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Tree collections

Many of us haven't even thought of putting our Christmas trees up yet, but the folks at Canton Waste Recycling are a bit ahead of things.

The firm has issued its requirements for picking up trees after the holiday season. Trees must be set out at the curb by 6 a.m. on Friday, Jan. 12, and will not be taken if covered by plastic or if the tree stand is attached. Residents who wish to dispose of their trees earlier than Jan. 12 can take them to the recycling center at 42020 Van Born Monday through Friday on Jan. 5, 6 and 12. For those who miss the Jan. 12 pickup, they can drop their trees off at the center on Jan. 12, 13, 19, 20, 26 and 27.

There's no charge for Canton residents.

Short tenure

David Artley, a member of the Plymouth-Canton School Board, could have set a record recently to the shortest time on a new job. Artley, of Canton, recently announced that he would become the advertising director of a Plymouth-based weekly newspaper. However, he has apparently change his mind and has announced he won't be taking the job.

RV meeting

The Michigan RV Homeowners Association will hold a meeting at 7 p.m. on Tuesday at the Canton Library. The group has been active in opposing an ordinance that would have restricted the parking of RVs at homes.

Dog licenses

The new year means more than a new decade in Canton Township, it means that dog licenses expire. The Canton Township Clerk's office has started stelling the licenses, which cost \$5. Dog owners must also show proof of valid rabies shots. For more information, contact the clerk's office at 397-5365.

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Suit shows U.S., Japanese differences

By Diane Gale
staff writer

A lawsuit over employment discrimination at American Yazaki Corporation reveals a tale of two cultures and their differences.

More than 88 documents were entered in the U.S. District Court case filed in federal court by David Kotcher against the international corporation, which is based in Toyko but has U.S. headquarters in Canton.

The case was dismissed late last month by Judge Lawrence P. Zakoff after an out-of-court settlement.

Included in the dispute between Kotcher and Yazaki were allegations of discrimination and the apparent struggle by Japanese management to adjust to the U.S. workplace.

KOTCHER ALLEGED American Yazaki unjustly fired him after sending him numerous memos about employment policies and after a final confrontation between Kotcher and the administrative assistant for Yazaki's president. The company, which manufactures electrical automotive components, maintains

Kotcher quit. He worked as personnel director from June 16, 1986 to Feb. 25, 1988.

Part of the court testimony includes a 1986 Yazaki employee survey, which was started by Kotcher and entered as evidence, in which employees complained that all the highest managerial positions were held by Japanese.

Women employees said they weren't treated as well as men.

Group morale was low because of

low pay, a poor sense of accomplishment and inadequate supervision, employees said. Others said they had difficulty dealing with the predominantly Japanese managers who came to the U.S. and managed workers doing jobs they never performed themselves, the survey said.

Kotcher wrote about the survey findings and other alleged areas of discrimination in memos to Yazaki president Masayuki Yamamoto, documents show.

FOR INSTANCE, shortly after he was hired, Kotcher pointed out a case involving a female employee who was transferred out of her position because of her gender, court documents said. Yazaki management allegedly maintained women should not be in a position to go to lunch with males, travel and act in a businesslike manner, documents said.

Kotcher told Yamamoto those types of alleged attitudes violated

federal and Michigan fair employment laws and civil rights legislation. Kotcher also wrote memos asking Yamamoto to instruct Japanese managers against actions that violated those laws.

Yamamoto said he tried to help Japanese managers adapt to their new U.S. culture, according to a deposition taken by Kotcher's Canton attorney, Peter B. Bundarin.

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Gap exists between East and West

By Diane Gale
staff writer

Differences in doing business with in the U.S. compared to conducting business in Japan are fading, but observers say a gap still exists.

Masato Inuyama, director of public affairs with Japan External Trade organization in Chicago, said generally speaking in the U.S. em-

ployees are bounded by clear cut job definitions.

"In Japan it's more loosely defined," he said adding that Japanese employees are trained in many areas of the company.

"I really don't see much difference in the big framework," Inuyama said.

He pointed to a Japanese law passed two years ago that calls for

equal employment for both sexes.

It maintains that women must be given the same opportunity as men for recruitment and promotion.

"Traditionally female workers served rather as an assistant type job in many occasions," Inuyama said. "The scene is changing. There's an increased number of females observed in the executive positions."

"You might find a tendency, espe-

cially in the older generations, to look at a female worker as being an assistant type," Inuyama said.

An observer of businesses in the Detroit area recently visited Japan and said he saw large disparities in the employment world.

"It's changing there, but they're years and years behind us," the man

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Amoco proposal delayed

By Kevin Brown
staff writer

Concern over a gas tank leak in Plymouth has spilled over to Canton Township.

Township trustees know the saga of underground contamination from a leaking Amoco Oil Co. storage tank in downtown Plymouth.

And citing concern over that problem, some are seeking to reject construction of a proposed Amoco service station at the southwest corner of Warren and Lilley roads.

"The DNR (Department of Natural Resources) has identified several Amoco sites around the state that require cleanup," trustee John Preniczky said at last week's board meeting.

The DNR has criticized the company for not volunteering to clean up gas spills.

"They have to be forced to clean up . . . That's not a desirable business to have in Canton," Preniczky said.

According to the township ordinance on site plan extensions, a change in conditions relating to the site plan could allow trustees to deny an extension, he said.

"There has been some news on Amoco, particularly with that situation in downtown Plymouth," Preniczky said.

AMOCO ASKED trustees Tuesday to extend site plan approval for the gas station — an action that would allow the firm to build the station eventually.

But some trustees didn't want to extend site plan approval, they said, in an effort to stop construction of the gas station. They agreed to seek an opinion from the township attorney on how to handle the situation in a way that doesn't spark a lawsuit.

That opinion is scheduled to be presented at the Dec. 12 township board meeting.

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BILL BRESLER/staff photographer

Tearful ending

Senior Jenny Russell is consoled by a teammate after Plymouth Canton was beaten 45-40 by West Bloomfield in the semifinals of the girls state basketball tournament Friday in Grand Rapids. See Page 1C for photos and stories on the game.

Attorney asks judge to drop charges in fatal crash

By M.B. Dillon
staff writer

Detroit Records Court Judge John Patrick O'Brien was asked to dismiss negligent homicide charges against Mark A. Vernier, 17, of Milford Friday.

Vernier, a senior at Redford Catholic Central High School, faces a possible two-year sentence as a result of a Plymouth Township traffic fatality Oct. 13. Robert Valicento, 68, of Canton was killed in the rollover accident.

Brian Lavan, Vernier's attorney, asked that his client be placed on three years' probation under the Holmes Youthful Trainee Act. Under the act, offenders' records are cleared if they go three years without a conviction.

Judge O'Brien will decide the motion at a hearing set for Jan. 30.

Vernier is free on \$5,000 personal bond, set at his arraignment by 35th District Judge John MacDonald.

According to police, Valicento, in a 1988 Crown Victoria LTD, was eastbound going 45 to 50 m.p.h. on North Territorial when the accident occurred about 4 p.m. Vernier, driving a 1986 Ford Ranger, was southbound on Ridge.

Vernier told police he stopped at the stop sign, then proceeded into the intersection after looking both east and west.

The vehicles collided, causing the LTD to roll. Valicento was pronounced dead at the scene and transported to the Wayne County Medical Examiners' Office. Vernier was unhurt.

Vernier, who works part time for Exquisite Landscaping, Inc., of Northville, was on his

way to a jobsite with his employer, who was traveling separately.

They had taken a wrong turn, and the employer was waiting in his jeep for Vernier at the corner of North Territorial and Ridge. The employer told police that with hand signals, he indicated to Vernier which way to proceed. The employer watched Vernier look both ways, then witnessed the impact.

Alcohol was not a factor in the collision. Road and weather conditions were good.

Lavan is prepared to have an expert highway department witness testify should the case go to trial.

In the last year, eight serious accidents have occurred on North Territorial in Plymouth Township, Lavan said.

VALICENTO WAS driving home after visiting his daughter in South Lyon when he was killed.

He was a captain with the Detroit Fire Department for 31 years before retiring in 1973.

Ten members of Valicento's family attended the Records Court arraignment.

"We don't agree with this 'youthful act' program, because after three years, it is dismissed and off his record so he has no record of this," said Valicento's daughter, Pat Carlton of Canton.

"We have a permanent gravemarker of my dad's to look at. We don't think it is right, so we let the judge know how we felt today," Carlton said. "Somebody can't go out and just kill someone and not have a record of it. It's like my dad's life didn't mean anything."

Suit against Japanese firm shows cultural differences

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"If there is any employee who do not know how to behave, I was calling in and teaching, even how to chew food, not to make noise, how to sip soup," Yamamoto said.

Of course this company is 100 percent Japanese company," he said. "Therefore, we are having many Japanese employees. Therefore, that type of situation itself could cause some sort of misunderstanding or some sort of conflict."

"Therefore, I was feeling I should try much harder to eliminate that type of gap."

A SEPARATE study conducted by Kotcher pointed to age discrimination at the company. The study showed 132 employees were between 20 and 29 years old. The company had a total 193 employees.

However, visible employment changes have been made. Since 1986, an American vice president and more American managers have been hired, said Nancy Sasamoto, a Chicago-based attorney representing American Yazaki. She declined comment about the Kotcher case.

Yazaki has an affirmative action plan aimed at hiring minorities, Sasamoto said.

Generally, to my knowledge, there haven't been any violations of federal or state law," Sasamoto said. The Equal Employment Opportunity Commission listed one complaint against American Yazaki, although officials declined to say who filed it. According to court documents, Kotcher filed one such complaint.

On the other hand, American Yazaki was discriminated against in the lawsuit through "blatant anti-Japanese rhetoric," company attorneys charge.

JAPANESE COMPANIES in the U.S. have to overcome discrimination on a different level, Sasamoto said.

Aside from Japanese-bashing, she said, articles applauding the Japanese work philosophy and its successes often damage the Japanese-American relations. Oftentimes, U.S. workers resent publicity for Japanese companies and the inference that U.S. work is inferior in comparison, she said.

Japanese ownership shouldn't play such a big role in the public's perception of the company, Sasamoto said. Bundarin, whose practice deals heavily in civil rights and workers' compensation cases, said he advised Kotcher not to talk about the case, and also declined comment.

"However, he's well aware of the law and what's required of a company to somewhat satisfy the legal end of the discriminatory practice," said Bundarin.

Bundarin said his client was al-



David Kotcher

ways a strong company man. In a 1987 interview with the Canton Observer, Kotcher said: "There's a high degree of pride and a strong feeling of togetherness. Business is at the core of Japanese life."

He lauded Yazaki's low employee turnover rate and attributed that to the company's efforts "at all costs not to terminate" employees by helping them work out problems such as absenteeism and tardiness.

The settlement between American Yazaki and Kotcher is undisclosed. American Yazaki public relations personnel declined comment.

Grinch steals lights

The grinch who stole Christmas came to Canton and took toy soldiers, outdoor lights and other holiday decorations that were in front of a home on Edenbrook in Canton last week, police reported. The goods were valued at \$30.

HOUSE BREAK-INS: More than \$2,500 worth of goods were stolen from a home on Sitten in Canton last week, police said.

There was no forced entry into the home and only he and his wife have a key, the homeowner told police.

He reported that a \$1,012 paycheck, a \$1,400 shotgun and \$400 in cash was stolen.

DRUGS, PORNO MATERIAL: A Country Hearth Inn hotel employee, about to padlock a hotel room because the occupant failed to pay the rent, told Canton police that a mirror with a powdery substance was found. The employee also spotted pornographic material thrown

Amoco proposal delayed

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TOWNSHIP CLERK Loren Bennett favors approving the site plan, he said.

"When someone is in 100 percent compliance, I don't believe we have any other option but to approve," he said.

"If by law we must approve it, aren't we playing games by waiting?" "I believe a certain amount of reliance has to be put on the state and its regulations," he said, concerning the current construction of underground service station tanks.

"I don't know how old the tanks are in the city of Plymouth. I assume this is an old situation that has recently come to light. I make the assumption that the tanks are safer to than they were 20 years ago," Bennett said.

At the Amoco service station at Ann Arbor Trail and Main Street, petroleum products have been seeping into ground water and soil for years. The area has been on a DNR list of contaminated sites since 1979.

crime watch

around the hotel room.

Police suspect the powdery substance was cocaine. Pat Nemecek, public safety information officer, said the case was given to the Wayne County Drug Enforcement Team, which is based in Canton.

In a separate case, more than \$600 worth of furniture was reported stolen from a room at the hotel on the northeast corner of the I-275 expressway and Michigan Avenue. A \$500 RCA television and a \$100 lamp were reported stolen, police said. A nightstand valued at \$100 also was reported damaged.

TAPES STOLEN: A juvenile allegedly tried to take seven tapes from Meijer last week, police said. The tapes were valued at more than \$50. The juvenile was released pending a juvenile court hearing.

GARAGE LARCENY: A garage on Aberdeen was broken into last week and \$500 worth of goods were reportedly taken, police said.

A \$50 radio, a \$170 lawn mower and a \$280 snow blower were reportedly stolen, police reported.

HOME VANDALISM: A window in a mobile home on Mott Road in College Park was reportedly broken by vandals Wednesday, Nov. 29, police reported. The window was valued at \$50.

Another mobile home on Mott also was hit by vandals about the same

time. The two-pane bay window was valued at \$100.

A hole was shot through a screen and front window of a home on Ridge last week. Damage was estimated at about \$140.

These are some of the incidents recently reported to Canton police. For police and fire emergencies dial 9-1-1. For police and fire business calls dial 397-3000. —Compiled by Diane Gale

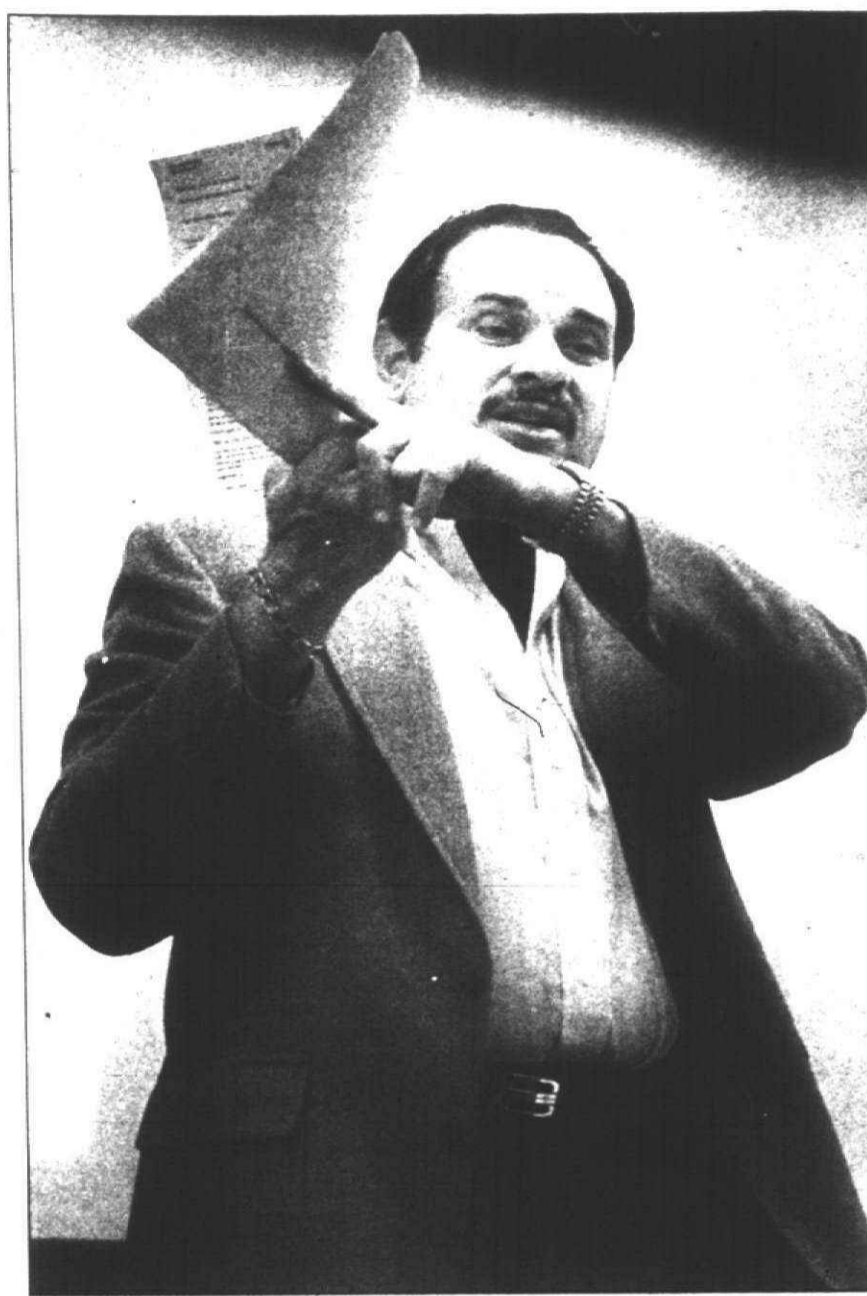
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Author! Author!



Author Larry Shles told students at Fiegel, Miller and Plymouth-Canton middle schools that every one of us has the power to create.



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Speakers share the write stuff

By M.B. Dillon
staff writer

The youngsters squirmed a lot, but they all paid attention as St. Louis author Larry Shles displayed drawings of "Squib" the owl on an overhead projector in Miller School's media center last week.

They clapped and laughed at pictures of Squib — a Shles invention — dressed as a knobby-kneed Magic Johnson, Tina Turner, Michael Jackson and the Chicago Bears' Resquiberator.

Squib is the main character in several children's books Shles has written and illustrated, among them "Moths and Mothers, Feathers and Fathers," "Hoots and Toots" and "Hugs and Shugs."

"Do I Have to Go to School Today?" is autobiographical, said Shles, who as a kid was learning disabled.

Shles dreamed of becoming a famous St. Louis Cardinal, or perhaps a center on somebody's pro basketball team.

"But I was always the scrappiest, skinniest kid I had allergies and asthma," said Shles.

Shles became a teacher and taught high school science until his early 40s.

WHEN A FRIEND gave him a

statue of an owl as a gift, it led to a love affair with the feathery creatures. His 500th owl sketch became the inspiration for tiny Squib, the hero in Shles' books which deal mostly with feelings and self-esteem — "my personal biblio-therapy," as Shles describes them.

Shles took \$8,000 of his life savings to publish his first book. He promoted his Squib tales on talk shows, and soon bookstores in St. Louis were selling out of his books. A publisher has since picked him up.

Shles and Lesser teamed up to form "Author! Author!" after Lesser heard Shles give a speech for a PTO five years ago.

The two have visited more than 250 schools in 20 states, spreading enthusiasm for the creative process. Together they gave three presentations at Miller alone.

"Remember there's no one else on the earth like you," Shles told students. "So when you sit down and see a blank piece of paper, what you put down will be very special. Your stories, your thoughts, your ideas and drawings are magic. Everyone of us has that magic in us."

Shles was a hit with second grader Audrey Jaskolski, 7.

"I got a kick out of it," she said. "I like the drawings."

Elizabeth Boulet, 8, and Jennifer Savage, 8, were every bit as enthused.

LESSER, AN OSHKOSH, Wis., native, taught school before becoming an author in her 40s. But unlike Shles, she'd planned on writing for a career, eventually.

"When I was in fourth grade, I got a diary with a key," she said. Underneath the question, "What do I want to be when I grow up?" Lesser said she wrote, with flowers inside the letters, "I want to be an artist and an author."

A skilled artist and quilt-maker as well as a writer, Lesser designs religious vestments and banners. Her work is displayed in Christ Church Cathedral in St. Louis, and her silk screens commemorating St. Louis' 100th birthday adorn two city blocks.

Her first book, "The Goodnight Circle," was an assignment for a writing class.

At the suggestion of her teacher, she sent her manuscript to publisher Harcourt-Brace.

"Four months later, I received a call from the editor," said Lesser. "She said, 'Congratulations! You've written a new American classic.'"

Lesser's tale, all about animals waking up and going to sleep in the woods, won an award for literary merit from the Friends of American Writers, a group that once honored Carl Sandburg.

"The Goodnight Circle" also made the National Association of Science Teachers' list of top 50 science books.

"And I thought I was writing a bedtime story," said Lesser, who recently visited the desert to research her next book.

"When I see my name on the cover, I feel like I hit a grand slam in the World Series," she told her audience. "I always wanted to do this, and I think waiting so long to do it has made doing it very dear."

Japanese firms are changing to close gaps with Americans

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said. He asked to remain anonymous.

"I think everyone has acknowledged that in terms of equal treatment for sexes, the Japanese culture

Help for diabetics

Help for diabetics can be obtained by calling the American Diabetes Association-Michigan Affiliate, 552-0480.

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of events

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11 a.m.-4 p.m. Designer Andrew Downs with his collection, an informal showing of the latest in holiday and resort loungewear in our Intimate Apparel shop.

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DECEMBER 7 7 p.m.-8:30 p.m. Family Night - you and your family are invited to spend a festive evening with us. We'll have talented magician Mike Thornton in the Children's Shop and elves with treats for the kids. From 7 to 8 p.m. learn new accessorizing tricks at a scarf tying demonstration. At 7:30 p.m. you'll be charmed by the Churchill High School Chorale, dancing and singing performance, followed by a strolling choir from 8 to 8:30 p.m. It promises to be a memorable evening with wonderful things going on everywhere. And a reminder for the children, you have until December 9 to mail your Santa letter in our special North Pole mailbox.

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K mart drops plans to build on Omni site

By Marie Chestney
staff writer

Because the site is close to its newly acquired Pace store in Westland, K mart Corp. officials have dropped plans to build a Makro warehouse club at Farmington and Plymouth roads, next to the Omni Performing Arts Center.

"Because of K mart's action, the Makro plans that we presented as a development is not now a reality," Charles Tangora, attorney for Weatherford-Walker, the site's developers, told the Livonia City Council Wednesday.

The one question Weatherford-Walker has to decide now, Tangora said, is whether to keep its option with the site's owner, Louis George, and try to develop the site for another use, such as a shopping center.

TO DO so, Weatherford-Walker must get a commercial rezoning from the city for 11 acres of the 23-acre site, the same rezoning K mart was seeking before it dropped plans to build on the land.

"We're not limited to a shopping center," Tangora said. "We won't know for some time. Whatever we do, Weatherford-Walker still wants to save the theater."

"George said that if Weatherford-Walker buys the land he would donate the theater to a non-profit group. Something with the theater is still alive in George's mind, but there's nothing on the drawing board."

K mart recently combined its Makro warehouse club operations with the Pace Membership Warehouse Inc., which it acquired in early November.

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K mart said it would convert its existing Makro warehouses to Pace clubs. K mart ruled out the Omni site, said Charles Tangora, attorney for the site's developers, because it already has a Pace club nearby at the Westland Shopping Center.

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K mart's abandonment of the site comes as good news to those who don't want more commercial development on Plymouth Road and bad news to those who wanted to take George up on his offer to donate the Omni for a non-profit performing arts theater if the land was rezoned to commercial.

THE EFFORTS by The Arts Alliance Group to save the theater might stay stalled until Weatherford-Walker comes up with another plan for the site.

Both Livonia Mayor Robert Bennett and the Rosedale Gardens Homeowners Association, south of the site, have opposed more commercial development on Plymouth.

