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Sometimes we curse them and sometimes we love them. They are the trains and the tracks that crisscross through Plymouth and Canton. Plymouth has long been a north-south, east-west junction for the railroads, and that helped in the early development of the area. But that's not all the railroads have done. They brought employment to the area and brought the city of Detroit closer to Plymouth and Canton. They also brought bums. One area of Plymouth was dubbed Tramp's Hollow because the bums looking for a freight train to hop lived there. But that's only one part of the colorful history of railroads in Plymouth and Canton.

In a series that starts in today's Suburban Life section, we take a look at the history of the railroads in the Plymouth-Canton area. In upcoming stories, we will take a look at the current state of railroad-ing and at the future.

Corn Roast benefit set for Sunday

The Second Annual Corn Roast, Sunday, Sept. 23, will be 2-5 p.m. at the Canton Recreation Complex behind township hall.

All proceeds from the event, sponsored by the Elias Brothers Big Boy, will be donated to the Senior Citizen Athletic Fund. Canton once claimed to be the sweet corn capital of the state.

Tickets are \$5 per person, or \$10 maximum for a family. Tickets buy you hot dogs, corn on the cob and soda. Tickets are available at Elias Brothers Big Boy, Ford Road at Canton Center.

One hundred tickets have been donated to the Canton Community Foundation and may be obtained free of charge by calling 454-5427.

School land sale could fund project

By M.B. Dillon
staff writer

Plymouth-Canton school officials are considering selling district-owned land to help pay for renovation of the school board office at 454 S. Harvey.

Construction work on the \$1.9 million board office expansion and renovation began about two weeks ago. School board member Roland Thomas has said he'd rather see a land sale than money taken from the general fund to help finance the project.

A board workshop to explore the idea is to be scheduled in the near future.

Superintendent John Hoben said none of the parcels are on the market, but "we'd consider selling some. If anything we're land poor now. We need sites in the west," where residential development is expected to continue. Hoben says Plymouth-Canton has "the worst central administration building of any district in Wayne County."

The schools own eight vacant parcels, all located in the center of the district. The westernmost piece is located on the northeast corner of Powell and Ridge. The western boundary of the district, which encompasses parts of five townships and the city of Plymouth, is nearly six miles to the west, just shy of Pontiac Trail.

About 10-12 acres are needed for an elementary school. Middle

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—Ray Hoedel
associate superintendent

schools require 15-20 acres, and high schools, 20-30 acres.

These are the vacant parcels the district owns:

- 17 acres north of Glenview Street, which is the extension of McClumpha north of Ann Arbor Trail. The site borders Plymouth Township Park.

- the above-mentioned Miller Woods site at Powell and Ridge, 40 acres of virgin forest with room for an elementary school. A new subdivision has been built to the west of the site.

- 15 acres south of Proctor behind Canton Township Hall. The board has entered a purchase agreement for \$10,000 per acre with a developer who plans a residential/golf course community for the area behind the Canton Administration Building.

- 21 acres, called the Bartlett

site, east of Canton Center halfway between Warren and Ford. "This is one the board would look at selling off," said Ray Hoedel, associate superintendent for business and operations.

- 48 acres east of Lilley south of Cherry Hill. "It'd be good for a high school location, but we'd need a demographic study," said Hoedel. "A creek runs through it, so you can't use part of it." Part of the land is used for community garden plots.

- a "Prime elementary school site" on the south side of Warren between Canton Center and Beck.

- 27 acres south of Joy between Beck and Ridge.

- 15 acres south of Warren between Beck and Ridge.

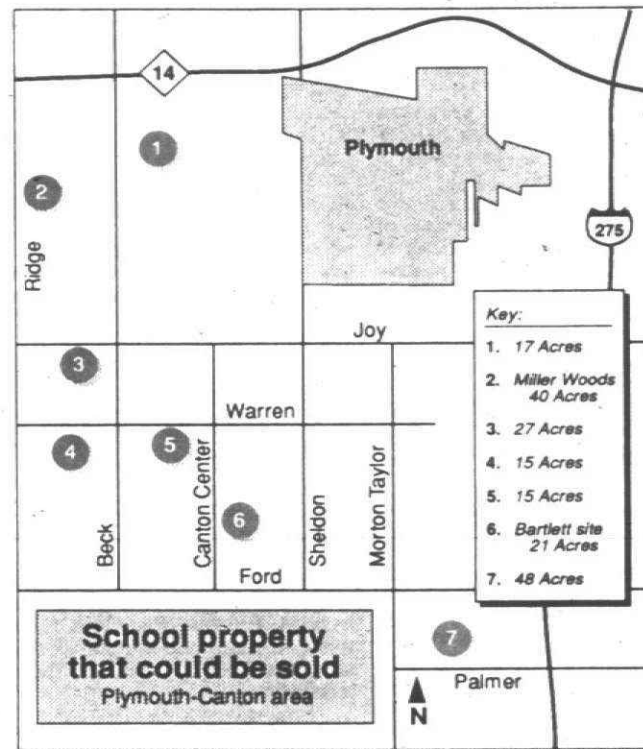
Future land purchases will most likely be in the west.

"We need to meet with the Canton Township and Plymouth Township planning offices to see where interest is going, and where developers are buying up lands," said Hoedel.

"We really don't have any sites to speak of in the west."

The school district has \$925,000 for board office expansion in an account that was generated from a bond issue voters approved in 1986.

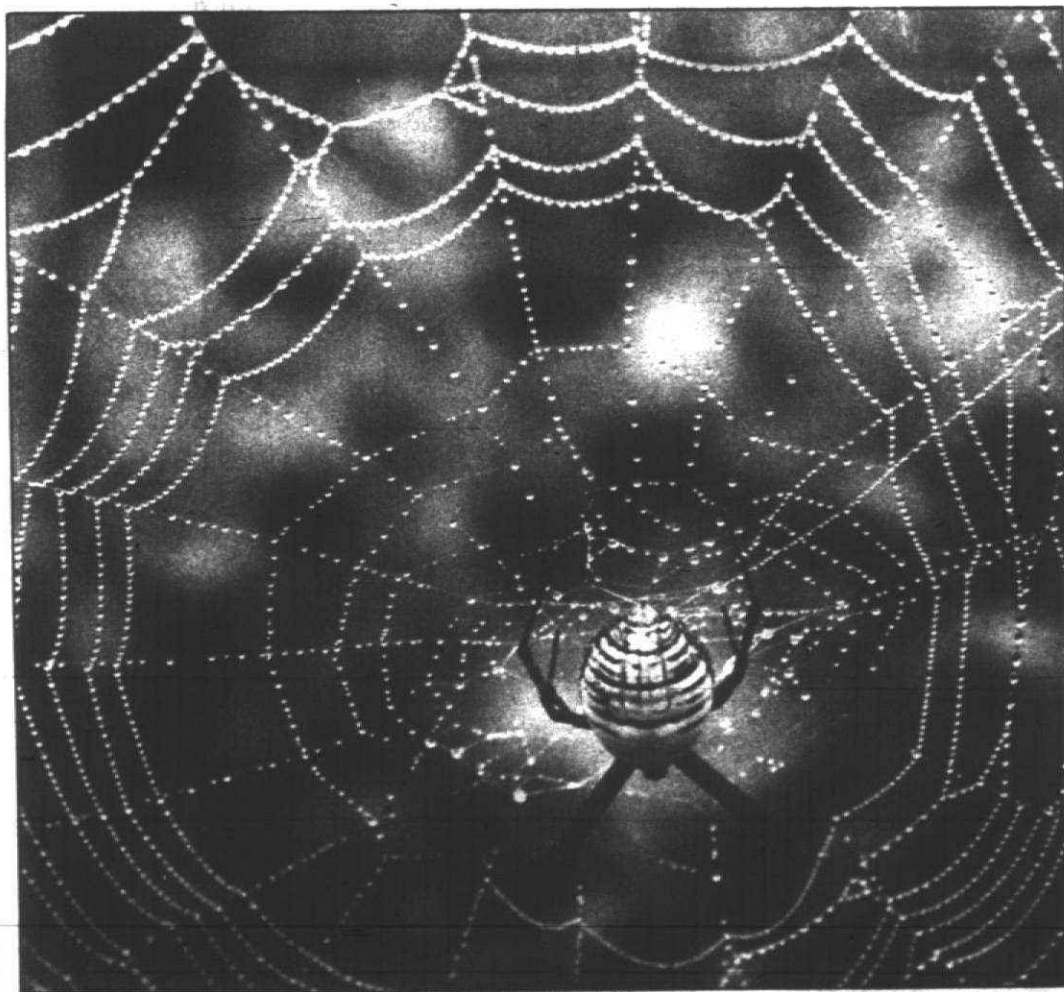
That was added to when the board transferred into it \$290,939 in interest; \$278,000 from the capital improvement fund; \$406,000 from the fund balance; \$71,000 that became available when the new maintenance building came in under budget and



\$11,000 in asphalt funds.

The financing arrangement, proposed by Hoben, avoided having to go to voters for a bond.

The renovation is needed to enlarge offices, restructure halls, construct partitions and to complete heating and duct work.



BILL BRESLER/staff photographer

Waiting for breakfast

This arachnid, photographed in the fog in a field on Lilley Road south of Michigan Ave-

nue in Canton, was poised for his first meal of the day about 8:30 a.m. Thursday.

Township to give businesses break

By Diane Gale
staff writer

It's the ultimate paradox: Offer tax breaks to increase the tax base.

"It's the old half a loaf is better than no loaf," said supervisor Tom Yack.

If Canton didn't use tax abatements to lure businesses, just as other communities do, it would lose potential development projects, Yack said.

"If you make the assumption that one of the reasons they locate in a community is because of the tax advantages you give them, it means

you're getting businesses you wouldn't get otherwise," Yack said.

STATE LAW allows 50 percent exemptions for up to 12 years for manufacturing company expansions and new facilities.

Trustees voted 6-0 recently to approve the new guidelines. Clerk Loren Bennett was absent.

The abatements will be based on a point system relative to what the firm will bring to Canton.

A company gets more points if it spends a lot of money on a project; if

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Mack, Gustafson vie for commission

It's incumbent Milton Mack, D-Wayne, versus GOP challenger Victor Gustafson of Canton in the 11th District Wayne County Commission race.

Canton voters will choose their county representative during the Tuesday, Nov. 6, general election.

Mack has been a county commissioner since 1983 and has recently been chairman of the county's Solid Waste Implementation Committee, overseeing drafting of a new countywide disposal plan. In addition to his commission duties, Mack is also

member, and former chairman, of the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments. Mack is an attorney with a Detroit-based law firm.

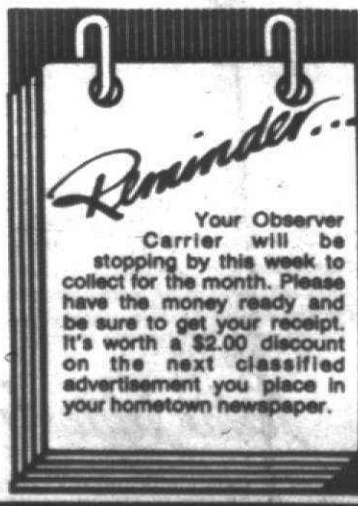
Gustafson is vice chairman of the township planning commission. He is homeowner association president for

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Canton area ripe for rip-off artists

By Diane Gale
staff writer

Growing communities are prime targets for rip-off artists posing as contractors, but simple tips can help you sidestep a trip to new home hell.

Take it from someone who knows firsthand. Dean McDougal said that although he's embarrassed to admit it, he and his wife, Susan, were victims of a scam. Now he's trying to spread a buyer beware message.

CANTON'S DEVELOPING 36 square miles is ripe territory for fraud. So far this year, Canton's building department has issued more than 385 permits for new houses. Canton has seen an 18.5-percent increase in population, from 48,616 residents in 1980 to 57,643 residents this year.

"I don't like to say someone came into my (new Novi) house and took \$1,800," McDougal said.

But that's essentially what McDougal said happened to him last spring when he paid an area contractor for dirt and a sprinkler system. His check was cashed, but he never saw the goods.

And now McDougal is grateful that he declined to pay the landscaper the full amount up front as was requested.

CARMEL WEEMS of the Better Business Bureau is surprised by how many people don't request contracts, she said.

"Get everything in writing, preferably in the form of a specific contract, which should include the start and finish date, and is specific about deadlines," Weems said.

And find out how much the company is paying for materials and labor.

"Sometimes you can get a better deal if you shop around for materials yourself," she said. "We always suggest to customers that they make

financial arrangements with some payment due at the end of the job."

GET SEVERAL estimates before hiring a company.

Check that the company is licensed with the state licensing and regulation department, which can be reached at 517-373-1870 in Lansing.

Always get information about the exact business address of the firm, Weems said. Often companies will advertise only their telephone numbers and later it's hard to track them down.

Shop around for the best financing arrangements, Weems said.

The BBB provides information about companies. The service is available by calling 963-7566.

If you are interested in more BBB tips, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to: Better Business Bureau, 150 Michigan Avenue, Detroit 48226.

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The candidates answer Milton Mack

Milton Mack
Democrat

Q: 1. Noise from Metro Airport has prompted a November county ballot proposal. A) Should county voters support that proposal, which would restrict spending for a new airport parking ramp in protest of airport noise. Why or why not? B) What steps should the county take to reduce airport noise?

A: I urge county voters to support the airport bond issue to provide additional parking. The entire cost will be paid by the airlines and parking is critically needed. Not a single tax

dollar will be spent. More importantly, the additional airport projects will provide significant economic development in the area surrounding the airport and will provide money from the airlines to address problems like existing and future noise.

Current and future noise problems can and should be abated through restricting the use of noisier aircraft, restricting hours of operation, changing takeoff patterns and constructing berms.

Q: 2. Even with the opening of a

new jail, Wayne County still won't be able to put all its offenders behind bars. What steps should the county take to reduce crime?

A: Continued expansion of the use of alternative sentencing practices, including cleaning freeways and ditches, will help free up jail space for more serious offenders to keep them off the streets and provide some certainty of punishment. Economic development that makes use of existing infrastructure can also help to provide jobs and reduce the opportunity and temptation to engage in criminal activity.

Q: 3. The county has drafted a new solid waste plan that is being presented to individual communities.

A: To offset the salary spread between government and private sector to hire qualified applicants will necessitate a reasonable, competitive salary structure for full-time employees. At the same time, productivity is key — the county should reflect upon itself as a business in terms of dollars invested and the

What steps should the county take to reduce its own waste output?

A: As the primary author of the new Wayne County solid Waste Plan, I feel very strongly that recycling efforts should be implemented at the county level. The county has already begun an internal paper recycling program. I hope to have the county adopt the model procurement ordinance developed by SEMCOG (Southeast Michigan Council of Governments) to reduce waste and help create a market for recyclables. Used oil recycling and program to investigate possible uses for used tires should be investigated.

I also see the county providing technical assistance to local communities to implement recycling and identify markets for recycling.

Q: 4. County spending is a frequent concern for county taxpayers. Keeping that in mind, are the recent pay increases for county officials justified? If not, would you be willing to cut your own salary and office budget should you be elected?

A: I was one of three commissioners who took a voluntary 20 percent pay cut when the county's financial crisis forced the county executive to put the county on a four-day work week. If the county were to again face a similar crisis, which would call for cuts in services, I would certainly consider another voluntary pay cut. I currently have the smallest staff (1 1/2 people) and lowest budget of any commissioners, although I serve the largest district. Any additional cut would mean a direct loss of service to the people I represent.

Victor Gustafson

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A: Most other cities in the United States have, or are in the process of updating their present facilities to accommodate the growing passenger service, and the ever increasing positive effect that a modern facility has in new business development.

Our Metro Airport is no different. It's imperative that the updating plans of the airport be implemented. At the same time, noise controls to the surrounding areas must be a ma-

for consideration. Working closely with the FAA and the MAA to accomplish a satisfactory solution is a must! Aircraft approach and takeoff patterns must be studied to minimize "noise effects." Orange County Airport in California, as an example, studied and resolved the "noise problem" with dramatic changes in aircraft landing and takeoff procedures.

Q: 2. Even with the opening of a new jail, Wayne County still won't be able to put all its offenders behind bars. What steps should the county take to reduce crime?

A: Increases and decreases in crime stem from such areas as the home environment (its standards and values) the schools and churches — and job employment — or the to-

Victor Gustafson
Republican

tal lack of the above. The key is working with our young at an initial level to educate and reinforce the no-win results of crime. Since most crimes in our area are narcotics (drug) related, this would be a start. The county in conjunction with local commissions, schools and businesses must work together to erase this drain on our society.

A reallocation of the spending pie (budget) must provide the dollars to support youth programs, additional law enforcement, changes in the

court sentencing procedures, and yet additional jails to house the offenders.

Q: 3. The county has drafted a new solid waste plan that is currently being presented to individual communities. What steps should the county take to reduce its own waste output?

A: Like it or not, our waste disposal is a problem that is here and will be in the future. Solutions will affect the taxpayers, some will be convenient and some will be inconvenient. As a start, this county as a prime mover with the communities and businesses, must develop programs that will work toward correcting the problem. A valid program of refuse separation must be initiated. Composting materials — a separation of grass clippings, leaves, etc. to compost centers in the communities.

Short term thinking must give way to long term plans and their benefits.

Q: 4. County spending is a frequent concern for county taxpayers. Keeping that in mind, are the recent pay increases for county officials justified? If not, would you be willing to cut your own salary and office budget should you be elected?

A: To offset the salary spread between government and private sector to hire qualified applicants will necessitate a reasonable, competitive salary structure for full-time employees. At the same time, productivity is key — the county should reflect upon itself as a business in terms of dollars invested and the

resulting dividends paid to its taxpayers in services.

Salary — since it's a part-time position, whether or not the new pay program can be stopped I will "put back into the community" — I will take \$5,000 of my pay and set up scholarship programs.

