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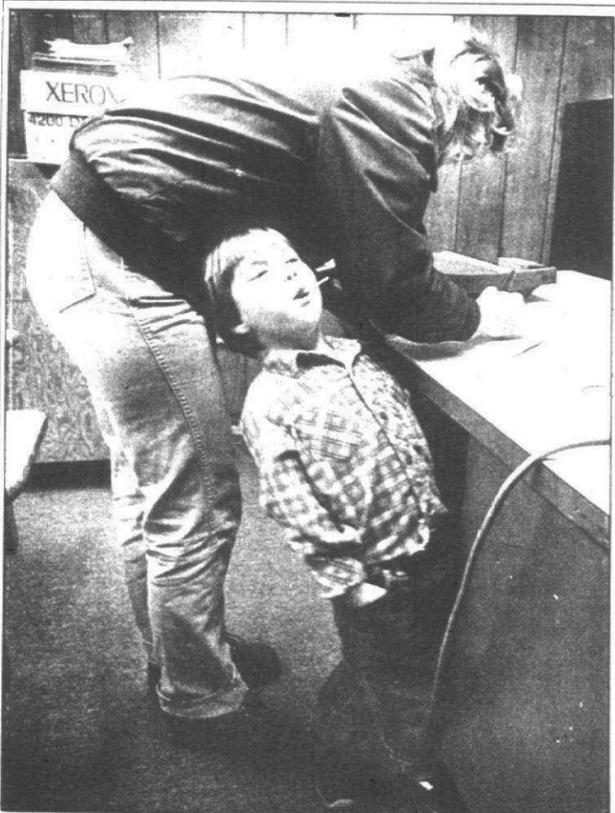
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Twenty-Five Cents



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Mr. Nonchalant

Taggart Anderson, 4, enjoys a sucker, the fruits of good behavior. Taggart and his mom, Donna Anderson, visited the Canton Police station to take advantage of free fingerprinting services. Children are being fingerprinted by police department volunteers the first Monday of each month.

Advisory council established Group to suggest projects for grant funds

By Diane Frea
staff writer

With Canton's Community Development Block Grant Program money expected to triple in the next fiscal year, the township board has established a CDBG Advisory Council to recommend uses for these funds.

According to Grant Coordinator Terry Carroll, Canton Township previously has received \$110,000 annually through the CDBG Program. Because the township's population has surpassed the 50,000 level, the money is expected to increase to just over \$300,000 next year.

Carroll said the CDBG funds, administered by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, are to be used by local governments to im-

plement programs which directly benefit low and moderate income residents.

Carroll said the allocations are not finished until March and until that time, an exact figure cannot be determined.

Carroll proposed the establishment of the advisory council so that the mechanism of project selection "be broadened to allow the people who could be affected by the funds to have a voice in determining the projects."

THE SEVEN-MEMBER council will include four members who have low or moderate incomes, typically defined as a family of four with less than a \$24,000 annual income. The appointments will be made by the township supervisor and confirmed by the township board, Carroll said.

The purpose of the local advisory board, Carroll said, is to enhance the process of identifying community development needs and to reduce possible future criticism of funding decisions.

While such an advisory council is not a strict requirement for funding because the township applies for the money through Wayne County, Carroll said, "if we decide to go it alone, the mechanism will be in place."

It will be the council's responsibility to determine the community development needs of the township and to recommend projects to receive the CDBG funding. The township board will make the final determination on the use of funds each fiscal year.

Carroll expects the appointments for the volunteer positions to be made in early January so that the council is

able to produce the necessary recommendations to the board in mid-March.

SOME OF THE projects funded through the CDBG program in the past include the purchase of 17.6 acres of land in the Dye Brothers Subdivision for development as an industrial park, the renovation of a state-owned building for use as a shelter for victims of domestic violence and the purchase of approximately four acres of land at Ford and Sheldon roads for the development of a housing complex for the elderly.

Carroll said to qualify for the CDBG program, projects must meet one of three criteria: "Principally benefit people of low or moderate income, eliminate slums or blight, or meet an urgent community need."

One project for which Carroll hopes to see funding continued is the Canton Housing Rehabilitation Program through which code improvements to owner-occupied single-family houses are made. Carroll said the program has assisted approximately 50 Canton families, but at present, "it looks like the (previously allocated) money won't cover the waiting list."

AS FAR AS other projects, Carroll said, "Everything else is wide open."

Carroll said persons with low or moderate incomes who wish to serve on the township advisory council or persons with projects which meet one of the criteria and wish to be considered for funding should contact him at the township administration building.

An availability of funds notice will be published in January, and the cutoff date for proposal submission will be early to mid-February, Carroll said.

Board names appointees

Vacancies on various township and regional boards and commissions were filled Tuesday night as the Canton Township board voted on appointments for the positions.

Trustee Loren Bennett was reappointed to the planning commission. Bennett resigned his position on the commission after the November election because he was serving as an appointee for the previous board of trustees.

Former Trustee Carol Bodenmiller was appointed to the Economic Growth Strategy Committee as a citizen at large; she had been serving as a town-

ship official. Mary Perna resigned from the committee. A member of the township's banking community is being sought to fill her position.

Township Clerk Linda Chuhran was appointed to fill Bodenmiller's vacancy as a township official on the Economic Growth Strategy Committee. Chuhran also was appointed as the township representative to the Southeastern Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG).

Leonard Wilhelm was reappointed to a six-year term with the Economic Development Corporation.

Trustee John Preniczky was appointed to the Golf Course Committee. Applicants to fill a vacancy for a three-year term on the Golf Course Building Authority are being sought.

Appointed to three-year terms on the Senior Advisory Council were senior citizen club members Trudy Roettger of the Pioneers, Grace Hanning of the Royals, Helen Sherosky of the Zesters and Nick Photosios as an alternate for the Zesters.

Treasurer Gerald Brown was appointed to represent the township on the Out-Wayne County Area Agency on Aging.

Philip LaJoy was reappointed to a six-year term to the Merit Commission.

Yule tree business lively

By Diane Frea
staff writer

An informal survey of several Christmas tree-selling locations in the township Tuesday revealed unanimously high expectations for the holiday season this year.

Howard Johnson, who manages the fresh Christmas tree lot leased from Meijer Thrifty Acres, said he has "several hundred" trees in stock for this first season at the location. Open for a week, Johnson said business has been a little slow so far, but he expects it to pick up and continue starting this weekend.

Prices for the Michigan-grown trees range from \$4 to \$5 for the few tabletop trees in stock to \$26 and up for the Douglas firs.

Johnson offers a selection of Scotch pine, a long-needle variety and the biggest seller "because it holds up well and it smells nice," white spruce (some

with pine cones because of dry conditions during recent summers), blue spruce, Norway spruce and the Douglas fir which "sell themselves," Johnson said.

The Douglas firs are the favorites of many, Johnson said, because "they smell nice, they're soft and they don't shed needles as fast." But because of those qualities and the limited avail-

Tree care reminders

Canton Township Fire Marshal Art Winkel has some special precautions to keep in mind during the holiday season.

For those who plan on having a fresh Christmas tree, Winkel recommends that they make sure it's fresh at the time of purchase. "If the needles break, don't buy it. It's too old," Winkel said.

When you bring the tree home, cut an inch off the bottom of the trunk and place the trunk in water immediately.

ability, you can expect to pay more than some of the other varieties.

MIKE PAYNE, co-assistant manager at Frank's Nursery and Crafts on Ford Road, said this Christmas season has been the best year he's seen in his seven years with Frank's.

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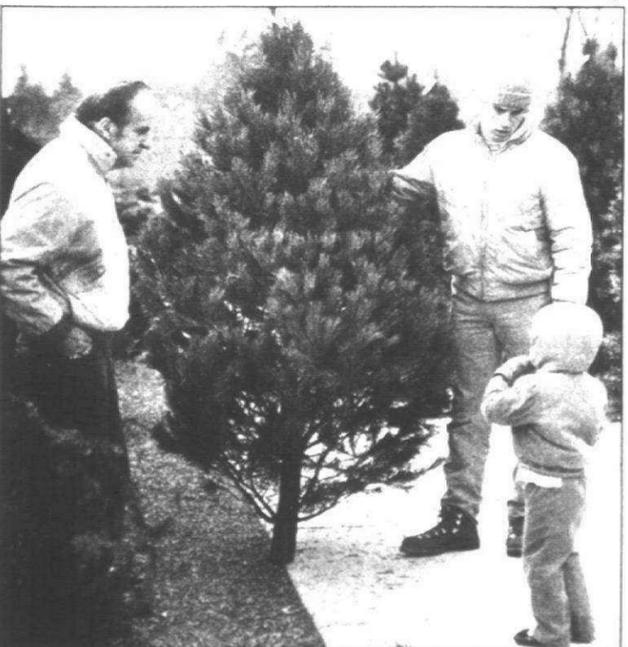
The new stump will absorb water better after being cut, Winkel said.

Commercial fire-proofing sprays and

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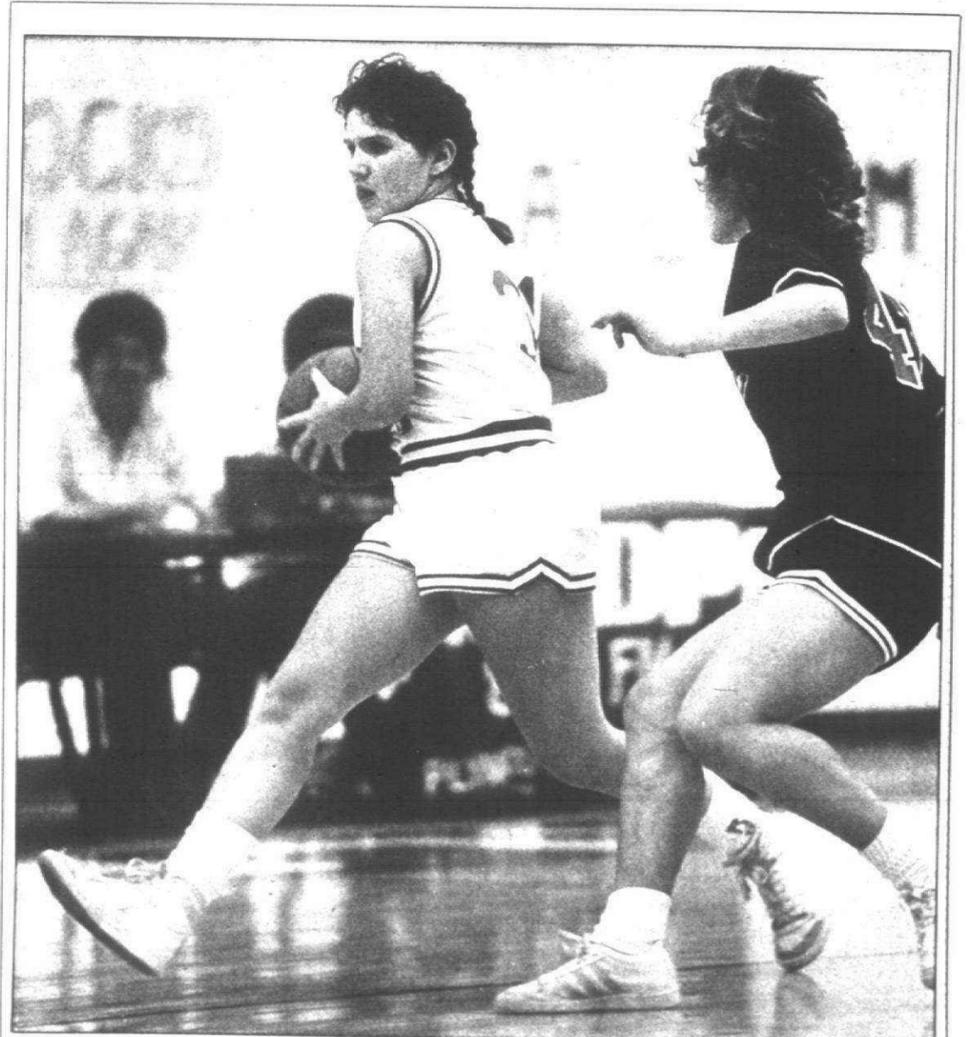
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BILL BRESLER/staff photographer

Three-year old Crystal Trierweiler is consulted by her dad, Jerry Trierweiler (left) and salesman Dominic DeBello about a Christmas tree purchase at The Roadside. Crystal gave the Scotch pine a thorough look before giving her OK.



BILL BRESLER/staff photographer

Rocks advance in tourney

The Plymouth Salem Rocks girls basketball team advanced in the first round of regional playoffs Tuesday night with a 54-37 victory over Livonia Franklin. The Rocks meet Trenton to-night in the Salem gym for the Class A Regional

Championship. Shown above is Reggie Rojecki helping to break the Franklin press. Top scorer for the Rocks was freshman center Dena Head with 20 points. For game details, see 1C of today's Sports Section.

Gifts Galore
SPECIAL SECTION

IN TODAY'S ISSUE

neighbors on cable

CHANNEL 8

THURSDAY (Dec. 6)

6 p.m. Cinematique — Johnny Midnight and Federico Balontini review movies on Family Home Theater this month. "The Deer Slayer" and "You'll Never See Me Again."

6:30 p.m. Belleville Christmas Parade — Catch the fun of last year's parade before you get to see what '84 has in store.

7 p.m. Northville Breaks — More break dancing from Northville Recreation Department.

7:30 p.m. The Oasis — Comedy and variety featured along with a new music video, "Programs." Special guest is Kevin O'Neill of Magic 95 and Honey Radio.

8 p.m. The Food Chain — Debi Salmons, director of Aerobics Plus, discusses the effects of food allergies.

8:30 p.m. Canton BPW Presents — Canton Librarian Deborah O'Connor addresses the Canton BPW on "It's About Time" — a presentation on time management. Also presented is a historical slide presentation on the BPW.

9:30 p.m. Single Touch — J.P. McCarthy talks with Marcella Martinec, a resident of Jamaica.

FRIDAY (Dec. 7)

6 to 9:30 p.m. Vignettes — Watch all the various productions done by Omnicom's access trainees.

10 p.m. Glitch — C.J. brings you lively entertainment features. Live!

SATURDAY (Dec. 8)

6 p.m. Omnicom Game of the Week — Varsity football action between Plymouth Canton High and Belleville Tigers.

7:30-9:30 p.m. Vignettes.

CHANNEL 15

THURSDAY (Dec. 6)

1 p.m. Canton Update — Jim Poole brings you up-to-date on Canton news.

1:30 p.m. Santa Comes to Canton

— See Santa's arrival in Canton, sponsored by Canton Chamber of Commerce.

2 p.m. Shopper Comparison — Learn to shop wisely by checking out prices from four area stores.

2:30 p.m. Come Craft With Me — Host Kay Micallef demonstrates crafting techniques.

3 p.m. Live Call-In with Jeff Stone — All about access. Host Jeff Stone talks with various access users with Omnicom about getting involved in cable TV community programming.

4 p.m. JA Project Business Economics — First class of the West Middle School Project Business. Learn about economics. Students tell what they hope to do when the finish school.

5 p.m. Youth View — Music, song and dance by the Michigan Concert Choir and an interview with Thurlow Spurr. Also a chat with people from International Team Missions.

5:30 p.m. Cosmos Quiz.

6 p.m. Psychic Sciences — Guest hypnotist Sol Lewis takes a subject through regression to previous lives.

6:30 p.m. Hamtramck News In Review.

7 p.m. Messiah — First Presbyterian Church of Northville brings you this special Christmas music presentation.

8 p.m. Omnicom Game of the Week.

9 p.m. Basic CPR — Instructions on how to do Cardiac Life Support.

FRIDAY (Dec. 7)

1 p.m. Apparel Design Fashion Show — First in a series of fashion shows video-taped by Omnicom in 1984.

1:30 p.m. Look of Love Fashion Show — Sponsored by the Plymouth Newcomers.

2:30 p.m. Sesquicentennial Fashion Show — A celebration of fashions from both present and from days gone by.

3:30 p.m. Gowns of the First Ladies — A unique fashion show hosted by Dunbar Davis and Mary Childs. See the gowns worn by the former First Ladies, sponsored by Plymouth Woman's Club.

4:30 p.m. Hank Luks vs. Crime — Something new in crime prevention each week.

5 p.m. Wayne County: A New Perspective — Wayne County Executive William Luks reports.

5:30 p.m. TNT True Adventure Trails — Uncle Ernie brings us good news each week.

6 p.m. Yugoslavian Variety Hour — Yugoslav residents in Hamtramck present this weekly show about their lifestyle.

7 p.m. Sound Trax — Professional music productions by area groups.

8 p.m. Words of Hope — A continuing religious series.

8:30 p.m. Divine Plan — A weekly Bible study program.

9 p.m. Health Talks — A variety of topics covered each week.

9:30 p.m. This Is The Life — Lutheran religious program series.

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4:30 p.m. Stages of Life Fashion Show.

5:30 p.m. Santa Comes to Canton.

6 p.m. Basic CPR.

7 p.m. Messiah.

8 p.m. Tailgate Ramblers — A requested repeat performance from this summer's Canton Concert in the Park.

9 p.m. Stages of Life Fashion Show.

obituaries

MARIE E. CARPENTER

Funeral services for Mrs. Carpenter, 80, of Brookville Road, Plymouth, were held recently in Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church in Plymouth with burial at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Southfield. Arrangements were made by Schrader Funeral Home in Plymouth. Memorial contributions may be made to the Michigan Heart Association or in the form of Mass offerings.

Mrs. Carpenter, who died Dec. 1 in Westland, was born in Sandwich, Ontario, and moved to Plymouth in 1965.

from Westland. A homemaker, she was a member of the Livonia Senior Citizens and was married for 42 years.

Survivors include son, Hugh of Plymouth; daughter, Mary Piniotti of Westland; brother, Theodore Maheu of Ontario, Canada; nine grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

VIOLET M. ROCKWELL

Funeral services for Mrs. Rockwell, 88, of Detroit were held recently in Lambert-Vermeulen Funeral Home in Plymouth with burial at St. Hedwig Cemetery in Dearborn. Officiating was the Rev. Thomas A. Belczak.

Mrs. Rockwell, who died Dec. 2 at Oakwood Hospital in Dearborn, was born in Winnipeg, Canada. She was a homemaker. Survivors include: mother, Johanna Olander of Winnipeg; daughter, Carole Campbell of Canton; brothers, Al and Bernie Olander of Winnipeg; and two grandchildren.

ELIZABETH E. HARTER

Funeral services for Mrs. Harter, 88, of Highland were held recently in Richardson-Bird Chapel, Lynch & Sons Funeral Home in Milford with burial at Highland Cemetery. Officiating was the Rev. Roy Harriger. Memorial contributions may be made to the Kidney Foundation.

Mrs. Harter, who died Dec. 1 in Middlebelt Nursing Home in Westland, was born in Republic, Kan., and had lived in Highland for more than 20 years. She was a homemaker, a member of the Highland Church of the Nazarene, and was active in the Women's Christian Temperance Union.

Survivors include: son, John of Cambridge, Ga.; daughters, Eleanor Collins of Canton and Virginia Donahoe of Ypsilanti; two nephews, five grandnieces and nephews, seven grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

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Surrounded by carolers, the township Christmas tree is officially lit after a temporary power loss.



Santa Claus and his helpers arrived at the festivities in a horse-drawn "carriage."



Supervisor James Poole explains his scheme to promote Canton Township businesses during the Christmas season by demonstrating such products as the cymbal-clanging, jaw-flapping monkey and the Playful Penguin toy. Poole has demonstrated the products for those attending the township board meeting and during the Canton Update cable television program.



Accompanied by keyboard player Doris Begg, members of the Senior Citizen Kitchen Band led the Christmas sing-along.

Aglow for Christmas

Christmas came early for Canton Township residents who flocked to town hall Monday for some holiday cheer. It was a lumpy night, but kids anticipating Santa's arrival didn't seem to mind. Moms and dads huddling around the township's giant Christmas tree kept their attention off the cold by caroling to the sounds of the Canton seniors' Kitchen Band.

The lack of snow didn't seem to bother Mr. Claus — he pulled up in a horse-drawn haywagon right on time, much to the children's delight. Specially-appointed youngsters hit a switch to turn Canton's towering tree aglow, as the throng of spirited singers kept holiday hits a-comeing.

It was a good thing members of Canton's Beautification Committee were around. A power foul-up saw the lights go out and the electric piano fall silent. Until someone had time to go indoors to remedy the situation, the committee's illuminaries (candle-lit, sand-filled bags currently on sale) were the only source of light.

Things were a little more accommodating inside. A decked township hall saw warmer celebrants snacking on refreshments, exchanging greetings and singing along with Kitchen Band keyboard player Doris Begg.

There's no doubt Supervisor James Poole is filled with the Christmas spirit. In his office, he demonstrated several of the latest children's toys to hit the market in Canton.

Staff photos by Bill Bresler



Twenty-month-old Evan Strauss warily eyes St. Nick.



Bundled against the cold, the carolers sing some old favorites. Supervisor James Poole instructed Trustee Robert Padgett to pick up the tempo a bit.

Clues sought in memorial-tree swiping

Folk at Erikson Elementary School are hopeful that the Christmas-tree hunter who removed a very special blue spruce from their front lawn will have a pang of conscience and come forward.

In June, teachers, students and parents bought and planted the evergreen in memory of Bobby Bridges, an Erikson third-grader who died of leukemia last May.

Douglas fir favorite of many Heed tree warnings

Customers can choose a four-foot tree from a selection that includes Douglas fir, Scotch pine, and Fraser fir.

Scotch pine and Douglas fir are available this year. Schmidt remembers trees at \$6 and \$7 several years ago, but said generally the prices are up only \$1 or \$2 over last year.

11 CEP students contest finalists

Eleven area high school students finished among the top 5 percent in Part I of the 28th Annual Michigan Mathematics Prize Competition.

focus attention on the necessity for mathematical training in most professions and trades, and to identify and provide scholarships for the state's capable mathematics students.

Regular community meetings

Canton's Township Board regularly meets on the first, second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.

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Tax bills delayed

Canton Township property owners will receive their tax bills a few days late this year because of a delay in receiving the bills from Wayne County.

Contest entrants sought

The Canton Observer is sponsoring its second annual "Christmas Canton Style" contest and nominations are being accepted until Dec. 10.

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Business asked to bail out People Mover

By Tim Richard
Staff writer

A congressman and a state legislator say the Southeastern Michigan Transportation Authority (SEMTA) should look to business to pay cost overruns on the Downtown People Mover.

"Businessmen are going to have to put some money into it. They're going to benefit," said U.S. Rep. Carl Pursell, R-Plymouth. A member of the House Appropriations Committee, Pursell guided the original federal appropriation through Congress and kept SEMTA under his wing during his early years in the Michigan Legislature.

"To anybody who's traveled the systems as I have in Toronto and BART (San Francisco), it's stone-cold clear that businesses benefit," Pursell said in a telephone interview Wednesday from his Washington office.

Pursell was to meet with Ralph Stanley, director of the Urban Mass Transit Administration (UMTA), in the fading hope that more federal funds can be pieced out of the Reagan Administration.

"WE'RE GOING to need a local redevelopment tax of some type," said state Sen. Richard Fessler, R-West Bloomfield. Fessler is chairman of the Senate committee probing the soaring costs of the People Mover, a 2.9-mile, fully automated rail line which will loop through Detroit's central business district.

Questioning business people during a day-long hearing Monday, the Oakland County legislator got the answers he was looking for. Said Harvey Deutch, who owns two downtown stores and is a board member of the Central Business District Association:

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Other business and civic leaders said much the same thing. "That the small rail line would be a boon to shops and restaurants, particularly because it will have indoor stations in the downtown Center, the new Music Center, the David Whitney Building and Greentown."

HERE IS the money picture of a city.

The federal government, during the Carter Administration, wanted to use a demonstration project in the city of transportation needs, according to SEMTA Chairman Dewey Nelson. Said the Reagan Administration, "As a result of 1981, we're looking for a \$100 million federal matching program. SEMTA is a 21 percent share with transportation in the state."

SEMTA's budget for the project is \$10 million. Nelson said the state is not without its own. The Reagan Administration wanted to drop the entire program, and Congress had to order it funded.

Almost as soon as the contract was let to a Canadian company, UTD Inc., SEMTA began redesigning it - upward in cost. The latest total cost is in excess of \$180 million, and it could rise to \$250 million.

SEMTA NEEDS a total of \$46 million more to complete the half-finished project, according to acting General Manager Albert Martin. It's looking to the federal and state governments for the money.

Said MTA's reluctant to come up with more than \$5.4 million, and only SEMTA can justify every penny of it. As City Manager, UMDA regional administrator and Fessler's committee.

The U.S. Department of Transportation has the transportation and marketing department. The project was never submitted to a MTA's advisory committee. It is the U.S. National Bureau of Economic Research. The project is a joint effort of the city and the state. The project is a joint effort of the city and the state. The project is a joint effort of the city and the state.

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STATE GOVERNMENT is also wary of picking up the differential, although New Detroit President Walter Douglas urged senators to do so.

The Senate Transportation Committee is dominated by conservative suburban Republicans - Fessler, Doug Cruce of Troy and Kirby Holmes of Utica - who are not known for their love for Detroit.

Fessler's questions were aimed at emphasizing that SEMTA officials knew a year before they made it public that the People Mover project would cost far more than the budgeted \$137 million.

