punched in the face and stepped on by her husband. The assault was stopped when relatives called the police at 2:25 a.m., witnesses said.

Police said the woman had welts on her body and face, but didn't appear to be seriously injured.

A HOMEOWNER on the 33100 block of Melton reported that someone set fire to a shed on his property early Saturday.

The man said he arrived home from work about 8 a.m. when he noticed the fire, which he extinguished with a garden hose before firefighters arrived.

The fire did a minimum amount of damage, police said.

Police said bicycle tire tracks were found in the lawn near the garage. The tracks led to a nearby field.

A REDFORD Township youth told police an unidentified man exposed himself 12:30 p.m. Saturday at the Elmwood-Linville intersection.

The 15-year-old, who was visiting relatives in the area, said she was walking a dog when the man drove by in a dark blue or black car. The car turned around and the man drove up and asked for directions before exposing himself and driving off, the youth said.

She described him as a white man, 20-25 years old, with dark

brown hair. He was wearing light blue running shorts.

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Sputnik launched teacher on new career

By Marie Chestney
staff writer

Back in the 1950s, Sputnik did more than turn this nation's students on to careers in science and math.

The Russian satellite, which was the first satellite in space, also is the main reason John Ort gave up teaching industrial arts and became a high school counselor.

"Sputnik showed us we didn't have enough students studying math and science and we didn't have enough counselors steering them into those careers," said Ort, who is retiring Friday after 39 years in the Livonia school district which serves the northern section of Westland.

NEXT WEEK, the 61-year-old chairman of the counseling department at Franklin High will be a resident of Suttons Bay, a scenic port town on the east side of the Leelanau Peninsula where one of his former industrial arts students has helped him build a lakeside home.

Ort came to Livonia in 1951, fresh

people

from the small Thumb town of Bad Axe and with a degree to teach industrial arts under his arm.

Until 1981, he taught industrial arts at the former Bentley High.

But then Sputnik took its famous ride into space and, with the district needing skilled counselors, Ort found himself taking a crash summer course in counseling at Wayne State University.

At first, Ort worked in both jobs in the district. Then, after earning a counseling degree from The University of Michigan in the mid-'60s, he turned to full-time counseling. Most of his career has been spent at Franklin, which serves the northeast section of Westland.

"With industrial arts, the rewards are immediate and tangible. With

counseling, they are intangible and a long-time coming," said Ort, who still turns to industrial arts in his spare time to carve decoys for his favorite sport, duck hunting.

IN HIS 39-year-career in the district, Ort also became a powerhouse in teacher union politics.

He has served as president of the Livonia Education Association, the Michigan Education Association, and the MEA Board of Directors.

If the district's teachers think they are well-paid, then they have Ort to thank in large part. Ort said he got involved with the LEA because he was determined to improve the status of teachers.

He was spurred on by the memories of the hard times his own teachers faced in the 1930s and 1940s,

teaching in the small rural town of Bad Axe.

He recalls one teacher who got married and lost her job. And another who lost her job after the school officials found out she was secretly married. And another who got fired after he refused to paint the school bus.

Today, with a maximum salary of \$51,653 for a teacher holding a master's degree, Livonia district teachers are among the most highest paid in Michigan.

What will he miss the most in the years ahead?

"THE KIDS. They're the gods of this job. If you can't enjoy the idiosyncrasies they bring, you'll be an unhappy person in this job. You get frustrated with the paperwork but when you're involved with kids, that's the joy of it.

"Kids keep you young.
"But you have to be prepared for change, or you'll find yourself way out of touch with the kids."



ART EMANUELE/staff photographer

Counselor John Ort, retiring this week after 39 years in the Livonia school district, gets a farewell handshake from Franklin High School student Rachel McGrath.

Student learns 'secret' too late

By Marie Chestney
staff writer

Starting this fall, Livonia's high school students will find out what one parent called the Livonia school district's "best-kept secret."

But the school board's decision to divulge the "secret" in written form this fall in the student handbooks came too late to help high school senior Chad Emerson.

Because the district, which represents the northern section of Westland, changed the way it computes grade point averages this year, Emerson's GPA dropped from 3.5 to 3.4921.

Falling below 3.5 will disqualify him from wearing the colors of an honors graduate tonight during the school's commencement ceremony.

AFTER DISCOVERING how the .0079 drop in GPA affected their son's graduation, Emerson's parents, Joy and Darrel Emerson, went to bat for him late last month before the Livonia board of education.

"It is unfair when the student is graded in the same manner for six semesters and then the seventh semester the rules are changed," Joy Emerson told the trustees.

"It is not fair to change the rules this far into the game. Standards should remain the same during one's whole high school career."

Emerson also criticized the district for not notifying parents and

students last fall that GPAs were now being figured differently.

"Anything that can affect your child's grades should be publicly announced. Had we known of the change, we could have alerted our son to the adverse possibilities due to the system. Then he could have made every effort possible to make sure they did not happen."

A NEW computer system now allows the district to record the pluses and minuses that are part of a student's grade.

In past years, if a student earned a B-minus or a B-plus, for example, it was recorded as a B for grade point average purposes.

Under the new system, it is recorded as given by the teacher, B-minus or B-plus.

"In theory, this sounds much better than the old system," Emerson said.

However, for reasons of fairness, she said, the new system should have been launched with ninth graders just starting their high school career, not with seniors ending their high school career.

Throughout his high school years, she said, her son could have earned B-pluses that were reduced to B's when his GPA was computed.

Chad Emerson had always been a honor student, earning a 3.5 or higher. His report cards generally carried 3 A's and 3 B's, good enough to ensure a 3.5 GPA and an honor student designation.

Last fall, when the new system recorded one of his B's as a B-minus, his GPA dropped below 3.5.

"Had he graduated last year, he would not be experiencing this situation," Emerson said.

She suggested the district look into the grades of every graduating senior who has a 3.49 GPA, to see how many other students might have been affected by the change.

THE LIVONIA school board has since told the Emersons that the new grading system was applied equally to all students.

"While we have the greatest empathy for your family's feelings in this situation, we do support the administrative decision that has been made," said president Diane Tancill.

"It is not feasible to phase in this system for only certain groups or grades of students, and while this seems to be unfair in your perceptions, the grading system has been applied equally to all students."

However, Tancill said, the board has told high school administrators to alert parents and students to the change. This notification, she said, will appear in the high school student handbooks given in the fall to all students.

"Twenty years from now our son will not be affected by the fact that even though he did honors work, he did not get to go through commencement with an honors cord," Emerson said.



Grand graduates

Two Wayne-Westland school district "seniors," Helen Brown, 79, (left), and Jennie Dobkowski, 71, graduated Friday night. They took adult education classes and joined 42 others in the annual commencement, held in the Cherry Hill Adult and Community Education Center.

Local WCC trustee favors college tax

By Tom Henderson
staff writer

Wayne County Community College will ask voters this summer for the first voter-approved tax in its history. The 1-mill tax would generate about \$15 million. The community college serves the Wayne-Westland school district.

WCCC is the only community college in the state without a voter-approved tax. It receives one-quarter mill from money collected by school districts in the area served by WCCC.

If the tax is approved, the college's revenue would remain about the same. It now gets \$3.9 million from locally collected money and \$10.4 million in state aid. The state aid will be phased out over five years, beginning in July 1991.

THE LOCAL school districts, in-

cluding Wayne-Westland, merely collect the one-quarter mill and pass it along to the state. If and when the quarter-mill tax ends, that money will no longer be collected.

One mill represents \$1 per \$1,000 of state equalized valuation. A house worth \$50,000 is valued by the state at \$25,000, so property taxes would increase \$25 per year.

WCCC's board of trustees approved the tax request May 23. The vote will be on the Aug. 7 primary ballot.

"I think one of the elements of a community college is that it is supported by the community," said trustee Ted Scott of Westland.

"The appropriate thing to do is go to the people and explain the situation, that we are taking cost-cutting efforts and managing the college effectively. We're not looking for more dollars but for replacement dollars."

WCCC SERVES 12,000 students at its five campuses in the county.

A survey last fall showed the school has widespread support in the county and that a tax would be approved, Scott said.

Scott said that the school, which was plagued by bad management, infighting and a rapid turnover of presidents and administrations, is back on an even keel.

"We believe we have corrected the problems of the early '80s, and we have stabilized the student population."

The schools' current budget is \$38 million.

The state Legislature created the community college district in 1967 and in 1969, the school opened its doors to 9,000 students. Until then, Wayne County was the largest major urban area in the country not served by a community college.

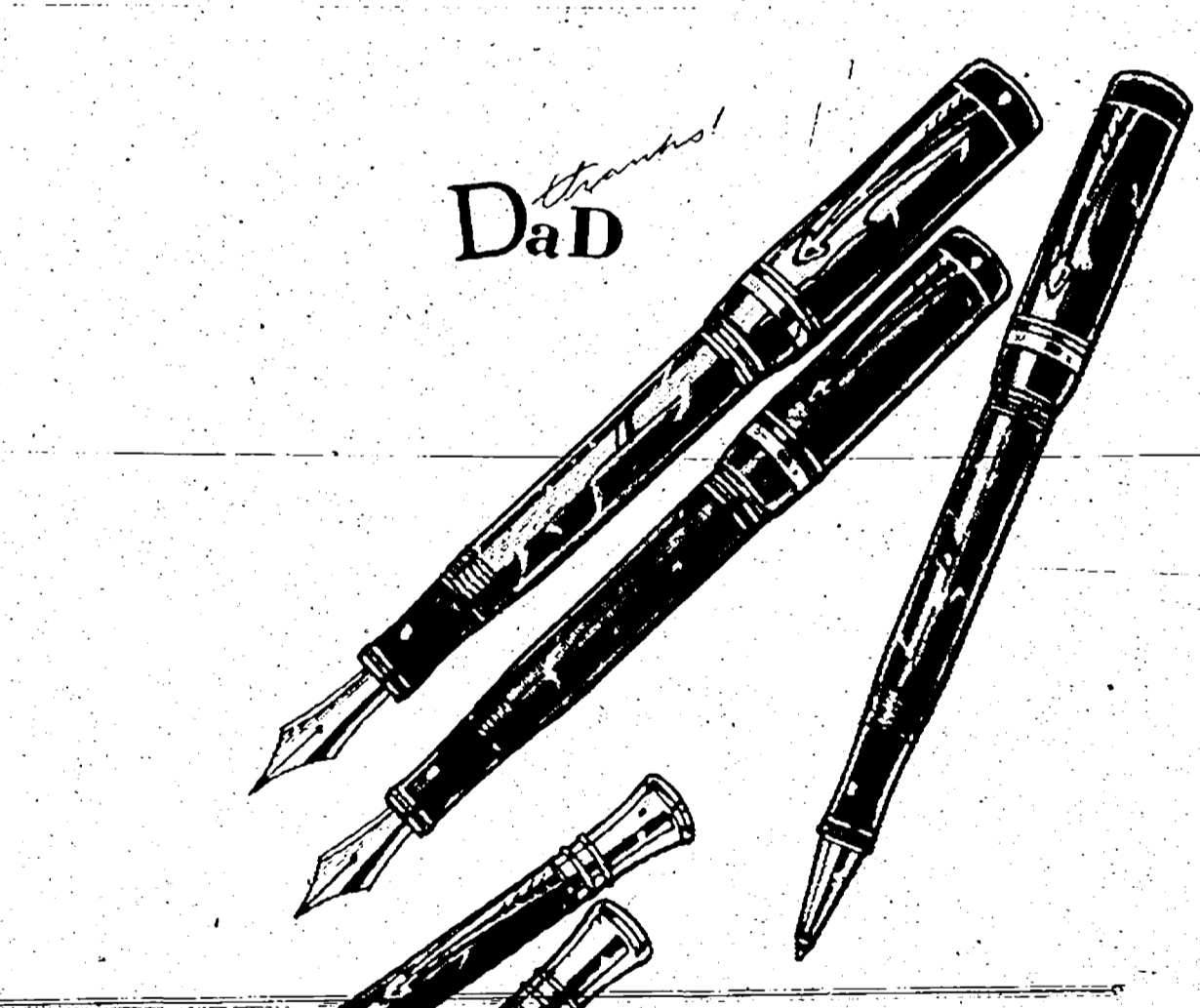


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Community Corner

This week's question:
What advice would you give new graduating seniors?

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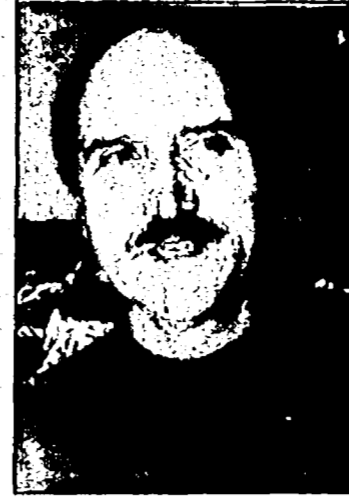
'Don't drink and drive.'
— Brenda Amr



'Continue your education and make the best for yourselves. It's not as easy on the streets anymore.'
— Robert Nash



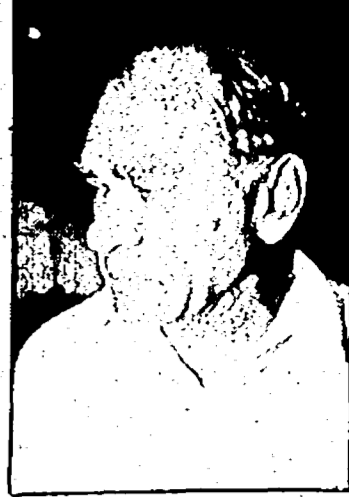
'Don't drink and drive.'
— Kristin Lavagnino



'Go to school and get an education. Stay off drugs. Protect yourself and don't get pregnant.'
— John Louis



'Get involved in college activities.'
— Clare Louis



'Keep in school, add to your education. Get into computers.'
— John Molsky



Scholarships

Harriet Gagnon gets congratulatory hugs from two high school seniors awarded scholarships recently from a fund created in the memory of her late husband, Virgil. The Gagnons organized the local chamber of commerce nearly 30 years ago and Mrs. Gagnon was a former chamber executive secretary. The winners of the \$250 scholarships are Duane Briski (left), a Wayne Memorial senior who also attended the Ford Vocational/Technical Center, and Todd Farmer, a John Glenn High senior who plans to major in business management at Michigan State University. The scholarships were announced at a Westland chamber luncheon/program. Mr. Gagnon, also a former Westland city councilman and city clerk, died a year ago while preparing to return from Florida to Westland.

campus news

DR. MICHAEL Caccamo will receive a doctor of osteopathy degree from the Michigan State University College of Osteopathic Medicine in commencement ceremonies June 8.

Dr. Caccamo, who has bachelor of science degrees in chemistry and biology from Wayne State University, will serve as head intern at Michigan Health Center, Detroit, beginning June 20.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Caccamo of Westland.

THREE MEMBERS of Westland's Popp family were recently singled out for honors by Wayne State University, Detroit. Christopher Popp, a junior majoring in chemistry, has been

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elected to two national honor societies, the Golden Key Society and Phi Beta Kappa.

Kristen Popp, a senior majoring in education, was elected to the Golden Key National Honor Society and has been awarded two scholarships.

Amy Popp, a senior majoring in physical education, has also been elected to the Golden Key National Honor Society.

THIRTEEN Westland residents were honored recently at the Schoolcraft College Business Honors Banquet.

The Livonia school cited the following students for achieving grade point averages of 3.25 or better:

Andrea Field, Bette Frederick, Christina Harris, Michelle Hartman, Leslie James, William Leighton, Susan Lieberman, Susan McNamara, Chandra Nayak, Diane Ruehle, Michael Salter, Marjorie Twitchell and Joanne Westenberg.

ELIZABETH Crawford of Westland was named to the President's Honor Roll at Cleary College, Ypsilanti.

Crawford was cited for earning a grade point average of 3.5 or better during the winter term.

JOHN BRANNAN of Westland has pledged to Sigma Delta Phi fraternity at Albion College.

Brannan is the son of Richard Brannan of Westland.

WESTLAND'S Darren Brewer has been inducted into the Kappa Delta Pi national education society at Ball State University, Muncie, Ind.

Brewer is the son of Robert and Virginia Brewer of Westland.

BARBARA COX of Westland was named to the

Dean's List at Lake Superior State University in Sault Ste. Marie.

Cox, a senior majoring in psychology, was cited for earning a grade point average of 3.5 or better during the winter term.

FRANCES Hamann and Christiane Dines, both of Westland, were elected to the Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing, Madonna College (Livonia) Chapter.

FIVE WESTLAND residents were inducted into the honorary Phi Theta Kappa chapter at Schoolcraft College, Livonia.

They are Rhonda Gaylor, Sharon Mays, Jason Mitchell, Ann Shinabarger and Marjorie Twitchell.

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Woman's scholarships are a family tribute

By Janice Brunson, staff writer

In a sense, money provided by Verna Wright for deserving students at Schoolcraft College symbolizes a dead husband and two deceased sons.

Husband Otis, a former linotype operator for the *Detroit News*, died in 1971, followed by son Robert, also a linotype operator who died of cancer. Son John, a professor of mechanical engineering at Wayne State University, died of the same disease three years ago.

It was after John's death that Verna decided to make her first contribution, an amount she prefers not to publicize. She has since donated twice more, earmarking the money for three separate student scholarships.

Now, once each year, students in the school's Writing Concepts Center where Wright has served as a volunteer for 17 years, the Women's Resource Center and the library receive financial assistance, a Verna Wright Endowment Scholarship.

"I've lost two sons and a husband. I decided I'd like to help students," she said in a strong, clear voice that decidedly belies her 92 years of age.

Verna's generosity, a personal memorial in behalf of her menfolk, is aimed at "doing other people good," a concept shared by others who value education and believe in helping make it possible for all.

SOME \$250,000 in scholarship money has been awarded by Schoolcraft College, including \$40,000 in memorial and other contributions to the college's Foundation Fund.

The Julie Titmuss Scholarship was established in memory of a student services secretary who died of cancer, the Jane Moehle Scholarship in honor of a former trustee who chaired the board from 1969 to 1971. When board veteran Rosina Raymond died a year ago, husband Jerry funded a memorial scholarship for students interested in writing.

Jerry Young, a retired Chrysler employee from Garden City who had no family, funded his own memorial,

Tech awards available

Attention! Students interested in manufacturing technology are eligible to apply for a two-year scholarship offered by the National Manufacturing Tool Builders of America.

The scholarship includes costs of tuition, books and related academic fees of up to \$2,000 for each of two years of college.

Applicants must be high school graduates who meet Schoolcraft

College admission requirements, demonstrate an interest in manufacturing and meet normal employment standards of Krueger Machine Tool.

The scholarship includes two summers of employment at Krueger in a work-training position.

If interested, call Schoolcraft Financial Aid, 462-4433.

the first club member to die, the Livonia Roamin Organization, a rock and mineral club, funds an annual scholarship for a student majoring in geology. Related sciences are also considered.

SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE "places great emphasis on (scholarship) assistance," according to Sandra Florek, the college's director of institutional advancement.

"People in our college district are generally middle-class. With increasing school costs, many need financial assistance. We try to help," Florek said.

Since 1981, such assistance has increased significantly, based upon foundation figures.

In 1981, foundation income from fund-raising events and donations totaled \$1,700, with \$400 awarded in scholarships. This year, foundation income totaled \$170,000, with \$40,000 awarded.

Mary Quinn, a Plymouth cocktail waitress who has aspired to teaching since graduating from high school in Redford a decade ago, is such a recipient. Preparing for her second

year of college, Quinn received \$800 from The Friends of the College Scholarship, funded by an anonymous donor.

An "A" student, Quinn was selected on the basis of academic achievement and need.

"Schoolcraft is a community college and not real expensive. Still, costs add up. This is really a great help," Quinn said.

Walt Coleman agrees. A mechanic since graduating from Plymouth-Canton High School in 1978, Coleman is now attending school full time, majoring in electrical engineering and maintaining a straight "A" average.

He is the recent recipient of a \$1,000 Schoolcraft College Foundation scholarship.

"I put aside money but I've run into a few glitches. This will help a great deal, financial assistance to leave one career and go into a totally new one."

For more scholarship information, call Schoolcraft Financial Aid, 462-4433. For more information about funding a scholarship, call Sandra Florek, 462-4417.

Rouge project passes first test

A \$3 million Rouge River cleanup was among the projects included in last week's U.S. House appropriations bill for energy and water development.

The bill would finance a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers cleanup, said its sponsor, U.S. Rep. Carl Pursell, R-Plymouth.

The corps would supervise logjam removal along the Rouge, allowing the river to flow more freely.

"It was the Corps' conclusion that the large number of blockages along the Rouge contribute to constricted water flow and the resultant stagnant water pools along the river," Pursell said.

The bill is due for a vote before

the House Appropriations Committee.

If approved, the Army Corps project would be incorporated into the heavily-polluted river's remedial action plan.

In other Rouge news:

Some 2,700 volunteers participated in Rouge Rescue '90 held June 2 at sites throughout Wayne and Oakland counties. Friends of the Rouge, the agency sponsoring the event, said the number of volunteers matched last year's figure.

Workers collected roughly 4,000 cubic yards of debris and broke up an estimated 100 logjams.

Final figures on the number of items pulled from the Rouge are pending.

Inheritance tax cut facing veto

Chances increased Friday that Gov. James Blanchard will veto inheritance tax relief that cleared the way for a key tax agreement just the day before, according to key aides.

Such a move would probably make the issue a major arguing point in the gubernatorial race between Blanchard and Senate Majority Leader John Engler, R-Mount Pleasant.

Although Senate Republicans who pushed for inheritance tax relief remained confident Blanchard will sign the bill, state Treasurer Robert Bowman said the chances were "slim and none."

"I think it's the right thing to do," Bowman said. "I think he shares my concern that this is the worst form of tax relief."

But Bowman cautioned that he didn't know for sure what Blanchard would do. And Engler expressed faith that Blanchard will sign the bill.

"I think he will sign the legislation," Engler said. "I think that is the right thing for Michigan."

THE BILL won legislative approval on Thursday as part of a compromise package which also reinstated Detroit's 5 percent utility tax.

Area legislators voting in favor of the bill included Reps. John Bennett, D-Redford, William Keith, D-Garden City, Lyn Bankes, R-Livonia and Gerald Law, R-Plymouth. Those voting against the bill included Reps. Justine Barns, D-Westland and James Kosteva, D-Canton.

The inheritance tax bill would cut

the tax in half over three years, costing the state about \$40 million a year when fully implemented.

Bowman immediately attacked the bill, a view he repeated on Friday. He argues tax relief should help property owners, not people who inherit money.

"Senate Republicans have made a colossal blunder," he said. "It's bad government and it's bad politics."

An aide who did not want to be identified said the bill faces "an almost certain veto."

Ironically, Senate Republicans could have virtually ensured Blanchard's signature by formally tying the inheritance tax bill to the measure reinstating Detroit's utility tax.

"We didn't feel there was a need to," Engler said. "I think the governor should sign the inheritance tax legislation. One could reasonably expect they would operate with a degree of integrity."

"If he vetoes it, he vetoes it," said Sen. Dan DeGrow, R-Port Huron. "We don't think he will. It really helps small business."

"We thought it would stand on its own," DeGrow said. "We know it's (a veto) possibility. We'll take our case to the people (if the bill is vetoed)."

Engler played down the possible political benefit of a veto he could attack during his campaign to unseat Blanchard.

"It's further evidence of the difference between John Engler and Jim Blanchard," he said. "John Engler likes to cut taxes and Jim Blanchard doesn't."

Madonna sets sight on bigger auction

Though Madonna College's 1990 "Around the World" scholarship dinner auction was just completed, plans are already under way for next year's auction.

Don Massey of Don Massey Cadillac, Plymouth, has donated a 1990 Cadillac Sedan DeVille to the 1991 auction. A similar donation by Massey for this year's auction helped the college raise \$78,000 for scholarships.

This year's auction raised over

\$200,000 for Madonna's scholarship fund. Twenty-four Madonna students are receiving merit scholarships this school year.

Next year's goal is to raise \$150,000 through a drawing for the car alone, as well as to boost auction proceeds to help finance 48 students.

The auction will be held Saturday, April 20, at Laurel Manor Banquet and Conference Center, Livonia.

Madonna is a four-year liberal arts college at 36800 Schoolcraft, Livonia.

Gifted students sought

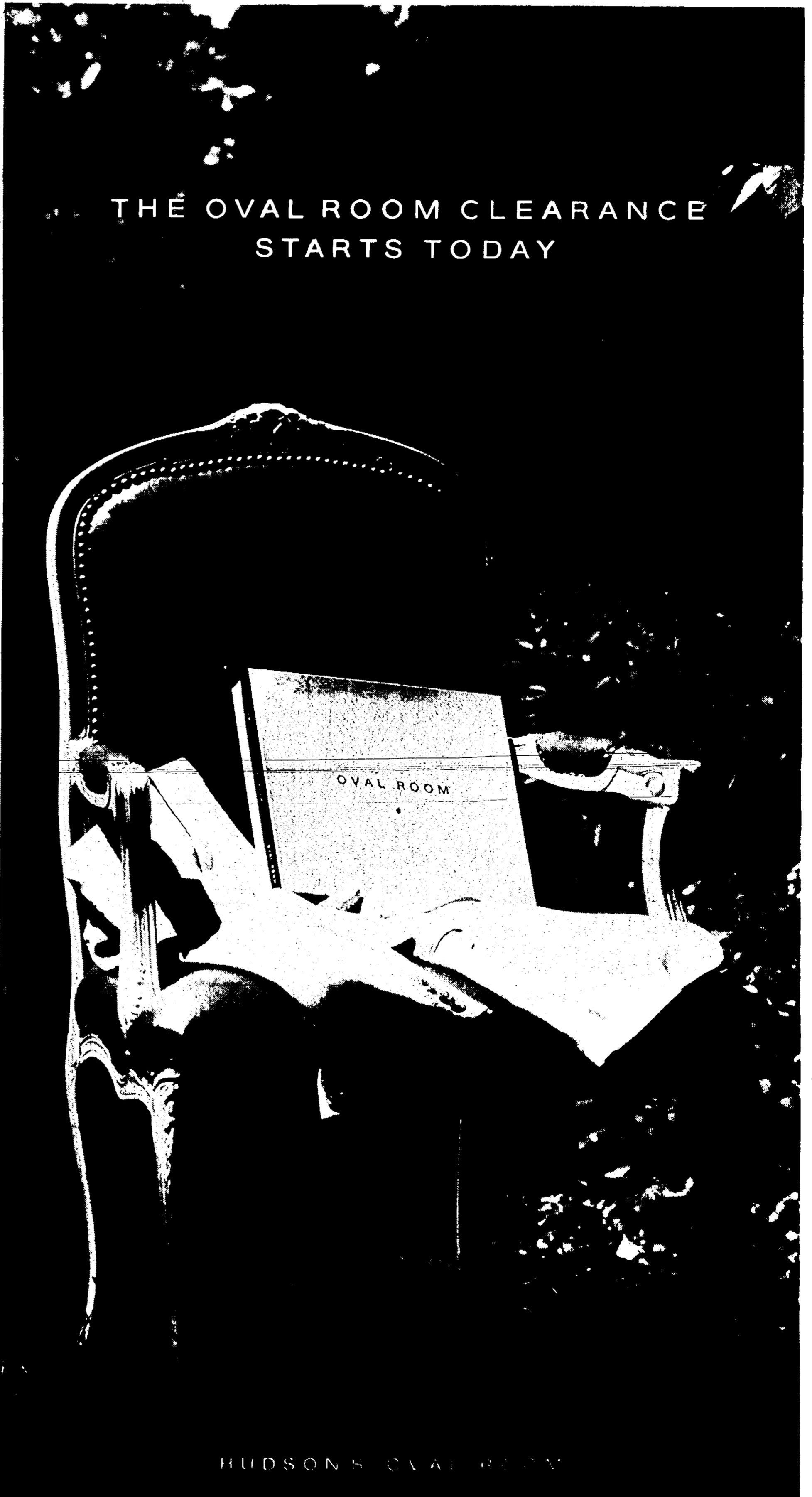
Registration is open for Schoolcraft College's summer Adventures in Learning Program for gifted and talented students age 4-16.