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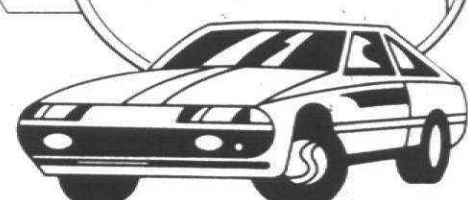
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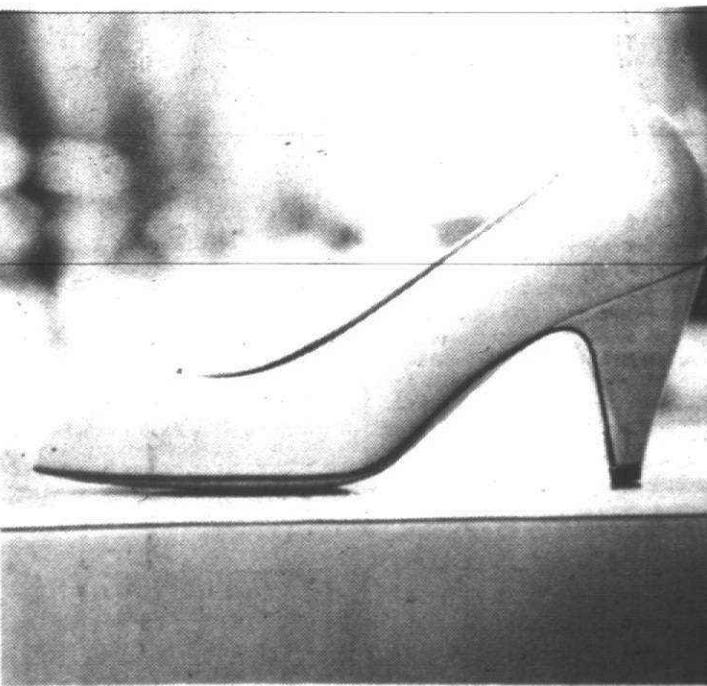
Caring for Diarrhea in Children

Untreated diarrhea in infants can become a serious problem. Parents must not realize that water is a large percentage of infants' total body weight. If part of this water is lost through vomiting or acute diarrhea, dehydration and electrolyte imbalance can result. According to the *Handbook of Nonprescription Drugs*, after 8 to 10 bowel movements in 24 hours, a 2-month-old infant could lose enough fluid to cause circulatory collapse and renal failure.

If infants or small children experience diarrhea for 18 to 24 hours with six to eight watery stools, they should be taken to a clinic or physician's office for evaluation. With less severe diarrhea, commercial or homemade electrolyte solutions may be helpful in preventing dehydration. If the child is old enough and can tolerate a bland diet, apples and/or bananas are recommended.

Nonprescription medicines (containing kaolin, pectin, and/or carboxymethylcellulose) for older children may be useful in relieving acute diarrhea. According to a recent report in *American Pharmacy*, the nonprescription medicine *loperamide* is best for children because of its action on the electrolyte transport of chloride. Recommended doses are based on age and weight of the child. Do not use loperamide for more than 48 hours if diarrhea continues.

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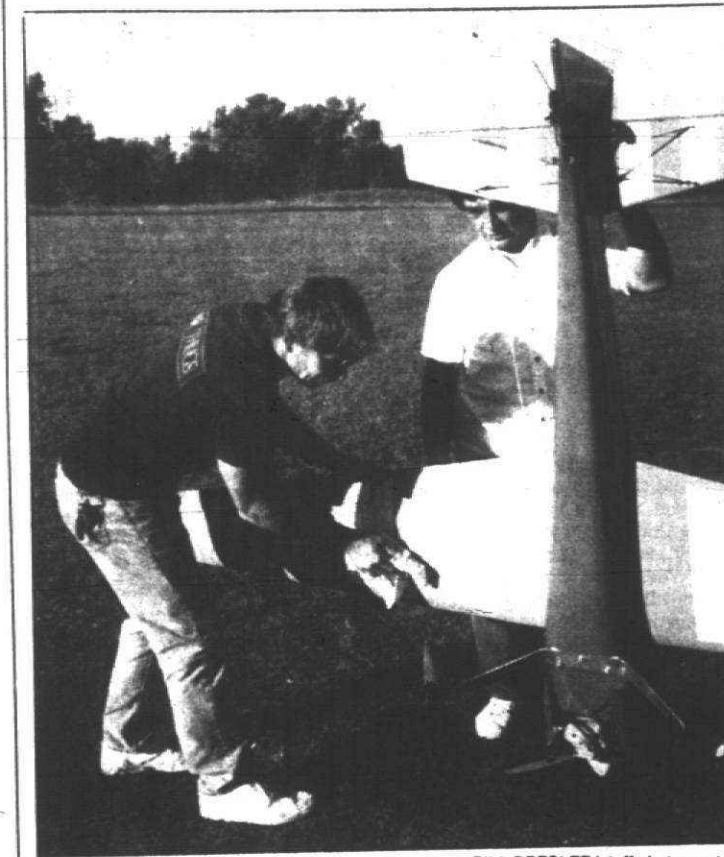
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Pilots hit new heights with model planes



Bob Shattleroe and Joseph Gauci clean up Shattleroe's Extra 230 after a flight.

Bert Brian flies his Piper Cub, which has a 9-foot wing span.

By Diane Gale
staff writer

Planes whirring, spinning and gliding above a Canton field are the perfect setting as Castle Crook tells a story of a dream come true.

The Romulus resident always wanted to fly an airplane. But last year a heart attack shattered hopes that were planted when he was a boy.

"I don't think I could have gotten a license," Crook said referring to a pilot's license for full-sized planes. But instead of throwing away hope, Crook became a pilot when he joined the Flying Pilgrims Club for remote control planes.

"Flying is something I've wanted to do for a long time. It's a real rush to get a plane to do what you want it to do," Crook said adding that he shares the hobby with his 12-year-old daughter, Sarah.

CROOK IS among hundreds of devotees from Redford, Livonia, Farmington, Westland, Rochester, Grand Rapids, outstate and Canada who come to Canton every fall to show off their craft. This year "Fall Fly for Fun Phase Out" will be held from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sept. 29 and 30, in the field at Van Born and Lilley. The Flying Pilgrims rent the field from Canton for \$1 annually.

More than 2,000 spectators are expected that weekend, according to Don Keboe, Canton resident and president of the International Miniature Aircraft Association Inc., Chapter 31. A \$2 optional donation for parking is the only fee.

ON A RECENT balmy afternoon, 2-year-old Larry Peterson sat on his father's lap with a pacifier in his mouth and watched the planes suspended on a majestic

blue backdrop.

His father, Rick Peterson, said he became involved in the hobby because he gets a lot of satisfaction from building planes and watching them fly. Father and son fly together. "I can't leave the house without him," Rick Peterson said. Mac McAtee, 74 and the oldest member of the Flying Pilgrims, recently built a bright yellow replica of a Gee Bee Thompson Trophy racing plane from the 1930s. The mannequin pilot in the cockpit is named "Lowell Bayles," which is printed on the door.

"He (Bayles) was killed coming out of a dive and went into the ground and blew up," McAtee said. "I used to skip school to go out and see him. There were no computers in those days. They flew out by the seat of their pants. And most are dead today. It was really dangerous." McAtee said building the planes

takes between four and five months each and the hobby keeps his mind away from worries.

"That's one of the joys of my life," said McAtee adding that more older people should get involved with the hobby. "I love it. If I've got a problem and I'm working on a plane, I don't have a problem," he said. "I get so absorbed."

Bob Shattleroe, of Garden City, and Joseph Gauci, of Livonia, stood over a model of an Extra 230 aerobatic stunt airplane patterned after an aircraft that won a long list of events.

"It's relaxing until it lands — that's when you get nervous," Gauci said. "They always come down. It's just a matter of how." Shattleroe valued his plane at \$2,000. He said he tries to fly at least twice weekly.

"Joe's my pit crew," he added.

Former area mayor active in community, many interests

By M.B. Dillon
staff writer

Former Plymouth mayor Cass Hough, whose family operated the Daisy Manufacturing Co. of Plymouth, has died at the age of 85 in Naples, Fla.

Born in Plymouth on Oct. 4, 1904, Hough died Sept. 17.

Plymouth's Dunning-Hough Library was founded by Hough's parents, Edward and Mary Hough. Hough succeeded his father in 1959 as president and treasurer of Daisy, an air rifle manufacturer which was once Plymouth's largest employer. He taught astronomy at the University of Michigan before joining Daisy, known then as the "world's largest manufacturer of non-powder guns and in 1926.

An aviator who first soloed in 1928, Hough served as relief pilot for aviatix Alice Hammond in barnstorming performances promoting Daisy air rifles at county fairs in the 1930's.

During World War II, Hough served as a fighter pilot and technical director of the eighth Air Force in Europe, achieving the rank of colonel.

Sales and advertising manager of the firm for many years, Hough was elected vice president and a member of the board in 1936.

On his return to Plymouth in 1945, he was elected executive vice president of the firm.



Cass Hough

An aggressive promotional program introduced by Hough carried the name of Plymouth in Daisy advertisements throughout the world, according to a city history by the late Sam Hudson.

Citing the economic policies of Governor "Soapy" Williams, Hough moved Daisy to Rogers, Ark., in 1957. Hough later authored a history of the company, entitled "It's a Daisy."

Hough, who became Daisy's chief executive officer and chairman of the board, played key roles in the life of the community.

He was on the executive board of the Plymouth Citizens League, and

served as mayor in the 1950s. While acting as chairman of a fire study committee appointed by the city commission, Hough recommended that Plymouth hire a full-time fire chief who was "not to be over 40 and preferably not over 35."

Over the objections of the city's volunteer firefighters, city manager C.H. Elliott appointed 24-year-old Robert McAllister, who became Michigan's youngest fire chief.

Hough attended Oliver Military Academy and the University of Michigan.

He was a member of the Coast Guard Auxiliary, the Naples Yacht Club, Naples Athletic Club, the Port Royal Club, the Sportman Pilots Association and the Quiet Birdmen.

He is survived by his wife Jean of Naples; sons Cass Hough, Jr. of Kalamazoo and Christopher of Oakwood, Ont., Canada; daughter Emily Egan of Buchanan, Md.; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Graveside services will be 11 a.m. Friday, Sept. 21 at Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth.

Memorial services in Naples will be announced at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the charity of your choice, or the Humane Society of Collier County, 370 Airport-Pulling Road, Naples, Fla. 33945.

Local arrangements were by Schrader Funeral Home.

POW/MIA ceremony set for Kellogg Park

The Plymouth-Canton Chapter 528, Vietnam Veterans of America will hold a POW/MIA ceremony at 7 p.m. Friday at Kellogg Park in Plymouth.

The ceremony is being held in conjunction with other POW/MIA awareness events in the country that day as part of a national recognition program.

More than 78,000 Americans are missing or unaccounted for from World War II, 6,300 from the Korean War, and 1,300 from the Vietnam War, according to Greg Huddas, president of the Plymouth-Canton chapter.

The ceremony in Kellogg Park will begin with opening remarks by Huddas and there will be a reading

of the names of those men missing in action during the Vietnam War who lived in Michigan.

As each name is read, a black balloon will be released with his name on it. The black balloon is intended to signify death, but rather the darkness and despair that the POW/MIA's have had to endure.

One white balloon will also be released to signify the hope that each serviceman or his remains will be returned to his family, which has endured so much anguish and uncertainty, Huddas said.

Also because there are troops in the Persian Gulf, the chapter will release a red, white and blue cluster of balloons in hope of their quick return and speedy end to the conflict.

Car skids off road, hits poles

A 17-year-old Ypsilanti driver lost control of the car she was driving south on Ridge from Cherry Hill Wednesday.

Four other passengers, including an 8-month old baby, were in the car.

The driver reportedly told police she was travelling 60-65 mph when she failed to negotiate a curve in the road.

The car slid sideways across the road about 140 feet and struck Edison and Michigan Bell utility poles.

No one was killed in the one-car crash, police said.

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Community Corner

This week's question:

If they were making a movie of your life, who would play you?

We asked this question at the Canton post office.



'Michelle Pfeiffer.'
— Rachel Spielman Westland



'Christopher Walken.'
— Scott Spielman Westland



'Mel.'
— Henry Swyc Canton



'George Burns.'
— Norman Merritt Belleville



'My mother-in-law.'
— Mayank Parikh Canton



'Meryl Streep.'
— Jan Root Canton

Canton area's growth brings prosperity, share of con artists

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A CANTON building department spokesman suggested asking contractors for proof of insurance.

"If someone falls off your roof, you want to make sure that they will be responsible and not you," she said.

"We don't normally give recommendations here, but check with the Better Business Bu-

reau and the Chamber of Commerce for the community they operate."

McDOUGAL SAID from now on he will require deadlines for services and consider placing the money owed to the contractor in an escrow account.

References provided by contractors aren't much help, he said.

"Everyone offers references, but no one will

offer references from someone they have a problem with," McDougal said.

Don't feel you've done all you can by taking bids from a number of different contractors, he said. He wished he asked professionals about the reputation of his would-be landscaper.

"Everyone knows this guy and knows about his problems," McDougal said. "Try to do some cross-referencing."

CRIMINAL CHARGES against McDougal's landscaper are pending investigations by police and Oakland County officials.

"Sometimes people don't know that they can do something other than through civil avenues," McDougal said. "There are laws out there."

Canton police regularly investigate cases of fraud. Canton police spokesman Pat Nemecek said. Call 397-3000 for more information.

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Township offers tax breaks to bring in more business to area

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Tax abatements have been a controversial issue in Canton and throughout the state, since the state act began in 1974. It was supposed to breathe life into the economy by creating and maintaining jobs.

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abatement can be used as a wild card that communities, in competition with each other, can use to bring manufacturing firms to their areas.

"They (companies) almost always ask about the tax abatement," he said. "Through the use of abatements the community becomes more attractive to light industrial development."

ON THE other hand, township of-

ficials can use the tax abatement to discourage companies from coming to the community.

"Let's say for example there is an industry for whatever reason the community decided it didn't fit into the community," Yack said.

If the community declined to offer the abatement the company likely would look elsewhere.

Yack said he decided to pursue changes to give trustees a measuring

stick.

"I sensed a long time ago from the board that they felt as though the tax abatement was an incentive, and to balance that off they didn't want to grant 50 percent, 12 years to everybody," Yack said.

Time will tell if the new guidelines are realistic, he added.

"A lot of times things that work in the laboratory don't work in reality," Yack said.

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'Freedom of choice', paternity testing bills moving forward

By Tim Richard
Staff writer

Two of the Michigan Legislature's best known women — Rep. Maxine Berman and Sen. Connie Binsfeld — advanced pet bills today to terminate or continue her pregnancy.

Berman, D-Southfield, saw the House Judiciary Committee give a bare majority to her one-sentence "freedom of choice" bill that says, "A state law shall not compel a pregnant woman to terminate or continue her pregnancy."

Binsfeld, R-Maple City, saw her bill to allow genetic testing in paternity suit advance toward a final vote on the Senate floor. Binsfeld is her party's candidate for lieutenant governor.

or probate judge. Berman had bitterly fought the initiative by Right to Life of Michigan.

Chair Perry Bullard, D-Ann Arbor, used the one-hour hearing to berate the opposing RTL lobbyist. Ed Rivet has to earn his grits today on behalf of the so-called Right to Life — this so-called organization.

Rivet called Berman's bill "extremist — more radical than Roe v. Wade (the 1973 U.S. Supreme Court decision overturning anti-abortion laws) because it (the court decision) at least recognizes the rights of unborn children."

Rivet said the bill would allow abortion at any time during nine months of pregnancy for any reason, paid for by government. "He said it would repeal the parental consent bill, the ban on Medicaid-funded abortions and time limits on when an abortion could be performed."

DECRYING "government intrusion into private decisions," Berman got votes from 10 of the 19 Judiciary members for her House Bill 5211.

The action came six days after the Legislature adopted a "parental consent" law under which girls 17 and younger seeking an abortion must obtain the written consent of a parent.

BERMAN OFFERED to amend the bill to apply only to adults (over 18) if RTL would support that compromise.

"That's pie in the sky," said Bul-

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lard, implying RTL would turn down the offer. He was right. Rivet said no.

Rep. Michael Bennane, D-Detroit, lost an amendment to require that if a fetus survives an abortion, it would become a ward of the state.

The only Observer & Eccentric area member, Rep. David Honigman, R-West Bloomfield, didn't attend the meeting. With such soft committee approval, the bill's chances on the floor appear weak and its chances in the Senate almost nil.

BINSFELD'S Senate Bill 262 would amend the 1956 Paternity Act to allow DNA profiles to determine the father of a child.

DNA is the chemical in chromo-

somes, which carry hereditary traits.

"The test has 99.99 percent accuracy," Binsfeld said on the Senate floor. "The burden of proof is then shifted to the alleged father rather than the mother, who may lack finances."

"Children deserve the right to have their paternity established," she said, citing health care and education funding a father could provide.

"Michigan is tied with Mississippi as the two states with the highest proportions of their populations on AFDC (aid to families with dependent children)."

Binsfeld was the lone speaker as the bill routinely advanced to third (final) reading at press time.

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Saturdays, Oct. 13 and 20 — The Western Wayne County Literacy Council will hold a Tutor Training Workshop at the Canton Library 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. each day. Call 427-6644.

● Seniors

TRIPS

The Canton Recreation Center is sponsoring these trips for Canton seniors: Star Clipper Dinner Train, Wednesday, Sept. 19, \$43.50; and New England, six days, Wednesday, Oct. 24, \$59.99. Call 397-5444.

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● Trips

Plymouth Parks and Recreation offers these trips: Upper New England (Vermont, New Hampshire, Maine, Nova Scotia), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 26 to Oct. 6, \$1,079; Nashville, Thursday-Sunday, Nov. 8-11, \$279. Call 455-6627.

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Willow Creek Co-Op Preschool at Geneva Presbyterian Church, 459-9540.

St. Peter's Lutheran Day School, grades K-8, 1309 Penniman Avenue, 453-0460.

Plymouth Christian Pre-school, 43065 Joy Road, 459-3505.

Plymouth Montessori School in the First United Methodist Church, 459-1550.

Creative Day Nursery School in Canton, 981-3990.

Tiny Tot's Preschool in the Salvation Army Building in Plymouth, 453-5464.

Plymouth Children's Co-op Nursery in Canton, 981-5521.

Plymouth Canton Head Start at Central Middle School, 451-6656.

Preschool Creatives at the Plymouth YMCA, 453-2904.