"Their assumption was that once we're started, it will be continued and finished," Fessler said. In a post-hearing interview, he cited a San Francisco bridge "just hanging there" because voters refused taxes to complete a freeway. He also joked about using some of the 173 concrete beams at "viewing stands for the Grand Prix" auto race.

Elk basketball winners named

Plymouth Elks Lodge 1780 announce the winners of its Free Throw Contest held last month at Plymouth Salem High School.

The following were winners in each age group in the basketball free throw shooting contest: Scott Cavey, boys 8-9; Kelly Holmes, girls 8-9; Shawn Hart, boys 10-11; Becky Bain, girls 10-11; Kevin Holmes, boys 12-13; and Brenda Cavey, girls 12-13.

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CEP YULE CONCERT
Thursday, Dec. 7 - The Plymouth Centennial Educational Park (CEP) concert and symphony bands directed by James R. Griffith, will present their annual Christmas Concert at 7:30 p.m. in the auditorium of Plymouth Salem High. Joy Road west of Canton Center Road. Admission is free.

SANTA'S WORKSHOP
Friday, Dec. 7 - Santa's Workshop, an annual event to give students an opportunity to do their own Christmas shopping without parents, will be held at Miller School from 9:15 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Items range from 10 cents to \$4 and include selections for the family. Santa's Workshop is sponsored by Miller PTO.

PERFORM AT EASTERN
Friday, Dec. 7 - The Plymouth Community Band, directed by Earl Battishill, will perform in concert at 8 p.m. with the symphony band of Eastern Michigan University in Pease Auditorium on the EMU campus in Ypsilanti. Admission is free.

FOOD DRIVE TELETHON
Saturday, Dec. 8 - The Salvation Army and Omnicom Cablevision are joining for a television food drive entitled "Baskets Filled with Love" which will begin at noon in Omnicom studios and be telecast on channels 8 and 15. Residents are encouraged to bring canned goods to feed the needy to the studios at 8465 Ronda Dr., south of Joy between Lilley and Haggerty in Canton. Santa will be there along with juggling, clowns, magicians, carolling, and other activities. Telethon guests include Doug English, Eddie Murray and David Lewis from the Detroit Lions.

CALLING SANTA
Dec. 10-12 - Plymouth Jaycees will conduct its annual "Calling Santa" project in conjunction with the Plymouth branch of the Community Federal Credit Union. Parents can have their children call Santa or Mrs. Claus and tell them their Christmas wishes 6-8:30 p.m. on Dec. 10, 11, 12. The phone number to the North Pole is 453-1200.

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POLISH CAROLS
Sunday, Dec. 16 - Polish Christmas Carols, sung by the Polish Choral directed by Bronislaw Stankowski, at 3 p.m. at the activities center of Madonna College, 35500 Schoolcraft at Levan in Livonia. Free admission. For more information call 464-7996 or 939-3407.

DINNER THEATER TRIP
Sunday, Dec. 16 - The Y Travellers will be travelling to Toledo for dinner theater at Westgate. The price of \$27 per person includes a buffet, the stage show "Annie," and transportation. The bus will depart the Plymouth Cultural Center, Farmer at Theodore, at 10 a.m. and return at about 5 p.m. For more information, call the Plymouth Community Family YMCA at 453-2994.

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CARIBBEAN CRUISE
Tuesday, Jan. 8 - The City of Plymouth Parks and Recreation Department in cooperation with Bianco Travel and Tours is sponsoring a 13-day/12-night trip to southern Florida, including a three-day Caribbean cruise. The trip departs Jan. 8 and the charge is \$699 based on double occupancy. Tour includes bus transportation, four nights hotel accommodations to and from Florida, two nights hotel accommodations in Orlando, three days and nights aboard a Caribbean cruise ship, one full day at Nassau, Bahamas, three days at the Hollywood Beach Hilton Hotel. For information, call the recreation department at 453-6620.

TRIP TO FLORIDA
Jan. 24-Feb. 4 - The Plymouth Community 'Y' Travelers is planning a trip to Florida by bus including seven nights at the Holiday Inn in Clearwater Beach and two overnight accommodations each way. Trip includes dinner and theater in Tike Gardens, admission to Weeki-Wachee (The City of Live Mermaids), Captain Andersons Boat Cruise, John's Pass Village (craft and shopping area), admission to Derby Lane Florida greyhound dog track, dining, dancing at Coliseum Ballroom in St. Pete, bingo party. The charge is \$559 per person (double occupancy only). A \$50 payment will be accepted now to guarantee space and final payment is due no later than 45 days before scheduled departure date.

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Keith's statewide banking bill boosted

By Tim Richard Staff writer

On one hand, they're hailing it as a magnificent compromise — the first major overhaul of Michigan branch banking laws since 1945.

On the other hand, key lawmakers doubt the package can be passed this year or even in the 1985 session of the Legislature.

"The package is dead," said state Rep. William Keith, D-Garden City. Keith is acknowledged by Democrats and Republicans alike as the House's top authority on banking. "You could write a novel on it," he said.

Keith is author of a key bill that would allow statewide branch banking in three years. For four decades, Michigan has prohibited banks from doing business more than 25 miles from their

home offices, a law intended to protect small-town banks from big-bank competition.

TROY REPUBLICAN SEN. Doug Cruce, a member of the Senate Commerce Committee, which last week approved Keith's bill and a package of banking changes, frowned as he considered the obstacles to passage of Keith's bill — despite endorsements from Gov. James J. Blanchard, banking and labor leaders.

"The package is coming up late in the legislative session."

"Bankers don't all like the formula for easing usury laws. In recent years, several small loan companies have left Michigan because of interest rate controls. One bill would allow interest rate ceilings to float above current national market rates. "The

indexes could be lower than the rates we've got," Cruce said.

"Insurance people don't like the credit life insurance provisions," he said. If a lender provides access to credit life insurance and receives a commission, one bill sets minimum standards to assure a fair premium rate, according to a Senate analysis.

"A two-thirds 'supermajority' is needed to pass banking legislation. If one or two groups don't like something... well, it's hard to get 26 favorable votes in the Senate."

Nevertheless, the Senate Commerce Committee, chaired by Republican Dick Posthumus of Lowell, gave the package of House and Senate bills 4-0 approval.

In 1928 and 1930, two bank holding companies were formed. "They squeezed out the other banks," Keith said, "and one of them went defunct in the depression of 1933."

The U.S. Congress moved to the aid of small-town "unit" banks (those with a single office). Its Banking Act of 1933 provided insured bank accounts.

In 1941, a group of banks in Battle Creek, Grand Rapids, Lansing and several other cities formed Michigan National Bank. Small-town bankers, seeing a threat, won passage of a state law in 1945 to restrict branch banking.

Under that law, banks headquartered in cities of more than 75,000 were prohibited from setting up branches more than 25 miles from their home bases or setting up a branch in a city or village where another bank already is operating.

Banking had a bad name in 1944-45 when bankers, lenders, race-track owners and others were accused of bribing Michigan legislators. All together, 125 names, including 16 legislators, were indicted and 46 convicted. In January 1945, state Sen. Warren Hooper, R-Albion, was shot to death and his car set afire, one day before he was to testify before a grand jury.

A BREAKTHROUGH came in 1971 when the Michigan Legislature permitted formation of bank holding companies — companies that owned the stock of several other banks. The state saw the birth of Comerica, Michigan National Banks (plural), the Manufacturers and the NBD groups.

Next on the agenda for the banks is statewide branch banking.

"I'm for statewide branch banking," Keith said. "But I'm not so politically naive as to assume we're going to get it."

One impetus for it is the mobility of Michigan's population. With statewide branch banking, a person in metropolitan Detroit with a cottage in Traverse City could deal with a single bank.

A banker (Manufacturers) for 20 years before being elected to the House in 1972, Keith noted a second impetus toward statewide branches:

"The community bank group gets smaller each year through mergers. They are family owned. Grandpa founded it, the kids started as tellers and now run it. I think they do a good job for the farm community."

"My concern is with the clique-type bank. Say you come into town to start a discount drug store, and you're Jewish. The local pharmacist is on the board of the bank. You can't get a loan."



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After miscarriage, a couple needs support

The support and understanding of others is important when we grieve the loss of a loved one. When a married couple loses an unborn child, however, they often are deprived of support because most people who have never experienced a miscarriage fail to understand how significant this loss can be.

Friends and relatives, regardless of what their beliefs might be regarding the beginning of human life, find it difficult to appreciate the impact of the loss. They never had seen the child, never related with the child, never even heard stories about the child. For them, emotionally, the child had not

yet become a real person.

FOR THE FATHER and mother, however, the unborn child was very much a real person.

From the time they learned of the pregnancy, the parents began to make adjustments in their thinking and lifestyle in order to prepare for a new addition to the family.

Frequent references to the unborn child became commonplace in the couple's conversations, often with nodding or pointing toward the mother's womb. As they spoke to each other about the developing child and silently dreamed



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about a hopeful future, the child took on an identity as an integral member of the family.

In such a short time this new family member had already begun to further enrich the couple's life. Then suddenly

and abruptly, with the miscarriage, he or she was dead.

FOLLOWING A miscarriage, the hopes and dreams for the future are replaced with uncertainty, fear and guilt. Despite the doctors' assurances, the

couple wonders: Was there something physically wrong? Will future pregnancies also abort or result in birth defects?

The wife taunts herself with the question whether she took proper care of herself during those critical weeks of her pregnancy.

The husband wonders whether he should have done more to lighten the load so that his wife would not have had to over-exert herself.

FAMILY AND friends fail to be supportive because they don't understand. They expect the grieving parents to

"bounce back" quickly from one of "life's setbacks." With good intentions, they offer the comforting thought "Well, at least you can have more children."

Little do they realize that their statement is the same as saying to a woman who just lost her husband, "Well, at least you can marry again." In the midst of bereavement, we are not interested in replacements for what we have lost.

The miscarriage can also potentially place strain on the marriage. The couple is not only deprived of the support of family and friends, but also of the strength and support of each other.

The husband and wife likely experience intense emotions following the miscarriage, but the tendency is to hide these emotions from each other behind a facade of reason, anger or well-being. The husband, feeling obliged to conform to stereotyped roles, attempts to be strong and rational. The wife, reacting to what appears to be callousness, concludes that her husband blames her for being physically defective. One may blame the other for wanting the pregnancy in the first place.

A miscarriage represents a significant loss. It requires time for an emotional healing. The sensitivity of family and friends can be helpful. The honest and open sharing of feelings between the couple is essential.

Dennis Sugrue is a Farmington Hills resident and a clinical psychologist at Henry Ford Hospital. He welcomes questions and topics for future articles, but is unable to answer questions on an individual basis. Questions and topics may be sent to this newspaper.

Where do animals go during day?

By Timothy Nowicki
special writer

WHEN I drove the baby-sitter home one evening last week, we saw an opossum in front of her house. It did not like the bright car headlights and quickly ambled around the corner.

Spotting the opossum reminded me that most mammals are nocturnal, or are active at night. Squirrels and chipmunks are examples of diurnal mammals, or those active during the day.

Many of us have seen skunk, rac-

nature

coons and opossum at night, but where do they go during the day? If you see one during the day, it's probably a road kill from the night before.

A SLOW, careful walk through the woods during the day can reveal some of their resting places.

I was walking through Bicentennial Woods in Livonia recently and found a large beech tree that had broken about 15 feet above the ground. The damage, probably from lightning, occurred a while ago because the wood had begun to soften and rot.

This, however, is a perfect place for

a raccoon to spend the day. Some wood chips at the base of the tree indicated an animal had been doing a little house cleaning lately. If the tree is soft enough from decay, you can see scratch marks left by the animal's claws as they climbed up and down.

Along the Rouge River in Hines Park, I found a family of three young raccoons and their mother in a large willow tree. Later during the year, I saw them in another large tree hollow, but this one was not big enough to hold them all. One was barely visible as he laid flat on top of an old squirrel nest. If I had not looked closely, I would not have seen him.

EARLIER THIS spring at Pt. Pelee, Canada, I watched a raccoon enter a small hollow in a tree. His head and shoulders entered the hole with no difficulty, but the hind quarters did not look like they were going to fit.

His progress was slowed, the thick fur was compressed against his body, and I would not have been surprised if he took a deep breath to narrow his waistline. After a moment, he popped into the hole, out of sight — ready for a long day's nap.

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SAT score poor success indicator for athletes — UM

Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) scores fail to predict a student athlete's academic achievement in college, a University of Michigan study has concluded. It opposes use of SAT scores to screen athletes.

A strong academic "support program" is a far more powerful influence on school success than are SAT scores for students trying to combine sports participation, practice course work and studying. That conclusion comes from researchers in U-M's Reading and Learning Skills Center and School of Education.

They oppose a proposed National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) ruling that would limit a freshman's sports participation to those students with a combined verbal and math SAT score of at least 700.

The rule would disqualify large numbers of freshmen players and particularly black athletes, they predict.

"PROPOSAL 48, slated to go into effect in 1986, is intended to toughen academic requirements and improve the scholastic standings of student athletes," the researchers explain.

"But we question whether the SAT accurately measures the ability of many individuals to do college work, particularly when a strong academic support program is provided."

If Proposal 48 had been applied to the 115 football recruits who entered the U-M between 1979 and 1983, the 700 cut-off score would have disqualified more than a third of the freshmen players, the study shows.

Forty-three students would have been excluded, including 31 blacks.

"Only four of these 43 actually failed. Thirty-nine made the NCAA's minimum grade point average (1.8 or above) for athletic eligibility in their freshman year," the authors said. "Thus, the score of 700 grossly underestimates the athletes' potential for success."

THE STUDY was conducted by education Prof.

Donald E. P. Smith, founder and former director of the Reading and Learning Skills Center, Rowena M. Wilhelm, the current director, Timothy L. Walter, assistant director and supervisor of the student-athlete academic support program, George Hoey, academic advisor to the student athletes, and Samuel D. Miller, graduate research assistant.

The center's program for athletes, begun in 1981, provides intensive training in academic skills such as note-taking, essay writing, speed reading and time management, services it also provides to all university students. In addition freshmen athletes must also attend a two-hour study table five evenings per week.

Individual tutoring is available to any student who requests it, but is required for those students whose high school preparation and aptitude identifies them as "high risk."

"Attendance in these special activities is considered as important as attendance at practice and games," the researchers stress. "The coaching staff at U-M continually emphasizes the importance of academic success."

THE ACADEMIC support program benefits the athletic department as well as the students, the researchers point out, because it helps insure that the students will remain eligible to play. Even students who have their sights set on professional athletics want to graduate, and to earn credentials for a second career.

"Furthermore, one of the most serious deterrents to academic success is the 'strong back-week mind' stereotype, which not only influences the athlete's self-image but faculty grading decisions, especially with reference to blacks," the researchers state.

"Some blacks speak and write a black dialect, which is perceived by some teachers as poor English."

The study's conclusion, that Proposal 48 discriminates against black athletes, is similar to that reached by the NCAA's special Committee on Academic Research.

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IT HAPPENED exactly 12 years ago just a few days before Christmas. I remember the day vividly — almost as if it were yesterday.

The snow started falling shortly after noon. The temperature plummeted. At first the snow was fairly light and mixed with rain. Later in the afternoon, the snow became heavy with considerable blowing and drifting. A graduate student at the time, I remember driving home that evening from the research laboratory. Barely able to see through my windshield, I drove at no more than five miles per hour.

ON SEVERAL occasions, the car slid on icy road spots. I became more and more nervous. Apparently the earlier rain had now frozen beneath the fresh layer of snow.

After what seemed like hours, I finally reached the driveway of our apartment. I was pleased to see that the manager had hired a plow to clear the parking lot.

I walked through the heavy deep snow and entered our second floor apartment. The room seemed particularly warm. I picked up the evening paper and turned on the television set.

"It looks like we're going to get another 6 to 8 inches tonight," the weatherman said.



fitness
Barry Franklin

I was glad to be inside.

AFTER DINNER I remember gazing for some time out our large picture window. It was hard to believe that these beautiful white flakes were such a menace to me only a few hours earlier.

That night I went to bed rather early. I must have been around 10:30 or so. At 10:40, however, I jumped from a sound sleep to answer my ringing telephone. It was a fellow graduate student.

"Barry, Dr. Burg is dead!"

"I can't believe it," I exclaimed. "Seems he went outside around 9 o'clock to shovel his driveway. He never returned. His wife became concerned, went outside and found him lying in the snow. Although the EMS promptly responded, they couldn't re-

vive him. They told his wife it was either a heart attack or a cardiac arrest.

DR. BURG was our laboratory physician who had assisted many graduate students with their research. He was a close friend. He was only 61.

It seems that each year this story is repeated over and over again. The names and places change, but the tragic results are always the same. Unfortunately, too few people truly realize the hazards of shoveling snow, particularly for elderly individuals or those with heart problems.

The Christmas holiday that year is one the Burg family will always remember.

A Farmington Hills resident, Barry Franklin, Ph.D., teaches physiology at the college level and is coordinator of cardiac rehabilitation at Sinai Hospital.

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Suburbs for prisons, according to Young

THE IMAGE of Detroit among out-towners has been examined in depth recently, but what about the image Detroit Mayor Coleman Young has of everything outside of his town?



Bob Wisler

YOUNG ACKNOWLEDGES there are people out here, but mostly they are people who gave up unnecessarily on Detroit. They sped out of the city to the cornfields to live in characterless subdivisions and a middle-class, white version of a comfortable existence.

They left Detroit, a lot of blacks and a lot of people with too few skills to try to solve the problem of how to live in an aging city losing its economic verve. They kept coming back to the downtown office buildings each day only because of their jobs. Except for the more adventurous younger workers, they fled the city at twilight.

They adopted an intolerant attitude about Detroit, its poverty, its social problems and its increasingly black makeup. They exploited whatever services the city still maintained and complained about paying a commuter tax to support those services.

Young works around the attitudes he perceives by convincing captains of commerce and industry and some government leaders that they must take steps to put off, slow or stop Detroit's decline.

Young views this as an attempt to saddle Detroit with more problems and wants to put the problems instead of where other people will have to deal with them.

Young wants prisons built and developed in Plymouth and Northville townships, which already have a surfeit of non-taxable institutions, some no longer used and in a state of disrepair.

YOUNG COMPLAINED that the suburban communities are discouraging such talk, saying they want instead to import industry, commercial buildings and high-priced housing which will add to their property tax bases. They want to put the damn prisons in Detroit and the factories out in the cornfields," Young said.

Here is Young in a moment of candor. He views the areas in western Wayne County as cornfields. There are no political or social problems here — certainly not of the magnitude of Detroit's. Heck, there aren't even people out there, just cornfields. And if there are people, they are the ones who used the Detroit water and sewer lines and the federally financed freeways to flee Detroit. And why should they be able to evade their responsibility in the problem of crime and punishment?

The fact is that it makes a great deal of sense to have prisons in Detroit as well as Jackson, Marquette, Ionia and the cornfields of Wayne County. And the suburbs, the state government and the Legislature should resist Young's attempts to use the suburbs according to Young's view of the world.

In the process, he complains, that the now popular clamor for more prisons includes a contingent which want to build prisons in Detroit. Characteristically,

YOUNG, WHO must appreciate his own dramatic flair and glib salesmanship, is embarked on a new mission — to sell the idea of law and order, police protection, searches and seizures in the high schools and more prisons to get the goons and animals off the streets.

In the process, he complains, that the now popular clamor for more prisons includes a contingent which want to build prisons in Detroit. Characteristically,

We all share duty to be knowledgeable

By Michael J. Bologna
Special writer

LIKE SO MANY Americans today, a large part of my youth was spent in the suburbs, where one grows up with the feeling that the world is all green and fruitful. We grow up thinking that preservation and perpetuation of what we know and see around us is what we should aspire to.

I recently read a book called "The Dean's Decree" by Saul Bellow. In the story, the hero, Albert Corde, a journalist, professor and dean of a university in Chicago, does an odd thing. He writes a series of articles that unmask a society of corruption and shame.

The things he says have been said before but no one ever said them quite like Albert Corde. The public's response is less than friendly.

One might ask why someone at the top of the world would want to throw his cards to the wind? Why would someone attempt to tell people things they already know (or are at least suspicious of) but don't want to hear?

I once saw a Viet Nam veteran in Detroit talking about an American plane that sprayed napalm on him and the rest of his platoon. He survived with his right arm burned into eternal uselessness but his friends were not so "lucky." He said he wanted to tell people about what happened to him. He said he wanted to communicate his little corner of truth to a world that was only worried about baseball scores. He said he wanted to talk about it every night on the 6 o'clock news until people started to throw up.

WE ALL KNOW some pretty harsh things happen outside of the suburbs. Then again some pretty unsettling things go on right inside the suburbs as Albert Corde would have us know. Perhaps we don't want to look too closely.

Indeed, why look at all? Aren't we a nation of plenty — a front of democracy where life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness are given?

I think we are fooling ourselves every time we turn the channel on our television when a Viet Nam veteran comes on to tell his stories or a member of the academic world tells us about problems in our own city.

We have a responsibility to be knowledgeable. The Albert Cordes and Viet Nam vets in this world are special

people. They've seen a small corner of truth and are so concerned and upset by what they've seen that they want the rest of the world to understand this truth, this pain.

In fact, what these people are trying to do is prevent the American idea from being pounded into dust," as Bellow tells us. People write and say unsettling things because they fear for our cherished notions of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

This is the unique job of the American writer.

ALL TOO OFTEN people decide that the world lives happily ever after because they have become selectively blind.

But some people are blessed (or wounded, depending on how you look at the situation) with an understanding of people or events that weep for righteousness. Understanding what it provides these people with the moral fortitude to tell the world about what could be. These people don't seem too worried about perpetuation.

Bellow says, "In the American moral crisis, the first requirement was to experience what was happening and to see what must be seen." A journey into the unfriendly fringes of our existence brings knowledge of the truth. We have an obligation to experience the truth and at the very least to witness it on the 6 o'clock news and in the streets of our own cities.

The job of the American writer, one of those rare people who have been frightened by the truth enough to become angry and get on a soap box, is to represent his small journey into truth. Bellow says, "The first act of morality was to disinter the reality, retrieve reality, dig it out of the trash, represent it as new art would represent it."

We must understand the truth and respect those who take chances in their lives by attempting to retrieve reality. Experimental truth has moral force. It calls out from the perceived world that Americans seem so complacently jolly to perpetuate.

The world needs to listen, and experience.

Through listening and experiencing comes understanding the truth, comes the moral force from which needed change can come.

(The writer, Michael J. Bologna, graduated from Plymouth Salem High in 1978 and then earned a degree in English literature from University of Michigan. He now is a Peace Corps volunteer teaching English in Nepal.)



Tradition blinds judges

"LAWYERS ARE so conservative, they're afraid to greet the new moon for fear of offending the old."

That jibe isn't original. I heard it from Oakland Circuit Judge Gene Schelz, who has a deliciously irreverent sense of humor for one in such an august position.

I was reminded of it when reading the news that the U.S. Judicial Conference has refused to lift its ban on cameras and tape recorders in courtrooms.

It cited a survey showing that lifting the ban was opposed by 78 percent of active and retired federal appellate and trial judges.

AT ONE TIME there were solid reasons for banning cameras in courtrooms.

In the 1920s, news cameras required flash powders for adequate lighting — clearly disruptive. Until a little more than 20 years ago, news photographers used flashbulbs and strobe lights — also distracting.

The ban on TV cameras came after a sensational trial in the '50s when participants tripped on power cables crossing the courtroom floor.

Today news photographers use small, hand-held, 35 mm cameras with fast films that require no flashes. The TV folks have lightweight mini-cams that are almost as unobtrusive.

Try telling that to the tradition-ensured federal judges.



Tim Richard

IN MICHIGAN courtrooms, artists are allowed to work because judges understand pencils and crayons whereas they don't understand electronic cameras.

Covering the Ficano vs. Pittman-Lucas case over the Wayne County sheriff's job last year, I observed a TV artist at work. The scratching of the artist's pencils was clearly audible throughout the proceedings. Every so often, the artist would tear off a sheet and drop it to the floor. Courtroom spectators rubber-necked her work.

The artist was more conspicuous than a TV mini-cam would have been. Yet even she was not disruptive.

The notion that lawyers would grandstand for a TV camera is preposterous. They grandstand anyway — well, some of them do. The lawyers defending the old Wayne County Road Commission were outstanding grandstanders. They never talked less than 25 minutes, even to convey five minutes worth of arguments.

When they ran out of things to say, they repeated themselves.

They should have been televised. Proud as I am of my written words, I couldn't convey the utter bombast of those lawyers in print.

ONE FELLOW who is less than impressed with lawyers and court procedures these days is L. Brooks Patterson, Oakland County prosecutor.

Patterson's political opponent asked Circuit Court for a grand jury investigation of the office days before the Nov. 7 election. The circuit judges waited until after the election before deciding, 14-0, there was no cause for such an extraordinary investigation.

Patterson's twin responses were 1) his opponent engaged in a "frivolous, patently political maneuver" and 2) he himself was "extremely bitter at being put through this meat grinder."

While I have little sympathy for Patterson's death penalty campaign, candor compels me to say that this time he is right. In every election year, a politician files a lawsuit against his/her opponent in order to capture headlines or prime-time coverage. As soon as the polls close, the suit is forgotten.