Courses will include computer programming, typewriting, biology, chemistry, science, fitness, advanced biology, theater performance, imaginative writing, creative dramatics,

art, conversational French, ecology, poetry and drawing.

There will also be creative learning and science classes for pre-school youngsters.

Additional information is available by calling the college's continuing education services division, 462-4448.



HUDSON'S OVAL ROOM

4-day community festival kicks off Thursday

FESTIVAL FUN

Thursday through Sunday — The Garden City Community Festival in the Park will be held today through Sunday in the City Park, on Cherry Hill east of Merriman. There will be carnival rides, food booths, and free entertainment all four nights. The festival opens at 5 p.m. Thursday and Friday and noon Saturday and Sunday.

SUMMER READING

Tuesdays — Children who have completed grades 1-6 may register for the summer reading club at Garden City Library, starting June 1. Meetings are every Tuesday at 2 p.m. beginning June 19 and ending July 24. Activities include music, magic, games and prizes. For more information, call 525-8855.

IN THE PARK

Saturdays, through Sept. 22 — Six miles of the Middle Rouge Parkway (Hines Drive) will be closed to traffic every Saturday for your family to run, walk, or bicycle safely. The drive will be closed from Warrendale Picnic Area (west of Outer Drive) to the Nankin Mills Station (Ann Arbor Trail and Hines Drive.) Parking available at Warrendale, Merriman Hollow and Nankin Mills picnic areas. Hines Drive will be closed from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

SENIORS MEET

Wayne-Westland School District Senior Adults meet in the Dyer Center, on Marquette between Wayne Road and Newburgh. Their meetings and events for June and July will be:

- Pinochle — Mondays 1:30 p.m.,

Tuesdays 6:30 p.m., Fridays 1 p.m.

• Monday, June 18 — Thames River cruise and dinner in London, Ontario, is planned. Make reservations early.

BERRY FESTIVAL

Friday, June 15 — An old fashioned strawberry festival and bake sale will be held 5-9 p.m. at Garden City Presbyterian Church, 1841 Middlebelt. There will be berries, homemade cakes and ice cream, models in period costumes and a choir concert at 7 p.m.

AUCTION

Saturday, June 16 — The Garden City Chamber of Commerce will have its auction at 2 p.m. in Garden City Park, Merriman and Cherry Hill. The auction will feature jewelry, tickets, dinners and more. All items may be previewed from noon till 2 p.m. For more information, call Debbie Eves at 422-4448.

BREAKFAST FOR DADS

Sunday, June 17 — A Father's Day Breakfast will be held 8-11:30 a.m. in St. Mel's Church, 7506 Inkster Road, between Warren Road and Ann Arbor Trill. Cost is \$3 for children and \$3.50 for adults for the all-you-can-eat meal, sponsored by the church's Young Families group.

YMCA CLASSES

Monday, June 18 — Summer classes will begin at the Wayne-Westland YMCA, 827 South Wayne Road. A variety of swim, gym and exercise classes is available for children and adults. For information, call 721-7044.

community calendar

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

JAMBOREE

Tuesday, June 19 — Garden City Library Summer Reading Club presents Maureen Schiffman and her musical jamboree at 2 p.m. Children must have completed grades 1-6 to attend. For information, call 525-8855.

LIBRARY FILM

Tuesday, June 19 — The Garden City Library Summer Reading Club presents the movie "The Land Before Time" at 2 p.m. Children must have completed grades 1-6 to attend. For information, call 525-8855.

BOWLING

Sunday, June 24 — Garden City Jaycees will sponsor a Nine Pin No-Tap Bowling Tournament at 7 p.m. in the Garden Lanes, Warren Road just east of Middlebelt. Cost is \$10 per person. Prizes will be awarded for first-third places. All proceeds will go to help Garden City High School Students traveling to Japan as part of a state program. For information and reservations, call Debbie Rumrill at 427-1853 or Cindy Whisman at 525-1997.

HEARTMATES

Monday, June 25 — A support group, "Heartmates" will meet 7:30 p.m. in Garden City Osteopathic

Hospital, classroom No. 1, N. 6245 Inkster Road at Maplewood. The organization provides emotional and educational support to family and friends of heart patients.

GED TESTS

Monday-Tuesday, June 25-26 — Livonia Public Schools will offer GED tests 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Bentley Center, 15100 Hubbard. For more information, call 523-9294.

SUMMER READING

Tuesday-Sunday, July 3-24 — Children who have completed grades 1-6 may register for the summer reading club at the Garden City Library, 2012 Middlebelt. Meetings are held at 2 p.m. Tuesdays. Free activities include read a lottery, movies and more. For information, call 525-8855.

NUTRITION

Monday, July 9 — A program on "Nutrition in the adolescent years," will be held at 7 p.m. in Alfred Noble Library, 32901 Plymouth Road at Farmington, Livonia. Jean Treter, dietitian from St. Mary's Hospital, will lead the program for adolescents and parents about nutrition and eating disorders. Registration begins June 25. For information, call 421-6600.

SCHOOL GROUP

Fridays — The Wayne-Westland Citizens for Education Committee meets the second Friday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the Westland Historical, Cultural, and Meeting House (formerly The Rowe House), 37025 Marquette. The group informs citizens of important issues regarding the community schools. For information, call Dave Moranty at 729-1748.

CLASSES OPEN

St. David's Nursery School, 27500 Marquette, Garden City is accepting applications for the 1990-91 school year. Classes are available for 3 and 4 year olds. Visitation days are scheduled for every Friday in May. For information or an appointment to visit, call Greta Kennen at 422-3187 or Jenny Schlarer at 295-7790.

SAFE RIDES

Fridays-Saturdays — Livonia Safe Rides is in operation Friday and Saturday nights during the school year from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. High school students living in the Livonia School District may call 261-3760 on these evenings for a safe and confidential ride home. For more information, call 522-7488.

COUNSELING

Tuesdays — Counseling for people under stress, who are isolated or de-

pressed is available 2:30-4 p.m. A \$5 donation is requested. For more information, or an appointment call 722-7632.

MEDICAL SERVICE

Fridays — Free medical service is available every Friday from 9 a.m. (appointments only) provided by Dr. Stanley Szeczienski at the Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh. Service will include consultation, blood pressure readings, heart and lung check, ear, nose and throat examination, etc. If a serious problem is found, he will refer you or recommend you go to your own doctor. For information, call 722-7632.

HAIRCUTS

Wednesdays — Haircuts are available from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh. Prices are \$5 for men and \$6 for women. Perms are also available. For information, call 722-7632.

HYPERTENSION

Hypertension screening will be provided by United Care and Westland Medical Center on Mondays from 10 a.m. to noon, except for the fifth Monday of the month. A nurse from Home Health Care will provide blood pressure screenings every Thursday 9-10 a.m. Screenings also will be held on Fridays by appointment with Dr. Szeczienski at 9 a.m.

Pro-lifer questions 'death-on-demand'

Barbara Listing, president of Right to Life of Michigan, expressed both sadness and deep concern when learning of the suicide death of an Oregon woman, facilitated by Royal Oak physician Dr. Jack Kevorkian.

"I feel very deeply for the family of this woman. It is unfortunate that a positive and effective support system, like hospice, was not utilized for the benefit of both the patient and the family," Listing said.

Listing also expressed grave concern about the dispute surrounding the legality of Dr. Kevorkian's actions.

"Traditionally our common law in Michigan has recognized assisted suicide as a form of homicide. It is

shocking that there is even a dispute over whether Dr. Kevorkian's actions would be considered inappropriate," said Listing.

She also stated that Right to Life of Michigan would support any legislation needed to clarify the law regarding assisted suicide.

"We certainly would not want Michigan to be known as the place to go for death-on-demand. Perhaps the most dangerous aspect of this case is the potential damage it could have on the medical profession. If physician-assisted suicide were to be deemed appropriate, the ancient tradition of physician as healer would be in jeopardy," concluded Listing.

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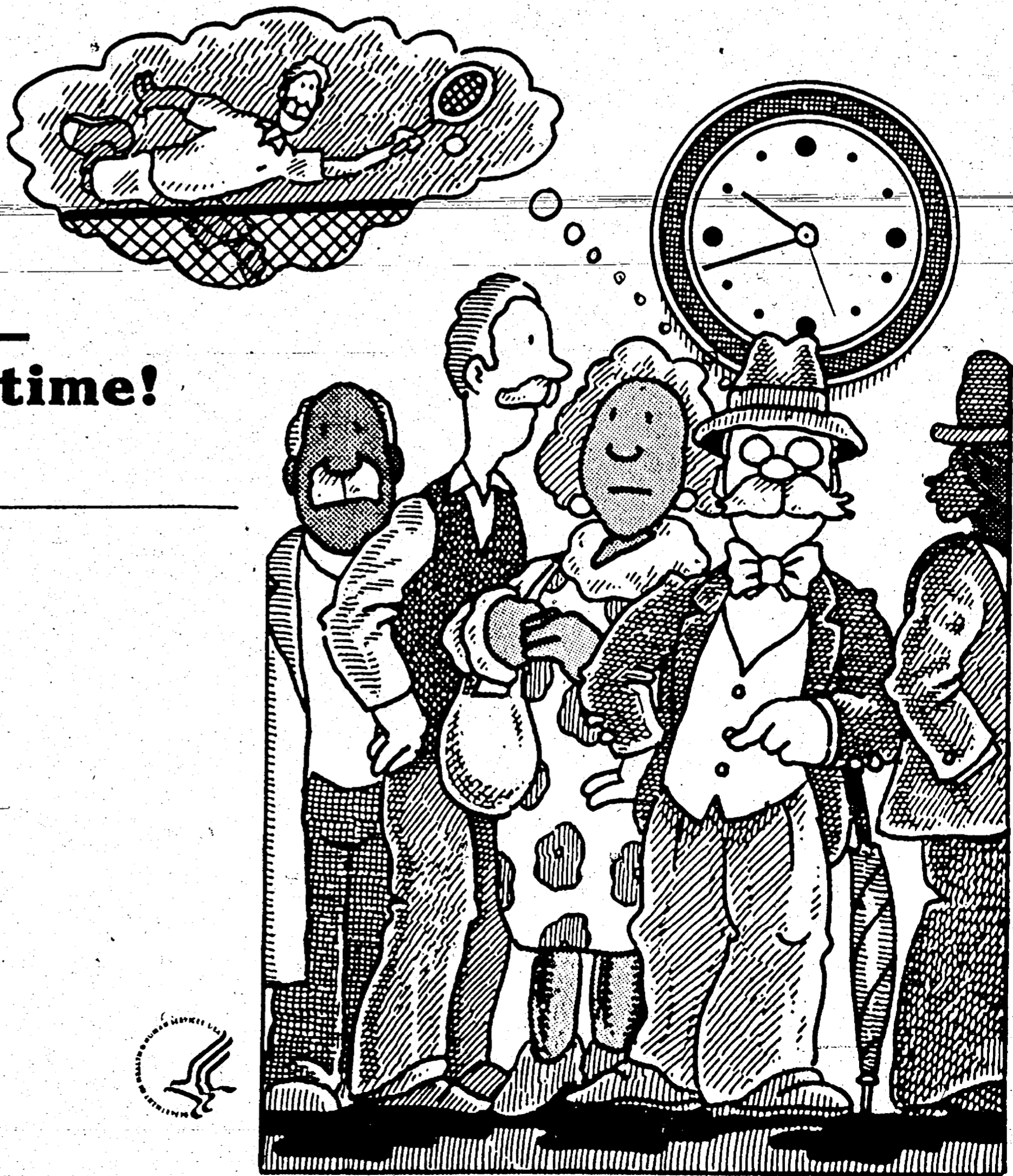
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Bird lovers flocking to area vet

By Diane Gale
staff writer

Bird brains aren't so dumb, after all. "A bird's brain is tiny, but their intelligence is not equivalent to the size of the brain," said Kenneth Harr, inside his Canton Center Animal Hospital office on Canton Center Road north of Ford. "They're extremely intelligent."

HARR RATTLES off a list of witty feathered patients to prove his point.

One bird, for instance, likes to play jokes on his owner and her dog. He rings the doorbell and when they answer to find no one there he breaks out in a hearty laugh.

"And when I walk into the room, it looks at me and says 'Uh, oh,' because it knows it's in trouble."

"That's special," said Harr, a 1987 Michigan State University graduate.

And then there's Bolo, a cockatoo patient.

"He walked up to me, like a drunk sailor, the way that they do, and said: 'I love you.'"

For the believe it or not chapters, a parakeet, named Timmy, learned to say two entire nursery rhymes spiced with voice intonations emphasizing all the right words.

"I got a headache from laughing so hard," Harr said. "He was so proud. He had his chest way out as if to say: 'That's pretty good, isn't it?'"

Harr tells a story about an African Gray parrot who hunkered down on



BILL BRESLER/staff photographer

Kim Palmer, veterinarian technician, holds the threatening claws of an owl under anesthetic. Veterinarian Kenneth Harr pulls back its eyelids to show off its majestic yellow and brown eyes.

the end of the table, lunged at him, grabbed his finger and said: "Gotcha."

That parrot liked to lower its head and say: "Tickle, tickle, tickle," inviting Harr to scratch him in its favorite place behind his neck.

"When it died I felt really bad," Harr said. "It's very painful to put such a bird to sleep. When pets talk back, I get a feeling that I know what an MD (medical doctor) feels when they lose a patient."

BIRD OWNERS travel as far away as northern Michigan and To-

ledo to have their pets treated by Harr.

His oldest patient was an 82-year-old yellow naped Amazon parrot, who had been passed down for three generations.

Last week, an owl, unconscious from an anesthetic, lay twitching occasionally, on the operating table in the back of the animal hospital.

Humane Society employees last week brought Harr the great horned owl, which had a fractured wing. The majestic brown and white, 31-pound bird, has a 5-foot wing span and threatening one inch curled claws.

The survival rate after surgery is not high, he said.

"But if we can save a few that's great," said Harr who specializes in

treating birds and reptiles.

"I take care of any injured wild bird they (Humane Society) find," he said, adding that the service is free.

"We want people to know we take care of all animals — not just the ones people own," Harr said.

In fact, the next time you drive down M-14 to Beck and spot a pair of hawks in the trees you can thank Harr for the scenery. He treated one of the hawks earlier this year after it became entangled in a fishing line.

He shares his practice with Dave Tinker, Mark Drake and Kevin Roose. Together they treat all types of animals from the wild and exotic to the everyday cat and dog.

"Anything you see out there you see in here," he said.

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Doctor pressured area churches

By Ryan Tutek
staff writer

Dr. Jack Kevorkian, whose so-called suicide machine helped an Oregon woman take her own life last week, had twice sought help from area churches to carry out assisted suicides.

One minister said she turned him away because he turned her off. Others said he demanded help more quickly than they could offer it.

"He was using strong-arm tactics to pressure us into a decision on it," said Suzanne Paul, minister of the Universalist Unitarian Church of Farmington. "We think people should have the right to die with dignity. But this is not something you can make a snap decision about."

Kevorkian called the church in March seeking space to help a California cancer patient kill herself, Paul said. But she said the church needed more information and approval from its board of trustees and congregation members.

Kevorkian, unapologetic, said his style is simply fidelity to his calling

— to right to legalize "planned death," as Margaret Sanger fought to legalize "planned birth" nearly 80 years ago.

"I'M A STRIDENT man," he said. "But I know I'm right so it doesn't matter. I'm not getting anywhere by being docile. Do you think I would get anywhere trying to passively persuade people?"

"We're not playing on a political field anymore. It's a battlefield. If you're meek on a battlefield, you're going to die."

He asked the Birmingham Unitarian Church for space for the California woman and two weeks ago for Janet Adkins from Portland, Ore., but was refused for similar reasons.

"I would need a more complete legal opinion about it," Minister David Gallagher said, adding that his board also would have to approve it. "He was on too tight of a schedule to wait for it."

"But from a moral point of view, depending on the circumstances, medically assisted suicide for the terminally ill would be the kind of thing I would want Unitarian Uni-

versalists to support."

Two years ago Kevorkian spoke at the Birmingham church during a pot-luck to advocate operating on death-row prisoners and elderly people who consented to research organ functions near death, according to event chairman Carl Speck, a Birmingham resident.

"He was an interesting and animated speaker," Speck said. "But he was extremely defensive. When someone would ask a question, he would take it as an attack on him rather than as a request for information."

KEVORKIAN ALSO contacted the Emerson Unitarian-Universalist Church in Troy in March but was refused space because Minister Nancy Doughty said the church needed more information and board approval.

Kevorkian said he needed electricity to operate his device and consent of the land-owner of the place where he would set it up, even his own residence.

"I rent an apartment and the lease doesn't allow such activity," he said.

He said a public park with an electrical outlet was the only possible option.

More than 20 Oakland County residents have called the Michigan chapter of the Hemlock Society this month either to join, congratulate Kevorkian or seek his service, society president Janet Good said. But none would publicly support Kevorkian.

"They're fearful of losing their chance to end their life in a dignified way," Good said, adding that 10 are in "extreme agony."

The society advocates legalizing medically assisted suicides for the terminally ill.

However, Johanna Jakstys, 70, a Northville resident, said she had cancer and would seek Kevorkian's help if she could find him.

"He's an angel of mercy," she said. "I would do it in a minute. I tried suicide once and botched it up. It was terrible."

"Every day is almost torture. I'm thinking (the cancer) is back again. I live in constant hell because I don't know when the end will be."

Entries sought for humane society holiday card contest

Even though it's summer, the Michigan Humane Society seeks entries in its annual Holiday Greeting Card contest.

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Bill would help landlords evict drug-dealers

By Tim Richard
staff writer

Landlords would be able to start evicting drug-using and drug-dealing tenants three weeks faster under a bill before the state House of Representatives.

"Presently, a landlord must give a 30-day notice before eviction procedures commence," said Rep. Lyn Bankes, R-Livonia.

"I am intending to shorten the time process for evictions when drugs are involved" to seven days, said Bankes, sponsor of House Bills 5318 and 5812.

After three hours of debate, her bills were reported out by the House Urban Affairs Committee with votes from herself and James Kosteva, D-Canton.

THE BILLS were strongly supported by state drug czar Donald Reisig, Livonia housing chief James Inglis, and operators of private and public housing from around the state.

The stumbling block was whether tenants would be evicted from apartments for drugs before they were convicted in court.

"My concern is for the person wrongly accused," said Rep. Michael Bennane, D-Detroit.

"Then we would be subject to civil damages," replied Inglis.

Dave Cahill, a staff member of the House Judiciary Committee, offered a rewritten version of Bankes' bills to raise the burden of proof for drug evictions. Cahill cited an Ann Arbor "fiasco" where massed federal agents ralded a building and gave tenants 15 minutes to be on the curb.

"A lot of misinformation," Bankes said, because the woman quoted in news accounts actually was found in possession of drugs for the eighth time.

After nearly an hour of testimony, Cahill left with no one willing to sponsor his amendment.

INGLIS, WHO manages 779 units of government-assisted housing in Livonia, said it now takes 60 days after an arrest to actually get rid of a drug-using tenant — 30 days notice and the rest in court time.

"This would reduce the time by 21 days," he said. "The longer they're there, the more we are viewed by other tenants as an ineffective agency."

"We are asking to get into court quicker. It (eviction) is up to the judge."

Other public housing managers from around the state gave similar reports.

"We have tenants meetings. The tenants complain. I have to tell them I can't get anything done," said Carlo Sanchez, Grand Rapids public housing chief.

Sanchez said landlords don't want to hurt innocent family members of drug dealers. "We work with the Department of Social Services. We don't just put 'em on the curb. We make arrangements."

REISIG, AN Ingham County prosecutor and circuit judge before taking the state drug post, said Bankes' bill would benefit innocent tenants.

"I come down on the side of the elderly and poor who say, 'Why can't we have peace?'" Reisig said.

To those like Bennane who feared eviction before conviction, Reisig replied, "We can trust the judicial process to determine if someone is using drugs. There will be an occasional eviction before conviction. That will be rare. The landlord will have the burden of proof that the tenant in 332 of the Jonesville project was using drugs."

Reisig added that the problem isn't just in inner cities. "Eighty percent of drug abuse is by white

folks," he said. A private landlord with projects in three western Michigan cities said he went to court nine times in drug cases.

"I'm not going to waste my investors' money by going to court on a whim. I'll have my proofs, my evidence, my other renters (as witnesses)," he said.

Medina Sanders, Ypsilanti housing director, favored the shortened notice because: "If we give them 30 days, that's time for them to tear up the unit . . . and intimidate other witnesses."

IN OTHER housing matters, the House Urban Affairs Committee reported out a bill to allow cities to recover demolition costs from slum landlords.

House Bill 5284 will allow cities which tear down dilapidated houses to obtain liens against property elsewhere in Michigan owned by the same landlord. Bankes and Kosteva voted yes.



'I am intending to shorten the time process for evictions when drugs are involved.'

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Bryant Fund proves child's death not in vain

By Janice Brunson
staff writer

Rosalyn Bryant, a small wisp of a child described as "a real sweetie pie," was 4 years old when she was savagely tortured and beaten to death by her father and his girlfriend in May 1983.

death, started with \$500 from Mike and Kay Eisbrenner who had exactly that amount left after refinancing their Livonia home of 17 years and paying bills.

"Rosalyn was the straw that broke the camel's back. It was so grotesque. It turned our stomachs," said Kay Eisbrenner. "We wanted to donate directly to the kids, but there was nothing around."

With the help of others, like Margaret Anzinger from the Michigan Department of Social Services, Wayne County, a system was created that allowed for direct help.

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A set of Westland sisters, 8 and 10, are perhaps typical. Physically harmed by their father who, in a fit of rage, beat their heads against a wall, they were emotionally harmed when he carried the attack one step further and beheaded their beloved Cabbage Patch dolls.

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'We wanted to donate directly to the kids, but there was nothing around.'

— Kay Eisbrenner
fund founder

ing chances on such donated items as dinner for two at Jamies on 7 in Livonia or Farewell & Friends in Westland. Garden Lanes donated bowling facilities this year.

"There are countless little kids out there who need help," said Neve, who is an old friend of the Eisbrenners. "I work hard (on the fund-raiser), but people are generous. They really are."

Jack and Erma Childers have

bowled for the fund for five years running and "would like to see more of this type of thing. I didn't do too good bowling-wise," Jack Childers said of this year's bowling score. "But it's for a very good cause. I'll bowl from here on in."

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No one doubts any more that Jesus actually existed. Most people also believe that he was a great moral teacher. Religious and political leaders throughout the world, including many of the great opponents of Christianity, hail the moral superiority of his life. Mahandas Gandhi aspired to the ideals of the Sermon on the Mount. The philosopher John Stuart Mill thought Jesus a genius and probably the greatest moral reformer who ever existed. Even Napoleon Bonaparte considered him a superior leader of men.

The New Testament documents record the radical servant-like attitude which lent power and credibility to Jesus' teachings. He has truly led humanity in the expression of compassion and humility, as well as in anger against evil and hypocrisy. Jesus combined a realistic understanding of human nature with an idealism for what human beings could become. His words have tested and challenged the minds and hearts of millions for centuries.

Of course, this is not the whole story. When we begin to consider Jesus' claims about his identity, the controversy begins. This is where people (including the world's religious leaders) have problems. This is where the label "moral teacher" is put to the test. It begins to seem inadequate, if not naive.

A thirty year old peasant carpenter turned itinerant teacher, Jesus laid claim both by word and action to be more than a mere man. He operated on the assumption that he was God himself.

How do we know this? From his explicit statements and the very way he lived. His self-disclosures are interwoven in the very fabric of the New Testament. He claimed equality with God. He said he had lived before Abraham. He assumed the right to forgive sins. He accepted worship. There seems to be no escaping it.

Jesus of Nazareth could not be simply a harmless moral teacher. He cuts too deep and steps out too far from the crowd of moral teachers and philosophers. We can call him a liar. We might even discuss his mental imbalance. But the tag of "only a great moral teacher" doesn't stick.

It was never an option in his own day. Some of his contemporaries thought him mad, others loved him. He was regarded with disdain and sometimes even hatred, or alternately with amazement and adoration. But he never received mild approval.

Neither is it an option for today. We have to shut him up or hear him out. What are we to make of this man? What of his moral integrity? His fulfillment of centuries of aspirations? His prediction of death and resurrection? What are we to make of his claims to be the one and only God-man of history? What are we to do with this great moral teacher who makes such impossible claims?

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'Polluter pay' bill is rejected

By Tim Richard
staff writer

Local senators voted with their parties as the Michigan Senate rejected a "polluter pay" bill as rewritten by Republican moderates.

"I'm not sure what to do next," said a stunned Sen. Vern Ehlers, R-Grand Rapids, after Tuesday's debate ended in 22-16 defeat.

"The goal was to embarrass me," said Senate majority leader John Engler, the probable Republican gubernatorial nominee. Engler had praised Ehlers for having "the patience of Job, working with a sponsor (Lana Pollack, D-Ann Arbor) who used it for partisan political advantage."

Goal of both versions was to allow the DNR to get faster clean-ups of 2,600 known toxic waste sites by charging identifiable polluters rather than using state money.

THE VOTE Tuesday was 16 in favor and 22 against Senate Bill 375.

Voting yes were 14 Republicans and two conservative Democrats. Doug Cruce of Troy, Richard Fessler of Commerce, Robert Geake of Northville and Rudy Nichols of Waterford voted yes.

Opposed were 16 Democrats and six Republicans, including four GOP conservatives who thought the bill would "push industry out of the state" and one who favored the tougher Pollack version. Among the no votes were William Faust of Westland, Jack Faxon of Farmington Hills and George Hart of Dearborn.

None of the local senators spoke. Pollack denounced the defeated version as "an abomination" and "a polluters payoff bill," asking that her name be removed as sponsor after the bill was amended.

Senate minority leader Art Miller, D-Warren, said "it's not worth the paper it's wrote (sic) on."

"EMPTY RHETORIC," replied Ehlers, chairman of the Senate Natural Resources Committee and sponsor of most of the amendments to the original Pollack bill.

Ehlers said the final version gave Pollack, environmental lobbyists and DNR director David Hales "90 to 95 percent" of what they wanted.

Only a few points of difference actually were argued in the day-long debate. Among them:

• **The DNR's role.** Ehlers' version set up an Environmental Mediation Panel of three scientists with master's degrees, plus five non-voting public members, to resolve disputes.

"The question is whether someone with a bachelor's degree in sociology from the DNR should tell someone with a master's degree in science what to do. I wanted technical expertise," said Ehlers, adding that his panel would work faster than the court appeals certain to arise under Pollack's version.

POLLACK'S REPLY: "The mediation scheme totally cuts out the public. Environmental groups don't want it."

She added: "At least DNR is a public agency. At least the public can bring pressure on the agency. You can't bring pressure on them (three scientists). You can't fire them."