PLUS Preschool at Central Middle School, 453-6656.

Special Education program at Tanger Elementary School, 451-6560.

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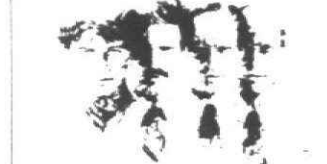
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military news

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MARINE PVT. CRISPUS A. CRUTCHFIELD, of Canton has completed recruit training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot in San Diego. He is a 1987 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School.

CHAD M. DAVIS, son of Kathleen Davis of Canton, has enlisted in the Air Force Delayed Enlistment Program. He is a 1990 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School.

PVT. CHARLES M. DIETZEN JR. has completed basic training at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo. Dietzen is the son of James and Barb Grupa of Canton and is a 1987 graduate of Dunkirk High School in New York.

NAVY PETTY OFFICER 1ST CLASS ROLAND G. EBERHARDT recently reported for duty aboard the destroyer tender USS Sierra, homeported in Charleston, S.C. His wife, Mary, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond E. Smith of

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obituaries

RAGNAR BLONBERG

Services for Ragnar Blomberg, 88, of Livonia were Monday, Sept. 17 at Schrader Funeral Home. Burial was in Oakland Hills Memorial Gardens in Novi.

Mr. Blomberg is survived by his wife, Pauline Blomberg of Livonia; son, Richard Blomberg of Livonia; three grandchildren; six great-grandchildren and one sister.

Mr. Blomberg was born Jan. 25, 1902, in Stockholm, Sweden. He died Thursday, Sept. 13, in Livonia. He

came to the Livonia community in 1987 from Plymouth. He was sent by Johansson Gauge Co. to the U.S., where he worked for the Ford Motor Co. as a gauge-maker at the Rawsonville Plant. He was a life member of the Plymouth Elks Lodge No. 1780 and the Northville Masonic Lodge. He was a former member of the H-12 and the Masonic Square Club in Boca Raton, Fla.

Mark McGilvrey officiated the service. Memorial contributions may be given to the Michigan Cancer Foundation.

LILLIAN BARON

Services for Lillian Baron, 64, of Plymouth Township were Wednesday, Sept. 12, at St. Kenneth Catholic Church. Burial was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

Mrs. Baron was born March 17, 1926, in Detroit. She died Sunday, Sept. 9, in Plymouth Township. She lived in Plymouth for the past 45 years and was a member of St. Kenneth Catholic Church. She was a telephone operator at Whitman and Barnes for 25 years and was a custo-

dian for 10 years with the Plymouth Canton Community Schools.

Mrs. Baron is survived by two sons, Richard Baron of Brighton and James Baron of Plymouth; one daughter, Janet Brown of Kansas; four grandchildren; one brother, Frank Chuhnan of Novi; two sisters, Betty Roux of California and Fran Straker of Plymouth.

The Rev. William Pettit officiated the service. Funeral arrangements were made by Schrader Funeral Home.

Memorial contributions may be

given to the Michigan Cancer Foundation or St. Joseph Mercy Hospital for cancer research.

HAROLD J. HUPPENBAUER

Services for Harold J. Huppenbauer, 80, of Plymouth were Friday, Sept. 7, at the Schrader Funeral Home. Burial was in Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth.

Mr. Huppenbauer is survived by his wife, Leah of Plymouth; four sons, William of Plymouth, Robert

of California, Thomas of South Lyon and James of Ann Arbor; three grandchildren; three sisters.

Mr. Huppenbauer was born April 5, 1910, in Melrose Park, Ill., and died Wednesday, Sept. 5, in Livonia. He came to the Plymouth community in 1978 from Colorado.

He was a salesman for the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad for 49 years. He was in the Army and Navy in World War II.

The Rev. Andrew J. Forish officiated the service. Memorial contributions may be given to Boys Town.

County parks sets sight on a 'garden spot'

By Janice Brunson
staff writer

Imagine a setting of lush green,

edged on one side with mature weeping willows wending along the Rouge River. In the background stand two historical structures, restored to picturesque splendor. A riot of color, the smell of roses in full bloom. Scenic, enchanting, romantic.

The setting, six acres of rolling land in Westland, is a vision yet to be developed. But if all goes well, county officials said, an outdoor rose garden suitable for weddings, garden

parties and other social galas and receptions may well be reality by late next summer.

"It's to be the kind of place anyone can come and use. Everyone will be welcome," said George Cortos, co-owner of the Hawthorne Valley Golf Course who is spearheading the project.

Of the six acres slated for use, two belong to the Hawthorne golf facility. The remaining four are public lands maintained by the Wayne County Division of Parks. Estimated cost to develop the project is \$500,000, according to Cortos.

THE COUNTY PARK DIVISION

is supportive of Cortos' idea, according to park director Hurley Coleman, who said the project will result in improvements the park system could otherwise not afford.

"We always try to work with the private sector. It's important," Coleman said.

As conceived, the area will be planted with multiple rose bushes. Two old structures on the property, a century-old pump station and a house dating to the 1930s, will be renovated and a memorial will be erected to Rev. Marcus Swift, a

19th-century abolitionist who once lived nearby.

Swift's home was burned to the ground by protesters who opposed his work in freeing slaves. The area where the house stood is now a designated historical site.

The pump station and old house are to be converted into a reception hall with complete catering facilities and a bridal suite where women to be married will prepare for the big event.

THE OVERALL INVESTMENT is "a hefty sum of money," according

to Gary Warnell of the Michigan Travel, Tourism and Recreation Resource Center maintained by Michigan State University's College of Agriculture and Natural Resources.

Warnell is conducting a marketing study on the feasibility of the project. "A garden concept may be fine and workable. But it's one thing to invest this kind of money and another to make it profitable," Warnell said.

The report is expected to be completed this fall, according to Warnell.

The site is near Hawthorne Valley, a Westland banquet center and golf course. It will be planted with multiple rose bushes.

You may ask for agendas

Under provisions of Michigan's Open Meetings Act, you're entitled to receive notices of government meetings. A public body must mail notices to people who, on an annual basis, request such notification. Under the act, payment of a reasonable fee may be required before notices are mailed. This provision applies to all local, county and state governments. At the local level this includes city councils, school boards and various boards and commissions.



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Film policy

Teachers' complaint off base

THE PLYMOUTH-CANTON schools are trying to find a middle ground in the ongoing dispute about the showing of R-rated movies in classrooms.

We applaud that effort.

We don't believe in censorship, but on the other hand we think guidelines should be established on what kind of material is shown or handed over to young people in schools. It's not that the students won't see that stuff. It's available at home on cable television.

Young people are going to see stuff we adults don't think they should see. But teaching it in school is a different matter.

We think there's a middle ground, and we see the school board trying to reach it by changing the procedures used by teachers who want to use movies in the classroom. The board wants to tighten them a bit. We think it's a good move.

HOWEVER, THE teachers are opposing the changes. That's stupid. The teachers say such changes would violate their contract. They also say such a policy change would have a chilling effect on education.

The teachers are protesting too much and are probably doing themselves harm. We think that at the bottom of the controversy over the use of movies in the classroom is the perception that lazy teachers resort to showing movies instead of teaching.

We think there's a grain of truth to that perception, although we agree that movies are good teaching aids.

If the teachers are really worried about academic freedom and providing students with a good education, they should drop the stuff about a contract violation and help the school board come up with a good policy.

Foundation

Improving life in Canton

THE Canton Community Foundation is a year old and it's doing the job we hoped it would do: Serve as a clearing house for donations and then put that money to good use.

A foundation helps businesses who want to give something back to a community. We're aware that many businesses would like to donate to a community, but they want to make sure it goes to a good cause.

And that seems to be what's happening. At the Canton foundation's recent anniversary breakfast, American Yazaki Corp., which is located in Canton, gave the foundation \$20,000.

With money such as that, the foundation has been able to support a number of social service organizations in Canton. That includes the Can-

ton Historic District Commission, which received a \$1,000 check from the foundation.

APART FROM funding established groups, the foundation has helped get things going. For example, it helped form the new Canton Arts Council.

To us, the foundation is a way to improve life in Canton Township without going after either federal or state tax money. Seeking government grants not only is cumbersome, but also drags down a process and puts strings on it.

A grant from the foundation can jump start a project quickly. And there are no bureaucrats in Lansing or Washington to convince. The foundation is made up of Canton people who understand the local scene.

The foundation is a way of helping ourselves.

No consent

Foes should topple state law

IT WAS WITH disappointment that we viewed passage of the parental consent legislation which requires unmarried girls 17 and younger to receive permission from either their parents or a judge before receiving an abortion.

But we cannot imagine the horror of pregnant teens who cannot, for whatever reason, go to their parents or go through the legal system of appealing to a judge for written consent to abort a fetus.

"My mother would kill me if I got pregnant," said a 15-year-old sophomore from Plymouth-Salem High School recently interviewed by an Observer & Eccentric reporter.

"If you're old enough to get pregnant, you're old enough to make the decision," said 17-year-old Abbey of West Bloomfield High School.

While some girls interviewed acknowledged the need for some kind of advice from an older adult, they are quick to say that parents wouldn't understand. And some students, like Allison at Seaholm High in Birmingham, also talk fearfully about botched abortions and suicide attempts.

Those aren't scare tactics; they're reality in the world of a teenager. None of the students, like none of the pro-life members, mentioned sex education. In fact, if the pro-life movement was intent on saving babies, it would set its sights on a massive drive to educate teens about sex.

What's so frustrating about this legislation is that it couldn't be amended by lawmakers since it was the result of an initiative petition signed by 330,000 voters.

That stymied opponents from offering amendments to allow aunts, uncles, adult siblings, doctors, psychologists and counselors or nurses to sign consent forms. And Gov. James Blanchard couldn't veto the measure because he already had vetoed another House bill with the same language.

At best opponents of the bill were able only to delay its taking effect until April 1.

State Sen. Jack Faxon, D-Farmington Hills,

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noted in casting his vote against the legislation that its passage by the Legislature robbed citizens of the right to vote on the measure. This 330,000 signatures do not represent a majority of thinking in this state on the subject, he said.

HOPEFULLY, THAT will give pro-choice forces time to mount a fight — whether it be in the courts with a test case or again before the Legislature — to preserve freedom of choice for all ages.

Berman believes that the real mission behind parental consent legislation is to shut down abortion clinics altogether.

She is about to mount another fight with a bill introduced in the House Tuesday that would not compel any woman to complete a pregnancy. This is likely to be the most significant legislation of all, since it is the ultimate test of whether a woman has the right to control her own body. And we agree with Berman — it will reveal the ultimate agenda of pro-life forces who say they accept abortion to save a woman's life.

"The handwriting is on the wall," says Berman. And agreeing with her mission is Carol King, executive director of Michigan Abortion Rights Action League. Both women are determined to deliver a pro-choice Legislature.

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Student skills the key to better schools

I TOOK MY 8-year-old son down the drive to wait for the school bus. He's in third grade this year in a public school that seems to be challenging his mind and nourishing his spirit.

As he climbed aboard the bus, I had that same proud/scared feeling most of us experience when our children do something big by themselves — the opening of school or going to camp for the first time.

You feel sad/happy at the end of summer and turning of leaves; summer is over, children go off to school; the work year is coming.

And since schools are likely to be a big topic this election year, a quick tour of the educational horizon is in order.

INTERNATIONALLY, the situation looks as bad as ever. Kids in schools "run" by our international competitors — Germany, Japan, England, France — learn more, work harder, go to school longer and contribute more to the workplace than our kids.

With European economic integration coming in two years, we'll have a harder time competing with their educated, skilled work force than we have for the past 10 years.

On the national front, George Bush said he wanted to be the "education president," but it's hard to see what, if anything, has come of it. He had to be pushed into setting some concrete goals at the national education summit last year. Today's work is that political operatives are scared of setting tough national standards for fear they'll be accused of nationalizing education and scuttling local control.

In Michigan, things are no better. A national report recently gave Michigan a "C" for attempted school reform, while a national survey by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching found one-third of Michigan's 78,000 teachers would grade the state's reform attempts from "D" to "F." This is not encouraging, especially since school reform has been a burning issue at least 10 years.

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to change the way teachers are trained.

The State Board of Education urges concentrating on learning outcomes, but then puts into place a complex and bureaucratic way of defining just what it is to be done.

The endless rhetoric sounds good but gets little done.

MAYBE I'M simple minded, but it seems to me there does exist a way to get something done. It was suggested by the report of the Commission on the American Work force, on which I was happy to serve.

The commission suggested that employers be asked what skills they felt were needed for entry level jobs in the economy. Literacy, numeracy, ability to read a paragraph and write two or three sentences expressing the main ideas; ability to work with other people.

Next, the commission proposed that a body independent of the school system be asked to create a way of examining accurately whether people had mastered these basic skills. The commission argued that it seemed senseless to ask the schools to judge their own work, especially when a high school diploma has come to have no meaning at all.

Give those who show they have mastered basic skills a "certificate of initial mastery" to validate to employers — and themselves — their skills level.

Last, let the market work. Employers confronted with two applicants will hire the one with a certificate of initial mastery. Schools faced on one hand with employers who demand skills, and on the other with children and parents who expect skills, will have to figure out how to teach them.

Simple minded? Radical? Maybe the time call for simple-minded radicalism.

Phillip Power is chairman of the company that owns this newspaper. His column will appear periodically.

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"Empowerment of teachers," claim some in the teaching profession.

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points of view

Space shots give us our heroes

LAST WEEK WHILE NASA astronaut Sharon Newman, a Rochester resident and former Bloomfield Hills teacher, was urging Southfield elementary students to take risks in life, I was standing in the shadow of the shuttle Columbia launch pad.

As one of about 250 journalists taking part in the National Conference of Editorial Writers' annual convention, I spent a day at the Kennedy Space Center at Cape Canaveral, Fla.

There the world's highest technology — the means to conquer space — coexists with nature on thousands of acres of a national land preserve.

A tour of the space center was designed to inform and impress. But in the journalistic tradition of getting the full story, the long-standing scientific debate was repeated. "Is it worth it to try to put a man on Mars?"

University of Michigan professor Thomas Donahue was imported from Ann Arbor to argue that space exploration is a waste of money.

"We can realize scientific goals with unmanned space vehicles" — robots can do it more safely and as cheaply as we need.

It's typical of the space agency to take on grandiose projects whose costs are not understood at the inception. "Budgeting hasn't always included technical delays and so has been off target."

"We may have lost the ability to create the space craft as competent as Voyager was." As Congress has whittled away at the space agency budget, many of its best minds have been lured to the better salaries offered by industry.

"The man on the street doesn't have the imperative to put a man on Mars and go again to the moon." People no longer care.

NASA ASSISTANT DIRECTOR for space exploration, Dr. Jeffrey Rosendahl, strongly disagreed.

Rosendahl argued that the space program is more than science, that there are no robot paleontologists.

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But it won't happen at all if voters don't get involved in monitoring votes cast by their legislators. The haunting fears of a scared, pregnant teen should be a good reminder.

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The space program, Rosendahl said, is about politics and the U.S. will to succeed; it's about technology and the need to advance it by working on something hard, it's about economics that are dependent on programs to drive technology; it's about jobs and the use of a highly trained work force in a peaceful endeavor.

But the arguments which hooked me — a non-scientific type — were that it's also about exploration, adventure and mythology — the stuff of heroes. And about the need for flagship programs to attract children into the hard sciences.

Their heroes are rock stars and football players, and for many — the drug dealer on their block.

Cancellation of Tuesday's launch of Columbia, due to yet another hydrogen leak, may be testimony to Donahue's view that we no longer have the expertise for sending man to Mars. The launch was already a record 111 days behind scheduled.

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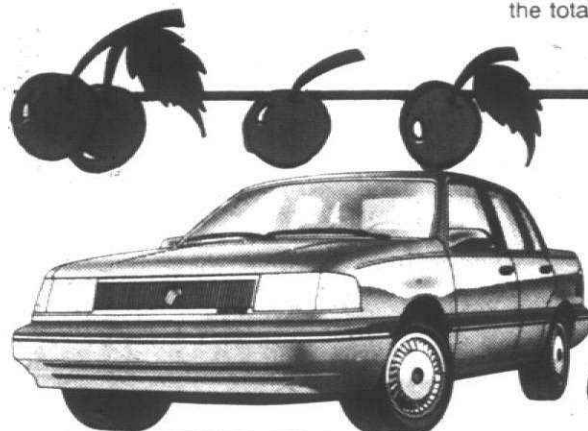
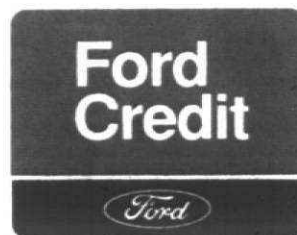
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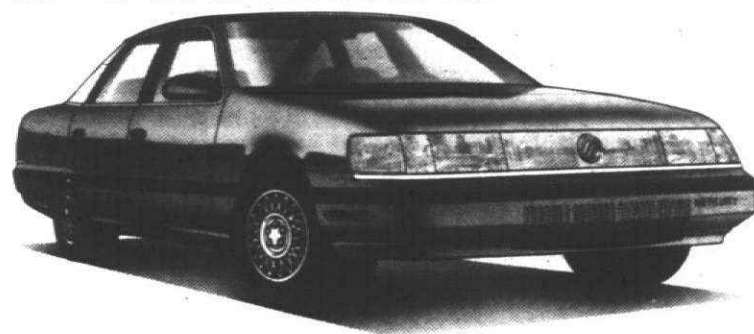
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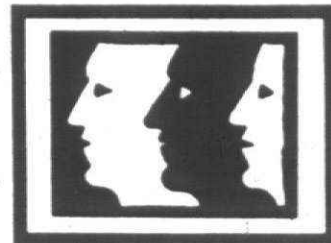
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By Julie Brown
staff writer

Michigan and its railroads grew up together, and the state's history is interwoven with that of the trains.

"If we didn't have railroads, you wouldn't have the state," said William Henning, a co-author of the "When Eastern Michigan Rode the Rails" series of books.

The idea of establishing railroads in Michigan took hold in the 1830s. At that time, Michigan, which became a state in 1837, included large wooded areas and swamps. Moving crops and other goods from place to place was difficult.