Despite Patterson's 69 percent victory, it was regrettable the judges couldn't have acted prior to election day.

Patience — the St. Mary story

PATIENCE REWARDED. No two words in the English language can better describe the story of St. Mary Hospital, which this weekend celebrates its silver anniversary.

From the day the subject of a hospital was discussed with the Felician Sisters, the plans and hopes have been delayed and suspended at times.

When the Felician Sisters first purchased a parcel of farm land in Livonia, there was no thought of a hospital. The land — between Schoolcraft, Five Mile, Newburgh and Levan roads — was purchased to establish a new home for the order.

That was back in 1926.

THE FIRST group to mention the hospital idea was local medical doctors. That was in 1948. But their plan went no further than just an idea.

Next year the newly formed Livonia Chamber of Commerce decided that one of the main things the area needed, besides an independent post office and a home bank, was a hospital.

The chamber called on Mother May Januaria, head of the Felician order, and the hospital idea was given a new birth.

"We are an order of mercy," she said, "and I would be glad to seek permission to build a hospital if you will promise your support."

The promise was made. Mother Januaria immediately asked the head of her or-



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der for permission to build a hospital. Approval was granted in two months. Then came the need of approval from Rome. That took two years.

THE DREAM WAS delayed again when it was learned that federal Hill-Burton Act funds were not available at the time. This was a sad blow.

Another test of patience came when the fund-raising firm that Mother Januaria signed failed miserably and was dismissed. It was even more heart-breaking when local industries would not contribute because they were interested in the new organization of a Detroit Building Fund.

The idea lay dormant for a time.

Then after several years came good news. Edward Cardinal Mooney, archbishop of Detroit, approved the plan, and it was learned the Hill-Burton money was available. Plans moved ahead. But this was not until 1955 — six years after the idea was first mentioned to Mother Januaria.

THE NEXT good news was that Sister Mary Columbine and Sister Mary

Calasantia were brought in to supervise the construction and operation of a hospital.

Sister Columbine, after a complete study of the program, found that the major job was to develop good public relations with the population — regardless of color, race or creed.

To that end she appointed a board that included a representative of each of the five communities to be served — Livonia, Plymouth, Farmington, Northville and Redford.

The dream was showing signs of coming true.

It was made positive after Sister Mary Columbine spoke to the board of directors of Ford Motor Co. and industry made the contributions which assured the hospital.

FINALLY IT was built and had room for 175 beds. On Dec. 15, 1958 the Rev. Msgr. Jerome S. Smalzar and James M. Hare, then Michigan secretary of state, laid the cornerstone. On Dec. 8, 1959, St. Mary Hospital was opened to receive its first patients.

It is a long time — a full decade — from the evening Mother Januaria was approached in 1949 until Dec. 8, 1959.

The patience of the Felician Sisters is chiefly responsible for making it possible.

Their patience still shows when St. Mary Hospital is ranked among the top hospitals in the state.

Patience has its rewards.

State jobless rate below 10% for '84

Continuing recovery in the Michigan economy will bring the state's unemployment rate below 10 percent by the end of 1985, the first single-digit jobless figure in more than five years.

That prediction came from University of Michigan economists at the 32nd annual Conference on the Economic Outlook.

The outlook for the 1985-86 Michigan economy, prepared by Joan P. Cray and Saul H. Hymans, calls for total employment to grow by a bit more than 2.5 percent per year for each of the next two years.

"This is a slower pace than the 4.4 percent growth that we experienced in 1984, but it is still well ahead of the rate of growth which we are predicting for the labor force," Cray said.

Consequently, the unemployment rate is forecast to decline from 11.2 percent for 1984 to 10.3 percent for 1985 and to 9.6 percent for 1986, which will mark the first time the unemployment rate has dropped below 10 percent on an annual basis since 1979.

WITH THE more modest increases in employment, personal income is forecast to grow about 8 percent for each of the next two years — down from the 9.7 percent increase for 1984.

The inflation rate, forecast to remain constant at 3.5 percent for 1985, is projected to rise to 5.2 percent for 1986 as national markets begin to tighten.

The result of our projected increases in income and our inflation projections," Cray said, "is a steadily declining rate of growth of consumer purchasing power from 6.5 percent for 1984 to 4.5 percent for 1985 and 2.9 percent for 1986."

However, she added, "even with more modest increases in real disposable income over the next two years, we are forecasting that consumer purchasing power in 1986 will finally exceed the level for 1978, which was the last year to show an increase before the recession."

THE FORECAST projects increases of a little more than 3 percent for manufacturing employment for each of the next two years.

Within private non-manufacturing, employment should continue to improve in both residential and non-residential construction in the spring of 1985, and non-residential building should remain strong through 1986.

Other industries also exhibit steady growth over the forecast period. Government employment, reversing recent declines, is predicted to show small increases during the next two years.

The forecast notes that Michigan's employment mix has altered in recent years. Manufacturing dropped from about 35 percent of total employment in the early 1970s to less than 28 percent in the early 1980s. Meanwhile, private non-manufacturing rose from a 47 percent share to just under 53 percent of the total between 1970 and 1982.

WHEN THE GROWTH slows in 1986, the Michigan employment rate is expected to remain about 3 percentage points above the national rate, the forecast said.

Part of the reason for the failure to make up the recession-induced "unemployment gap," Cray said, is the huge increase in output per Michigan worker since 1980. The productivity improvement, largely due to automated procedures in the automobile industry, is expected to continue in 1985-86.

"Such productivity improvement is absolutely essential to the long-term viability of the domestic automobile industry — and to the long-term health of the Michigan economy as well," she explained.

"But it is quite clear that this process presents us with a painful adjustment in the short run."

THE FORECAST for the state revenue outlook projects a 6.4 percent decline (\$185 million) in income tax revenues in fiscal 1985, to be followed by an 11.9 percent increase (\$322 million) for fiscal 1986.

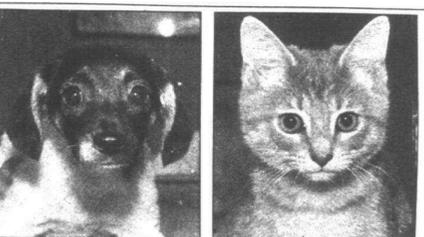
The drop in revenues in fiscal 1985 results from the reduction in the tax rate from an average of 6.1 percent for fiscal 1984 to 5.35 percent for fiscal 1985. On Jan. 1, 1986, the state income tax rate drops to 5.1 percent for the rest of the forecast period.

Total general-fund/general-purpose tax revenues are forecast to decrease 1.7 percent (\$92 million) in fiscal 1985

and to increase 11 percent (\$57 million) in fiscal 1986, mirroring the pattern in the personal income tax as effective tax rates change.

The Michigan forecast reflects key inputs from the U-M analysis of the national economy, also presented at the Economic Outlook Conference.

The U.S. economy is predicted to continue to expand through both 1985 and 1986, accompanied by a drop in the unemployment rate, a slight rise in inflation, sizable personal and corporate income gains, and little change in federal deficit levels.

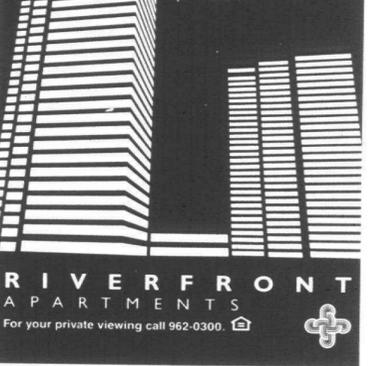


Pets of week

Mandy, a female mixed Beagle-Terrier, is only 9 weeks old and already charming. She has had first shots and been wormed. Toby, a grey tabby, is a 3-month-old male cat who desires human affection. He has had first shots and been wormed. To meet these and other adoptable pets, visit the Michigan Humane Society's Kindness Center, 37255 Marquette, Westland, or call 721-7300.

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Kelley seeks to reopen utility fraud case

By Kathy Parrish
staff writer

Oakland County's prosecutor chose not to file utility fraud charges against several area business owners.

So the Michigan attorney general wonders why Prosecutor L. Brooks Patterson objects to the state's pursuing the controversial case in an effort to charge the businesses.

But Patterson's right-hand man, accusing state Attorney General Frank Kelley of trying to embarrass his 1982 political opponent, called the state's intervention "shocking."

"It's a blatant invitation to perjury and making a mockery of the criminal process," said Richard Thompson, Oakland County's chief assistant prosecutor.

"I don't know why the prosecutor is still concerned about it," replied Stanley Steinborn, chief assistant attorney general. "His office decided not to prosecute and now is going into court to make a no-prosecution case. I don't think that's what the public expects of its law enforcement."

PATTERSON'S OFFICE last week objected to the attorney general's intervening in the case of William Jones, 35, of Taylor. Jones is an informant in a utility fraud investigation which included 32 Oakland County businesses, nine of those auto dealerships.

The attorney general's office intervened in the case at the request of Michigan State Police after Patterson's office refused to press charges. Now on probation, Jones is seeking to amend

his previous plea of obtaining money under false pretenses. The charge is a 10-year felony.

At 1 p.m. Dec. 6, Oakland Circuit Court Judge George LaPlata will hear Jones' request to plead to conspiracy to commit energy fraud, a four-year offense.

If granted, that request would open the way for the business owners to be charged also.

"Our goal is to put together the best case we can against people we believe violated the law," said Steinborn. "Our investigation shows there are people who need to be charged."

THOMPSON SAID the Oakland prosecutor's office declined to pursue charges against the business owners because Jones is an "unreliable witness" who flunked three lie detector tests.

But shortly before the Nov. 7 election, a television report linked the dropping of the cases with contributions by auto dealers to two of Patterson's election campaigns. Patterson is suing WXYZ-TV for slander.

Thompson said the new motion is a "colossal admission that the prosecutor's office was right in refusing a war-

rant. Jones is not a reliable witness."

"Now apparently the attorney general is attempting to clean him (Jones) up to be a reliable witness by rewriting history on the case. I think it's highly improper."

Although not notified about the attorney general's court action, Thompson believes the state should have withdrawn the original pleas and started over in the case.

BUT STEINBORN said the attorney general's office was asked to look into the case by the Michigan State Police, who were working with Detroit Edison

Co. on charges that businesses allowed their electric meters to be "fixed" to save on energy costs.

Two area auto dealers are being charged in Wayne County Circuit Court as a result of the investigation.

"We didn't ask to handle this," said Steinborn, denying that the new court case has political overtones.

"There are 83 prosecutors in this state, and 82 of them do not feel politics enters into our relations with them," he added.

"If Mr. Patterson sees politics in everything that happens, maybe it's in the eye of the beholder. It's not in our eye."



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By Kathy Parrish
staff writer

Yes, Oakland County commissioners are part-time lawmakers.

But that doesn't make them "pipsqueaks."

Bugged by a newspaper comment by Detroit Mayor Coleman Young, members of the board of commissioners Thursday donned red and white buttons saying "I'm a pipsqueak commissioner."

"It's a gentle response," said Repub-

lican Commissioner Ralph Nelson, the Rochester area representative who had the buttons made up.

"I'm proud that I'm a part-time legislator and take pride in what I do here."

A SOFT-SPOKEN lawmaker who carefully weighs his words, Nelson isn't quick to anger.

But he didn't care for a quote attributed to Young in a newspaper article on the proposed merger of the Detroit and suburban bus systems.

The Nov. 16 Detroit News article says the Detroit mayor "vowed not to give in to the 'extortion' demands of suburban legislators and 'every little pipsqueak' on the county commission that he turn over the city's transit agency to SEMTA."

To make his point that commissioners "don't get no respect," Nelson kiddingly took a stand. The small buttons were a humorous way to get at a matter the Rochester attorney takes very seriously.

"I'm sure we seem like pipsqueaks to

some county executives and mayors, but we're just trying to do our job," said Nelson, who contends he and his fellow lawmakers are "the voices of the people who elected us."

"Mayors and county executives can't be allowed to do as they please. There's a check and balance system because we're here."

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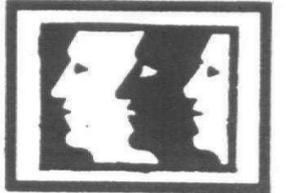
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the view

Ellie Graham

'TIS THE SEASON of wish lists and First Step, the area center for battered women and their children, has one.

Their needs are: medium size nightgowns, slippers, toiletries, children's pajamas up to size 10, Christmas stockings, toys for children ages 2-14, and disposable diapers in sizes medium and toddler.

Items can be dropped off at First Step, 8381 Farmington Road, Westland. For more information, call 525-2230.

AREA ALPHA Xi Delta Alumnae will have their annual Christmas party 6-8 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9. Wendy DuVall Angelocci, 25801 Petros, Novi, will host the party. Casual dress is suggested and alumnae should take along an hors d'oeuvre. Husband or guest is invited. RSVP to Wendy at 348-7049 or Sandy Rigby at 349-2619.

ROBERT HUTTON, son of Robert and Joanne Hutton of Russell Street, Plymouth Township,



was named "Mr. Teen Holiday Prince" last weekend.

He also was runner-up for the photogenic title at the North American Pageant Systems Winter

Nationals/Holiday Pageant 1984 at the Livonia Holiday. In October, Robert won the title of "Mr. Teen Great Lakes" in an October contest in Rockford, Mich.

He is 15 and a student at Catholic Central High School. He plans a career in modeling and attends classes at Robert Lee Studios.

WHEN THE WOMAN'S Club of Plymouth meets tomorrow at the Salvation Army Center, members will have Christmas on their minds — Christmas for the less fortunate.

They'll be making donations of canned foods for holiday baskets and scarves and mittens for the club's mitten tree in the Detroit Edison Office, Main Street at Ann Arbor Trail.

And they'll pause to pay tribute to four of their members who died during the past year. They will honor past members Eva McAllister, Jeanet Allison, Emma Lorenz and Dorothy Becker. Dorothy was president of the Woman's Club 1966-68.

The whole community is invited to contribute mittens, scarves and gloves to the mitten tree. Just take them into the Edison office and hang them on its branches. For many years, the tree has provided a gift of added warmth to the Salvation Army's Christmas baskets.

CHERYL BOSZAK has won a \$3,500 shopping spree in WCLS FM Radio prize catalog sweepstakes promotion. She will be allowed to shop in a number of Plymouth stores and restaurants that are members of the Plymouth Chamber of Commerce.

Cheryl will be allowed to run up a shopping tab until it reaches \$3,500 in her choice of the 40 businesses included on the list.

Cheryl said, "I was preparing breakfast for the girls last Tuesday and decided I might as well listen to WCLS. I'd sent in for the catalog and had my numbers. They announce five numbers at 7:10 a.m. and you have 15 minutes to call in."

She said she had never won anything in her life, and was amazed when they called her number.

She and her husband, Gary, have three daughters, Bonnie, 9, Carolyn, 6, and Kathleen, 3½.

She has received the list of local merchants involved and is waiting to hear when she can start shopping. There is no time limit on the shopping spree. They don't have to dash around and grab. The Boszaks will have time to think things over and consider their decisions.

In the meantime, excitement runs high. "The girls were happy to see the Rainbow Shop on the list," said Cheryl.

She added that it was the perfect time of the year to have it happen.



Director Mike Gross

Chorus presents 3 concerts

'Festival of Christmas'

The air will be filled with music this weekend as the Plymouth Community Chorus presents "Festival of Christmas," its 11th annual Christmas concert. Director Mike Gross has programmed traditional carols and songs of love in keeping with the season's spirit of joy.

Three performances are scheduled in the 1,000-seat Plymouth Salem High School auditorium, Joy Road west of Canton Center. Concert times are 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 4 p.m. Sunday. Admission is \$4 for adults and \$2 for senior citizens and students. They may be purchased at the door or in advance at Book Break in the K mart Plaza, Canton Township, or Sideways, 505 Forest, Plymouth.

Audiences are invited to join chorus members in an afterglow reception at

the Mayflower Meeting House at 7 p.m. Sunday. There will be hors d'oeuvres and an open bar. Reservations at \$4 per person should be made in advance by calling 397-1387 or 455-4080.

MORE THAN 100 red and white poinsettias will decorate the stage as the chorus sings "Silent Night," "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing," "Joy to the World," and "Adestes Fideles."

Morand Zimmer of Redford Township will be featured soloist with the chorus in "Away in a Manger." Alto Ruth Germeroth of Canton will be so-

loist in "As Lately We Watched." Renee Hoeg, soprano, and Barbara Hamel sing with the chorus in "Always."

Sherrie Northway of Redford Township will sing "Merry Christmas Darling." Barbara Hamel, soprano of Lincoln Park, "What Does Christmas Mean to You," and Dennis Santillan of Canton, "I'll Walk with God."

The small ensemble, Choral Expression, will sing four numbers including "How Do You Keep that Music Playing" and Lionel Richie's "Truly." The group is accompanied on piano by Leslie Morrison of South Lyon.

CAROLYN Edwards, a student at the University of Michigan School of music, is accompanist for the Community Chorus this season. She is the daughter of Clair and Rodney Edwards of Livonia. Chorus director, Mike Gross, is a Westland resident.

Brass section, string bass and percussion will accompany the chorus for "A Choral Fanfare for Christmas" and the Fred Waring arrangement of "Holiday."

Refreshments will be available at the concert during intermission, and the new chorus cook book, "All Our Best," will be on sale for \$7.75 in the lobby during intermission.

Decorations for the concert were planned and arranged by Morand Zimmer, John Frank, Sherrie Northway and other chorus members.

Victorian elegance at Symphony Ball

Saturday night's Symphony Ball at the Plymouth Hilton had all the romance of a Victorian Christmas soiree.

Red candles in hurricane shades glowed on every table as 456 guests dined and danced to the music of Night-fall. The grand march was led by the co-chairs of the ball and their husbands, Sue and Bill Decker, and Judy and John Lore. A much younger generation discovered that old-fashioned dance cards could be excellent mixers.

Focal point of the Victorian decor was a tableau — mannikins dressed in period gowns, a Christmas tree trimmed with candles, lacy fans, bouquets and snowflakes. The grand piano, where Eileen Miller provided background music during cocktails and dinner, was included in the grouping.

THE ANNUAL Christmas Ball was arranged by the Crescendo group of the Plymouth Symphony League.

Group members made the decorations. The grapevine wreaths trimmed

with laces, birds, rosebuds, brass trumpets and baby's breath, circled the hurricane lamps as centerpieces. These were offered for sale and all 52 were sold to guests.

A huge Christmas wreath served as a background for the orchestra. The Victorian theme was carried out in other ballroom decorations and Marat Garard provided the gowns for the mannikins.

Laces and jewelry added touches of Victorian elegance to the guests' gowns. Sue Decker wore a green taffeta with a muted pink and purple plaid and a purple velvet sash, revealing an accordion-pleated petticoat. The dress belongs to her mother who had it packed away in a chest for 50 years.

Because the turnout was below the minimum agreed to by the league, the Hilton will donate the equivalent of more than 20 rib-roast dinners to the Omnicom-Salvation Army Baskets of Love Telethon on Saturday.



Eileen Miller, a Symphony League member, provided background music during cocktails and dinner.

Photos by Rick Smith



Boyd and Dorothy Shaffer of Plymouth Township enjoy the Symphony dinner-dance.



Bill and Sharon Armbruster toast the holiday season.



Arlene Robinson admires the Victorian Christmas tree.



Maret Garard (left) and Mary Kehode signed the tableau.

clubs in action

PLYMOUTH SENIOR ELKS TOUR
Plymouth Senior Active Elks are planning a trip — four days and three nights in Las Vegas, Jan. 24-27.

PLYMOUTH COUNCIL ON AGING
Judge Dunbar Davis, guest speaker, will discuss "Problem on Aging" and "How to Handle Yourself in Court" when the Plymouth Community Council on Aging meets Tuesday, Dec. 11 in the Plymouth Cultural Center.

ARP MEETING
Plymouth-Northville Chapter of the American Association for Retired Persons will have its Christmas meeting at noon Wednesday, Dec. 12 in the Plymouth Cultural Center.

LA LECHE LEAGUE
Plymouth-Canton La Leche League will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 13 at 9738 Norman.

PLYMOUTH LIBRARY BOARD
Plymouth Community Library Board will meet at 7 p.m. Monday, Dec. 10 at Dunning Hough Library.

PLYMOUTH HISTORICAL SOCIETY
Society will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 6 on the lower level of the Plymouth Historical Museum.

ST. JOHN NEUMANN WOMEN'S GUILD
Members of the Women's Guild will have their Christmas dinner at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 12 in the Parish Hall.

MOTHERS OF TWINS
The Western Wayne County Mothers of Twins Club will have a children's Christmas party 3-6 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9 at Our Lady of Loretto Church.

LAKE POINTE VILLAGE GARDEN CLUB
Members of the Lake Pointe Village branch of the Woman's National Farm & Garden Association and their husbands will have a potluck dinner and craft auction at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 13 at the Plymouth Historical Museum.

WOMEN'S DIVORCE SUPPORT GROUP
The mediation process as it applies to divorce will be discussed by Thomas Taylor and Elaine Broder of Mediation Associates when the group meets 8-10 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 11 in Room F130 of the Forum Building.

ST. KENNETH'S GUILD
St. Kenneth's Women's Guild will have its Christmas luncheon at noon Tuesday, Dec. 11 at the Mayflower Hotel.

LAMAZE SERIES
A seven-week Lamaze series will begin at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 11 at Newburg Methodist Church.

POINSETTIAS & POTPOURRI
Dec. 14 — Friday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tonquish Creek Garden Club's Poinsettia and Potpourri Boutique in Westchester Square.

3-CITIES ART CLUB PRE-CHRISTMAS SALE
Dec. 13, 14, & 15 — Thursday, Friday and Saturday during store hours in the mall of Plymouth Park Center on Main Street.

ST. JOHN NEUMANN CHRISTMAS BAKE SALE
Dec. 8, 9 — Saturday, noon to 7:30 p.m. and Sunday 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the church, 44800 Warren Road, Canton Township.

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Church to honor retiring pastor

Clarenceville United Methodist Church will honor retiring Pastor Gerald Fisher and his wife, Norma, in a special ceremony 2-5 p.m., Sunday at the church.

Fisher, who will officially retire Monday, Dec. 31, has been pastor of the Livonia church since 1974.

Besides Clarenceville, his pastorate have been Monroe Calvary, 1944-45; Ogden, 1946-52; Detroit (Magnolia), 1952-58; Grand Rapids (Griggs), 1958-67; and Flint (Hope), 1967-74.

He has been a member of the Conference Board of Missions, president of the Conference Board of Evangelism, twice delegate to General Conference, and a trustee of Albion College.

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The handmade costumes, as shown by Bettie Runyan (left), Harlan Peithman, Joanna Peithman and Jeff Ormand lend authenticity and dignity to the events of the evening, which will also include entertainment in the form of a recorder consort, fortune teller and jester, as well as peddlers.

Madrigal festival

Trumpet fanfare, a wassail toast, assorted English deserts, royal personages in elegant medieval costumes — all will highlight the Madrigal Festival to be held at Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church at 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 16. Rosedale's chancel choir will present seasonal music in a candlelit castle setting. Tickets are \$5 and must be purchased in advance. Call 422-0494 for more information. The church is located at 9801 Hubbard, at the corner of West Chicago.

church bulletin

- ST. RAPHAEL CATHOLIC CHURCH OF GOD**
 Four Garden City church choirs will combine to present "An Evening of Choral and Carols" at 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9, at St. Raphael Catholic Church, 31499 Beechwood. Besides St. Raphael's choir, the participating choirs will be those of First United Methodist, Garden City Presbyterian and St. David Episcopal. The First United Methodist handbell choir will also perform.
- WESTLAND CHURCH OF GOD**
 The Freemans (formerly Pathways) will be at the Westland Church of God at 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 7. The church is at 35212 Melton, two blocks north of Palmer and one block east of Wayne Road. A free-will offering will be taken. For information, call 595-1932.
- WESTLAND ALLIANCE**
 The film "Sandcastles," about an American family that's breaking up, will be shown at 1:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9, by the Westland Alliance Church. The showing will be in the Wayne Ford Civic League, 1645 N. Wayne, Westland.
- UNITED ASSEMBLY OF GOD**
 The elementary school children of United Assembly of God will present their annual Sunday school Christmas program at the worship service at 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9, at Memorial Church of Christ (Christian), 35475 Five Mile, Livonia. The cantata incorporates Christmas carols, works by the masters Handel, Mozart, Mendelssohn and Beethoven, and works by contemporary composers.
- GRAND RIVER BAPTIST**
 Grand River Baptist Church of Livonia has appointed Marilyn Dixon Totten as its new music director. She has a bachelor's degree in music from Western Michigan University and master's degree from the University of Michigan. She is a private piano and voice teacher and has served as an elementary and junior high school vocal music teacher in the Dearborn Public Schools. She is on the board of directors of the Dearborn Symphony Orchestra and has been a member of the Detroit Cantata Academy. For more information on the church's music program, call the church office at 261-6950. The church is at 34500 Six Mile, Livonia.
- ST. MARY'S OF WAYNE**
 The Wayne Memorial High School Orchestra will perform music for the Christmas season at 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9, at St. Mary's of Wayne, 34530 Michigan, at the corner of Third Street, Wayne. There will be no charge.
- MEMORIAL CHURCH OF CHRIST**
 "O Magnify the Lord," a new cantata by Ronn Huff, will be performed at 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9, at Memorial Church of Christ (Christian), 35475 Five Mile, Livonia. The cantata incorporates Christmas carols, works by the masters Handel, Mozart, Mendelssohn and Beethoven, and works by contemporary composers.
- ST. PAUL'S PRESBYTERIAN**
 The Rev. Kathryn R. Thorsen will join the staff of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church in Livonia as of Tuesday, Jan. 1. She has a master's degree from Oakland University and is a graduate of Columbia Theological Seminary in Decatur, Ga. Her special field is family ministries and adult education. She will be at the lectern for services Sundays, Dec. 23 and 30, and will be ordained in worship services Sunday, Jan. 6.