• **Lenders' roles.** Ehlers' amendment excluded banks, savings and loans and other lenders who don't participate in polluting but acquire properties through foreclosure. He said it would be "grossly unfair to hold them liable" and part of the "deep pockets syndrome" of going after the innocent but wealthy.

Pollack said that if the polluter went bankrupt, the cost of clean-up would be "put on the backs of taxpayers." She said the test of any amendment should be whether it puts any burden on taxpayers.

• **Limited liability.** Under Ehlers' version, once the state allocated percentages of liability to multiple polluters, the allocations would be frozen, even if one party were uncollectable.

"It caps the liability of those who contaminate," objected Sen. John Cherry, D-Clio, Pollack's partner in the debate. "It decides allocation and says that's the cap."

Bill would help adoptees gain records

Adoptees would have an easier time getting medical and genetic information from their biological parents under a bill before the Michigan Senate.

"It encourages openness and honesty in adoption," said John Gagern of Southfield, representing the Adoption Identity Movement.

Gagern spoke in favor of House Bill 4407, sponsored by Rep. David Honigman, R-West Bloomfield.

Passed 94-3 in the House, the Honigman bill last week was reported out of the Senate Judiciary Committee on a 4-0 vote. Among supporters was Chairman Rudy Nichols, R-Waterford. Member Richard

Fessler, R-Commerce, was absent.

A Grand Rapids birth mother who gave up her son for adoption said her grandson died at 4 because "my son was not able to get medical information from the adoption agency."

She said the son and his wife had given up planning more children because of the lack of knowledge of his

genetic history.

Honigman's bill would amend the Adoption Code to facilitate exchange of information on medical and genetic conditions between biological parents and the adoptee or the adoptive parents.

"We're behind in what we do under current law," he said.

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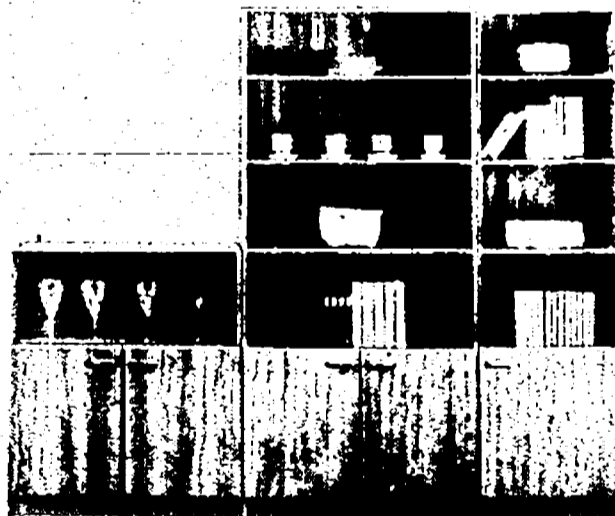
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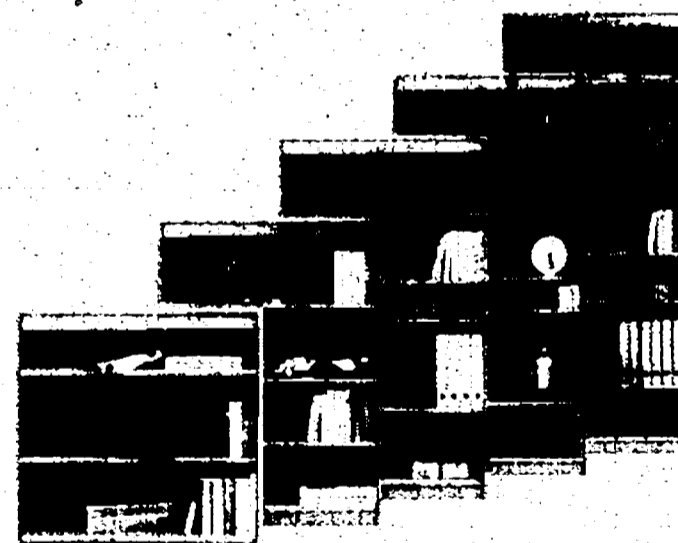
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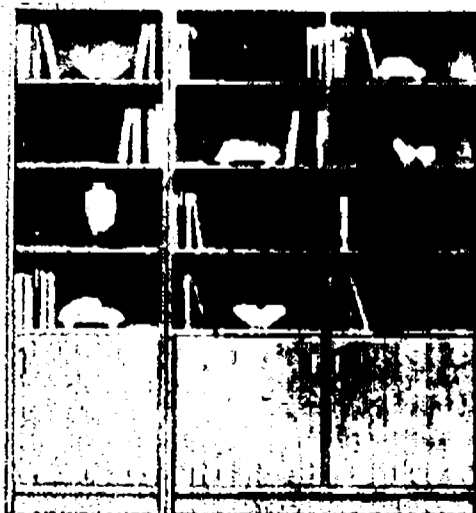
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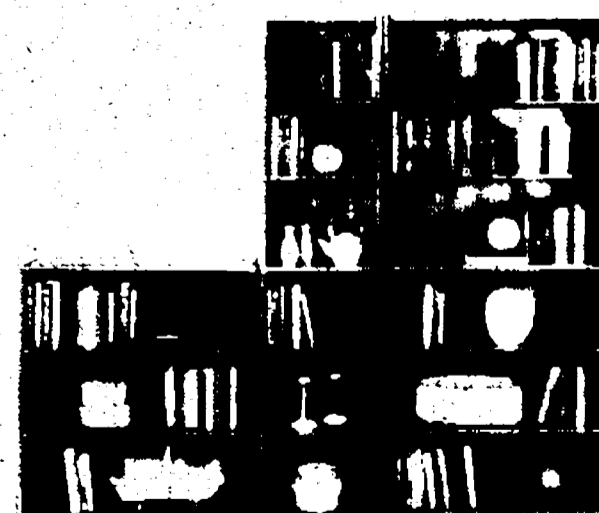
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Mr. Fix-It loses face off with leak

FOR ABOUT AN hour on Sunday, I was the proud owner of something called a "tapered valve-seat wrench."

It all had to do with a leaky faucet, an irritated wife and a nearby do-it-yourselfer's paradise known as Mans Do-It Center. (By the way, "Mans" as near as I can tell, is the name of the franchise holder — not a sexist suggestion that women can't be do-it-yourselfers, too.)

Now my acquaintances may think of me as a good ol' boy from Arkansas, but when it comes to doing-it-yourselfing, my idea of that is picking up the phone and calling building maintenance. Unfortunately, that option was lost five years ago when we moved from our rented townhouse and joined the ranks of those property-tax-paying individuals known as "homeowners."

My first project, before we even moved in, was to remove the shower curtain rod from the bathroom (that was easy enough) and replace it with sliding glass doors (my wife's idea, not mine.)

That's when I paid my first visit to Mans.

"Yeah," I was told, "if you're gonna be drilling into tile, you'll need a ceramic bit."



Jack Gladden

"I know what a bit is," I said. "It's an eighth of a byte. But what's a ceramic bit?"

OII, ONE OF those mechanical things. Well, the doors went up and as long as you close them carefully, so they don't slip out of the track, you never notice the angle. And if you do notice it, so what? Those doors have character.

Shampooing the carpet went OK after the first couple of rooms, when I discovered the switch on the shampoo machine that turned the liquid on. Those two rooms weren't that dirty anyway, except for the stains, and they add a certain . . . ambience.

But it was the faucet that terrified me. Drip, drip, drip. Then gush, gush, gush.

"Do you know how much water we're wasting with that thing?"

"Yes, dear, I know." "It can't be that hard to fix." First, remove faucet handle.

That's what it said in "The Home Plumber's Bible," a gift from my father-in-law who had retired to the Florida manse, where he didn't have to worry about such things anymore.

The screw came out, but the handle wouldn't budge. That's when I paid my second visit to Mans.

"It's corroded," I was told. "You need a faucet-handle puller."

I'm not sure that's what they called it, but that's what it was. And it was only \$9.75.

IT WORKED. The handle came off, the assembly (they always call it the "assembly") came out and, after about four hours, I had the washer replaced and everything put back together.

Mirabile dictu! The drip was gone. For a couple of days.

"You need a valve-seat reamer," my father-in-law said when he returned for a visit. "They don't cost much."

\$5.75. At Mans.

And it worked. For a couple of days. The drip turned into a stream . . . then a gush . . . then a torrent.

"I don't care so much about the water bill," my wife said. "It's the environment. All that water just being wasted."

Oh, Jeesh! First a feminist. Now an environmentalist.

"It's the valve seat," said the clerk at Mans. "It needs to be replaced. But you'll need a valve-seat wrench." Make that a tapered valve-seat wrench. \$5.29.

But it didn't work. The valve seat (I even know what it is now) was so corroded that the only thing the wrench did was strip whatever threads were left while the malfunctioning valve seat just sat there. I swear it was grinning.

"That does it," I told the environmentalist, after returning the tapered valve-seat wrench and getting my \$5.29 back. "I'm calling building maintenance."

"But we don't live there anymore," she said. "We don't have building maintenance."

"Oh, yes we do," I said, thumbing through the Yellow Pages. "It's listed under 'Plumbers.'"

Jack Gladden is a copy editor at the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers.

Engler traded tax for his own vision

MY BRETHERN downtown missed the significance of last week's great tax compromise in the Michigan Legislature.

Their headlines emphasized that Detroit's utility tax authorization had finally been approved.

The other half of the deal was glossed over. In return for the utility tax, Senate majority leader John Engler, the probable Republican gubernatorial candidate, got the Democrats to approve one of his pet projects — a major reduction of the inheritance tax.

In 1985 Engler came to Detroit to make some news.

HE UNVEILED a book-sized study called "Michigan Beyond 2000" by a think tank called the Hudson Institute. Most reporters couldn't be bothered to read even the executive summary, let alone the full text. They were after a few good quotes and good-bites.

I sensed that Engler was giving us his long-range blueprint for his tenure as governor.

"Because Michigan's population will be aging over the next 20 years, and because the auto industry is likely to use retirement as one of the main mechanisms for shrinking its workforce, the state has a particularly great interest in enhancing its status as a retirement center," the Hudson Institute study begins.

"Whether the large numbers of Social Security and pension checks due to auto industry retirees are mailed to addresses in Tucson or Traverse City will have a great impact on the economic health of the state over the next 20 years.

"Tax policies that discourage retirement in the state — for example, inheritance taxes — might also be revised."

Translation: Cut the inheritance tax to Florida levels.

RETIREES USED to be a main component in the poverty picture. Today, few retirees are dependent on their kids. Indeed, many are well off.

With money to spend, they can be a source of jobs, an economic underpinning, to northern Michigan towns — if they stay in Michigan.

"Just as the boom in retirement communities in Florida and Arizona led to subsequent growth in retailing, construction, health care and many other service industries, a swelling population of retirees in



Tim Richard

Traverse City and similar resort communities in Michigan will generate strong service-based economic growth."

The book has an entire chapter on Traverse City. Other towns are feeling the impact, too. My credit union, centered in western Wayne County, established branches in Gaylord, Atlanta, Lewiston and Hillman, in the elk country of northern lower Michigan. Now we know why.

REPEALING THE inheritance tax alone won't induce retirees to remain here. Roads, recreation facilities, arts grants, senior citizen center grants, lighter residential property taxes — all of these are important in attracting older people to stay in Michigan.

Prosperity can be achieved through industry, of course, and should be. But as the Hudson Institute points out, many towns can do extremely well with imported consumer money — note the college towns of Ann Arbor, East Lansing and Kalamazoo.

Engler considers the inheritance tax issue so important that it has the legislative title of Senate Bill 1.

Others don't see it that way. Both House Taxation Chair Lynn Jondahl, D-Okemos, and state Treasurer Robert Bowman have been heard to object that SB 1 will cost \$50 million or more in lost revenue. That's as far as they see.

Bowman's objection is relevant because he is Gov. James J. Blanchard's economic guru. Blanchard still has to sign SB 1, you know, for it to become law. As of last week, he hadn't made up his mind.

This Engler fellow has a reputation as a manipulative partisan. He also has a vision.

Last week, through sheer hardball politics, he traded Detroit's utility tax for a piece of the vision.

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Board member slants evaluation

Q: Our board of education rated our superintendent a 4.2 on his annual evaluation. Five is the highest rating or excellent, four is good. He does an excellent job and I believe this rating is too low. It should be higher. I can't figure out why he did not get a higher rating.

A: I can because I know the district you are in. On your board you have what is called a "single issue member." The member is a former board candidate who spoke eloquently of the educational needs of our children during the campaign but really had a hidden agenda.

An example of a hidden agenda could be the former junior football league coach who wants astro-turf on the high school football field. Or the candidate who wants to fire the football coach, a principal or even the superintendent.



Doc Doyle

And it would be wonderful to have astro-turf but other cost items such as buses to get kids to school sometimes over shadow dreams.

One single issue board member usually gets absorbed by the logic and experience of the other six members. This is the beauty in having a seven-person board. It keeps a check and balance on not only their own members but on school administrators, such as I was who, at times, come up with ideas that sound good

but need a second look.

On the other hand if a single issue board member is successful in recruiting and has elected others with his/her single agenda, there could be astro-turf on the football field and a backlash from the public that no one needs.

In any case, your superintendent received a rating you believe is too low. You indicate that there is a single issue trustee on your board of education — a member no one else agrees with. Let's do a little simple math.

Let's assume six members rated your superintendent an average of 4.5 — a very good grade. The single issue member wants to get rid of the superintendent, has a personal ven-

detta, and rates him/her 2.5. The average reported is 4.2.

That's why averages are so useless in the interpretation of most data.

A superintendent once told me that he wished he and his peers were rated the same way divers are at a swim meet. Throw out the highest and the lowest scores. If that had occurred in your case, your superintendent would have been rated 4.5 — very good to excellent.

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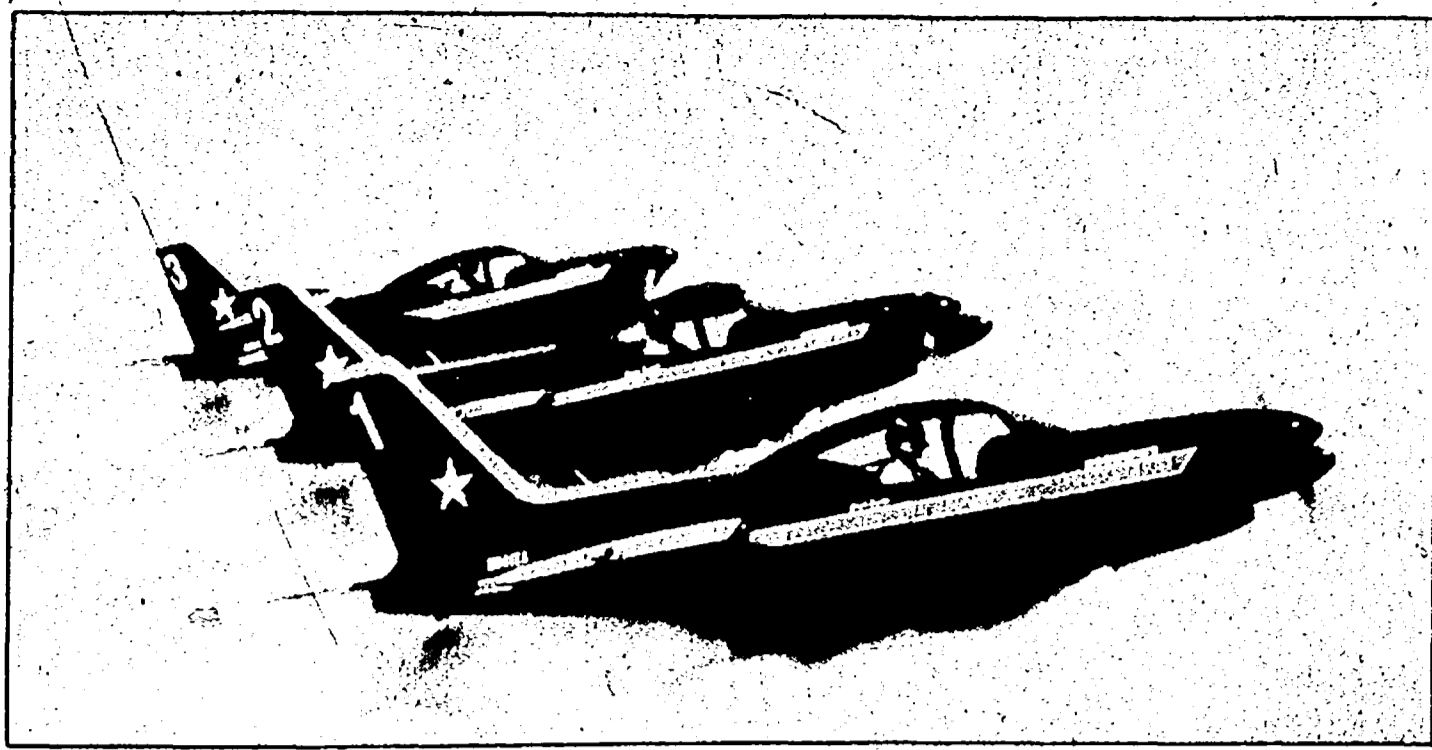
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Pursell named distinguished alumni

U.S. Rep. Carl Pursell, R-Plymouth, received Eastern Michigan University's Distinguished Alumni Award during recent ceremonies at the Ypsilanti campus.

Pursell, who holds bachelor's and

master's degrees from EMU, was recognized for this, "outstanding professional achievement and his service to the EMU community."

A senior member of the House Appropriations Committee, Pursell

serves on a subcommittee that finances the nation's higher education programs.

His district includes EMU and the University of Michigan. It also includes northern Livonia, Plymouth and Plymouth Township.

Team America, the only civilian flight team authorized to perform at U.S. Air Force bases, is the headline act at this year's Wayne County Air show.

The show is scheduled June 23-24 at Willow Run Airport.

The California-based flying unit has entertained at air shows in 22 state and three Canadian provinces. The Willow Run show marks its first Detroit-area appearance.

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Two of the planes were bought from the government of Zaire. Lischer's own plane had initially been designed for a mercenary pilot but was impounded and stripped of its weapons before sale.

Though still used as fighter planes

in some African nations, the Italian-made planes are more commonly used in training exercises. The craft reach maximum cruising speed of 215 miles per hour and can dive at speeds of up to 305 miles per hour.

Also on the bill will be:

• The U.S. Army Golden Knights parachute team.

The team has appeared at Super Bowl and World Series games and at the 1980 winter Olympics in Lake Placid.

Founded in 1959, the team includes 80 men and women. The team has captured 10 international trophies and 80 national trophies for its

precision jumping.

• Glider pilot Oscar Boesch of Toronto.

Boesch, a pilot for more than 45 years, was a German fighter pilot during World War II.

Emigrating to Canada after the war, he has appeared in numerous television and movie productions, including the IMAX film "Silent Sky."

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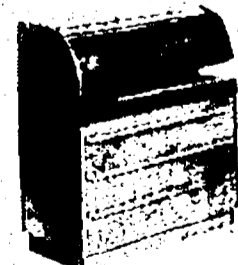
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The inner strength I see here tells me you intend to accomplish them.

About you is an aura of poise and control. Seldom do you allow your emotions free rein.

Both happy and sad experiences have a strong impact on you. When you have been wrong, it is not easy for you to toss it off lightly.

Criticism of your personal being can be upsetting. Perhaps you experienced too much of it in your formative years. You also appear to be a

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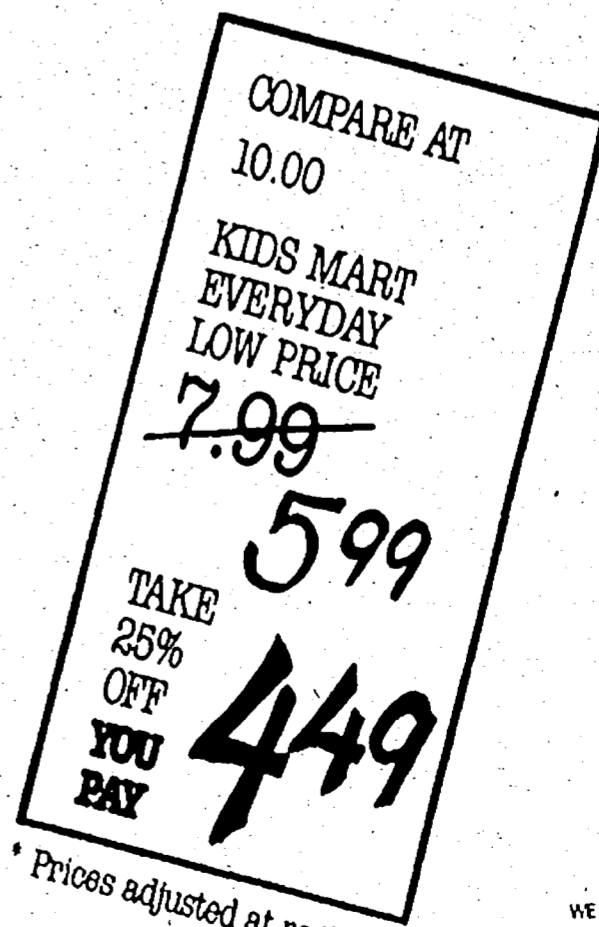
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End of stereotype opens door for flowers for Dad

By Sue Mason
staff writer

There was a time when the only floral arrangement a man would get close to was a carnation boutonniere worn only for weddings or formal dances like the high school prom. Floral arrangements were for women and funerals.

Things have change a lot over the years. Now, Americans are picking up on a European custom of giving flowers to the hostess when visiting friends at their homes and women are sending more and more flowers to... men.

Yep, what was once frowned on as unmanly has become acceptable and florists are responding with arrangements that have a touch of masculinity.

"It's helped to have someone like Merlin Olson being a spokesman," said Bill Schodowski, senior field service representative for Florists' Transworld Delivery Association, headquartered in Southfield. "When you have a guy that stands 6 feet 5 inches and weighs 250 pounds, standing there with flowers in his hand... it's open quite a few doors for us. He's quite a visible person."

FTD, with 25,000 members throughout the United States and Canada, has been promoting the idea of giving dad flowers on Father's Day for 15 years. The idea got off to a slow start because of masculine stereotypes, but in the last 10 years, fathers receiving flowers has more than doubled, Schodowski said.

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Today, it's acceptable to be open and expressive and while men still give more flowers than women, the difference probably is a few percentage points, Schodowski said.

"AT ONE TIME it was men buying for women, but the pendulum is swinging back," Schodowski said. "Now you have women buying men flowers for Valentine's Day or just stopping buy to pick up single rose or a plant."

"What's nice is that today you don't have to wait for a special occasion. People can go to a florist and buy just a few flowers."

It was Olson, a former Los Angeles Rams player, who helped make FTD creations like the Pick-Me-Up bouquet success stories in the floral industry. People are still asking if Leo got out of the locker six years after Olson made the classic Pick-Me-Up commercial, Schodowski

said. With sales in excess of \$500 million, FTD isn't a company that comes up with an arrangement without first test marketing it. After 80 years in the business, it sticks to its belief in satisfying the customer, Schodowski said.

FTD got its start in 1910 in Rochester, N.Y., when 15 florists decided to use the telegraph to fill out-of-town orders. The first secretary was a Detroit florist, which led to basing the organization in Detroit. And its been here ever since, moving to its headquarters on Northwestern Highway in Southfield in the 1970s.

For Father's Day 1990, FTD has come up with a planter filled with English ivy, dracaena, philodendron and pothos, with accents of yellow and yellow chrysanthemums in a round wood-like dishgarden for \$25-30.

The combination of earthtones, greenery and the Textra pot give the arrangement a masculine feel that "will look good on an office desk or at home," Schodowski said.

AN ALTERNATIVE may well be an arrangement of Pincushion potia, saricina (trumpet flowers), lotus pods, curly willow and greenery in a brass planter. The creation of Jack Smith of French's Florist in Livonia, the arrangement has a comfortable feel and won't look out of place on a man's desk, Schodowski said.

Schodowski has been with FTD for 20 years and has seen a lot of changes over the years.



GUY WARREN/staff photographer

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singles connection

● SATURDAY NIGHT SINGLES

Saturday Night Singles will hold a dance party Saturday, June 23, at the Troy Hilton on Stephenson Highway at Maple. Doors open at 8 p.m. For more information, call 373-7878.

● TRI-COUNTY SINGLES

Tri-County Singles will have dance parties 8 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Saturday, June 16, at the Airport Hilton, I-94 and Merriman, Romulus. Proper attire is required; cover is \$5. For details, call 842-7422 or 842-0443.

● WESTSIDE SINGLES II

Westside Singles II will meet 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday, June 15, at the Livonia Elks Club, Plymouth Road east of Merriman, Livonia. Dressy attire required. For information, call 562-3170.

● NEWBURGH SINGLES

The Newburgh Singles will meet at 11 a.m. Saturday, June 16, at the United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia, for a golf outing and dinner. There will be a \$10 fee for the golf. For more information, call Dave at 683-0014.

● BY MYSELF

By Myself Singles, a Plymouth-based group, meets 7 p.m. the first Tuesday of the month at Plymouth Library, Main Street. For information, call 680-7765.

● SUNDAY NIGHT

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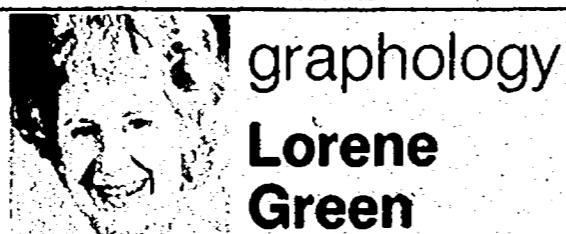
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● MENOPAUSE SUPPORT

A joint meeting of the Menopause Support Group and the Life After Hysterectomy Support Group will be at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 19, in the Essex Room of the Ramada Hotel, 28225 Telegraph, Southfield.

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St. Mary Hospital of Livonia will offer a standard first aid class noon to 4 p.m. Tuesday, June 19, and Thursday, June 21, at the hospital, 36475 W. Five Mile, Livonia. Co-sponsored by the American Red Cross, the class is designed to train people on how to help others in emergencies. There is a \$25 program fee. To register or for more information, call 464-4800, Ext. 2433.

● NEW BEGINNINGS

New Beginnings a program for substance abusers and their families will meet at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 20, at the Newburgh United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail. For more information, call Pat at 728-2302 or Marilyn at 464-0035.

● ADULT CPR

Botsford General Hospital will offer adult cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) training 7-10 p.m. Thursday, June 21. There is a program fee and pre-registration is required. Call the Health Development Network at 471-8090 for information and location.

● MDA BENEFIT

The fourth annual "Touch of Vegas" benefit for the Muscular Dystrophy Association sponsored by Southland Corp., 7-UP and Guest Quarters Suite Hotel, will be 7:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday, June 22, at the Guest Quarters Suite Hotel in Troy. Ticket cost \$20 per person and include cash bar, gambling, hors d'oeuvres and entertainment. Tickets are available advance only by calling 262-1711.

new voices

CHARLES and LYNN MILNE of Livonia announce the birth of **MICHAEL DONALD** April 6 at Providence Hospital in Southfield. He has two "big" brothers, John, 5, and David, 3. Grandparents are Joseph and Marilyn Schneider of Livonia and John Milne of Westland.