"People were basically isolated, totally isolated," said Henning, a Clinton Township resident who teaches speech and broadcasting at Macomb Community College.

UNTIL THE railroads came, moving freight or people was difficult and time-consuming.

"The railroad industry was very large. It was invaluable. That's the way everything moved," said John Scott, general superintendent of the Greenfield Village railroad in Dearborn. "Before railroads, it was wagons with horses."

Railroads came to the Plymouth area a bit later. Development of local train service was an outgrowth of other lines during the lumbering era of the 1860s, Henning said.

Plymouth was served by two lines, both of which began local service in 1871. There was the north-south Holly, Wayne and Monroe line and the east-west Detroit, Lansing and Lake

Michigan line.

Ownership and names of the original railroads changed several times through the years. By 1890, the east-west line was called the Detroit, Lansing and Northern, according to Silas Farmer's "History of Detroit and Wayne County and Early Michigan."

The north-south line, spearheaded

by Jared Lapham of Northville, provided service from Holly to Monroe through Plymouth. It was taken over by the Flint and Pere Marquette. The east-west line later was known as the Detroit, Grand Rapids and Western. The two railroad companies consolidated in the late 1890s and became the Pere Marquette.

"Plymouth now became the main

junction of the Pere Marquette," Henning said. The Pere Marquette was later absorbed by the Chesapeake & Ohio.

THE ARRIVAL of the railroads made travel to such distant communities as Lansing or Grand Rapids possible for Plymouth-Canton area residents. That's not to say that

such travel was effortless.

"Passengers and freight were on the same train at the very beginning," Henning said. Frequent stops were typical, and the early trains traveled at a speed of only about 10 miles per hour.

"That was faster than going by wagon in those days," Henning said. The cost of shipping goods to markets was reduced by well over 50 percent.

The development of railroads also meant newfound prosperity, particularly in the western U.S.

"The value of land shot up dramatically, so the farmers had more of a chance to prosper," said Henning. "The railroad was the economic center of the community."

The two railroads were warmly received when they crisscrossed at Plymouth in 1871, according to the writings of the late Dr. Sam Hudson, Plymouth historian.

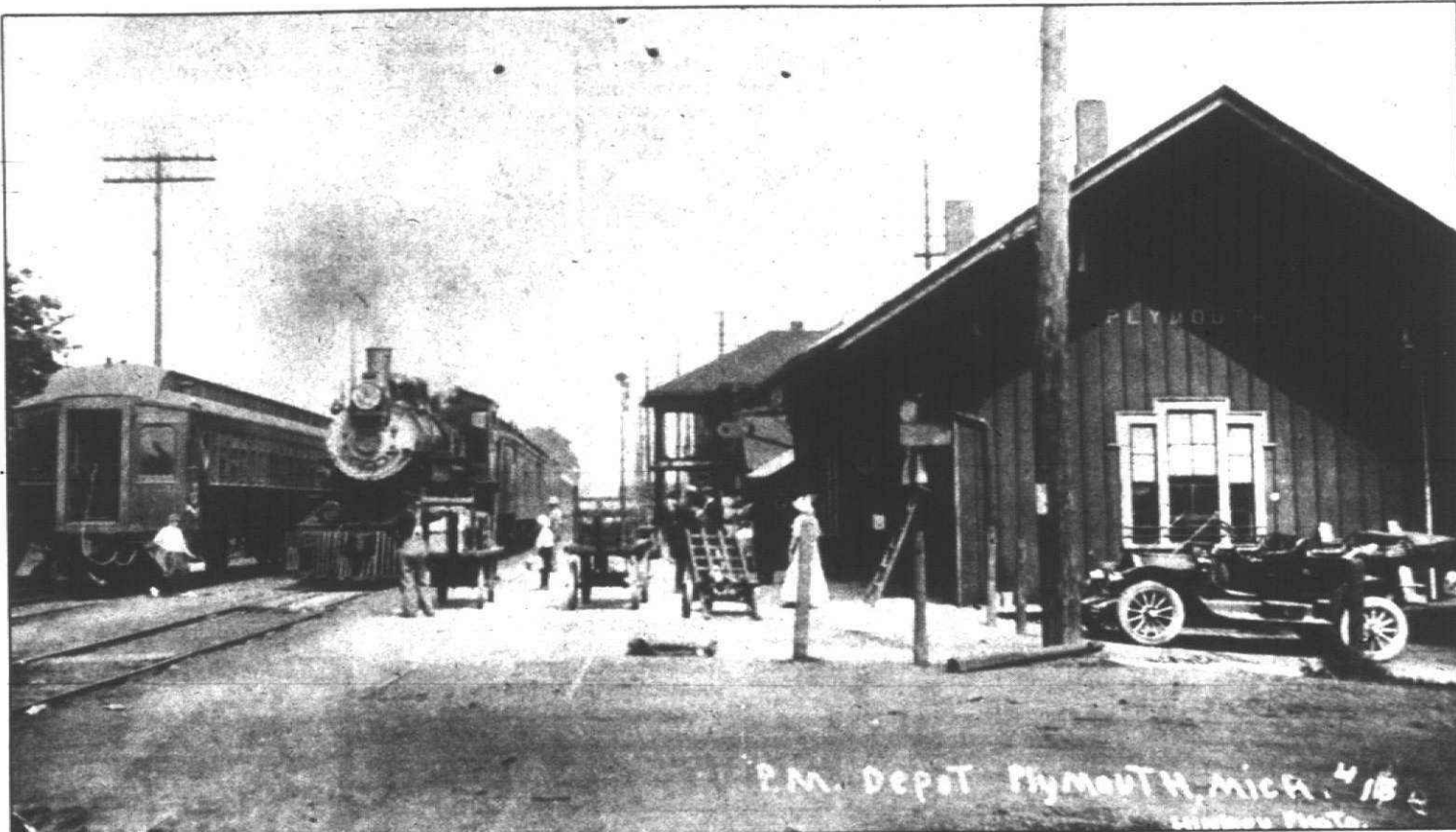
In addition to making travel easier, the railroad provided jobs. By 1916, more than 100 local people were on the Pere Marquette payroll.

AT THAT time, some 18 passenger trains arrived and left Plymouth four ways each 24 hours. Streetcars were also developed, providing passenger service from town to town in southeastern Michigan.

Railroad passenger service to Plymouth continued at some level until 1971, although development of the automobile and growth of bus lines meant fewer people took the train. The development of the interstate expressway system after World War II meant more and more freight could be moved by truck.

Remaining passenger trains didn't stop as frequently or at as many small towns, Henning said. Airlines also took away passenger business.

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The railroad received a warm welcome from Plymouth residents in the early years.

New life in store for old Sheldon school

By Julie Brown
staff writer

Children who went to school 100 years ago or so in Canton had something in common with their modern-day peers.

That's easy to see from looking at the brick of the Sheldon School on Michigan Avenue. Those students carved their names and initials in the brick. Efforts are under way to restore the school, but the names and initials will stay.

"We will definitely be keeping all of that," said Michael Kirk, an architect with the Detroit firm of Kirk & Koskela. "It's graffiti, certainly. I didn't find anything we had to censor," he said with a smile.

Kirk spoke at a Thursday, Sept. 13, meeting at the restored Cherry Hill School in Canton. The joint meeting of the Canton Historical Society and Plymouth Historical Society featured a slide presentation on the Sheldon School.

KIRK, WHO studied architecture at the University of Michigan, began by showing site plans. The idea "is to recreate the way it felt in the late 1800s."

The exact date the school was built isn't known for sure, but estimates put it at 1870. It's an Italianate building, a subset of the Victorian architecture of 1860 to 1890, he said. The bracketing beneath the eaves and bell tower style indicate the period in which the school was built.

Restoring the building will present a few challenges, according to Kirk. Modern realities, such as the need for barrier-free design, have to be considered.

A central hallway will be maintained for ease of access, and bathrooms will be designed to be barrier-free. A series of three ramps at the rear of the school will provide wheelchair access. The ramps will be surrounded by brick walls.

Kirk's restoration work began with a detailed process of noting cracks, discolorations, missing paint or shingles and other imperfections. Those are then keyed to the needed repairs.

"We have developed a very detailed approach to this type of work." That keeps the costs down, as contractor bids are based only on needed repairs.

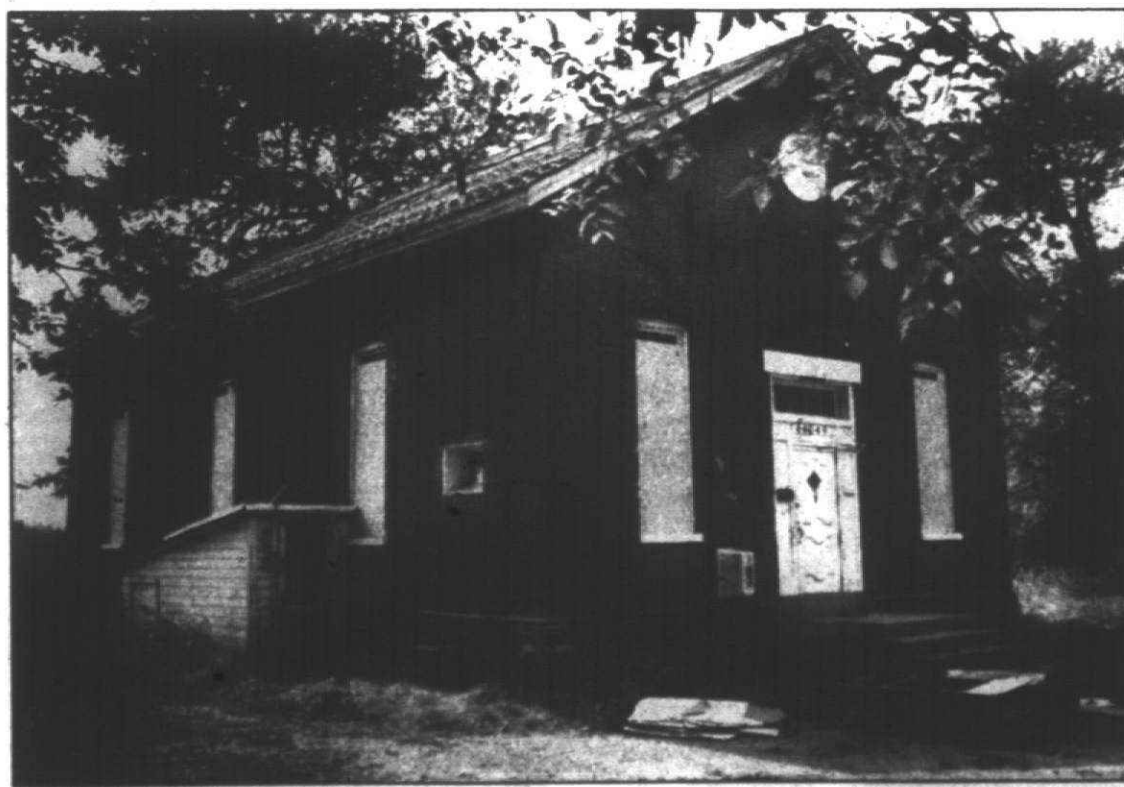
The actual construction work hasn't begun yet, as the asbestos in the school needs to be taken care of first. It will be at least a year and more likely longer before the project's done, Kirk said.

THE BRICK schoolhouse was most recently used as the meeting place of a motorcycle club. Mary Sidick, a Canton Historical Society member, was driving by one day and noticed a "for sale" sign on the property. She called another society member, Melissa McLaughlin.

"One thing led to another and we applied for some grant money at the township," said McLaughlin, a member of the Canton Historic District Commission, which is overseeing the project. Kirk was hired to work on plans for the school, and work will begin after the asbestos is taken care of, she said.

"We're quite proud that in Canton we have five of our one-room schoolhouses still standing." Those working on the project haven't decided what the finished building will be used for, McLaughlin said.

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Left behind by a motorcycle club, the century-old Sheldon School is reclaimed for restoration by Canton historians.



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Historic Sheldon School will be restored

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The Sheldon School needs some work, but those involved in the project aren't easily discouraged. The Cherry Hill School, on Cherry Hill at Ridge, was restored, she said, and it started out in worse shape than the Sheldon School.

In fact, some skeptics had suggested that bulldozers were the best equipment to use on the Cherry Hill School. A grand opening to celebrate the restoration was held last year, and the doubters admitted they were wrong.

THE SHELTON project will in-

clude work on the school's bell tower which is about eight feet tall. The tower will include a spire with a lightning rod, and will be built of pressure-treated lumber and then painted.

Drainage is also a concern for those working on the project. "This building did not originally have gutters on it," Kirk said. Rather than putting on gutters, the plan is to use a drain system under the nearby grass.

"So you've taken care of your water problem with your building, but you haven't had to put gutters on it," he said.

Studying a historic photo gave Kirk some ideas. "We believe there was a central wood stove for heating purposes on the back wall." The building has a furnace in the basement, which will be replaced.

Kirk, who's a member of the American Institute of Architects, offered a number of hints for restoring older homes or other buildings. Cleaning masonry or stone is best done by using the least abrasive method, he said.

Sandblasting or even using high-pressure water can cause problems.

The exterior of a building develops a crust, much like a loaf of bread, through the years of exposure to the elements. Removing that layer isn't recommended.

"That inner core will deteriorate many times faster than the original crust," Kirk said. "Water's extremely acidic, and often water alone is enough for cleaning. Those restoring older homes need to have realistic expectations."

"You're not going to achieve a finished surface that looks brand-new." Cleaning interior woodwork also

calls for caution, he said. Often, use of Murphy's Oil Soap and steel wool is all that's needed, and a light varnish can then be applied.

Kirk showed a few slides of other projects his firm's working on, including the Spicer estate in Farmington Hills. That site, now a public park, includes two barns, a stable and a caretaker's house, in addition to the estate house.

Those working on the Sheldon School project don't know how much it will cost, but estimates are \$200,000 to \$250,000, he said. Kirk hasn't had trouble finding skilled

tradespeople to work on restoration projects.

"Most of the tradespeople like to do the detailed work." Often, they must work rapidly on new construction projects, so taking a little more time can be rewarding, Kirk said.

About 70 people attended the meeting of the two local historical societies.

"We enjoy having such a big crowd," said Tille Schultz, Canton Historical Society president. "It's very nice that Plymouth and Canton can get together."

clubs in action

PLAYGROUP

The Canton Newcomers Playgroup meets 10 a.m. to noon each Thursday and Friday. The group will meet Thursday and Friday, Sept. 20 and 21. Mothers will be able to drink coffee and relax while the children play. For more information, call 981-9197.

BREAST CANCER

A Breast Cancer Support Group meeting will be 2-4 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 20, at the Michigan Cancer Foundation's Plymouth office, 744 Wing. Another Breast Cancer Support Group will meet 7-9 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 27, at the agency's office at 110 E. Warren (at John R), Detroit. For more information, call Annamary Morgan, 833-0710 Ext. 225.

MOMS OF TWINS

The Plymouth/Canton Mothers of Twins annual potluck dinner will be 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 20. Mothers of "multiples" who are interested may attend. For more information, call 455-9537.

KNITTING GUILD

The Woolgatherer's Knitting Guild will meet 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 20, at the Dunning-Hough Library, 223 S. Main, Plymouth. The guild, affiliated with the Knitting Guild of America, is seeking new members. Those who are interested in joining may bring their current project to the library that evening. For more information, call Jeanine Lowe, 455-1964, or Marge Lewandowski, 525-9122.

PLYMOUTH AAUW

The Plymouth branch, American Association of University Women, will meet 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 20, in the Jacob Room of Ernesto's, 41661 Plymouth Road, Plymouth. The speaker will be Helen Diane Vincent, a columnist, writer and designer. She will discuss the effects of color in people's personal lives and in industry. The public may attend.

WESTSIDE SINGLES

Westside Singles will have an anniversary dance 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday, Sept. 21, at Roma's of Livonia, on Schoolcraft west of Inkster Road. The dance is for singles age 21 and older. Dressy attire should be worn (no jeans). There will be snacks and a bar. For more information, call the hot line, 562-3160.

DOCENT CLASS

Docents, volunteer guides, work at the Matthaei Botanical Gardens. An orientation/registration meeting for

those who would like to volunteer will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 22, at the gardens auditorium, 1800 N. Dixboro, Ann Arbor. A training class will begin 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 6. Subsequent classes will be Saturday mornings, with a three-week break in December for the holidays. Completion of a 20-week training period qualifies people as conservatory docents. Cost is \$25 for class materials and membership in the Friends group. For registration information, call 998-7061.

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Tri-County Singles will have a dance/party 8 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 22, at the Airport Hilton Inn, 1-94 and Merriman, Romulus. The dance/party is for singles over age 21. Admission price is \$2. For more information, call the hot line, 842-7422.

SATURDAY NIGHT

Saturday Night Singles/Westside will have dance/party 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 22, at the Livonia Elks Lodge, on Plymouth Road east of Merriman. The dance/party is for singles age 21 and older. Dressy attire should be worn (no jeans). There will be snacks and a bar. Admission price is \$4. For more information, call the hot line, 277-4242.

CRAFT GALLERY

A Craft Gallery fall show will be 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 23, at Roma's of Garden City, 32550 Cherry Hill, between Merriman and Venoy. There will be some 65 displays of country folk art, Victorian crafts and early American designs. Val Davis of Plymouth and Rita Miller of Canton will be among the participants. Admission price is \$2. Lunches and refreshments will be available. Those attending shouldn't bring cameras or strollers. For show information, call 274-7076 between 8:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. weekdays.

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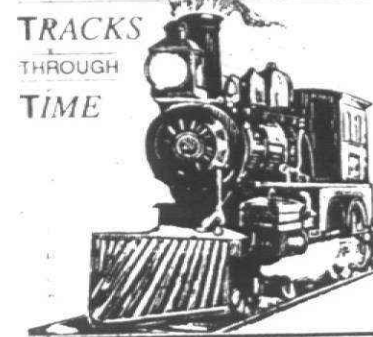
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Area historians keep track of railroading's past



U.S. railroad history began in earnest with the founding of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad in 1827 — the nation's first common carrier railroad — and continued on to include the modern-day passenger trains operated by Amtrak.

Learning about railroad history isn't difficult, as there's a wealth of information available. Public libraries and historical museums often house such information, as do more specialized facilities such as the Michigan Transit Museum in Mount Clemens.