The fault in youth may be in us

They're grim headlines. "High School students carry guns in classroom." "Teacher shot in classroom." "Basketball star killed in hallway."

As one person said, "It's getting nasty out here, and it has a habit of getting nastier and nastier." Which is probably correct, considering the recent report of 27 academics, school officials and policy-makers. "Schools in general are not doing enough to counter the symptoms of serious decline in youth character."

Detroit City Schools superintendent Arthur Jefferson is certainly trying. Several weeks ago he announced that the Detroit School Board would file civil lawsuits against parents of children who are found with guns at school. But not all parents are happy with that decision. Not all parents know where their children are or what they are doing. Knowing what their children are doing or where they are going, may in the final analysis, be less important than we first thought. The 36-page report, "Developing Character: Transmuting Knowledge," cautioned that "good character is not generated solely by more homework, rigorous

Church to present living yule tree concert

The Plymouth Church of the Nazarene will present its fourth annual living Christmas tree at 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 6 p.m. Sunday.

More than 2,000 boughs will be used to construct a 45-foot-tall tree, which will be decorated with garland and lights. The 1 1/2-hour tree program will include performances by the 50-voice Sanctuary Choir, featuring a children's choir and Brothers III, a men's trio. The presentation will be at the church, 41550 E. Ann Arbor Trail. For more information, call the church office at 455-1255.

Best of 'Perspectives' available

What the four Observer and Eccentric Newspapers' Moral Perspectives columnists regard as the 10 best columns each has written in the past 12 years have been bound in a paperback and is available to the public. Entitled "Perspectives — A Sense of Courage," the book contains the published columns of Revs. Robert Schaden (left), Lloyd Buss, David Strong and Rabbi Irwin Groner (not shown). The book is \$2 and may be obtained by contacting Schaden at 464-2180; Buss at 881-8856; Groner at 357-5544; or Strong at 422-6038.

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THE NATURE and path of the music department have been well rounded," said Larry Ordowski, assistant dean of liberal arts. "We have reviewed our goals and are making a strong commitment to the liberal and fine arts."

Enrollment in liberal and fine arts at Schoolcraft nearly doubled from 1979 to 1984. "Twenty-five percent of our transfer students (those planning to earn a bachelor's degree at a four-year college) are presently enrolled in the study of the liberal arts, music or art," Ordowski said.

"From the fall of 1982 through fall of 1984, the music department has served 539 regularly enrolled credit students and 200 students in its community education or community service music programs."

TWO WELL-KNOWN music faculty members at Schoolcraft are composer-instructor Robert Jones and Donald Morelock, head of the piano department.

Jones was hired in 1972 as composer-in-residence, under a special grant. A specialist in music history and theory, he has written 32 compositions for local performances. Next spring the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra will perform Jones' Concerto for Viola and Orchestra with Paul Doktor as soloist.

Morelock, trained in music performance at the University of Michigan, has studied in Vienna, New York and Aspen. He joined the Schoolcraft faculty in 1967. Under his tutelage, 50 Schoolcraft students have transferred to U-M.

He also has taught scores of piano teachers through the piano teachers certification program. Pioneered at Schoolcraft in 1972, this program is the largest of its kind in any college music department or music school in Michigan, the administration says. Morelock is assisted by adjunct instructors Jean Candlish and Linda Wotring.

TWICE MORELOCK has been awarded the title of "teacher of the year" in 1981-2 by the Livonia Piano Teachers Forum and last year by the Michigan Music Teachers Association.

In the last two years, 12 students from his preparatory program in piano were invited to the Interlochen Summer Music All-State program for outstanding junior high and high school students. Morelock himself taught at Interlochen last summer.

He started Schoolcraft's college preparatory program for piano in 1976. It now has 80 students, largest in the state. Most students meet for 60 minutes of group work and 30 minutes of private lessons for 36 weeks. "It was a grass-roots project. We had tremendous community response," he said.

Morelock ran off a list of former Schoolcraft students who have earned musical honors.

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S'craft music department is now a showcase

By Ann Laura Shaw
 special writer

SCHOOLCRAFT College's music department has become a showcase of tradition and talent. Former students now play in metropolitan symphony orchestras.

And the college administration intends to keep it that way. Even with a statewide emphasis on high technology, Schoolcraft is moving to strengthen its fine arts offerings. Enrollments in the community college are climbing.

"We have been committed to retraining in technical areas," said Dr. Conway Jeffress, vice president for instruction. "Our recent emphasis on retraining, on equipment and on technology have brought us to a revitalized and current technical stage."

"Now we are shifting our resource emphasis, including improving and expanding the music program," Jeffress pointed to physical renovations, including practice rooms, performance areas and new educational programs.

A PROMINENT music faculty member gives Jeffress and President Richard McDowell high marks.

"The present administration is attentive and supportive," said Dr. Bradley Bloom, music instructor since 1968. Bloom directs the Schoolcraft College Choir, the Madrigal Singers and a vocal jazz ensemble called ScoolJazz.

Known statewide, Bloom conducts for the Ann Arbor Civic Theater and is music director of the Ann Arbor Cantata Singers. Last March he conducted Benjamin Britten's "War Requiem," with choral groups and the Grand Rapids Symphony Orchestra, in both Grand Rapids and Detroit.

Bloom plans to "continue the standards and high quality of this department - to serve not only those interested in furthering their musical avocation."

"THE NATURE" and path of the music department have been well rounded," said Larry Ordowski, assistant dean of liberal arts. "We have reviewed our goals and are making a strong commitment to the liberal and fine arts."



Donald Morelock is known statewide as a Schoolcraft College faculty member, developer of new programs and piano performer.

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TAKING ITS commuter-college role seriously, Schoolcraft's music department looks for ways to serve "non-traditional" students.

"We had to add new programs in a while," said Midge Ellis, coordinator of special events. "We asked ourselves if we were meeting the needs of area high-school students."

Pointing to the decline in some high-school music programs, Ellis said the faculty visited schools to see if the college could fill voids. "They concluded they could provide programs not available to precocious musicians."

This winter, the college offers high school students six programs which they may either audit or take for college credit: Symposium-Instrumental I and II, High School Honors Concert Band, History of Jazz, High School Honors Jazz Ensemble, Techniques of Jazz Improvisation and Piano Instruction.

A new offering, Choral Conducting Certification, is designed for conductors of school, church and civic choruses.

The music department formed a student advisory committee, composed of high school and college musicians and faculty. The committee examines potential courses and projects in order to attract the best musicians for classes, workshops and private lessons.

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To the editor:
I wish to respond to a letter written to the Plymouth Observer on Nov. 15 by Patricia Mistak of Plymouth concerning the delay she experienced at Sheldon Road at approximately 10:55 a.m., when a train blocked the road crossing.

First, I am sorry that Mrs. Mistak, as well as other citizens, were

delayed on Sheldon Road on that date but the reason for the problem was a mechanical failure within the train on rail car RTTX 903829, which was caused by the air brakes being inoperative.

This train had three diesel locomotive units with 94 loads, and started to pull at 11 a.m. but then

the air brake trouble developed on RTTX 903829 and it was impossible to move the train until the problem was corrected.

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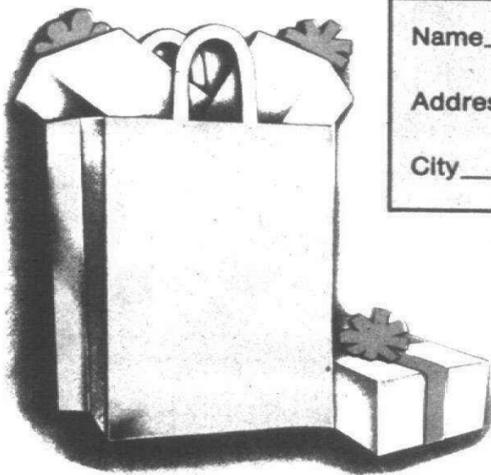
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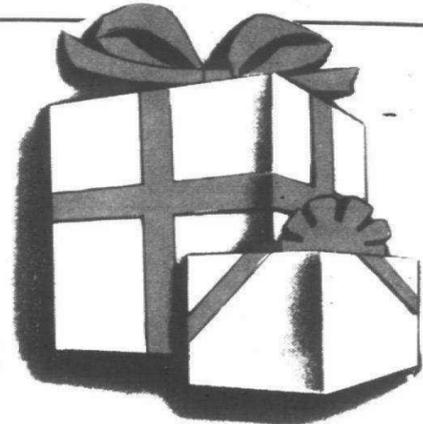


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Salem puts an end to Pats super year

By Brad Emons
staff writer

One season ended sadly, while another continued happily Tuesday night.

Plymouth Salem, using a 14-point spurt in the third quarter, advanced to tonight's regional girls basketball final against Trenton with 54-37 win over Livonia Franklin, Observerland's surprise team of 1984.

The Rocks, who'll remain on their home floor for the championship game, beat the Patriots with a precision-like attack, getting solid contributions from all five starters.

Dena Head, a 5-foot-10 freshman, did the bulk of the damage against Franklin, scoring 20 points, including 9 in the decisive third period.

Leading by only 3 early in the third quarter, Salem's defense began to jell

and the Patriots went stone cold. During a five-minute stretch, Head scored 6 points with Mary Beth Weast and Fran Whittaker getting 4 each to make it 36-19.

Although Franklin made a run near the end of the third quarter, cutting the margin to 12, 39-27, the damage had been done.

"WE PLAYED as good a game as we can play," said Salem coach Fred Thomann, whose team upped its record to 20-4. "Franklin comes at you with hard pressure. They're quick and they run a lot of different traps at you.

"We were able to flow pretty good tonight, and we took care of the ball as well as we have all season."

Franklin, whose tallest starter is 5-6, could not deal underneath against Head.

"She (Head) hurt us inside," said Franklin coach Tim Newman, whose team bowed out with a 17-5 record. "She did a nice job. We didn't want her to hurt us like she did."

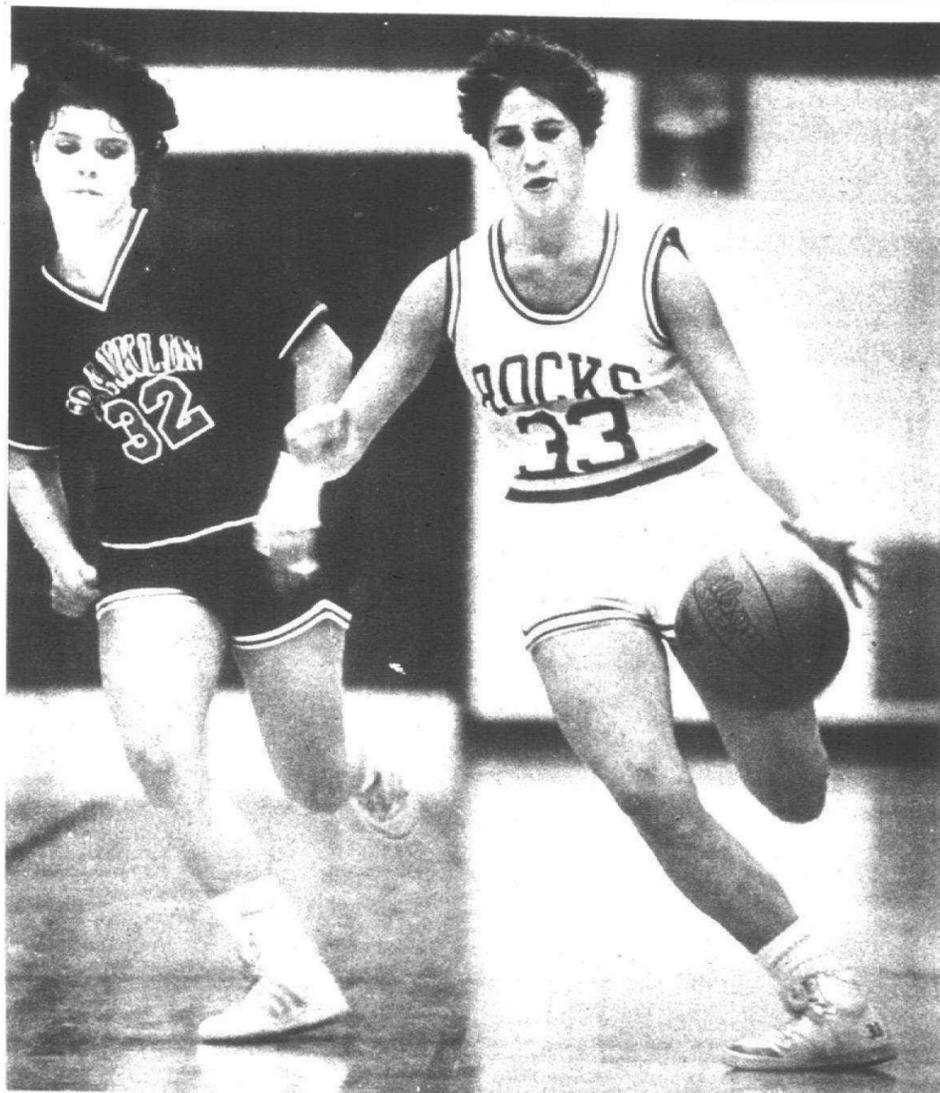
The freshman wasn't the only player to hurt Franklin. Weast finished with 15 points and Whittaker added 11. Guard Reggie Rojas contributed 6 points and forward Kendra Hostynski hauled down 9 rebounds.

"The growth of this team is starting to take hold," Thomann said. "We're doing a good job with the little things to help us win."

"Offensively the key was dealing with their pressure. Tonight we looked inside better than we have all season."

FRANKLIN, meanwhile, had trouble

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BILL BRESLER/staff photographer

Salem senior Fran Whittaker (33) drives by Franklin's Kris Lovich in the Rocks' regional semifinal win Tuesday. Whittaker scored 11 points.

Impressive Salem victory sets stage for fierce rivalry in finals

By Chris McCosky
staff writer

Trenton vs. Plymouth Salem. The rivalry that wouldn't die.

Many prep sports fans were saddened three years ago when the old Suburban 8 League folded and Salem joined Western Lakes.

Why? Because, they figured that would put an end to the often-bitter, always-intense Trenton-Salem rivalry.

They had no way of knowing at the time that the rivalry would continue thanks to girls basketball.

There is a significant difference between the old rivalry and the new one. The stakes have gone up. Instead of playing for the Sub 8 title, the Rocks and the Trojans seem to play for a

state Class A regional championship every year.

LAST YEAR, the Rocks whipped Trenton 43-29 and advanced to the state quarterfinals.

This year, Salem, by virtue of its 54-37 drubbing of Livonia Franklin Tuesday, will host Trenton tonight at 7:30. Trenton rolled over Romulus Tuesday.

So, here we go again.

"We're really looking forward to playing Salem again," said successful Trenton coach John Biedenbach. "They beat us in the regional finals last year. I guess we could use the revenge factor to our advantage."

Biedenbach has done an amazing job with his team. At the start of the season, he had but eight players on his

roster. They struggled at first and then began to hit stride. The Trojans are at their peak right now. They are 19-5 and possess one of the finest backcourt tandems around.

Debbie Gibaratz made several all-state teams a year ago and has starred for Trenton since her sophomore year. Her backcourt mate is junior Michele Snider who is both quick with the ball and aggressive without it.

SALEM COACH Fred Thomann is aware of Trenton's backcourt.

"Trenton has a tremendous backcourt and we're going to have to be prepared for that," he said. "But, we played against Tracy Lectka (Franklin)

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Readers reply to pin coverage: Rather bowl than read about it

POLLS ARE THE PULSE of the public. Two weeks ago I wouldn't have said that, but that was before the public agreed with me.

That isn't to say there was a consensus on what mankind's favorite sport is, a question I asked in my column two weeks ago. But, after carefully analyzing, scrutinizing and categorizing responses, some startling insights into our readership became evident:

- A majority cannot count to 25, which was the maximum number of words to be written on the subject.

- A lot more people wasted a stamp to mail in their replies than I anticipated. I thought at least a few readers would drop their answers off and try to collect a stamp from me.

- Bowling isn't anybody's favorite sport.

There are different interpretations to the poll responses. Some say responsible bowlers would rather roll a few lines than waste time writing one to me. Others insist bowlers believe in direct action. I'm not sure what that means, and I'm not sure I want to find out.

Still a third opinion is that the poll proved one of two things: either bowlers don't read my column, or bowlers really can't read.

But it was my poll so I'll interpret it any way I want. And I say people don't like to read bowling results. Of the responses I received, only one supported bowling, and he was not unhappy with our coverage.

But enough of what I think. Here's what the readers say (due to space consideration, some letters are excerpted).

Dear C.J.,
On this Thanksgiving Day we have much to be thankful for. Not the least is that we don't have to read about bowling.

William Henry

Couldn't put it better myself

Dear C.J.,
Ernest Hemingway said that there are two sports: mountain climbing and auto racing. The rest are games. Therefore, my favorite sport is auto racing.

Douglas Wellgart

Wow, what better authority is there than Hemingway? He's the guy who wrote for Sports Illustrated, isn't he?

Dear C.J.,
There is too much emphasis on sports. My favorite to watch is football (pro) and baseball (I will do book and office work at the same time). For participation, it's bowling and softball.

Bowling is a great sport and requires skill and practice for perfection. Most sports can be used as an exercise or social recreation, depending on various leagues. Don't run down bowling, comparing it with football and baseball, and I won't



C.J. Risak

run down the Observer & Eccentric comparing it to the News and Free Press.

Al Winkel

I assume that means you agree with me, Al. The point I was trying to make wasn't that people don't bowl. Rather, it was that because people like to bowl doesn't mean they want to read about it.

Dear C.J.,
Great column (Nov. 22). I don't mind bowling once each year. Generally on New Year's Eve, when I can't get a date. If you must, put bowling in the classified section. I don't read that.

Big Bill

I feel nothing but sympathy for anyone who spends New Year's Eve in a bowling alley.

Dear C.J.,
What is mankind's favorite sport? The one in which he is not proficient.

It is the one in which the participant's sweat — that proves it is difficult, and only the most fit can participate (this leaves out most of mankind).

It is one which has very complicated rules or which requires very short time spans in which to accomplish it. Mankind can only be expected to understand those rules, not to be able to play and understand at the same time.

It is not bowling — that is a social event. No real sport gives the participant two chances every time he is up to achieve the game's real goal, and then allows him to sit down and socialize until it is his turn again.

Please don't print bowling scores. Keep up the coverage of track and field, soccer, swimming — and baseball and football if you must.

Mary Howarth

I agree that there's very little exercise in bowling, unless you want to call lifting beer-weighted glasses exercise.

Dear C.J.,
I don't care a twit about bowling. What I want is more coverage of tiddly winks. Anyone who hasn't winked a tiddly hasn't lived.

Snidely Tweedle

Tiddly winks — that sounds ominous. I think it could be worse than bowling.

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A PLYMOUTH HIGH SCHOOL FLASHBACK

The first week of May, 1975 saw the Plymouth Salem Rocks record 2 key baseball wins. The first, a 7-6 nonleague victory over Ypsilanti featured a fine hitting and pitching performance by John DenHouter, Chuck Thomas picked up the save. Charlie Johnson, Dave Pierce, Brian Wolcott and Tim Dillon all delivered key run-scoring base hits. Against Belleville later in the week, Tom Willette pitched the first 5 innings allowing just one hit while striking out 12 in a 10-0 Salem bombardment. Hitting heroes included Dan Moore, Doug Tripp and Howard Inch. The Rocks took a 5-2 league mark into Tuesday showdown with Redford Union.

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Veteran Rock coach eyes retirement

By Chris McCosky Staff writer

ONE COACH is making a fresh start and the other, after 21 seasons, is seriously contemplating his retirement.

That's what's new on the prep wrestling scene around the Centennial Educational Park going into this season. Rick Menoch is the new head man at Plymouth Canton. He replaces Dan Chrenko, the man who literally built the Canton wrestling program from square one. In 11 years, Chrenko rolled up a 66-38-4 mark, 63-39-4 since 1975.

But Menoch is no stranger to high school wrestling. He was the head man at Birmingham Seaholm for seven years before becoming a counselor at Central Middle School in 1977.

During his stint at Seaholm, Menoch led the Maples to two Southeastern Michigan Association second place finishes.

Ron Krueger, the only wrestling coach at Plymouth Salem has ever had, is talking about retiring. It's nothing official yet, but he's giving it some serious thought. He did submit a letter of resignation last year, along with Chrenko, but he changed his mind and agreed to coach at least one more year.

"How long did I tell you I've been coaching?" (21 years all told) "That's a long time," he said. "Most people get to spend Christmas with their families. I spend it watching Temp and Bedford and people like that wrestle."

But retirement thoughts haven't dampened his zest for coaching. In fact, they have spurred him on more.

"If this does turn out to be my last year, and I'm not saying it is, I'd like to go out on a winning note," he said. Chances are good Salem could repeat as Western Lakes champions this season, although Krueger thinks it will be a tough task. Chances are also good that Canton will be in the thick of the

wrestling

league title chase. Here's a look at the two teams.

PLYMOUTH CANTON

The Rocks, a very young club a year ago, started slowly and came on like a tidal wave from midseason on to capture the league meet in stunning fashion.

Krueger says look for much the same this year. "We've got a lot of kids hurt right now, and we're still young," he said. "Right now, I don't think we are as tough as we want to be. But, by the end, we could be alright."

The Rocks will be led this year by the Dameron brothers, Dennis, as a freshman last year, was one of the area's best lightweights. He will again wrestle in the 98-pound class.

Brother Dave, a national AAU champion last summer, will wrestle at 126 pounds in this his junior year. Krueger is hoping for big things from Dave.

"I don't want to say that he is a potential state champion or anything right now. That's not fair. There are a lot of kids in his weight class who are good and who have beaten him before. Dave is going to have to work for everything he gets. Nobody hands you anything," Krueger said.

Andy Ward, a returning senior, will be very strong at 145. Eric Retting, another experienced senior, will either go at 155 or 167.

Seniors Keith Kwasy and Greg Woodcock, both seniors are hampered son, although Krueger thinks it will be a tough task. Chances are also good that Canton will be in the thick of the

the 138 job. Bill Morely, Mike Wilson and Frank Blair. The trio gives the Rocks a great deal of scoring power at that weight, regardless who emerges as No. 1.

Other seniors vying for starting spots are Ken Freeman at 112 and Marc Cygan at heavyweight.

Juniors Jamie Woodchuck (185) and Brian Johnson (198), both experienced and talented, will give the Rocks power in the heavier weights.

Juniors Brain Wieble and Kirk Reritz currently out with a knee injury are fighting for the 132 position and Kevin Freeman will most likely hold fort at 119.

Sophomore Tim Ott appears to have won a spot at 105. "We're more or less going to be like last year," Krueger said. "We won the league with overall team depth."

"We've set some goals and they will only be accomplished through hard work. We would like very much to get back into the top 10 in the state. Last year we got bumped out. We don't want to stay away too long or else it'll be too hard to get back into the top 10."

Salem opens its season tonight at Walled Lake Central.

PLYMOUTH CANTON You can get a good indication of a program's success by the number of kids that tryout.

Menoch has 46 kids on his roster: 13 seniors, 11 juniors, and 12 sophomores. "The interest is definitely there," he said. "We should be very competitive in the league."

Menoch said that, thanks in part to the help of Chrenko, the coaching change has not been a problem. "It's gone real nice. Out of all the kids that came out, we only lost four last year. The seniors and juniors have taken control of the team. The transition has been smooth mainly

because of the team's overall inexperience. "We have a lot of beginning wrestlers," he said. "We are going to have to go with two or three beginners, and they just won't have the techniques down."

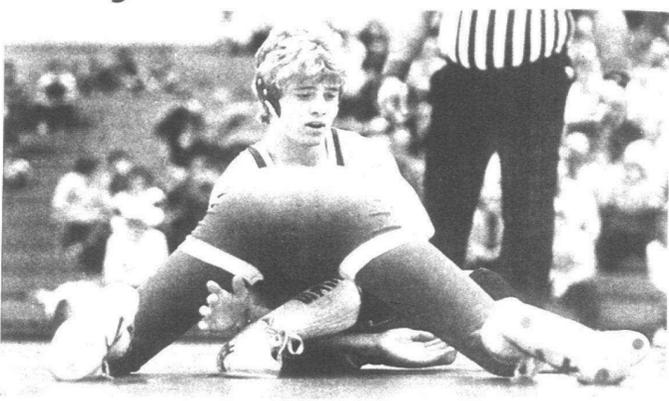
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DAVE DAMERON, a national AAU wrestling champion this summer, will be counted on to score heavily for the Rocks this season.

because Dan has been there to help out."