ROBERT and LISA TRUEBLOOD of Coheyedan, Iowa, announce the birth of a baby daughter May 15 at Oseola Community Hospital in Sibley, Iowa. Grandparents are David and Janet Golsch of Livonia, Darlene Scarlett of Seymour, Ind., and Robert and Shirley Trueblood of Sey-

mour, Ind. Great-grandparents are Harold and Marie Spear of Leesville, Ind.; Francis Trueblood of Medora, Ind.; Flossie Lane of Vallonia, Ind.; and Faith Berry of Unlontown, Ind.

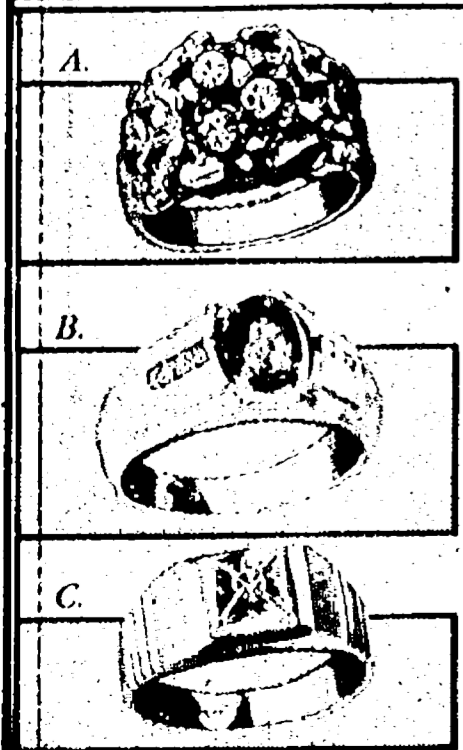
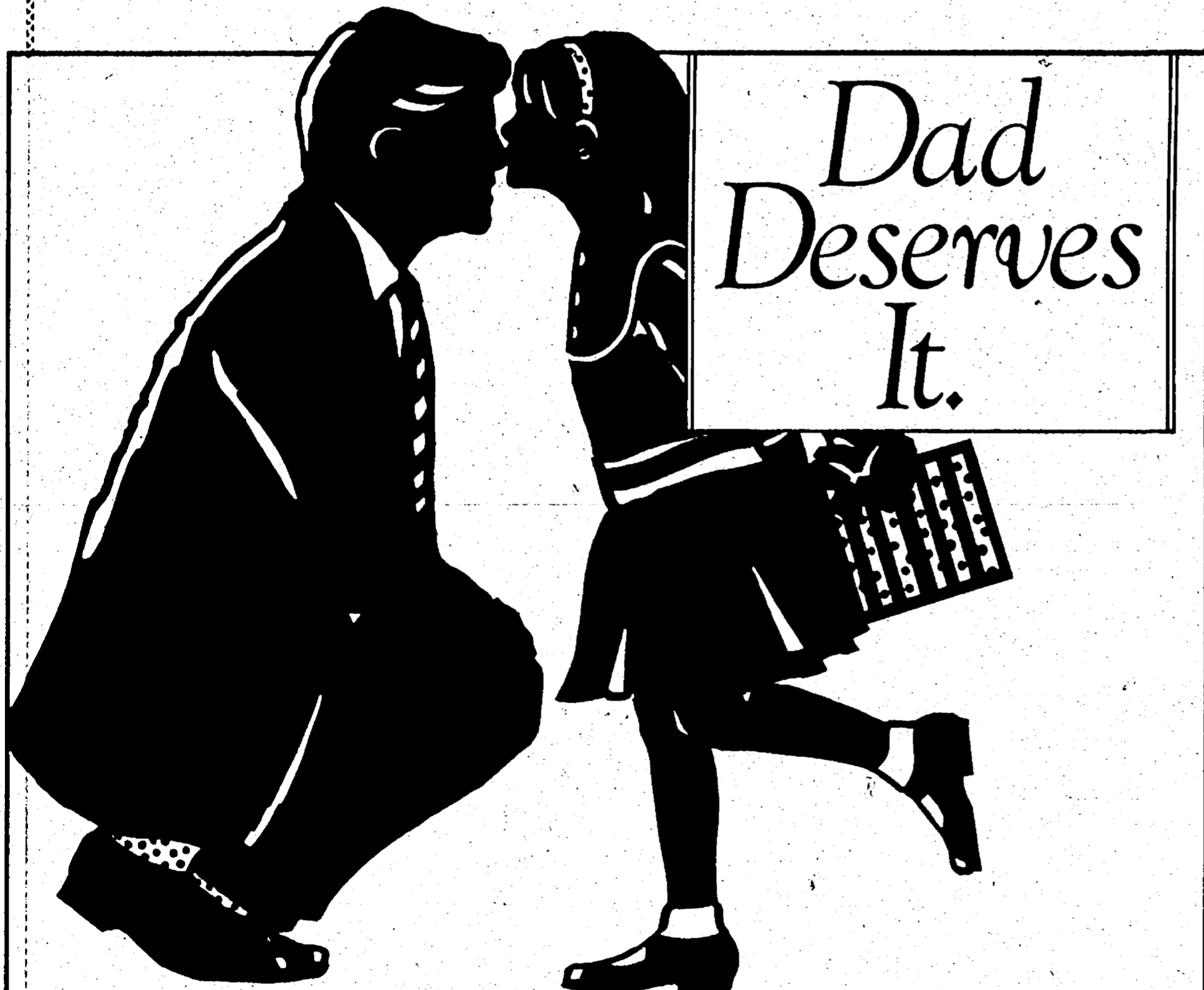
CHUCK and KAREN WILLAMS of Canton Township announce the birth of **JENNIFER NICOLE** April 16 at St. Mary Hospital in Livonia. She has a "big" sister, Julie, 8, and a "big" brother, Daniel, 7. Grandparents are Harold and Doris Emery of Novi, William and Mary Nobles of Livonia and Charles and Modean Williams of Taylor.

SCOTT and KAREN TEASDALE of Westland announce the birth of **ERICA CHRISTINE** May 8 at Annapolis Hospital in Wayne. She has two "big" sisters, Sara and Jessica, and a "big" brother, Scott. Grandparents are James and Barbara Draheim of Westland and Ralph and Isabel Teasdale of Oceanside, N.Y.

ROGER and SUSAN PLUE of Livonia announce the birth of **HANNAH LYNN** April 30. She has a "big" sister, Lauren May. Grandparents are Elden and Lenore Plue and Harold and Mary McConnell.

KELLY WRIGHT of Garden City announces the birth of **PAIFE MARIE** May 19 at Annapolis Hospital in Wayne. Grandparents are John and Debbie Schmidt of Garden City.

LARRY and CHERYL KEARNEY of Canton Township announce the birth of **ELLEN THERESA** May 1 at Oakwood Hospital in Dearborn. She has two "big" brothers, Lawrence, 4, and Daniel, 2. Grandparents are Lawrence and Marie Kearney of Wyandotte and Bob and Jackie Deschaw of Woodhaven.



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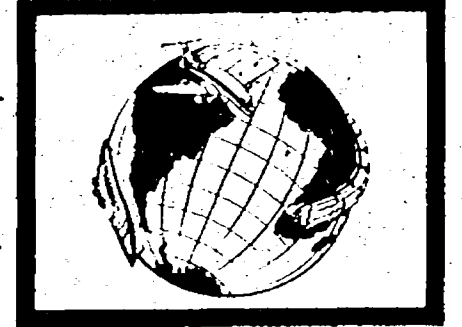
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Boats revel in steamship era

By Roberta Schwartz
special writer

Although Detroit's two historic steamers, the *Columbia* and *St. Claire*, no longer leave from the old dock at the foot of Woodward, they still create the sense of wonder and excitement that they did when they were first launched 100 years ago.

These two busy steamers survived when other historic ships like the famed *Put-in-Bay*, *Tashmoo* and *City of Detroit III* were either burned or junked. Today, they announce the coming of summer with their shuttles to Boblo Island, 18 miles from Detroit.

These clarions of summer announce the coming of the season as they ferry the great-great-grandchildren of passengers they delighted many years ago. They have become part of the life fabric of thousands of Michiganians who love the twin vessels.

In the 1950's interest in excursion boating declined as more people invested in their own pleasure craft. And yet, the immaculate white and blue of the Boblo steamers continues to glide from one century to the next without hesitation.

Their 90 minute trips to the small green island of picnics and amusement rides has become a seasonal tradition to thousands of families.

Boblo boats recall a bygone era when steamships were king of the Great Lakes. In the 1890's the Detroit, Belle Isle and Windsor Ferry Company operated a regular service that carried passengers from Detroit and Windsor to local resorts. It soon acquired Bois Blanc Island that was changed to Boblo Island in 1908 when the owners decided that name was easier to pronounce.

Bois Blanc was the French name (white woods) that honored the beautiful white birches and beach trees that swayed and shimmered in the cool breezes of the Detroit River.

The island, which was opened in 1898, sits on the Detroit River, within sight of Lake Erie. In 1901, the ferry company asked Frank Kirby to design a new vessel because island trips had become quite popular. The Detroit Shipbuilding Company launched the *Columbia* in 1902 and towed it to the Orleans Street dock for completion.

The *Columbia*, a shiny vessel with three spacious decks to accommodate passengers, measured 216 feet in length and 60 feet in breadth. This trim 988 ton vessel was designed to carry 4,500 people, but today's marine safety standards allow only 2,500.

On her trial run to Bois Blanc Island in July 1902, the *Columbia* set a record by arriving in just 80 minutes, 25 minutes less than the other vessels the ferry company operated. That evening she sailed a moonlight voyage for a church group. In 1911, the ferry company launched the *St. Claire* to accommodate increasing crowds.

Each year, these two trusty ships are loaded with passengers. In 1976, the historic *St. Claire* home at the foot of Woodward was raised as part of a waterfront renovation. The docks were moved west of Cobo Hall to a spot once the haven of the Detroit and Cleveland Navigation Company.

The Detroit, Belle Isle, and Windsor Ferry Company owned the boats for a half century and in 1949 sold their holdings to Troy H. Browning. The Browning family worked to improve the island and kept the boats from extinction when other similar crafts were destroyed one by one. In 1959, the Browning family sold its interest to a group of investors and four years later the Automobile Club of Michigan bought the company and rescued it from bankruptcy.



SHERRY KAHAN

Clad in buckskin this staff member of Fort Clatsop, demonstrates a wood vise. It was often used to make sharp points on logs to guard front and rear exits of the fort.

LOG CABINS AND BUCKSKIN INHABIT THE NORTHWEST

By Sherry Kahan
special writer

In high wind, 31 men, one woman, one baby and one Newfoundland dog fled the tides and storms of the Pacific Ocean, looking for a calmer place to camp.

Making their way along the Columbia River in five dugout canoes, they turned in to a smaller path of water. Soon they beached their boats on the edge of a dense forest.

Tall Douglas fir trees rose above them, along with Grand fir, Sitka spruce, Western Red Cedar, Mountain Hemlock and Red Adler.

In spring, summer or fall, sunlight would slice through the branches of these trees and the forest would be blossoming and protective. But this sodden crew, members of the Lewis and Clark expedition, arrived in December 1805, in the cold, dampness of winter when the woods are like a rain forest with water dripping from every limb.

THE EARLY 18th century Lewis and Clark crew were sent by President Thomas Jefferson to explore unclaimed and unknown parts of the northwest. The presence of Americans was believed to help establish a United States claim to the territory.

Located on the northwest corner of Oregon near the Columbia River and four miles from the Pacific Ocean, the 125-acre property, originally settled upon by the Lewis and Clark crew is now called Fort Clatsop National Memorial. Owned by the federal government, it is administered by the National Park Service, which in 1989 welcomed approximately 207,000 people.

The name, Fort Clatsop, was chosen because of the friendly Clatsop Indians.



SHERRY KAHAN

Smoke drifts from a chimney at Fort Clatsop on a warm spring morning.

Captain Meriwether Lewis and Captain William Clark were the leaders of the Northwest expedition. They admired each other's abilities and were long-time friends. Clark named his first son Meriwether.

ONCE THE explorers left the forest in March 1806 to return home, their fort gradually deteriorated and disappeared. Small efforts to memorialize the site were made in the 19th and early 20th centuries.

But success did not come until 1955, the year of the Lewis and Clark Sesquicentennial. Groups from the nearby port city of Astoria, Ore., joined with the

Oregon Historical Society to build a replica of the original fort. Three Finnish carpenters from Astoria are credited with the actual construction.

Other areas of interest near Fort Clatsop include the city of Astoria, the first permanent settlement in the U.S. west of the Rockies. In 1811, it was a busy fur trading center. The city boasts the first port for ships entering the Columbia River, a Maritime Museum and three other museums celebrating the town's history. Charter fishing is available, and the nearby deactivated Fort Stevens is now a state park.

South of Fort Clatsop is the town of Seaside, where a replica of the salt works used by the explorers can be seen.

THE HIGH waterfalls along the scenic Columbia Gorge drive should not be missed and anyone who enjoys the sight of ocean water crashing against rocks or rolling in on smooth beaches will want to take a drive along the Oregon Coast. All beaches are public and camping places are available in the area.

The coast is very popular so tourists should make reservations by writing, calling or visiting the Chamber of Commerce in cities along the coast.

These events take place on weekends in late spring, and daily from mid-June to Labor Day.

Driving into the Fort Clatsop National Memorial, the first building in sight is the Visitor Center, which is being expanded this year to triple its size. It features audio-visual material on the expedition, wall maps, memorabilia and a bronze statue which includes Lewis and Clark, a Clatsop Indian and Lewis' dog, Seaman.

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MICKY JONES

Balloon festivals like this one in Traverse City heat through the state every summer. The Battle Creek International Balloon Championship is scheduled for June 18-23.

Great Lakes' balloons take riders up and away

Summer is fun. It starts officially June 21, but we are already celebrating the great life of the Great Lakes.

It's fun, but sometimes we see only the surface, the ships sailing by on our wonderful waterways or the balloons going up in festivals that are already in full swing.

The Michigan Travel Bureau publishes the Michigan Summer Travel Guide and Calendar of Events.

The bureau has 40 pages of summer events to list, and that doesn't include the many events that didn't make the list because their organizers couldn't get their acts together in time.

FOR THE second year, the Michigan Travel Commission chose a few of Michigan's festivals to highlight as part of the "Celebrate! the Great Lakes Festivals" promotion.

Four of them are over: Blossomtime in Benton Harbor, Tulip Time in Holland, the Highland Festival in Alma and the Lilac Festival on Mackinac Island.

The Frankenmuth Bavarian Festival started June 9 and will go on through June 16. The Battle Creek International Balloon Championship comes up this weekend, June 18-23.

I'VE HEARD a lot of Michigan tourism statistics — 3,000 miles of Great Lakes shoreline, 11,000 inland lakes, 830,000 pleasure boats — but there was one statistic in this little guidebook that really startled me:

"The water that flowed from Canada into Lake Superior at the start of the celebration last year won't flow out to the North Atlantic for another 321 years."

That gives you an idea about who or what is running this world of ours, and it isn't the guys who make the fireworks.

That started me thinking about the origins of some of

crossroads

Iris Sanderson Jones



these festivals, and since the one in Battle Creek is coming up, it made me think about balloons.

WE THINK of hot air balloons as old-fashioned, linking us to 19th century stories like "Around the World in 80 Days." The truth is that man existed for thousands of years without the slightest concept of "heavier than air" contrivances.

Oh yes, we tried to fly and usually broke our necks doing it, but it took a couple of French brothers to make it work with balloons.

Jacques Etienne and Joseph Montgolfier, paper manufacturers, filled a 33-foot diameter paper balloon with smoke from a straw fire in Annonay, near Lyons, France, on June 15, 1783.

It rose a thousand feet. They soon realized that it was heat and not smoke that made the balloon rise; air expands when heated, so a given volume weighs less than the same volume of cold air.

ON JAN. 7, 1785, Jean Pierre Blanchard of Philadelphia and U.S. physician J. Jeffries crossed the English Channel in a balloon.

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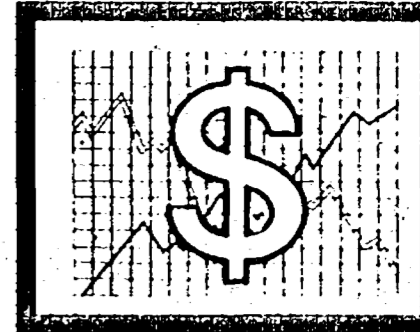
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Delmar Cockrum pinches off the old flower heads on flats of marigolds at his Livonia market.

Planting time Cool, wet weather slows sales

Impatiens, begonias, tomatoes and peppers.

Those are the big sellers to do-it-yourself home landscapers and gardeners this spring according to a survey of plant suppliers.

Some also reported that unusually spotty weather the past several weeks — rain, cool spells and wind — has resulted in slower sales than previous planting seasons.

"The lousy weather hurt everyone, I think," said Delmar Cockrum, who owns a flower-vegetable plant stand in Livonia with his wife, Lena. "I know it's slowed our sales down here."

"Sales are just a little bit later," said Carol McCreedy, a member of the family that has operated Clyde-Smith & Sons, a Westland landmark, for decades.

Ken Dabelstein, owner of Ken's Country Produce in Westland, reported that his sales volume is down very slightly, 3 percent or less.

"Two good days can make it back to normal," he added.

Other nurseries reported no downturn in sales.

Business at the Frank's Nursery in Livonia has been steady, said Steve Petro, an assistant manager.

"WHEN IT'S rainy and cold, you have nothing," he said. "When it's sunny, sharks are wanting to get out there."

"We're actually up over last year a little bit," said Lynn Arft, owner of The Plant Station in Birmingham. "We're finding more and more growers all the time. We try harder to find a niche, to push a little more volume up."

Galen Eickenberry, nursery manager at Joe Randazzo's Fruit and Vegetables in Westland, said business has increased there during its second year of operation.

"We're a little better known," he

'Two good days can make it back to normal.'

— Ken Dabelstein
plant retailer

said. "Last year we didn't have a lot of nursery stock."

Plus, some buyers came out to Westland after Randazzo's stopped selling plants at its Redford store, Eickenberry said.

REGARDLESS of individual income statements, flowers now outnumber vegetable sales by better than a 4-1 margin, suppliers agree.

There's less sunny space available for vegetables as housing tracts and trees grow, they said.

Delmar Cockrum made another observation.

"The younger generation is getting lazier. That's the big thing. Oldtimers still want a big garden. Younger ones don't want to bother with it."

"People just don't have time for vegetables gardens like they used to," said David Smith, an owner of Clyde-Smith.

"Lots are smaller, people don't have room," McCreedy added.

But Petro sees a slight increase in the number of younger people growing vegetables.

"I think it's the pesticide scare. People want to know what they're eating."

"WITH PRICES on the rise, people are doing their own canning," he added. "Younger people are

starting to get in on it. A lot of it is word-of-mouth."

The tomato, a traditional favorite, still is number one in the hearts of vegetable gardeners.

"It's easy to raise and you get a lot for the work and the space it takes up," Eickenberry said.

Zucchini also was popular at The Plant Station, peppers at Randazzo's, peppers and cucumbers at Ken's.

Impatiens and begonias, colorful shade plants with partial sun possibilities, are the flowers of choice this year.

Impatiens alone account for more than a third of his flower-vegetable business, Arft said.

"You can't keep them," Eickenberry said. "As fast as they come off the truck, they snatch them."

HERB GARDENS seem to be gaining in popularity, Arft and Dabelstein observed. "Cooking herbs really are in high demand," Arft said.

It still isn't too late to plant a garden. Most suppliers plan to keep vegetables on hand through the middle of this month, flowers to the end of the month and some flowers throughout the season.

Bargains can be had by some late-season shoppers. Other suppliers say they don't expect to have much stock left by June's end.

Cockrum has no sympathy for latecomers, saying he'd rather dump plants than offer deep discounts.

"I always hope those cheap-skates don't get a bargain," he said.

But Arft takes a contrary view, saying he eventually offers to give away the remnants of his vegetable plants late in the season.

Business tails off for firms seeking China connection

By R.J. King
special writer

China may be breathing a sigh of relief now that Congress has extended most favored nation tariff status for another year, but the mood among area business managers and scholars is far from optimistic.

A year after Chinese soldiers killed hundreds of pro-democracy students and workers in Beijing's Tiananmen Square, business remains abysmal and the tourism industry has all but collapsed.

"What we see today is that two faces have developed in China," said Richard Stamps, associate professor of anthropology and coordinator of East Asian studies at Oakland University.

"At the top you have very strong political leaders who have everything to lose and little to gain by encouraging democratic reforms. Their response to the Tiananmen Square demonstrations a year ago was to come out with guns blazing.

"On the other hand, the average



Richard Stamps noticed cutbacks

Chinese is a peasant who is far removed from the political arena of

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Tread carefully, academics urge

While the speed is often difficult to gauge, China continues to modernize its economy, ushering in a rising standard of living while developing targeted sectors of agriculture, industry, science, technology and defense.

"For area companies active in China, or those holding out future prospects of doing business there, several state and local resources can provide familiarity with the market, expertise in language and government ties.

"At the top of the list is the Michigan Department of Commerce, which in conjunction with Schoolcraft College in Livonia, provides product evaluation and expertise in exporting through the Community Export Alliance Office.

In addition, several universities, including Oakland University, Michigan State University and the University of Michigan, provide international expertise through related business programs.

"There is a lot of potential in long-term growth in China," said Richard Stamps, an associate professor of anthropology and the coordinator of the East Asian studies at Oakland University. "One billion people are not going to go away.

"But if you go to sell toothbrushes, it's not going to work. I would advise any company attempting to do business to be careful, do the research, be sure the product is something they need and can pay for, and it's in

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Beijing. He works hard, is optimistic for the future and is encouraged by free-market principles, most notably in agriculture."

STAMPS, A ROCHESTER Hills resident, recently returned from a month-long trip to China, where he studied minority groups in and around Canton while serving as a consultant to two area companies he declined to name.

"I was looking for contacts, maintaining relationships and testing the waters," he said. "What I found was a noticeable cutback in construction projects, many of them left half-fin-

ished, and very few American interests while Taiwanese and Japanese business people seemed to be everywhere.

"The problem is that American businesses have to deal with the stern faces at the top, many of whom viewed our outrage over Tiananmen Square last year as a setback, while Taiwan and Japan are looked on as mildly friendly neighbors."

After the Tiananmen Square incident, Prime Minister Li Pehg intensified an austerity plan that has left the economy stagnant and industrial growth at zero, according to the U.S.-China Business Council in Washington, D.C.

The cut in inflation was due in

large part to the demands of the students who had demonstrated not only for a more democratic government but against corruption and a runaway economy.

"The events of last spring and summer come at a crucial time in China's path toward embracing modern management principles," said Clyde Stoltenberg, executive director of the East Asia Business Program at the University of Michigan.

"The economy was exhibiting double-digit inflation at the time and the brakes needed to be put on, but the government pushed too hard and now outside companies, especially those in the U.S. are having a tough

time prying open the Chinese market."

RICHARD McLELLAN, a partner with the law firm Dykema Gossett, which has offices in Bloomfield Hills, echoed the same concerns.

"The business climate in China is very bad. There is more instability and a return to an atmosphere of uncertainty," he said.

"Although we are encouraged by the continued trade into this country, everything seems to have come to a standstill in China. Some of our clients have since pulled out of Beijing and cut some of their ties in Hong Kong as well."

McLellan called the decline in

business "rather notable." Much of the firm's work in China deals with writing and reviewing contracts.

"We look at China as a tremendous opportunity, but for us and the clients we advise, it's a long-term situation. The labor rates are very low, and there's a potential market of one billion people. It's just a slow process right now."

James Buckley, executive vice president of Saginaw Machine Systems in Troy, concurred. "Before Tiananmen Square everything was very open and very optimistic, but now we find the mood to be very sober, very cautious."

From contacts of five years ago, Saginaw Machine started to sell mill-

ing machines to Chinese automakers for use in producing crankshafts. The machines range in price from \$400,000 to \$850,000.

"We installed an average of six machines a year, but since Tiananmen Square, we've sold two," he said. With sales in China accounting for only 5 percent of the company's \$20 million revenues last year, Buckley said the company was proceeding slowly.

"There is a tremendous long-term future in China, but we are looking at the next two years very cautiously. They have a tremendous need for almost everything, but getting from Point A to Point B involves a great deal of red tape."

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the right marketplace."

But what does China need? According to a report titled "Doing Business in East Asia" from the East Asia Business Program at the University of Michigan, areas of the economy with high potential for commercial activity include:

- Energy: oil, coal mining, hydro-power, nuclear power and conservation.

- Communications.
- Transportation: aircraft, rail equipment, trucks, road-building and traffic controls.

- Packaging.
- Chemicals.
- Computers/microcomputers.
- Pollution control.
- Agricultural equipment and chemicals, food processing.

- Services: tourism, engineering, project design, financing, marketing, market research and insurance.

business people

Dr. Mary Franzen Clark of Plymouth Township was honored as a distinguished member by the Christian Association of Psychological Studies. Clark is a psychotherapist in private practice (Alpha Psychological Services) in Livonia. The award recognizes Clark's contributions to the group during the past six years. This award was given just three times in the organization's 36-year history. She has been an international board member for six years and a national membership chairwoman for three years. She is the organization's Midwest regional director.

Bob Zukosky of Duraclean by Maryann, returned from a week-long training program in Chicago conducted by Duraclean International Inc., where he learned the latest technology in fabric care and cleaning. Zukosky is chairman of the South Eastern Michigan Computer Organization and a member of the Livonia Chamber of Commerce.

Lynn A. Babala of Plymouth joined James P. Ryan Associates architects and planners in Farmington Hills as director of marketing. Before joining Ryan Associates, Babala was marketing coordinator for Ayres, Lewis, Norris & May Inc. in Ann Arbor and for Arthur Andersen & Co. in Dallas. She received her bachelor of arts degree in journalism from the University of Texas in Austin and is a member of that university's Ex-Student's Association.

Susan M. Dobel was named senior account executive with Wells, Rich, Green Inc., Detroit in Dearborn. Dobel has been assigned to the automotive components account, which includes Ford Audio Systems, Ford Electronics Division and Ford Glass. Before joining Wells, Rich, Green, Dobel was an account executive at Adandi Advertising. Before that she was a field manager for Ford Motor Co. in the Charlotte District Sales Office.

Patrick F. Isom was named assistant account executive with Wells, Rich, Greene Inc., Detroit in Dearborn. Isom has been assigned to the automotive components account, which includes Ford Audio Systems, Ford Electronics Division and Ford Glass. He also will handle special projects on the Ford Motor Co. corporate account. He received his master of arts degree in applied economics from the University of Michigan and his bachelor of science degree from Hillsdale College in 1988.

Robert M. Robbins, owner of Crestwood Dodge Inc. in Garden City was elected one of the 121 members of Chrysler Corp.'s 1989 Mopar Masters Club. The group is made up of Chrysler/Plymouth, Dodge and Jeep/Eagle dealers who have demonstrated excellence and outstanding achievement in delivering quality service and quality parts to their customers. There are 5,300 Chrysler/Plymouth, Dodge car and

truck, and Jeep/Eagle dealers in the United States.

Dennis A. Wallot of Westland attended Money Concepts International Inc.'s summer international planning congress in Nashville, Tenn. Wallot received national recognition for preserving clients' capital in mutual fund timing accounts.

Cindy Welch, district manager of Money Concepts Westland attended Money Concepts International Inc.'s summer international planning congress in Nashville, Tenn.

James J. Schebil, owner of Fox Hills Chrysler-Plymouth in Plymouth was elected one of the 121 members of Chrysler Corp.'s 1989 Mopar Masters Club. The group is made up of Chrysler/Plymouth, Dodge and Jeep/Eagle dealers who have demonstrated excellence and outstanding achievement in delivering quality service and quality parts to their customers. There are 5,300 Chrysler/Plymouth, Dodge car and truck, and Jeep/Eagle dealers in the United States.