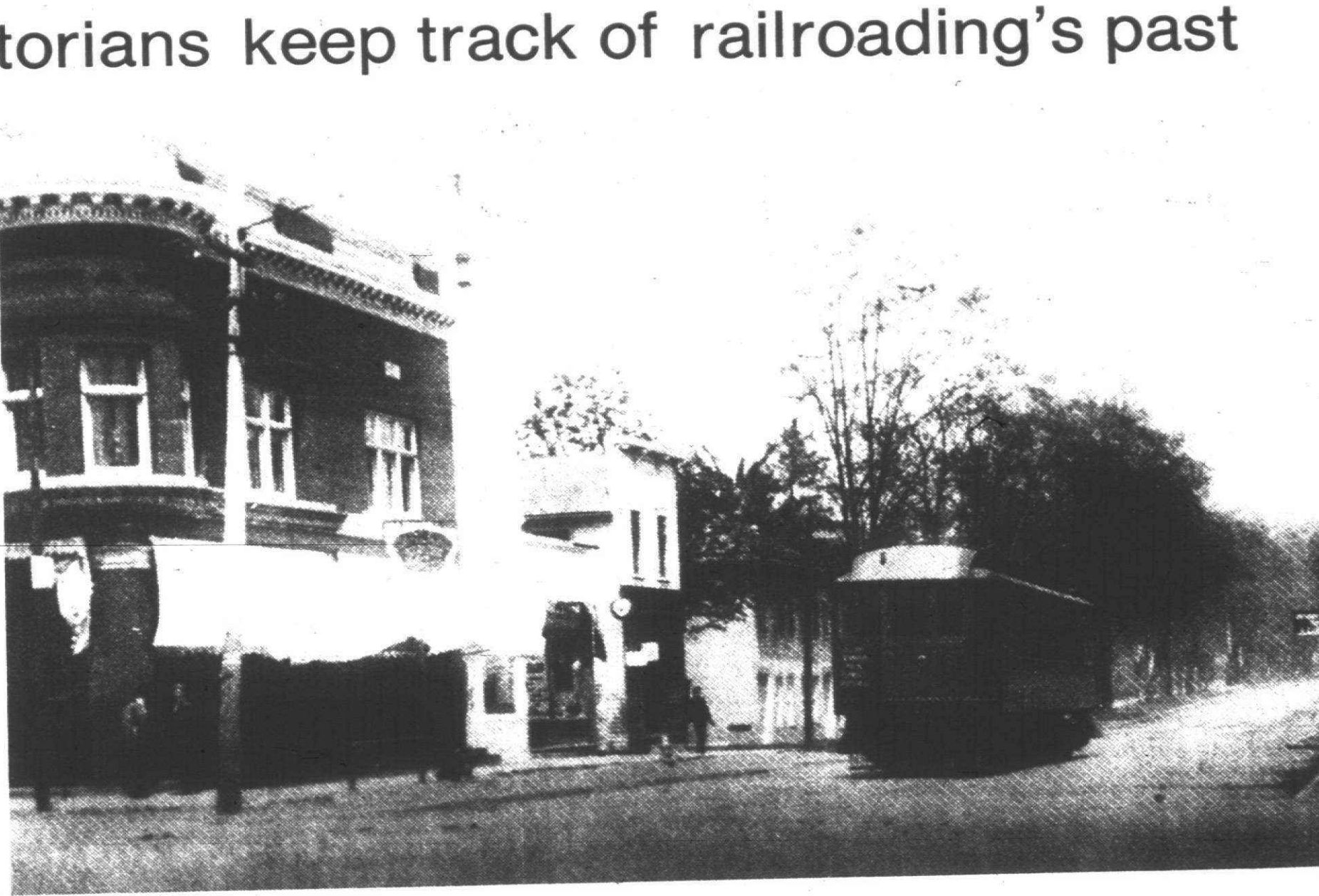
Transit historians William Henning of Clinton Township and Jack Schramm of Detroit were co-founders of that museum and give lectures on railroad history. Schramm is a retired superintendent of payroll for the Detroit Department of Street Railways and Henning teaches at Macomb Community College.

THEY'VE WRITTEN a series of books on railroad history in southeastern Michigan, working with co-author Richard Andrews of Westland, a Michigan Automobile Club retiree. The first volume of the "When Eastern Michigan Rode the Rails" includes the history of the Chesapeake & Ohio and covers the Plymouth-Canton area.

The third volume of the series was published in 1988 and covers the route out of Detroit along the Michigan Avenue corridor to Jackson and beyond. The volume has detailed information about the interurban systems, including those of the Canton-Plymouth area.

The men are working on their fourth volume, which will cover the Detroit to Toledo line. They've received an award of merit from the Historical Society of Michigan for their work.

Henning never worked for the railroads, but has long had an interest in railroad history. He's now in his late 50s and remembers riding trains as a young child.



Interurban trains like the one above in Plymouth were part of rail history.

"We used to live next to the train tracks." That was outside of Chicago, and Henning was fascinated with the trains.

DEARBORN RESIDENT John Scott's also been interested in trains for a long time. He's the general superintendent of the Greenfield Vil-

lage railroad.

"I have toy trains at home," said Scott, who's had his current job since 1982 and volunteered at Henry Ford Museum before that. "I had toy trains when I was a kid."

He recommends that those interested in learning more about trains read old trade journals. A number of books are also available, some of which can be bought at hobby stores.

Scott keeps the trains running at Greenfield Village, and finds visitors of all ages enjoy the ride.

"It's a nostalgia trip for them," he said of older people who visit.

Youngsters who ride the train at Greenfield Village learn about what was once the primary mode of travel in the U.S.

For information on the "When Eastern Michigan Rode the Rails" series, write to P.O. Box 12, Fraser, Mich. 48026.

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Local schools were closed for the day, so students could see Roosevelt, who lashed out at GOP nominee William Howard Taft, the incumbent, and Democratic contender Woodrow Wilson, who won the election.

AN INVESTIGATION determined that a scheduling mixup led to the collision. The wreck — often noted

uninjured passengers who recovered from the initial shock used coach doors as stretchers, helping to move the dead and injured. A special train from Plymouth took doctors and others to the wreck site to help.

Later that morning, a train full of doctors, nurses and medical supplies pulled out of the Fort Street station in Detroit, according to Hudson. Some injured passengers were taken to nearby homes for treatment.

Most of the deaths occurred in the passenger train's smoking car. In addition, about 100 people were injured.

Train wreck of '07 one of worst in history

July 20, 1907, was a dark day in Plymouth's history.

That morning, an eastbound Pere Marquette train filled with passengers collided head-on with a six-car freight train. The wreck, one of the worst in U.S. history, happened just west of Plymouth and resulted in 33 deaths.

The special excursion train was filled with passengers from Ionia. Some 800 Pere Marquette railroad employees, their families and friends were aboard the train, looking forward to a trip to Detroit where a boat would take them to Belle Isle for their annual picnic.

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THE FREIGHT train pulled out of the Plymouth yards that morning, and two carloads of gravel were dumped before the train proceeded toward Salem. The passenger train included 10 passenger coaches and a baggage car, according to the writings of the late Dr. Sam Hudson, Plymouth historian.

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Trains here since 1871

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"When you want to get somewhere in a hurry now, you don't take the railroad," said Greenfield Village's Scott.

Taking the train isn't as fast as traveling by air, but it does have certain advantages. Train stations are generally located in the downtowns of major cities, meaning that many travelers arrive closer to their destination.

"It's easier than driving the whole way. I think that people are pleasantly surprised now with Amtrak."
— John Scott

Amtrak, established by Congress to take over most passenger service in the early 1970s, now operates several trains in Michigan, including one that travels from Detroit to Chicago. Scott, a Dearborn resident, has taken a number of trips on that train.

"It's easier than driving the whole way," he said. "I think that people are pleasantly surprised now with Amtrak."

There's also still a place for railroads when it comes to moving freight, he said. In addition to the fuel advantage, moving freight by rail makes U.S. highways safer.

"It gets rid of a lot of congestion," Scott said.

Maintenance of trucks and trains is the biggest problem, according to Henning. With adequate maintenance, trains can travel rapidly and move people efficiently.

Commuter train service hasn't gone far in recent years in Detroit, although such service can do a lot to relieve congestion, he said.

"We're really fascinated with what's happening with Los Angeles." That city began to operate subway and surface rail lines, and found that helped to relieve overcrowded highways. Other large U.S. cities have also established or re-established commuter service in recent years.

"Now all these cities are starting to come back," Henning said. "They're realizing that I don't think you're going to see them die."



Two rail workers pose next to an interurban car.



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It's a homecoming for Rev. Wysocki

By Julie Brown
staff writer

In his younger days, the Rev. James Wysocki studied at St. John's Provincial Seminary in Plymouth Township.

"I sometimes sort of jokingly say I've come back to Plymouth to learn some more," said Wysocki, who recently became the new pastor of Our Lady of Good-Counsel Catholic Church in Plymouth.

Wysocki succeeds the Rev. Richard Peretto, who's now pastor of the newly-created Resurrection Catholic Church in Canton. Wysocki, who began work Aug. 15, previously served as pastor at a parish in New Baltimore, Mich., on Anchor Bay, for nearly 14 years.

"It was a bit of a shock at first," Wysocki, 49, said of his assignment to Plymouth. New Baltimore, northeast of Mount Clemens, was a one-time resort area and isn't the well-established suburban community that Plymouth is.

"It's growing now, especially in

Chesterfield Township," he said of that east-side area.

HIS FORMER parish didn't include an elementary school, as OLCG does.

"Since I've been a pastor, I have not had responsibility for a Catholic school. It's a very important asset to the parish, and our young people are very important to us, as they are to any family."

Wysocki, who was ordained 23 years ago, began to consider entering the priesthood when he was 13.

"It just kind of gets stronger as the years go. There's no question it's a calling. There's a strong faith reason for being a priest."

His work at OLCG will include offering sound liturgies and providing leadership for the many church programs. He'll be working with an associate pastor and a pastoral minister at the church, which includes about 2,400 families from Plymouth and Canton.

"So it's a big responsibility. At this point, it's a learning experience for me."

Wysocki's a west-sider, so the move to Plymouth wasn't too much of an adjustment. His childhood was spent in the Grand River-Six Mile area, and Wysocki went through high school at Sacred Heart.

"Now, I return back to the west side."

WYSOCKI EARNED his bachelor's degree in philosophy from Sacred Heart Seminary in the early 1960s, and studied mainly theology there. He finished a master's degree in divinity from St. John's Provincial Seminary in 1983.

He knew the late Rev. Kenneth McKinnon, who served at OLCG for a number of years. McKinnon taught at Sacred Heart and Wysocki knew him during his student days. He also had an internship with McKinnon at another church shortly before Wysocki was ordained.

Wysocki served as an associate pastor at St. Michael's in Pontiac before being assigned to the New Baltimore church.

"This is only my second pastorate.

It's been a very rewarding life for me. There's a tremendous challenge out there in terms of the needs of people. They want to hear the word of God."

He's impressed with the love and concern worshippers at Our Lady of Good Counsel have for each other.

"You can see the faith of people in the way they pray." Various parish groups work together harmoniously. "To me, that's a sign of faith working. People are very dedicated here in the parish. It's good to feel a sense of welcome."

ONE MAJOR goal at the church involves the Focus Gift building project. Worshippers hope to build office space and a gathering space for the church. They hope to put in a hall connecting the school and church complex and would like to renovate the church's interior.

Church leaders are working to raise money within the parish for the project.

"The people have supported it pretty generously," Wysocki said.

Many children attend the school at OLCG and about 400 more youngsters come for religious instruction. Some 5 to 10 baptisms are done weekly.

"There's a lot of families having children in our community." The church needs to meet the needs of those families and of others as well.

"We want to provide a social setting for our adults too." Church organizations are available to help divorced or widowed people and others with different needs.

Wysocki attended the recent Plymouth Fall Festival and liked what he saw.

"Those kinds of things, I think, are good for the community."

"I hope that our church will continue to serve the community. We want to make our contribution." Wysocki's busy learning about his new duties, but finds time for rest and relaxation. He enjoys working on cars and is also an athlete.

I enjoy golf. Sailing is really my favorite hobby," Wysocki didn't mind moving to a landlocked community.

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Rabbi Irwin Groner is with Congregation Shaarey Zedek in Southfield.

Our elderly should be revered, not ignored

The advance of medical science has increased our life expectancy. At the same time, the likelihood is increased that we will undergo impairment, rejection and unhappiness as we enter the years of advanced age.

The greatest and most universal fear in our society is the fear of getting old. It is the pervasive obsession.

Into this past offers any insight at all into this matter, it is that in premodern societies, old age was not separated from the rest of the lifespan.

A generation or two ago, grand-

parents lived with their families as honored members of the household.

They were able to exert beneficial influence upon the lives not only of their own children, but also of their grandchildren, serving as a symbol of the continuity of time and tradition.

IN OUR TIME, this experience grows increasingly uncommon. There are homes for the aged, hotels for senior citizens, retirement villages for the elderly. All these meet that need which arises out of the conditions we associate with age. The

aged do not fit into the lifestyle of the contemporary family, and everyone knows it.

Biblical faith is clear, unequivocal and insistent on our responsibility for the aged. Created in the image of

God, the aged deserve not only love and compassion but also reverence.

The biblical pronouncement to "honor the face of the aged" does not have an asterisk with the designation only if he has financial resources, or children that are able and willing to pay the expense, or if he still has mental faculties or a pleasant disposition.

Older Americans are not a homogeneous group. They come in all shapes and sizes, with all kinds of needs and capabilities. The only common denominator is that virtual-

ly all of them are in one way or another disadvantaged.

There are the physically disadvantaged — the millions who are feeble and ill with not enough money for adequate housing, medical care, food, clothing and transportation.

THERE'S ANOTHER category: millions of older Americans who are psychologically disadvantaged. They are healthy, reasonably well off, but have been segregated from the rest of society by the accident of calendar age. They are eager, competent and willing to serve. They seek to ex-

ercise their abilities and talents, but they are denied such opportunities.

Author James Michener once put this issue into clear focus —

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church bulletin

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● AGING PARENTS

A seven-week seminar on "Understanding Mom and Dad" will be at Christ Community Church, 45701 Ford, Canton. The seminar is for children of aging parents and others interested in issues of aging. Sessions will be 7-8:30 p.m. Sundays. Price is \$10 per couple/single. The first session will be held Sunday, Oct. 7, and weekly sessions will continue through Sunday, Nov. 18. Registration may be completed at the door or by calling 981-0499. A nursery for children will be available at the church, at a price of \$1 per child. Participants will learn about the aging process, sources of help, legal issues, housing for the elderly and other topics.

● CAPTIVE FREE

Captive Free will perform in concert at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 21, at Risen Christ Lutheran Church, 46350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth. Captive Free is a national team formed and sponsored by Lutheran Youth Encounter, an evangelical Lutheran organization. The eight young adults are touring the Great Lakes region. Performances include music, media presentations, personal witness, puppetry and drama, and emphasize oneness in Christ. Admission is free of charge. For information, call the church office, 453-5252.

● CHRISTIAN SONGWRITER

Detroit First Church of the Nazarene, 21260 Haggerty, off I-275, Farmington Hills, will host Christian songwriter and vocalist Curtis Chapman on Friday, Sept. 21. Chapman has been honored by the Gospel Music Association as Artist of the Year, and for the Inspirational Recorded Song of the Year and Southern Gospel Song of the Year for 1989. Tickets can be obtained at 10 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 23, based on the theme "The Fire Burns On."

● SENIOR ADULT DAY

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● DINNER THEATER

A special dinner theatre, sponsored by Impressions Drama Ministries, will take place Friday-Saturday, Sept. 21-22 and 28-29, at Clarencetown United Methodist Church, 20300 Middlebelt, two blocks south of Eight Mile, Livonia. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m.

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● COUPLE TO COUPLE

The Couple to Couple League will sponsor a series on natural family planning beginning 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Sept. 22, at St. Thomas a Becket Church, 555 Lilley, Canton. The series will continue each month on Oct. 13, Nov. 3 and Dec. 1. Private counseling will also be available. For registration information, call John or Claire Mueller, 729-5407.

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Senior tour club takes off

Leonard Bloch thinks western Wayne County needs a good travel club.

"I love to travel," said Bloch, a Canton resident who's organizing a Western Wayne County Chapter of Senior Tour Clubs of America.

"The idea is to have quality trips for senior citizens," he said. "The club's designed for those who are '39 and holding."

Trips will be for "anybody, really, if they don't mind traveling with the older folks." Travelers won't be encouraged to bring along children, as trips won't be designed with them in mind.

The club will hold its first meeting 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 4, at the Canton Public Library, 1200 S. Canton Center. Slides of future trips will be shown. Refreshments will be served and there will be a drawing for door prizes.

BLOCH BELIEVES that many

tours don't address the needs of seniors and are too expensive. His club will organize a number of trips, including one-day or multi-day bus tours, cruises and combination air/bus tours.

He's been able to convince a tour operator to offer a low-cost introductory one-day trip, to be made available to the first 40 people.

"We hope to make this club different from others," he said. The club will be a non-profit organization. A trained escort will go on each trip to help travelers.

Trips planned are to the Windsor Raceway in October and an overnight trip to Toronto to see "The Phantom of the Opera" in November. There will also be a weeklong trip to Palm Springs, Calif., and a winter cruise.

For more information on the non-profit travel club, call Leonard Bloch, 459-5508.



Leonard Bloch

new voices

Robert and Michele Griglak of Pinckney announce the birth of a son, Tyler Hayden Goff, Aug. 31 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor. Grandparents are Thomas and Marie Griglak of Detroit and Fred and Laura Mullen of Plymouth.

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Rob and Amy Patterson of Canton announce the birth of a daughter, Meghan Marie, July 5. Grandparents are Jack and Ruth Patterson of Livonia and Jerry and Rita Heath of Canton.

Open house

The Michigan Cancer Foundation's Plymouth branch office at 744 Wing hosted an open house Sept. 12. On hand were (from left): Barb Saunders, Joan Pillion, Amy Mas-ciovecchio, Marilyn Nielsen, Barb Alban, volunteer chairman Lila Vincent and Pat Gielow.