The talent is there too for the Chiefs, led by senior co-captains Jim Malson and Scott Tasker. Malson, an All-Area performer a year ago, should again be the dominant big man in the area. Tasker came on strong to bolster Canton at 155.

With Tasker, seniors Todd Cherry (167), Mike Graczyk (185), Ernie Krumm (198) and Malson, Menoch feels his team will be very tough in the heavier weights.

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Cold weather heats up keglers

It long has been a tradition that bowling scores soar with the coming of cold weather.

This was proven during the past week and with it came the claim of Wonderland Lanes that it is the highest-scoring house in the area.

The proof came when two perfect games were bowled along with two 700 series to bring to 57 the total of 700 series so far and the season is only at the halfway point.

Dr. Mary Gans has clarified the issue, saying what he meant was that there were doubters regarding sending the team to the NJCAA tournament after it had failed to win a match there last year. Gans added that the Schoolcraft Athletic Committee has been fully supportive in making women's soccer a varsity sport at Schoolcraft.

WONDERLAND: Fred Ringrose and Tom Highley were inducted into the 700 club when Fred posted a 707 series in the Classic and Tom came in with a 704 in the Fisher Bowl League. The perfect games were the work of Tony Clifton in the Classic and John Langley. On the women's side, Debby Hanson posted a 620 and Sally Wolfe had a 643.

MERRI-BOWL: Craig Sankowski missed being inducted into the 700 club by nine pins when he recorded a 691 in the men's doubles. In the ladies doubles, Deb Shirley set the pace with 642, one pin more than Jan Elliott.

WOODLAND: Randy Smith earned a place in the 700 club with a 289 game in a 718 series. In the ladies competition, Carol Sturgis had a 244 for high single game.

GARDEN LANES: Bob Crawford earned the spotlight for the week when he linked games of 249, 257 and 209 for 715 in the Vinco league. His nearest rival was Brad Lackey with a 668. In the St. John Bowcoo loop, Dick Pilar was high with a 174 single game.

BEL-AIRE: Janene Lemieux had the ladies high single game with 244.

SUPER BOWL: Scores hit a new high

for the season when three new members were admitted to the 700 club. Dick Cockerill, who carries a 192 average, had a perfect middle game in a 723. Rick Stoneburner was next in line with 719 and Chris Tille had a 701.

WESTLAND BOWL: In the Tricity men's league, Bob Schmidt used a 269 middle game to reach a 724 series. Mickey Cowetzka opened with a 268 on the way to a 672 series. In the Wednesday men's league, Jim Bugeja set the pace with a 244 in 678.

TRICITY: Carol Smith ended her fine career with 13 points to lead the Patriots. Two other senior starters, Kris Lovich and Jill Phillips, added 9 and 7, respectively.

"We knew we had to take away their transition and not let Smith and Phillips start cooking on us," Thomann said. "And we did a pretty good job on (Tracy) Letcka (5 points), too. That was a big factor."

Newman, who has brought the Patriots two league co-championships and its first district crown ever in three years, was crushed by the loss. "I'm going to miss them already," he said. "I've been with them for three years and they've gone from a mediocre team to a good team. I liked coaching them because they're good kids. They did whatever I asked."

Thomann, meanwhile, hopes his team can repeat its performance again tonight.

Salem simply because the Rocks' defense shut down the passing lanes and forced Franklin to dribble the ball upcourt.

The Patriots were unable to score largely because Salem's defense shut down their big guns, Carolyn Smith, Tracy Letcka and Jill Phillips.

And the Rocks ran their offense as well as ever and they shot the same way (23 of 47 from the floor).

The scorebook will show that freshman Dena Head scored 20 points and Mary Beth West scored 15. And both were outstanding. But, what won't show up is the fine performance of Kendra Hostynski and especially Fran Whittaker.

Hostynski was a force inside. She pulled down 9 rebounds on the night completely out-muscled Franklin's Phillips.

Whittaker did a bit of everything. She scored (11 points), she played defensive-defense on Smith, she made 5 steals, she rebounded well and she made several key assists.

It was Whittaker who triggered Salem's 14-point run in the third quarter. She hit head twice on pretty passes inside for scores. She forced one turnover and made a steal for another — both leading to Salem scores — and chipped in 4 points.

But, Trenton isn't the only team riding a crest. Salem is playing its best basketball of the season as well.

Ask Franklin. The Patriots were completely unable to run their vaunted fastbreak

and did a nice job on her. We played against Beth Frigge (Canton) and I thought we did a nice job. So, we've had to play against some outstanding guards."

What worries Thomann at least as much as Trenton's backcourt, is the point production they get from their front court people.

Thomann sat and watched Trenton's Brenda McNeil, a 5-9 forward, score 21 against Romulus. Trenton also has a 5-7 senior named Mary Ann Carmichael who can fill it up from long range.

"What really impresses me about Trenton is that their big people shoot so well from the perimeter. That really causes problems for your defense because Gibratz is a penetrator and if you come over to help out on her, she dumps the ball off. If you don't help out, she scores the layup," Thomann said.

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Correction

In C.J. Risak's column, which appeared in last Thursday's edition of the Observer, he wrote that there were doubters regarding the forming of a varsity women's soccer team at Schoolcraft College.

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Gans added that the Schoolcraft Athletic Committee has been fully supportive in making women's soccer a varsity sport at Schoolcraft.

We regret any misinterpretations.

By the way, thanks for asking and I do enjoy O&E coverage of sports. How about another page? W.E. McMin, DDS

Thanks for the plug, Doc. We could use an extra page — some extra help, too. But then who could it?

Nobly written. I can't find fault with any of the sentiment expressed. Besides, I know better than to argue with the Brother Rice cross country coach.

The favorite sport of mankind is track! I'm fed up with balls — baseballs, footballs, basketballs, and especially bowling balls.

Doesn't running circles around a track get a bit tiresome, too?

Soccer (is mankind's favorite sport) — evidence of the 1.4 million U.S. fans who attended the Olympic matches this past summer, more than most other sports combined.

Yes, but in California they'll turn out for anything. I enjoy soccer, and there's no doubt it is growing quickly as a participant's sport. But, despite those crowds, it hasn't proved to be a steady draw in the U.S.

Mankind's favorite sport? That's easy — soccer. Not surprising either, since it combines the best of athletics with reasonable cost and convenience on a worldwide basis.

On the contrary, the response you've sent is exactly what I was searching for. Thank you.

I say that 99.9 percent of the nation's sports fans swim. Mankind's favorite sport is swimming. I could go on and tell you why, but you requested a short reply.

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Salem boys swimmers set win streaks on line again

By Chris McCosky Staff writer

THE PLYMOUTH SALEM boys swim team has never lost a Western Lakes dual meet, Western Lakes relay meet or a Western Lakes league meet.

But they did lose Scott Anderson, Erik Kleinsmith, Bob Bowling, Dave Workman and Chuck Bowdy to graduation last year. And those losses make Rock coach Chuck Olson wonder how long he can keep those streaks intact.

"I don't know if we can hold our record of unbeaten streaks," Olson said. Olson is entering his 12th season

as Salem's boys coach. "Livonia Stevenson is awfully good. It will be very difficult for us."

Don't get the wrong idea. Olson isn't throwing in the towel. Far from it. He's got a very solid bunch of swimmers returning.

You know, we were rated below Livonia Stevenson at the beginning of last year, too. We've got the bodies out, and we're working hard. We might be able to hang in there."

EXPECTED TO score heavily for the Rocks this season are senior tri-captains Jim Burns (freestyle and backstroke), Mike Harwood (individual medley and backstroke) and Greg

Wolff (freestyle, butterfly). Harwood and Wolff were state qualifiers a year ago.

Senior Jon Cain (freestyle) and Don Harwood (backstroke, IM), state qualifiers last year, also will have to help pick up the slack for the heavy graduation losses.

Olson is looking for big things from seniors Bill Mathews, Jim Hayes and diver Jay Schmidt.

"We have a real nice group of juniors," And they include Tony Atwell, Jamie Dunn, Eric Gachenback, Mark South, Paul South and Rick Chubb (backstroke), Mike Harwood (individual medley and backstroke) and Greg

"We're not going to be too bad. We've got 34 bodies out, and we're starting to come around. We don't have any year-round swimmers. We won't know exactly where we're at until after Christmas."

The Rocks open at home tonight against Ypsilanti.

It's a good news-bad news situation in the Canton pool this season. The bad news is that only 19 kids came out. Among those that stayed away were three frontline swimmers and a diver.

The good news is that 13 of the 19

are promising sophomores. "We won't be a great team," coach Hooker Wellman said. "We have some decent swimmers in each event. We're real young, but there isn't any real pressure on us. We're just building a program."

Captains Jim Casler and John Ahrens, both seniors, will play a dual role for the Chiefs. They will be counted on to score heavily and also provide leadership to the large group of sophomores.

Andy Flower, a junior, was the second-best diver in the Western Lakes a year ago and should be among the leaders this year.

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Who will it be? Western Lakes basketball outlook a tossup

By Brad Emmons and Chris McCosky staff writers

The second year of the Western Lakes Activities Association (WLAA) boys basketball playoffs produced a surprise winner: Plymouth Canton and a surprise finalist, Livonia Churchill.

Plymouth Salem, the team with the best overall record last year in the two-division set-up, was knocked off by both teams — Canton during the regular season and Churchill in the playoffs. So it was no fluke to see those two teams in the finals.

The team with the best overall talent last season, Livonia Stevenson, never got it together. The Spartans are big and have experience again, but whether they come to play every night is another story.

Stevenson should be battling it out with Walled Lake Central and Salem for the Lakes Division crown, while the Western Division appears to be a toss-up between Canton and Farmington Harrison. But don't count out Northville, Churchill, Walled Lake Western. Those teams cannot be far behind.

Here is a pre-season look at the Oberverland schools in the WLAA.

dash to the WLAA playoff final before losing to Canton.

Four starters are John Graczyk, Steve Juodavskis and Gene, including second and third team All-Oberverland picks, respectively.

"It's a rebuilding year, even though I was the MVP at the league level, there are no dominating players," said Churchill fifth-year coach Don Albertson. "We won't be able to post down by the end of the season. We'll have to play hard and press."

But Hille won't be available for the Chargers' first three games because he has been suspended for school disciplinary reasons.

"What's left are three solid players of the 1984-85 team and a host of promising newcomers."

"We are cautiously optimistic," said head coach Dave Van Wagoner, last year's Oberverland Coach of the Year.

"With only two players with experience back, it may take some time for us to jell. But if we can play up-tempo game and hold our own on the glass, we will be right there battling for the Western Division title."

The other spots are open with JV graduates Andy Oliver and Mickey Katscher, both 6 feet, vying for guard. Other possible starters include first-year leaper Ken Gardner (6-0), junior Kevin Yost (6-1), senior Dave Andrus (6-1), and senior co-captain Mike Scudina (6-2). Also vying for time are Matt Ahearn, Ken Sliwka, Don Olds and Bentley transfer Jason Landry.

PLYMOUTH SALEM

The big news here, obviously, is that Fred Thomann is no longer the head coach.

Thomann resigned after taking the Rocks to a 20-4 season and a district championship last year.

Bob Brodie, a longtime assistant at Salem, will replace Thomann.

Salem, despite heavy graduation losses — notably Erich Hartnett, Rick Berberet and Jeff Arnold — should be as up among the WLAA leaders as usual.

Seniors Mike White (6-0 guard-forward), LeSean Haygood (6-5 post player) and Eric Sovine (5-11 guard) will trigger the Rock attack.

The Rocks are fast. They will run as much as possible. And, like the Salem teams of the past, they will center their game on tough defense.

"We will be competitive in both the division and league race, but I'm also a bit cautious because of our lack of varsity experience," Brodie said.

Newcomers expected to play key roles for Salem are Paul Makara (junior guard), Steve Potoczak (senior forward), Steve Sobditch (senior guard), Mike Hale (sophomore forward), Bryan Waldron (junior guard) and Bryan Karas (sophomore guard).



DAN DEAN/staff photographer

Stevenson's top returnees are Matt Burdiss (far left) and Bob Sluka (far right). The two Spartans, standing 6-foot-4 and 6-foot-6 respectively, should form a formidable front line.

LIVONIA STEVENSON

The Spartans return a good nucleus of players, the top loss being leading scorer Tom Domako, a 6-foot-7 swingman who went on to Montana State.

Veteran coach George Van Wagoner hopes this year's team will play more like a team after last year's disappointing 15-6 overall record.

"We'll have better team play — both offensively and defensively," he said.

The leading returnee is 6-6 senior forward Bob Sluka, the team's top returnee and also averaged 13 points per game en route to second team All-Oberverland honors. Sluka is flanked on the front line by 6-4 senior center Vic Nettie and 6-4 senior forward Matt Burdiss, both showed flashes of promise last year.

The Spartans are pretty well set at guard with the return of seniors Ed Gilbert (6-1), Pete Hudny (5-9) and Pat Williams (6-0).

Depth will be provided by juniors Jim Kimble (6-1), Don Palmisano (6-1), Dan Kraft (6-1), Joe Diglio (5-9), Chip Finerman (6-0) and John Kuffel (5-9).

"We'll run a one- and two-guard front with some pattern offense," said Van Wagoner, now in his 19th season. "We'll break when we can."

"We'll change defenses — use pressure whenever possible."

LIVONIA BENTLEY

Second-year coach Tom Niemi will see out the final basketball team ever to go through the doors of Bentley (the school will close in June).

Although the Bulldogs struggled through the regular season, they caught fire in post-season play, winning the Churchill District by upsetting Stevenson and reaching the regional final before losing to Detroit Henry Ford.

All five starters are gone from last year's 10-13 team, including 6-center Phil Graczyk, who averaged 16 points and 17 rebounds per game. Graczyk is now at Eastern Michigan.

Niemi, however, used 10 people most of the time with the second five all returning. They include seniors Sal Demilio, a 6-3 center, Pat Schneider, a 6-2 center, Brian Bena, a 6-1 swingman, Dennis Patchett, a 6-0 swingman, and Steve Carli, a 5-9 point guard.

"We have a lot of inexperience," Niemi said. "Last year we had a tall team. This year rebounding could be a problem."

Niemi will adjust his style of play somewhat.

"I'll pressure more than in the past," he said. "We can't afford to play half-court basketball because we're not big. We've got to make our opportunities with defense. We'll have to be a scratching, claw-type team. We'll have

FARMINGTON HARRISON

Mike Teachman may have the most improved team in the league.

"The senior leadership is right," the eight-year veteran coach said. "If we come together as a team, we could be in the thick of the race for the Western Division."

The reason for his optimism is simple. Seniors John Miller (6-2 swing man) and Vince Enright (6-4 forward) return along with Mike Dempsey (6-7 senior center) and Ken Hixon (senior guard).

FARMINGTON

The Falcons have struggled in recent years, but there are signs that they may be on the road to respectability.

Coach Richard Roy may floor one of the finest backcourts in the conference. Junior Bruce Kratt and seniors Dwayne Kratt and Bruce Kelsey are quick and strong.

In the front court, Roy has fair size. Senior Matt Lundh is 6-6 and junior Kyle Mutz is 6-4. Add seniors Bill Robinson (6-1), Greg Feenstra (6-1) and Brian Looser (6-2) — all of whom started at one point last year — and you can see that Farmington won't be the push-over it has been of late.

"We have good depth," Roy said, "especially at guard. And we should have fair speed. Our shooting has to get better."

Roy said he figured his team to finish in the middle of the WLAA pack.

Cage season unfolds Friday

Although there's still one week left in the girls basketball season, the boys campaign kicks off Friday night with a full slate of games.

Among the featured attractions in and around Oberverland are North Farmington at Farmington, Livonia Franklin at Plymouth Canton, Farmington at Redford Union and Clarkston at Redford Catholic Central. (See The Week Ahead for other games.)

Livonia Bentley, meanwhile, may have the toughest season opener. The Bulldogs travel Friday to meet Dearborn Heights Robichaud, picked by many to win the state Class B championship.

Robichaud, 13-10 a year ago, returns four starters, including All-State candidate Jarvis Walker, a 6-foot-2 forward.

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LIVONIA STEVENSON

The Spartans return a good nucleus of players, the top loss being leading scorer Tom Domako, a 6-foot-7 swingman who went on to Montana State.

Veteran coach George Van Wagoner hopes this year's team will play more like a team after last year's disappointing 15-6 overall record.

"We'll have better team play — both offensively and defensively," he said.

The leading returnee is 6-6 senior forward Bob Sluka, the team's top returnee and also averaged 13 points per game en route to second team All-Oberverland honors. Sluka is flanked on the front line by 6-4 senior center Vic Nettie and 6-4 senior forward Matt Burdiss, both showed flashes of promise last year.

The Spartans are pretty well set at guard with the return of seniors Ed Gilbert (6-1), Pete Hudny (5-9) and Pat Williams (6-0).

Depth will be provided by juniors Jim Kimble (6-1), Don Palmisano (6-1), Dan Kraft (6-1), Joe Diglio (5-9), Chip Finerman (6-0) and John Kuffel (5-9).

"We'll run a one- and two-guard front with some pattern offense," said Van Wagoner, now in his 19th season. "We'll break when we can."

"We'll change defenses — use pressure whenever possible."

Clough eyes better days

Paul Clough is going to slow things down this season for the Livonia Clarenceville boys basketball team.

The third-year coach lost 6-foot-4 forward Tim Spencer, the team's leading scorer and rebounder of the last two years to graduation, and doesn't have much size.

"We're going to be a bit more deliberate on offense," he said. "We'll run wherever possible, but when not possible, which could be often, as small as we are, we want to run a very deliberate half-court offense looking for the best shots."

Although Detroit Country Day, Detroit Lutheran West and Mount Clemens Lutheran North will be tough to beat in the 8-team Metro Conference, Clough says his team can battle Lutheran East and Hamtramck for a first division spot.

"Cranbrook is new in the conference this

PLYMOUTH SALEM

The big news here, obviously, is that Fred Thomann is no longer the head coach.

Thomann resigned after taking the Rocks to a 20-4 season and a district championship last year.

Bob Brodie, a longtime assistant at Salem, will replace Thomann.

Salem, despite heavy graduation losses — notably Erich Hartnett, Rick Berberet and Jeff Arnold — should be as up among the WLAA leaders as usual.

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LIVONIA BENTLEY

Second-year coach Tom Niemi will see out the final basketball team ever to go through the doors of Bentley (the school will close in June).

Although the Bulldogs struggled through the regular season, they caught fire in post-season play, winning the Churchill District by upsetting Stevenson and reaching the regional final before losing to Detroit Henry Ford.

All five starters are gone from last year's 10-13 team, including 6-center Phil Graczyk, who averaged 16 points and 17 rebounds per game. Graczyk is now at Eastern Michigan.

Niemi, however, used 10 people most of the time with the second five all returning. They include seniors Sal Demilio, a 6-3 center, Pat Schneider, a 6-2 center, Brian Bena, a 6-1 swingman, Dennis Patchett, a 6-0 swingman, and Steve Carli, a 5-9 point guard.

"We have a lot of inexperience," Niemi said. "Last year we had a tall team. This year rebounding could be a problem."

Niemi will adjust his style of play somewhat.

"I'll pressure more than in the past," he said. "We can't afford to play half-court basketball because we're not big. We've got to make our opportunities with defense. We'll have to be a scratching, claw-type team. We'll have

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swimming rankings

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200-yard Medley Relay	1:50.6	1:50.6	1:50.6	1:50.6
100 Freestyle	1:59.9	1:59.9	1:59.9	1:59.9
500 Freestyle	5:02.8	5:02.8	5:02.8	5:02.8
100 Backstroke	1:59.98	1:59.98	1:59.98	1:59.98
400 Freestyle Relay	3:40.56	3:40.56	3:40.56	3:40.56
100 Butterfly	2:19.9	2:19.9	2:19.9	2:19.9

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2. 1979 Datsun 2DR	VIN No. HN10030416
3. 1982 Chev. 4DR	VIN No. 2G1AW19X3C1422600

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for proposed expansion of present professional office use as a Chiropractic Clinic at 1181 S. Main Street, located in Commercial Redevelopment District III. (A complete legal description of the property is available in the City Clerk's office.)

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Section 1. Amendment to ordinance No. 83-5 as follows:

Section 1. Definitions

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Section 3. Boundaries of Development Area

The boundaries of Development Area No. 1 as set forth in the Development Plan, with the addition of those properties listed below and referenced to Exhibit A, Map Number 1 - Boundary Map - Downtown Development Authority District:

Lot 759	743 Wing
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Section 2. This ordinance shall become operative and effective on the 7th day of December, A.D. 1984.

Made, passed and adopted by the City Commission of the City of Plymouth, Michigan, this 3rd day of December, A.D. 1984.

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Spartans No. 2 in state pool

By Brad Emmons staff writer

Finishing second isn't so bad after all, according to Livonia Stevenson girls swim coach Lois McDonald.

Despite being ranked No. 1 throughout the year, the Spartans knew going into last weekend's Class A state meet in East Lansing (MSU's McCaffree Pool) that staying on top would be tough.

As it turned out, Bloomfield Hills Andover repeated as state champs with 159 points. Stevenson was second with 136 and Ann Arbor Pioneer third with 127.

"Andover swam well," said McDonald. "They were inspired when they came in."

SHERRIE SUDEK, a Stevenson junior, enjoyed her best day as a swimmer.

She won the 200-yard individual

medley with a time of 2:08.31. She also finished fourth in the 100 backstroke with a time of 59.98.

"I knew Sherrie had the talent," said McDonald. "But she needs to believe it. In the backstroke she went under a minute for the first time, which was nice."

Sudek joins elite company with former Stevenson state champions Carol Eggers, Linda Hein and Mary Schoenle.

A senior, Schoenle was denied in her quest to repeat a state title, but did pick up a pair of second-place finishes.

In the 100 breaststroke, Andover sophomore Amy Bush overhauled Schoenle for first in 1:06.22. The Spartan standout, who won the event last year, was clocked in 1:06.5. Schoenle was also second to Lansing Everett's

Dyne Burrell in the 100 freestyle with a time of 52.2.

Taormina, meanwhile, was touched out for first place by one-hundredth of a second in the 100 butterfly by Pioneer's Anita Grieson. The respective times were 58.29 and 58.30. The finish had to be reviewed by a panel of meet judges.

"Sheila took it well," said McDonald. "She didn't let it bother her."

ANOTHER OUTSTANDING performance was turned in by freshman Michele McKenzie, who finished sixth in the 200 freestyle (1:57.25) and seventh in the 500 freestyle (5:11.7).

Also for Stevenson, Kathleen Sullivan garnered 10th in the 100 backstroke and Cathy Stafford finished 11th in diving.

Raiders take 6th, Johnson 7th in butterfly

No other North Farmington swim team, boys or girls, has done what the Raiders' 1984 girls swim team did last Saturday.

The Raiders placed sixth at the state Class A swim meet at MSU's McCaffree Pool. It was the highest state finish in Raider swim history.

"We felt we'd be in the top 10 going in," said North coach Pat Duthe. "We wanted to improve on our (ninth place) finish of last year."

Sophomore Jennifer Rowe led the charge by placing in two events. In the 500-yard freestyle, her time of 5:02.85 was third best and also qualifies for All-American honors.

Rowe also set a North record in the 200 freestyle with a 1:57.45, which

placed her No. 7 in the state.

"Jennifer gave us phenomenal efforts in both events," Duthe said. "The farther she has to swim, the faster she gets."

FRESHMAN Cindy Cramer also placed in two events. She was fourth in the state in the 100 breaststroke (1:07.75) and sixth in the 200 individual medley (2:11.76). Her breaststroke time qualifies for All-American consideration.

She also took part in North's sixth place 400 free relay. She joined Marge Cramer, Jill Menellej and Colleen Carey, a senior, placed fifth in the 100 free (54.09) and ninth in the 200 IM 2:12.20.

"Colleen has more character than any athlete I've ever worked with," Duthe said.

Sophomore Marge Cramer took 10th in the 100 free (54.70).

North Farmington, winner of 12 Northwest Suburban League titles in the past 14 years, will join Livonia Stevenson, Plymouth Salem, Plymouth Canton and the rest of the swim-tough Western Lakes Activities Association next year.

OTHER AREA FINISHERS: Farmington's Katie MacIntosh placed ninth

CITY OF PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN

ORDINANCE NO. 84-7

An ordinance to amend ordinance No. 83-2, which established the Downtown Development Authority in the City of Plymouth, Michigan pursuant to Act 197, Public Acts of Michigan, 1975.

THE CITY OF PLYMOUTH ORDAINS:

Section 1. Amendment to ordinance No. 83-2 as follows:

Section 3. Description of Downtown District

Add Section 3.1 The Downtown District, as set forth in Exhibit A, also known as Map Number 1 - Boundary Map - Downtown Development Authority District, is hereby amended by the addition of the following properties:

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Dr. Edmund A. and Anne Marie Masullo
4410 Yakota Dora Drive
Youngstown, Ohio 44451

for property located at 800 Plymouth Road in the City of Plymouth (a complete legal description of the property is available in the City Clerk's office.)

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By Sid Mittra and Dean Colvert special writers

Part IV

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THE NEW TAX law clearly makes January through April the best months

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Sid Mittra

of the year to do your investing. For instance, aggressive syndicators used to take big deductions for interest that had accrued but that would not actually be paid until the underlying mortgage was paid off.