"We're in favor of saving the theater but not at the expense of more commercial on the street," said Steve Shepherd of the homeowners association.

Livonia council members discussing K mart's pullout Wednesday

Newburgh bridge to reopen

If everything goes as scheduled, the new widened Newburgh bridge will open for traffic tomorrow morning.

Livonia Mayor Robert Bennett and city engineer Raul Glindo announced the opening of the new five-lane bridge on Newburgh Road south of Plymouth Road.

The \$4.1 million project, which includes a reconstructed roadway of five lanes between the bridge and Plymouth Road and four lanes south of the bridge to Ann Arbor Road, was completed in one construction season rather than the two construction seasons originally anticipated.

In addition to the bridge and roadway, a new access road called "Jughandle Road" was constructed to facilitate access between Plymouth Road and Hines Drive.

Bennett claimed that traffic movements in the area will be greatly improved and significantly safer.

Left-turn capability will now be permitted from southbound Newburgh to eastbound Plymouth Road with synchronized traffic signals at both Newburgh and Jughandle roads.

The official ribbon-cutting ceremony and opening of the bridge will take place at 10:30 a.m. tomorrow. Members of the Livonia City Council

and consulting firms will be present.

Plans and specifications for the project were prepared by the firm of Orchard, Hiltz and McClelland and construction engineering, inspection and testing was done by the consulting firm of Spalding-DeDecker.

The general contractor for the project was the Livonia-based firm of Greenfield Construction.

The project cost of \$4.1 million was split 25 percent by the city of Livonia and 75 percent federal dollars, and coordinated with the assistance of the Michigan Department of Transportation.



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Tax break lures crash dummy firm to area

By Kevin Brown
staff writer

OK, who's letting all these dummies in here?

The Plymouth Township Board of Trustees, that's who.

The trustees last week approved a tax break for First Technology Inc., the world's biggest maker of auto crash dummies. That action paved the way for the firm to move to Plymouth Township.

Company officials said they plan to create 150 jobs here in two years

and will begin making the dummies in the township by mid-1990.

In urging the trustees to grant the 12-year, 50 percent tax abatement, Michigan Department of Commerce spokesman Jim Donaldson said, "These high-tech jobs are the kinds of jobs we need for the 1990s and into the coming century."

Walter Borda, First Technology vice president, said, "It's an ideal location I think for us. It's close to our customers here and close to our suppliers and the auto companies that have to test cars."

But Borda said the main reason for choosing Plymouth Township over other area suburbs was the chance of getting a tax break.

SUCH A TAX break, Borda said, "would be consistent with previous actions taken by this board of trustees in regard to Ford and some of the other companies that have come into the community recently."

"We hope you make the decision in favor of economic development," Donaldson added.

But a hard sell approach apparently wasn't needed, as the board of trustees unanimously voted to grant the tax break.

"To be competitive we have to offer them," said Trustee John Stewart.

While the company is getting a tax break, Borda said the firm will be bringing \$76,000 in new tax dollars per year into the township economy.

Usually vote against tax abatements," said Treasurer Mary Brooks, "but I'm all for you being in

Plymouth Township."

BECAUSE AUTO companies are required by law to test cars, Borda said the firm projected that business would be stable.

A building to be used to house company operations is now being built at 47460 Gallon Drive in the Metro West Beck Road Industrial Park.

"Full employment will be reached roughly by July 1," Borda said. The company describes its crash dummies — or anthropomorphic test

dummies — as complicated computers packed with sensors.

"We produce around 300 each year," Borda said.

Cost to make each dummy ranges from \$30,000 to \$90,000.

First Technology is an English corporation traded publicly on the London Stock Exchange. The firm plans to combine crash dummy manufacturing operations currently in Los Angeles, Calif., and Stamford, Conn., at the Plymouth Township site.

Jail pact formalizes management plan

By Wayne Peal
staff writer

Months of wrangling — and an 18-year-old lawsuit — appeared ended last week with a new agreement on Wayne County Jail management.

Under a consent order issued Thursday, former county youth home director Peter Wilson was formally appointed director of jail operations and ordered to report to both County Executive Edward McNamara and Sheriff Robert Ficano.

Both officials spent much of this year wrangling over jail control. Wilson, who has filled the position for the past three months under an informal agreement between both men, had his duties clarified under Thursday's agreement.

He will now report to the county executive on budget matters and to the sheriff on matters concerning jail security and operations.

Future conflicts between the executive and sheriff will be decided by Chief Wayne County Circuit Judge Richard Kaufman, who is overseeing jail improvements under terms of the 1971 inmate lawsuit.

ATTORNEYS FOR all three parties were expected to sign the agreement as an attorney representing the inmates.

County commissioners unanimously approved the consent order in a special session Thursday afternoon.

Both Ficano and McNamara appeared pleased with the agreement.

"The essence of good government is cooperation, and I think that's what will happen," Ficano said.

The agreement takes responsibility for prisoner medical and psychiatric care out of the sheriff's hands but leaves him in control of jail staffing.

Medical and food service operations will now be administered by the county Department of Health and Community Services, a division of the executive's office.

McNamara, in a prepared statement, said the consent order "just formalizes the arrangement we have had for the last three months."

Arguing he could do a better job managing the jail budget and bringing the jail in compliance with terms of the inmate lawsuit, McNamara filed for control of the jail in August 1988.

The issue came to a head in February, when Kaufman appointed the executive jail administrator. Immediately, Ficano appealed the ruling.

UNRESOLVED, for now, is the matter of Ficano's legal fees. The sheriff hired Detroit attorney Joseph A. Sullivan to represent him in court.

Commissioners are expected to discuss the matter Dec. 5.

Ficano declined to comment on how large a payment would be sought.

Kaufman will continue to monitor jail conditions, receiving quarterly reports both from Wilson and from the health and community services officials.

The issue dates back to a class action



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Westland board tables planned boundary move

By Tedd Schneider
staff writer

A proposed boundary change in the Schweitzer Elementary School attendance area to accommodate children in a massive new condominium development was put on hold last Monday by the Wayne-Westland school board.

Schweitzer is on Treadwell, just north of Glenwood and east of Newburgh.

Board members cited several reasons in voting 4-2 to table the matter for further discussion.

But the primary issue appears to be whether the change would have an impact on a group of parents from Legacy Estates, a partially completed subdivision in the city of Wayne, who have requested a similar change from the board.

School administrators have proposed transferring some Schweitzer students to Madison Elementary School, about a half-mile north, beginning next fall to avoid possible overcrowding at Schweitzer once the 332-home Windmill Acres condominium development is completed.

"THAT'S THE only logical place to put these kids," said Thomas Svitovick, associate superintendent for communications and finance.

The proposed change wouldn't affect future attendance at Stevenson Junior High School and John Glenn High School, which draw students from both elementary schools, district officials said.

Also, existing bus routes would remain unchanged, school officials said.

Originally, school officials had hoped to avoid boundary changes. But elementary school enrollment this fall was higher than expected.

Superintendent Dennis O'Neill, in a letter to the Westland City Council before the project was granted preliminary site plan approval last summer, said declining enrollment

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in the district had pushed enrollment at Schweitzer to 615 pupils last year, down from a high of 740 in 1989.

The city council approved the final site plan for Windmill Acres Nov. 20. The 74-acre project will be built along the city's southwestern limits and will be bounded by Palmer, Glenwood, Newburgh and Hix.

Board trustee Kathleen Chorbagan, who introduced the motion to table the recommendation, said the measure could set an unwanted precedent.

"I still have a major concern about Legacy Estates," Chorbagan said. "I hope this (the Schweitzer change) isn't going to be a mandate that will haunt us when we get down the road."

THE LEGACY Estates subdivision is west of Hix and south of Glenwood (the Wayne-Westland boundary). About one-third of the 54 planned homes have been built, according to the city of Wayne planning department.

A group of Legacy Estates residents last July asked the school board to shift attendance boundaries so that their children could attend either Schweitzer or P.D. Graham Elementary School in Westland, rather than Roosevelt Elementary School in Wayne.

The board has taken the matter under consideration, but hasn't acted on that request.

Youth Philharmonic sets concert program

The Livonia Youth Philharmonic of Michigan is preparing for its to be presented at 9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 16, at Faith Lutheran Church.

The church is at 30000 Five Mile, west of Middlebelt, in Livonia.

The organization has three orchestras: Junior String Orchestra conducted by Andrew Sewell and assisted by Kathy Knittel, Advanced String Orchestra conducted by Sewell and assisted by Knittel, and the Livonia Youth Philharmonic conducted by Attila Farkas.

The String Orchestra will perform music by Mozart, Boccherini, Seiber, Handel, Haydn, Bach, and Elgar.

The Philharmonic will perform Mendelssohn's Symphony No. 1. Tickets at \$4 for adults and \$2 for students may be purchased at the door or in advance from orchestra members.

Farkas is music director of the organization and Lois Gilmore is executive director.

Livonia Youth Philharmonic of Michigan consists of youth ages 7-22 from the communities of Livonia, Northville, Plymouth, Canton, Westland, Wayne, Farmington Hills, Novi, Ann Arbor, Ypsilanti, Chelsea, Howell, Pinckney, Milford, Birmingham, Ferndale, and Detroit.

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Open space bills held up in Senate

By Tim Richard
staff writer

A dozen bills allowing neighborhoods to set up special assessment districts to reserve open space are bogged down in the Senate Local Government Committee.

"They're not going anywhere until January," said Rep. David Honigman, R-West Bloomfield, who already has won House passage of House Bills 4120 to 4131.

Realtors, home builders and apartment owners associations opposed the bills, fearing they would expand government's power to condemn private property for public use.

THE FIVE-MEMBER Senate committee Wednesday saw its quorum dissolve as members drifted off to other meetings. At the end of a two-hour session, only vice chairman Edgar Fredricks, R-Holland, was left as Honigman answered the critics' arguments. A brief Thursday meeting failed to draw a quorum.

"I agree with everything these guys say," Honigman told Fredricks, "but I don't see what it has to do with my bills. Every argument they made is with the existing (condemnation) law."

The bills would allow groups within a local unit of government to petition their elected officials for special assessment districts for a much longer list of purposes — pristine woodlands, bogs, landscaped areas, camps, botanical gardens, waterfront access and so on.

"They will also allow businesses to expand parking lots," Honigman told the panel. "Rep. Mike Bennane (D-Detroit) added an amendment to allow urban neighborhoods to buy vacant crack houses."

He added: "There's a feeling in rapidly growing areas that the entire township shouldn't pay for something that benefits only us (one neighborhood)."

ROBERT LONG, supervisor of Commerce Township, said the population has expanded from 9,600 to 27,000 in his 22 years in office because "people like the open appearance. Two areas would like to preserve open space."

"We have, almost every meeting, petitions for some kind of service — chloride, blacktop, lights, weed control," Long said.

Honigman said that under his bills, if 20 percent of the property owners object, the improvement would have

to be supported by at least 51 percent of the owners. He said a governing board may, if it wishes, require a "supermajority" of 70 percent approval from owners.

A dozen bills are needed because separate laws govern home rule cities, fourth-class cities, home rule villages, general law villages, general law townships and charter townships, as well as metropolitan districts.

JACK SCHICK, of the Apartment Association of Michigan, saw problems.

"If a community wishes parks and parking facilities, the community at large should vote for them and not just a special area," he said.

"We are worried about the liberalness of the definition of 'park'."

"Just who benefits is another concern."

"They (the bills) might be good for the representative's (Honigman's) area, but not in the northern and western sides of the state."

His chief objection was that a local government could find itself invoking the use of its power of condemnation (eminent domain) with a longer list of special assessment districts. If lawsuits resulted, the entire community could wind up paying, he said.

JACK WALKER, of the Michigan Association of Realtors, said MAR hasn't taken a position but he was bothered by "what appears to be an extension of police power" (eminent domain).

"I see nothing that says there has to be a willing seller," Walker said. Lynn Egbert, executive vice president of the Michigan Association of Home Builders, said special assessment districts for open space could work to the detriment of those who want to see further development.

Egbert also raised questions about who would own the preserved open space and who would be liable if someone were injured on it.

Veto override falls short, county budget approved

Wayne County Commissioners approved a 1989-90 county budget Thursday after a last ditch bid to raise county clerk's fees was rejected.

Increasing clerk's fees was expected to produce \$400,000 to help the department buy new computer equipment, but County Executive Edward McNamara vetoed the measure, saying it was "an excessive fee increase ordinance" prohibited under the Headlee Tax Limitation Amendment.

While several commissioners disagreed with McNamara's assessment, they couldn't muster enough votes for an override.

The override attempt fell three votes short of passing. Among area commissioners, Susan Heintz, R-Northville Township, Kevin Kelley, D-Redford and Milton Mack, D-Wayne, voted against the override.

Commissioner Kay Beard, D-Inkster, voted in favor of the override.

The \$400,000 was eliminated from the \$1.3 billion overall county budget, though the clerk's office may yet gain the new computer equipment.

Deputy county executive Michael Duggan said the equipment could be financed through money set aside for county information processing services. If not, a smaller series of fee increases could be considered.

DNR rules need more input — public

By Tim Richard
staff writer

Two people who live near toxic sites say the state Department of Natural Resources proposed rules give administrators too much discretion and homeowners too little voice in cleaning up chemical spills.

"The DNR seems to be happy with these rules. We're not," said Hans Posselt, an environmental scientist from Augusta Township in Washtenaw County who advises the United Auto Workers union on toxics.

They found a friendly ear in state Sen. Edgar Fredricks, R-Holland, chair of the Michigan Legislative Joint Committee on Administrative Rules. Fredricks' 12-member panel must approve administrative rules before they can take effect.

"I would like specificity," said Fredricks, signaling he will agree only to tightly written rules.

Fredricks and Rep. Michael Griffin, D-Jackson, held a public hearing Friday at Schoolcraft College

in Livonia. Several dozen people attended, but only a handful spoke.

FREDRICKS SAID his panel will conduct one last hearing at 10 a.m. Monday, Dec. 11, in the Law Building in Lansing and spend much of the day Dec. 13 in working on details.

The rules would govern how DNR enforces the Michigan Environmental Response Act (PA 307 of 1982). DNR lost one lawsuit because it lacked such rules, and until February it is operating under emergency rules.

Posselt and Gisela Lendle King of Holly saw two big flaws in the rules as promulgated by DNR.

"The director has wide discretion in deciding whether to seek a Plan A, B or C level of cleanup. Plan A, the most expensive, calls for no detectable hazardous substance other than 'background'."

Plan B sets standards for permissible levels of the substance. Plan C contemplates re-use of the contaminated site, allows site-specific standards and requires that cost-

effectiveness be considered.

"People who live near contaminated sites should be allowed to do more than 'spout off at a public hearing,'" said King. They should serve on tri-party committees, with DNR and offending company officials, to set cleanup standards.

They were supported by Harold Stokes, a Livonia resident who said, "We can't have decisions made entirely by industries trying to protect their profits."

POSSLET, WHO grew up in Germany during World War II, said that nation learned to recycle everything, and that Michigan law was too tolerant of landfills.

"You could have level B and C cleanups and still have an arsenal of chemicals," he told lawmakers.

"The costs and risks of environmental pollution are socialized (borne by society) and hit poor people hardest. But the profits are privatized," he said, urging a Plan A approach to nearly all problems.

Posselt, who dealt with industrial pollution problems in the Huron Valley, also asked that DNR spec-

ify neutral laboratories for testing contaminated sites. "We've had cases where the waste industry specified a lab owned by another waste firm," he said.

KING, WHO lives in Rose Township of northern Oakland County near two federal "superfund" sites and two PA 307 sites, asked "a constant flow of information" from DNR, even at the expense of slowing down the enforcement process.

But DNR spokesman, Andy Hogarth, said citizen participation on three-party enforcement committees isn't always necessary.

"It would bog down. It isn't really necessary. We have created citizen information committees where we see there is controversy," Hogarth said, saying they cost too much staff time to be used on every case.

But Posselt and King united in saying that since the public must live with the effects of environmental pollution, it should have as much direct input as the companies which profited from it.

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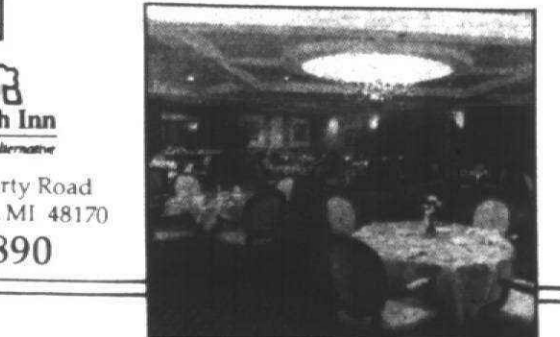
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Anti-racketeering bill sails through Senate

State Sen. Rudy Nichols spent months shepherding his anti-racketeering bill through the state Senate. His SB 124 is aimed at seizing the assets of businesses which are used for criminal purposes.

Now Nichols, R-Waterford, chair of the Senate Judiciary Committee, expects to wait a year for House action on Rep. Perry Bullard's rival bill.

"I have my own proposal, which is considerably different," said Bullard, D-Ann Arbor, chair of the House Judiciary Committee. "Mine lists more offenses — environmental crimes and consumer fraud."

"It has greater safeguards. Instead of two prior offenses (for a racketeering conviction), you will need at least three," Bullard said in a stairwell interview last week. He plans to start hearings in mid-January or early February.

NICHOLS' BILL generated a lot of detailed argument over the summer and fall, but last week it sailed through the Senate 34-0.

All area senators voted for it except Doug Cruce, R-Troy, who had an excused absence. Gov. James J. Blanchard also supports it.

"We call it the Continuing Crimi-

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nal Enterprise bill. The CCE bill promises to take us to the 21st century," Nichols said outside the Senate chamber after his bill passed without debate.

"A minimum startup time would be six months. Law enforcement agencies will need to be educated. It's aimed at highly sophisticated crime. It's not a Mafia bill."

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THE LIST of crimes includes drugs, arson, bribery, embezzlement, extortion, forgery, gambling, counterfeiting, securities fraud, murder, kidnapping, prostitution and dealing in stolen property.

Bullard's plan to add polluting and consumer fraud to the list would give a different flavor to the bill.

Nichols' bill would allow only criminal actions by prosecutors — not civil actions, and not actions by private parties. He argues that a criminal action requires a higher standard of proof — "beyond a reasonable doubt."

Bullard's bill would allow civil actions but require the criminal standard of proof.

THE NICHOLS bill is modeled after the federal RICO (racketeering influenced and corrupt organizations) act.

But the two-term senator says his bill is better and could be used as the basis for improving the RICO act.

One reason is that RICO allows private civil suits and has fewer protections for those charged.

"People are being brought into court for abortion protests, and newspapers are accused of extortion under our current federal RICO laws," he said.

Another protection under the CCE bill, he said, is that prosecutors who fail to prove their cases would have to pay the defendant actual damages — such as attorney fees and storage costs.

Police officials who testified at Nichols' hearings indicated they could use the law against a string of motorcycle gangs, which harbor criminals, deal in drugs and deal in stolen vehicles, as well as against suburban doctors who own barns housing auto "chop shops."

Pastor to address prayer breakfast

Wyatt Tee Walker, author, lecturer and former chief of staff to Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., will be the featured guest speaker at the fourth annual Wayne County Prayer Breakfast on Saturday, Jan. 6.

Walker, senior pastor of Canaan Baptist Church of Christ in New York City, will address leaders of the clergy, business, labor and the community at 8 a.m. in the River-view Ballroom of the Cobo Exhibition and Convention Center in downtown Detroit.

"We are honored and very pleased to have as keynote speaker to our prayer breakfast the notable Dr. Wyatt Tee Walker," said Wayne County Executive Edward H. McNamara, who added that the purpose of the breakfast is to bring together community leaders in a religious atmosphere to make a commitment to conduct business and community affairs in a spiritual way.

Author of nine books and over 100 published articles, Walker has lectured in more than 100 colleges and universities across the nation and has traveled to 71 countries.



Wyatt Tee Walker breakfast speaker

He has been the special assistant and chief adviser to Jesse Jackson since 1983. He was also responsible for writing many of King's speeches during the early '60s.

County officials expect that the fourth annual breakfast will exceed last year's attendance of more than 1,800 people.

Tickets are \$15 per person. For tickets or more information, call Virgie Rollins, director of public affairs, Wayne County Executive's Office, 224-0852 or 224-0286.

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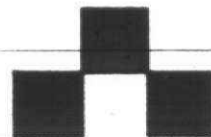
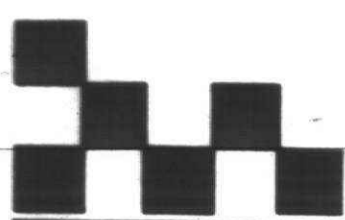
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Forget calories for now

Have you ever started your holiday baking and ended up eating more than you give?

If pre-holiday dieting has control of your destiny, be forewarned. This column is not for the weak-willed. As a matter of fact, it's guaranteed to add a few pounds to both the maker and the recipient.

I'll be the first to admit that when I make cookies, the need to sample each batch has been written in stone. Never mind the cookies. Here's a holiday primer on the things to make in your kitchen that are loaded with sugar, chocolate and all those other things diet mavens have warned us about. I'm talking about popcorn balls, turtles, truffles, sugared nuts and mouth-watering holiday mints that have us joining diet groups and health clubs for our New Year's resolutions. Just about anyone can make cookies but it takes a strong-willed culinary aficionado with a cupboard filled with candy thermometers, marble slabs and asbestos fingertips to make succulent holiday treats. It also takes a guiltless conscience and a certain amount of willpower to put out bowls of popcorn balls, trays of truffles and finger-lickin' good batches of fudge without first having it go literally to your waist, thighs, hips and chin.

WHEN IT COMES to equipment, you can purchase anything and everything at most local gourmet shoppes and houseware departments in major stores. But is a \$10 candy thermometer really necessary to turn out a \$6 batch of holiday candy? Can you justify its purchase when you know it will be used for only 20 minutes out of the year?

Momma explained the difference between a hardball candy stage and a softball stage by showing how the boiling sugar felt when dropped into ice water. If it sank immediately taking no known structure, it wasn't boiled long enough. If it felt "soft" and squishy in the ice water, it was considered to be in its softball stage (approximately 235 degrees). If it landed in the water and immediately turned into teeth-crunching hardness, it was in its hardball stage (approximately 300 degrees).

Unfortunately, for too many of us novice candy makers, an additional 30 seconds on the stove was all it took to transform something sweet and gooey into a rock-solid ball of hard candy. To answer the above question, yes. Rely on a candy thermometer for optimum results.