The Cancer Foundation's Plymouth Community Fund/United Way office — has maintained an office in Plymouth for more than 25 years.

The office recently moved to larger quarters and extended office hours to better serve

cancer patients and their families in the area. Services offered at the Plymouth branch include distribution of medical supplies and dressings and transportation to treatment centers. The volunteers also participate in the foundation's Telephone Reassurance and Home Care Companion programs.

A breast cancer support group holds monthly meetings.

The office is staffed by volunteers 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. weekdays. For more information, call 453-3010.

weddings and engagements

Davies-Zielinski

Jennifer Anne Zielinski of Canton and Jeffrey Neil Davies of Kent, England, were married Aug. 25 at St. John Neumann Catholic Church in Canton. The Rev. George Charley performed the ceremony, and was assisted by the Rev. Larry Sirokey.

Parents of the couple are Brian and Lida Zielinski of Canton and Eric and Jean Davies of Cheshire, England.

The bride is a graduate of Plymouth Canton High School. She was employed by Electronic Data Systems.

Her husband graduated from high school in Cheshire, England. He is employed as the director of Panel Agency.

Sister of the bride Juli Zielinski was the maid of honor. The bridesmaids were Maria Zielinski and sister of the bride Janice Zielinski.

Brother of the bridegroom Gareth Davies was the best man. The bridegroom's attendants were brother of the bridegroom Mike Davies, and brother of the bride Joel Zielinski.

For her wedding, the bride wore a white floor-length satin gown with accented-pleated sleeves and lace and beads on the bodice. The gown had bows extending from the waist



to the end of the full train. She carried a bouquet of peach roses and lilies of the valley.

A reception was held at Madonna College in Livonia.

The newlyweds took a wedding trip to Mackinac Island. They will temporarily make their home in London, England, before transferring to West Palm Beach, Fla.

Newland-Roberts

Duane and Judith Newland of Plymouth announce the engagement of their daughter, Sarah, to William Roberts of Ann Arbor. The prospective bridegroom is the son of Lee Roberts of Ann Arbor and Joe and Sherry Roberts of Grass Lake, Mich.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Plymouth Salem High School. She is a senior at the University of Michigan-Ann Arbor, where she is studying art history and anthropology.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Pioneer High School in Ann Arbor. He is a senior at the University of Michigan-Ann Arbor, where he is studying English.

An early June 1991 wedding is planned at the Botanical Gardens in Ann Arbor.



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Travel Scene

Iris Sanderson Jones editor

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Travel bits

Senior time

September is Senior Time in Williamsburg, Va., offering special rates and value-added programs at area hotels, motels, attractions, restaurants, campgrounds and other businesses to senior citizens.

The Williamsburg Scottish Festival will be on Sept. 22 in Williamsburg with activities related to Scottish heritage including games, contests, pipe bands, dancing, food, crafts, and vendor tents.

Best of Midwest

Tapawingo, a well-known restaurant in Ellsworth, Mich., is one of the restaurants featured in a new book entitled, "The Best of the Midwest: Recipes from Thirty-two of America's Finest Restaurants" by Linda and Fred Griffith (Viking Studio Books, \$24.95).

This collection of 150 recipes includes dishes such as Beer-Battered Duck Appetizer, Mosaic of Wild Maine Salmon and Ostrich Caviar en Gel and Fiddleheads and Asparagus, all designed to appeal to both the novice and experienced cook.

Windjammer

Yankee Schooner Cruises is offering special vacation packages during September on the 137' tall ship Schooner Roseway in Penobscot Bay, Maine. Special interest cruises include the Artists and Photographers cruise, Stargazers cruise and Fall Foliage cruises.

Prices range from \$300 to \$615 per person for half-week or six-day cruises. For more information, write to Yankee Schooner Cruises, P.O. Box 6961, Camden, Maine, 04843 or call (800) 255-4449 or (207) 236-4449.

Busch Gardens

The beautiful — and petite — muntjac deer is one of 29 species of exotic hoofed stock dotting the sweeping landscape of Tampa's Busch Gardens 60-acre Serengeti Plain.

The smallest of the true deer species, muntjacs weigh less than two pounds at maturity. Muntjacs are closely related to the small musk deer of northeastern Asia and China.

Muntjacs may make a barking noise when alarmed, and are often in pairs and are always near water. Both males and females will scent mark using two pairs of glands, one pair directly in front of the eye (able to open almost as large as the eye itself) and another which forms the familiar "V" on their forehead.

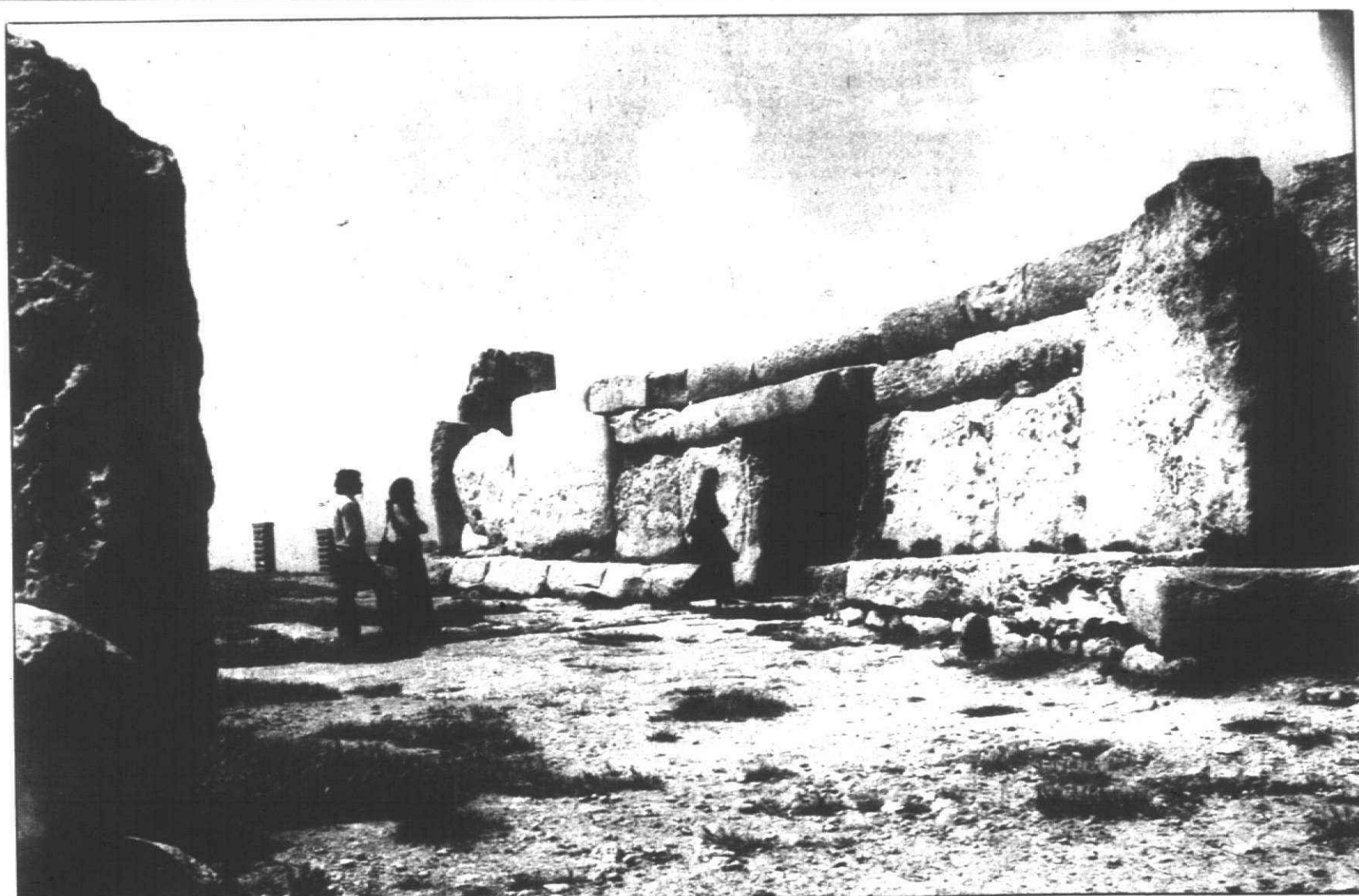
Visitors to Tampa's Busch Gardens may see muntjacs among a collection of more than 3,300 animals.

On Broadway

Keith Prowse offers two New York theater and performing arts packages. "Broadway Lights" includes one best-available theater ticket to the musical, play or comedy of one's choice, accommodations for two nights at any of 19 centrally located New York hotels, service charges and taxes at \$174 to \$345 per person, double occupancy, through March 31, 1991.

"Lincoln Center Plus Broadway" is a three-night package with two best-available tickets of a choice of a performance of the New York Philharmonic, Metropolitan Opera, New York City Opera, New York City Ballet or American Ballet Theatre, and a Broadway show.

It also includes a four of Lincoln Center, one pre-theater table d'hôte dinner at Tavern on the Green, health club privileges, American breakfast daily and accommodations at the Empire Hotel, service and taxes. Prices, in effect through June 30, 1991, range from \$469 to \$485. For information and reservations, call (800) 666-8687.



The archeological findings in the Neolithic Temple in Malta indicate that the first settlers came to the Maltese Islands toward the end of

the fifth millennium B.C., bringing animals, grains and impressed pottery with them.

Malta The Isle of Honey

By Sally Davis
special writer

One of the best-kept secret side trips from Rome lies 80 miles southeast of the southern coast of Sicily in the Mediterranean. It's about an hour's flight from Rome's Da Vinci Airport. Malta, the Isle of honey, named by the ancient Greeks, today is known as the island of Malta. It's a fascinating, but little-known place for Americans to tour. It's a tiny island (95 square miles) with a little bit of everything, even if you're a jaded traveler.

Before starting to explore the island, head for the Mediterranean Conference Center, a visitor center for tourists near the Port of St. Elmo, an imposing bastion by the sea. Here you will see the unique slide show, "The Malta Experience," which acquaints the first-time visitor with the history of Malta up to the present.

Valletta, the capital of Malta, has many places of interest including the Palace of the Grand Master, which is now used for government offices; the Biblioteca (library) and St. John's Co-Cathedral. The palace has rare 400-year-old tapestries of African animal and jungle scenes that look as if they had been made last week. Illuminated choir books and several documents signed by Henry VIII

are among the displays at the library. Also located in Valletta is the National Archeological Museum, with its famous statue of the fertility goddess, "The Sleeping Lady of Malta," which dates from the Megalithic Age.

No trip to Malta would be complete without a visit to the Sunday morning market, located outside the Freedom Gate in Valletta. Here, vendors sell everything from antiques, empty mortar shells from World War II and good luck charms to T-shirts, dolphin-shaped doorknobs of brass and aprons with a recipe for rabbit stew printed on them.

Take a day sail around the island on one of the Captain Morgan tour boats and get a totally different perspective of Malta from the sea. The highlight of the sail is having lunch and a swim at a small piece of paradise, the Blue Lagoon. The lagoon is a narrow strip of calm, iridescent, sapphire-blue water separated from the sea by a barrier of rocks. The opposite side faces the sandy beach of the small neighboring island of Comino.

Plan to spend a morning in Rabat and the ancient walled city of Mdina, the first capital. Mdina sits atop a hill, offering a splendid panoramic view of the whole island. Within the walls is a lovely Norman house, open for tours, although it is a private residence. There are also many

architectural examples of the various cultures who have lived on the island. Stop at the little cafe for a cool drink and a good view of the breathtaking scenery. In Rabat, visit the lace shop with its exquisite and unique gifts of handmade lace. A partially restored Roman villa and a small museum filled with Greek and Roman antiquities are also in the area.

A short distance from the lace shop are St. Paul's Catacombs and St. Paul's Church, with its Spanish decor. The church was built over the grotto where St. Paul lived for three months after being shipwrecked off the coast of Malta on his way to trial in Rome. He is the patron saint of the island. These are interesting places to visit to get a feel for the history of Malta.

In the afternoon, head over to the

small fishing village of Marsaxlokk. It's a quaint little town with a beautiful sandy beach, one of the few on the island. Marsaxlokk Bay is filled with colorful fishing boats which always look freshly painted. Some are painted with evil eyes on the bows to ward off the dangers of the sea.

Another don't-miss is a boat ride through the caves of the Blue Grotto. The crystal-clear water shows off the multi-colored fungi (reputed to have magical powers), which cling like sparkling jewels, to the underwater rocks. Wear your bathing suit under your clothes, because the boat will stop for a few minutes in one of the caves, allowing you to take a short swim in the warm water. You can see about 30-feet down to the bottom.

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'Reservations' come with the fuss of ritzy hotels

By Mary Augusta Rodgers
special writer

Bob Hope, a constant traveler, knows just what he wants when he's staying in a hotel. "Cranberry juice, windows that open, soft pillows and a hard mattress," he said in a recent interview. "Give me that and I'm happy."

Other travelers are more demanding, and these days the hotel industry is trying to please everybody. Many hotels offer so many special services, they sound like a welfare state: executive floors, health clubs, personal computers, free cab/TV and supervised activities for children that may range from scavenger hunts to kite flying classes.

There's something for every taste. The Jules Undersea Lodge is underwater near Key Largo, Fla., and popular with scuba divers. The Anderson House, in Washburn, Minn., near Minneapolis, has cats available

for guests who like pets. The Townsend Hotel in Birmingham serves an elegant English-style tea from 3-5 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday.

The Hilton in McLean, Va., puts yellow rubber ducks in every bathroom. The Charles Hotel in Cambridge, Mass., will pick up books for guests ordering from a nearby book store. At the new Peninsula Hotel in New York City, telephone messages are delivered on a silver platter by a bellman wearing white gloves and a pillbox cap.

Have you heard anything yet that makes your heart beat faster? What do you look for when choosing a hotel?

Personally, I'm fond of small, distinctive hotels, like the Algonquin in New York City and the Pines in New Orleans.

I also like large traditional hotels with elegant lobbies and marble stairways and grand ballrooms, and

I'm delighted to see some of these: the Palmer House in Chicago, the Willard in Washington, D.C., and the Brown Hotel in Louisville, Ky. — restored to their former glory. They provide a needed alternative to the new-style hotels that seem to be designed for Rima the Bird Girl with their soaring open spaces, splashing fountains and jungle plants.

Even newer are hotels like Mirages and the Royalton in New York City, where mob appeal is an art. These hotels are so "in" there's no marquee out front. If you don't know it's there, you don't belong.

Here's my picture of a good hotel: It has a good location, which it re-flects in some way. (It seems just right that the Century Plaza Hotel in Los Angeles, faces the palm-lined Avenue of the Stars, with the old 30th Century movie studio a few blocks away.)

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Blue Grotto caves embrace warm waters of Malta

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Not too far from the Blue Grotto are the ruins of Hagar Qim and Mnajdar, perched on top of a hill, facing the sea. These are among the earliest of the prehistoric temples on Malta. An interesting feature is their similar construction to Stonehenge in England. For comparison, visit the newer temple at Tarxien (Copper Age.) It was used for animal worship and huge statues of fertility goddesses were found in the area. Look for the graffiti the ancients drew on the walls, depicting boats and a method for telling time and seasons.

Several centuries before the Greeks arrived, people who perhaps migrated from Sicily were there building temples and worshipping fertility goddesses. The Phoenicians sailed there and conducted trade on the island. Today, after many centuries of rulers from all over the world, including the Knights of Malta, Arabs, Spaniards and the English, Malta stands as an independent republic.

The island was one of the most-bombed places on earth during World War II because of its strategic location to the oil fields in Libya 150 miles away. The Germans tried to isolate it from the world in order to use it as a stepping stone to North Africa. The American Navy broke through the German naval blockade to bring food to the starving Maltese people. King George VI of England awarded the whole island the George Cross, England's highest civilian medal for bravery.

As you go through Mosta, be sure to see the Mosta Dome, the third largest dome in the world. In the sanctuary of the church is a defused German bomb, which failed to explode. It was dropped on the church during Sunday mass in the middle of World War II.

The Hypogeum at Hal-Saflieni is an underground copy of a megalithic temple, hewn out of solid rock by people of the Megalithic Age. It consists of many rooms on several levels. Some were painted and decorated. The

as their above-ground counterparts.

Excellent restaurants of many ethnic varieties abound on the island. The national dish of Malta is rabbit stew. Some of the cooking styles are strongly southern Italian, with calamari being another regional delicacy. The local fish, lampuki, available only in the summer months, is especially tasty.

There is plenty of nightlife in Malta, especially if you like discos and pub-crawling. There is a casino at the Dragonara Hotel. Some restaurants and hotels have Maltese Night, a dinner show with local dance companies dressed in native costumes, performing traditional Maltese folk dances.

The craft village of Ta'Qali, located between Rabat and Valletta, is a government controlled shopping village, with several blocks of individual stores, selling everything from handmade suits of armor to exquisite lace items and wool sweaters from the neighboring island of Gozo.

Getting around on Malta is easy. There is an excellent and inexpensive bus system. One bus I rode had a big Detroit Tigers button on the visor in front of the driver. Almost everyone speaks English, with Italian and Maltese being the other languages spoken.

Malta can be reached from Rome or other major European cities.

On your last day there, take a scenic ride on any coastal road and gaze out on the sparkling Mediterranean - a lovely way to remember Malta.

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Spend a week or so there and find out for yourself.

Sally Davis is a freelance writer from West Bloomfield.



SALLY DAVIS

Folk dancers show off their island garb when they perform at resort hotels. Some restaurants and hotels have Maltese Night, a dinner show with local dance companies dressed in

native costumes, performing traditional Maltese folk dances. Almost everyone speaks English, with Italian and Maltese being the country's other languages.

Hotels compete with elegance, charm

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There's an attractive lobby, a good restaurant, a cozy bar and a bright coffee shop. (Nothing is more depressing than eating breakfast in a dark, cave-like room.)

I prefer "European-flavored accommodations" to be in Europe. Here, I can do without a concierge, continental breakfasts, or a bidet in the bathroom.

Speaking of bathrooms: I don't want a telephone there, but I would like a scale. A terry cloth robe is nice, but not essential.

I often wonder who thought up the idea of having the hotel maid fold the lead piece on the toilet paper roll into a point?