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Sid Mittra is president of Coordinated Financial Planning Inc. in Troy and a professor of economics and management at Oakland University, Rochester.

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business people

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George M. Gurganian of Livonia has been named district manager of the Redford-Detroit office for the National Life & Accident Insurance Co. He has been with the company for 27 years and has served as field supervisor, accountant executive and manager of the Cleveland and Flint, Mich., offices.

John E. Matthews of Redford has been elected to a second term as vice president for membership of the American Society of Plumbing Engineers. Matthews is a mechanical staff consultant with Ellis, Naeyaert, Genheimer Associates Inc. He holds a degree in engineering from the University of Michigan.

John C. Zarzecki, a materials specialist with Soil and Materials Engineers Inc. of Livonia, has been certified a Level III Technician in asphalt, concrete and soils testing by the National Institute for Certification in Engineering Technologies. Zarzecki is the only person to have reached the status of Level III Technician in Michigan since the examination process started in 1981.



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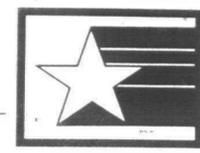
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Campus dining Gourmet meals attract public to college restaurants

By Ethel Simmons staff writer

FLAMING DISHES cooked table-side or lavish buffets with dozens upon dozens of dishes, not to mention ice-sculpture centerpieces, sound like what you'd find in an expensive restaurant.

But these special ways with food may be as close as your local college campus. What's more, the price is likely to be just right, covering only the cost of the food itself.

To enjoy informal dining at prices that bring you back change from a \$5 or \$10 bill, you can have lunch at Le Gastronomique at Schoolcraft College in Livonia or at the Ridgewood Cafe at Oakland Community College's Orchard Ridge Campus in Farmington Hills.

Both colleges have culinary arts departments with programs that offer students a chance to cook and to wait on customers, too. Many area high schools also have dining rooms, where their student chefs serve meals they prepare from their menu order.

BOTH THE Schoolcraft and OOC restaurants are open four days a week, Mondays-Thursdays. Each campus has a buffet that draws a big crowd. Le Gastronomique is open from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mondays-Wednesdays for a carte and tableside service, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Thursdays for the buffet at \$5.95. Ridgewood Cafe hours are 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mondays-Thursdays, with the buffet served Tuesdays or Thursdays about twice a month, on scheduled dates, at \$4.50.

Most of the customers at the two campus restaurants are students or faculty, but both welcome anyone. At Schoolcraft, an insurance building on the corner, as well as Hawthorne Center and Northville Hospital nearby, bring out many diners.

table talk

On a recent Monday, always the lightest day, La Gastronomique was uncrowded. The usual, good service and attention were enhanced in the unhurried atmosphere.

Le Gastronomique, with its own kitchen, is in the Waterman Campus Center, next to the cafeteria, which is served from its own kitchen. The restaurant is in a big, airy (although windowless) room and is comfortable and uncluttered. Walls are decorated with artwork, tables dressed with white tablecloths and flowers.

You almost do a double take when you see the menu. These students tackle some pretty fancy dishes. There are a number of daily specials, which give the cooks ample opportunity to turn out something different with regularity.

BOTH BROILED Choice Sirloin Tenderloin at La Maison are offered with a different special method of preparation each day. The fresh catch varies for Seafood du Jour, and an Omelette du Jour is available.

Chicken Teryaki is the most popular entree on the menu, followed by whatever is being offered for tableside cooking that day.

Soups, sandwiches, salads and desserts from a pastry cart also are served daily.

That Monday, the tableside special was tournedo Madagascare — tenderloin sauteed, then seasoned with sherry, shallots and green peppercorn, and finished with cognac and butter.

Waiter Larry Stone, who is in his second year of the two-year culinary arts program, prepared the meat. He

worked with two spoons to add the right seasonings before flaming the dish.

CHEF KEVIN Gawronski, who manages the "front of the house," dining room operation, watched Stone light a match to the sherry.

"Your flames' higher than mine," he said approvingly. Earlier, Gawronski had demonstrated the art of tableside cooking for another waiter, who watched while other diners were served.

All the students take turns working in the restaurant as host or hostess, with the tableside cart, as bus people and as waiters and waitresses.

"We try to emphasize proper dining room procedure and proper service," Gawronski said. Tableside manner is important.

"They're not used to standing table-side and giving the day's specials." Re-creating these dishes, with all their ingredients and methods of preparation, can be complex.

Very tricky is working with only spoons and forks, never tongs, to prepare and serve the tableside specials.

"The spoons become an extension of your hand for service," Gawronski said, as Stone lifted the tournedo Madagascare from pan to plates.

Schoolcraft's culinary arts department is under the direction of Bob Breithaupt, master chef and assistant dean of culinary arts. Gawronski manages the dining room, while his counterpart in the kitchen is Executive Chef James Van Vuren.

THE CULINARY arts program began in September 1966, and the restau-



Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Sorenson of Garden City watch, along with culinary arts student Joe Schaffer of Livonia, as Chef Kevin Gawronski of West Bloomfield demonstrates how to flame

Tournedo Madagascare, the day's special tenderloin dish the Sorensons ordered at Le Gastronomique.

The typical meal at Le Gastronomique ranges from \$2.95 to \$6. Tips are accepted, and all tips are tax-deductible because they go into a culinary scholarship fund.

ranted opened in September 1982. Le Gastronomique has been successful ever since it first opened. There's usually an hour wait for the Thursday buffet.

"It's very popular," Breithaupt said of the restaurant operation. "It's been a great boost so far as the education part of the program is concerned."

Schoolcraft's culinary arts program "is known as the best in the midwestern United States," Breithaupt said. Students come from at home and away.

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Redford residents Tom Chapman and Mary Zager are costars of 'Enter Laughing'...

'Christmas Carol' is filled with holiday spirit

Performances of the Meadow Brook Theatre production of Charles Dickens' 'A Christmas Carol' continues through Sunday, Dec. 23, on the Oakland University campus near Rochester. For ticket information, call the box office at 377-3300.



Cathie Breidenbach

Like eggnog and mistletoe, Meadow Brook Theatre's re-creation of the metamorphosis of Ebenezer Scrooge from cantankerous skinflint to generous old darling has settled in a welcome holiday tradition.

Laundress (Jayne Houdysell) and Old Joe (Steven Anders), a trio of street folk to be remembered. Meadow Brook's staging is masterful. The street outside Scrooge's window teems with carefully choreographed life as Londoners prepare for Christmas.

lover of the good life who "Ho, ho, ho!" over the stage with actions so cleverly planned they seem more a dance than mere stage movement. Unabashed spectacle is part of the joy in Nolte's re-creation of Dickens' masterpiece.

Thesians give lusty version of 'Habeus Corpus'

Performances of the Farmington Players production of 'Habeus Corpus' by Alan Bennett continue at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 6, 8:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Dec. 7-8, and 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9, at the Farmington Players Barn Theatre.

Director Sharlan Douglas does a great job of characterization, pacing and comic delivery. In addition, the entire cast handles the British accents admirably.

her plight. Finner uses facial expressions and body English to full advantage, and the results are hilarious.

Students rotate in dining room

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book antics and special effects take the place of daring and bravado, even co-star Lois Chiles is the iciest, most impersonal of all Bond heroines.

Avon Players does good job despite difficult play

Performances of the Avon Players production of Milan Stitt's "The Runner Stumbles" continue at 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Dec. 7-8, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9, and 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Dec. 14-15, at the Avon Players Playhouse in Avon, Township.

sees tears as an "affront to God" and says that "thinking is as big a sin as doing." Both of these elements existed and may still, but Stitt's paperboard characters get no sympathy.

reality to be, back then. Sheila Lyle, as the convert to Catholicism, proves what many have always thought: The "best" Catholic is the converted one.

Sometimes written words are more effective than spoken ones.

So it must have been when the Avon Players selected "The Runner Stumbles" for production. True, the playwright, Milan Stitt, is a Michiganard, and the play, which is based on an actual murder trial, does take place in our state, but the message just doesn't translate.

For one thing, it is hard to convey rigid turn-of-the-century Catholicism to the young who have attended grade masses and to those outside the fold.

For another, Stitt's wooden dialogue fails to convey the poignant tension that existed between the "R.C.s" as they were called, and the crude-living townspeople of Salton, Mich. There is no reality, no real or lasting spark of humanity for anyone to recognize or identify with.

THE BOORISH narrow-minded, physically dominated women and their wife-beating husbands, who treat Catholics with disdain and mistrust, are reprehensible. But so it seems, is a religion that

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Computing Time to overcome those terminal fears

To a newcomer, the world of the computer is both fascinating and dizzying, and perhaps a little frightening as well. With strange words like bit and byte, hardware and software, RAM and ROM, to attempt to master the computer can be like learning a new skill in a foreign language.

Many people are deterred from exploring all that a computer can offer — both at home and in the office — because of the unfamiliarity of it all. But their attitudes change when they have an opportunity to sit back and realize that the computer is one of the major technological contributions of the 20th century, making possible space flights, CAT scans and many of the other "miracles" of the past 50 years.

It's awesome, especially when you consider that a chip scarcely larger in size than a fingernail, can hold more than 100 pages of double-spaced manuscript and that a computer that 25 years ago sprawled over a good-sized room, today sits comfortably on a desk-top, with room to spare. And that computer has a myriad of uses in both personal and business applications — from keeping financial records to playing video games.

If YOU'RE thinking about investing in a computer, you will need several pieces of hardware to get maximum use of it. These are:

- The computer itself, the "brains" of the unit, which contains the memory and circuitry necessary to process data, and a keyboard which has many familiar and unfamiliar characters — not only the English alphabet, numbers and necessary punctuation, but keys which facilitate commands.
- Either a disk drive or a tape player, used to take programs and data off the disk or tape on which it is stored, and enter it in the computer's memory. While a disk drive is the more expensive option, it is a far quicker, more efficient piece of equipment than the tape player.

- A monitor, on which to display the information called up, to play video games, and to calculate information. Special monitors are made, both in black and white and color, for use with computers. But a TV can be adapted for the purpose.
- A printer which, though not essential to the running of the computer, expands many of the computer's capabilities. A printer enables the computer user to keep hard copies of programs and data, and makes possible such computer applications as word processing.

DOT MATRIX and letter quality printers are two important types, though others exist to meet specific needs. A dot matrix printer is considerably faster than a letter quality printer and allows the computer user greater freedom by making possible the printing of graphics, as well as a variety of different type styles and sizes. A letter quality printer provides typewriter quality printing, important in business letters and manuscripts.

Another option is a modem which attaches to a telephone or telephone line and allows the computer user to tie into databases, enormous computers which offer a wide range of information and services, including news, electronic mail, home banking, home shopping and electronic bulletin boards for communicating with other computer enthusiasts.

As far as software is concerned, you can create your own programs, storing them on blank discs or tapes (the manual that comes with the computer will start you out on this endeavor), or buy programs made for you specifically.



Gathering around the computer terminal will become more common for the American family in coming years.

Businesses can opt for spreadsheet analysis programs, database mailing lists, programs which provide key business graphics such as bar charts and pie charts, and a myriad of other programs.

Research computer purchases before buying

In a year, maybe two, your home video game will be obsolete. The history books will record 1981 and 1982 as the years of the videogame, rudimentary ancestor of the home computer.

You can walk into a store today, and buy any one of several home computers, for the cost of a videogame console. Using these computers is easy — many of the inexpensive systems accept video-game-style cartridges. Just pop in the cartridge and suddenly you're among the "computer literate." You can create your own programs with these starter computers, but most people simply buy the best programs

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Feliz Navidad San Antonio: grand way to celebrate Christmas

"Feliz Navidad," Merry Christmas. Christmas festivities began in San Antonio Nov. 23 when the Christmas lights were lit high in the cypress trees above the San Antonio River. You can enjoy a candlelit dinner on a barge full of Mariachi singers at any time of year, but from Thanksgiving through Dec. 21 the Christmas carolers will be on the river barges every night.



Iris Jones
contributing travel editor

Christmas shoppers bought handmade crafts from booths along the riverwalk during the Christmas Fair and shopped the Christmas Pilgrimage and Merry Mart at the San Antonio Garden Center last weekend. This weekend the fun and festivities really begin as San Antonio says Merry Christmas to the world with a Spanish accent.



The Fiesta de las Luminarias, the festival of lights, highlights the season Dec. 7-9, and 14-16, when the luminarias — candles glowing in weighted white paper bags — are lit, forming a double necklace of lights on either side of the river. They light the way for the procession of Las Posadas on Sunday evening, Dec. 9.

The procession traditionally begins at La Mansion del Rio, an historic hotel with graceful arched balconies overlooking the riverwalk. Excitement grows along the river as two children dressed as Mary and Joseph come through the flowered doorway of the hotel and move across a humped stone bridge.

Angels cluster behind the mariachi music begins. Local celebrants and travelers, in street clothes up and down the river, light their hand-held candles and follow.

CHRISTMAS LIGHTS twinkle red and green from the bridges and the high trees as the procession makes its glowing passage through the night, stopping several times so that the singers can plead "In the name of heaven, I ask for lodging." Each time lodging is refused until the procession winds uphill to the restored streets of La Villita, where the Holy Family is finally invited to rest.

There is one final song of entreaty, when the children ask for the pinata, then the fun begins. Christmas carols, hot chocolates and cookies. Children swing at the pinata with its treasure of candy. Fun lovers move to nearby hotels and cafes, and back downhill to the eating and drinking places that burn with life along the river.

Las Posadas has been the beginning of the Christmas season for centuries, on the farm and in the city. It is still very much alive in the neighborhoods of San Antonio. Neighbors choose a couple to represent Mary and Joseph and sing their way along a selected route. Candles have replaced the traditional hurricane lamp, the Farolito Po-



Luminarias — candles glowing in paper bags — form a necklace of lights along the Riverwalk in San Antonio. Below is the facade of the Alamo, the mission where the battle of Alamo was fought by 200 Americans against thousands of Mexicans.

sa, but some homes still wear the faroles during yuletide.

Las Posadas is just a public expression of private preparations for nacimiento, "the birth of the child." Nativity scenes appear in homes all over the city. They may be a simple group of figures or a cast of hundreds, ranging from shepherds to Roman soldiers.

On the frontier, these miniature figures were carved by the Santero — maker of saints — and you can still buy handmade Nativity figures at El Mercado, the marketplace in Market Square at Christmastime.

THE MANGER remains empty until Christmas Eve. In the old days grandmothers would light the candles from stubs saved from another year and children would carry the candles in the procession of Acostado del Niño, "the laying of the child," to the local church, where the major religious service of the season begins "at cock's crow."

This midnight mass has always been the ultimate expression of religious devotion, whether simple gathering on the farm or a sophisticated spectacle in a city cathedral.

Christmas day is devoted to food: turkey in a mole sauce of chocolate, sugar and peppers, tamales, special Christmas candies and pinatas for the delight of the children. The pinata was once a cracked pot filled with sweets and hung from a nail so the children could break it with a stick; modern versions are paper animals, but the chil-

dren still whack them with the same enthusiasm.

Few modern children have the pleasure of moving the Wise Men, day by day, from the outer edge of the family pinata to their place beside the man-

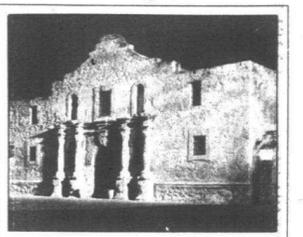
ger, timed to arrive Jan. 6 when Los Pastores begin.

Los Pastores, "the shepherds," is a medieval miracle play brought to the missions more than 400 years ago so that the missionaries could teach the Christmas story to the Indians. It is given public expression now at dusk on Jan. 6 on the grounds of the historic San Jose Mission.

This traditional folklore was not written down until an Italian priest rescued it from obscurity in 1930. Until then it was typically held between the ranch house and the barn, with spectators sitting on fence, wagon or rooftop, and local actors joining them for tamales and tequila between stage parts. If you are very lucky, you might be invited to just such an informal version of Los Pastores today.

San Antonio is a wonderful mixture of folklore and fun during the Christ-

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boys school in 1852, was renovated as a hotel in 1968.

More than 50 percent of the people of San Antonio are Hispanic, so the Spanish accent of the city is real. It enriches the culture of the city as it has done for centuries along the San Antonio River. You can enjoy it at any time of year but there is a very special feeling to this little corner of Texas at Christmas time when religious festivals develop naturally into fiestas. San Antonions are a friendly people, so you will hear the greeting wherever you go.

"Feliz Navidad," Merry Christmas.

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HOLIDAY DISPLAYS
A Victorian Christmas is the theme at the Plymouth Historical Museum, 155 S. Main, Plymouth, through Jan. 6. Surrounding the museum's wonderful old village, circa 1920s, are trees decorated by Plymouth florists, also on display are antique dolls and trains. Exquisite old dolls from 1873, the 1890s and an unusual doll from the 1880s with a waxed head and eyes without pupils are among those exhibited. Along with trains of Standard Gauge, H.O. and O27 gauge, a collection of depots is on display. The Plymouth Historical Museum is open 1-4 p.m. Thursday, Saturday and Sunday. An admission is charged.

LUMINARIES SALE
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Applications for the January Student of the Month may be picked up at the counseling offices at Plymouth Canton High and Plymouth Salem High or at the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education office at 454 S. Harvey. To be considered for the January Student of the Month, applications must be turned in to the counseling office secretary by Dec. 10, 1984.

FALL LEAF PICKUP
City of Plymouth has started its annual pickup of leaves throughout the city. Residents are asked to place their leaves at the curb as soon as possible so they can be picked up.

from our readers

Letters must be original copies and contain the signature and address of the sender. Limit letters to 300 words.

Thanks given for experience

To the editor:
In times like these, when we hear so many negative things about people and "man's inhumanity to man," it is essential to take time to point to the beautiful things which people do for others. Thanksgiving has passed, but the Christmas season continues to be a time to give thanks for the good men do for others.

We especially wish to thank St. John Episcopal Church for welcoming one of our new (to Plymouth) residents into their congregation. When he returned from his first church visit full of smiles, we didn't have to ask if people were nice to him. Soon after, he was invited to attend an evening church social function and again was made to feel very comfortable and wanted. Experiences like these make us feel very warm about the community of Plymouth and the people in this area. Have a wonderful holiday season.

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they can be removed before any accumulation of snow. There is no set schedule when trucks will be in any particular area, but the program will continue until all leaves are picked up, weather permitting.

● GREEK LANGUAGE LESSONS
Adult Greek language lessons are 7-9 p.m. Thursdays at Nativity of the Virgin Mary Greek Orthodox Church, 39851 Five Mile, Plymouth. For more information, contact Debbie Anderson at 420-0131.

● STATUE OF LIBERTY DRIVE
Miller Elementary School is conducting a Kellogg's box-top drive through the end of the school year to raise money for the Statue of Liberty restoration. Kellogg's will contribute money to the Statue of Liberty fund for every box top collected. The drive is open to all contributors. A special box is at the school for the box tops. The school will receive a plaque if they collect 5,000 or more box tops.

● SPECIAL OLYMPICS
Special Olympics, an international program of physical fitness, sport training and athletic competition for mentally impaired children and adults, is being formed in the Plymouth-Canton area. Anyone interested in participating should contact a representative of the Special Education Parent Advisory Committee (SEPAAC) at 455-7684 or 420-0509.

● HELPING ADULTS READ
Plymouth-Canton Community Education can help adults read. For more information about Adult Basic Education (ABE), call 451-6555 or 451-6660. Open enrollment. Students can begin classes at any time.

● NEW HORIZONS
New Horizons, a sharing exchange for mothers, will meet the second and fourth Fridays of each month 9:30-11:30 a.m. at Faith Moravian Community Church, 46901 Warren west of Canton Center Road. For information, call Mary at 455-8221.

The group will meet 9:30-11:30 a.m. Friday, Dec. 14 at the church. Each mother is asked to bring an idea for a toy to share, a gift for their child and cookies to pass. The toy-idea exchange session will be the group's final meeting of the year.

● CRISIS COUNSELING

If you need help in solving a problem or need someone who will listen, counselors at Turning Point Counseling and Crisis Intervention Center can help. Phone counseling is available 6:30-10:30 p.m. Monday-Friday by calling 455-9400 or by appointment from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Turning Point is a non-profit community service of Growth Works Inc. which offers crisis intervention and counseling.

● BEGINNING STRING CLASS

The beginning string class for students grades 4-6 will meet 6:30 p.m. each Tuesday in the music room of Plymouth Salem High. Janita Hawk, string specialist at Madonna College and Ladywood High School, will be teaching the beginner lessons for violin, viola, cello and string bass. Tuition for the group lessons will be \$50 for the 1984-85 school year. Some instruments will be available at a moderate rental fee.

● PRESBYTERIAN THRIFT SHOP

The First Presbyterian Thrift Shop on East Liberty in Old Village, Plymouth, is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursdays. Donations of used clothes and small household appliances are welcomed 9-11 a.m. Tuesdays or 10-4 Thursdays. All proceeds go to missions.

● CITRUS FRUIT SALE

Fresh citrus fruit from Florida will be arriving this month for customers of the annual education fund project of the Plymouth SDA Church School. The fruit, trucked in from Indian River, Fla., is navel or temple oranges or grapefruit. Also sold will be boxes of apples and varieties of nuts and seeds. The fruit will be sold only one day of each month — usually on a Monday. Orders should be made during the first week of each month by calling 981-3423 or 455-4508. These phone numbers can give you information or add your name to the mailing list. The fruit is delivered to Lilley and Ford Road from November 1984 through March 1985.

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● HEARTSAVER COURSE

A CPR heartsaver course will be offered beginning 7 p.m. the second Mon-

day of each month at Oakwood Hospital's Canton Center, 7300 Canton Center Road at Warren. To register, phone 459-7030.

● SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES

Preparatory special education services for children 6 and younger are available through Plymouth-Canton Community Schools. If you have a child who may be mentally or emotionally impaired, have a physical or visual disability, or a hearing or speech impairment or learning disability, call the Infant and Preschool Special Education Program at Farrand Elementary School, 451-8610, for information.

● PLYMOUTH CHILDREN'S NURSERY

Plymouth Children's Nursery has a few openings for 4-year-olds in its Tuesday-Thursday afternoon class. The nursery school is a cooperative preschool for 3- and 4-year-olds located on the corner of Warren and Haggerty roads in Canton. For information, call Pam at 459-7160 or Amy at 459-3235.

● RAINBOW CHILD CARE

The Friendly Rainbow Child Care & Learning Center has openings for children ages 2 1/2 to 12. The center, at 42290 Five Mile at Bradner in Plymouth, provides child care, preschool experiences, drop-in and after school programs. Experiences are varied according to age and ability. For information, call Janet Masori at 420-0495.

● CREATIVE DAY NURSERY

Creative Day Nursery School at 501 W. Main, Northville, has some openings

for children on Mondays, Wednesdays or Fridays. Creative Day is a licensed drama activities, storytime, learning games, and science fun. For information, call 397-3955 or 348-3910.

● GREAT BOOKS

The Adult Great Books discussion group of western Wayne County will meet 8-10 p.m. the first and third Thursday of each month in the Carl Sandburg Branch Library, 30100 Seven Mile (next to Livonia Mall), Livonia. For information and a reading list, call Zo Chisnell at 349-3121.

● WRITERS UNLIMITED

Writers Unlimited, a creative writers' club, meets on the first and third Tuesday of each month at the Canton Public Library. Members read and critique manuscripts; the focus is on getting published. New members are welcome to attend the next meeting or call 420-0604 for more details.

● EMPLOYMENT DYNAMICS

The Growth Works Employment Dynamics Program is enrolling participants through June 1985. Purpose of the program is to help young people find permanent employment. The federally funded program for ages 16-21 offers job search skill training, work experience and job placement assistance. Persons may enroll at Growth Works at 271 S. Main, south of Penniman Avenue in Plymouth.

● BODY STRETCH

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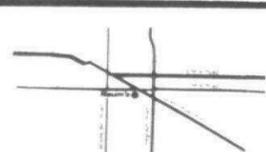
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exhibitions

GALLERY CRAWL

Friday, Dec. 7 — Visit 10 of the finest galleries in downtown Detroit while doing your shopping 5-9 p.m. during the Detroit Council of the Art's third annual winter event. Four galleries have been added to this year's crawl. Art work ranges from \$2 and up. Exhibits include holiday crafts, sculpture, painting and clothing. The crawl, free to the public, begins at the arts council, 47 E. Adams. Parking is available for \$1. To reserve a space, call the DCA office at 224-3691 during regular business hours.

FORD HOUSE HOLIDAY

Dec. 6-8 — Step back in time by attending "Christmas at the Ford House," the special fund-raising effort of University Liggett School. The Edsel and Eleanor Ford House, 1100 Lake Shore Road in Grosse Pointe Shores, will be decorated for the holidays by 16 interior designers and florists. Hours are 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily, 6-9 p.m. on Thursday. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$4 per person for groups of 15 or more (by reservation) and \$3 for students.

PRESTON BURKE GALLERIES

Through December — Now showing vibrantly colored works, "Raku-Sculpture and Potter," by Ed Risak. The gallery is open from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday at 430 W. Larned in Detroit.