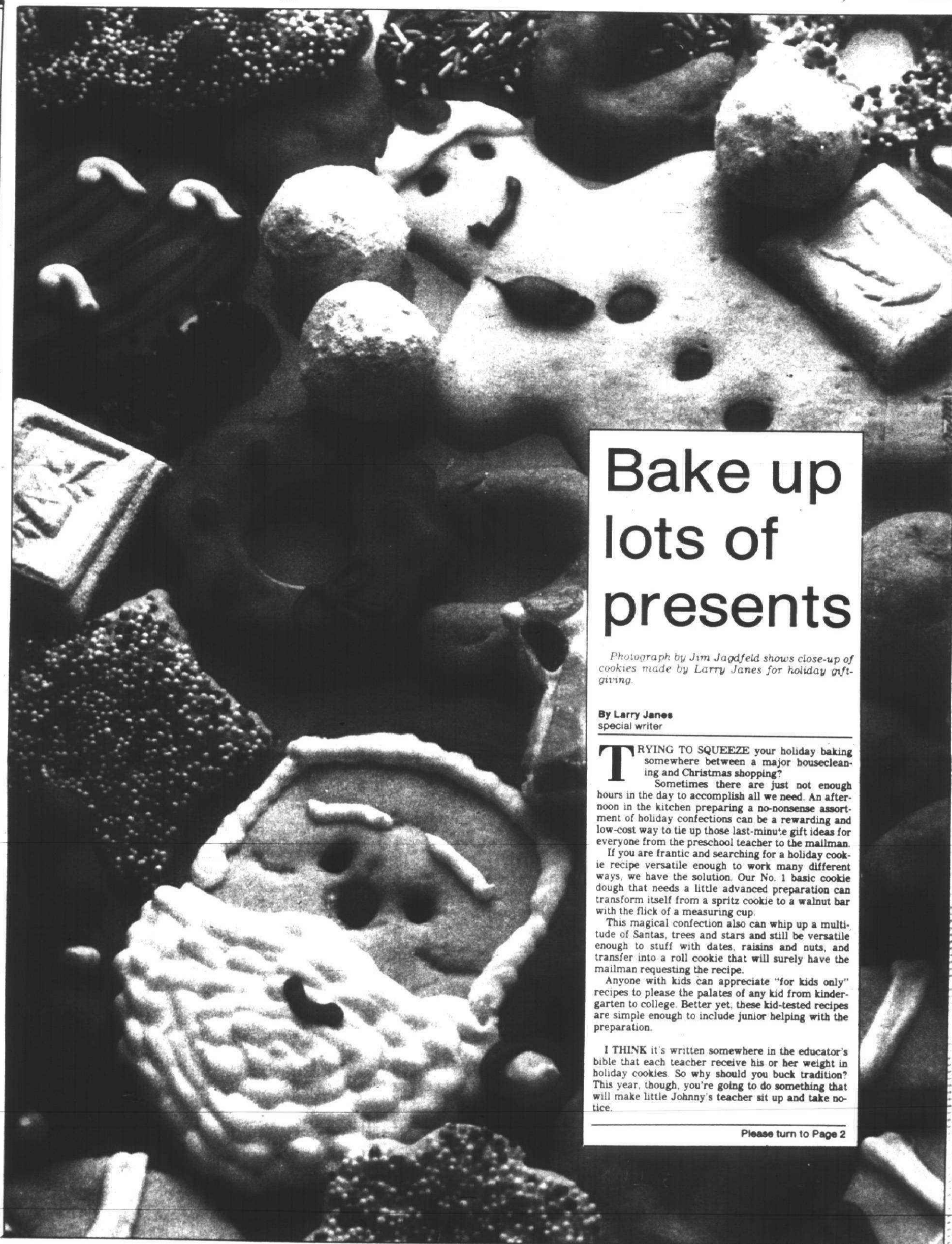
Even more important when preparing holiday candies, however, is the need to use long-handled wooden spoons that don't reek of garlic from last night's stir fry and, more importantly, to have measuring cups and spoons. Always use cookware that is at least four times the volume of the ingredients or a 3-quart capacity for each 1½ pounds of candy being made.

ANYONE WHO has ever made stovetop candy can attest to this reasoning, especially after the first pot boils over and you spend the remainder of the holidays scraping caramelized sugar from the reflector pans and stovetops.

Candymaking in the home kitchen is an art with its secrets lying in following the recipe closely, using the correct equipment, measuring carefully and accurately and making accurate tests for the "doneness" of holiday candies. No "fingerfuls" or "handfuls" are allowed.

Take it from a pro, if you're interested in pursuing the recipes provided for the best holiday candies, firm the kids out for a few hours, turn on the answering machine and get ready to do nothing more than make candy.

You won't be disappointed in the results, but then again, your stick-thin friends and relatives who are concerned about their avoidipolis might be. Bon Appetit!



Bake up lots of presents

Photograph by Jim Jagdfeld shows close-up of cookies made by Larry Janes for holiday gift-giving.

By Larry Janes
special writer

TRYING TO SQUEEZE your holiday baking somewhere between a major housecleaning and Christmas shopping?

Sometimes there are just not enough hours in the day to accomplish all we need. An afternoon in the kitchen preparing a no-nonsense assortment of holiday confections can be a rewarding and low-cost way to tie up those last-minute gift ideas for everyone from the preschool teacher to the mailman.

If you are frantic and searching for a holiday cookie recipe versatile enough to work many different ways, we have the solution. Our No. 1 basic cookie dough that needs a little advanced preparation can transform itself from a spritz cookie to a walnut bar with the flick of a measuring cup.

This magical confection also can whip up a multitude of Santas, trees and stars and still be versatile enough to stuff with dates, raisins and nuts, and transfer into a roll cookie that will surely have the mailman requesting the recipe.

Anyone with kids can appreciate "for kids only" recipes to please the palates of any kid from kindergarten to college. Better yet, these kid-tested recipes are simple enough to include junior helping with the preparation.

I THINK it's written somewhere in the educator's bible that each teacher receive his or her weight in holiday cookies. So why should you buck tradition? This year, though, you're going to do something that will make little Johnny's teacher sit up and take notice.

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Homemade baby foods provide fresh start

By Arlene Funke
staff writer

Fresh Start Foods are packed with love — not preservatives — and delivered to the homes of hungry babies.

Kyle Sipple, a 32-year-old Birmingham native, launched Fresh Start to sell fresh-frozen baby foods without salt, sugar or preservatives. She delivers her products to her customers' homes at the same cost as supermarket baby food.

"A lot of people are looking for this kind of food," said Sipple, a 1975 graduate of Detroit Country Day High School.

The seeds for her company were planted some 15 months ago, when she gave birth to her daughter, Claire. Sipple had spent the last several years working as a television producer-director in several cities, most recently Grand Rapids.

CONCERNED ABOUT freshness

and quality, she began making baby food in her home blender. "I was concerned about nutrition and taste," she said. Sipple explained she had been picking fruits and vegetables at the Eastern Market. Friends began asking her to make baby food for them because they wanted the kinds of food Claire was eating.

Sipple, now living in Dearborn, became convinced there was a market for additive-free baby foods. She and many of her friends were concerned about pesticides, particularly Alar. "It was what I wanted and what my friends wanted," she said. "I felt there must be other people who feel the same way."

Fresh Start Foods has been in operation for about six months, and Sipple has been making deliveries since September. She has consulted with nutritionists and home economists. She has read books and baby manuals to obtain information about food preparation.

Sipple had hoped to sell her prod-

ucts through supermarket freezers. But she scrapped the plan because of requirements for prolonging the shelf life of the baby foods. "Home delivery isn't a convenient system for me," she said. "The way I'm doing it now I can be pretty sure it will be used quickly."

An admittedly fussy one-woman operation, she personally cooks, packages and delivers each food order in her Westland preparation facility.

IF SHE IS fixing applesauce, Sipple peels, steam-cooks and mashes the fruit in small batches so she won't have to add lemon juice to keep the mixture from turning brown before it can be packaged. No salt, sugar or preservatives — even lemon juice — are added.

Sipple also demands that her supplier show affidavits indicating the apples are Alar-free.



ART EMANUELE/staff photographer

At kitchen space she uses in Westland, Kyle Sipple prepares vegetables for Fresh Start baby foods.

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Bake up lots of presents in your kitchen

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Sure, there will be the proverbial Hobbes's box filled with homemade cookies but in addition the box will be decorated and tied together with a batch of unbaked cookie dough, a roll of kitchen parchment for baking, a favorite cookie cutter and, last but not least, a recipe for all of the above. Do the cookie dough up in one of those burpable containers that can double later on in the year for a lunch transporter.

You're back when yours truly was in college, I remember Momma sending me an early holiday treat. Upon returning to my dorm after a day of classes, I was greeted with a box sent by the mail that, upon opening, turned out to be a coffee pot Momma had purchased at a neighbor's garage sale for \$3.

Knowing my addiction for coffee, there was a small bag of coffee, and

the pot was stuffed with a favorite batch of chocolate chip cookies. Within 10 minutes I was savoring a pot of hot coffee and a few cookies that really made me remember and appreciate those "little things" others do for us.

It doesn't have to be a gift of gold to be a gift from the heart. To this day, I still have that coffee pot and I'll always remember the good feelings associated with it.

ENOUGH OF NOSTALGIA. If you're thinking about sending out a batch of holiday cookies, better get in gear real fast to ensure delivery before the big day. Anyone who has ever mailed holiday treats always goes through a certain amount of trepidation wondering if the package will make it through without ending up as a batch of crunch and munch.

Sure, you pack cookies tightly in coffee cans and burpable containers

but the least expensive way is to pack the holiday treats in popped popcorn. Not only will you save money on the postage (those cans can be heavy) but the popcorn will act as a moisture inhibitor and a cushion that's as light as air.

There are few of us who can organize our lives in such order that the house is cleaned, the cookies baked, the shipping done and the gifts wrapped, before December 1. If you happen to have made a batch of cookies ahead of schedule (tell me how you do it) and they are secure in the freezer, you can always reheat them. Place frozen baked cookies and confectionery treats unwrapped on a plain cookie sheet and heat for 2-3 minutes at 350 degrees to restore crispness.

The microwave might be great for other goodies but heating and defrosting cookies requires a slower,

drier heat. Since cookies contain a high amount of fat, microwaving will create a disaster.

IT'S TRUE that research shows fruitcakes are the most-unsought items at Christmastime. Even ties and hankies are more appreciated than a fruitcake. But that survey must never have questioned the recipients of Momma's famed brandy-soaked fruitcake.

Every year for the last 33 years, Momma has always spent three days engulfed in the kitchen preparing her fruitcake. The mailman, the dentist, the doctor, her favorite cashier at the grocery and all of us kids are beneficiaries of her labor.

She starts with a trip to the Eastern Market for five-pound sacks of dried apricots, candied cherries, candied lemon peel and citron. Even with a Cuisinart sitting on the counter, she chooses to cut up all the

fruits and nuts by hand, "to ensure they're all the same size."

She will spend a day doing the nuts and fruit alone. The next day is spent lining the dozen or so loaf pans with greased waxed paper and the preparation of the dry batter. The third day is spent finishing the batter and doing the baking.

Since her fruitcakes take almost three hours to bake, Momma starts at dawn and works till dusk. I don't really think Dad minds having breakfast at Dunkin' Donuts and the pre-ner at Ponderosa. But after the baking, Momma will begin the seven-day ritual of basting the freshly baked loaves with brandy soaked in a clean dish towel.

ANYONE LUCKY enough to be the beneficiary of one of her fruitcakes will appreciate the taste and effort for a long time. And with all due respect to the mail-order fru-

itake fantasizers, there is no comparison! This story is accompanied by a recipe for Momma's fruitcake that will surely please any recipient, and even though it takes a while to make, it's worth it!

Last but not least, let's not forget all creatures big and small. Last year, I baked a batch of homemade doggie biscuits for the family vet. I picked up one of those empty gallon jars from a local restaurant and spent about 20 minutes toasting a mixture of beef drippings, flour and cornmeal and having a ball rolling them out with the kids and cutting them into Fido-sized biscuits.

It was a great learning experience for the kids, and I think it helped them be a little more compassionate about animals and the animals' need to be treated extra special during this busy time of the year.

CHRISTMAS STARS

1 recipe basic cookie dough
1 cup sliced almonds
6 ounces candied cherries, halved

Prepare basic cookie dough as directed, refrigerate. Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Divide dough in half. On a lightly floured surface, roll out half to a ¼ inch thickness. Cut out dough with star-shaped cookie cutter (any cutter will do). Place cookies on an ungreased cookie sheet. Garnish with almonds and cherries. Bake for 10 minutes or until lightly browned. Repeat with remaining dough. Makes about seven dozen.

NUTTY THUMBPRINT COOKIES
1 recipe basic cookie dough
2 eggs whites, lightly beaten
1 ½ cups chopped walnuts or pecans
about ¼ cup jam or jelly

Prepare basic cookie dough as directed. Preheat oven to 350 degrees. For each cookie, roll 1 teaspoon of dough around a malted milk ball until smooth. Roll in coconut. Place on a cookie sheet. Repeat with remaining dough, candy and coconut. Bake for 12 minutes or until lightly browned. Makes five dozen.

Prepare basic cookie dough as directed. Preheat oven to 350 degrees.

Grease 2 large cookie sheets. Roll dough into 1 inch balls. Dip in egg whites, then roll in nuts. Place on cookie sheet and bake 10 minutes. Remove from oven, and with the end of a wooden spoon, make a depression in the center of each cookie. Fill with jam. Return to oven for 5 minutes. Cool. Makes four dozen.

MOMMA'S NOEL FRUITCAKE
3 ½ cups sifted flour
1 ½ teaspoons baking powder
1 teaspoon salt
2 teaspoons ground cinnamon
1 teaspoon ground cloves
1 ½ cups raisins
1 cup chopped nuts
12 ounces dried apricots, chopped
8 ounces candied cherries, chopped
4 ounces candied lemon peel, chopped
4 ounces candied citron, chopped

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family-tested winner dinner

Betsy Brethen

Minestrone Soup great for dinner in a hurry

Now that Thanksgiving is under our belts, so to speak, the race is really on for the holiday season.

As if we women were racehorses. Nary an old nag among us. We burst out of the starting gate and make tracks around town with lists clutched tightly in hand. There are plans to make, presents to buy and wrap, cookies to bake, holiday trimmings to put around, cards to send, parties to attend, and all this in addition to everything else we do the other 11 months of the year. Whew, it's almost enough to make one cry out, "Bah, humbug!" and pull up lame.

But that is not the spirit of the season. Lyn Bell, our Winner Dinner Winner of the week, has submitted a recipe for Minestrone Soup that may be just the kind of thing you would like to serve your family during the hectic month of December. This recipe makes a lot of soup and a lot of sense because what is left over from dinner can be frozen into plastic containers or zip-seal pouches.

You will find that at a moment's notice you will be able to have dinner ready, a comforting insurance policy to have on those days when you return home away-backed from shopping.

BELL OFTEN cooks two or three different meals on days when she has the time and then freezes them in individual serving-size containers. This system cuts down on her daily cooking time in the kitchen and also provides her teen-age son with a



STEPHEN CANTRELL/staff photographer

Lyn Bell of Bloomfield Hills prepares minestrone soup served with salad and rolls. Leftover soup can be frozen and reheated when needed.

quick and nutritious meal before he goes off to participate in the many different sports he is involved in throughout the year.

Thank you, Lyn Bell, for sharing your family's favorite dinner menu with us, and congratulations on being a Winner Dinner Winner.

Readers, I know this is such a busy time of the year, but if you have a special dinner you like to serve your family at this festive time, please jot it down and send it in. Until next week, take care. Here's hoping this week's Winner Dinner will put you in your family's winner's circle.

Submit your recipes to be considered for publication in this column or elsewhere, to: Winner Dinner, P.O. Box 3503, Birmingham 48012. All submissions become the property of the publisher.

Each week's recipes are printed the same size, so that you may clip and save them in a three-ring binder. Use a paper punch to make holes in the clipping or paste the clipping on a blank sheet of three-ring notebook paper. Another option is to simply file the clippings in a folder with pockets that will hold them.

Forget about calories, make 'pounds-on' treats

See Larry Jones' Taste buds column on 1B.

HOMEMADE BUTTER-BRICKLE
1 cup butter
1 ½ cups sugar
3 teaspoons water
12 ounces semi-sweet chocolate chips, melted
1 cup nuts

Mix butter, sugar and water in a saucepan; cook until soft crack stage or 283 degrees. Pour into a well-greased pan. Spread with melted chocolate while still warm. Sprinkle with nuts. When cool, crack into pieces.

CHOCOLATE TRUFFLES
2 tablespoons butter
1 egg yolk
1 cup powdered sugar
8 ounces sweet cooking chocolate, grated

Mix butter, sugar and water in a saucepan; cook until soft crack stage or 283 degrees. Pour into a well-greased pan. Spread with melted chocolate while still warm. Sprinkle with nuts. When cool, crack into pieces.

POPCORN BALLS
1 cup sugar
1 cup light corn syrup
1 tablespoon vinegar
1 tablespoon butter
6 quarts popped popcorn

Boil sugar, syrup, vinegar and butter until a drop crackles when dropped into cold water (about 300 degrees). Stir in baking soda. Pour over popcorn, stirring well. Grease fingers with more butter and shape into balls. Wrap each ball individually in plastic.

PEANUT BRITTLE
¼ cup water
1 cup sugar
1 cup light corn syrup
1 pound raw peanuts
1 tablespoon butter
¼ teaspoon salt
2 teaspoons baking soda
¼ teaspoon vanilla

Heat water in a heavy frypan. Add sugar and syrup; stirring until sugar dissolves. Cover; cook for 3 minutes. Uncover; cook to soft ball stage or 236 degrees on a candy thermometer. Add peanuts, butter and salt. Cook to 300 degrees on a candy thermometer or until golden brown, stirring occasionally. Remove from heat, add soda and vanilla; stir in quickly. Pour onto a large buttered cookie sheet or marble slab. Cool. Break into pieces.

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1 tablespoon rum (optional)
1 cup cocoa
Cream butter until softened. Blend in egg yolk, then sugar. Add grated chocolate and rum. Mix well. Form into ½-inch balls. Roll in cocoa. Chill on waxed paper.

OLD-FASHIONED HARD CANDY
2 cups sugar
1 cup water
¼ cup light corn syrup
food coloring, if desired
¼ teaspoon oil of cinnamon, winter-

green or peppermint powdered sugar
Mix together sugar, water and syrup; cook to 300 degrees on a candy thermometer. Remove from heat; add coloring and flavorings. Mix well. Pour into a well-greased pan or marble slab. Cool candy until warm enough to touch. Cut into ½-inch strips and then into small chunks. Drop onto greased cookie sheet. Sprinkle with powdered sugar. Makes 1 pound.

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Winner Dinner

Menu

MINESTRONE SOUP
TOSSED GREEN SALAD
TANGY TARRAGON SALAD DRESSING
WHOLE WHEAT ROLLS

Recipes

MINESTRONE SOUP

This recipe makes 18-20 servings. It can be frozen in small containers, defrosted and used for quick, individual meals.

Soak 1 pound of white beans in water for a day and a half. Drain and rinse the beans and cook in 10 cups of fresh water for 1 ½ hours with 1 bay leaf and ¼ cup unsalted vegetable broth powder. Or, if there is no time to prepare the dry beans, use 3-4 cups of pre-soaked bottled northern white beans and cook them and the vegetables listed below in 10 cups of fresh water.

Saute in 2-3 tablespoons of safflower oil in a large, heavy soup kettle:
4 cloves of garlic, minced
4 medium onions, chopped
4 stalks celery, chopped
4 carrots, chopped

Add to the saute:
2 teaspoons basil
1 teaspoon oregano
1 teaspoon pepper
¼ cup chopped fresh parsley
1 28-ounce can of tomatoes, cut up
4 boiling potatoes, peeled and sliced
2 zucchini, chopped
2 cups cabbage, chopped coarsely
2 cups green beans, cut into 1-inch pieces
1 cup okra, chopped

Add beans and water and cook for 45 minutes to 1 hour. Add a handful of broken spaghetti or, for fun, pasta alphabet letters, and cook for ½ hour.

Add juice of one lemon and correct seasoning to taste.

TOSSED GREEN SALAD

One of the secrets to making a great-tasting salad is the way in which the greens are prepared.

Of course, we all wash the greens before they are torn or sliced, but drying them well, either by spinning them in a salad spinner or with a clean, dry dish-towel, is a very important part of the salad-making process. Once dried, the greens should be wrapped in another clean towel and chilled in the refrigerator, even if only for 10 minutes, although the longer they "chill out," as the boys would say, the crisper they will be.

1 head red leaf lettuce
1 head romaine lettuce
2 carrots, scrapped and sliced
¼ cucumber, sliced
1 tomato, sliced
a handful alfalfa sprouts
¼ cup toasted sunflower seeds
1 avocado, sliced

TANGY TARRAGON SALAD DRESSING

This recipe can be made in a food processor or blender or mixed by hand with a wire whisk or fork.

2-3 cloves of garlic, mashed
1 cup vegetable oil
¼ cup vinegar
¼ cup Dijon mustard
1 teaspoon salt
16 grinds of pepper mill or ¼ teaspoon pepper
¼ teaspoon dry tarragon

Shopping List

1 pound dry white beans or 1 (48-ounce) jar northern white beans
1 box vegetable broth powder
spaghetti or pasta alphabet letters
one 28-ounce can tomatoes
garlic
onion
celery
carrots
boiling potatoes
zucchini
cabbage
green beans
okra
cucumber
tomato
avocado
red leaf lettuce
romaine lettuce
parsley
alfalfa sprouts
tarragon (dry or fresh)
basil
oregano
salt
pepper
vegetable oil
vinegar
dijon mustard
sunflower seeds
whole wheat rolls

Notes

If you're looking to spend a few hours or a few days in the kitchen preparing holiday sweet treats that everyone will enjoy, you'll really appreciate this year's selection of recipes.

NO. 1 BASIC COOKIE DOUGH

(Use as a base for all 6 cookies)
½ cup shortening
½ cup butter or margarine, softened
1 cup sugar
2 eggs
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
2 ½ cups flour
2 teaspoons double acting baking powder
1 teaspoon salt

In a large bowl with the mixer at medium speed, cream the shortening and butter and sugar until light and fluffy. Beat in eggs, vanilla until well mixed. Add flour, baking powder and salt and continue beating at low speed until well mixed, scraping bowl occasionally. Wrap and refrigerate until well chilled, about 3 hours.

SPRITZ COOKIES

1 recipe basic cookie dough

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Lightly grease 2 large cookie sheets. Set aside. Prepare basic dough as directed but do not chill. Attach desired tip to a cookie press. Place ¼ of the dough at a time in the cookie press and press dough onto cookie sheets. Bake 10-12 minutes or until edges are lightly browned. Repeat with remaining dough. Makes 6 dozen.

VIENNESE BATONS

1 recipe basic cookie dough
4 squares (1 ounce each) semi-sweet chocolate, melted
¼ cup chopped nuts

Prepare basic cookie dough as directed. Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Grease two large cookie sheets. Divide dough into eight pieces. Roll each piece on a lightly floured surface into a rope ½ inch wide. Cut into 2-inch pieces. Place on a cookie sheet ½ inch apart and bake for 12-15 minutes or until lightly browned. Repeat with remaining dough. Cool on wire rack. Melt chocolate on top of double boiler. Dip one end of the cookie baton into chocolate, then edges are lightly browned. Repeat with remaining dough. Makes about six dozen.

PINWHEEL COOKIES

1 recipe basic cookie dough
1 teaspoon grated orange rind
2 squares (1 ounce each) semi-sweet chocolate, melted and cooled

Prepare basic cookie dough as directed but stir in orange peel with vanilla. Do not refrigerate. Cut

dough in half. Stir chocolate into one half until well blended. Wrap and chill both doughs about two hours. On sheets of waxed paper, roll out vanilla dough into a 14-by-6-inch rectangle. Set aside. On another sheet of waxed paper, roll out chocolate dough to same size. Invert chocolate dough onto vanilla dough and peel off waxed paper. Lightly press together. Roll jelly-roll fashion from 14-inch side, peeling off waxed paper as you roll. Wrap and chill till firm, about 3 hours. Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Grease two large cookie sheets. Cut dough into ¼ inch slices. Bake 8-10 minutes or until lightly browned. Cool on wire racks. Makes about five dozen.