It's important for the room to be comfortable and quiet. This means sound proof walls, so you're not privy to other guests' conversation, TV programs and love life. Privacy is a basic requirement often forgotten in the rush to provide first-run movies on TV, mini-bars, personalized match folders, chocolate mints on

the pillow at night, and so on.

Good room service is an asset, and it's reassuring when some satisfying food and drink can be provided at any hour. (But to insist, as some do, that things like rack of lamb and almond soufflé be available at 3 a.m. strikes me as silly.)

It's wonderful to have windows that open, and a scenic or interesting view.

No-smoking rooms are a new luxury, and important if you've ever been trapped in a room redolent of El Ropo cigar smoke.

Finding a newspaper by the door in the morning is a nice touch. So is a rack of current newspapers and magazines in the coffee shop.

On the other hand, I've never understood the excitement about having the bed turned down at night. I'd gladly forgo that, complimentary cocktails and fresh flowers in the hope of having the best amenity of all, an affordable room rate.

The last, and most important element of a good hotel is its character - its style and its people, who alone

can provide the moments that make a place memorable.

For example: The desk clerk of a country inn greeted a late arriving guest on a stormy night by saying, with evident sincerity, "Oh, Mrs. Jones, we've been so worried about you!" Five years later, Mrs. Jones still remembers that remark.

The Algonquin Hotel has this kind of style, in my experience, and a unique history. It was an important part of New York literary life in the 1920s and '30s, when writer Dorothy Parker was making all those witty remarks to Robert Benchley, or vice versa, at the famous Algonquin Round Table in the Rose Room restaurant. The lobby and the Rose Room restaurant are now listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

It's still a gathering place for writers and actors.

The lobby, a little dark in the daytime, is part stage set and part welcoming refuge. I've seen Woody Allen there, and Mikhail Baryshnikov and Tom Brokaw. And some un-

known promoters who were much more entertaining to observe.

I remember some nice people - a desk clerk who rescued me from an embarrassing scene with a loud, demanding (and drunk) relative by having me paged and then saying, in a sympathetic whisper, "Don't worry, everyone understands. Do you want me to help get her in a cab?"

And an elevator operator, whose greeting brightened up a trying day. "I forget the floor," he said, smiling, "but I remember the perfume."

Leaving the Algonquin, I often think of Robert Benchley's famous exit. "Get me a cab," he said to a uniformed man at the door.

"Sir!" the man said, haughtily. "I am an admiral in the U.S. Navy!"

Benchley didn't even blink. "OK," he replied. "Get me a battleship." Mary Augusta Rogers is a freelance writer from Birmingham.

Mimes motion fun for Oakland Fall Festival

Mimes, magicians and other family-oriented entertainment will return Sunday, Sept. 23, to the third annual Fall Festival, on the 320-acre grounds of Camp Oakland Youth Programs in Oxford.

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nies and pillows, and the work of Detroit Weavers and Spinners, who will demonstrate spinning skills.

Other offerings include a psychic, a handwriting expert, caricatures, photo buttons, helium balloons and food. Demonstrations of Tae Kwon Do skills will be given by students of master black belt Kerry Roops of Rochester.

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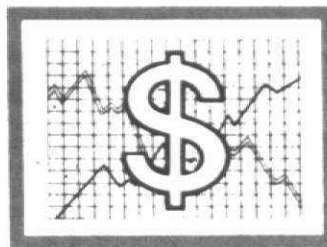
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DIVORCE

Emotional atmosphere
clouds financial impact

By Marilyn M. Gunther,
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and Alan Ferrara
special writers

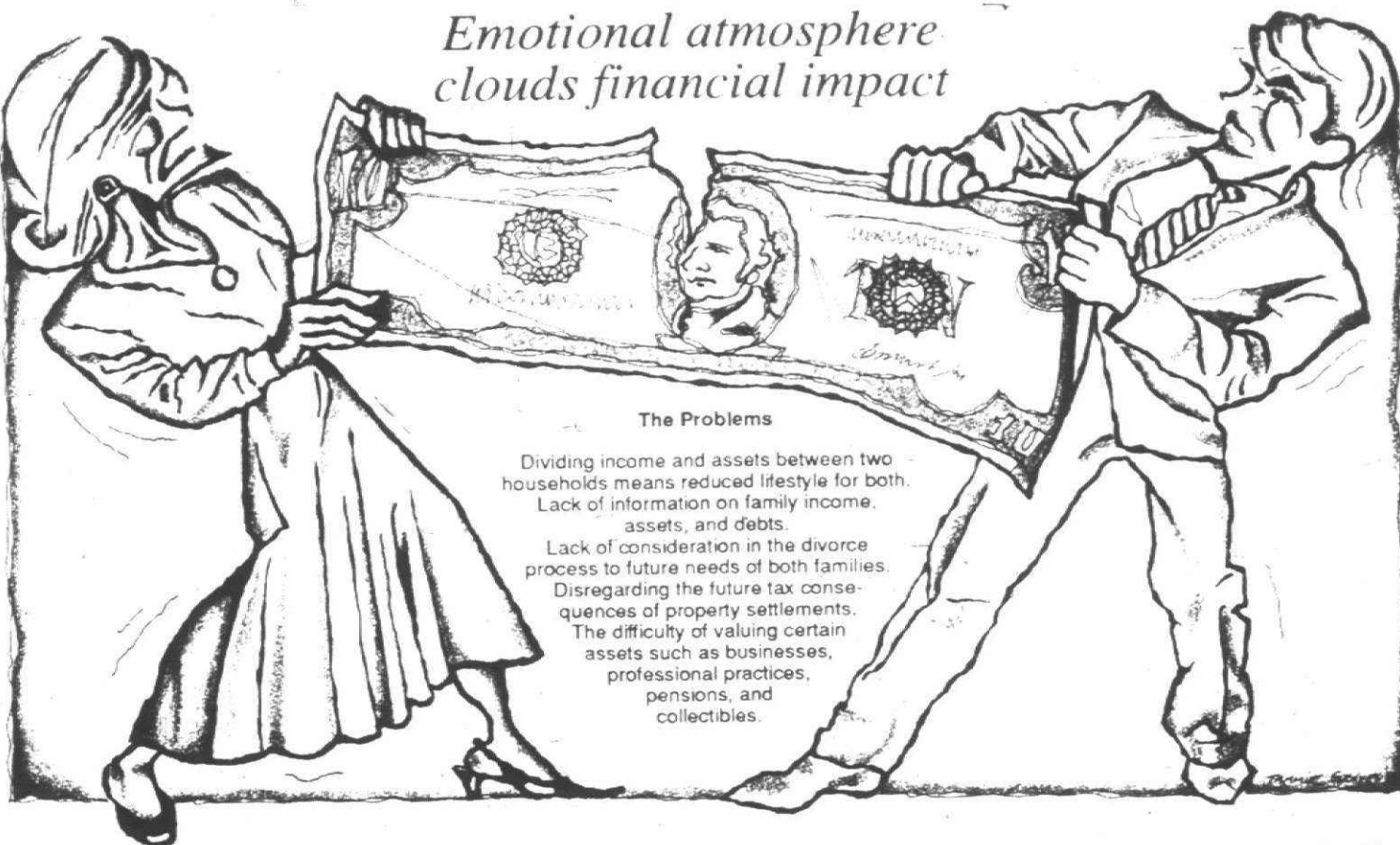
THIS MONTH'S column explores the financial consequences of divorce. The regular family profile will resume next month.

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AFTER MONTHS of arguing I just wanted the divorce to be over, and I was ready to settle for anything."

This all too common a response came from a person undergoing a divorce. Although divorce has become more commonplace in our society it is still one of the most serious crises an individual faces. The devastating emotional atmosphere created by divorce often clouds the difficult financial decisions that must be made.

Financial experts agree that not enough consideration is given to the true financial impact of divorce. As a result, financial planners are being added to the team of divorce experts along with the attorney and therapist. Nearly 1 million Americans have sung the tune, "Breaking Up Is Hard To Do." And indeed it is difficult in every sense. Dividing income and assets almost always means major lifestyle changes for both households. When children are involved,



The Problems

Dividing income and assets between two households means reduced lifestyle for both.
Lack of information on family income, assets, and debts.
Lack of consideration in the divorce process to future needs of both families.
Disregarding the future tax consequences of property settlements.
The difficulty of valuing certain assets such as businesses, professional practices, pensions, and collectibles.

the financial crisis is escalated and generally continues on for years to come.

"Women are the victims of divorce," says one angry ex-spouse. "My role was to be the home partner and raise the children. Now the rules have changed. I will never be able to earn as much as my ex-spouse."

This targets one of the serious financial concerns of divorce, future

financial security. Despite national awareness of the problem, divorcing women with children continue to experience a 73 percent drop in current lifestyle with little improvement expected in the future. In some cases, it has been helpful in the divorce proceedings to provide financial data to demonstrate the disparity in future income earning potential and its effect on lifestyle over the

years. The need for future financial security goes far beyond current child support and alimony. It is the reason sound financial advice is needed at the time of divorce. An understanding of what is owned, accompanied by a realistic assessment of current and future cash flow needs, is essential.

Too often the most expedient fi-

nancial settlement is made without consideration of the tax impact. The family home is a case in point. Often women will want to retain the home for security and psychological reasons. If they later choose to sell the house, they may find themselves in a situation where they are unable to move because of the high capital gains tax to be paid. Once taxes are paid, there is not enough equity left

to reinvest into another home. Taxes can play a significant part in the structuring of property settlement or child support agreement.

Statistics tell us that divorced women move an average of three times in the five years immediately following the divorce in an attempt to maintain the same lifestyle but at affordable costs. These situations point out the need to discuss alternatives to housing and possible tax implications.

THE FIRST STEP in pulling together financial information at the time of divorce is to establish a net worth statement — what is owned, who owns it and a clear picture of the debt situation. Be sure to include all types of assets, including life insurance contracts and any pension or profit sharing benefits of each party.

"My first clue of trouble was when I found the investment account I thought was in our joint name," a husband said. "The account was jointly held, but in the names of my spouse and her mother," one man said.

These surprises are frequent when trouble exists. Secrecy, mistrust, fear, lack of information and attempts to hide assets are commonplace occurrences. An accurate assessment of assets is essential and often a surprise to a spouse who may not be abreast of the financial situation.

Another eye opener may come in the form of the debt situation. A non-working spouse is often under the misconception that debts incurred during the marriage belong only to

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Graphic design creates identity

By R.J. King
special writer

As Erv Wolk puts it, graphic design is not so much the art of making things look better as it is about creating a distinct identity.

As the president of The Think Tank, a graphic design agency in Birmingham, Wolk makes his living challenging what best can be described as the conventions of the status quo.

Nowhere is this more evident than in the lobby of his office, where you are likely to be struck by the presence of a mannequin on the couch and the neon sculpture that spells out the company name.

"He's the only one that listens to me," quips Wolk, 62, casting an eye toward the well-dressed, but rather stiff, model.

"If I have a problem I talk to him. We work things out. He's a great listener."

A MANNEQUIN perched on a couch, especially one with a receptive ear, is bound to make people whisper over lunch, but that is exact-

ly the kind of lasting impression Wolk is out to create.

Whether it's a striking new logo for a corporation or a fresh brochure outlining the attributes of a cancer treatment program, The Think Tank is out to achieve distinction in a world often indistinguishable from itself.

"I want people to know right off the bat that we're more than just another graphics house," said Wolk, a Birmingham resident.

"If a company comes to me with an idea of how they should market themselves, I'm not going to design something if I don't agree with the concept."

"If I agree with it, I say: 'Great. Let's go ahead.' But if I look at it with something better in mind, then I'll work it out and present what I feel is right for the client."

WHILE SUCH confidence may be novel for a graphic design agency only seven months old, Wolk brings to the business more than 35 years of advertising, marketing and design experience.

Most recently, Wolk was president



Erv Wolk, president of The Think Tank, talks a graphics idea over with a friend.

of Wolk Advertising in Birmingham, a firm he started in 1954 and still runs today, although he emphasizes most of his time is spent with The Think Tank.

Describing the firm as an agency that offers creative support but doesn't place ads and a graphics house that designs promotional material, Wolk said the firm fills a niche in the marketplace while reversing long-standing trends within the industry.

TO BE sure, while The Think Tank operates much like an ad agency, it does not collect the 8 to 15 percent commission a traditional agency charges when placing an ad for a client in a specific medium.

For example, if an advertising agency placed a \$20,000 ad in a newspaper for a client, the agency, using a 10 percent commission rate, would charge \$2,000 for its efforts in addition to billing for any design work.

The Think Tank, on the other hand, bills clients by the project, which Wolk said is less than what an ad agency charges but more than a graphic house following specific instructions.

"It's taken me months to define the reasons for why I did this," he said with a laugh. "I always thought there were companies out there who didn't need an advertising agency but needed to draw on someone who specializes in special projects."

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created."

— Erv Wolk
The Think Tank

"For instance, if a company needs a source to develop ideas, layouts and designs for a direct mail campaign, they could call on us, we would complete the project, and they would take it from there."

AS WOLK envisions it, and what has already come to pass, the firm will draw small- to medium-sized firms that have the personnel to carry out an advertising plan, but lack the artistic skills to create something fresh, bold and distinct.

As an example, Greg Tigani, president of Jewelry Express in Novi, said his company turned to The Think Tank earlier this year to develop a direct-mail brochure that his staff could use to boost sales for a credit financing program.

"We were offering an instant credit service to jewelers for use with their customers, and we wanted to change the design of our original campaign," Tigani said. "We thought it was too plain, and to be honest, we didn't think it was effective."

"We got in contact with Erv and presented our new idea, and he said

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Emotions will cloud the financial effects of divorce

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the working spouse or the one who incurred the debt.

The slight margin account my husband told me about turned out to be \$60,000. He took out the loan, but now I have to pay also," a horrified spouse said.

The situation may be worse because of the excessive use of credit cards and other debt often prevails at the time of divorce.

ANOTHER AREA of contention during the divorce is the allocation of pension benefits. For highly paid executives, these benefits can be substantial and dividing them is more complicated than it first appears. Allocation of these benefits is becoming an area of increased contention because these benefits often

business people

Greg Schaale was appointed creative director of Highland Superstores Inc. in Plymouth. Schaale joined Highland from Circuit City in Richmond, Va., where he was creative manager for nine years. Before that, he was art director for Lewis-Freeze-Cory Advertising. He holds a bachelor of fine art degree in communication art and design from Virginia Commonwealth University.

Dr. Joseph N. Brace of Livonia was selected for membership in the American Chiropractic Association. He is a graduate of Palmer College of Chiropractic in Davenport, Iowa.

Mary Anne Pekkala of Redford Township was promoted to manager in the tax department of Grant Thornton in Southfield. She is a certified public accountant. Pekkala has been with Grant Thornton's tax department since 1983. She is a graduate of Wayne State University and is pursuing a master of taxation degree at Walsh College.

Kenneth Sedgeman of Westland completed a sales training course in horticultural services at the Davey Tree Expert Co. Sedgeman, who has worked for Davey for eight years, is a sales representative in the south Detroit full-service territory.

Gary Kunnert of Redford Township returned from a five-day sales seminar at the Vernon Co. in Newton, Iowa. He was awarded the trip on the basis of his outstanding sales. Kunnert became a sales representative for the Vernon Co. in 1989.

Ted Richardson of Redford Township returned from a five-day sales seminar at the Vernon Co. in Newton, Iowa. He was awarded the trip on the basis of his outstanding sales. Richardson became a sales representative for the Vernon Co. in 1989.

Ken Koenig of Canton Township joined the staff of RE/MAX crossroads Inc. in Canton Township as an associate broker. Koenig, a 20-year real estate veteran, had been broker/owner of his own real estate company, Koenig & Associates, also in Canton Township. During that time, he received the Graduate Real Estate Institute designation. He also was a member of the Western Wayne Oakland County Board of Realtors' Top 10% Club.

Rick Wieland was promoted to Rolls-Royce manager of Don Massey Cadillac Inc. in Plymouth.

Craig H. Evans of Plymouth was appointed administrator at The Whittier in Detroit, the riverfront residential hotel. Evans is a 1975 graduate of the University of Rochester. He received his master of business administration degree in 1977 from Cornell University's Johnson Graduate School of Management.

Paul G. Degan of Farmington Hills joined Lason Systems Inc. in Livonia as vice president of direct marketing services. Before joining Lason, Degan was operations manager of an electronic mail service corporation in Oak Park.

Andre Lanthier of Wayne was named a manager with Andersen Consulting's Detroit office. Lanthier,

represent a major portion of the marital assets. Plans vary considerably, requiring attention to the current and future payout.

Rights to these pension benefits can be transferred to the ex-spouse of a plan participant if the proper steps are taken but these benefits may not be able to be distributed immediately. If current cash flow is needed, pension benefits may not be the best assets to accept under a property settlement. Additionally, provisions at death must be considered. Too often the current and future income tax consequences on these benefits are not considered.

When a family business, professional practice or large investment portfolio is part of the family assets, the divorce process becomes increasingly complex. The assets need

to be valued, which creates, disagreement, and also the tax impact at the time of future sale is a critical consideration.

Basic to the divorce process is knowledge of current and future cash flow needs. Here is one woman's experience.

"I always thought we lived on about \$50,000 a year, but when I took a careful look at our expenditures, I found it was closer to \$65,000. I had conveniently disregarded the summer camp for children, our vacations, child care, repairs to our house and trips to the summer cottage.

"I never thought about the increased need for child care and clothes for work after the divorce. Child support, interim alimony and income from investments provided

me with one-third the income needed."

ACCORDING TO a national study, 52 percent of the attorneys surveyed say that most of their women clients do not have a clear picture of family assets or income. Divorce counselors would add that men are often only vaguely aware of the day-to-day needs of the family.

"Our wedding was centered around 10's and romantic dreams of building a life together. Our divorce was the division of a business partnership — pure economics," said one discouraged spouse. "When you get past custody issues, the divorce came down to economics. How much is there and who gets what."

"In dividing assets, I thought I would give up a lot to keep our summer cottage, but when I realized

what it would cost to keep it up, it was easy to let it go. Now, I feel I can plan money for vacations and take the kids someplace different each time," was one response.