HOLIDAY ART FAIR

Dec. 8, 9 — University Artists and Craftsmen Guild is sponsoring their 10th annual Christmas Art Fair, from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Saturday and from noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday at the University of Michigan Coliseum, corner of Fifth Avenue and Hill Street in Ann Arbor. Admission is free, but there is a \$1 charge for parking. Entertainment both days will range from artists' demonstrations to dancers.

GALLERY 22

Thursday, Dec. 6 — New lithographs by French artist Michel Delacrois and American realist George Altman continue through the month. Hours are 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Friday, until 9 p.m. Thursday and until 5 p.m. Saturday, 22 E. Long Lake Road, Bloomfield Hills.

PRESTON BURKE GALLERIES

Raku sculpture and pottery by Ed Risak continues through December. Hours are 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday, 430 Larned, Detroit.

TROY ART GALLERY

Holiday gift exhibit continues through Jan. 12 — functional ceramics as well as works in glass, silk fiber and wood as well as Japanese wood block prints. Hours are 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 755 Big Beaver Road, Troy.

FELDMAN GALLERIES

New modular paintings by Gene Davis are on display through December. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Saturday, until 8 p.m. Thursday, 6917 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield.

OAKLAND COUNTY COMPLEX

Works in glass by Jan Springer and Sallyanne Morris are on display in the Courthouse and in the County Galleria in the Executive Office Building. Watercolors, "Seasons of Change," by Lawrence Falardeau continue through Dec. 20 in the County Galleria. The exhibits are open to the public during regular business hours. 1200 N. Telegraph Road, Pontiac.

OAKLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Annual fall exhibition and sale of the Southeast Campus Arts and Humanities Club will be in the Royal Oak campus auditorium through Saturday, Dec. 15. Robert Berry's work is featured. Hours are 8:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday-Thursday, until 5 p.m. Friday, 739 S. Washington, Royal Oak.

G.R.N. NAMDI GALLERY

Reginald Gammon's Gospel Music Series continues through Dec. 29. Hours are 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 212 David Whitney Building, 1553 Woodward Ave., Detroit.

SHELDON ROSS GALLERY

Two fine Detroit artists, Sue Linburg and John Hegarty, have their works, sculpture and drawings (respectively) on display. She's on Center for Creative Studies faculty, and he teaches at Wayne State University. Gallery hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 250 Martin St., Birmingham.

SOUTH AFRICAN ART

Works by Ephraim Maponya will be on display in the Lobby Gallery at the Detroit Repertory Theatre, 13103 Woodrow Wilson Ave. in Detroit, during the run of "Master Harold . . ." and "Boys," 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Friday and

In style Village inspires holiday ideas

By Mary Klemic
staff writer

Decorating ideas for an "old-fashioned" Christmas are right in style these days.

A visit to Greenfield Village and the Henry Ford Museum in Dearborn this month can show how much a few touches from the past can add to Christmas present.

The celebration of Christmas in America is a culmination of holiday customs from other countries and various religions, according to West Bloomfield resident Katherine Brata, assistant of interpretive training at the village and museum.

Early in the history of this country, how you celebrated Christmas (and if you celebrated it at all) depended on your religion. The Puritans may not have noted the holiday as members of the Church of England did.

Holiday decorating tips were found in the Ladies Home Journal, Farm and Home and other publications in the late 19th and early 20th centuries.

THE FIRST Christmas trees were wooden pyramids, Brata said. The first real trees in the 1850s were tabletop size. They were decorated with such religious symbols as roses, wafers and candles, with homemade ornaments or edible objects, including gilded walnuts.

As seen at the Sarah Jordan Boardinghouse, trees in the late 1800s carried



Santa Claus became a popular symbol of the season during the 19th century. This paper Santa was used to decorate trees.

U.S. flags, symbols of reuniting the country after the Civil War in the 1860s, dolls and doll-sized furniture.

Candles on trees were lit only for the first effect. They were extinguished after the family saw them lit, because of the hazard. Just in case, a bucket of water was kept close at hand.

Green branches were placed behind pictures, and begonias, cyclamen and other colorful flowers were placed around the house.

A turn-of-the-century Christmas can be seen at the Wright brothers' home, which dates 1900-10. The tree is in a room filled with greens and poinsettia plants. Wreaths hang on the stairway, tied with red ribbon, and a crepe bell hangs over an entryway.

At that time, the Christmas tree usually reached from the floor to the ceiling. It was adorned with homemade paper, ribbon or popcorn chains, along with store-bought decorations.

"By 1900 you could buy ornaments from factories," Brata said. "They were mass-produced."

Place settings took on a festive air. They featured napkins folded to form a pocket, crown, tiara or water lily.

"At the turn of the century, everything was overdone," Brata said. "You couldn't just put a napkin on a plate. Everything was done just so."

AT THE Wright home, a table is set with a white tablecloth, the corners of which are gathered and pinned in place with ribbons. Two red ribbon runners lay on top of the cloth. Wooden spoons, painted red and decorated with holly and ribbon, serve as place markers. Sprigs of pine are arranged under a dish of plum pudding in the center of the table.

Of what would the holiday meal consist? Portraying Sarah Rorer, food editor of the Ladies Home Journal at the turn of the century, Bloomfield Hills resident Joan Chodak suggested a roast chicken with chestnut stuffing. Chicken, selling for seven cents a pound at that time, was less expensive than turkey, which then cost 10 cents a pound, she explained.

Holiday meals were elaborate, guides at the Wright home say. The meals consisted of consommé, plum pudding, blanched almonds, bonbons, roast duck or roast pork, sweet and white potatoes, squash, two kinds of salad and both a heavy and a light dessert.

Visitors to the home this month may smell meals cooking, along with cinnamon and cloves put to boil to scent the air. Portions of meals are prepared every day at the home during the holiday season.

NEW YEAR'S Day was more of a celebration than Christmas in the 1840s. Guides at the Noah Webster house say ladies would stay home on New Year's Day and gentlemen would go calling, leaving their cards behind. It was a sort of contest to see who "col-



photos by DAN DEAN/staff photographer

Jimmie Smith demonstrates some 19th century toys at the Elias Brown General Store at Green-

field Village. The toys were often handmade and traded for other goods at the rural stores.

lected" the most gentlemen callers.

The visitors, who usually stayed 15 minutes, would be served punch, dried fruits and pastries called sweetmeats, among other foods. A table at the Webster house features small glasses of dainty artificial flowers, as tables back then would have featured.

Presents were exchanged at New Year's Day. Christmas was considered a religious holiday, a time when the wealthy gave to the poor, or an employer to his workers, not expecting a gift in return.

Gifts in the late 19th century were usually handmade, most of them by parents for their children, according to guides at the Elias Brown General Store.

"They would have been sold or traded for other things (at the store)," said guide Jimmie Smith of Farmington. "You could buy manufactured toys but they were very expensive."

AMONG THE popular toys then were stuffed or wooden animals, block puzzles, and china or wooden dolls. The china doll heads could be bought alone for do-it-yourselfers.

Oranges were considered an extravagance or special gift. At a price of 25 cents each in 1880, an orange could cost one week's pay.

A music box was considered the "home entertainment center" of the time, a guide said. One on display at the store is played only at Christmas-time. This music box was built in Switzerland in 1885 and purchased by Henry Ford in 1928. It contains bells, a tiny drum, castanets and a zither. Made of inlaid mahogany, it cost as much then as a stereo does today.

Demonstrations on how to make ornaments and simple presents are taking place at the museum this month. Character portrayals of author Louisa May Alcott and a Victorian era St. Nick will be presented, as will carolers, choirs, instrumentalists, performances, demonstrations and tours. For information, call 271-1620.



A Christmas tree at the Sarah Jordan Boarding House is festooned with American flags to show the patriotic fervor of the post Civil War era. Table top trees were common then.

Winners were hard to choose in contest

This is another in a series of lessons on art and drawing by special columnist David Messing. He has taught for eight years and operates an art store, Art Store and More, 18774 Middlebelt, Livonia. Messing encourages questions and comments from readers. You may write him at his store or c/o Observer Newspapers, 23352 Farmington Road, Farmington MI 48024.



By David Messing
special writer

It was like lining up all my favorite treats. Imagine a long table, the first in the line of high calorie items, were M&M peanuts, slightly chilled. Next to them are Fanny Farmer peanut clusters. Then a stack of those Elephant Ears that you always see at fairs. Imagine a triple scoop of chocolate mint, chocolate mint, chocolate mint. Now add some bavarian waffles. Mom's cookies, my wife's pies . . . oh, yes and a handful of peanut

butter cups. This row of goodies would have to contain at least 25 of my favorites.

Now if you can imagine me trying to figure out which one was my number one favorite, then you can understand the problems I faced judging this contest. Of the almost 200 entries I could have chosen any one of 25 to be the first-place winner. So like a real "chicken," I called some of the Art Store's teachers into the store for a "meeting." Since they were all there for the meeting, they might just as well help me judge the contest. Of course the "meeting" never adjourned because it took hours to pick the best winners out of 25 winners. We tried everything from critical judgment to flipping a coin.

Finally, we decided, stacked and labeled them and went home. Now even though we have had three babies, it is rare that I ever wake up in the middle of the night, but I sat up in bed at 2 a.m. mulling to myself, "maybe the one barn scene should beat out the other barn scene, but the teddy bear is so cute . . ."

Well, it's all over, I know I lost an inch of my hair line and a little sleep but here are the winners.

FIRST: GAIL Nymshack Yurasek

of Farmington. Everytime I looked at her drawing I would find myself humming "Silent Night." Gail is 30 years old, the mother of two little girls, Jessica and Leah. Gail says that she couldn't do any artwork at all without the help and support of her husband, Joe. As a matter of fact you might recognize Jessica as her photo won second place in a photo contest and was in last week's Creative Living section. So Gail is having a pretty good week. She says, "now that she won the drafting table and supplies, the family can now have the dining room table back."

Gail's inspiration for her card came from a photo she took of a barn while traveling through a city called Sheep-ranch in California. She used other photos of sheep for reference and of course added in the snow. Although there were entries that showed more technical skill and detail, Gail won because of the feeling and impact of her artwork. There were several beautiful snow/barn scenes but Gail's sheep added some life that was missing in the others. I forgot to mention that Gail won the Alvin Folding drafting table, a design marker set, free framing and an Art Store T-shirt. Congratulations, Gail.

Second place winner is Margie Guyot. Margie, a 30-year-old wife from Farmington, won a drafting table, a set of 48 Concept markers and an Art Store T-shirt. I am pleased that I can recall Margie coming into the Art Store years ago and asking "What's a good assortment of pencils if you want to start drawing." Well, Margie you sure have come a long way since then. Margie drew a teddy bear on her Christmas card. Terrific job, Margie, and congratulations.

Third place winner is Jim Oxford. Jim is 17 years old from Westland. Jim won a \$25 certificate and an Art Store T-shirt. Jim's pen and ink snow scene, was by far the strongest commercial or graphic looking entry. Its the kind of drawing that you might expect to see Hallmark written on the back. Beautiful job, Jim, and congratulations.

FOURTH PLACE winner was Kelly Valentine, a 15-year-old student from Plymouth. Kelly did a close up of a fat little teddy bear all bundled up in a scarf and knit hat. The over all skill and feeling of her work placed in high in our opinion. Plus the eyes of this little bear seemed like they were saying "pick me, pick me" every time we walked by. Congratulations, Kelly.

Fifth place winner was Grant Carmichael, a 15-year-old student from Plymouth. Grant did a barn scene. Although there was no life on the picture it seemed to have a "closed for the winter," look to it. Also we used a reducing lens in judging this contest and when reduced Grant's picture really came together. Congratulations, Grant.

Sixth place winner was Bill Oldenburgh, a 37-year-old husband, father of twin boys from Northville. Bill did a microscopic stipple drawing of a little penguin all donned in winter gear. Beautiful job, Bill, and congratulations.

I would like to mention that 4th, 5th and 6th place winners received a \$15 gift certificate, free printing of their Christmas cards and an Art Store T-shirt. There are many Honorable Mentions: Shirley Schlager's beautifully drawn children on a sled; Margaret Liddane's children next to the Christmas tree; Jenny Gat's teddy bear; Louise Johnson's madonna; Rose Marie Stark's winter scene; Lyle Biggs man with wreath; Mike Cumming's teddy bears; and Shawn Carson's barn scene. Also Eric Nelson's bird

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exhibitions

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Saturday, 7:30 p.m. Sunday through Dec. 31. The exhibit may be viewed by groups at other times by special arrangement. Call 888-1347 for more information.
FARMINGTON HILLS
Thursday, Dec. 6 - Audrey Shapiro who formerly owned Black Stone Gallery in northern Michigan is now in Farmington Hills. She will have her seventh annual show and sale Dec. 6, 7, 8 at 2930 Highmeadow, west of Middlebelt, between 12 and 13 Mile. Hours are 6-10 p.m. Thursday and noon to 6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.
ILONA AND GALLERY
"Affordable art" continues through the holiday season. Hours are 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday-Friday, until 5:30 p.m. Saturday, noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. Hunters Square Mall, 14 Mile and Orchard Lake roads, Farmington Hills.
DONALD MORRIS GALLERY
Recent paintings by Robert Wilbert continue through December. The 15 paintings by the Michigan artist are all figurative from life-size nudes to intimate portraits of his family and friends. Hours are 10:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 105 Townsend, Birmingham.
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"Holiday Show 1984" presents high-quality ancient art in a charming, new, second floor, Birmingham. Hours are 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday.
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TOWN CENTER GALLERY
Photographs by Otis Sprow are on display at the gallery, 3000 Town Center, Suite 45, Southfield, through Dec. 24. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday.
HALSTED GALLERY
Landscape photographs by Michael Kenna continue on display at the gallery, 560 N. Woodward through Jan. 5. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday.
CRANBROOK INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE
"Ima, Spirit World of the Bering Sea Eskimo" is one of the most-ambitious exhibits ever assembled by the Smithsonian Institution. Photographs, notes and artifacts on 19th-century Bering Sea Eskimo life make up the collection. For hours, call 645-3230, 500 Lone Pine Road, Bloomfield Hills.
ARNOLD KLEIN GALLERY
Recent works by Donna Rae Hirt continue through the year. These are pencil and crayon drawings. Hours are 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 4320 N. Woodward Ave., Royal Oak.
PONTIAC ART CENTER
"20th Anniversary Review" includes art and photographs from the last two decades of this center's founding and development, 47 Williams, Pontiac.
BIRMINGHAM BLOOMFIELD ART ASSOCIATION
Holiday Sales Show continues 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Thursday-Friday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday through Dec. 8. In addition to original tree ornaments by more than 60 artists, there will be fiber work, pottery, leather, wood carvings, jewelry, baskets, toys and clothing. In the rental sales gallery, there are paintings, prints and drawings by Michigan artists and a special show of sculpture by Joe Bulone. The BBA is at 1516 S. Cranbrook Road north of 14 Mile Road, Birmingham.
HILL GALLERY
Drawing and Sculpture by Alice Ay-

cock will be on display through Dec. 8. Hours are 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 163 Townsend, Birmingham.
OBERMAN GALLERY
Multi-media show of works by the instructors and upper level students at the Appalachian Center for Crafts include glass, ceramics, metal and fibers. Some of those featured are Rebecca Medel, Wendy Maruyama, Wood, Tom Rippon, ceramics, Robert Coogan, metals, and David Hutchinson, glass. Hours are 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 155 S. Bates, Birmingham.
VENTURE GALLERY
Curtis Benzie and Susan Benzie collaborate with works in porcelain. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday and Saturday-Friday until 9 p.m., 28235 Southfield, Lathrup Village.
MEADOW BROOK ART GALLERY
"Courtyard, Bazaar and Temple: Traditions of Textile Expression in India" continues through Dec. 7. The textiles are complemented by jewelry, puppets, a pit loom, small toys, dye samples and graphics showing the process. Most of the textiles are from the Elizabeth Bayley Willis Collection of the University of Washington, one of the finest of its kind in the United States. Hours are 1-5 p.m. Tuesday-Friday, 2-6:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday and evenings during Meadow Brook Theatre performances, Oakland University campus, Rochester.
THE GALLERY... AT MAINSTREET PLACE
"Small Treasures" includes more than 300 paintings by members of "Palette and Brush Club." This opens the club's 50th birthday celebration and continues through Jan. 6. Maximum dimension is 12 inches. Hours are 10 p.m. Tuesday-Sunday, 903 North Main, Royal Oak.
DULANY'S GALLERY
Exhibition of rare Oriental works of art, Shang through Qing dynasties includes early furniture. Hours are 10:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 183 Oakland, Birmingham.
FEIGENSON GALLERY
One-person exhibition features current oil on canvas paintings by Detroit/New York artist, Gary Mayer. Hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 310 Fisher Building, Detroit.
PIERCE STREET GALLERY
The North American Cowboy and the Land" is a two-artist show by Jay Dusand and David Lubbers. Continues through Dec. 29. Hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, 217 Pierce, Birmingham.
GALLERY BIRMINGHAM
"Surrealism," features paintings by two contemporary artists, Helmut Goede and H. Karapetian. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Wednesday, until 9 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, 223 S. Woodward, Birmingham.
PARK WEST GALLERIES
"Impressionism Through Art Deco - Masters of the Turn of the Century," features color lithos, aquatints and etchings by Renoir, Toulouse-Lautrec, Muncha, Cheret and Whistler. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Wednesday, until 9 p.m. Thursday and Friday, until 5 p.m. Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, 29469 Northwestern, Southfield.
CRANBROOK ACADEMY OF ART MUSEUM
"Fredman's Epistles," lithographs by Swedish artist Peter Dahl are on display. Thirty prints portray songs of the 18th century Swedish musician Carl-

Michael Bellman, Dahl, born in Norway, currently lives in Stockholm. Also at the museum, on the main floor is "The Pop Art Print," which includes serigraphs, lithographs and etchings by some of the best-known personalities in contemporary art including Warhol, Oldenburg, Johns, Rosequist, Dine, Lichtenstein and Rauchenberg. Hours are 1-5 p.m. Tuesday-Sunday, 500 Lone Pine, Bloomfield Hills. Admission charge.
ALAN DOHRMANN GALLERIES
Ancient artifacts are the specialty in this gallery, 135 E. Maple, Birmingham.
ROBERT L. KIDD ASSOCIATES
Friday, Dec. 7 - "New Realism," survey of contemporary realism. Features works by 64 artists in various me-

dia. Continues through Jan. 26. Opening reception 3-4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 15. Hours are 10:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday-Sunday, until 8 p.m. Thursday and Friday and 1-5 p.m. Sundays in December. 107 Townsend, Birmingham.
HABATAT GALLERIES
Saturday, Dec. 8 - "Evolution/Revolution" features six separate exhibits in Habatat and Venture Galleries with artists Stephen Hodder, Dick Huss, William Morris, Karla Trinkley, Paul Seide and William Dexter. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, until 9 p.m. Friday, 28235 Southfield, Lathrup Village.
HOBERMAN GALLERY
Holiday selections include ceramics, jewelry, fiber, wood and paintings by a variety of artists. Hours are 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, until 8 p.m. Thursday through the holidays, 155 S. Bates, Birmingham.

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and squirrel, and the list could go on and on.
Boy, was I right about pen and ink being the great equalizer. Of those 15 top choices many were created by 15-, 16- and 17-year-olds.
In the younger category, ages 10 through 14, these are the winners: First place winner is Erin Martin, 14. Erin won a drafting table, free printing of her Christmas card and an Art Store T-shirt. Congratulations, Erin.
Second place winner was Jenny Esper another 14 year old. Jenny Esper won a Design marker set and an Art Store T-shirt. Congratulations, Jenny.
Last but not least was the 3rd place winner, Kerrie Gurgold, 13. Kerrie won a Design marker set and an Art Store T-shirt. Congratulations, Kerrie.
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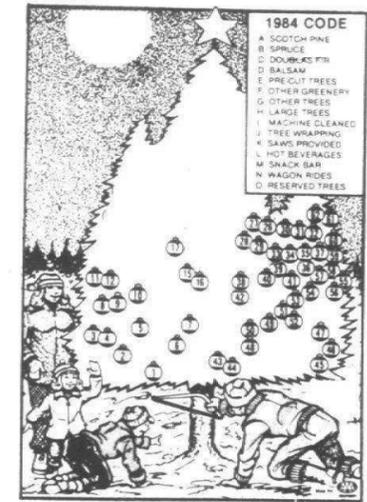
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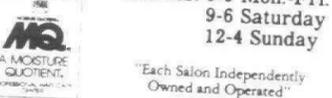
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Families who enjoy the fresh pine scent of a live evergreen in their homes during the holidays can bundle up and head for a farm to cut their own Christmas trees, says the Automobile Club of Michigan.

Some 482,000 trees in more than a dozen varieties are available at the 62 choose-and-cut tree farms listed on the club's 1984 guide.

Prices begin at \$3 for Scotch Pines, the same as last year. Families may expect to pay up to \$50 for large or more expensive trees such as Douglas fir and blue spruce. A few farms price some trees by height, varying from \$1.50 to \$4 per foot depending on the type.

The variety of trees grown in Michigan include white and Norway spruce, balsam and grand fir, and white, Austrian and ponderosa pine.

Families may reserve trees at 19 listed farms. Persons who are looking for trees after Dec. 15 are advised to call ahead to check availability.

A number of the farms offer more than an opportunity to choose a tree.

Twenty farms offer wagon rides and 15 sell beverages or snacks. Farms at Paw Paw, Clio, Ida and Grass Lake have gift shops, offering items ranging from trinkets to antiques.

Santa will visit with youngsters at tree farms near Otisville, Brooklyn and Grass Lake during weekends.

Auto Club offers the following advice to persons planning to cut their own trees:

- Take a hand saw. Most farms lend

saws, but taking your own saves time if all are in use. Axes are banned.

- Cut the tree close to the ground. Shake trees in the field to remove old needles. Eleven farms on the Auto Club's guide will mechanically clean trees.

- Cut Norway, white and black spruce and Balsam fir trees at temperatures above 40 degrees to help them hold their needles while displayed. At colder temperatures, those varieties drop needles more easily than pines and Douglas firs.

- Take twine to tie trees to cars although most farms provide it. To help the tree withstand wind while being transported, tie its base to the front of the car. Thirty-six farms will wrap trees for easy transport.

- At home, immediately place the tree in a stand filled with water. If the tree has been stored for more than two days, cut an inch or two off the base before putting it up. Check water level daily.

- Keep trees in a cool area, away from flames and heating ducts. Before decorating, check tree lights for bare wires. Take care not to overload electrical outlets.

Farm map on Page 3

For a map listing locations of choose-and-cut Christmas tree farms, See Page 3 of the Gift Guide

Tree crop this year one of the better ones

Favorable growing conditions this past year have contributed to what will be a good Christmas-tree crop for the holiday season.

"The combination of growers continually increasing the size of their plantations and this year's favorable weather means that consumers can choose from a wide selection of high quality trees," said Mel Koelling, Michigan State University Extension Service forestry specialist.

According to Koelling and Harvey Koop, president of the Michigan Christmas Tree Growers Association, prices for Christmas trees this year will be about the same as last year's prices.

The harvest of the crop is generally valued at more than \$30 million. About 70 percent of the four-million trees harvested will be shipped to out-of-state markets, many in the eastern and southern parts of the country.

Michigan began producing plantation-grown Christmas trees in the early 1940s, and today the state is considered the nation's center for quality Christmas tree production, Koelling says.

Koop says that Michigan's 750 to 900 growers produce between 60 and 70 mil-

lion trees on about 65,000 acres in plantation production.

Of these trees, nearly 80 percent are Scotch pine, a species popular because of its rapid growth and good response to plantation culture. Blue and white spruce account for another 10 percent of the crop. The remaining 10 percent consists of Douglas fir and other species.

"Many people do not realize the amount of care and planning that Christmas-tree production requires," Koelling says. "Trees are a crop, not unlike corn or soybeans. The major difference is the longer growing period for trees — about 10 years."

"The average tree grown in Michigan is the result of rather intensive care," Koelling adds. "Trees are pampered products from the time they are planted until they are in the hands of the consumer."

As soon as trees are planted, growers begin protecting them from insects and competition for nutrients by weeding. When the trees are about three feet tall, three to four years after planting, annual shearing begins. This helps the tree develop a nice contour and thicker foliage. While they are growing, the trees are monitored for insects, diseases and other problems, Koelling says.



These gobblers aren't excited about their Christmas prospects. They'll be bringing a slightly higher price this year, but a turkey dinner is still considered a good buy.

Turkey prices rise, but remain a good buy

Because of a cutback in production, turkey prices through the holiday season will be slightly higher than they were last year. But the bird is still a good buy if you're feeding a large number of guests.

"Turkey meat has more protein and less fat per ounce than any other type of meat, and it's low in calories," said Richard Balander, Michigan State University Cooperative Extension Service poultry specialist.

Retail prices will average from 65 to 89 cents a pound. In some stores, prices will be lower to attract holiday shoppers.

"The reason for the broad price range is that several grocery stores have been using turkey as a loss leader," Balander said. "Wholesale prices are ranging from 85 to 88 cents a pound."

Nationally, 169 million birds are being marketed, two million fewer than in 1983.

"The size of the national flock is smaller this year because 1983 was not profitable for the turkey industry. The number of turkeys in cold storage is also lower. But consumer demand is slightly greater this year than it was last year," Balander said.