WALNUT BARS

1 recipe basic cookie dough
2 eggs
1 cup packed light brown sugar
½ cup chopped walnuts
¼ cup flaked coconut
2 tablespoons flour
1 teaspoon vanilla extract

Prepare basic cookie as directed. Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Grease two 8-inch-square pans. Cut dough in half. Pat each half into each pan. Bake 15 minutes or until light brown.

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1 tablespoon grated orange rind
1/2 cup orange juice
1 cup grape jelly
1/2 cup shortening
2 1/2 cups brown sugar, firmly packed
5 eggs

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Line 2 loaf pans with greased waxed paper. Set aside. Sift together flour, baking powder, salt, cinnamon, cloves. Set aside. Combine raisins with nuts and all candied fruit. Set aside. Beat orange rind with orange juice, jelly and mix well. Set aside. Beat shortening and sugar until

creamy. Add eggs. Mix well. Add flour mixture alternately with orange mixture, beginning and ending with flour. Stir in candied fruit mix. Turn batter into prepared pans. Bake 2 1/2 to 3 hours for loaf pans and with tooth pick or tester for doneness. Cover with paper the last hour to prevent over browning on top. Cool. Remove from pan. Store in tightly covered container for 1 week to mellow flavors. During this time, the cake can be doused daily with a brandy or rum mixture for added moistness.

HOMEMADE DOGGIE BISCUITS
1 1/2 cups beef bouillon, hot

1 cup uncooked oatmeal
1/2 cup meat drippings
1/2 cup nonfat dry milk powder
1/2 cup cornmeal
1 egg, beaten
3 cups whole wheat flour

In a large bowl, pour hot bouillon over oatmeal and drippings. Let stand 5 minutes. Stir in powdered milk, cornmeal and egg. Mix well. Add flour 1/2 cup at a time until a stiff dough is made. Roll into 1/4 inch thickness and cut into "dogbone" shapes. Bake at 350 degrees for 50 minutes. Turn oven off and leave biscuits in oven overnight to dry out.

Chocolate, peppermint combine

This recipe is from the article "Chocolate Delice" in the December issue of Bon Appetit magazine.

CHOCOLATE MINT CHEESECAKE

Crust:
1 1/2 cups graham cracker crumbs
3 tablespoons sugar
1/2 cup (1 stick) unsalted butter, melted

Filling:
three 8-ounce packages cream cheese, room temperature
1 cup sugar
3 large eggs
1/2 cup (1 stick) unsalted butter, melted and cooled
1/4 teaspoon peppermint extract
6 ounces semisweet chocolate, melted, lukewarm

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Homemade baby foods for making a fresh start

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The cooked applesauce is immediately popped into four-ounce plastic pouches and stored in the freezer. A sample portion tasted sweet with a delicate apple flavor. "These products taste like they are supposed to," she said. "I'm sure it is very exciting for the babies."

Currently she offers apples and pears in her pureed fruit line. She stopped selling bananas because they turn brown very quickly and she refused to use any kind of preservative.

Sipple maintains that her quick-steamed foods are nutritionally superior to jarred baby foods, which undergo long processing times. All the Fresh Start products are packaged in individual plastic pouches, which can be stored in the freezer up to two months and warmed in hot water or the microwave.

VEGETABLES, including carrots, peas, green beans and squash, also receive careful scrutiny. The sample Fresh Start sweet potatoes were smooth and flavorful. Baby dinners include chicken or beef stew, meatless spaghetti, chicken or rice with carrots, and spinach with pasta and veggies.

Sipple has adopted some of her family recipes and developed others, which must meet her guidelines. No eggs or dairy products are used because many toddlers are allergic or sensitive to them. The stews are prepared from scratch. While the chicken simmers, Sipple steams the carrots, peas and potatoes. When all the ingredients

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— Kyle Sipple

are cooked they are pureed and packaged. "When you look at a jar of baby food the first ingredient is water and the second is flour," she said. "Mine have no fillers, no extras and no silly calories. I use brown rice in my chicken-and-rice dinner because it's more nutritious."

The second-step dinners have more texture and are geared to toddlers with teeth. Currently Sipple has 20 regular customers in Franklin, Southfield, Livonia, Westland and Plymouth. They include both women who work outside the home and busy, full-time homemakers who are active in volunteer activities. Some are people who used to make their own baby food but no longer have time to do so.

MARY BETH RYAN of Plymouth Township likes the fact that Fresh Start Foods are free of salt and Alar. She buys several varieties for her 10-month-old son Nicholas, who enjoys them.

"This seems the healthy way to go," said Ryan, 32, who saw Fresh Start Foods advertised in a newspaper. "They are fresh and convenient and don't cost any more than the supermarket (jarred baby foods)."

According to Sipple's price list, the pureed fruits and vegetables cost

33 cents per 2 1/2-ounce serving. Beef and chicken are priced at 60 cents per 2 1/2-ounce serving. And dinners cost 55 cents for a 4-ounce portion.

Second-step foods, with a little more texture, cost 55 cents for a 4-ounce portion. All orders are home-delivered, with a \$10 minimum order. Sales tax and a \$1 delivery charge also apply.

A typical \$10 order would be 30 pouches of various fruits and vegetables, or 12 stews and six non-meat dinners. "I prefer to deliver not more than a two-week supply because of freshness, and in order to be able to address any problems," Sipple said.

CURRENTLY SHE is working on new products, such as a teething biscuit sweetened with fruit juice. She also hopes to develop new marketing strategies, including hiring more delivery people, or selling her products in gourmet or health-food stores.

Some people have suggested that Sipple sponsor parties, where guests could try the products and place their orders directly. "But everything I would do would have to work into my philosophy," she said.

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1/2 Tsp. baking soda

Heat oven to 350°. Grease 13 x 9 pan.

Combine first 5 ingredients, add margarine, mix until crumbly. Reserve 1 cup for topping. Press remaining mixture onto the bottom of the pan, bake 10 minutes, cool, top with nuts and chocolate pieces. In medium sauce pan melt caramels with water over low heat stir until smooth. Drizzle over chocolate pieces within 1/4 inch of pan edges sprinkle with reserved mixture continue baking for 15 to 18 minutes, cool, chill until chocolate is set. Cut into bars.

—Ruth Olson
Olson's Photography

1 1/2 Cup sugar
1 Tsp. salt
1/2 Cup margarine melted
1-6 Oz. Pkg. chocolate chips
1-14 Oz. Bag vanilla caramels
1/2 Cup water

Boil beans in own juice for 5 minutes. Drain beans and blend. Add liquid from beans as necessary. Add other ingredients. Blend to make an almost smooth thick paste. Place on plate and garnish with paprika, parsley and olive oil. Use as a dip with pita bread, crackers or raw vegetables. Serve at room temperature or chilled.

—Tony & Vivian Andrews
Andrew's Drugs

1 1/2 Cup sugar
3 Tbs. Tahini sauce (sesame sauce)
1 Lemon juice to taste (approx. 1 lemon)
1 clove garlic (pressed)
Salt to taste

Beat eggs white and water until frothy. Add nuts, stir together. Mix cinnamon and salt. Combine the two mixtures. Spread on cookie sheet. Bake at 300° for 30-45 minutes. Stir every 15 minutes. Cool.

—Debbie Barson
Barson's Greenhouse

1 Lb. cashews
1 Egg white
1 Tbs. water

1 Cup sugar
1 Tsp. cinnamon
1 Tsp. salt

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2 1/2 Oz. Pkg. cream cheese, softened
1/2 Cup sugar
2 Eggs
1/2 Cup all-purpose flour
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Heat oven to 350°. Beat cream cheese in medium bowl until smooth and fluffy. Add sugar, beat until combined. Add eggs, one at a time, beating well. Mix flour and 1/2 cup sugar in 2 quart sifter. Stir in 1 cup reserved pineapple juice. Heat to boiling over medium heat, stirring constantly. Boil and stir 1 minute. Remove from heat, fold in pineapple. Cool completely. Beat whipping cream in chilled bowl until stiff. Fold into pineapple mixture. Spread mixture over dessert. Cover loosely and refrigerate until firm, about 4 hours. Cut into about 1 inch squares.

1/2 Cup sugar
1 28 Oz. can crushed pineapple, well drained (reserve 1 cup juice)
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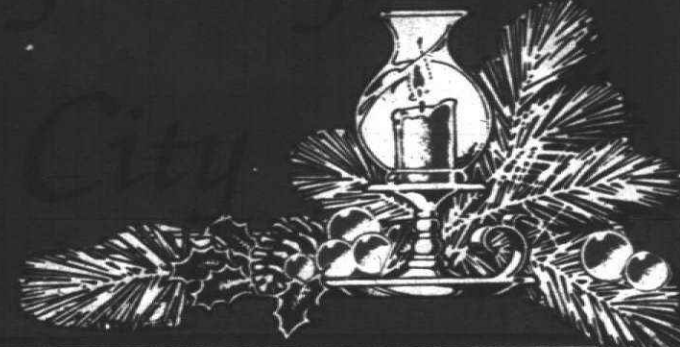
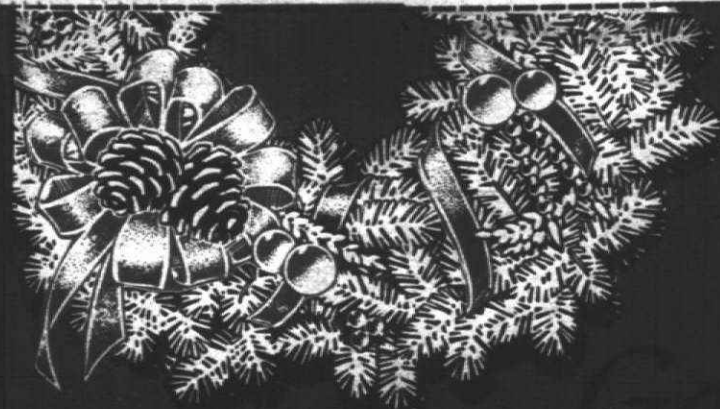
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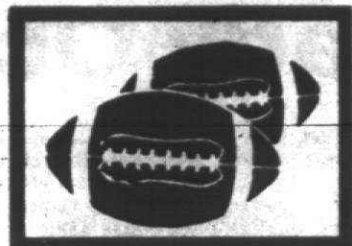
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Lakers sideline Canton

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The bigger the game, the more pressure there is.

Pressure was the key word in many respects Friday night as West Bloomfield soured Plymouth Canton's title hopes in the semifinals of the Class A girls basketball tournament, 45-40.

In the last two minutes, the Lakers used their noted pressure defense to tip the scales in their favor and, handling the emotional pressure as well, won the game with free throws.

West Bloomfield scored the last six points on free throws to overcome a 40-39 deficit at Grand Rapids Union High School and steal what appeared would be a Canton victory.

"We've really been hitting well in pressure situations," Lakers coach Ronna Greenberg said. "When there's no pressure, we haven't been shooting well. I haven't been able to figure that out all year."

West Bloomfield gained its margin of victory at the line, where it was 15-of-19, and the Chiefs, who end the season with a 22-4 record, were 9-of-

15. The Lakers, 24-4, lost to Grand Rapids Ottawa Hills in the championship Saturday, 61-32.

JUNIOR GUARD Amira Danforth made nine of 10 free throws, shot 8-of-8 in the second half, and finished with 13 points. Michelle Aerts, the only senior in West's starting lineup, scored 14.

Canton senior Susan Ferko achieved a game-high 19 points, with 11 coming in the second half, when her teammates were able to get her the ball more often.

But the Chiefs, who led by two to five points much of the game, saw a potential victory slip away in the final minutes.

"One of our goals was to get to the last week of the season," Canton coach Bob Blohm said. "It just didn't end the way we wanted."

"But, for a long time, it looked like we were going to have that outcome. I told the kids 'These are the hardest games you'll play because of the pressure and the intensity.'"

Ferko's last basket gave Canton a 40-37 lead with 2½ minutes to play. Following a Danforth layup, a turnover and missed 1-and-1 opportunity prevented the Chiefs from increasing the margin.

THE LAKERS won a scramble for a loose ball under the Canton basket, and the result was Lanise Baidas making both ends of a two-shot foul, which put West on top 41-40 with 48 seconds remaining.

Canton's next possession ended in a turnover when Aerts stole the ball at midcourt and knocked it ahead to Danforth, who was fouled and made both free throws for a three-point margin with :37 on the clock.

The game was virtually decided when the Chiefs committed another turnover in the frontcourt with 22 seconds left. Shannon Sipperly, who chipped in eight points, as did Baidas, tacked on two additional free throws.

"We were working real hard and wanted to get the job done, but we tried to play too fast and weren't patient enough," Blohm said.

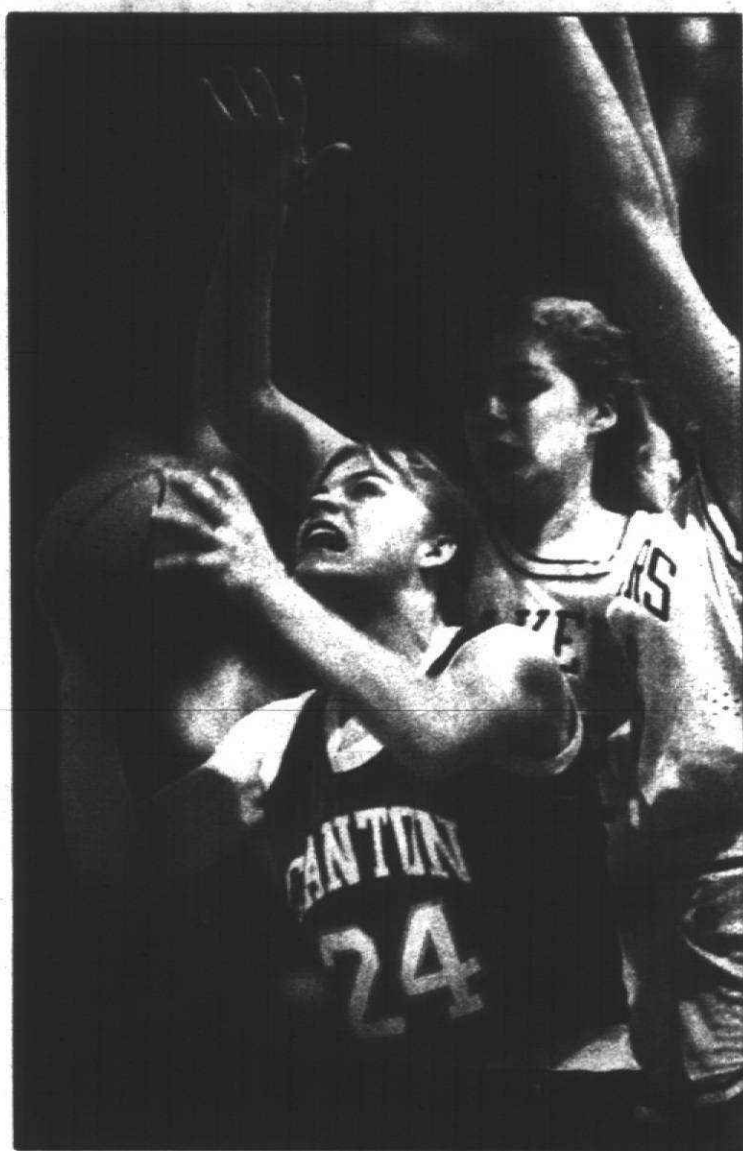
If the Chiefs had reversed the ball against the press and looked for an up-court pass more often instead of putting the ball on the floor, Canton might have gotten more high-percentage shots and produced a different outcome, according to Blohm.

"We used the dribble too much against the press instead of look, see, pass," he said. "We did it sometimes, but it was a matter of consistency."

"**BASKETBALL** IS a game of decisions. We made some good ones and some bad ones, but I'm not the least bit disappointed in this team."

After handling the West Bloomfield press in the first half, the Chiefs encountered difficulty in the third quarter, during which they had six of their 18 turnovers.

"We changed our press a bit in the second half," Greenberg said, explaining the Lakers used a 1-2-1 diamond and, she believed, caught Canton off guard.



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Stacey Thompson attempts a power move for a layup. Defending are Lanise Baidas (middle) and Michelle Aerts.

"I knew in many respects it would be like playing a mirror. I thought it would be a real defensive ballgame. But that's been our forte all year and (the defense) really came through for us tonight."

Canton's 75-percent shooting (8-of-12) in the third quarter helped it overcome the turnovers.

Sipperley, Aerts and Danforth combined to give West Bloomfield a 25-22 lead late in the period, but the Chiefs rallied to regain the advantage at 30-25 on Mary Barna's baseline shot. Christyn Halliday's triple in the final seconds made it 33-27 entering the fourth quarter.

But, unlike the first half, when Canton scored half of its 16 points on free throws, the Lakers were at the line more often in the second half, converting 14 of 17.

"I THINK the breaks are part of the game — game circumstances," Blohm said. "There was a lot of in-

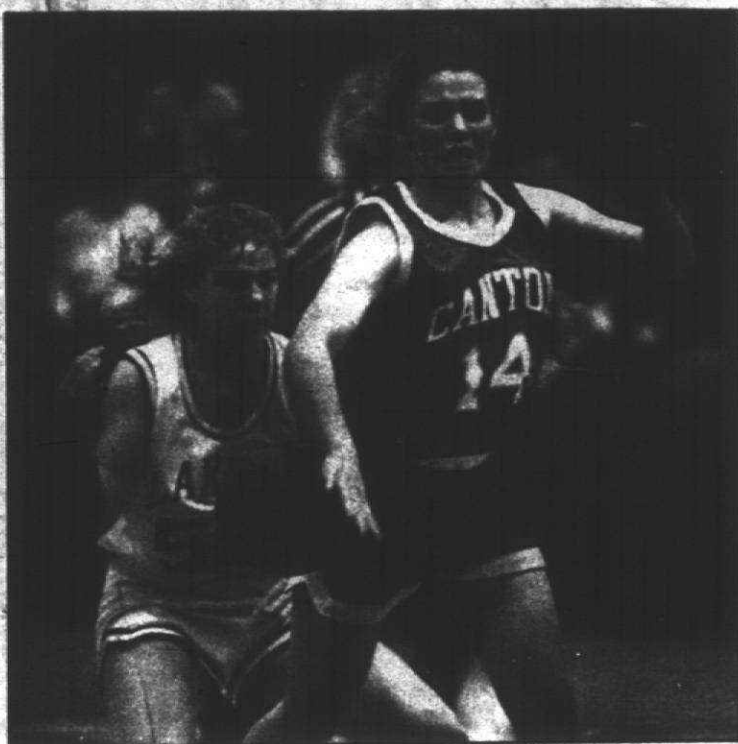
tensity out there in the last few minutes of the game, and it all comes down to ball handling and free throws."

The first half, which saw the teams struggle to a 4-4 draw after one quarter and Canton take a 16-11 lead into halftime, was a combination of good inside defense and atrocious shooting. The Chiefs shot 19 percent (4-of-21) and West Bloomfield 22 percent (5-of-22).

Aerts sank five field goals for a 10-point second half. Danforth also had 10 after the intermission and Baidas and Sipperly combined for 14 of their 16.

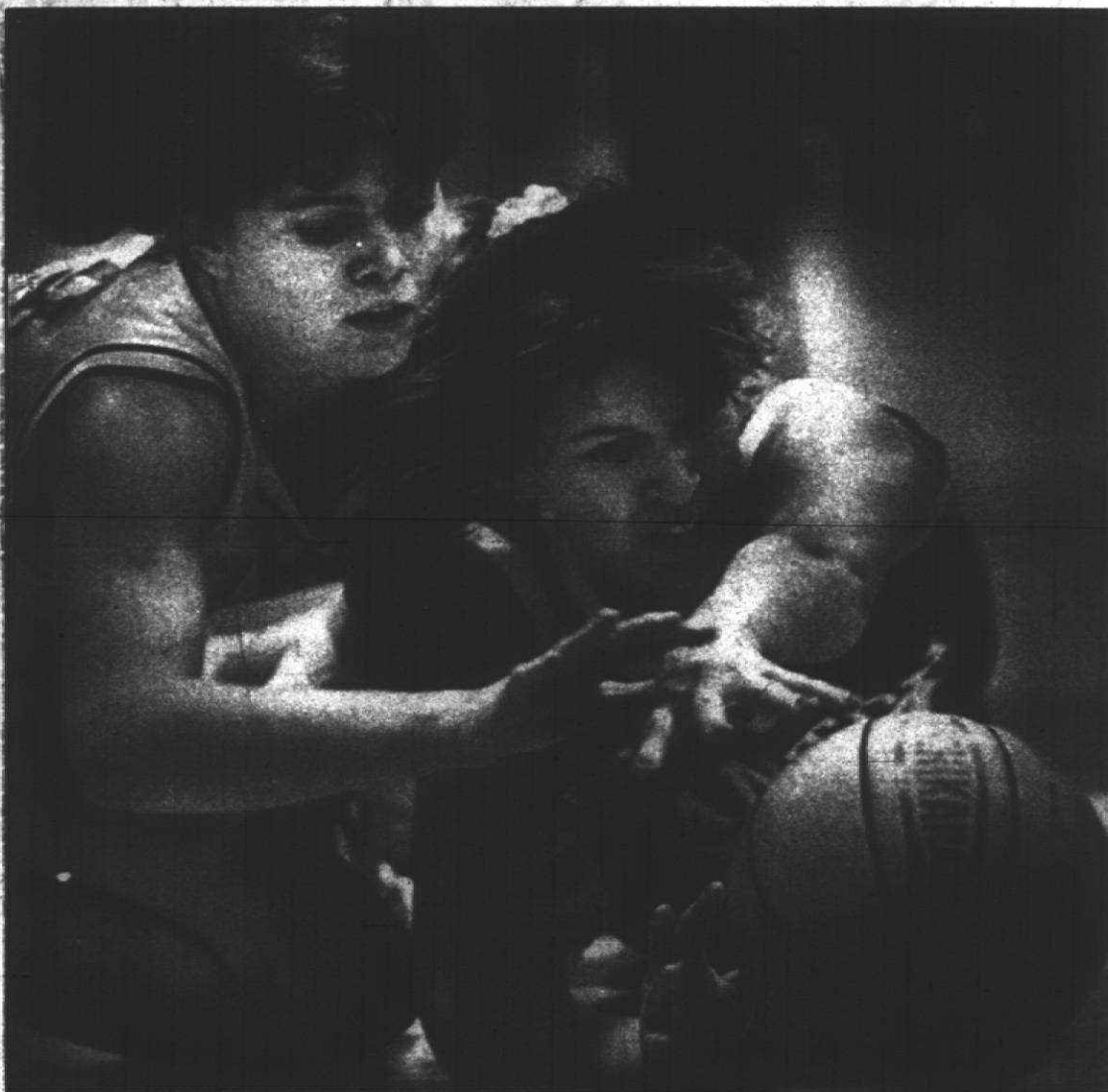
"Michelle went against Susan — and Susan had an excellent game — but Michelle went basket for basket with her," Greenberg said.

"We were forced to go outside in the first half, and we weren't putting the shots in. In the second half, we answered them, and that's all that counts."



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Mary Barna (14) reacts as she tries to maintain her dribble while being shadowed by Lanise Baidas of the Lakers.



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Susan Ferko of Canton scrambles to cover a loose ball, but West Bloomfield's Michelle

Aerts has the same goal. Ferko concluded her high school career with a 19-point effort.