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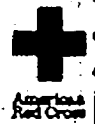
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Sometimes an auto factory can be too sanitary

Particles of graphite hang in the air like some fine silver rain inside the building housing a casting line, the inert residue of the process that converts liquid steel into rolled sheets, stacked a half a hundred yards high, reminding you of the paper towel inventory of some nameless race of monsters.

The graphite is more or less harmless, unlike the abrasive dust shaken from a foundry mold, but it leaves a greasy smear, although that is not as bad as the stench of a grease pit or the grime that collects in cutting oil retreating tanks on a machining line.

Sometimes it seems there are a thousand or more ways to get dirty making cars. There are greases, oils, paints, solvents, glues, acids, glycols,

metal chips, carbon deposits, rust streaks and a characteristic burn caused by hot slag flying off the face of a forging, something like a flaming metal cornflake.

Liquids are sprayed, dipped, recovered, held in tanks and dripped on the floor. Ultimately the leftovers make an incredible mess, which if you are lucky is worth something to somebody to gather up and cart away. There are a hundred or more characteristic kinds of grime, ranging from coal dust to white limestone to the grit of taconite powder.

It is a marvel of modern technology that most of this stuff can be handled in rooms occupied by a thousand people, and the most notable intrusion is a characteristic smell that



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can be ignored after 20 minutes or so. Precipitators, filters, settling ponds and scrubbers work quite well, and a modern foundry (they aren't all modern) can sometimes seem less noxious than a bank. Of course, ultimately, somebody has to go in and clean the filters out, too.

PEOPLE WORK with this stuff, necessary to make cars, to make money. White collar becomes a tan-

gible line, defining the move to an inside job, where the air whirs with air conditioning and a mess is spilled copier fluid for the Xerox machine. But there still are a lot of jobs where it takes a half-dozen years of seniority simply to go home at night with your hands cleanable.

In Kokomo, Ind., a division of General Motors/Hughes Aircraft assembles microcircuitry. It is an assem-

ble line for Lilliput gone mad, with the thickness of individual components measured in atoms. Viewed through the microscope, the scaly surface of a human hair arcs into the distance like the curvature of the earth, while on the horizon is a small village of integrated circuits.

The parts are assembled in a clean room, a factory the size of a medium-size K mart store suspended in space, isolated even from the walls and foundations of the larger building that surrounds it. Each conduit and pipe that enters the clean room is suspended on springs, to absorb the minute shock of a pump or a generator in the basement below.

The air is sucked into the room by a cluster of 62 fans, four of which

are large enough to support the roof of the Silverdome. The air is filtered to eliminate all but 10 particles per cubic foot, the largest a speck that makes dandruff seem like an asteroid. It is held at a constant 68 degrees, just like Mammoth Cave.

To work here, you don a white jumpsuit, head to foot, with a bib over your mouth and little static lines trailing from your booties. A sneeze is like an oil refinery fire, and it takes several weeks of indoctrination to learn the ground rules, and, more important, if you can adapt to this alien workplace.

You can only recognize your co-workers by their eyes.

Sometimes at night you dream of working with pigs.

Success will come outside of the rut

By Mary DiPaolo
special writer

What chance for success would you give someone who was willing to risk a 57 percent pay cut to make a career change that offered no guarantees?

Would you bet on this person making a successful transition from truck driver to top salesman with 1989 sales of \$1.5 million? If you think it isn't possible, meet Larry Sanchez.

Sanchez is living proof that anything can happen for the brave who venture away from the safety of everyday life. As a student at Detroit's Chadsey High, Sanchez dreamed of one day becoming a truck driver. After graduation in 1973 he was hired as a dock worker by Associated Truck Lines. Three years later he was given the opportunity to drive his own rig.

"It was my life's ambition come true," Sanchez said. "I really believed that I could be completely content driving a truck for the rest of my life."

After enjoying a few more years of job satisfaction, security, a \$30,000 annual salary and a reputation as one of the best drivers in the business, Sanchez was asked to trade it all in for a career opportunity in a field he knew nothing about.

Bill Cullinan, president of Governor Information Products, a Dearborn computer accessories and supplies distributor, recognized there was something special about Sanchez the first time he met him.

"Larry did not present himself in

a way I would have expected," Cullinan said. "Beyond the fact that he was very outgoing and articulate, Larry made a point to dress for success."

After several more months of social contacts, Cullinan began to consider Sanchez as a potential addition to Governor's outside sales staff.

"He was a diamond in the rough. All he needed was the right support and training to make it in our business."

After Cullinan suggested that Sanchez contact him about a possible sales position, Sanchez spent the next three months trying to "close the deal" with Governor.

"I called Bill every day," Sanchez recalled, "and although I never realized it at the time, he was testing my persistence."

Cullinan agreed and added that Sanchez's ability to handle rejection confirmed his selling potential.

"I planted the seed and waited to see if it would grow - and it did."

Hired nearly six years ago on a trial basis of one month, Sanchez estimates that his annual salary has nearly tripled since his days as a truck driver. When asked to advise others who may believe it is too late to pursue alternative career opportunities, Sanchez is direct: "If you don't do anything about improving your career situation, nothing is going to happen."

Mary DiPaolo is the owner of Marketrends, a Farmington Hills business consulting firm. She is also producer and host of the cable television series, "Chamber Perspectives."

P5 offers tax-deferred growth

By Sid Mittra
special writer

Last week I explained a unique investment called AIT (annuity income with a twist), which is attractive to people in need of guaranteed, tax-favored current income.

In this column I will briefly explain another complex investment, which is attractive to those investors who prefer to receive guaranteed monthly income at a future date.

Tax Advantaged P5

Except for investments through insurance companies, returns on all non-qualified investments are currently taxable. So every year you are taxed on your CD interest, even though you don't even touch it.

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It also provides a five-year guaranteed interest rate of 9.1 percent, flexibility in distribution of the income, and a host of valuable income withdrawal options.

However, unlike AIT discussed last week, P5 is suitable for you only if you need monthly income sometime in the future but don't quite know when you will need it. Here are the key features of P5:

- It offers a guaranteed interest rate of 9.1 percent for five years, after which interest will be declared on an annual basis. So, if you invest \$50,000 today, in five years your investment will equal \$70,742.
- Your investment (principal plus interest) is guaranteed. It can-

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- Your money will grow tax-deferred.
- If you leave your money in P5, even after five years it will continue to grow tax deferred. Assuming the interest rate of 9.1 percent, your investment will be worth \$119,459 in 10 years and \$184,647 in 15 years.
- You can start receiving a monthly income from P5 any time you want (even after just one year). As long as you take the income over five or more years, there are no penalties, surrender charges or loads.
- Some of the attractive income options include:
 - i.) Lifetime income for you.
 - ii.) Lifetime income for you and your spouse.
 - iii.) Option II plus a minimum guaranteed income for 20 years if both spouses die prematurely.
 - Not only your income from P5 grows tax deferred, but a larger percentage (40-60 percent) of your income from it will be tax-free when you start withdrawing the money.
 - As mentioned, P5 is a complex investment with unique features, and you should not rush into it without fully understanding the pros and cons of investing in it.

I will explain it more fully at the educational seminars, details of which follow.

Other topics to be discussed at the seminar: Lump sum distribution vs. forward averaging, Early vs. regular retirement.

Retirement Seminars 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 19, at the Kingsley Inn, 1475 N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills, and 7-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 27, at the Holiday Inn of Farmington Hills, 38123 10 Mile, Farmington Hills.

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Sid Mittra is a professor of finance, school of business at Oakland University and owner of Coordinated Financial Planning.

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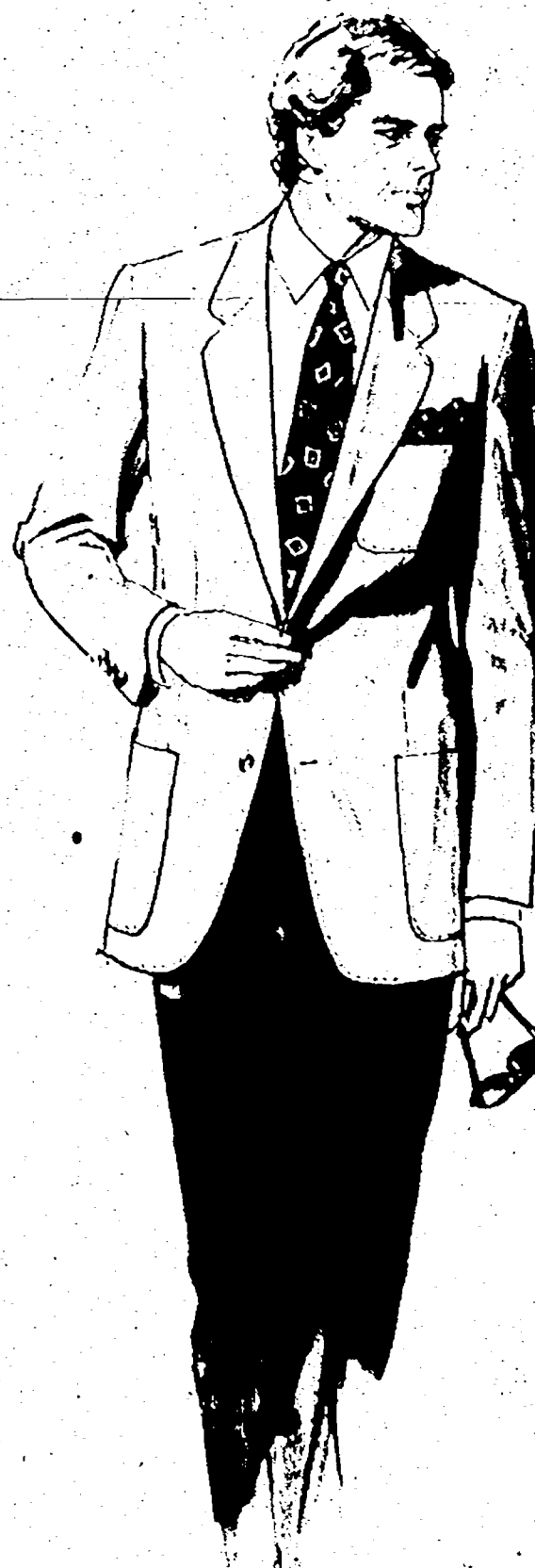
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GM, Ford take top spots in commercial lending

Business lending has become a slow-growth business for U.S. banks. Partly as a result, General Motors Corp. and Ford Motor Co. have become the No. 1 and No. 2 holders of domestic commercial and industrial loans, according to a study published by SMR Research Corp.

General Motors ended 1989 with \$23.2 billion of commercial and industrial loans, according to SMR's new study — "Giants of Commercial & Industrial Lending." Almost all these loans were made to finance car dealers' inventories and other property.

Commercial and industrial loans in the new SMR study did not include any leases, commercial mortgages, or consumer loans, in which GM also participates.

GM'S COMMERCIAL and industrial outstanding loans were down 0.4 percent from 1988 but were still high enough to make the company

the largest U.S. business lender.

At Ford, business loans rose 60 percent to \$16.8 billion in 1989, largely as a result of Ford's acquisition of Associates Corp., a finance company. The addition of Associates enabled Ford to capture second place, edging ahead of Citicorp — the nation's largest bank.

Citicorp's U.S. commercial and industrial outstanding loans at year-end 1989 were \$16.3 billion, down 4.4 percent, putting Citicorp in third place. On a worldwide basis, however, Citicorp continued to dominate business lending due to its huge volume of loans to foreign corporations.

Citicorp had \$37.6 billion of outstanding commercial and industrial loans worldwide as of Dec. 31, 1989.

"FOR U.S. banks, the last half of the 1980s have presented serious problems in generating business loan volume," said Stuart A. Feldstein,

SMR's president. "A number of banks, such as Manufacturers Hanover, have been very large originators of business loans.

"But most of these loans have been resold to other lenders, including the Japanese. Had it not been for the foreign banks — and had it not been for high-risk lending to highly indebted companies — there would have been no growth at all for banks in 1989."

As some banks, such as Citicorp, stress credit card and other consumer lending, a bizarre shift of roles is occurring, Feldstein said.

"IT NOW seems likely that in the near future, there may be more consumers who own tangible products (plastic cards) made by Citicorp than own General Motors products, while already U.S. businesses get more of their financing from GM than from Citicorp."

Using a variety of statistical

sources, SMR found that the total domestic commercial and industrial loan market reached \$815.2 billion in 1989, up only 5.5 percent from 1988. At banks, which continue as an industry to hold more than three-quarters of these loans, the growth rate was only 4.3 percent.

What little growth the banks got came from U.S. units of foreign banks. The study found that U.S. banks controlled by foreigners in more than 57 nations held \$174.3 billion of domestic commercial and industrial loans at year-end 1989, up 14.4 percent from 1988.

U.S. banks controlled by the Japanese held more than half of this — \$96.6 billion of commercial and industrial loans, up 22.9 percent. Growth in the commercial paper market is the biggest single cause of the slowdown in bank commercial lending.

LARGE CORPORATIONS now

use commercial paper as a less costly alternative to obtaining loans from banks. Ironically, however, the study found that this slowdown in big company lending may end up being good news for banks.

They are turning to much smaller business customers, and these customers are far more numerous and potentially more profitable for the banks.

"For the first time, many banks are working hard to make loans to very small businesses." Banks once considered business customers small if their annual sales were less than \$200 million, Feldstein said.

Today, many of the largest banks are turning to companies with annual sales of \$5 million, or even less.

"SECURITY PACIFIC Corp. has just created a major new lending unit designed to deal with smaller companies. And that's just one example.

"Banks that once developed specialized expertise in such things as oil industry lending and aircraft financing are now going to be developing expertise in small motels, restaurant franchises, and maybe even the local beauty parlor."

Loans to these businesses — once the turf of small community banks and finance companies — may be very profitable for the banks. Large corporate loans have notoriously thin profit margins, and recent financing of big companies going through leveraged buyouts has been too risky in many cases.

But small businesses are less sensitive to loan pricing, and there are hundreds of times as many of them as there are large corporate customers. The SMR study also covers commercial and industrial loan risk in each of 330 local metropolitan areas, plus commercial and industrial loan opportunities in those areas.

Auto affordability drops for average U.S. family

Auto affordability has declined 32 percent since 1972, according to a new index developed by Manufacturers National Bank of Detroit, which measures consumers' ability to purchase and finance new automobiles.

"The Auto Affordability Index indicates that the total cost of a car has significantly out-paced family growth from 1972 through 1989," said David G. Sowerby, second vice president and economist, Manufacturers Bank.

"Passage of the pending Clean Air Bill will lead to further declines in auto affordability by as much as \$700 per motor vehicle."

ment plus average monthly payments over the life of the loan.

The Auto Affordability Index is calculated with 1972 as base year equal to 100 and depicts the declining affordability of an average automobile based on price increases and finance costs.

Specifically, the Auto Affordability Index has decreased from 100 in 1972 to 67.9 in 1989, a 32.1-percent decline. As a result, in 1972, the average family had to spend 20.8 weeks of its annual income to purchase a car.

By 1989, that figure had risen to 30.7 weeks.

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Roll Call Report

WASHINGTON — Here's how area members of Congress were recorded on major roll call votes immediately before the Memorial Day recess:

HOUSE:

FREE MAIL FOR MEMBERS — By a vote of 161 for and 208 against, House members refused to appropriate an additional \$25 million to cover postage for their mailings back home this election year. The money was sought because the House is expected to spend nearly twice the \$44.5 million already appropriated for its franked mail in fiscal 1990.

The vote occurred as the House sent a \$4.4 billion spending bill (HR 4404) to the Senate. It showed members becoming increasingly sensitive to charges that they abuse the franking privilege. But it will have little practical effect because the Postal Service is required by law to deliver congressional mail even when appropriations for postage have run out.

A yes vote supported more appropriations for House members' mail.

Local members voting yes were: Dennis Hertel, D-Harper Woods; William Ford, D-Taylor and Sander Levin, D-Southfield.

Voting no were Carl Pursell, R-Plymouth, and William Broomfield, R-Birmingham.

AID TO EL SALVADOR — By a vote of 175 for and 243 against, the House rejected a Republican plan that was the softer of two proposed cuts in U.S. military aid to the rightist government of El Salvador.

The GOP proposal would have cut 25 percent from the Administration's fiscal 1990 request of \$85 million if leftist rebels in the Salvadoran civil war took certain steps toward peace and other conditions were met. The House then approved a Democratic plan to halve the \$85 million. But that 50 percent cut was later voided, clearing the way for El Salvador to receive the full \$85 million. The foreign aid bill under debate was HR 4634.

Sponsor William Broomfield, R-Mich., called his amendment "a measured and balanced approach to the situation in El Salvador."

Opponent Mel Levine, D-Calif., said the amendment dealt too lightly with human rights abuses by Salvadoran soldiers.

A yes vote was for the softer of two proposed cuts in military aid to El Salvador. Yes votes were cast by Broomfield and Pursell.

Against the softer cut were: Ford, Levin and Hertel.

RIGHTS OF THE DISABLED — By a vote of 148 for and 268 against, the House refused to exempt communities of less than 200,000 population from a requirement that nearly all newly-acquired municipal buses in America be equipped with wheelchair lifts. Affected cities and towns could have gained the exemption by providing special transportation approved of in advance by the local disabled community.

The vote occurred as the House sent to conference with the Senate a measure (HR 2273) to protect the rights of the disabled at work and in their use of public accommodations.

A yes vote supported the exemption for small communities.

Broomfield voted yes. Ford, Pursell, Hertel and Levin voted no.

SENATE:

TO CHANGE HABEAS CORPUS — By a vote of 52 for and 46 against, the Senate approved the speedier of two proposals for quickening action on habeas corpus appeals filed by death row inmates. Such appeals typically ask federal courts to delay an execution or overturn a conviction. The vote occurred during debate on an anti-crime package (S 1970) that remained on the floor.

AUTHORED BY REPUBLICANS, the proposal requires federal courts to review appeals within one year of the date on which state courts finalize the death sentence. A competing Democratic reform proposal called for a slower timetable. The GOP proposal also differed from the Democratic plan by short-cutting state-court review of habeas corpus petitions.

A yes vote was for the GOP-authored habeas corpus reform.

Both Michigan Senators, Donald Riegler-D and Carl Levin-D voted no.

THE DEATH PENALTY AND RACE — The Senate voted 58 for and 38 against to eliminate a proposal that the death penalty be prohibited if it is shown that a state or the federal government applies it in a discriminatory fashion. This removed the proposed Racial Justice Act from pending anti-crime legislation (above).

Bob Graham, D-Fla., called for eliminating the proposal on grounds that decisions on the death penalty should not be made by statistical analysis.

Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., said the Racial Justice Act is needed because of "disturbing evidence that blacks are more likely to be given a death sentence than white defendants."

A yes vote opposed the Racial Justice Act.

Both Riegler and Levin voted no.

Alzheimer's group offers service statewide

Q. We are planning to spend the summer in the Leelanau area this year. We are taking my husband's mother who has Alzheimer's disease. Is there an organization in the area that can help us should any problems arise?

A. The Alzheimer's Association has chapters throughout the state of Michigan that can provide patient and family services.

Serving the Leelanau peninsula and nearby communities is the Northwest Michigan Chapter, P.O. Box 2010, 1609 Park Drive, Traverse City MI 49685. The telephone number is (616) 947-8920.

Q. My friend and I are traveling to Europe this summer. We are both over 65 and have Medicare. Do we have coverage even when we are in another country?

A. Medicare generally does not apply outside the United States and its territories, but there are three exceptions. One, which covers travelers, is for medical emergencies in Canada, but you must be able to prove that you are traveling the most direct route between the continental U.S. and Alaska. Other exceptions are for those in the United States when an emergency occurs and a Canadian or Mexican hospital is closer than one in the states.

Social Security recommends that people having Medicare who travel should look into short-term insurance for travelers. These companies may also be able to provide medical referrals and advice by telephone, payment for transportation for treatment back home, accidental death insurance and coverage for canceled or delayed trips.

Most companies will not, however, cover pre-existing medical problems. Contact your personal insurance carrier for information on companies that do provide travelers insurance.



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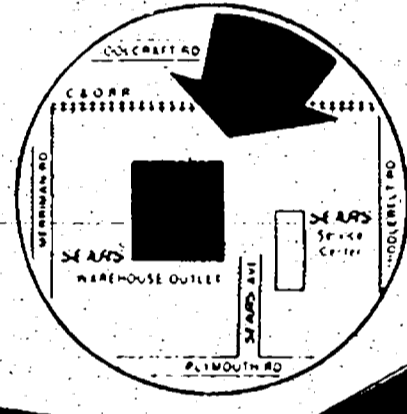
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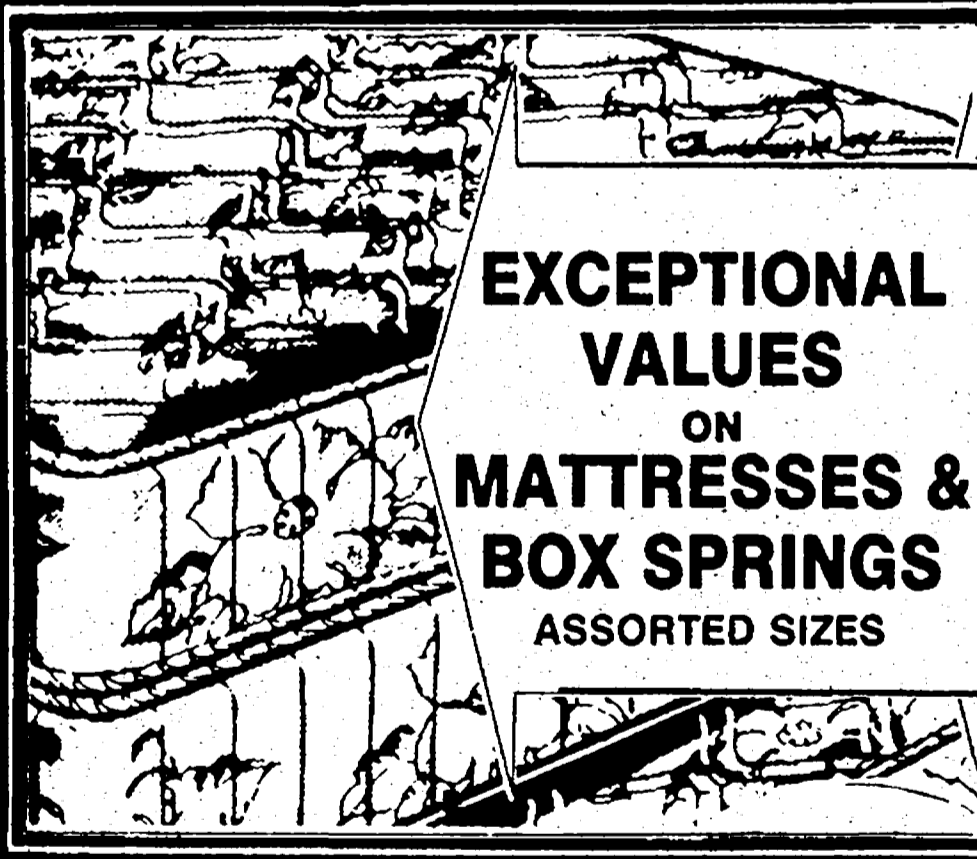
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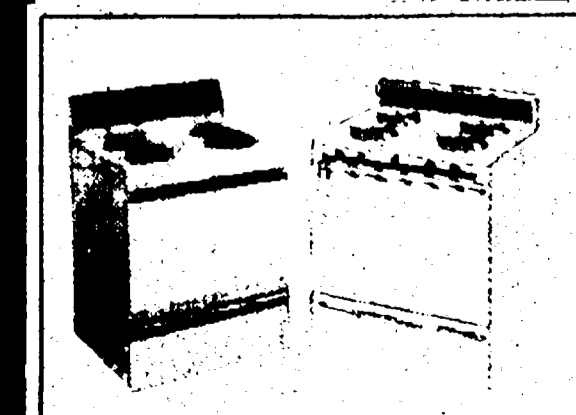


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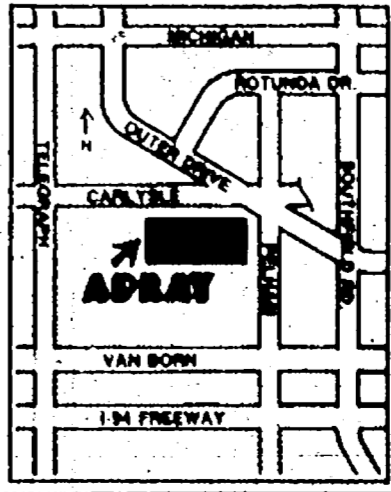
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1. Children under the age of five are accidentally poisoned more often than any other age group. True/False
2. Thousands of small children are poisoned each year by common household products. True/False
3. Only substances with a "Caution - Poison" label can harm a child. True/False
4. Mixing ammonia with bleach forms a very irritating gas. True/False
5. All medications can be used for as long as they last. True/False
6. Leftover household cleaning products can be stored in empty food containers as long as they are properly labeled. True/False

7. A potential poison is: a) a product labeled poison; b) any substance that is misused; c) a liquid harmful only to children.

8. Potential poisons include: a) aspirin substitutes; b) ammonia products; c) household cleaning products; d) all of the above.

9. Syrup of Ipecac: a) is a type of cough medicine; b) makes a person vomit; c) neutralizes poisons; d) is put on burns.

Answers:

1. True. Nearly 60% of all poisonings occur in this age group.
2. True.
3. False. Most household products do not carry a poison warning, but can do serious, if not fatal, damage if swallowed.
4. True. This gas is not only irritating but can be fatal.
5. False.
6. False. Most children do not read the labels. They recognize the container.

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7. B - any substance that is misused.

8. D - all of the above.

9. B - makes a person vomit. Syrup of Ipecac should only be used on the advice of a physician.

How well did you score? The Michigan Poison Control Centers receive tens of thousands poison

or suspected poison calls each year and nearly 60% of these are for children under the age of five.

The primary cause of poisoning in children up to one year of age is plants, including leaves, berries and mushrooms found in the yard. For one-to-five-year olds, the most common cause is aspirin, and now aspi-

rin-free pain relievers.

Remember, accidental poisonings can happen to anyone, at anytime, in any situation. Survey your home closely inside and out. Make sure all medications, cleaning products and pesticides are clearly labeled in their original container and kept under lock and key. Do not assume that a high shelf is high enough. Keep the poison control center telephone number at each telephone and in your purse, wallet or car.

For more information regarding poison prevention, including phone

stickers, poison prevention guides, and a list of poisonous plants, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to: Poison Control Center, Children's Hospital of Michigan, 3901 Beaubien, Detroit, MI 48201.