When shopping for turkey, figure 3 1/2

Turkeys are still the best buy for the holiday season despite higher prices. These birds provide more protein with less fat and calories than other meats.

pound per person. For example, a 12-13-pound whole bird will feed approximately 15 people.

"About a decade ago, 90 percent of the turkey industry was in selling whole birds, with further processed products accounting for the other 10 percent," Balander said. "Now, only 40 percent of the industry is in whole birds. Sixty percent is in the expanded, further processed product lines. These products are numerous and include turkey hot dogs, turkey pastami and rolled turkey."

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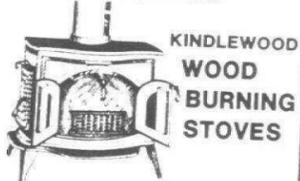
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There's nothing like Christmas. The anticipation, the tree, the friends and family. The snow, or the hoping for snow to make it all official. The feeling that everything will be all right. The memories, reflections and dreams of Christmases past.

But for some, Christmas is just a good time for exploiting others, a time for taking, an opportunity to make what's yours, theirs.

They are the thieves, the modern-day Scrooges who will take the merry out of your Christmas — if you let them.

Here are some practical ways to help keep Scrooges from spoiling your holiday season.

When you're out:

- Leave lights on in several rooms, attached to timers turning them on and off

at varying intervals. Also leave a radio on tuned to an all-talk station.

• Leave drapes and shades open to reflect normal household patterns.
• Turn down the volume on your phones. Constant ringing advertises your absence.

• If you're going to be away for an extended period, leave a car parked in your driveway. Make sure your snow is shoveled. Cancel all deliveries such as newspapers. Have a friend or neighbor pick up your mail and use your trash cans.

During the holiday season, fire is also a threat to your property and your life. You might do well to ask yourself the following hard questions: Have I taken the proper safety precautions regarding my Christmas tree? Do I know life-saving fire escape procedures in case I do have a fire? Here are some Christmas fire prevention and life-saving hints:

- Keep Christmas trees away from open flames.
- Turn off Christmas tree lights when you go to bed and when you leave your home.
- Keep the tree well watered.
- Don't put a tree near space heaters.
- Be sure all electrical appliances and tree lights are UL-tested.
- Always sleep with the bedroom or hall door closed. Closed doors can keep flames out long enough for you to escape through a window.
- Agree on a way everyone can communicate during a fire. Use a whistle, knock on walls, or just yell.
- Don't waste time getting dressed or grabbing belongings.
- Check doors for intense heat or invading smoke before opening. If smoke is coming in around the edges, or if the door is hot, don't try to open it.
- When you've determined it's safe, open the door carefully, with shoulder braced against it and head to one side.



While enjoying all the good things of the Christmas season, don't forget to play it safe. Protect your new presents by taking precautions against theft and Christmas tree fires.

Open slightly and be ready to close quickly if heat and smoke rush in.

• Crawling along the floor will help you to breathe more easily.

• Decide on a meeting place outside. Once outside, do not re-enter the structure.

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Outside the church is Manger Square, which on Christmas Eve is jammed with people; the area is closed to traffic. From about 6 p.m. to midnight, choirs from all over the world sing carols and sacred music. The midnight Catholic Mass is relayed onto a large television screen outside in the square.

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millions of people around the world.

The church was built by the Emperor Constantine in A.D. 330, rebuilt by the Emperor Justinian in the sixth century and restored in 1671 and 1842.

It is believed to be the oldest functioning Christian church.

WHEN THE Arabs drove out the Byzantines in 614, they are said to have destroyed virtually every church in the land except the Church of the Nativity because they regarded the Three Kings depicted in mosaic over the entrance as their own. It is also said that a local artist anticipated the Arabs by dressing the Wise Men up Arab-style.

Like Caesar's ancient Gaul, the Church of the Nativity is divided into three parts,

different but interconnected sections controlled by the Greek Orthodox, Roman Catholic and Armenian Orthodox Christians in accordance with the Status Quo agreement reached in 1757 at the instigation of the Ottoman Turks, who ruled the Holy Land at the time.

The crypt where Jesus is believed to have been born lies in a vault under the main floor of the church in the Grotto of the Nativity. Access to the grotto, which is about 12 meters long and three meters wide, is down steps on either side of the main hall, its walls covered with ancient tapestries.

A silver star in a niche at the eastern end of the chamber marks the spot where Jesus is believed to have been born, bearing the Latin inscription, "Hic de virgine Maria Jesus Christus natus est" — "Jesus Christ was born of the Virgin Mary."

Nearby is the Milk Grotto, where legend says a rock turned white when drops of Mary's milk fell upon it as she nursed her child.

ON THE south side of the church a marble-covered niche in the rock is vener-

ated as the site of the manger.

Greek Orthodox, Armenian and Catholic crosses on the church overlook the square. Across the street is the Vienna Restaurant and Bar and a line of gift shops. Fruit, vegetables as well as mother-of-pearl and olive wood products from Bethlehem workshops are sold in Manger Square and the winding alleys facing the church.

The church is entered by a sixth century Justinian gate, a 12th century arched Crusader gate and a more recent entrance constructed less than five feet high to hinder Moslems who used to ride into the church on horseback to disrupt services.

Even on an ordinary day, the smell of incense fills the church.

Although Jesus lived in Nazareth, according to the Bible, to the north in Galilee, he was born in Bethlehem because Joseph, his father, had to register for the Roman-ordered census in Bethlehem at a time when Mary was expecting a child.

The census was ordered by Quirinius, governor of Syria, the Roman province that included present-day Israel.

Eat, drink in moderation

From Dr. Seymour Diamond, executive director of the National Migraine Foundation, comes some advice that may ease the discomfort of holiday celebrants:

Drink and eat in moderation. If alcohol consistently causes a headache or if you suffer from migraines, don't drink.

Before or after an evening of drinking, eat some honey. This supplies fructose, which will help your body metabolize the alcohol you've ingested and reduce hangover symptoms.

Caffeine in coffee may give relief for hangover headache and shorten the pain period. If you're a migraine sufferer, ergotamine, which constricts the blood vessels, also may help.

Drink fluids containing minerals and salt — like salty bouillon, for example — to relieve dehydration. Large amounts of water won't do the job and may increase nausea and vomiting.

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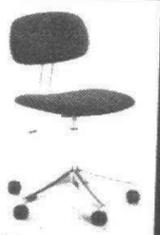
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Gadget lovers will find a trend in energy technology toward personal power systems. The systems, powered by photovoltaic cells, provide users with a portable power source for radios, TV, pumps and other small electrical equipment.

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Since many energy sophisticates dial the furnace down each night, remedies for beating nighttime chills can't go wrong.

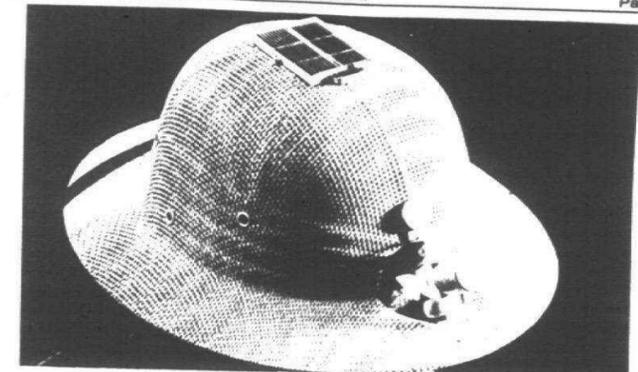
Comforters have long been considered effective chill chasers. The fluffy filler traps and holds body heat. Polyester and goose down are both good insulators, although down carries a better warmth-to-weight ratio.

Cotton flannel sheets offer benefits similar to comforters only at lower cost. Here again, natural fibers of cotton trap warm air and keep sleepers toasty. Jacobson's carries a line of Belgian flannel sheets that sell from \$16 for twin bed sizes to \$26 for king-size beds.

THE CHRISTMAS catalog of L.L. Bean, Freeport, Maine, features an interesting twist to sleeping comfort, a quilted cotton/wool mattress pad. The pad is manufactured in West Germany and sells for \$50 to \$95.

Draft dodgers are a favorite decorator item for reducing drafts around doors and windows. The lovable characters with long insulation-filled bodies are available in gift shops for \$5.50.

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Holidays are boom times for credit card fraud

Law enforcement officials have spent years urging people not to carry around large sums of cash. There is nothing more tempting to an itchy-fingered thief than the sight of a bulging wallet or someone pulling out his money clip and flashing a stack of \$50 and \$100 bills.

Today, credit cards are used to purchase holiday gifts, cover a night out on the town and to put gas into cars.

But credit card fraud and counterfeiting have become a profitable business. Loss estimates from fraud have tripled in the last five years, totaling nearly \$2 billion annually. And, according to Dictograph Security Information Bureau, plastic money rackets have become so profita-

ble that organized crime has begun to claim a larger piece of the action.

"There is no way to guarantee that you won't become the victim of a credit card fraud scheme," said Bill Mabee, former police chief and director of the bureau.

But there are pointers that can help make yourself a less likely target of credit card crime, particularly during the holiday season.

"USE COMMON sense," Mabee said. "You wouldn't give a total stranger a signed check without writing in a dollar amount. So why sign a credit card receipt blindly without even taking a moment to study the entered total and the arithme-

tic? Yet that's precisely what many people do, especially when they feel rushed in a holiday shopping line."

Dictograph recommends that when a credit card bill arrives, it is important to check each notation item by item, comparing each entry to corresponding sales receipts. It will take a little extra labor at this point, but this is really the only way to identify the most subtle and costly forms of credit card fraud.

Mabee suggests that customers insist that salespeople turn over the credit card, receipt and carbon paper after the transaction.

"Take a minute to rip up the carbon paper bit by bit and do the same with all other transaction slips that were discarded due to errors. This way, a credit card thief can't get your card number and signature style."

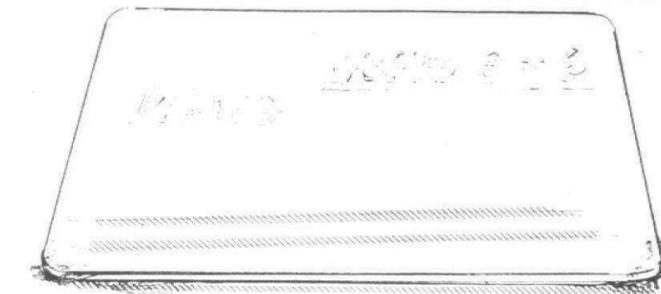
Another tip is to empty your wallet of credit cards which are never used.

"If you lose or misplace this type of inactive credit card, it could be weeks until you notice," Mabee said. "In the meantime, credit card criminals could translate those weeks into a long list of holiday purchases that will be billed to you."

Dictograph suggests that credit card customers write down the account numbers of all cards and keep the information in a safe place. Should credit cards be lost, misplaced or stolen, they ought to be canceled immediately.

"Don't believe callers who claim they found your missing wallet and credit cards and are returning them by mail in the next day or two. In that short time your credit cards could mean a bonanza for a criminal."

"The bottom line with credit cards is that they are convenient and essentially safe as long as certain precautionary measures are taken to prevent their abuse."



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Ginger adds snap to Christmas treats

As the holiday season approaches, thoughts of delectable sweet-foods dance merrily through our imaginations in anticipation. And what better represents the sweet side of Christmas than the decorative gingerbread men, who have become a longstanding part of Christmas tradition.

Somehow a ginger-flavored dessert always manages to find its way on to holiday tables everywhere, whether it is ginger cookies, cakes, snaps, or gingerbread, they are always a part of the holiday lore.

According to "The Dictionary of American Foods & Drink" by John Mariani, ginger is the native plant of tropical and subtropical regions of Asia, especially Indomalaysia.

The ginger root was used frequently by the ancient Romans but nearly disappeared in Europe after the fall of the Roman Empire. It was later brought back into vogue (as a rare and expensive spice) by famed explorer Marco Polo, who retrieved the pungent spice from the Orient.

The gingerbread man has a unique history of its own, as its origins have been traced back to Queen Elizabeth I of England, who was responsible for inventing "a cookie in the shape of a man" which became especially popular at Christmas time.

There is an interesting history surrounding the actual making of gingerbread.

Artists sculpted detailed molds depicting

ing everyday scenes from the lifestyles of the rich, for whom the gingerbreads were made in the 16th century.

The 17th century added gingerbread etchings of the wealthy bourgeois, who along with the rich, were the only patrons who could afford the costly gingerbread designs.

Finally, during the 15th century, gingerbread was made inexpensively enough to be offered at carnivals and fairs, extending the delights of gingerbread even to the most common of folk.

Nowadays, gingerbread is considered deeply enmeshed in the history of traditional American cooking. And with Christmas fast approaching, gingerbread people not only make for a unique dessert idea, but also make the most lovely ornaments for your Christmas tree.

The recipe below for gingerbread cookies, supplied from the "Recipes from the Raleigh Tavern Bake Shop," published by The Colonial Williamsburg Foundation, can easily be transformed to gingerbread people with the aid of a good mold.

- GINGERBREAD COOKIES**
(50-60 cookies)
- 1 cup sugar
 - 2 tps nutmeg
 - 1 tsp nutmeg
 - 1 tsp cinnamon
 - 1/2 tsp salt
 - 1 1/2 tsp baking soda
 - 1 cup margarine, melted
 - 1/2 cup evaporated milk



Costumed bakers mix their dough by hand, and bake bread, cookies and gingerbread men daily in brick ovens at the Raleigh Tavern bakery in Williamsburg, Va.

1 cup unsulfured molasses
3/4 tsp vanilla extract (optional)
3/4 tsp lemon extract (optional)
4 cups stone-ground or unbleached flour, unsifted

Combine the sugar, ginger, nutmeg, cinnamon, salt and baking soda. Mix well. Add the melted margarine, evaporated milk and molasses. Add the extracts if desired. Mix well. Add the flour 1 cup at a time, stirring constantly. The dough should be stiff enough to handle without sticking to fingers. Knead the dough for a smoother texture. Add up to 1/4 cup additional flour if necessary to prevent sticking. When the dough is smooth, roll it out 1/4 inch thick on a floured surface and cut it into cookies. Bake on floured or greased cookie sheets in a preheated 375-degree oven for 10 to 12 minutes. The cookies are done if they spring back when touched.

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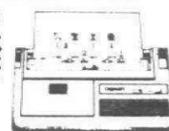
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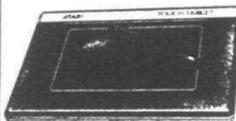
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The special serenity of gliding across a smooth lake of ice has been popular for centuries. Skates have been steadily improved from wooden to modern steel, making it easier for skaters like these to enjoy the sting of fresh cold air as they twirl, zip and slide through a twilight winter wonderland.

For utility to recreation, love of skating grows

Scenes of a winter wonderland, bare trees suddenly outlined with the beautiful trim of white snowflakes and translucent icicles dripping from their branches.

Frozen ponds and lakes are framed by snowy picturesque scenery, images which can be easily pictured during the season of winter.

Children playing, stumbling in bulky winter clothing, taking their first careful steps on the ice, then becoming more daring, attempting to glide and prance with the aid of their new skates.

They try to imitate the people they see, moving with such grace and ease, only to take a number of painful spills, but getting up and trying again, determined to master the skates and the ice.

Like so many other American pastimes, ice skating finds its origins in another culture. Originally developed in Scandinavia, skating was devised as a means of transportation over the ice and encrusted snow. This dates back to the second century.

IT IS virtually impossible to set an exact date to when skating originated. The oldest surviving ice skate made in Sweden was constructed sometime between the eighth and the 10th centuries. The skate was constructed with a piece of cow rib attached to leather thongs.

Skating had already developed into a popular pastime in England by the 12th century. According to "A Description of London," published in 1180, the practice of ice skating was quite common.

"Many young men play upon the ice; some striding as wide as they do slide swiftly..."

It was not until the 14th and 15th century that the infamous wooden skate appeared. Now immortalized by Holland's

Hans Brinker, the wooden runners faced with iron and attached to wooden shoes were the usual fashion on frozen ponds and waterways.

But the wooden skates hindered speed and were flat and cumbersome, tying about the foot and ankle. The blade of the skate practically equaled the width of the shoe. By the onset of the 1600s, several European countries had developed skates made of iron.

THE IRON gripped the ice far better than its wooden counterpart and increased the speed of the skater drastically, making traveling (the original purpose of the skates) far easier.

After the development of the metal skate, the popularity of skating soared during the 17th and 18th century. Such trend-setters as Marie Antoinette made skating the vogue in France.

The development of the ice skate as we know it today, really began in the 1800s. It was during that time that most of the skate innovations were made, especially in securing the skate to the foot.

More than 200 patents were granted for the general improvements to ice skates in the United States alone. It was a Philadelphian, E.W. Bushnell, in 1850, who created the all metal skate.

With just a few changes in the construction of the shoe, ice skates have evolved into the skates we use today.

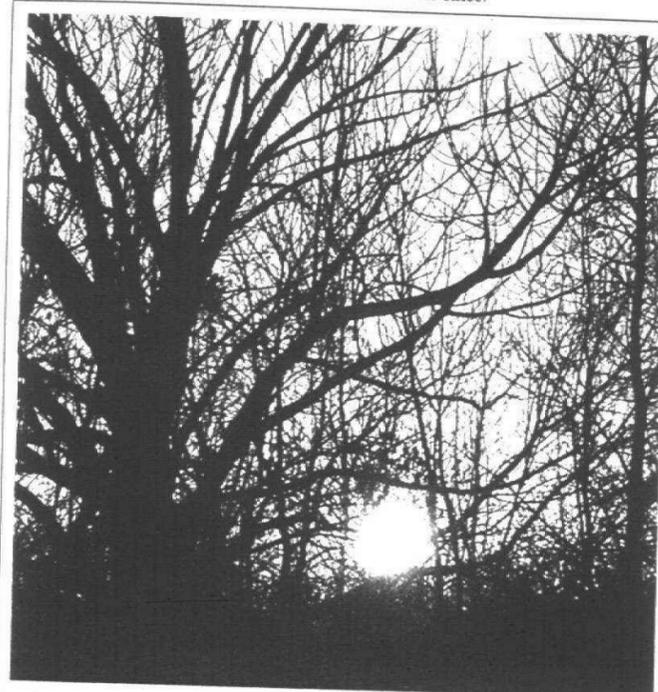
Begun as a means of transportation and then a form of recreation, ice skating has also moved into the world of professional sports: in particular, professional ice hockey, as well as figure and speed skating.

Even if the Dutch can't take credit for the original development of the ice skate,

they have been instrumental in the speed skating competition, having introduced the sport over 200 years ago.

Figure skating competitions got their start in the late 1870s in London and were introduced into the Olympics in 1908.

Hockey was introduced by the Dutch in 1670, and the first organized hockey game took place, appropriately, in Ontario, Canada, in 1855. The National Hockey League was formed in 1917, and has flourished ever since.



A winter scene

When the sun sets on Dec. 21, winter will officially be here. The first winter sunset of 1984 could look like this, or the tree limbs might be covered with white stuff. At any event, it may provide a time of quiet reflection for many. Actually, winter's official arrival will be marked at 11:23 a.m. that day, the exact time of the winter solstice when the sun is farthest south of the equator.

Quick crafts gain favor

In today's fast-paced, mass-produced world, homemade items have become increasingly cherished commodities. Everything from homemade candies to hand-crafted afghans are enjoying heightened interest and appreciation. Time may be limited, but there are numerous quick and easy projects designed to help the "one-minute-manager" capture the beauty and pleasures of crafts.

Along with the personal satisfaction of self-made items, the handicrafter can realize substantial savings, according to Robert Gatti, vice president of merchandising for Frank's Nursery and Crafts. Frank's is projecting a 20 percent increase in 1984 craft sales.

Crafters can "draw a bead" on the latest fashion look, the multi-strand twisted beaded necklace. Over the years, the fashion industry has rediscovered beads in various forms. From the pearls of the '50s to the hippie necklaces of the '60s and the Bo Derek hairstyles of the '70s, beads have been at the forefront of fashion. Today, you can make a twist necklace in just a few minutes for a third less than the ready-made price. Choose from pre-strung beads, tubular glass beads or pearls.

From personal fashion to home fashion, handicrafters will find manufacturers attuned to their needs. The country look remains one of the strongest trends in home furnishings, moving away from the American primitive toward a Victorian country

feel with a softer appearance. Smaller print fabrics, dusty pastel colors and use of ribbons and lace are more popular than ever.

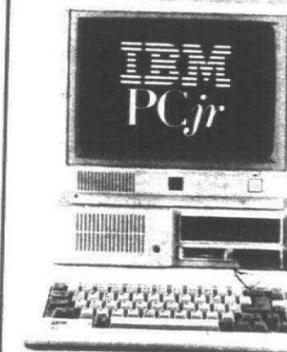
CRAFTS PROJECTS that typify the country look, such as metalpunching, stenciling, basketmaking, ribboncraft and needlework are easier to create with new "quickie projects." These projects contain pre-cut pieces, scaled-down sizes and ready-to-finish projects with completion times of less than one hour. Learning new crafting skills while enhancing one's home decor can be simple and fun.

Handcrafted items make special gifts for newborn babies and young children. From afghans to soft-sculptured dolls, even the novice crafter can create a treasured heirloom in just a few hours. Numerous kits are available, as well as open stock, offering a wide selection of projects to furnish baby's room, fill in baby's layette or fill up a child's toy chest.

The warmth of the holiday season and the joy of giving come early to those who appreciate celebrating with crafts. Homemade ornaments, decorations, candies and other craft items add a special touch to one's home and to gift giving.

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Oh Tannenbaum!

The warmth of the holiday always seems to center around the Christmas tree. The presents are set about for children to tear into on that special morning. Friends and family gather around the soft colors of the lights and toast another year's end.

Many take credit for Christmas tree

An estimated 68 percent of the living rooms of America will display decorated Christmas trees this holiday. This beloved yule-season tradition brings the evergreen, its fragrance and its ancient symbol of immortality into the lives of the Christian community.

The German people have been given credit for using the first decorated and lighted tree, but the idea goes further back into history.

It is recorded that during the Roman period trees were decorated with lighted oil lamps and swinging toys. The same claim has been made by Egyptian historians for that culture.

Primitive people believed that their gods dwelt in nature. They especially revered trees and felt the strongest spirits lived in them.

Henry Van Dyke tells in his story, "The First Christmas Tree," about the Druids' introduction to the Christmas tree. They were about to offer a young prince in sacrifice to the spirit of a sacred oak tree. The prince was saved from his untimely death by the missionary Winfried. The crowd gathered around him as he begged them not to worship the heathen forest gods any longer.

WINFRIED TOLD the Druids of the birth of Christ, pointed to a small fir tree and asked them to take it into their homes and celebrate the birth date of the Christ child.

The most oft-repeated story about our yule tree is about the reformer, Martin Luther (1483-1546).

The traditional story is that as Luther was walking home one Christmas Eve, the night was so filled with bright stars peeking through the majestic evergreens that he was lost for words when he tried to share this experience with his family.

He returned to the forest, cut down a small fir, brought it into his house and placed lighted tapers on its branches. This he later said represented for him that beautiful night sky above the manger when Christ was born.

Some clergy objected to Christmas trees as late as the 18th century. Sermons were preached on their evil because people spent more time decorating their yule tree than they did reading their Bible.

Pastor Henry Schwan has the honor of putting the first Christmas tree in a

church. This was in 1851. For his troubles, he had several of his staunchest members threaten to defrock him and harm him if he ever again brought such a pagan practice into the church. After some research he published a paper proving it was a Christian rite, and shortly objections ceased.

TWENTY YEARS later, lavishly trimmed trees were common and the feature attraction of the typical Christmas Eve Sunday school program. Many people can remember the silver sound of sleigh bells, a quiet hush and then the sound of Santa's boots coming up the wooden steps of the village church. In his pack he brought such gifts as hard candy, popcorn balls or oranges.

Germany has contributed much to our yuletide celebrations, and they have as the center of their festivities their Christmas tree. On Christmas Eve, at the right moment, a door is thrown open for the children to view the trimmed tree in all of its glory. Decorated with glittering stars, dolls dressed as angels, sweetmeats, tinsel, painted cookies and handmade toys, it can only bring delight to all.

Father then reads the familiar story from the Bible, presents are exchanged, and all join together to sing such Christmas favorites as "O Tannenbaum, O Tannenbaum!" and "Stille Nacht, Heilige Nacht!"

The first Christmas trees this side of the Atlantic were decorated by Germans, homesick Hessian mercenaries who had been hired by George III to put down the rebellious colonists. The custom, however, was not adopted by the colonists.

Much later, in 1843, a German professor at Harvard University, Charles Follen, is credited with having set up the first Christmas tree after the Hessians in his home in Cambridge, Mass.

The first decorations were quite simple and were described by Mrs. Follen as being strings of cranberries, popcorn, homemade chains of colored paper, candy canes, dolls and painted nuts. Small wax candles were put in tin holders and placed on the branches.

As we observe the season with our own trees, in their beautiful and cherished traditions, may we find deeper messages in their symbols of hope, faith and immortality.

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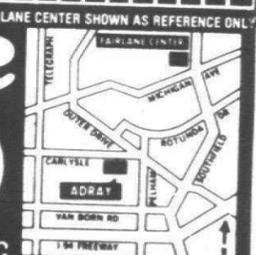
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