Student support missing

WHERE WERE ALL the students when the Plymouth Canton girls basketball team played in the state semifinals Friday night?

The usual group of supporters — many of them parents — were there at Grand Rapids Union High School to see the Chiefs play West Bloomfield.

But it was a bit puzzling as to why the Canton side of the gymnasium was lacking in student support.

Some were there, to be sure, and credit is due them. But it seems the team representing the largest school (enrollment 2,442) alive in the tournament would have a larger student following.

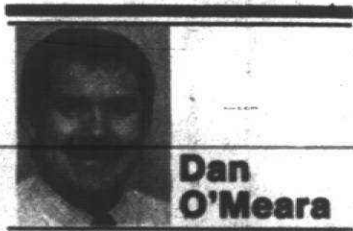
The Chiefs, who finished their season with a 22-4 record, were deserving of it.

West Bloomfield, with 1,000 fewer students, nearly filled its half of the gym, and a good portion of those fans were fellow students.

I'm aware Grand Rapids is 2½ hours away and gas isn't cheap. Those obstacles have never stopped students in years past and at other schools, however.

And the fact it was girls basketball shouldn't make a difference. The first half wasn't very exciting, but the ending was, regardless of which team won or lost.

Were students — or others who might have made the trip — waiting to see if the Chiefs won and planned to drive to Grand Rapids for the final Saturday? Maybe some didn't expect No. 9-rated Canton to get as far



Dan O'Meara

in the tournament and never got enthused about the team. I guess that would be obvious.

Perhaps the Chiefs were a surprise participant in the Final Four, but so were West Bloomfield and Sterling Heights Stevenson for that matter.

Canton had to beat a fine Livonia Ladywood team and No. 3 Benton Harbor to get there, and playing in the semifinals should have generated more intense interest.

THE CHIEFS had a great year. They were the top-rated team in Observerland from start to finish, won their second league championship in a row and, besides winning a district tournament, added their first regional title.

Those accomplishments might have been lost in the aftermath of Friday's game, which Canton lost 45-40. Still, there were no extended emotional displays afterward, and the players lined up immediately to shake hands with their opponents.

"When you get into tournament

play, the real fun is in the challenge and competition," coach Bob Blohm said. "These kids a great job with that. They didn't back off their game."

"It's a compliment to these kids. Unless you take a risk and compete, there's no gain. They're real disappointed now, but they'll look back and be real happy with what they did."

JUST AS WHEN Plymouth Salem lost in the 1987 semifinals when Dena Head was a senior, an era ended Friday in Canton girls basketball.

The Chiefs will lose a great player in high-scoring center Susan Ferko, a three-year varsity starter, but the same is true of fellow seniors Jenny Russell and Stacey Thompson. Jenny Clark, a steady post player, and Christyn Halliday, a good role player, are seniors, too.

But we could see a new group of Canton players being successful next year.

The Chiefs will have height in 6-foot sophomore Julie Nicastrì, who played well off the bench in the second half Friday, 6-0 junior Shannon Murphy and 5-8 junior Julie Toma, and they will have two experienced guards in juniors Mary Barna and Kris Ford.

"When it finally comes to an end, it's not like a regular-season loss when you can get back in the gym and start preparing," Blohm said. "Now it's a long time before you play again."

Yeah, but next year might be worth waiting for.



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The Canton crowd was vocal in support of the Chiefs, but a student following was conspicuously absent Friday night in Grand Rapids

when the girls team played in the state semifinals.

Lady Ocelots avenge loss

Obstacles kept tumbling into the path of the Schoolcraft College women's basketball team Thursday at Southwest Michigan College. But none was enough to deter the Lady Ocelots.

Trailing through most of the game and with center Barb Krug on the bench — the Plymouth Canton grad fouled out with 5:30 left after scoring 24 points and grabbing 16 rebounds — SC escalated its game and persevered, averaging an earlier one-point loss to Southwest with a 66-63 triumph.

"This is as gratifying a win as I've had in six years of coaching at Schoolcraft," said coach Jack Grenan — who called the loss to the same team earlier this season his most disappointing defeat.

There was nothing disappointing about this game. "We just said we were going to go after 'em," said Grenan, who had his team chase after Southwest in a full-court man-to-man press.

The effort was there, but in the first half it led

Schoolcraft sports

to frustration. "We'd work and work and work, and then get a touch foul," said Grenan. Fouls put Southwest in front at halftime, 34-31. The home team sank 13 of 18 from the line, while SC made just three of six in the first 20 minutes.

ONLY KRUG'S 14 first-half points, and a pair of three-pointers by Tracy Osborne, kept the Lady Ocelots close. Krug's effort was offset by Southwest center Cindy Vaughn, who netted 13 in the first half. But Vaughn scored just three more, and was only two for nine from the free throw line.

Still, when Krug went to the bench her team was trailing by four. Grenan put four strong ballhandlers — Osborne, Teresa Parks, Ann Hardy and Denise Kokowicz — into the lineup with Lisa DePlante. The tide changed. SC's pressure forced turnovers, while Southwest's press was broken, with SC scoring several easy baskets.

The Lady Ocelots pulled away down the stretch, thanks to some deadeye foul shooting. They hit all seven of their free throws in the final two minutes. Southwest managed to make just two of 10 from the line in the second half.

Joining Krug in double figures in scoring were DePlante with 16 points and Osborne with 11. Kelly Moran's 22 was best for Southwest, 3-2 for the season.

The win improved SC's record to 3-2 also. The Lady Ocelots open their Eastern Conference season by hosting Alpena CC at 5:30 p.m. Saturday.

Did turf cause Boles' injury?

ONE CAN ONLY wonder if Tony Boles' severe knee injury would have been less serious if he had been playing on natural grass.

The University of Michigan tailback, whose right leg buckled awkwardly on the artificial surface of the Metrodome in Minneapolis, now must undergo major reconstructive surgery to repair a torn anterior cruciate ligament.

Home field to the University of Minnesota and the National Football League's Vikings, the Metrodome playing surface has had a reputation for being unforgiving.

In an NFL exhibition game a few years ago, New England Patriots coach Raymond Berry held out several key starters in a game against the Vikings because he was worried about potential injuries on the tough carpet.

The shoulder-high tackle administered by Minnesota's Fred Foggie on Boles, a Westland John Glenn High product, was not a direct blow to the knee.

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Brad Emons

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Rocks set to defend title

By Ray Setlock
staff writer

Just one year ago, Plymouth Salem's boys basketball team was the toast of the Western Lakes Athletic Association.

The other guard will be senior Tom Noonan. He was the first guard off the bench last season and becomes a starter this year.

"Tom is a good defensive player," Brodie said, "and he has a real good shot as well."

SIX-FOOT-2, 215-pound senior Ryan Johnson, an all-area football player, also returns and is expected to see a lot of playing time at a post position.

"We'll let Ryan bang with the big guys," Brodie said.

The Rocks have plenty of height on the bench. Brodie can call on 6-4 Bryan Schultz, 6-4 Curt Wachlarz, 6-5 K.C. Kirkpatrick and 6-4 John Hoffmeyer. All are expected to contribute for the Rocks this season.

Brodie says the team is ready to play and begin defense of its Lakes Division championship.

"We have a positive attitude and are looking to repeat as conference champs," Brodie said. "We have experience and we know we will be tough."

To get ready for the WLAA season, the Rocks again will play a tough non-conference schedule that includes Ypsilanti, Monroe, Trenton and Southfield. Salem begins the 1989-90 campaign Tuesday with a home game against Trenton.

THE ROCKS will play man-to-man defense, according to Brodie.

"A power team inside might have trouble handling a man-to-man defense," he said.

"He's an excellent ball handler,"

Brodie said. "He can really make things happen offensively."

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Emons rates area's top talent

BRAD EMONS RATES
TOP OBSERVERLAND PLAYERS

1. Shawn Respert, Redford Bishop: Respert was considered Observerland's top player last year, and this season should be no different. The 6-foot-3 senior guard is silky smooth and getting stronger. Has great hesitation moves and handles the ball well for his size. Signed early with Michigan State.

2. Kevin Hankerson, Wayne Memorial: Should be coming into his own as a senior. The 6-4 center, who has added a perimeter game to his repertoire. A good jumper who is only going to get better.

3. Matt Hoffman, North Farmington: An early season ankle injury slowed him down as a junior. The 5-foot-10 point-guard sees the floor well and has long-range shooting capabilities. His game will get better if his supporting cast improves.

4. Jake Baker, Plymouth Salem: Was an impact player as a sophomore for the Western Lakes Conference champions. The 6-5 junior is a rugged inside player who is not afraid to mix it up in the paint. A good athlete who should make Salem contend again.

5. Bobby Lawrence, Westland Glen: An early season ankle injury slowed him down as a junior. The 5-foot-10 point-guard sees the floor well and has long-range shooting capabilities. His game will get better if his supporting cast improves.

6. Randy White, Redford Bishop: One of the strongest players in the area at 6-3, White was slowed at the end of last season with a broken foot. His foot is fine and he should make a heavy contribution for the Spartans, who figure to challenge in Class B.

7. Steve Whitlow, Redford Catholic: Central: Was a full-time starter last season as a sophomore. The 6-3 junior has a decent touch from outside. He isn't too flashy, but he'll get the job done inside and outside. Also a good passer.

8. Ron Baran, Livonia Stevenson: Should be coming into his own as a senior. The 6-1 guard is a good ball handler, shooter and will trigger the Spartans' fast-break. A good one-on-one player who needs more strength.

9. Marlon Reed, Redford Temple Christian: A Class D player with Class A ability. The 5-foot-10 point-guard is a fast-breaker. He plays taller than his height. His place on this list may surprise him, but at other times he will be a force.

10. Glenn Seaman, Livonia Stevenson: Potential is the only way to describe this 6-9, 245-pound senior center. He is beginning to understand the game and has gained confidence after a summer of hard work. He may look bad at times, but at other times he will be a force.

OTHERS TO WATCH

Redford Bishop: Artie Brown and Nathan Sumler; Redford Catholic: Central: Jon Barbra, Wayne Memorial: Larry Johnson, Livonia Francis: Craig Overstreet, Livonia Churchill: Mike Joudawick; North Farmington: Chris White; Westland Glen: Eric Spencer; Redford Union: Steve Novak; Plymouth Canton: Kevin Holmes; Farmington: Harrison; Rob Karwowski; Redford Temple: Elari Sparks; Livonia Stevenson: Chris Soback; Livonia Stevenson: Rick Levine.

Quick start sends SC to win

It was shocking. Dave Bogataj didn't know what to do. Schoolcraft College men's basketball coach knew his team was tired. After all, the Ocelots were playing their third game in four nights. His pregame instructions were to try and run Spring Arbor's junior varsity, Thursday's opponent at SC, and to pressure them.

But he hadn't expected this. Basket rebound, turnover after turnover — the scoreboard looked like a pinball machine.

The Ocelots had suffered through games similar to this. Which is why Bogataj called off his press after six minutes.

That's right — SC was the team doing the damage. The Ocelots were up 36-6 after nine minutes. It proved to be a short work night for the starters, with a final score of 98-84.

"It was just a blitz," said Bogataj. "Any shots we missed, we got the rebound and put back in. We scored the first 15 points of the game, and I turned to my assistant and said, 'Are we in the right gym?'"

"We didn't miss and we played great defense — we were just all over them."

THE TEMPO slowed after SC's

West side bowler sets pinfall mark

THE 59TH ANNUAL "Old Time" bowling tournament was held last week at the Thunder Bowl Lanes in Allen Park. This is where the nostalgia trip begins as times from the past show up to compete with the veteran bowlers from throughout the area. Joe Norris came in from his home in California to bowl. The younger readers won't know him, but he is one of the all-time greats from the old days. The event was highlighted by Jarvis Wockle of the West Side Lutheran League, Redford Lanes who set a new standard with the highest total pinfall in the history of the event with a 723 series. Jarv is 76-year-old. His games were 197-247-279. Jarv is twice-retired, once from the fire department and again as a toolmaker. His score earned the overall championship. The under 50 group was led by Gregg Wingard, 45, of Livonia with a 706 series. He and Jarv are the only bowlers to shoot 700 in the history of this event. Jim Lademan, 44, also of Livonia, was led by Ted Kress, 56, of Livonia, at 651. The 44 age group saw Alexander, 60, of Garden City, take third place with a 586 series and all star Harry Campbell had a high game with 268.

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community calendar

Family Events

CHRISTMAS/BAKE SALE
Dec. 8 and 9 — Plan to purchase your wreaths, poinsettias, holly, mistletoe, and baked goods at New Morning School's green sale/bake sale, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Forest Place Mall on Forest Avenue in Plymouth.

OPEN SWIM/GYM

The Canton High School pool is available for use Sunday afternoon, 2-3 p.m. for a price of \$7.50, students; \$1, adults. Family swim is \$4 p.m., maximum price, \$2.

Canton High School gym welcomes students and adults (residents only) to use the gym facility for their enjoyment. Price is 75 cents, students; \$1, adults. Open gym hours are Sundays, 1-2:30 p.m. and/or 2-4:15 p.m.

Hobbies

ISSHINYU KARATE

Classes are offered for all levels at Canton Parks and Recreation Center, corner of Michigan Avenue and Sheldon Road on Mondays and Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. Price is \$35 per person for 10 weeks of classes. Registration is on a continuous basis, prior to the evening class.

Adult Day Care

ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL
Third Wednesday of month — the Plymouth Adult Day Care at St. John's Episcopal Church, 574 S. Sheldon, just south of Ann Arbor Trail, has opened its support group to the community for anyone in talking over stress or problems they are experiencing in coping with caring for an older family member. Meetings are 10-11:30 a.m. the third Wednesday of each month. Call 451-1455 for more information or if you plan on attending.

Education

FREE CLASSES
IBM Training — Plymouth-Canton Community Education offers free training to qualified applicants. Learn Word Perfect 5.0, Lotus 1-2-3 and other business skills on IBM computers. Call Mrs. Frey at 451-6555 for further information.

GED preparation — Plymouth-Canton Schools offers classes to people over 18 who want to prepare for the GED exam. Classes are both days and evenings. GED is recognized nationally as the equivalent of a high school diploma. Call Mrs. Frey at 451-6555 to register.

FREE JOB TRAINING

Eligible western Wayne County residents who are unemployed or underemployed and who wish to obtain job skills and full-time employment may register now for free job training this fall. The training is offered at the Employment and Training Center, William D. Ford Vocational/Technical Center of Wayne-Westland Schools. The center is at 36455 Marquette between Newburgh and Wayne roads. For an appointment, call 595-2314.

FOUR APPLE II

Computers are available for public use in the Dunning-Hough Library, 233 S. Main, Plymouth. Rules and instructions for using the computers, the responsibility card and a list of software are available at the library. For more information, call 453-0750.

Health Care

ADULT STUTTERING
Wednesday evenings — An Adult Stuttering Therapy Group is being formed by the Department of Speech Pathology at the Oakwood-Canton Health Center, 2300 Canton Center Road, in Canton. Participants will learn techniques to control dysfluency, and discuss social and emotional problems often related to stuttering. The group will meet 5:30-6:30 p.m. For more information, call Janice Pagno at 459-7030.

FAMILIES ANONYMOUS
Thursday evenings — A self-help program for those concerned about drug abuse and behavioral problems of a relative or friend will begin at 8 p.m. at St. John Neumann Church, 14800 Warren, in Canton. For more information, call 453-2811.

Help for diabetics

Help for diabetics can be obtained by calling the American Diabetes Association-Michigan Affiliate, 453-0600. The association is a voluntary health agency, concerned with the detection, care and education of the 250,000 diabetics it serves in Michigan.

Seniors

DAY CARE
Plymouth Family Service is taking referrals for supervised care and a day of planned activities for people 60 and older living in Wayne County. For more information, call 451-1455.

FOOD

The Canton Recreation Center at Michigan Avenue and Sheldon is an official food distribution site for Focus: HOPE, which provides monthly food to Canton senior citizens. Eligible Canton residents may pick up quantities of juice, meat, dry beans, peanut butter, egg mix, cheese and other items. To determine if you are eligible, call 397-1000, Ext. 278.

MENS SOFTBALL

Tuesdays and Thursdays — Team members 55 and older will play at 10 a.m. at the Canton recreation complex, behind Canton Township Hall. Come and play or cheer the team on.

WOMENS SOFTBALL

Team members 50 and older practice at the same location, also at 10 a.m. For more information, call 397-1000, Ext. 5444.

Volunteers

MENTALLY ILL
Volunteers are needed from the service area to work with and serve on the volunteer board of directors of the Suburban West Community Center, the Community Mental Health Agency serving the Western Wayne County cities of Livonia, Northville and Plymouth, and the townships of Canton, Northville, Plymouth and Redford. If you have a concern for the quality of care available in your community and would

be willing to share your professional, business, legal, education or other talents, call Suburban West Community Center, Redford Township, or call 937-9500 or 981-2655 and ask for Debbie Taylor.

HOSPICE SPEAKERS
Hospice Services of Western Wayne County has volunteers available to speak to church groups and civic organizations regarding the hospice concept of care. If you would like a speaker for your organization, call the hospice office at 522-4244.



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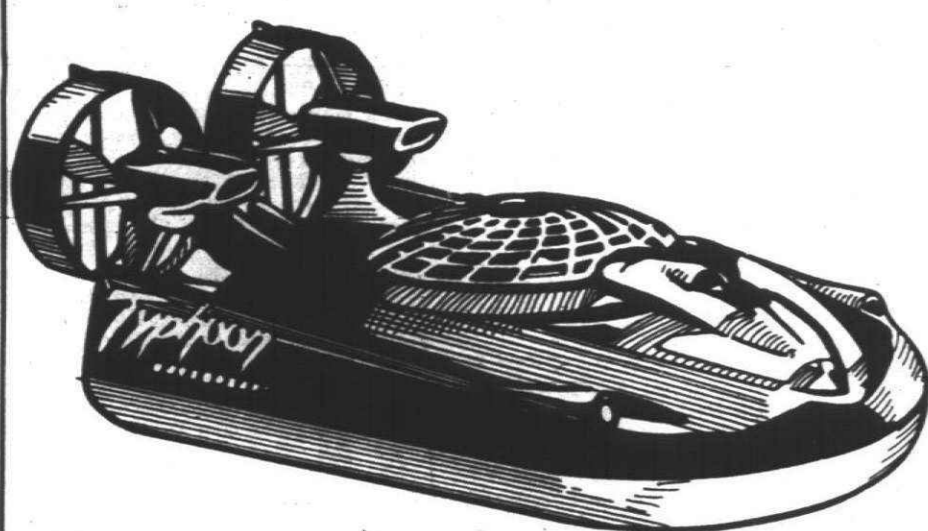
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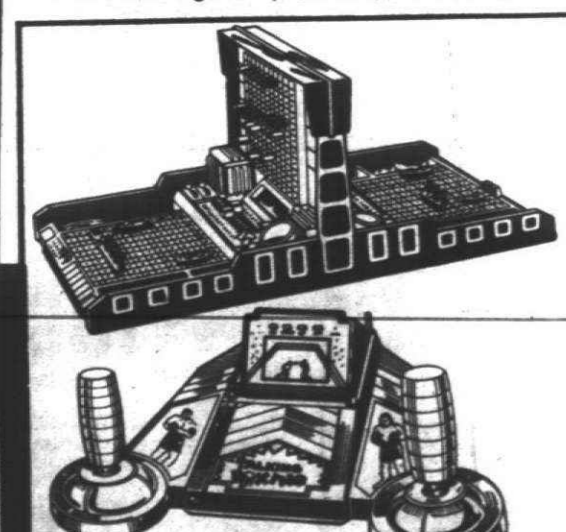
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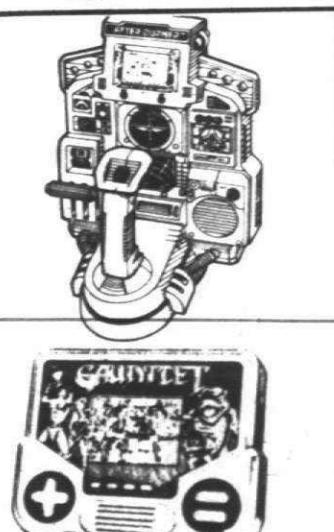
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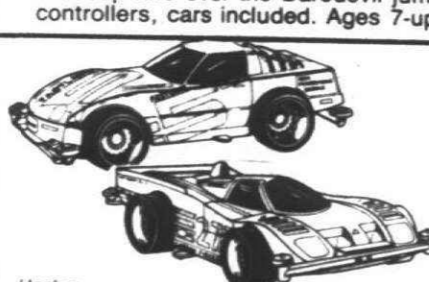
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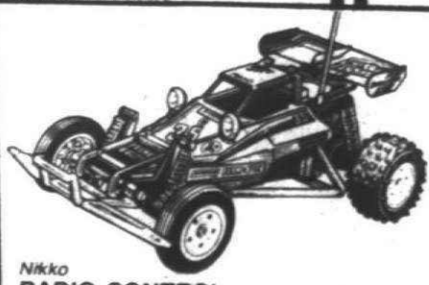
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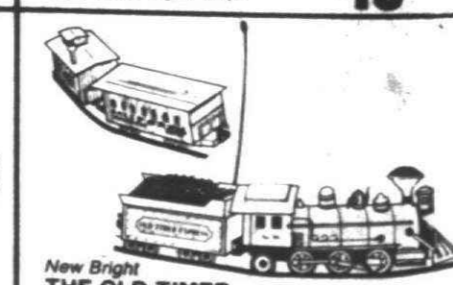
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Services will be held for Harriette M. O'Neil, 92, of Southfield, on Wednesday, Dec. 6, at noon at the Heene-Sundquist Funeral Home, 23770 Farmington Road, Farmington, with burial in Holy Sepulcher Cemetery, Southfield. Mrs. O'Neil died Thursday, Nov. 23, at Botsford Hospital in Farmington. She was born Dec. 6, 1896, in Detroit. She managed the desk of the Western Union telegraph office in the Book Cadillac Hotel. In 1951 she came to Livonia, then Dearborn, and lived the past eight years in Southfield with her granddaughter, Sharon Jacobs. Mrs. O'Neil was known to her neighbors as "Grandma." Mrs. O'Neil is survived by two daughters, June Dugar of Livonia, and Shirley Seaburg, of Dearborn, six grandchildren, one a Canton resident, 14 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews.

MARY M. RIEGAL

Services were held for Mary M. Riegal, 82, of Livonia on Friday, Dec. 1, at Santeu Chapel in Garden City, with burial in Glen Eden Cemetery.

Mrs. Riegal died Tuesday, Nov. 28, at St. Joseph Hospital, Superior Township following a traffic accident in Washtenaw County near Plymouth Township. She was born Feb. 2, 1907, in Pennsylvania. Mrs. Riegal is survived by her husband, Frank J. Riegal and two brothers Joe Sunal and John Sunal, three grandchildren and three nieces. The Rev. Dr. David Russell of First United Methodist Church officiated the funeral service.

community calendar

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Saturdays, Dec. 2-16 — This class is designed to teach youngsters ages 4 and 5 years basic social etiquette. Class is 12:45-1:30 p.m. at Plymouth YMCA office. Price for members, \$10; non-members, \$15. Call 453-2904.