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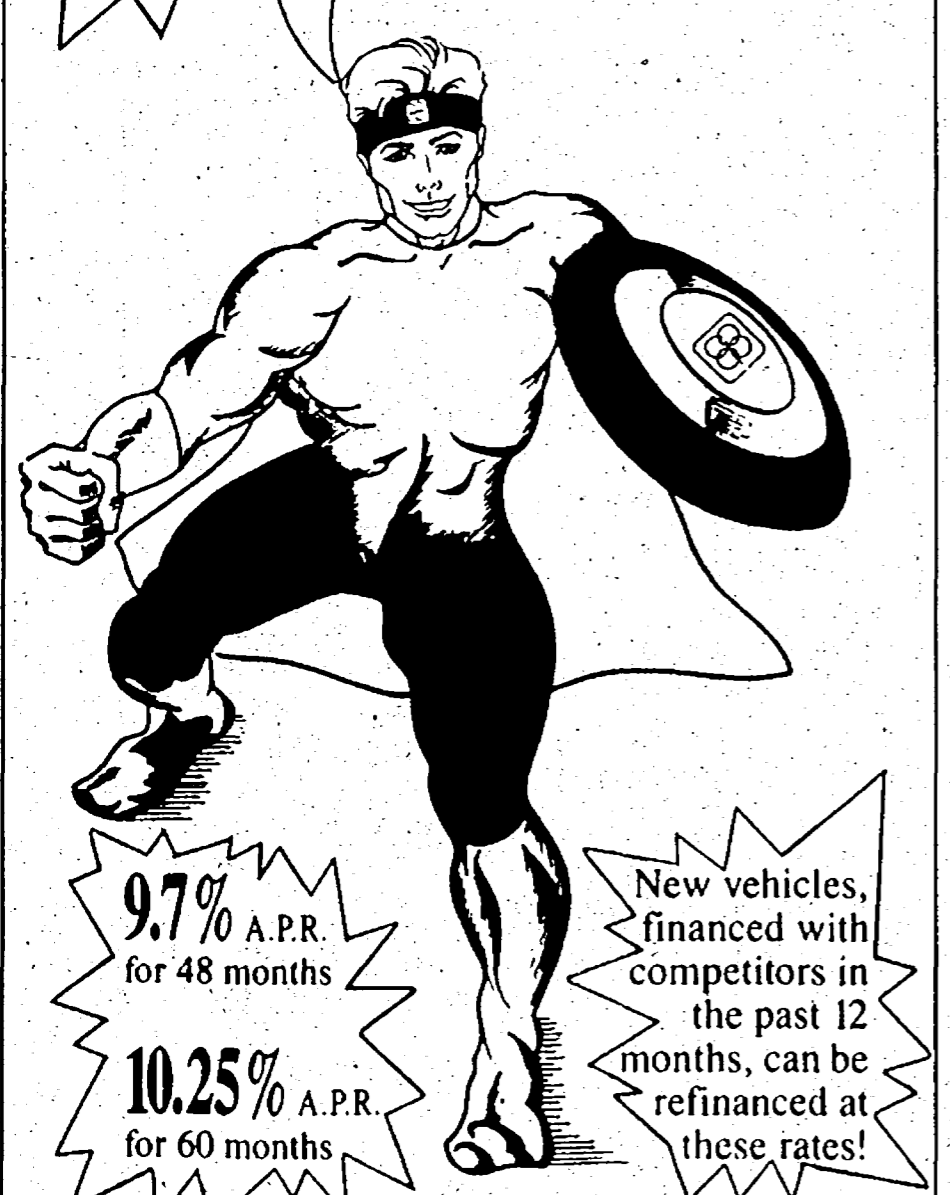
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Sun is at highest point in sky when summer arrives

Look for the moon, in the constellation Pisces, on the morning of the 17th. Mars is five degrees below the moon. By the next morning the moon is well to the east (left) of Mars.

The moon is in Taurus the morning of June 18. Below the moon is bright Venus and to the east of Venus is the Pleiades.

A large triangle will be formed by the moon, Venus and the Pleiades the morning of June 20. The moon will be two days away from New Moon phase and will appear as a thin crescent above the Pleiades.

Summer officially arrives at 11:33 a.m. EDT Thursday, June 21. On this day the sun will be rising at its farthest point north of east, have its highest altitude in the sky, and set at its farthest point north of west for the entire year.

THE SUN appears in different

parts of the sky at different times of the year.

Remember where the sun was rising back in December? It was rising far south of east and settling south of west. The days were short and cold and we had winter.

The difference in the sun's position is not due to any movement on the part of the sun. Instead it's due to the tilt of Earth's axis of rotation.

WE ORBIT around the sun, but our axis is tilted 23.5 degrees. It just happens to be pointing toward a star named Polaris, the North Star.

In summer, when the North Pole of the Earth is pointed toward Polaris, it is tilted 23.5 degrees toward Polaris. It is tilted 23.5 degrees toward the sun as well.

Six months later the Earth is on the opposite side of the sun. The North Pole is still aimed toward Po-



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laris, but now it tilts 23.5 degrees away from the sun. Therefore the sun appears in a different part of the sky.

The moment when the Earth reaches the point in its orbit, where the North Pole is at the greatest tilt toward the sun, is the exact moment of summer. At least it is for the Northern Hemisphere.

When the North Pole is tilted toward the sun, the South Pole is tilted away from it. We may be enjoying the start of summer, but for people south of the equator the days are short and cold and it's the start of winter.

If it were not for the tilt of Earth there would be no change of seasons. If the Earth's axis was straight up and down, everyone would have March-type weather year-round. That may not be bad if you live in the tropics, but it's awful in Michigan!

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NEW MOON occurs at 2:55 p.m. the 22nd. The moon is between the Earth and the sun and is not visible.

The one-day old moon will be less than one degree above Jupiter on the evening of the 23rd.

Jupiter itself will be only one degree above the horizon (45 minutes after sunset) and will not be visible. Pollux and Castor are still 10 degrees above Jupiter and can be identified.

VENUS IS six degrees and to the east (right) of the Pleiades on Sun-

day morning, the 24th. The orange-red star Aldebaran (al DEB a ran), the "eye" of Taurus, is 14 degrees below the Pleiades, but only two degrees above the horizon.

On the evening of June 24, the moon will form a line with Pollux and Castor. These will be your last opportunities to see the twins as they begin to fade in the glare of evening twilight.

The bright star above and to the south of the moon on the 25th is Regulus. This blue-white star is the "heart" of Leo the Lion. On the 26th the moon has moved to the south of Regulus.

Venus is between the Pleiades and Aldebaran on the morning of the 28th. Now about five degrees above the east-north-eastern horizon, Aldebaran will be getting easier to spot as the weeks pass.

At 6:07 p.m. June 29, the moon is at First Quarter phase. It has completed the first quarter of its orbit around the Earth. It will rise around noon, be visible in the south at sunset, and set around midnight.

On June 30 the moon is approaching Spica for the second time this month.

An excellent aid for learning constellations and keeping up to date with the sky is the monthly "Sky Calendar." A one-year subscription is \$6 and is available from Abrams Planetarium, Michigan State University, East Lansing 48824.

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

Mack named to advisory team

Wayne County commissioner Milton Mack, D-Wayne, has been appointed an adviser to the Detroit/Wayne County Port Authority to promote and market recycled goods made in Michigan.

Mack, who represents Canton, will sit on a team of advisers who will oversee a \$300,000 federal market

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Mack has served on the Wayne County Solid Waste Planning Committee since 1983. He has been chairman of the county Solid Waste Implementation committee since 1987.

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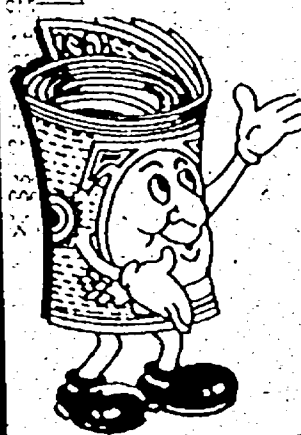
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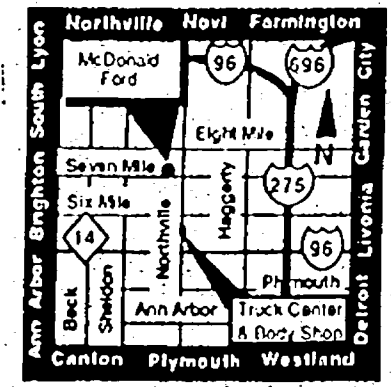
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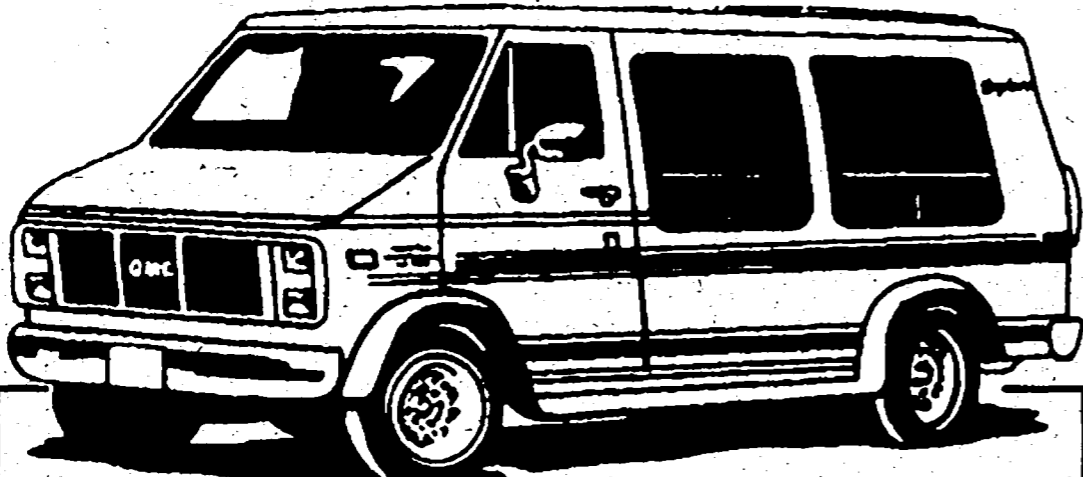
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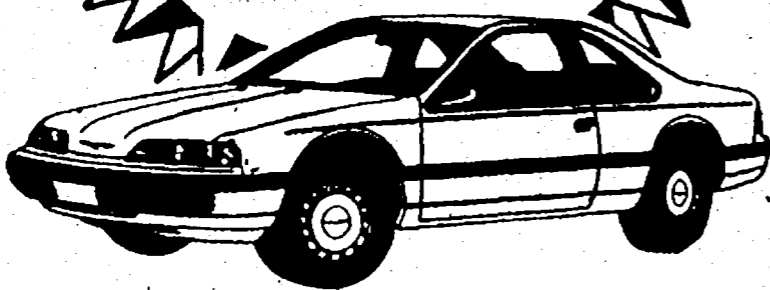
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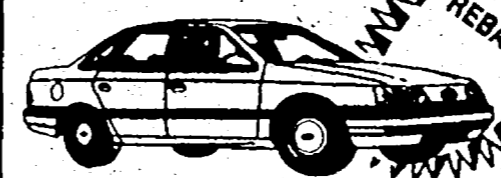
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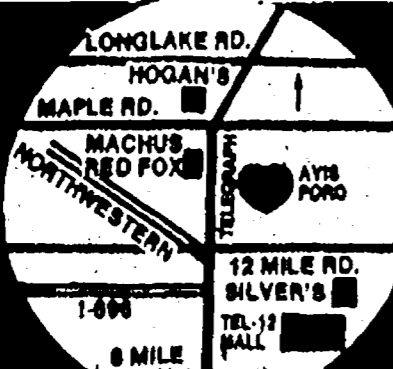
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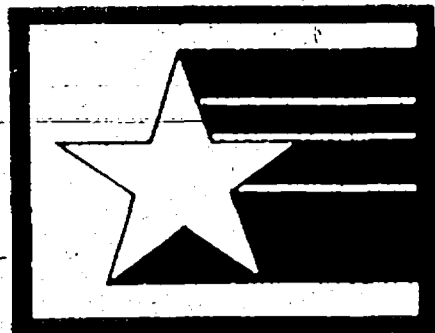
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'Kip Synatra' is their claim to fame

By Mary Jane Doerr
special writer

THE NEW MUSICAL "Kip Synatra's Mobile Musical (A Memorial)" is a moving tribute to the greatest undiscovered songwriter of the last four decades.

No one has ever heard of Kip Synatra, but then composer Gerald V. Castle of Harper Woods and playwright-lyricist Michael C. Vigilant of Auburn Hills are not famous either — at least not yet. Castle and Vigilant want that to change.

The two men are seated casually

around the director's table, beneath the newly renovated stage at the Birmingham Village Players playhouse, where their newly created musical is being fully mounted for the first time, opening Friday, June 22. The articulate Vigilant says, "We are obsessed with making a success out of our songwriting team." His creative partners, Gerry Castle, and Castle's brother Dan, a Troy resident, who is director of the show, are just as fervent.

A land surveyor by day, a graduate journalist by choice, Vigilant has teamed with Blue Cross employee Gerry Castle since 1982. Together

they have produced "Foiled Again! Two Musical Melodramas" published by Samuel French Inc.

"WOULD YOU BELIEVE... A Stable" and "The Little Star: A Christmas Fantasy" are due for publication by Contemporary Drama Service this year. Tim Kelly, the most published playwright in America, has hired the team to set to music his farce "Phantom of the Op'ry."

"Kip" is one of only eight musicals listed in the Samuel French international catalog this year out of 2,000 submissions.

The idea of "Kip" germinated in Vigilant's mind as a magazine article. Dan Castle jokingly calls it the product of Mike and Gerry's adolescent minds and warped alter egos. "It is a metaphor for the baby boomer generation."

Kip's musical journey starts in the 1950s. In an airstream trailer (created by set designer Jim Balmer), Kip travels with his bands, the Wetsports, the Gnat Pack, Francisco Bizzarro, the Lost Conquistadors, and the Band of Itinerants. His therapist, his first date, his three ex-wives and his parents tell his story.

The 12 actors never leave the stage as they travel across America, make a sea-sickening journey to Africa and a disappointing trip to Hawaii, and choreograph a nuclear holocaust for the half time show of the 50th annual Orange Bowl. Kip's left-of-center attempts to hit the big time never quite succeed.

"HE IS ALWAYS a step behind, never quite in synch," adds the quiet Gerry Castle. On stage in the musical, Castle is literally the leader of the band, the guitarist.

Musically, the show runs the gamut of American pop music — rock, big band, swing, rap, folk, punk-a-billy, calypso and show tunes. "As children we all hated disco so we left it out," said Dan Castle.

Gerry Castle has composed 19 tuneful pieces that are not easily forgotten. The melodies can stand alone as do Vigilant's lyrics, but Castle's accentuated musical style promotes Vigilant's clever wit in such songs as "You Can't Stick to a Girl with a



Chris Gerback (left), Tim Reinman and Marjorie Gluckman rehearse scene for "Kip Synatra's Mobile Musical." The show has been added to the 1989-90 season as a fund-raiser to benefit the Birmingham Village Players Building Fund. Performances will be at 8:30 p.m. Fri-

day-Saturday, June 22-23, 29-30 (tickets \$8). In place of the customary preview night show, the musical will be presented Wednesday, June 20, as a benefit for the Attic Theatre (tickets \$15). For ticket information call 644-2075.



DAN DEAN/staff photographer

Mike Vigilant (left) wrote the book and lyrics and Jerry Castle the music for "Kip Synatra's Mobile Musical (A Memorial)," which will be staged for the first time at the Birmingham Village Players.

Teflon-Coated Heart," "Opposites Attack" and "Fetal Position."

Most striking is the mini-musical which takes place in Act II. Vigilant describes it as a "touched view of marital destruction." Cindy Pritchard and Ed Guay's powerful voices and emotional interpretations drive home the love story about a couple who fall in love ("Infatuated" and "Doomed"), marry ("A Lifetime from Now") and divorce in about 20 minutes. Joey Johnson as the child follows with a terribly sad "Weekend Dad and Part-Time Mother."

Gerry Castle studied music theory with well-known composer James Hartway at Wayne State University in Detroit. He writes evenly for the voice, keeping the music in the middle ranges for belting and puts his

ensemble of four (bass, keyboards, drums and guitar) on the stage for obvious balance and rhythm.

"HOW DO YOU stage a new show? Obviously, you can't rent a video at Blockbuster and go home and watch it on TV," said Dan Castle. (After this production Samuel French will have a video available.)

The inventive-actor/director Dan Castle has taken his freedom experimentally. A human petting zoo will be in the lobby, with characters from the show in the boxes, as the audience arrives. Costumes in the show, he said, are a cross between those of "Madame Butterfly" and "Godspell" and fly in and out of the sky to be donned by the actors. The curtain is

never used. Styrofoam vegetables have been created for the song "I Hate Peas, Lima Beans and Cream Corn." Four slide shows provide a travelogue.

"For security reasons I can't tell you why the piece is called a mobile or give away the surprise ending," said Dan Castle. (Vigilant is part of the action when the secret is revealed.)

The show is co-produced by Lindsay Balmer and Bill Haycock. Village Players member Helen Balmer, who is the wife of the set director, Jim Balmer, and mother of Lindsay Balmer, couldn't help but add, "This team is going to be famous. I just feel it. The show is beautiful."

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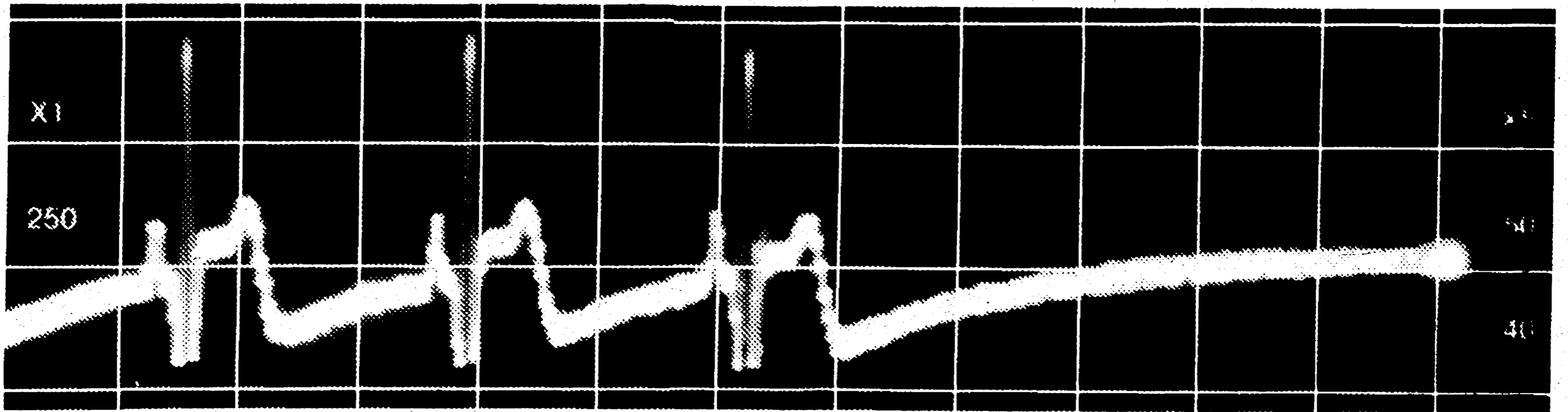
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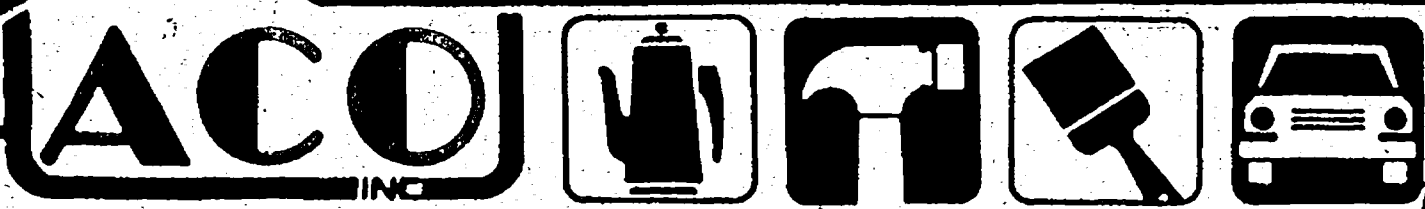
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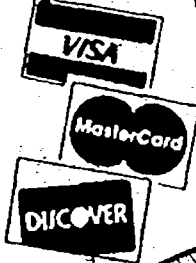
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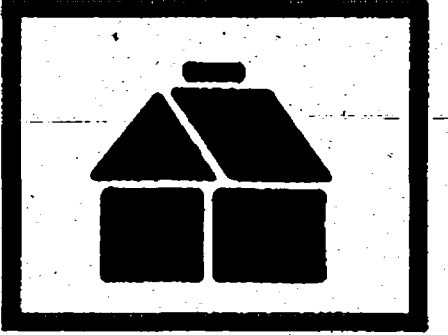
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No wonder, then, in the face of such dramatic expansion, that a slow, steady movement back into cities has been almost unnoticed.

"When a man is tired of London he is tired of life," Dr. Samuel Johnson said in the 18th century. It could have been said of any major city at any time in history, and Americans today are relearning the truth of Johnson's aphorism.

In keeping with a national trend, downtown Detroit is attracting new residential construction. Along the waterfront, several fine old buildings have been converted to residential use.

And older, established neighborhoods such as Corktown, Palmer Woods and Indian Village are luring suburban families who appreciate the quality of the architecture and the convenience of living near the city's cultural institutions and, often, near work.

WHILE DETROIT, like other cities, has had its ups and downs, Indian Village has remained a vibrant community of 350 stylish old homes. Thanks to the efforts of dedicated Villagers and significant residential architecture by Albert Kahn, George D. Mason, William B. Stratton and others, the neighborhood was entered in the National Register of Historic Places in 1972. The Village has also been entered as a state and city historic district.

When Pat and Henry Stallings II bought their house on Iroquois, they thought they knew what they were getting into. They had restored a house in the West Village when they moved to Detroit from Birmingham.

Then, in 1983, they bought the 4,000-square-foot house on Iroquois that they live in today. Built in 1917 for Armin Rickel, president of the H.W. Rickel Malt Company, the house is a hybrid of design. Rickel took out the building permit himself, so the architect is unknown.



Henry and Pat Stallings with their children Michelle, 4½, left and Jennifer, 2½ enjoy a moment together in the

dining room of their Indian Village home.

"The house had been empty for two years," said Stallings, "and the heat and plumbing had been shut off. We knew that it needed work, but we never thought it would be 1½ years before we could move in."

THE WOODWORK, including the wainscoting leading up the imposing staircase in the front hall, had been painted and needed to be stripped. The mantle had been painted and needed to be stripped. The pewter sconces in the living room and dining room had been painted and needed to be stripped. The floors needed to be refinished. Sixty percent of the house needed re-plastering. And it needed new wiring and new plumbing.

"There was no grass in the back yard. We took out 380 bags of leaves," Stallings said, adding that he is still aghast at that.

"We thought we could do the stripping ourselves," said his wife, a systems consultant for AT&T. "Henry was with the First Independence National Bank then. We'd come home, eat, change clothes and get to work."

It didn't take long for reality to set in. Eventually the Stallings had crews on two shifts working to make the seven-bedroom home livable. "We were just going to strip the woodwork on the first floor and in the upstairs hallways," she said. "But one of the workmen didn't understand and he started on one of the bedrooms. So we wound up stripping the whole house. We finally moved in May, 1985."

TODAY, the Stallings and their daughters, Nichole, 4½, and Jennifer, 2½, are giving new life to an old house. There is a tank of helium in the hall, used to provide balloons for the girls' birthday parties and a Christmas ornament still hangs from the chandelier in the entrance hall. The lawn and flower gardens are Stallings' pride and joy and there are plans to install a covered 20-by-32-foot swimming pool along the back of the house. The house was featured on the 1988 Indian Village house and garden tour.

Stallings has traveled extensively and his collection of native arts and crafts enhances the house's period charm.



A fine assortment of masks from China, Ghana, Nigeria, the Ivory Coast and Fuji is installed in the wainscoting's panels. Egyptian masks and vases from China grace the dignified mantel. The cozy, pickled oak library, with its heavy ceiling beams, is alive with photos of family and friends.

Why did they do it? Why would anybody leave a fine home in the suburbs and take on the grief, to say nothing of the expense, of restoring an older home?

The woodwork and wainscoting in the hall and along the stairway were stripped and redone. Some masks which Henry Stallings collected are mounted along the stairs.

Maestro claims Detroit done him wrong

By Avigdor Zarnop
special writer

Gunther Herbig experienced many ups and downs during his six years here as music director of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra. It was the downs that prompted him to accept

the position as music director of the Toronto Symphony Orchestra. His final week here followed a world tour with the Toronto Symphony.

Strikes or work stoppages (depending on which side is using the terms) clouded both ends of his time here. The first took place in 1982

when he was scheduled to make his debut here as guest conductor. The rehearsals were held, but the performance was canceled because of the strike.

The issue was the so-called "conductor clause," a provision in the contract that gave the musicians a

voice in the selection of the music director. Management was attempting to rescind it. The clause survived and Herbig was the first beneficiary of it when he was chosen for the post following his 1983 debut at the Meadow Brook Festival.

A work stoppage occurred again at the beginning of the 1987-88 season and it resulted in a major overhaul of the management staff. Herbig announced his resignation the following season, but stayed on to fulfill the balance of this three-year contract.

MAJOR EVENTS DURING HERBIG'S six years were the hiring of a new concertmaster, establishment of the Detroit Symphony Chorale, the permanent move from Ford Auditorium to Orchestra Hall and the European tour in January 1989.

In the final phase of his tenure here, Herbig seemed much less concerned about being diplomatic that he was when he first arrived. As he spoke about his experiences here, he said, "When I was still in (East) Berlin, I talked to Dorati (music director 1977-81) who warned me about Detroit and its problems. I disregarded his advice and now I feel that this was a mistake."

He cited the problems leading to the labor disputes and the failure of the previous administration to live up to its contractual agreements as some of the reasons for his frustrations. "... They promised me all kinds of things — recording contracts, international tours, hiring enough musicians to get a 105-member orchestra and more. But, there was never enough money for any of it with the exception of the European tour which was a great success.

"These problems were brought about by a most insensitive city administration which doesn't care at all about the cultural life of this city. Nobody among the leadership of this city has ever been seen at these concerts with the exception of one occasion in which somebody came and walked out."

The last remark was a reference to something that happened before he came here. Mayor Coleman Young addressed the audience at a sold-out concert at Ford Auditorium featuring the orchestra with Itzhak Perlman, violinist, as the soloist. There was a championship boxing match at Cobo Hall at the same time. Young expressed sympathy for



Gunther Herbig has said that even as a youngster studying a variety of instruments, his dream was always to be a conductor because he was interested in the "totality of a musical work."

those who were "stuck" with the musical event and couldn't get to see the fight where he was headed. I remember it well, I was at the concert."

ANOTHER THORNY ISSUE that strained the relationship between the Orchestra and some segments of the community was the Affirmative Action demand that the Orchestra hire more black musicians or risk losing state aid.

The Orchestra's answer was to waive the "blind audition" and hire black bass player, Richard Robinson, (who was unanimously endorsed by all members of the section).

Herbig said about this problem, "The only way to get enough qualified musicians, as well as potential younger audiences, is in exposing school students to more art and culture. Those who are not exposed to classical music at an early age are less likely to be attracted to it later on. This city, however, does not consider these things to be important. In fact, programs of art and music, which are already poorly funded, are among the first to be cut or eliminated whenever there is another financial pressure."

IN SPITE OF SOME recent positive changes, Herbig doesn't see an end to the major problems. "There is better attendance this season and the

present administration of the Symphony is making sincere efforts in solving some of the major problems. However, we are not out of the woods yet and there will probably be some more serious problems down the road." (This statement was made before Deborah Borda, executive director, announced her resignation.)