CHRISTMAS PARTY
Saturday, Dec. 9 — Canton Parks and Recreation Department will sponsor a party, 9:30-10:30 a.m. for Canton children, ages 3-7, at Canton Recreation Center (Michigan Ave. at Sheldon). Children will enjoy games, prizes, movie, refreshments and a surprise visit with Santa. Call in advance for reservation, 397-5110.

EDUCATION
Registration for the winter session (Jan. 29 to June 8, 1990) of Canton's preschool program, Canton Crickets, continues at Canton Township Administration, first floor, 1150 S. Canton Center Road in Canton. The program is designed for children between the ages of 3 and 4. Children must be

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School Age

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Saturday, Dec. 9 — Canton Parks and Recreation Department will hold a party for Canton children ages 12-under, 10:45-11:45 a.m. at Canton Recreation Center (Michigan Ave. at Sheldon). There is no charge. There will be games, prizes, movie, refreshments and a surprise visit with Santa. Call in advance for reservations at 397-5110.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING PLYMOUTH CHARTER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR USE SUBJECT TO SPECIAL CONDITIONS

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Planning Commission has received a request for a Use Subject to Special Conditions, pursuant to Zoning Ordinance No. 83, as amended, from Clawson Concrete Company, for approval of a low profile transit mix plant in an IND, Industrial District. The subject property is located north of the CSX Railroad Tracks, south of Schoolcraft Road, immediately east of the I-75 Expressway and west of Eckles Road and contains approximately 1.74 ± acres; the following Tax I.D. Numbers are involved: 024-99-0043-001, a portion of 025-99-0001 and may include a portion of 024-99-0044. Applicant No. 1041. The Planning Commission seeks input to determine if approval of the Use Subject to Special Conditions should be issued under Section 15.2 (8) and 2.7 of Zoning Ordinance No. 83. The land is currently zoned IND, Industrial District. Questions regarding the request may be directed to the Planning Department during regular business hours, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The Planning Commission will consider the request at its regular meeting on December 13, 1989, commencing at 7:30 p.m. Written comments concerning the request will be received prior to the meeting. The meeting and address for written comments is: Plymouth Charter Township, Department of Planning, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, MI 48170. Telephone No. 453-3167.

GREG WILLIAMS, Secretary
Planning Commission

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NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR DESIGNATION OF A CLASS "A" NON-CONFORMING USE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Planning Commission has received a request for a Class "A" Non-Conforming Use Designation, pursuant to Zoning Ordinance No. 83, as amended, from Clawson Concrete Company, for approval of a low profile transit mix plant, a new facility, in an IND, Industrial District. The subject property is located north of the CSX Railroad Tracks, south of Schoolcraft Road, immediately east of the I-75 Expressway and west of Eckles Road and contains approximately 1.74 ± acres. The following Tax I.D. Numbers are involved: 024-99-0043-001, a portion of 025-99-0001 and may include a portion of 024-99-0044. Applicant No. 1040. The Planning Commission seeks input to determine if approval of the Class "A" Non-Conforming Use Designation should be issued under Section 23.27 of Zoning Ordinance No. 83. The land is currently zoned IND, Industrial District. Questions regarding the request may be directed to the Planning Department during regular business hours, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The Planning Commission will consider the request at its regular meeting on December 13, 1989, commencing at 7:30 p.m. Written comments concerning the request will be received prior to the meeting. The meeting and address for written comments is: Plymouth Charter Township, Department of Planning, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, MI 48170. Telephone No. 453-3167.

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PLANNING COMMISSION NOTICE CITY OF PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN 7:30 P.M. WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 1989

A regular meeting of the Planning Commission will be held on Wednesday, December 13, 1989 at 7:30 p.m. in the Commission Chambers of the City Hall to consider the following:

- NR-89-15 — Planned Unit Development - Apartment Complex on lots 11-14 of May Subdivision L31 P88 of Wayne County Records and lots 237-240 of Plymouth Assessors Plat No. 9 L65 P7 of Wayne County Records. These lots are also known as 620 and 676 Penniman; 273 and 281 S. Union; 284, 302, 320 and 334 Elizabeth. Zoned B-2 Central Business. Applicant: Marcello & Silvio Building.
- NR-89-23 — 568 Farmer - Change of Use - Chocolate Station to Beauty Shop. Zoned B-1 Local Business. Applicant: Bobak.
- NR-89-24 — 779-839 York St. - Site Plan Review - Warehouse. Zoned I-1 Light Industrial. Applicant: Warren Bradburn.
- NR-89-25 — 217 Hamilton - Site Plan Review - Conversion of Single Family Dwelling to Multiple Family Residential. Zoned R1M-2 Multiple Family Residential. Applicant: Robert Ziegler & Douglas Anderson.
- NR-89-26 — Public Hearing to consider a proposed Planned Unit Development - Multiple Family Dwelling - 363 W. Ann Arbor Trail. Zoned R1M-1 Multiple Family Residential. Applicant: Allen Pohstaki.

A Public Hearing will be held to consider proposed revisions to the Zoning Ordinance of the Plymouth City Code. All interested persons are invited to attend.

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Trends have us seein' European

By Debbie Sklar
special writer

Europe (yoor'ep) — Continent between Asia & Atlantic Ocean; the Ural Mountains are generally considered the E boundary; c. 3,750,000 sq. mi.; pop. c. 620,000,000.

Webster's definition of Europe may be bland, but if you're one of the lucky ones to have vacationed there than you already know how magical a place it is. And did you know that many of the things that you loved about Europe can be found right here in America?

True, we may love to slip into faded Levis and an oversized sweatshirt at the end of a long workday, but when it comes to real fashion, we Americans "live" for European designs.

"What's coming out of Europe are jeans, but the more holes, rips and shreds they have the better," said Lois Levenson, owner of Guys 'n Dolls in West Bloomfield's Orchard Lake Mall. "Designers are dubbing it the street look and it's the hottest thing to hit America."

When it comes to designing clothing, American fashion designers "borrow" their ideas from their colleagues across the sea, she said.

"When American designers design their own fashions, they study European ones before they start," she said. "They may copy the sleeve of one blouse, the lapel of another and the buttons of yet another."

"What makes European designs so exciting is the fact that they are so far advanced. They're always a couple of years ahead; they're so much more fashion forward."

LEVENSON, WHOSE store is decorated a la New York City warehouse style and caters to "ageless" fashion connoisseurs, has noticed a change in many of her customers' color choices for the fall.

"There used to be a time when my customers wouldn't even look at Kelly green; they turned their noses up," she said. "But this season, the deep brown and green tones directly from Europe are the biggest sellers and so is Kelly green — it's rather amazing."

Other hot items with a European flair are loose fitting women's blouses laden with baroque and other antique-like buttons, hair ornaments in gold and black and turtlenecks for men and boys.

Sure, Gucci, Pucci and Fiorucci have influenced our way of dress, but haute couture isn't the only influence Europe has brought to America — how about art.

According to Linda Hayman, owner of the new Linda Hayman Gallery/Art Poster Co. in Farmington Hills Americans are changing their life styles.

"There used to be a time when contemporary was the biggest thing in home decor, but now people are getting back to their roots," she said.

"They want something a little bit more homey and that's where European influence in decor comes in."

Hayman's gallery, which has hundreds of frames ranging from ultra-modern to the very elaborate and or-



photos by BILL HANSEN

Linda Hayman of the Linda Hayman Gallery/Art Poster Co. in Farmington Hills can see the European influence showing up in home decorating as people move away from modern designs and back to their "roots."

nate, caters to a diverse crowd.

"MANY OF my customers are realizing that it's all right to mix contemporary with traditional," she said. "That's how many of the homes in Europe are decorated — very eclectic."

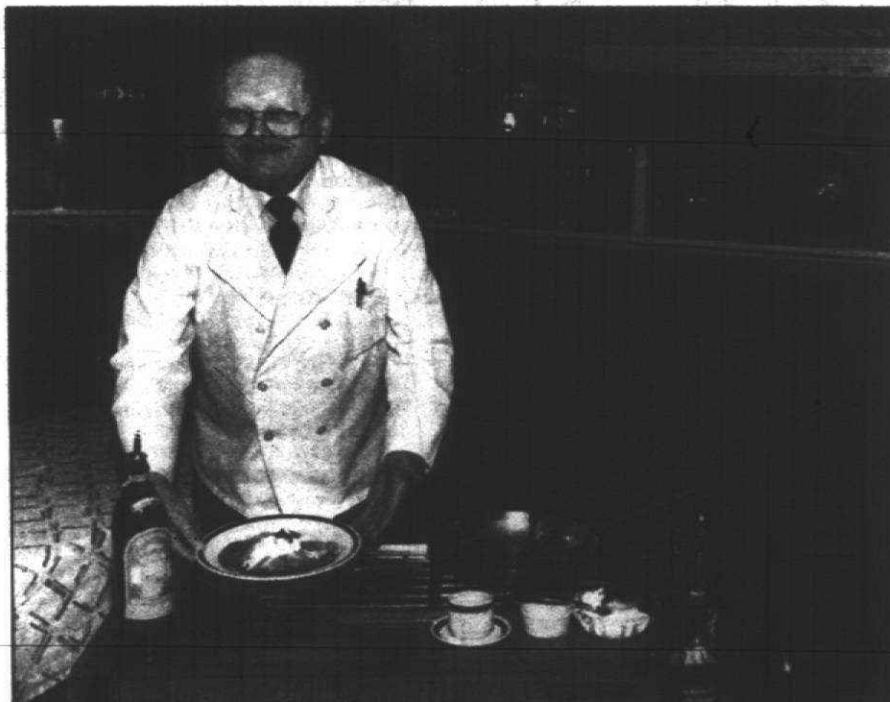
At first glance, you feel the boundless energy of art when you enter the gallery. The expanse of the new gallery — it recently moved from the La Mirage Mall in Southfield to The Courtyard in Farmington Hills — offers unlimited choices for the novice to the eclectic art collector.

The gallery offers an extensive line of fine art, including a wide selection of lithographs and oils. Artists represented include Neil Loeb, Tom Wesselman plus many others. They also carry an array of posters, including museum posters for Monet, Picasso, Renoir and many 20th century artists.

Hayman agrees that the gallery itself has somewhat of an European flair to it.

"The ceilings are very high and there is a wide range of art on all of the walls," she said. "We sell mostly posters, but I'm trying to incorporate more art into the inventory."

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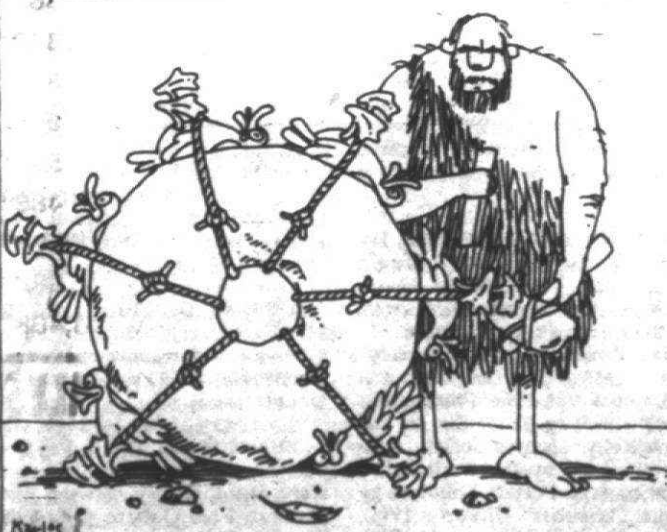


Walter Maeder, owner and general manager of the Bijou Restaurant in Southfield, offers up a French dessert crepe, prepared at the table.

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Places that have the holiday spirit

I'm a sucker for sentimental stories, the kind that bring tears to your eyes.

I love hearing once again about Hans Brinker and the Silver Skates. I like to watch people make Christmas wreaths and cut their own trees.

And if that isn't enough to attract me to the Christmas Tree Festival in west Michigan, all I have to do is think about Bill Struyk of radio station WGHM in Grand Haven and his Christmas project, "Trees for Troops."

The Ottawa County Christmas Tree Festival will be celebrated through Sunday, Dec. 16, in the towns of Grand Haven, Holland and Zeeland, as well as other communities throughout this Lake Michigan county.

Michigan's Christmas tree industry began and grew in Ottawa County. The Scotch pine was planted to stabilize the shifting sandy soils along the Lake Michigan shore line, but it didn't take long for local families to start using the pines as Christmas trees.

Give a tree farmer a few customers, and the next thing you know he



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Sleigh rides are always enjoyable this time of year.

Hayman said Europeans have "a wonderful way of incorporating art into their lives."

"I've noticed that Americans are starting to catch on to that concept as well," she said. "It's definitely true that Europeans have influenced

America when it comes to art."

YES, THEY MAY have influenced our clothing and the design of our living quarters, but nothing has had more influence than their cuisine.

Sure, hamburgers, hot dogs and

potato salad are all right for those good old American holidays like Memorial Day and the Fourth of July, but what about intimate dinners? One certainly doesn't serve hot dogs with mustard and relish for a romantic candlelight dinner.

According to Walter Maeder, general manager and proprietor of the Bijou, one of the Detroit area's most touted restaurants, "Americans love European cuisine no matter how you look at it."

Maeder, a native of Switzerland, has been in the United States since the 1950s and said his clients (who range from high powered CEOs to radio disc jockeys) particularly like European cuisine because many of them have been there and feel they can regain that European flavor by "dining on a wonderful meal."

"I think by dining at the Bijou, they feel that magic once again that they experience while in Europe," he said.

Maeder has owned the Bijou (that's French for a jewel) since 1981. The restaurant serves conti-

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MOVING PICTURES



Clark Griswold (Chevy Chase) carves the Christmas turkey in a scene from "National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation."

This 'Vacation' is trite, but still fun

Movies may not be better than ever, but 1989 box office receipts continue to rise as America's love affair with the silver screen heads for another record year.

Through Nov. 19, U.S. box office sales totaled \$4.26 billion, just short of 1988's total, a record-setting pace. Last year at this time, the take was only \$3.76 billion so with the Christmas season yet to be recorded, there's still a chance for a \$5 billion year. That's a lot of tickets.

But it's not that many movies that are dragging customers off the streets. As a matter of fact, 13 films playing in mid-November accounted for more than 30 percent of those box office dollars. Led by "Batman" and its \$251 million, all 12 grossed more than \$60 million.

Interestingly enough, however, while only number two on the domestic list, "Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade" (\$195.4 million) outdid "Crusade" overseas (\$220 million to \$43 million). There sure are gold in them celluloid hills.

With all that money in the till, distributors could afford to relax their release schedule for the Thanksgiving holiday. The lull continues this week with only one new film debuting. Appropriately enough "National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation" (B-, PG-13, 90 minutes) kicks off the year-end movie season.

Clark W. Griswold Jr. (Chevy Chase) is at it again, this time his dream is to create "The most-fun-filled old-fashioned family Christmas ever." But the road to hell, as they say, is paved with good intentions.

ALTERNATIVE VIEWING

Mail honors Lemmon-Wilder

Films mark best work

By John Monaghan
special writer

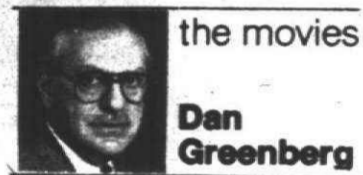
Jack Lemmon continues to bring the persona of likable, nervous everyman to both stage and screen. His most recent film, "De...," succeeds not so much because of its story (which is rather maudlin), but for the actor's welcome return to movies.

It's in his early films that Lemmon showed his brilliance. He made his most successful and unusual films for writer/director Billy Wilder in the late '50s and early '60s. These titles comprise the December of vintage films at the Livonia Mall.

Wilder, who fled Hitler's Germany, made some of Hollywood's blackest dramas — "Double Indemnity" (1945) and "Sunset Boulevard" (1950) — along with hilarious and biting comedies. He pulled Lemmon from a string of mediocre movies for a choice part in "Some Like It Hot" in 1959.

The director tested Lemmon's likability factor a year later in "The Apartment," which opens the four-film series this Thursday. Lemmon plays C.C. Baxter, a bachelor executive in a large New York insurance company who seems to the top by leasing his apartment to philandering higher-ups.

MOST STRIKING on the big screen are the shots — composed in Annabiev — of Lemmon arriving to work amidst endless rows of desks. It contrasts with his claustrophobic apartment, where he nurses



the movies
Dan Greenberg

If you're a National Lampoon's fan, you'll be pleased because the old crowd is back. Mrs. Ellen Griswold (Beverly D'Angelo) returns with all the patience required to put up with Clark and his antics. Randy Quaid is Eddie, the bumbling husband of Ellen's cousin, Johnny Galecki is son Rusty while Juliette Lewis is daughter Audrey.

In keeping with the Christmas spirit, father Clark is a little more appealing and a little less obnoxious on this vacation. But he does drag them out into the country to cut their own Christmas tree—oops, forgot the axe, kids. Typical.

Twenty-five thousand Christmas lights on the Griswold house almost wreck the yuppie neighbor's home and then there's a host of strange relatives. The turkey is so dry it explodes, a squirrel gets in the house, the in-laws are fighting, the kids complaining — everything you've come to expect from the Griswolds on vacation.

"National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation," as with the entire series, is a bit absurd and a lot over-the-top, but fun and good-spirited, despite profane language and the usual run of toilet jokes. (Reviewed Kathy Guyer)

back to health a young woman (Shirley MacLaine) who has attempted suicide after a liaison with the company president.

"The Apartment" ranks as one of the nastiest, most cynical comedies ever made. The mixture of dark and light elements couldn't have been pulled off by a less likable actor. Wilder effectively tapped into the nation's lust for executive success and treated it with disarming humor.

"Irma La Douce" (1963) and "The Fortune Cookie" (1966) also have this dark quality. In the former, screening Dec. 12, Lemmon plays a naive Paris gendarme who falls for a prostitute (again Shirley MacLaine). He goes to unusual lengths to keep her away from other men.

"The Fortune Cookie," playing Dec. 19, pokes fun at the legal profession. TV cameraman Lemmon, injured at a football game, is preyed upon by shyster Walter Matthau.

The first Wilder-Lemmon pairing remains — "Double Indemnity" (1945) and "Sunset Boulevard" (1950) — along with hilarious and biting comedies. He pulled Lemmon from a string of mediocre movies for a choice part in "Some Like It Hot" in 1959.

DISGUISED AS women, they join an all-girl band, led by Marilyn Monroe. The gender bending leads to Lemmon's complications with adoring millionaire Joe E. Brown. When released, it ranked as the highest grossing screen comedy of all time.

Lemmon and Wilder teamed up again (with Matthau) in "The Front Page" (1974) and "Buddy Buddy" (1980). Though not as bad as the critics claimed, these films rarely rarely hinted at the on-target satire of their earlier outings.

Grading the movies

A+	Top marks — sure to please
A	Close behind — excellent
A-	Still in running for top honors
B+	Pretty good stuff, not perfect
B	Good
B-	Good but notable deficiencies
C+	Just a cut above average
C	Mediocre
C-	Not so hot and slipping fast
D+	The very best of the poor stuff
D	Poor
D-	It doesn't get much worse
F	Truly awful
Z	Reserved for the colossal bad
*	No advanced screening

STILL PLAYING:
"All Dogs Go to Heaven" (B+) (G) 90 minutes.

Well-known voices back this animated story about Charlie the German Shepherd and Ichthy the Dachshund.

"Back to the Future Part II" (B+) (PG) 90 minutes.

All your favorite time-travelers are in other dimensions once again. "The Bear" (D-) (R) 120 minutes.

VIDEO VIEWING

New releases good for a few chuckles

By Dan Greenberg
special writer

Whether you looked for laughs last week or you're going to next time at the video store, there's comedy to die for — and every night — on the video cassette release schedule. HBO Video is taking the lead this season with comedy originally taped for their cable channel.

Nov. 22 was the release date for "Whoopi Goldberg: Postcard... Why Am I Straight?" (51 minutes, 1988) and "Bob Goldwait: Is He Like That All the Time?" (54 minutes). The latter was taped live during Goldwait's San Francisco appearance at The Great American Music Hall on Aug. 30, 1988. Both are very definitely hard-R, nightclub performances recommended for screening after the kids (and the grandparents) are in bed.

The same applies to "Richard Lewis: I'm Exhausted" (60 minutes), taped at Chicago's Park West Theatre, and the "Uptown Comedy Express," an hour's worth of laughter produced by Eddie Murphy Television Enterprises in 1987 with Eddie Murphy, Magic Johnson and Sammy Davis Jr. in the audience. These two are due out Dec. 13.

Lewis' discussion of his hysterical hypochondria reportedly is very funny although no preview tape was available. "Uptown Comedy Express" is hosted by Uncle Ray Murphy (as in Eddie Murphy's uncle) and was taped at L.A.'s Elton Showcase Theatre. The five comics — Chris Rock, Arsenio Hall, Barry Sobel, Robert Townsend and Marsha Warfield — are indeed very funny, folks. Musical backing is by "The Bus Boys."

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Excellent nature photography but film often lacks continuity and gets pretty sloppy at times.

"Black Rain" (D-) (R) 120 minutes. Unpleasant, trite detective story stars Michael Douglas.

"Crimes and Misdemeanors" (A+) (PG-13) 100 minutes.

Woody Allen at his best in this romantic comedy about family life with all its joy and sadness.

"Dead" (B) (PG) 119 minutes.

Excellent acting by Jack Lemmon, Ted Danson, Zakes Mokae and Olympia Dukakis marred by cliché.

"Drugstore Cowboy" (Z) (R) 100 minutes.

About as unpleasant as it gets. Four young folks steal and use drugs.

"The Fabulous Baker Boys" (R). Two brothers — Jeff and Beau Bridges — add Michelle Pfeiffer to their cocktail lounge piano playing act.

"Gross Anatomy" (C-) (PG-13) 105 minutes.

Bland, slow, weakly structured romantic comedy about five, first-year med students.

"Harlem Nights" (D) (R) 110 minutes.

Nice cars and nifty suits but all that comic talent — Eddie Murphy, Richard Pryor, Red Fox, Arsenio Hall and Della Reese — can't save this slow-paced 1930s Harlem gangster story.

"The Little Mermaid" (A) (G) 80 minutes.

Disney animation of Hans Christian Andersen tale of mermaid in love with human.

CINEMA GUILD, various locations on the University of Michigan campus, Ann Arbor, 994-0027.

Frank Capra — "Mr. Smith Goes to Washington" (USA - 1939), 7 p.m. Dec. 8, in Modern Language Building Auditorium 3. Jimmy Stewart plays a naive man who enters politics, ends up in the Senate, then confronts the crooked forces that put him there. With Jean Arthur and Claude Rains. Followed by "It's a Wonderful Life" (USA - 1946) at 7:30 p.m., the holiday chestnut about a man (Stewart) who discovers what life is like if he was never born.

"Batman" (USA - 1966), 7 and 9:05 p.m. Dec. 9, in Modern Language Building Auditorium 4. The quirky feature made during the popularity of the '60s TV show, with Adam West, Burt Ward and villains galore.

Henry Ford Centennial Library, 1301 Woodward Ave., Dearborn, Call 943-2330 for information. (Free)

"The Seventh Voyage of Sinbad" (USA - 1958), 7 p.m. Dec. 4. An imaginative score and Ray Harryhausen's animated special effects underscore a well-written tale of Sinbad's encounter with an evil magician.