He added, "This is a very fine orchestra — among the very best. We also have a sophisticated and supportive audience, but, unfortunately, this may not prove to be sufficient. The future of such a great orchestra depends on large support and financial commitments. A small number ... even with the best intentions, may not be enough.

Would he have done things differently if he could have foreseen the future? "Yes, there is one thing that I would have definitely done differently — I would have never come to Detroit."

Yet, there was an occasional conciliatory note. The Herbigs will retain their Bloomfield Hills home which they hope to visit from time to time. Thus, he plans to keep in touch after his departure. "You will probably see me at some of the concerts as a listener, provided, of course, they will be willing to give me complimentary," he added with a touch of humor that had more serious undertones.

Concert-goers cite Herbig for dedicated leadership

By Isabelle Smith
special writer

Detroit Symphony Orchestra music director Gunther Herbig ended his Detroit career June 2 as he began it six years before — to the strains of Beethoven and in a spirit of hope and good feeling.

TV crews and an SRO audience began arriving more than an hour before the concert — a gaggle of teens, large parties of young professionals, groups of well-known urban and suburban powers-that-be, a plethora of senior citizens — to wish farewell and God speed to the German-born maestro who led the orchestra safely through some of its most perilous years.

The prevailing feeling was almost universally expressed in terms of gratitude, even affection, both for the man and the musician. Words and phrases such as "honest," "dedicated," "a stabilizing force," "intelligent and disciplined," "a man of courtesy and honor" were used repeatedly as this reporter approached concert-goers throughout the hall.

American Symphony Orchestra League board member Marcella Wiltshire said, "Herbig was very dedicated to this orchestra. He inherited a vastly talented but floundering, divided group and turned it into a finely tuned instrument."

Betty Gerisch of Bloomfield Hills, long active in DSO affairs, spoke of Herbig's "warmth and charm," saying, "Both Herbigs became a part of the community. The maestro brought the DSO (which had been leaderless for more than a year before he arrived) back to a world-class level. All of us who care about

music — and the symphony — are in his debt."

• Symphony stalwart Gina Bedrosian was ecstatic about the sold-out house. "What a fantastic crowd. Detroit should be like this all the time. I'm truly sorry that he's leaving. He and Mrs. Herbig (concert pianist Jutta Czapski) are delightful people, and he has been a fine, dedicated conductor. I am grateful for the honest effort he made, in some very difficult circumstances, to keep the DSO world-class. We will miss him — even as we look forward to welcoming Neeme Jarvi."

• Former DSO board member Walter Murphy of Southfield (the spark plug behind the Dorati/DSO World Tour) praised Herbig as a "solid conductor. He's no Dorati, but his mark will remain. Under the toughest circumstances, he was a force for progress and stability. He may well be appreciated more in retrospect — as was Sixten Ehrling. I think he will be a smash in Toronto."

• A young lawyer, who said he didn't find Herbig a particularly "inspiring" conductor overall, insisted, nonetheless, in praising his championship of contemporary music. Herbig conducted three world premieres during his six years and programmed other previously seldom-heard-in-Detroit post-1900 compositions. The lawyer praised his mastery of Mahler, Bruckner and Schumann, "a repertoire too often neglected before he came."

• A college music student standing nearby spoke glowingly of the maestro's founding of the Detroit Symphony Chorus and of his frequent use of it. "What a plus that has been."

• Birmingham Bloomfield Symphony Orchestra music director Felix Resnick, the DSO's assistant principal second violinist and most senior orchestra member, used phrases echoed by a number of his colleagues when he lauded Herbig as "a thorough, well-schooled musician, always carefully rehearsed. He did well with the DSO — played some good concerts and conducted a fine world tour. He is, above all, a civilized man and a sincere, dedicated musician."

Another instrumentalist thoughtfully described the departing conductor as "a man of control and understatement leading an orchestra of spontaneity and passion. We may not always have meshed well, but he kept us technically fit. We respect and like him."

THE "GRATITUDE, respect and liking" were much in evidence June 2. Orchestra, chorus and soloists radiated high-voltage intensity as they went to do the departing maestro's will. The artistic electricity crackled throughout Orchestra Hall, and the musical results fittingly bore the hallmarks of Herbig's leadership — precision, control, clarity and cohesion — as well as a strong sense of dynamic contrast and musical form. There were also moments of real, heart-grabbing poetry and power.

Although the Orchestra Hall windows already displayed posters of Neeme Jarvi and big banners proclaimed "A New Spirit, A New Season, A New Look," this night still belonged to Gunther Herbig. Both musicians and audience made that clear.

briefly speaking

ENTERTAINING IDEAS

Lifestyle consultant Martha Stewart will offer tips on entertaining and gardening at a fund-raiser Friday, June 22, at Cranbrook Educational Community in Bloomfield Hills.

The program, entitled "A Day with Martha Stewart," includes a luncheon and informal garden walk at the Cranbrook House. It begins 10:30 a.m. in Kingswood Auditorium. Stewart's eight books and four videotapes on entertaining will be on sale. The author is lifestyle consultant for K mart Corporation.

Proceeds from the luncheon will benefit the restoration and preservation of Cranbrook House and Gardens. Reservation information is available at 645-3149.

DANCE CONCERT

The Plaza Dance Company will present its annual dance concert Friday and Saturday, June 22 and 23, at Birmingham Groves High School. Plaza dancers captured first, sec-

ond and third place awards at the recent Dupree Dance Expo Performing Arts Competition. The award-winning dances will be part of the concert program.

Tickets for the 7:30 p.m. performances can be purchased in advance at the Plaza Dance Company, in the Northville Plaza on West Seven Mile in Northville. Further information is available at 348-9720.

STRINGS CONCERT

Twenty violinists, two cellists and a pianist will perform 3 p.m. Saturday, June 16, at the Livonia Civic Center Library Auditorium. The musicians are all students of Linda Ignagni, a private teacher who lives in Livonia.

JAZZ ON THE PLAZA

The Steve Wood Quintet will be featured Tuesday, June 21, during the Music on the Plaza concert series at Grosse Pointe's Village. The concert runs from 7 to 8:30 p.m. and is sponsored by the Grosse Pointe Village Association.

Q: I've been saving a long time to buy a well-appointed 42-foot cruiser. My brother-in-law and I plan on using it a lot, and our wives will occasionally join us. This is where the problem arises: My wife and I can't agree on which of the four color options to choose for the interior that the manufacturer is offering. I like the blue, silver-grey and white interior — that incidentally coordinates with exterior accent colors. It's my idea of a suitable color for a boat. My wife wants the deep burgundy, rose and white, which also includes the silver-grey accents. She says this combination is more in keeping with fashionable colors and will make the interior look more elegant. Am I making a mistake insisting on the blue option? The other two colors in the line are a blue-green and a bright yellow that don't interest either of us. I expect to keep this cruiser a long time. Can you help in making a decision?

A: It sounds as if your long-awaited dream boat is about to be scuttled by a color trend — and a passing one at that — unless you stand up for your decision. This advice won't minimize your wife's right to her color preferences, but is intended to



all about color

Helen Diane Vincent

focus the decision around the more important idea of suitability.

Considering you have a greater emotional investment in the boat and will be using it more frequently than your wife, your color preference should prevail. This is all the more so because your color preference connects up with the powerful idea or image of what a boat should look like. It's certainly shared by a very broad consensus, because blue remains the number one selling color for boat interiors.

Not for a moment am I suggesting you adhere to a consensus or reject new colors because of their unfamiliarity. As a matter of fact, I commend boat manufacturers for their efforts in expanding color options. Some of their newer introductions look fresh and inviting, yet remain very nautical because they fit into a very fundamental idea of what a

boat should look like. Unsuitable colors are those that try to imitate something foreign to a boat, like an automobile or a trendy color with a deliberate appeal to romanticism or a historic tradition.

Your wife's preference for burgundy and rose is just such a color combination — it's been fashionable for some time now and is gradually losing its popularity in both home furnishings and apparel. It will linger on for some time because it is so basic to home furnishings. But I'm not so sure this combination will serve you well even on a 42-foot boat. Dark coloring, such as burgundy, requires a much larger scale, something on the order of an 80 or 100 foot yacht, with its room-sized staterooms, regular, free-standing furniture and elegant accessories. Only then can you achieve elegance. Putting burgundies into a smaller space will provide a closed-in look. Inevitably, you'll both get tired of the effect.

Basic blue, on the other hand can eventually be modified with new colored accessories and carpeting. For now, reserve the pink and a touch of burgundy for the forward stateroom's bed sheets and pillowcases.

Q: I buy a lot of my husband's clothes and have done so for years. Now that his hair is turning gray, I'm not sure if some of the usual khaki and tan colors look as good on him as when he had a dark brown head of hair. I've thought of applying the seasonal color approach to complement his coloring, which is very balanced, but wasn't sure the same principles apply to men as they do to women. Give me some of your ideas.

A: The so-called seasonal approach of enhancing women's appearance by complementing their cool or warm coloring with cosmetics or apparel doesn't entirely apply to men. This is because of a social convention that requires men not appear too "colorful," but more subdued and dignified instead.

In this instance you're right in recognizing how much the dull khaki and tan colors can deplete your husband's appearance and make him look older than he should. To compensate for the gray hair, I would introduce greater contrast in his clothing. One example would be shorts or pants in the putty shades currently being shown in stores and better catalogues.

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Golden oldies make for good summer reading

By now, you've probably read several lists of what's au courant for summertime reading. I know I have. You can be sure that I look forward to these snippets of information every vacation season, hoping they'll put me onto something I haven't yet heard about that will make for worthwhile reading during my favorite time of the year — and they almost always do.

For this week's column, however, I thought I'd put together a slightly different kind of list. After a recent afternoon at my favorite library, and a look at my own bookshelves, I found a dozen "golden oldies" that aren't on any current publishing lists but which definitely make for fascinating reading nonetheless. What's more, you can get every one of them simply by handing over your library card. Also, most are in paperback and consequently make great traveling companions.

So if you're looking for a good read in the coming months, consider:

- "Diamonds Are Forever: Artists and Writers on Baseball" (1987). Contains essays, poems and random thoughts of American writers on "the thinking man's game." Supplemented generously with fine illustrations by noted artists. You can almost taste the hot dogs and hear the clatter of the Louisville Slugger as you settle back with this highly attractive book, edited by Peter Gordon, Sydney Waller and Paul Weinman.

- "A Kiss is Still a Kiss: Roger Ebert at the Movies" (1984). Film critic Ebert writes not of movies here, but of film stars. In his lively,

conversational style, he records observations on such diverse personalities as Mel Brooks, John Wayne and David Bowie. There's even a brief chapter on Muhammad Ali. I'm not sure what it's doing in a book on film folks, but it's fun to read anyway.

- "Night Shift" (1976). In the opinion of a book columnist we all know and love, these lusciously terrifying short stories, written in the days before Stephen King became Stephen King, are far and away his best efforts ever.

- "Twice Over Lightly" (1972). Take an unusual tour of New York with actress Helen Hayes and writer Anita Loos. Pay a visit to Bellevue Hospital at night, take a cruise aboard one of New York's famous garbage scows, drop in on His Honor at Gracie Mansion, experience Thanksgiving at a Salvation Army center, explore the Lynne Palmer School of Astrology, the Atlas Barber School, a super-lively Puerto Rican market in Spanish Harlem and much more. Photos included.

- "Angle of Repose" (1971). If you're looking for something a little different, try this offbeat Western by Wallace Stegner. Stegner puts his emphasis on his unforgettable characters and not on a lot of shoot-'em-up, cowboys-and-Indians folderol.

- "Little Big Man" (1984). Told by the fictional Jack Crabb (who claims to be the only non-Indian survivor of Custer's Last Stand), this novel by Thomas Berger is another offbeat Western and makes for a sometimes funny, sometimes sad, always entrancing look at the Old West.

book break Victoria Diaz

- "I Sing the Body Electric" (1989). A terrific collection of 18 pleasantly bizarre short stories by Ray Bradbury. In "Tomorrow's Child," you can read about the unfortunate Peter Horn, who happens to

- be "the father of a small blue pyramid." In "The Tombling Day," Grandma Loblilly exhumes the body of her long-dead lover and makes an important discovery. And in Bradbury's popular title story, a mother-

less family is cared for by a practically perfect grandmother — so what if she isn't quite human. Bradbury at his best.

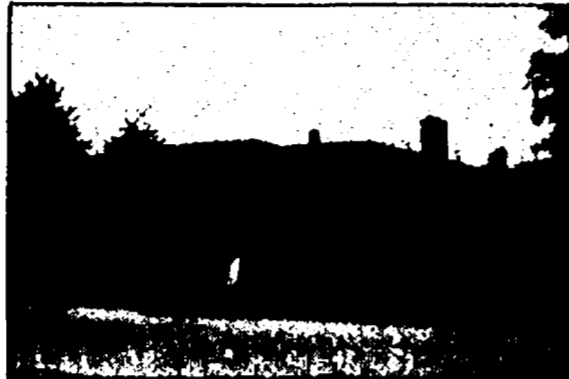
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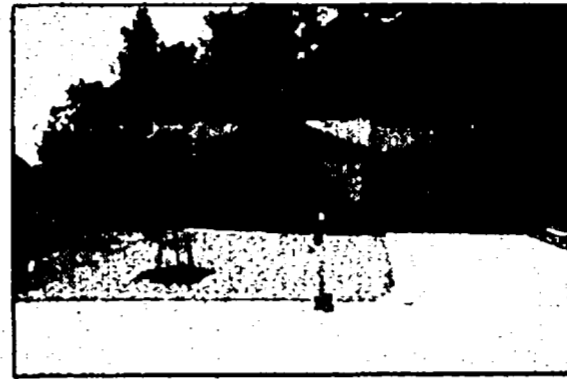
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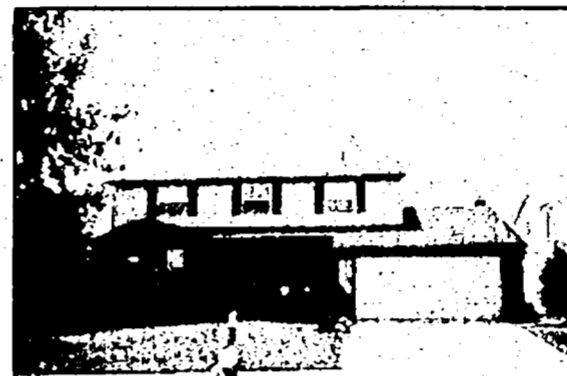
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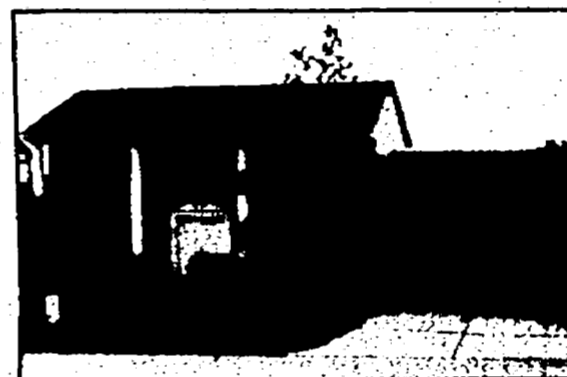
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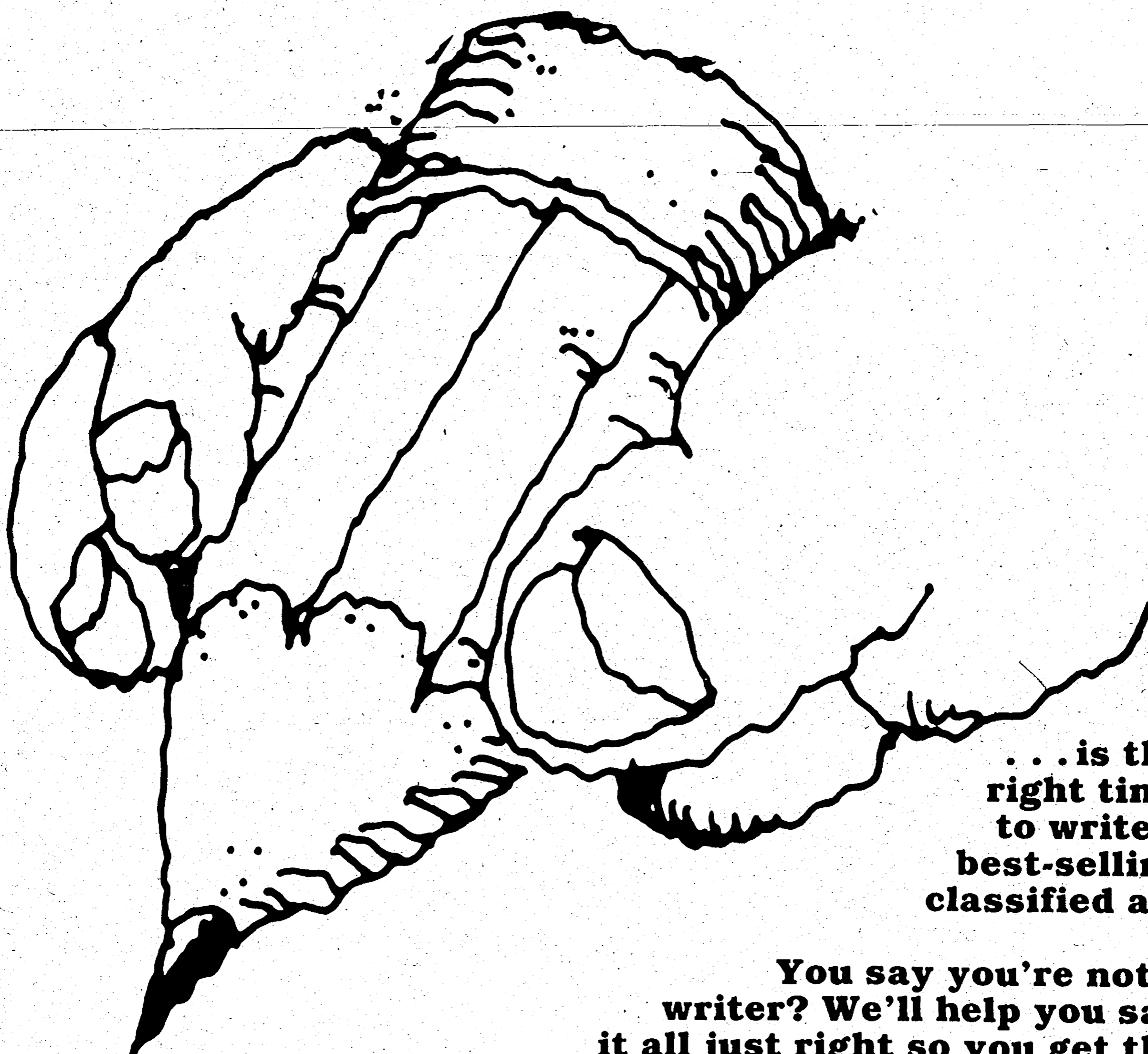
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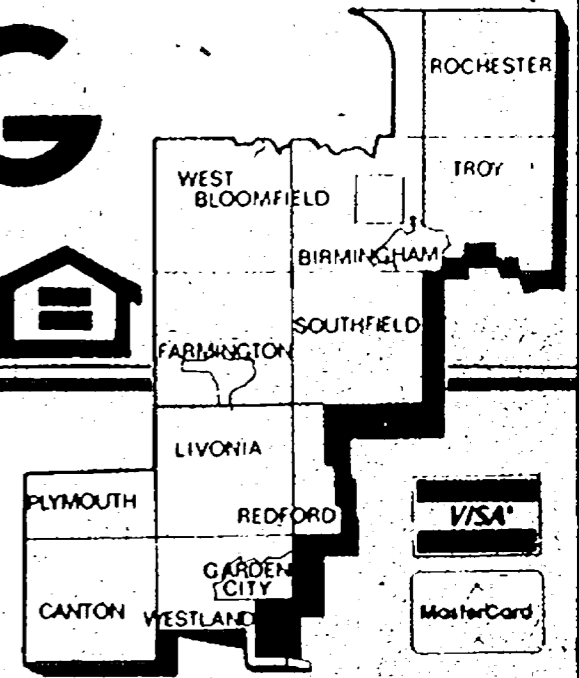
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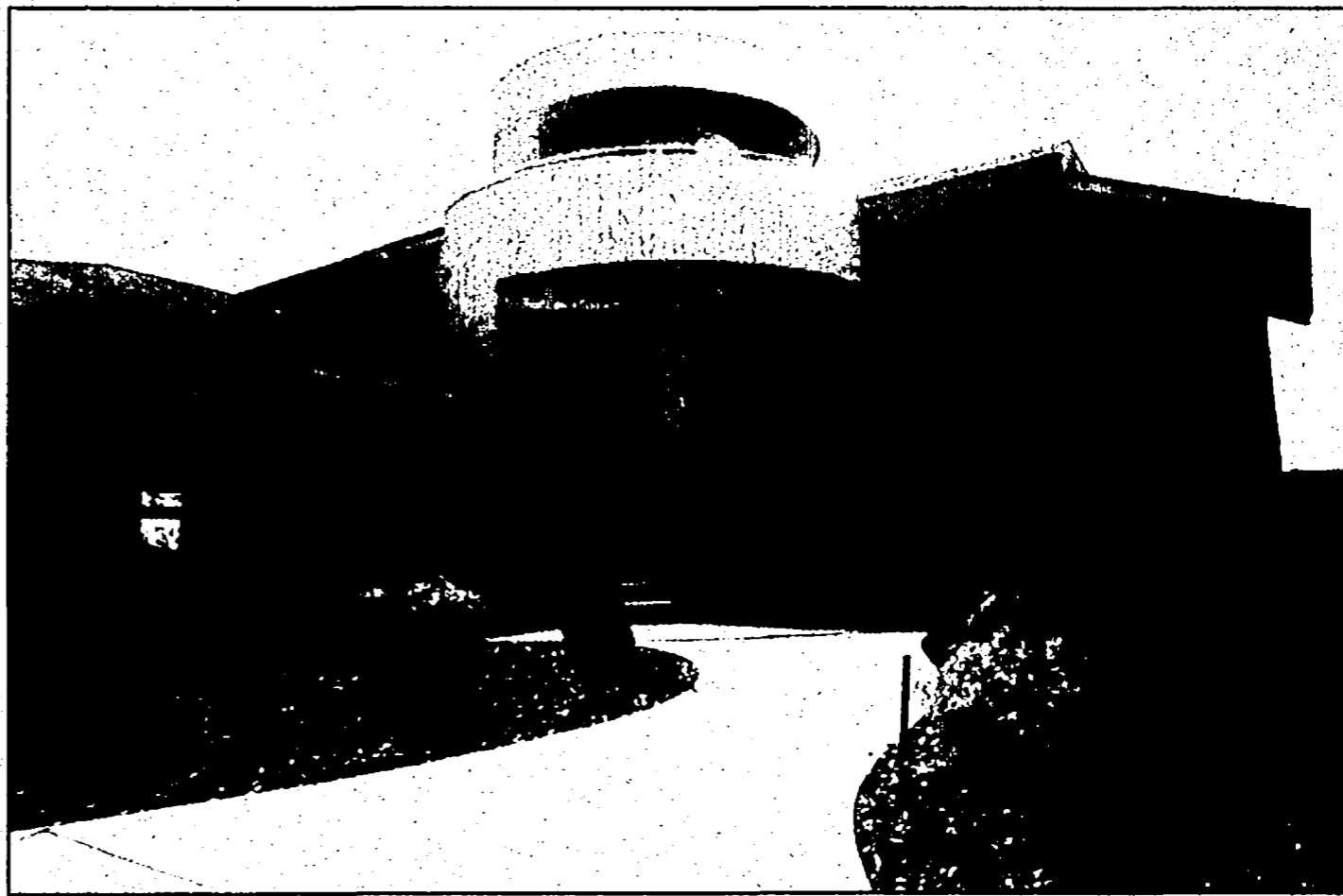
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Clockwise from left: Kingsley Estate, by James Joseph Enterprises of Rochester Hills; octagonal-shaped formal dining room in the Contessa by Lini Homes, Lake Orion; contemporary Belaire by Sgroi Construction Co.; Bradford by Baypointe Homes, Rochester Hills.



Idea showcase opens

What's new at the spring Homearama now through July 8 in Shelby Township?

Among other things, a cedar spa room with hot tub, a great room with a 17-foot ceiling, a master suite with a pyramid ceiling, a contemporary home with seven levels plus a trend toward libraries.

"Most people who come through Homearama have no intention of buying homes. They're borrowing ideas," said Peter Logan, a publicist for the Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan, the show's major sponsor.

Rochester builders James Rutkowski and Paul McGillivray are among 10 who constructed homes for public viewing in the Pheasant Run Subdivision.

McGillivray, president of Baypointe Homes, has built a 3,600-square-foot house with four bedrooms and 2½ baths designed by Russo/Bennett Associates.

"It's a nice, open floor plan," McGillivray said. "It gives you good living areas with an outside patio and a spa room right off the day room."

THE MASTER bedroom/bathroom suite is on the first floor, three other bedrooms upstairs.

The spa leads to the day room, which leads to the kitchen/snack bar, which in turn leads to the great room.

The great room has a fabricated fireplace, a 17-foot ceiling and a wet bar near the kitchen.

"One thing we did there was get away from decks," McGillivray said. "We feel that was something for the '80s. We feel patios and paver stones are a trend for the '90s."

The house, lot, fixtures, other decorative touches and landscaping carries a price tag of \$369,000.

Rutkowski, president of Masterpiece Homes by James Joseph Enterprises, has designed and constructed a 3,300-square-foot house with four bedrooms and 2½ baths.

"IT'S A VERY adaptable floor plan," Rutkowski said, adding that he intends to mass produce the model.

The dining, media and family rooms can be oriented differently depending on the mood of the buyer.

The media room features a built-in surround-sound system and big screen TV. "Kids can have their Nintendo game in there or a home computer," Rutkowski said.

A circular staircase leads upstairs. The master bedroom suite is downstairs, the other three bedrooms up. A large study/den is just off the front entrance.

The house is priced at \$349,000.

Perhaps the most unusual model in the show is The Belaire, a contemporary house of 3,000 square feet designed by Guy Caccamo and built by Frank Sgroi of Sterling Heights.

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— Paul McGillivray

GOING FROM one level to another — there are seven in all — almost gives the impression of different levels on a cruise ship.

Skylights can be found in the master bedroom, solarium and kitchen. Southern windows in the family room, dining room and kitchen provide sunlight throughout the day.

Circular concrete steps rise to the front door of the house from the sidewalk.

"The Jacuzzi is right in the bedroom," Sgroi said. "You see that in Hollywood movies, in presidential suites, but you never see it in homes. To me, that's new and exciting."

"The kitchen is different. The cooking area is in an island, not up against the wall," he added.

The large basement is divided into several sections with high walls. One observer suggested that you could play handball there.

"I WANTED to try something that was totally different. It was a challenge," Sgroi said.

His asking price is \$365,000 to \$375,000.

Interesting features provided by other participants include:

- A pyramid ceiling with chandelier in the master suite built by Dwight Parsley of Roseville.

- An open, high-ceiling design with loft and bridge overlooking the main floor built by George Lini of Lake Orion.

- The trend of several builders including Gaetano Rizzo of Mount Clemens, Anthony Chirco of Mount Clemens, Rutkowski and McGillivray to put libraries or studies in their models.

- An inlaid brick carving of a barn above the kitchen fireplace to carry out the country theme in the Weatherlane model by Gemcraft Homes of Mount Clemens.

The Pheasant Run subdivision is east of Schoenberr between 21 and 22 Mile roads.