LIVONIA MALL CINEMA, 29415 Seven Mile, Livonia, Call 476-1166 for information. (Free)

"The Apartment" (USA - 1960), 10 a.m. Dec. 5. Billy Wilder's biting comedy of office politics is enhanced by Jack Lemmon's likeable performance. He plays bachelor C.C. Baxter, who discovers he can get places in the office by loaning his apartment to philandering higher-ups. With Shirley MacLaine and Fred MacMurray. In CinemaScope.

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STREET BEATS

Songs from the heart

By Larry O'Connor
staff writer

EFX might be the musical version of the "Young and the Restless." Love found, love lost and love not to be forgotten.

Yikes. Judging by their music, these fellows must be a bunch of girlick rockers.

Lyrics from the four-man's demo tape features such emotionally appealing titles as "Why Can't You Love Me?" "Now You're Gone" and "Take My Heart Away." Except these tender ditties are wrapped in guitar gushing melodies ripe for the picking.

"Every one of our songs are about feelings and love," said Brad Nester, who is lead guitarist for the young group. "We're just romantic guys."

Romantic, perhaps, but hopeless no way. The group in a rather short time has put together a sackful of original songs and is quickly becoming a regular on the Detroit music scene.

EFX recently headlined their own show at Paycheck's Lounge in Hamtramck and performed a concert for the students at Beck Elementary School in Redford Township.

Also the group's music has received airplay on such campus stations as Wayne State University's WAYN-AM, Oakland Community College's WORB-FM and Oakland University's WOUX-AM.

Club dates and play lists don't tell the EFX story, though. This is a tale about friendship. All four members are recent graduates of Redford Union High School, knowing one another as kids growing up in Redford.

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FEAR & LOAFING

'Deck' the mall

Armchair quarterbacks complain that our Detroit Lions lack the winning attitude — the "eye of the tiger" — it takes to be champs. I say they just lack the proper incentive.

Instead of motivating players with huge earnings, maybe we should try huge savings — like a flashing blue light special on house slippers. After all, as any holiday shopper knows, the most vicious blocking and aggressive tackling don't occur at stadiums but at the clearance sales.

Talk about action! Nothing is more exciting than watching a 90-pound homemaker emerge from beneath a pile of shoppers, triumphantly clutching the last nose warmer in stock. Couch potatoes would turn their backs on televised football if they ever witnessed the bone-crunching mayhem of a final mark-down.

To see a dozen yuppies fighting over a single mountain bike is to see raw energy and stamina that pro athletes reserve only for contract negotiations. To see a grandfather drop kick another shopper into the pet department is to see the last real bare-knuckle sporting event left in America.

Let's face it. Pro wrestling is fake and boxing is rigged. Baseball's a yawn. Hockey and football players wear so much protective padding you can't tell who's inside until they retire and do beer commercials. In a day when professional sports are ruled by lawyers and accountants, big-time bargain hunting is still played without helmets, without sponsors and without rules.

BUT NOT FOR long. Some of the larger chains are starting to realize the entertainment value of consumer violence. To attract shoppers, one Rochester store is broadcasting blow-by-blow descriptions of key play over the intercom: "Attention, shoppers. Great scuffling at register five. A young man just fumbled her frozen turkey. It's retrieved by a stock boy. Coo, a flag is down! Illegal ramming with a shopping cart."

During the summer months, free-agent shoppers engage in just enough rudeness and hair pulling to stay in shape. These off-season skirmishes are like spring training for baseball players. But the real championship — the World Series of greed — occurs between Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Faced with product shortages, sticker shock and overcrowded



Karl Nilesen

stores, holiday buyers can turn nasty at the drop of a hat... especially, if the hat goes on sale.

Granted, the minor delays caused by punching the customers used to be irritating. But now, with holiday kixboxing to pass the time, I'm never in a hurry to leave the stores. In fact, yesterday I skipped the "express lane" and lined up behind a guy using traveler's checks from Sri Lanka just to get the best view.

Anyway, the longer wait at the checkout counter gave me time to scan the gossip tabloids for the big news — news like "Slap Happy Zsa-Zsa Begs for Help!"

"IT'S NOT JUST" cops anymore," sobbed the star. "Now, I slap everyone, darling. People on the street. People in stores. I even slapped my Rolfe Boyer."

According to the article, Zsa-Zsa blames her recent behavior on the Three Stooges. Apparently, the National Pork Council kidnapped the Gabor sisters and forced them to watch a Moe Howard film festival in retaliation for Eva's treatment of Arnold the pig on "Green Acres."

As I read on, festive shoppers all around me leaped over counters and began pulling merchandise down onto the floor. Others smashed steamers to the tune of "Silent Night." While rescue workers tunneled through an avalanche of Nintendo games, I turned the page to another important story — "Posh Cafe Serves Freeze-Dried Poodle to Diners."

"It wasn't my fault," claimed the chef. "It was one of those television taste tests. They wanted to see if my customers could tell the difference between our fresh ground poodle."

As wave after wave of humanity pushed me along against my will, I stopped resisting and sank beneath the shoppers, pausing only to read the headline that would give hope to millions this season — "Elvis to Sing at Bigfoot Wedding."

STREET SENSE

Tough love really is tough

Dear Barbara,
My daughter is 16. She has quit school and is working at Wendy's. She has her GED. My ex-husband, her stepfather, was emotionally abusive to her when we all lived together. She blames me for this. She refuses to follow house rules as to curfew and chores. She is paying me \$12.50 a week in rent. We don't get along. She is driving me crazy.
Driving Me Crazy

Dear Driving Me Crazy,
I can appreciate your dilemma. An outstanding child analyst from Vienna once said you cannot tell if an adolescent is crazy or not until they have passed the age. When I give Rorschach (ink blot) tests, it is often difficult to tell if the adolescent is schizophrenic or normal. There seems to be one consolation in your story. Your daughter is only 16 and maybe she will change by the time she is 20. Also, optimistically, she's almost at the age when she can move out and take care of herself, if she doesn't like living with you. Not so optimistically, sometimes girls get married in order to get out

of the house and then they bring a baby home after a divorce. I do not mean to depress you. Please accept my apologies. I feel guilty bringing such a scenario up. But for the sake of all the readers, I felt I had to give more than the optimistic response. Many readers will side with you. Tough love is hard or even impossible to give.

Barbara

I have been married two years. I love my husband and feel happy with my marriage. The area that my husband and I are having the most difficulty working out is the responsibility we both feel to our respective families.

I continue to see my parents a lot (we live quite near them). Especially, I spend a lot of time with my mother. We both enjoy playing cards and play together. My parents also like to have a little more time with my family, but with all this family time, we have very little time alone or for our own friends.

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Barbara Schiff

well and there are many family reunions and gatherings. Sometimes, trips together. My husband would like us to spend a little more time with his family, but with all this family time, we have very little time alone or for our own friends.

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hate the thought of anyone being angry at me.

Torn Apart by Divided Loyalties

Dear "Torn,"
Your signature was excellent and gave me the clue to the right answer. When you get married, the primary relationship is between husband and wife. Their families of origin must take a lower place in their hierarchy of values.

The aim of a woman in growing up is to separate from her mother and become independent in her own right. Your mother may be a charming woman, but an attraction to her will not make you a charming wife.

If you follow this advice, your parents may become angry with you. The meaning of independence is being able to grow and expand oneself, even if you must then tolerate censure from others.

Barbara

If you have a question or comment for Barbara Schiff, a trained therapist and experienced counselor, send it to Street Sense, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150.

STREET SEEN

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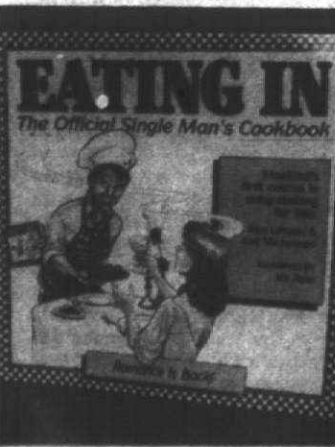


Plint-sized pinups

They're called Emily Pins — after the artist's young daughter, but they can be of any youngster. All it takes is a photograph sent to former Bloomfield Hills artist Amy Miller Weinstein. She does the rest — and the result is a lapel pin costing \$25. The photo is returned with the pin. Send the photo with check to the Emily Pin, 508 Broadway, New York, N.Y., 10012. For more information, call the artist at (212) 925-2156.

Everything mom forgot to mention

Everything a man needs to know about the kitchen, but Momies forgot to tell him. "Eating in Cookbook" by Rich Lippman and Joe McDonald includes: entertainment advice, menu planning, step-by-step recipes and the Heimlich maneuver. Only \$8.95 at the Male Room on the Boardwalk in West Bloomfield.



Bronner's in Frankenmuth is a favorite stop during the holiday season.

Some holiday cheer

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is planting them in rows. Now they plant two-year-old seedlings, let them grow for several years and ship a million Christmas trees, six to eight feet high, around the country every yuletide season.

You can cut your own and drag it home, or you can watch them demonstrate the art of wreath making and tree flocking. Grand Haven has a classic homes tour, complete with flickering candle lights, frosted window panes and Christmas carols.

Holland stages the centerpiece activity, a Christmas pageant production of "Hans Brinker and the Silver Skates" this weekend at Evergreen Commons Auditorium. The play was a logical choice, given the town's Dutch heritage.

The pageant costs \$5 for Thursday, Friday and Saturday night performances, or Saturday matinee the weekends of Dec. 2 and 3.

Meanwhile, back at radio station WGNH in Grand Haven, station president and general manager Bill Struyk is really pulling the heart strings with his project, Trees for Troops. This is the third year that Christmas trees have been sent to servicemen around the world.

Bill starts campaigning over the air in September, asking listeners to send in the names and military addresses of local service men who won't be home for Christmas. This list includes soldiers, sailors and Marines in Germany, England,

Italy, Japan, Guam, Hawaii, Alaska and aboard ships at sea.

"We have to clear the project with agriculture departments of various countries before start shipping," Bill said. "This is live plant material, and every country has its own rules. Some won't allow Scotch pines or cedar or Douglas fir. We pick what ever can be sent, treat and spray it, and pack the tree in a box."

Meanwhile, school children from two dozen area schools are making paper Christmas decorations and practicing their Christmas songs. WGNH produces a cassette of the Christmas music and packs it, along with the hand-made decorations, in the box that holds the Christmas tree. The station also plays the cassette on the air throughout the season.

"We send about 50 trees a year. We get letters and pictures back that bring tears to your eyes. Some rough-and-tumble Marine in Guam will take a Polaroid picture of the tree with all his buddies standing beside it. The letter will say 'This guy is Charlie from New York and this is Joe from Alaska.'"

HENRY FORD Estate at Fairlane in Dearborn is also offering tours 1-4:30 p.m. Sundays through Dec. 23. Special activities will be available during the week between Christmas and New Years. Tours are \$4, \$9 for senior citizens and students.

You can also have a breakfast with Santa, while his helpers tell

Christmas tales Dec. 2 for \$6. Or visit Santa's workshop Dec. 5-17 for \$3. There is a holiday feast for \$35 Dec. 15, luncheon concerts for \$15 Dec. 12, 14, 19. Contact Henry Ford Estate-Fair Lane at 593-3590.

Kids of any age shouldn't miss the Saturday performances of the Detroit Youththeatre at the Detroit Institute of Arts. A classic musical called the Secret Garden Dec. 2; a puppet show, Santa's Christmas Party Dec. 9; Tom Chapin's Holiday Wish, Dec. 16; and an adorable elf in "A Holly Folly Christmas" Dec. 23.

The shows are for youngsters 3 years and older (except Dec. 2, when you must be 5). Tickets are \$4 each, and show times are 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. The Prince Street Players will do a musical version of the "Wizard of Oz" Dec. 26-30, \$5 a ticket, for youngsters 5 and older.

Santa and his helpers are hosting breakfast with Santa at 9:45 a.m. Tuesdays-Saturdays in the Kresge Court. Weekend visitors have snacks with Santa, and he listens to wishes noon to 3 p.m. The DIA also hosts the Wassail Feast Dec. 7-9 or 12-16, and Noel Night Dec. 6. Call 533-2323 for more information.

THE CHRISTMAS CAROL is back for its annual stage run at Meadow Brook Theater through Dec. 31. If you haven't seen it, you should go and take the kids. Meadow Brook Hall also has its annual Christmas walk through Dec. 10.

Other local Christmas activities include the holiday exhibit through Dec. 10 at Detroit Artist Market, and the annual exhibit and sale through Dec. 30 at Pewabic Pottery.

through Dec. 31 you can see "Children Around the World" at the General Motors Building, go ice skating on Hart Plaza, see outdoor holiday exhibits at New Center, enjoy an exhibit of icons and frescoes from Greece at the DIA, or see the Wilkinson Toy Collection exhibited at the Edsel and Eleanor Ford House.

Christmas will be celebrated as usual at Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village.

A Christmas Flower Show Display is held at the Belle Isle Conservatory through Jan. 14. You can do a Goodfellows Sing-along at the New Center Dec. 4, or join the noontime caroling there Dec. 4, 6, 8, 11, 13, 15. They also carol at noon in the Fisher building Dec. 5, 7, 12, 14 and hold the 17th annual Noel Night at the University Cultural Center Dec. 6.

(Don't go away, we're not through the first week of December yet!) There's the Christmas Carnival Dec. 6-17 at Cobo Hall and the Victorian Christmas Tea and Open House at the Detroit Historical Museum Dec. 8. Not to mention the Winter Wonderland with Santa and elves Dec. 9-23 at the Detroit Zoo.

Call the Metro Detroit Convention and Visitors Bureau at 567-11170 before I run out of breath.

STREET CRACKS

COMEDY CLUBS

Here are some listings of comedy clubs in our area. To let us know who is appearing at your club, send the information to: Comedy Listings, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150.

● **BEA'S COMEDY KITCHEN**
Tim Allen, Tim Lilly and Downtown Tony Brown will perform Friday and Saturday, Dec. 8-9, at Bea's Comedy Kitchen, 541 Larned, Detroit. Show times are 8:30 and 11 p.m. For information, call 961-2581.

● **MAINSTREET**
Tim Lilly will perform Wednesday-Thursday, Dec. 6-7, and Ken Savara will perform Friday-Saturday, Dec. 8-9, at Mainstreet Comedy Showcase, 314 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor. For information, call 996-9080.

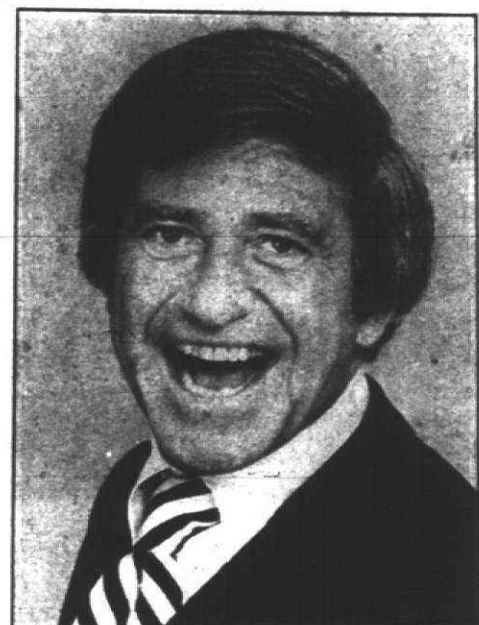
● **JOEY'S LIVONIA**
Joey Cola will perform Wednesday-Thursday, Dec. 6-7, at Joey's Comedy Club, 36071 Plymouth, east of Levan, Livonia. Show times are 8 p.m. Thursday and Friday and 8:30 and 10:30 p.m. Saturday. For reservations, call 261-9555.

● **HOLLY HOTEL**
Soupy Sales will perform a special show with guest, Jill Washburn Friday-Sunday, Dec. 8-10, at Holly Hotel, 110 Battle Alley, Holly. Show times are 8:30 p.m. with additional 10:30 p.m. shows Friday and Saturday. For information, call 634-1891.

● **JOEY'S ALLEN PARK**
Lowell Sanders will appear Wednesday through Saturday, Dec. 6-9, at Joey's Allen Park, Southfield Road. Show times are 8:30 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday and 8 and 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday. For information, call 382-7041.

● **MISS KITTY'S**
Craig McCart and Bruce Murray will perform Thursday-Saturday, Dec. 7-9, at Miss Kitty's Comedy Club, Long Branch Restaurant, 595 N. Lapeer Road, Oxford. Show times are 8 p.m. Thursday, 8 and 10:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday. For information, call 628-4500.

● **LOONEY BIN TOO**
Peter Berman will perform Friday-Saturday, Dec. 8-9, at the Looney Bin Too at the Raxy, 1-94 and Haggerty, Belleville. For reservations, call 699-1829.



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Family man makes them laugh

Marriage has him settled down

By Rebecca Haynes
staff writer

Livonia native Jerry Elliott has held jobs from pumping gas to delivering pizza, but the 29-year-old seems to have found his niche in the world of stand-up comedy.

"I used to go to the Comedy Castle on new talent night," he said. "I worked locally for about a year and a half. My first job on the road was at the Cleveland Comedy Club, and my \$200 paycheck bounced."

Elliott has been on the road a lot since then, but admitted that his wife Lynn of 15 months and his new baby son Nicholas have settled him down a lot.

"I met my wife at the comedy club in Columbus (Ohio)," he said. "She sent me a drink after the show and I turned it down."

Lynn didn't take no for an answer, however, but Elliott didn't seem to mind. "I knew I was going to marry her the first time I met her," he said. "Marriage has definitely settled me down, and I'm limiting my time on the road to the first and third weeks of the month. It might not be the best for my career, but at this point in my life I'm much more interested in my wife and baby than I am about being on the Tonight Show."

Elliott also admitted that having a wife and son have given him a lot of ideas for his act. "I got kidded that I needed new material so I got married," he said. "I do talk a lot about family experiences."

"I use a basic straight style of stand-up," he said. "So many comics use gimmicks. I don't use any props or do any magic."

Elliott also said he doesn't use language or stories that are language or stories that are language

overly offensive. "My act usually lasts 45 minutes to an hour and I'd say the last 10 or 15 minutes I do tend to get a little dirtier, but it's at the end of the show and it's there because it gets the most laughs," he said. "It's the old adage of give the audience what they want."

"A lot of comedians talk about their work like it's an art form," he said. "I'm just up there to make people laugh."

Breaking in new material can sometimes be difficult. "Right now I probably have two or three pages of new stuff written, but it's hard to justify trying it out when you're making big bucks as the headliner," he said. "I like to go into a club on open mike nights to try the new stuff. For me, it's sort of like going to the gym and working out."

Although he lived and worked in Los Angeles for about five years, Elliott recently relocated to the Columbus, Ohio area.

"I WASN'T real keen on raising the baby in L.A.," he said. "And my wife has family here, so I didn't think it was fair to ask her to move to California when I'm on the road so much anyway."

Elliott has performed at both The Improv and The Laugh Factory in Los Angeles. Several years ago he finished second in "The Hottest New Comic In L.A." contest. He's opened for Dionne Warwick, the Pointer Sisters and Kenny G, and performed all over the country.

His favorite city to perform in is Atlanta, Ga., but he said he enjoys coming home to Detroit. "It was a long time ago, but a guy in the audience pulled out a big knife, and while I was up on stage the police came to take him away."

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There they were backing the heckler.

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Road, Tuesday, Dec. 5 through Saturday, Dec. 9. Showtimes are 8:30 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday and tickets are \$5. On Friday and Saturday, performances are set for 8 and 10:30 p.m., with tickets at \$8. Call 533-8886 for reservations.

The following weekend, Friday and Saturday, Dec. 15 and 16, Elliott will perform at Mainstreet, 314 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor. Shows are scheduled for 8:30 and 11 p.m. Friday and 7, 9 and 11 p.m. Saturday. Tickets are \$12. Call 996-9080 for reservations.

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Facing off, but just for a passing instant, are Roxanne Allen of Rochester Hills, left, and Gary Kleinhenn of Plymouth. Others shown in the photo doing their own thing at Improv Playshop are, Tom York of Livonia, back center, playshop creator and director Ann Holdreith of Royal Oak, and Bonnie Snyder of Rochester Hills.

photos by JERRY ZOLYNSKY/staff photographer

No work, all play makes class A-OK

The primary goal of the classes is to help serious-minded, inhibited, reserved persons become freer, more spontaneous in their lives.

By Alice Collins
staff writer

EEEEKKKK . . . caa, caa, caa . . . rum, rum, rum . . . tum, tum . . . slam bam!!!!

"Push you foot straight down on the floor, down to the center of the Earth. Let the energy come up through your legs. Make your eyes squinty. Release the tension through your feet.

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They're 6-month-old babies crawling across the floor.

They're toddlers, wobbling in circles.

Then they're — heaven knows what!

What they are at any given moment is in the minds of the participants, or maybe they don't know either. An observer can only guess.

The time is Wednesday evening, the place the Paradigm Center for the Arts in downtown Detroit, the characters are men and women, most of them over 30 and the activity — Improv Playshop.

THE CREATOR, teacher, coach or to use her word — facilitator — of this group is Ann Holdreith, former public school teacher, painter and performer in experimental theater, who has been a strong participant in the human growth movement for 15 years.



Playshop creator Ann Holdreith works out a loose structure for her students.

Holdreith conducts series of playshops at the Paradigm Center and at the Birmingham Unitarian Church in Bloomfield Hills.

The primary goal of the classes is to help serious-minded, inhibited, reserved persons become freer, more spontaneous in their lives.

Generally, those who take the class have no theater background. It mostly draws people, many of them professionals, who are interested in their personal growth, she said.

"The focus is to create an environ-

ment and dynamics for people that allows them to feel very safe and gives them permission," Holdreith said. "I do some planning but there's lots of room for spontaneity within the structure.

"They feel the safety from me, then they give it to each other and then to themselves. Everything they do is improvised within the structure I give."

In the words of this observer, the participants get together in a room, move around and do whatever

comes into their minds, getting ideas from each other. They use their voices as part of the creative performance.

PLAYSHOP PARTICIPANT Tom York of Livonia, who heads the finance department for a real estate developer, took the class to "get rid of my inhibitions.

"I come here on Wednesday nights and we giggle and play just like high school kids," he said. "Some people might think it's kind of weird. I used to be too self-conscious to dance at a wedding. I always liked to watch other people acting crazy. Now, I can do it, too."

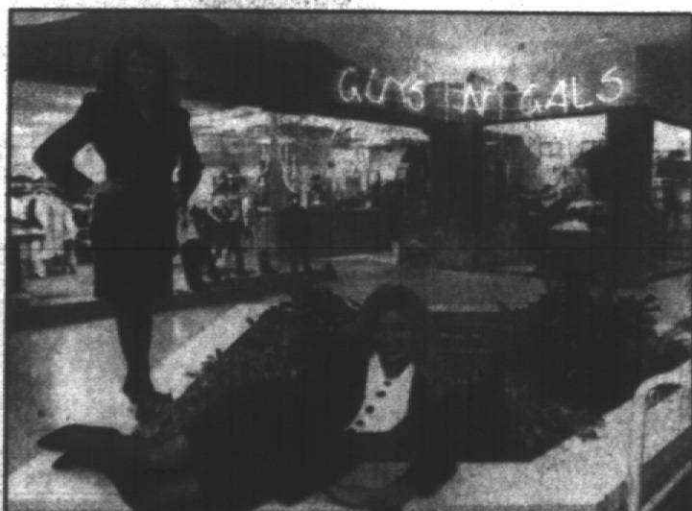
Bonnie Snyder of Rochester Hills is a trainer and course developer for Michigan Bell.