Show hours are 9-11 p.m. weekdays, noon-11 p.m. weekends and holidays. Tickets are \$5. Discount tickets at \$4, good only Monday through Friday, are available at Detroit Edison and Standard Federal Bank branches.

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A vote for the new classics

(AP) — While in the Midwest this spring, Lou Gropp, editor of Elle Decor Magazine, went furniture shopping. In a shop on an Indiana farmstead, he saw some furniture by Paul McCobb, an American designer active in the 1950s.

"There were three chests and several stacking pieces," he said, "and they were not cheap — the figure of \$5,000 for the set sticks in my mind."

What greater proof, asked Gropp, that postwar modern American furniture designs are becoming classics? It's a positive sign, he said, since he regards the 1950s as one of the most creative in American design.

It was an era when designers such as McCobb, Charles Eames, Eero Saarinen, George Nelson and Harry Bertola were at their peak.

"Whenever Eames or Saarinen introduced a new piece, it was a major event."

MODERNISM IN furniture design and architecture has been getting a bad rap recently, but it still has a loyal following, especially among arbiters of taste such as Gropp, who put his stamp on House & Garden and other publications before joining Elle Decor.

Although Gropp is constantly exposed to the latest furniture designs at work, his personal acquisitions are carefully measured. When he and his wife, Jane, recently moved to a new apartment in New York City, they took with them some pieces they have owned for more than 30 years.

Most of their acquisitions are from the second half of the 20th century — furniture by individuals who today are icons of modern design.

GROPP SAID his love for mod-

ernism began when, as a recent college graduate, he managed to save \$500 to furnish his first New York apartment. He wound up with two chairs and a bedroom dresser by Eames and a bench by Nelson.

Over the years, Gropp said, his respect for this furniture has grown, and he has slowly added more of the increasingly expensive pieces.

"I saved up for a long time to buy the leather Eames armchair and ottoman."

Two plywood dining chairs by Eames, which now sell for hundreds of dollars more than their original price, came his way for next to nothing.

He bid on one at auction. "Scared to death, I raised my hand and bid \$5, and I got it."

Years later, he picked up the second chair from the streets of Manhattan.

"Someone who didn't realize what they had threw it out, and I rescued it."

THOUGH OF THE 20th century, the pieces are classics, said Gropp, who sees youth as no deterrent to timelessness. "There are many lovely things we fall in love with momentarily, but classics are those pieces that look as good today as when they were first introduced."

"A classic doesn't happen by accident, and it isn't about fashion. It takes a long time to develop and a good deal of experimentation, false starts and refinements."

A number of landmark pieces offer both new technology and design departures, he said. "Eames' molded chairs, which combined molded wood and new adhesives, rubber mounts and steel with great design, were a first which started a new range of designs."

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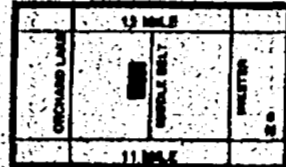


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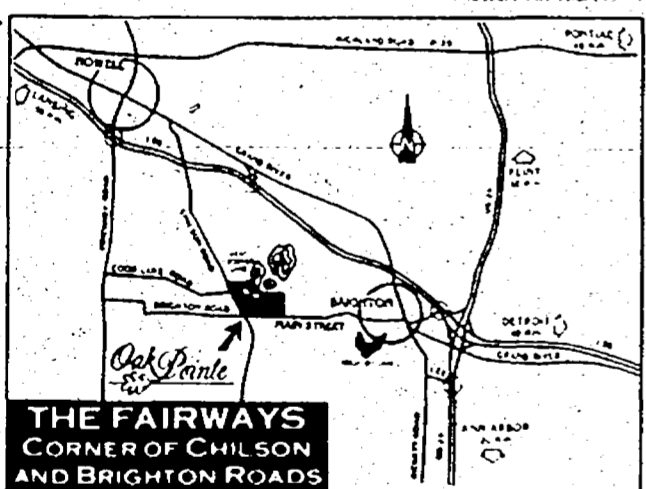


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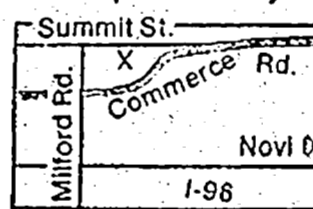
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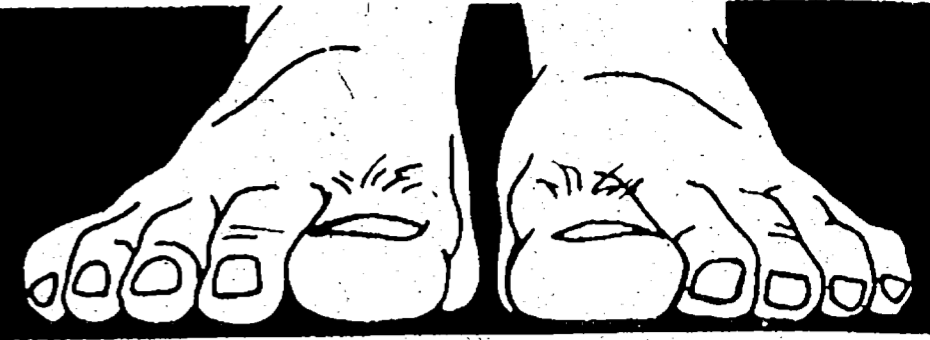
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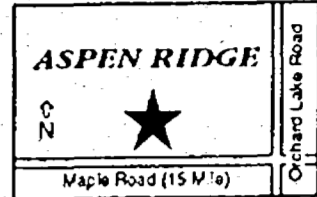
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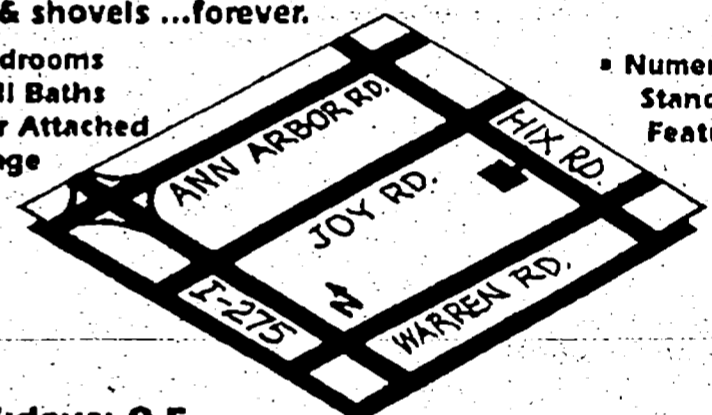
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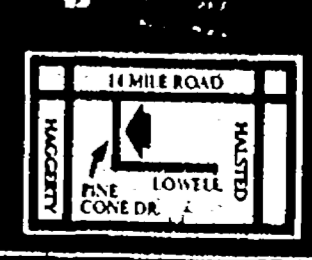
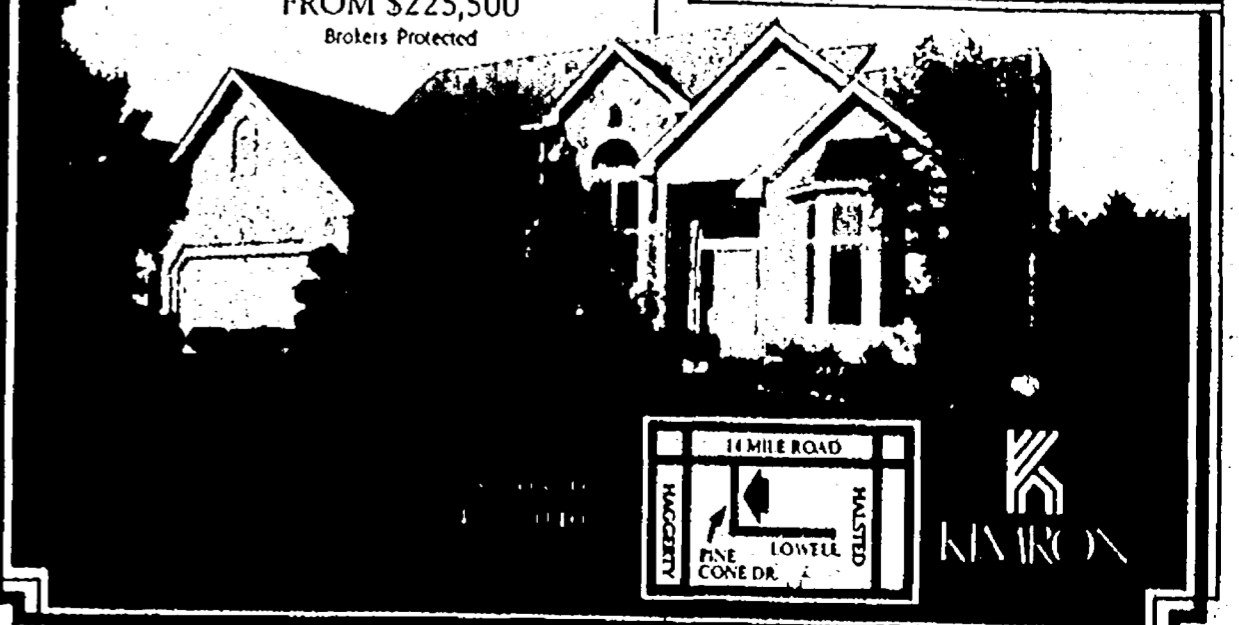
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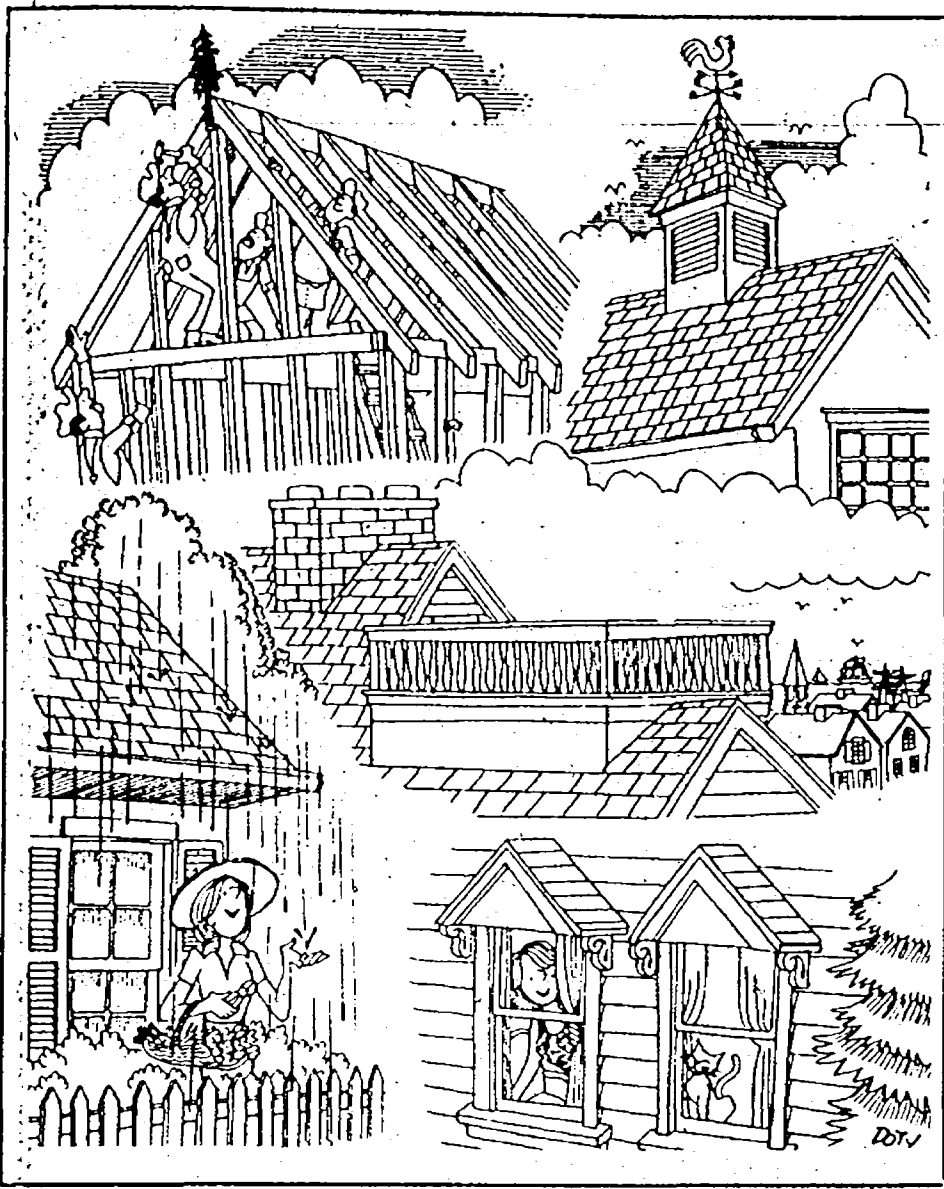
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While your architect will help you think your project through, you should have a general understanding of your goals and resources to help you select the architect who's best for you.

Look at parts of projects similar to yours that you especially like. What is it about them you find appealing?

CONTACT THE owner and ask which architect they selected and why. Names and addresses of architects are available from the Detroit chapter of the American Institute of Architects. Keep in mind that some architecture firms specialize. Interview several architects.

When talking to candidates, ask to see photographs of projects they have worked on that are comparable to yours in size and type.

Ask for names of owners you can contact. Ask to meet any other members of the design team who may be involved in the project.

You should walk away from your meeting knowing how the architect expects to work with you and other members of the team. What does the architect see as the most important issues or considerations?

Is his style and approach similar to yours? Do you feel good about the architect as a person? Is the "chemistry" right?

DON'T HESITATE to ask questions. Think of the architect as a professional who will bring experience and specialized knowledge to your project.

Once you've found an architect you feel comfortable working with, sit down and discuss exactly what

services will be needed. Some owners bring their particular expertise to the owner-architect relationship; some will need step-by-step guidance.

Basic architectural services include: schematic design, design development, construction documents (working drawings, specifications and contract), bidding and negotiation (contractor selection), and construction contract administration.

BUT THE architect may be helpful in other ways such as providing financial feasibility studies, assisting in site selection and zoning applications, exploring energy-saving systems, providing landscape and interior design and helping you through the approval process required by many local jurisdictions.

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plied by the architect. The formal agreement between you and your architect — the owner-architect agreement — spells out what both you and the architect expect from the professional relationship. If you've agreed to a list of services and discussed the budget, the formal agreement should follow without difficulty. Be sure to show the agreement to your lawyer before signing.

HOW MUCH MONEY an architect receives depends on how much work he does — the more complex or experimental the project, the more you should budget for architectural services.

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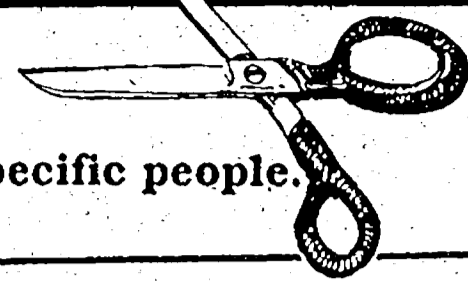
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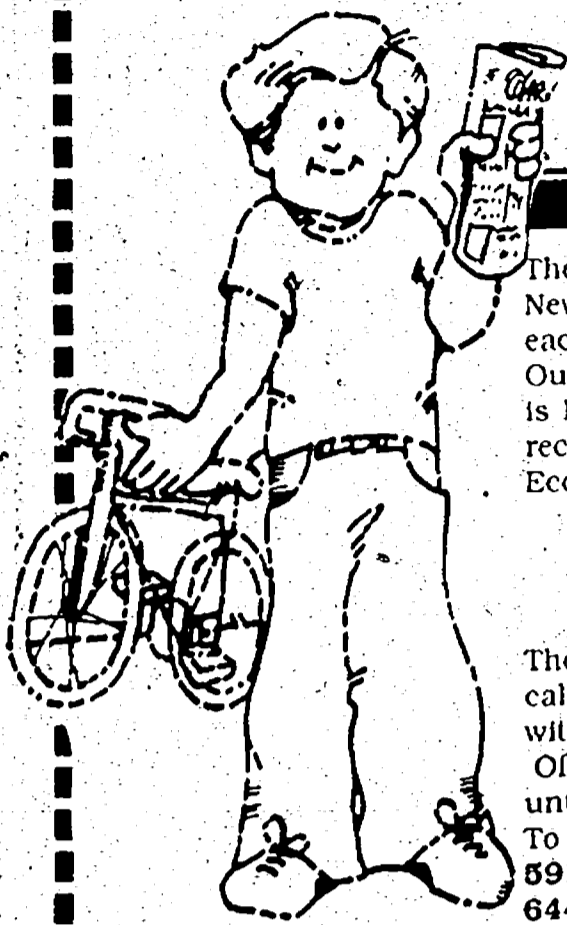
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FRED WRIGHT is our Circulation Director—591-2300 ext. 500

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These ads are found in the main sections of the paper and are billed at a column-inch rate. We will provide layout, typesetting, and copywriting if you wish, at no additional charge. Photographs and additional artwork are available for a fee.

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Jack Padley manages our Classified department (591-2300 ext. 487).

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EDITORIAL

Ever wonder who to call when you have a question or comment about what you've read in your hometown newspaper?

Perhaps you've wondered how to let us know about news or photo tips?

All news tips should be called to your community editor at the telephone numbers listed in the center column of this page. If you receive no answer, call The Observer—591-2305 or The Eccentric—644-1101.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR:

Editorials are published every Thursday. The lead editorial is written by the community editor. Editorials printed below the lead are written by a member of the editorial department. To reach the community editor, call the number listed. To reach the county editorial staff, call the appropriate number. All letters to the editor must be legibly written and signed. Please restrict letters to 300 words. We reserve the right to condense any letter and may refuse publication.

CLUB AND FASHION SHOW NOTICES:

Notices of club activities appear in the Thursday Suburban Life section.

All notices must be written legibly and received by 5:00 p.m. Monday to be included in Thursday's paper. If you have questions, please call the appropriate Suburban Life editor.

STREET SCENE

591-2300 ext. 331

This section, which is written for readers in the 18-35 age range, appears in our Monday paper. It focuses on activities and events throughout Detroit as well as in our 12 community circulation area. For further information, call Sue Mason, 591-2300 ext. 331.

TASTE

591-2300 ext. 305

This is our food section and appears in the Monday paper. Any questions regarding recipes should be directed to Ethel Simmons, food editor.

COMMUNITY EDITORS:

Birmingham	Dave Varga—	644-1100	ext. 248
Canton	Jeff Counts—	459-2700		
Farmington	Bob Sklar—	477-5450		
Garden City	Leonard Poger—	591-2300	ext. 307
Lakes	Phil Sherman—	644-1100	ext. 264
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Plymouth	Jeff Counts—	459-2700		
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Livonia	Sue Mason—	591-2300	ext. 331
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Redford	Sue Mason—	591-2300	ext. 331
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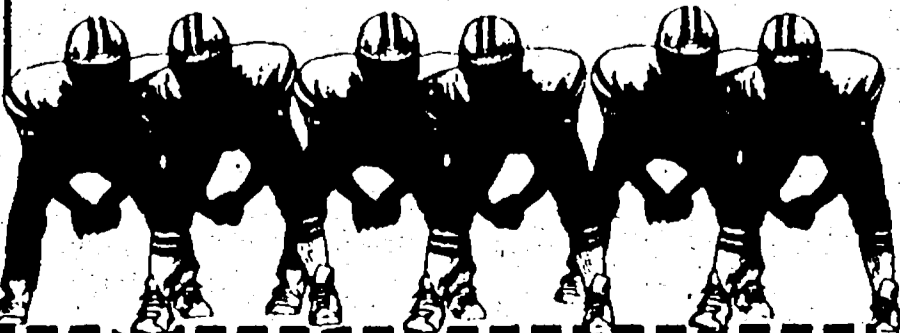
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Birmingham	805 East Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009
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Farmington	21898 Farmington Rd., Farmington, MI 48024
Garden City	36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150
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SPORTS

Each community has its own sports editor; to report scores, call the appropriate editor:

Birmingham	Marty Budner—	644-1103	ext. 257
Canton	Dan O'Meara—	591-2305	ext. 339
Farmington	Dan O'Meara—	591-2305	ext. 339
Garden City	Brad Emons—	591-2305	ext. 323
Lakes	Bill Parker—	644-1103	ext. 257
Livonia	Brad Emons—	591-2305	ext. 323
Plymouth	Dan O'Meara—	591-2305	ext. 339
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Rochester	Jim Toth—	644-1103	ext. 244
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Troy	Jim Toth—	644-1103	ext. 244
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Westland	Brad Emons—	591-2305	ext. 323



BUSINESS NEWS

591-2300 ext. 325

The business section is published Thursdays. In addition to the story coverage and columns, the section contains several calendars: *Business People* covers promotions, internal awards and retirements for anyone living or working in our circulation area. We will print photographs if space permits. *Datebook* covers upcoming meetings and courses of interest to business people. *MarketPlace* briefly covers new businesses, new products and other business-related items.

Submit items for these in writing by 5 p.m. Monday. For these calendars call Barry Jensen, ext. 325. For all other items call Marilyn Fitchett, 591-2300 ext. 302

WEDDINGS, ENGAGEMENTS, ANNIVERSARIES



We publish photographs and announcements of weddings, engagements and major anniversaries of local residents or former local residents. These appear as soon as possible, depending upon available space. Forms for announcing these events are available from any of our local offices, or you may model your announcement on an example you've read in the newspaper.

The best reproduction can be made from a 5" x 7" black and white photo, but others are accepted. Please avoid regular or color Poloroid pictures.

PHOTOGRAPHS

Reprints of photographs that appear in the paper are not available. However, if a photograph is used and not needed for our files, it will be made available to the first person calling in. Such photographs will be held in any of our offices for two months, awaiting pickup. To inquire about a photograph, please call the editor who ran the picture i.e.: Sports, Suburban Life, Entertainment, Creative Living, News.

RELIGION

Religious news is published Thursdays. The religion calendar is published on these pages. Calendar deadline is Monday noon. All material must be in writing. For more information call your local suburban life editor.

OBITUARIES

We publish obituaries of local residents and former local residents. Most obituary information is received from area funeral homes. If a local funeral home is not involved, please call the community editor at the appropriate telephone number. All obituaries appear at the discretion of the community editor. Obituaries are printed without charge.

CREATIVE LIVING

News of the arts appears every Thursday. Notices of gallery shows must be legibly written and submitted by the 5 p.m. Monday deadline. For more information, call the appropriate Creative Living editor.

BUILDING SCENE

591-2300 ext. 302

Construction and building news appears every Monday and Thursday. All information related to this subject should be submitted to Marilyn Fitchett, editor, one week prior to publication.

ENTERTAINMENT

591-2300 ext. 305

Entertainment pages appear Thursday and include feature stories, theater and other entertainment reviews, Table Talk restaurant news column, and the UPCOMING calendar, which deadlines each Thursday (for items to appear the following Thursday).

Submit all information to Ethel Simmons, entertainment editor.



MOVIE REVIEWS

591-2300 ext. 331

All questions about movie reviews, which appear every Monday in our STREET SCENE section, should be directed to Sue Mason.

Steve Barnaby is Managing Editor of The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers; 591-2300 ext. 300.

EDITORIAL OFFICES:

36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150
 805 East Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009
 21898 Farmington Road, Farmington, MI 48024
 744 Wing Street, Plymouth, MI 48170
 410 Main, Rochester, MI 48063

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commercial real estate sales in Oakland and Wayne counties

This lists commercial real estate transactions for the week of April 22-28 in Oakland and western Wayne counties...

Orion Township
4662 Joslyn Road
Other Indust Property
Charles L. Bourdo
James A. Comparon
\$100,000
Waldon Road
Commercial
L. D. Investment Co.
Reyst & Co.
\$600,000 *
Oakland County
Addison Township
3342 Rochester Road
Agricultural
William H. Jackson
Ronald Mornany
\$27,000
Brandon Township
1925 Kent Road
Agricultural
Richard G. Wood
Vernon Walker
\$175,000
Farmington
20800 Chesley Road
Light Manuf & Assembly
Lake Erie Electric Of
George J. Sloane Trst.
\$410,000
Ferndale
1541 Bonner
Industrial Vacant Land
Milton A. Dzodin
Catherine Goulatit
\$59,000
Lyon Township
23333 Griswold Road
Industrial Warehouse
Centaur Contractors Inc.
Michael C. Thomason
\$500,000 *

75 Clark Street
Apartment 4 To 19 Family
Douglas B. Sheffield
John Marker
\$15,900
Elizabeth Street
Industrial Vacant Land
Melaine R. Sawka
Vernon L. Williams
\$200
109 Hudson Street
Apartment 4 To 19 Family
Michael L. Todd
Mary J. Milkey
\$140,000
1065 Oakland
Industrial
Roy Harris
Charles Brown
\$62,500
Royal Oak
1302 S Washington Avenue
Commercial Vacant Land
City Of Royal Oak Downtown
Willis B. Eggleston Jr.
\$109,000
Southfield
21260 W 8 Mile Road W
Shop (machine Tool)
Bwb Enterprises Inc.
John A. Walnuas
\$310,000

25822 W 9 Mile Road
Other Comm Structures
Jane C. Chung
Jamill Asmar
\$1,404,000
Springfield Township
653 Broadway
Other Retail Structure
Alex J. Distel Jr.
Sigrid A. Beale
\$65,000
9991 Dixie Hwy
Apartment 4 To 19 Family
Billie C. Moore
Stephen M. Wage
\$135,000
Troy
2325 Alger
Industrial
Humiecki Land Co.
Alger Street Partners
\$385,000
White Lake Township
9260 Elizabeth Lake Road
Commercial
Kirwan L. Mulligan
Eugene L. Shaw Sr.
\$39,500 *
Wayne County
Northville
101 N Center Street
Commercial
Roy-al Partners
Community Fed Cr Un
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When it comes to product selection in a new home, nearly every new home buyer leaves all the decisions to the builder. But that doesn't mean you can't be educated about what goes in, on and around your new home and select the products with your builder, says Richard Binsacca, new products editor of Builder magazine.

Although many products installed in a speculative housing project are dictated by the type of buyer the builder hopes to attract, you should still be aware of the quality of the products relative to the price of the house. Almost all builders offer upgraded product packages.

"Buying a new home is one of, if not the, biggest investments you will ever make," Binsacca said. "Yet

most buyers make that decision based on nothing more than esthetics and location. Ignore the latter for now and think about how far good looks really go. The attraction starts to wear thin if the windows are drafty, the linoleum floor peels and the siding fades."

Basic home appliances and building products can be easily researched at consumer-targeted showrooms, do-it-yourself home center stores and in home-improvement magazines. Binsacca cautions against upgraded products for the sake of getting more whistles and bells.

"NEW HIGH-TECH toys with a lot of flashing lights and push-button controls often mesmerize buyers

without really doing more than their standard counterparts," he said. "Technology should be functional as well as attractive and fun."

"For instance, what does a touch-control dishwasher do any better than a conventional, turn-the-knob model? Probably not much. But if the upgraded appliance offers better performance (varied cycles, a more powerful spray, better energy efficiency) then it might be worth it."

Binsacca says one high-tech product worth buying is a thermostat. Electronic programmable controls for the heating and cooling system can reduce your energy consumption by allowing you to schedule the system to operate at peak efficiency.

But even in energy-conscious areas, where builders make a point to offer an energy package, many buyers don't think about it beyond the sales brochure. High-efficiency furnaces, heat pumps and air conditioning systems are a bit more expensive but worth the money, Binsacca said.



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