"I was looking for a class to help me with my work," she said. "I love it because it gets me in touch with myself. Now I'm more open in the classroom. I used to be prim and proper up there, now I'm more alive with my students. I can drag in on Wednesday, but when I leave I'm energized."

Roxanne Allen of Rochester Hills, a university instructor and free lance consultant and counseling therapist, teaches group dynamics.

"This gets you out of being into your head too much and back into your body and feelings," she said. "I'm much looser in the classroom now. Taking this class is really an opportunity to go play."

For more information about the Improv Playshop, call Ann Holdreith at 583-7765.



The latest European influence in fashions can be seen in the cut, style and detailing of the suits worn by Julie Levenson (standing) and Sheri Levenson of "Guys N' Gals."

European style becomes big here

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mental/international cuisine, incorporating a number of dishes from a variety of countries into its menu.

"PERSONALLY, I think the Europeans are much more experienced when it comes to cooking and waiting on people in a restaurant," he said. "I think we tend to be more organized and cleanliness is the key element to success according to Europeans in this business."

Maeder began his restaurant career as a waiter nearly 30 years ago, but unlike waiters in the U.S., in Europe he apprenticed before becoming one.

The Bijou prepares such European delicacies as Dover Sole (Great Britain), Veal Zurek (Switzerland) and Chateau Briand (France) to name a few. It's famous for its fresh crusty rolls, which Maeder said "reminds customers of the wonderful breads they receive in Europe."

In addition to fine cuisine, the Europeans are also making headway in the medical field said one local dentist who uses one of Switzerland's top methods for filling cavities.

Dr. Mitch Milan, a Birmingham dentist, said the Swiss were the first ones to introduce white fillings instead of the traditional silver toned ones used in the U.S.

"Europe is also ahead of America when it comes to dental equipment," he said. "Their products are much more stream-lined and much more slick than what we produce here in the United States."

Milan added that Europeans are much more advanced in cosmetic inlays and other oral implants.

MOREOVER, IT appears the Europeans are slightly ahead of America in hair fashion as well.

If you've ever heard of or been lucky enough to stroll down London's famous King's Row, then you're well aware of the crazy hairstyles that

dot the congested street corners.

According to Neal Leve, stylist and owner of Bellissima Too in West Bloomfield Township, "those punked-out looks that came from England a few years ago were the big thing, but now anything that comes over from Europe is softer."

Flatter looks with less hairspray and spritz is what's in for hair fashion.

"This winter, styles promise to be shorter and the color is going to be more along the deeper golds and burgundy tones," he said.

He said most of the hair cut designs still come from London, while actual styling and haircare products come from France.

"The products that come from Europe can't be compared with the stuff we have in America," he said. "The products that come from Europe are so advanced that they make American products look terrible."

LEVE SAID Americans seem to

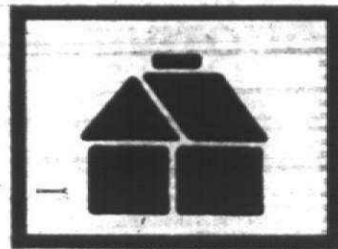
look up to Europeans for the latest in hairstyles and fashion because "we think that they're so ahead of the game, and in essence, they are."

"But on the other hand, they look to us for some of the same things, so we all borrow from one another at one point in time," he said.

Leve's salon performs such services as coloring with special European products, spiral rod, permanents done with round, soft tubing versus long rods, a method directly from Europe, and precision cutting and styling among other services. He also has a special European wash system at the salon.

So, if you've never had the opportunity to visit Europe, there's really no need to sulk. Take yourself almost anywhere in the metro area — whether it's an art gallery in Farmington Hills or a clothing store in West Bloomfield. You should be able to experience a little bit of Europe first hand.

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Dorothy Lehmkuhl

Peaks, valleys of energy keyed to bio-rhythms

Q. As a salesman, I try to make my calls in the morning and do my paperwork in the afternoon. I'm always sluggish after lunch, though, and have a tough time wading through forms and mail. Any suggestions?

A. Everyone has biological rhythms which cause peaks and valleys of energy at about the same time each day. The rule for good time management is to tackle your difficult work during your high energy periods and do your easier tasks when your energy is running low.

Try reversing your pattern and do your paper work in the mornings, while you are crisp and thinking more clearly. Since you are a salesman, you are no doubt an outgoing person who enjoys people, and working with clients in the afternoon will stimulate you to be more alert.

The only exceptions to this plan would be particularly difficult sales where you must be at your very best. Schedule those for mornings.

I applaud your overall plan of blocking out time for both categories of work. People who create rhythms in their life are not only more successful but realize more satisfaction.

Eating, sleeping and exercising at the same times are important, too, even if weekend schedules differ from week days. Not only can you count on getting things done at certain times, others can count on you, too.

Weekly, monthly or even annual rhythms are also important. A pastor reports that two hours of working on a sermon early in the week is practically useless, but one hour on a Friday is highly fruitful. He therefore schedules his counselling appointments Monday through Wednesday and purposely saves developing his sermons for later in the week.

This same pastor found that people need more counselling at the end of long winters, so he devotes more time to people during that period and takes advantage of summer to catch up on his personal writing, etc.

Particularly intense work periods should also be balanced with time off. The time right after a hard day of work at the office, of caring for toddlers, or after presenting hours of material at a seminar is no time for other work requiring great concentration.

Taking a short rest period and then getting some stress-relieving physical exercise would be more productive. Conversely, the best time to tackle a tough project may be after a restful vacation.

By following the above suggestions, I'll bet your paperwork will get done more easily and your life will be less frustrating.

Dorothy Lehmkuhl is owner of Organizing Techniques in Birmingham. She does In-House Seminars, speaking and consulting on all aspects of time management and organizing.

Let there be light

Reusable luminaries add spark to tradition

By Ariene Funke
special writer

HUNDREDS, perhaps thousands, of lighted candles brighten the inky blackness of a cold December night.

"Unique and appealing" is how 59-year old Tom Carmody describes the annual ritual in his Plymouth Township subdivision known as luminaria, or luminary — light.

The luminary is a popular Hispanic tradition that has won converts. Each Christmas Eve, candles are placed in paper bags, filled with sand and lined up in rows. According to tradition, the candles light the way for the newborn Christ Child.

"It's a variation of the Wise Men following the star to Bethlehem," Carmody said.

RECENTLY CARMODY, president of C.F. Sales Co., a Plymouth packaging firm, developed a reusable plastic decorative luminary called Magic Glo. Carmody believes his product is a convenient, safe alternative to the paper bag-sand-candle format.

"December weather isn't conducive to the paper bag," Carmody said. "Wind can blow the bag into the candle, causing a burst of light before extinguishing. If it rains, it makes a mess of the bag."

The luminaria, as we know it now, originated in New Mexico. According to historical accounts, Spanish settlers brought to North America their custom of lighting bonfires on Christmas Eve. The practice evolved to its present form and spread widely.

Carmody's product is sold in selected stores and has been widely promoted through the Jaycees service clubs.

Magic Glo is a black-and-gold canister containing sturdy vinyl plastic sheets which can be rolled into scrolls and stuffed into a 3-mil plastic bag. Each kit contains six sheets of vinyl, six white plastic bags and six votive candles.

"When the bag is released the scroll pops open, filling the bag and enabling it to stand up correctly," Carmody said. "It has what we call a 'memory,' in that it will return from whence it came."

The kit, with a suggested retail price of \$13, also contains, as a special promotion, three red and three green fold-up ribbons which can be fashioned into bows to decorate the luminary. All the parts may be rolled or folded and stored in the canister.

CARMODY INSISTS that the Magic Glo plastic bags are safer than paper bags.

"The plastic will melt if exposed to heat, but it won't burn."

Carmody worked on Magic Glo for

almost a year before he was satisfied. His first challenge was to develop a plastic bag that was opaque enough to show the glow, while concealing the candle. He also tried several ideas before hitting on the vinyl sheet with the 'memory.'

Currently, Magic Glo kits are available in several gift and card shops. Next year they will be stocked by Sears.

In the meantime, Carmody has been busy contacting homeowners groups, subdivision associations and civic groups in Plymouth, Ann Arbor and other communities.

"When you see the whole neighborhood do it, it's beautiful," said Carmody, who lives in the Trailwood subdivision west of Sheldon between Ann Arbor Trail and Ann Arbor Road.

THE PROMOTION of the luminaries received a big boost when the Plymouth Jaycees sold numerous kits during that city's annual Fall Festival. Proceeds from the sales are used for community and charitable projects.

Carmody also has worked with Jaycees groups in Westland, Novi, Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills and the Grosse Pointes.

For groups wanting to purchase luminaries this season, Carmody has set a deadline of Dec. 10. Large groups could buy in bulk, at a reduced price, and the luminaries could be delivered to a designated person for distribution.

For information, call C.F. Sales Company's toll-free number at 1-800-447-3849.

Carmody sees possibilities for other holidays and special occasions (he had a Halloween luminary, featuring an orange bag emblazoned with a witch). He also would like to develop a red-bagged safety luminary, which could be stored in the trunk of the car and used to summon help in case of emergency.

Currently the kits are produced in Carmody's Plymouth plant. But if the concept really takes off he'd like to contract the business to a sheltered workshop employing mentally impaired people.

The following is a partial list of the stores where the Magic Glo luminary may be purchased.

• Bev's Hallmark, locations in Troy, Sterling Heights, Madison Heights, Fraser and Warren.

• Cornwall Pool and Patio, 874 W. Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth.

• Jill's Affair, Cards and Gifts, Belleville Square, Belleville.

• Luci's Locket, 30973 Five Mile, Livonia.

• Party Supplies and Gags, 41744 W. 10 Mile, Novi.

• Toss A Party, 28946 Orchard Lake, Farmington Hills.



BILL BRESLER/staff photographer

Tom Carmody displays the reusable plastic decorative luminaries that come six to a kit he calls Magic Glo. All the

parts come rolled in the canister. For ballast, Carmody suggests bird seed instead of the traditional sand.

Special 'Moments'



Amy Ureel (left), Tina Habel and Anne Marie Galacz will be part of the Rose Marie Floyd Ballet Company performing sequences from the "Nutcracker" at the Livonia Symphony's "Magical Moments of Christmas" at 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 9, in Churchill High School, Newburgh and Joy roads, Livonia. Tickets at \$9 and \$5 will be available at the door.

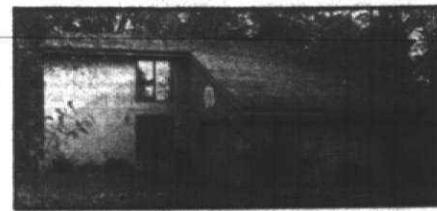
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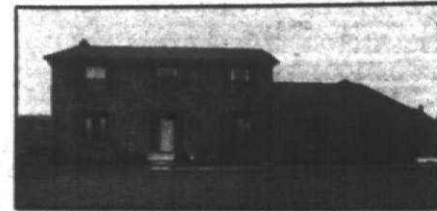
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The concert will benefit the Ronald MacDonald House in Detroit which serves parents of hospitalized children.

Berberian, a renowned operatic and concert artist, will perform works from Mozart operas and popular holiday melodies. He is presently in his 12th season with the Metropolitan Opera.

In his career, he has performed in more than 140 operas ranging from "The Barber of Seville" to "Rigoletto."

BEFORE HIS affiliation with the Metropolitan Opera, Berberian was a leading member of the New York City Opera and also spent six full seasons as the leading resident bass

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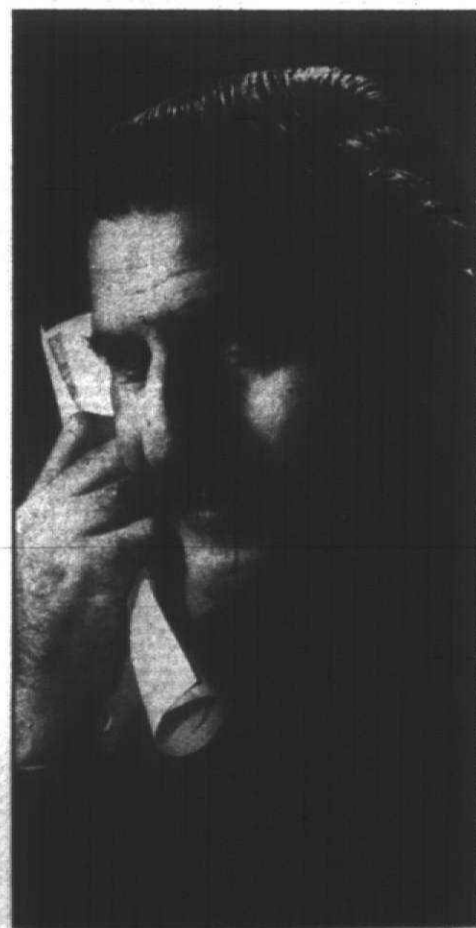
The Southfield Symphony is proud to have him as their featured soloist in this gala cabaret concert.

The orchestra, under the baton of Douglas Bianchi, will also perform works which range from a Hanukkah Suite by Adler to the classical "Capriccio Espagnol" by Rimsky-Korsakoff.

The concert will conclude with a sing-a-long of popular Christmas carols led by Berberian.

Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$4 for children under 12 and may be purchased at the Mary Thompson Cultural Center, 25630 Evergreen Road or call 354-4717.

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Beshar Kallabat (standing) and Kennice Hoffmann see their salon's decor as a statement

against the "cut and go" style that they say characterizes many salons.

photos by RANDY BORST/staff photographer

Updated classical for salon

By Janice Brunson
staff writer

For Kennice Hoffmann, 29, and Beshar Kallabat, 25, a vision of nearly five years assumed life earlier this fall when the Birmingham couple launched their much belated Salon Kennice Beshar on Northwestern in Farmington Hills.

Graceful swirls of drapery in earth tones, splashes of brilliant sea-colored flooring, faux cobbles walls and cool slate work tables combine to achieve the classical look they sought.

"We're satisfied," the couple agreed simply.

Hoffmann is a Redford Township native, and Kallabat, born in Iraq, was reared in Farmington Hills. They take obvious pride in their creation, particularly since the salon's decor is their own, based on extensive research and visits to other establishments.

"THEY'RE BOTH very artistic. They knew what they wanted. I helped them find it," said West Bloomfield decorator Hilary Bell, who coordinated the couple's efforts.

"We wanted to make the salon look different, classical but different," Hoffman said.

IN ACHIEVING their look, high-tech assumes a comfortable position with ancient Greece.

Salon patrons eye videos of the latest styles from Paris and Milan, while hairdressers fashion tresses at nearby work stations that have been outfitted in faux stone and walls painted with cracks, tears and rips that are meant to duplicate ruins from a thousand years before.

Eleven work stations, eight for styling and three for technical work, are placed for easy access to other areas and to utilize best the 1,700 square feet of the salon.

Brilliant turquoise and emerald tiles, imported from Italy and dubbed Thames River Green, complement urns and faux marble that has been applied to the reception area by craftsmen employing ancient techniques.

Oxidized metal rods, barely visible under yards of upholstery fabric, add to an overall ancient, neoclassical feel.

The entire effect is encased in incandescent lighting with halogen bulbs, the closest thing possible to natural lighting.

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Check your homeowner association restrictions as to whether rooms in the home can be rented out. More than likely that is a violation of the restrictions. Advise your ex-wife, either on your own or through your attorney, that she may be violating the restrictions of the homeowner association and implicitly violating the provisions of the divorce decree which presumably assert that she will adhere to the rules and regulations of the community association in which she lives. Also consider taking her to court in regard to her cohabitation aspects, to the extent that you believe that they are a detriment to the welfare of your children. Remind her that if the homeowner association comes down on her neck, she will no doubt have to incur legal fees and may be subjected to injunctive relief or other economic damages. That may have a therapeutic effect on her sense of morality.

What do we do about a neighbor who receives phone calls all day and night and has male visitors at her house at 3 and 4 a.m.? The reason I suspect that she is a "call girl" is because some of the male visitors have come knocking on my door by accident in the middle of the night. Can



condo queries
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I would first check with the city to ascertain whether the excuse provided by the developer has any reasonable basis. Even if it does, presumably there are other sound conditioning materials that could have been used in order to substitute for the original sound conditioning material set forth in the specifications. Your problem is becoming more frequently a complaint, which may ultimately be the responsibility of the association if the developer is not held to account for the situation. You should first advise your association of the problem, assuming that the developer is not in control of the association and to also advise the developer of the problem in writing. Failure of the developer to meet his responsibilities should result in your seeking legal counsel to pursue the developer or the association, if necessary, depending upon the condominium documents and other agreements. You do have recourse.

Robert M. Meisner is a Birmingham attorney specializing in condominiums, real estate and corporate law. You are invited to submit topics for this column by writing Robert M. Meisner, 30200 Telegraph Road, Suite 467, Birmingham 48010. This column provides general information and should not be construed as legal opinion.

Retail design moves toward specialty look

By Janice Brunson
staff writer

Subtle yet sizzling, natural but noticeable — these will be the design trends in retail decor for the 1990s.

That's according to area designers, who also say "visual communication" is the key to commercial success in an increasingly competitive market.

Natural sizzle is exemplified on a terra cotta wall in a fashionable area boutique. Reminiscent of an ancient era, the wall is complete with a painted break of stone that is gingerly touched by shoppers who are momentarily transfixed by the realistic crack.

"The retail environment has to communicate with the customer. It has to talk directly to their interests, to their tastes, whether they are shopping for clothes, furniture, gifts or business supplies," said Tony Camilletti of Jon Greenberg and Associates in Berkeley. The firm has specialized in retail decor since 1971.

CURRENT TRENDS, according to Camilletti, reflect a return to the "specialty atmosphere" of yesteryear, when the individual taste of shop owners dictated decor.

Such trends are in direct contrast with the "generic decor" of the past 20 years, described by Camilletti as the "homogenization of retail space."

"Today's shopping ambiance is more upscale and opulent. It's a more beautiful environment, and there's a lot more excitement in merchandise representation, the A-1 star of any store," Camilletti said.

DISTINCTIVE window fronts in an area mall are geometrically angled and filled with mannequins, attired in readywear women's clothing and positioned in unusual poses.

The prototype, designed by Greenberg and Associates for T. Edwards, is intended to set the chain apart from other mall retailers by fashioning a distinctive and memorable entrance.

Such window treatment exemplifies "visual communication" with a flair, according to Marc Bear, a Troy-based retail consultant who last year launched The D-Bear Group after nearly 20 years of display work for Hudson's and Crowley's.

BEAR SPECIALIZES in merchandise representation or display, now known in the trade as visual communication, a retailing specialty that emerged earlier this decade.

"As we roll into the last decade of this century, packaging is the name of the game. Today's shopper is very sophisticated. Image is a very special component in appealing to them," Bear said.

Visual communication is expected to assume even greater importance as retailers vie for customers from a glut of shops facing look-alike competition or stores offering similar merchandise.

The boom is witnessed by the significant increase in "neighborhood shopping" or strip malls that have been constructed at nearly every suburban intersection.

"It's very difficult being unique. How are retailers

going to stand out? By offering an identifiable product," Bear said, citing a holiday marketing package he recently coordinated for The Coffee Beanery, a Michigan-based firm with 30 shops nationally.

The package contains a distinctive "signature," a holiday ornament attached to a single pine bough that is included in such store decor as tablecloths, in a brochure on various holiday gift packages and on a limited edition of coffee mugs.

THE KEY TO SUCCESSFUL retail decor is its compatibility with the product to be sold, according to Hilary Bell, a free-lance interior decorator from West Bloomfield who specializes in store and space planning.

"Decorators aren't selling decor. They're helping retailers sell merchandise. Decor can't fight what is being sold," she said.

A recent project of Bell's is a Farmington Hills hair salon whose decor is the talk of the town. (See accompanying story.)

THE LOOK of the future, according to Bell, is a "natural look" achieved by a profusion of stone, oxidized metal, pickled wood and speckled paint.

"We're moving away from the heavy Deco look of chrome and lacquer, and moving into natural finishes, a tasteful atmosphere of subtle elegance that is welcoming, comfortable and relaxed."

She particularly likes the use of Zolatone, a high-tech paint pioneered in the 1950s. The speckled finish is especially suited to speckled Formicas and marbles, according to Bell, who prefers sparse furnishings in a retail setting, she said.

RON REA, CO-OWNER of Peterhansrea interior design in Birmingham, also favors simplicity, "the simple white store with high tech lighting and rich wood tones inspired by the European and Japanese models, or the traditional American image like Polo or Jacobson's that is very rich in feeling," he said.

"Tradition with a flair," he said.

Individuality also rates high with Rea. "The most exciting shopping in the world is street shopping, street after street of individual shops, neighborhood pockets like in New York, Chicago and San Francisco. The sights and sounds of the street set the shopping ambiance."

Birmingham, Royal Oak and Grosse Pointe exemplify Rea's concept of street shopping, "individually owned and operated shops that are creatively presented. Decor is approached as a vehicle for sales," he said.

SUCH SHOPPING "appeals to the shopper in the know, the more seasoned shopper," he said.

This shopper is also demanding better service.

"Service, service and more service," Bear said. "There is a tremendous amount of effort on a return to craftsmanship and the return to service."

"Architecture and decor will play a pivotal role in providing good service."

Decor complements menu

By Janice Brunson
staff writer

When Richard Guyn and Kim Robertson purchased a small 54-seat restaurant in Farmington Hills a year ago, their first priority was redecorating the diner into a "new-age" establishment worthy of chef Guyn's French-style cuisine.

"We needed a new look to match the type of food we serve," said Guyn.

The result is Pot Pourri. Guyn turned to Robertson, an artist who dabbles in pottery and oils, to translate paper napkins, plastic

table cloths and feminine decor in varying shades of pink and green into a sleek, modern setting befitting of bordelaise sauce with Madeira wine and hollandaise flavored with Apple Jack brandy or Dijon mustard.

Working within a limited budget, Robertson had one week during a slow period in August to affect the transformation. She quickly learned it was precious little time for such an ambitious project.

"YOU CAN ONLY do so much in a week," Robertson said, adding she experienced several false starts af-

ter learning certain fabrics and fixtures originally selected were impossible to obtain in the short time frame.

She envisioned a white interior, seat cushions covered with zebra print and elongated, fluted light fixtures.

The white interior ultimately gave way to a soft gray, and cushions were upholstered in contrasting patterns of gray, black and white after a zebra pattern proved impossible to find. An antique oak table, originally a floral frenzy, was repainted black with matching chairs.

White wire shelves lining the walls were ripped out, but glass block dividers were left in tact, made more interesting with the addition of live green plants that also decorate slender windows. Fresh flowers and linen adorn each table.

Most notable are hanging light fixtures, delicate "space ships" imported from Italy that are mounted to slender chords. Neon L's, complete with dimmer switches, punctuate walls.

Equal attention also has been paid to china service. Each entree is served on a plate of black amythest, green fiesta or heavy dark plates speckled with lighter colors.

"I match the china with the food. It's art," Guyn said, citing such examples as baked brie that is served on a plate of deep green or salmon served on black amythest.

FUTURE PLANS include fabric swags to provide diners more privacy and wall art to flesh out the single modern work of colorful oil splatterings by Robertson.

"We've got the base. Now we'll keep adding and accumulating until we've got it all just right," she said.

Guyn muses aloud. "Maybe we could knock out the wall and take over the store next door."

Pot Pourri, 34637 Grand River, is open 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. and 5 to 11 p.m., Tuesday through Sunday. Menus change daily. For more information, call 478-8484.



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