Financial planning can assess what assets are best to keep. It can also review the need for other protections such as life insurance, disability and health care coverages.

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er is a certified financial planner and partner at the Center for Financial Planning, specializing in financial planning for divorce. She currently serves as president for the Southeast Michigan Chapter of the International Association for Financial Planning. Don Boyce, a certified financial planner at the Center for Financial Planning in Southfield, has been recognized by Money magazine as one of the top financial planners in the nation. Alan Ferrara is a partner in the Farmington Hills law firm of Couzens, Lansky, Feak, Ellis, Roeder & Lazar. Both serve on the board of directors for the Southeast Michigan Chapter of the International Association for Financial Planning.

Guest writer Marilyn M. Gunth-

Good graphic design helps create identity

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he could design something that would be more effective. Our agreement was that if we didn't like it, we didn't have to pay for it, and we would go with our first effort."

The four graphic artists who make up The Think Tank developed a brochure using a high-gloss photo of an emerald as a background. Enclosed in a matching envelope, the brochure unfolds into three sections, each spelling out specific areas of the program.

"The new brochure really added a flair of elegance to our campaign," Tigani said. "It was so much better looking than our piece, and it's been the most effective campaign we've ever run."

JANET BERNADINO, director of marketing for Infusystem At Home in Southfield, an ambulatory infusion system that cancer patients use at home, said the graphic design agency followed through on all the details for her project.

"We needed help with design work to our dealers, and since we have an internal printing show, we could handle that," she said.

"From a marriage of ideas, they

came up with a logo that has our name under a simple outline of a home. It's also very clever in that it is an arrow as well, a signal that treatment is entering the bloodstream."

IN ADDITION to creating distinction for clients, Wolk uses his talents on his own company. To distinguish The Think Tank from a scientific consortium, the company letterhead has a background of Auguste Rodin's sculpture of The Thinker.

"When people see our letterhead or brochure, they know right away that we're going to take care of their image," Wolk said. "Art takes time to create, and only through thought is it created."

marketplace

Stella Delap, owner of Basket Kreations in Canton Township, received third prize in the gift basket international retailers competition held in Chicago.

Larry Bird, co-owner of Plymouth-based Country Charm Inc. received the Silver Crystal Award for gift department promotion/display from Gifts & Decorative Accessories Magazine.

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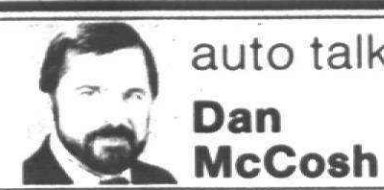
Lately, the use of "recycling" as a way of obscuring the old-style junk yard has been entering the propaganda mill in force. While this manages to launder brings one of those back-alley topics into something fit for a cocktail party, it does serious injustice to junk yards.

Long a poor man's last resort to keeping a car running that society would just as soon ticket, harass or tow away, a decent junk yard managed to perform a lot of socially useful functions without much in the way of social-political recognition.

A friend of mine was in the junk business, or "junkin'", as he called it. To him it was a marvel of the economy that he could get a hundred bucks to tow away, and then three times that to dismantle, something that was in such a condition of decay he might be shipped an additional 20 bucks just to pick it up.

IN FACT, he became a student of metals markets, stockpiling a mountain of engine blocks while waiting for the iron market to turn up, meanwhile attempting to design the world's biggest nutcracker to dismantle aluminum from transmission cases, which was worth something.

His largess took on epic proportions as he began employing these



auto talk

Dan McCosh

Just how successful he was was demonstrated when the neighbors complained about the noise. He responded by buying the neighborhood, then gave the houses away to indigent friends who were unlikely to complain.

SOMEHOW, I think Freddy could have gone on even if someone had insisted that he was a recycler, instead of being in the junk business. That might have been a nice touch as he swung the debris of the streets off his tow hook, stripped off the useable alternators, starter motors, transmissions and headlamp assemblies before carting it to the big crane, where it would be lifted to join the growing pile of speculative scrap.

As a recycler, he could add moral outrage to his charge out the back gate to trap neighborhood teenagers who were clambering over the fence with a slightly used carburetor. Instead, he usually took a five, and sauntered back inside.

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By Sid Mittra
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Paul Kennedy, owner of Kennedy Plumbing in Livonia, believes quitting a job prematurely is the biggest mistake a new business owner can make.

"It's not like leaving your job to write a book," Kennedy said. "I've yet to meet anyone who was financially independent enough to take on that type of risk."

He points out that it is possible to



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successfully plan and work at the new business on a part-time basis.

"In my own situation, I worked nights and weekends for several years before I was making enough money to break out on my own."

JOHN HENKE, Oakland University marketing professor, cautions

against staying longer than necessary before quitting to work at the new business.

"If the owner isn't readily available to make decisions and respond quickly to changes as the business grows, he or she will ultimately lose control of the operation. Depending

on who has been put in charge, things may work out extremely well or fall apart completely.

"Regardless of what happens, the risk associated with the company's long-term success is just as great."

He stresses the ethical considerations of working on two careers simultaneously. "The practice of pursuing what is considered 'personal' business during your employer's time is not only unfair to the company and its other employees but creates a whole new series of complications sooner or later."

He advises those starting new businesses to talk to those in similar fields.

"This is a crucial first step and would mean speaking with not just a few people but several," Henk said. "It also helps to get in touch with small business advisers who are available to share information based on their previous work with clients."

"The one thing to remember is that experience is the best teacher, especially when it's someone else's experience you've learned from."

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

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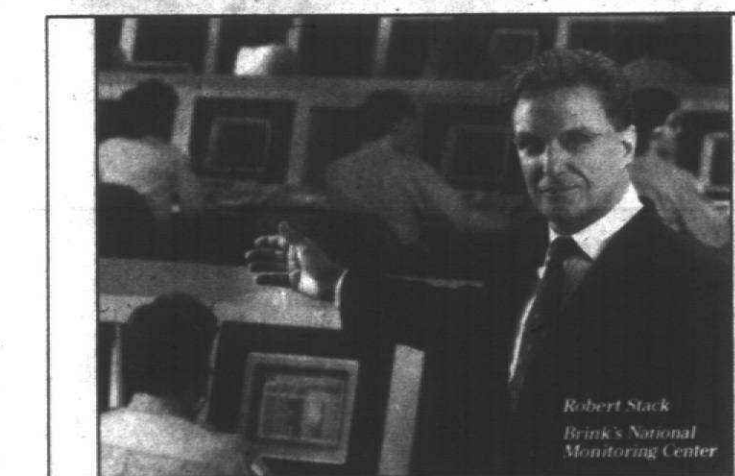
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Entertainment

Ethel Simmons editor/644-1100

Thursday, September 20, 1990 O&E

He's singin' and dancin' in Donald O'Connor role

By Ethel Simmons
staff writer

WILLIAM AKEY IS BACK home in the Detroit area, performing here for the first time since he moved to Chicago to pursue his acting career. And it's in a starring role in the Birmingham Theatre production of the Broadway musical "Singin' in the Rain."

In an interview last week in the theater lobby, the personable performer relaxed in a high-back chair as he talked about the theater, the show — based on the classic movie musical — and playing the Donald O'Connor role, of Cosmo Brown.

He also recalled his growing up years in Livonia and later in Detroit, where he attended Wayne State University and studied theater, becoming a member of the Hillyberry acting troupe.

"I lived in Livonia since I was in the fourth grade, from 1967 to 1981," he said. "For about six years I delivered the Livonia Observer. I was Paper Boy of the Year my last year in high school. Then, I worked at the Livonia office of the Observer & Eccentric. I started the summer before college, in the circulation department for a year."

KEY is a graduate of Livonia Bentley High School. His parents, Charles and Joan Akey, now live in Canton.

"In 1981, I moved to Detroit for undergraduate and graduate school," he said. Akey spent two years at Wayne State in the graduate school at the Hillyberry, where he played such parts as Thomas in "The Imaginary Invalid," Richard in "Ah, Wilderness!" the Dauphin in "St. Joan" and Yank in "The Hasty Heart."

"I also did musicals during my undergraduate year, working with Nira Pullin, movement professor. They even took me away from the graduate program to perform and help in musicals. I was assistant choreographer and dance captain for 'H.M.S. Pinafore.'"

During the summers from 1980-83, Akey appeared at Opryland in Nashville, in the entertainment park's musical revue. "After graduating from the Hillyberry, I went to Nashville to do an original musical. It flopped within a week," he said.

He worked at Opryland one more summer before moving to Chicago, where he had friends. He auditioned for a show the second day there and got the part of Enoch Snow Jr. in "Carousel." "It was my first Equity show."

HE CONTINUES to work in Chicago. "The theater community in Chicago is very good," he said. "There's about four major musical theater houses. I've worked for all those people."

He also has done commercial

work, voiceovers, live industrial shows and industrial films. Another show-business job was aboard a ship in the Caribbean for three months, playing Tom Thumb in the musical "Barnum" and appearing in a revue. "I didn't want to be there," he said, explaining he missed his friends.

Akey and his wife, Lynette Lewis, celebrated their first wedding anniversary recently. In Chicago, she has been a staff announcer at Channel 2 and hosted a PBS program "Woman to Woman." Lewis also has done voiceover, films and commercial work.

Recalling how the couple met, Akey said, "I co-teach a Bible Study for people in the arts. She showed up one night and said to herself, 'That's the man for me.' The rest is history." Akey fits comfortably into the Cosmo Brown role in "Singin' in the Rain," sticking close to the Donald O'Connor interpretation. "The movie is such a classic and his performance in that movie is such a classic, I thought it would be difficult to stray from what he did," Akey said.

"I'VE TAKEN some of the physical things he did. Hopefully, people will see I'm doing what Donald O'Connor did, and more. He had 10 takes — I only got one take."

Akey said Cosmo is one of his favorite roles. "He's really the heart and soul of the musical." In the show about a Hollywood movie studio, at the time of the switch from silent films to the talkies, "You look to him

for reality."

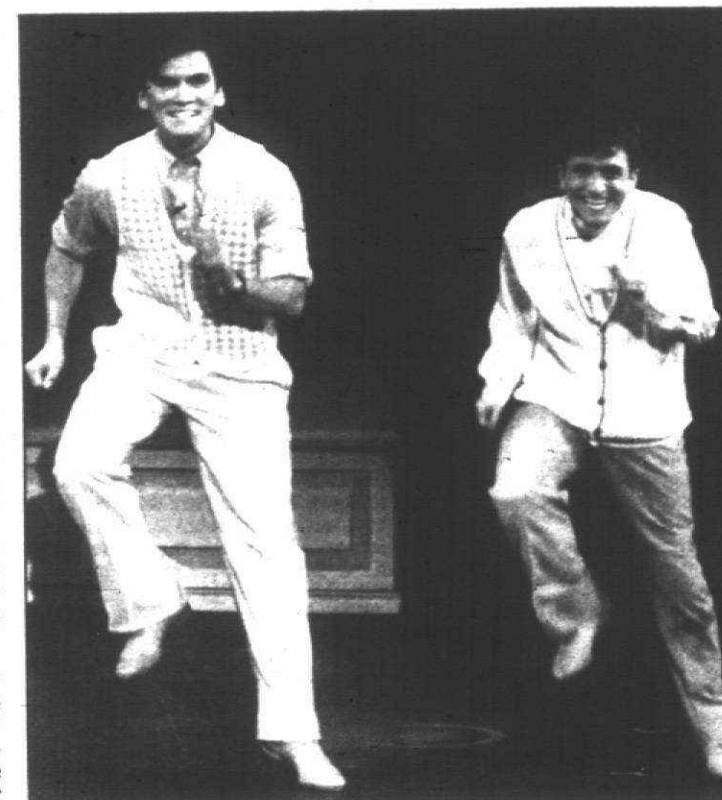
Cosmo is a piano player who becomes a musical director for the studio, while his buddy, Don Lockwood (James Mellon in the Gene Kelly role) becomes a star.

For the physical aspects of the number "Make Em Laugh," "We've taken the choreography almost verbatim from the movie," he said. "It's our version of Donald O'Connor playing Cosmo Brown."

Akey said the musical wasn't very successful on Broadway and that he didn't see the Broadway show. "Our production has tried to stay more true to the original."

BESIDES "MAKE Em Laugh," Akey performs in song-and-dance numbers including "Good Morning," "Broadway Melody," "Moses Supposes" and "Fit As a Fiddle." He said, "In the first act, I'm either changing costumes or on stage."

Although Akey tap dances up a storm in the show, he mentioned, "As I kid I was a gymnast. I didn't take my first tap class until my sophomore year in college. Nira Pullin taught me much of what I do today." He also praised Helen Hopkins, with whom he studied voice in college. "She was a big influence in my life."



James Mellon (left) plays the Gene Kelly role of Don Lockwood, and William Akey, onetime Livonia resident, has the Donald O'Connor part of Cosmo Brown in the Birmingham Theatre production of "Singin' in the Rain." Here, they appear in the "Moses Supposes" musical number.

Akey performed in shows during grade school and high school. He did several shows at Greenfield Village in Dearborn. "One summer I did a one-man show as Tom Sawyer," he said. "I also did several shows at the Henry Ford Museum Theatre."

"Singin' in the Rain" continues through Sunday, Nov. 4. Its run began as part of the Birmingham Theatre season and will conclude as part of the Fisher Theatre season — at the Birmingham Theatre.

The week after the show ends, Akey goes into rehearsal for an industrial show he is doing in Las Vegas.

Choreographer D.J. Giagni puts his vision onstage



D.J. Giagni is choreographer for "Singin' in the Rain."

By Ethel Simmons
staff writer

When "Singin' in the Rain" was on Broadway, "It was a success. They didn't have a good creative team," said D.J. Giagni, choreographer for the current Birmingham production.

He said that the Broadway director tried to put the film on stage. "There's no point in trying to recreate the movie. All the songs, dance and story, it's better for the audience to see live."

Giagni compared the big production number in the second act, "Broadway Melody," to the movie version. "There was a dream sequence in the film with Cyd Charisse. Ours is a nice big tap dance,

with Don Lockwood. It's all about rhythm."

He said a lot of small changes were made by the director, Theodore Pappas. "He uses the side stages of the Birmingham Theatre, to keep the pace and rhythm. On stage, there are quick blackouts using the side stages. Between the second and third scene, we've added a tango, to change the set upstage."

Ted is also a choreographer, and we opted to split up the choreography. It's not often you work with a director who understands dancing. Ted staged the "Beautiful Girl" number and "All I Do Is Dream of You." We did the finale together."

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"Singin' in the Rain." In "Broadway Melody," Don, Cosmo and 15 dancers perform. "The hardest number is 'Singin' in the Rain,' because of technical difficulties," Giagni said. The solo number, where the character Don does Gene Kelly's famous dance, requires him to get an umbrella and hat, change shoes and coat.

During the spectacular sequence, rain pours down from overhead and Don dances in puddles. Afterwards, "The stage is sometimes a little slippery. The pipes leak a little bit. There are a few glitches." Giagni said he has seen the movie "Singin' in the Rain" at least 10 times. "As a dancer, it's the quintessential dance film," he said.

When Giagni returns to New York, it will be to start work on the new Stephen Sondheim musical "Assassins," about people who tried to assassinate Presidents of the United States.

GIAGNI IS THE SON of Danny Daniels, Tony-award-winning choreographer for the Broadway hit "Tap Dance Kid." Because D.J.'s first name is Daniel, or Danny, the same as his dad, he uses initials instead.

"Dad choreographed the TV special 'An American in Pasadena.' I was assistant choreographer," Giagni said. "I was not in the show but I danced for Jay the Mouse" (he did

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Barry A. Franklin, Ph.D., is director of Cardiac Rehabilitation and Exercise Laboratories, William Beaumont Hospital, Royal Oak, and associate professor of Physiology, Wayne State University School of Medicine.



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• **ASSUMPTION GROTTO**
The class of 1950 will hold its reunion Saturday, Nov. 10, Barton House, St. Clair Shores. Information: Annie, 469-4205, or Paul, 573-9789.

• **AVONDALE**
The class of 1970 will hold its reunion Friday, Sept. 28, Indianwood Country Club. Information: Deb

(Watson)Fowler, 853-0227. Sherry (Smith) Brown, 852-3433, or Mike Picuch, 295-1114.

• **BELLEVILLE**
The class of 1980 will hold its reunion Saturday, Oct. 6. Information: (800) 397-0010.

• **BENEDICTINE**
The class of 1965 will hold its reunion Saturday, Oct. 27. Information: 773-8820.

• **BERKLEY**
The class of 1980 will hold its reunion Friday, Nov. 23. Information: (800) 397-0010.

• The class of 1955 will hold its reunion Saturday, Oct. 20, at the Troy Hilton. Information: Ben Crapo, 647-7986.

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• **BLOOMFIELD HILLS**
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• **BRABLE**
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• **CENTRAL**
The January and June classes of 1950 will hold a reunion Saturday, Nov. 17, at the Tam O'Shanter Country Club, West Bloomfield. Informa-

tion: 855-2070, 862-4411, 489-8890 or 642-1418.

• **CHERRY HILL**
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PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1945 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, October 15, 1990, at the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendments to the Zoning Ordinance.

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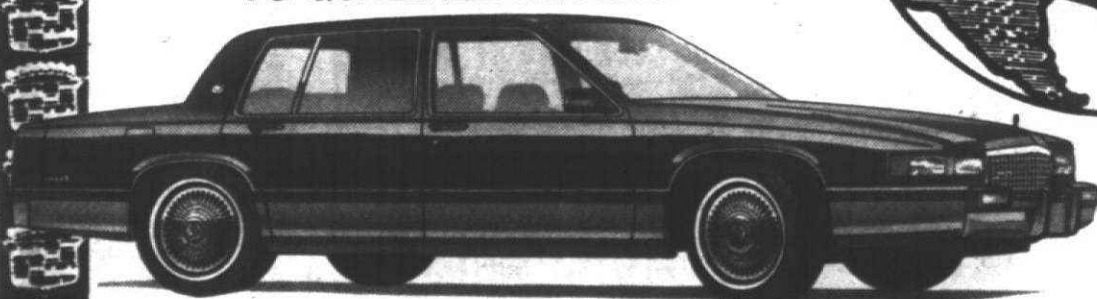
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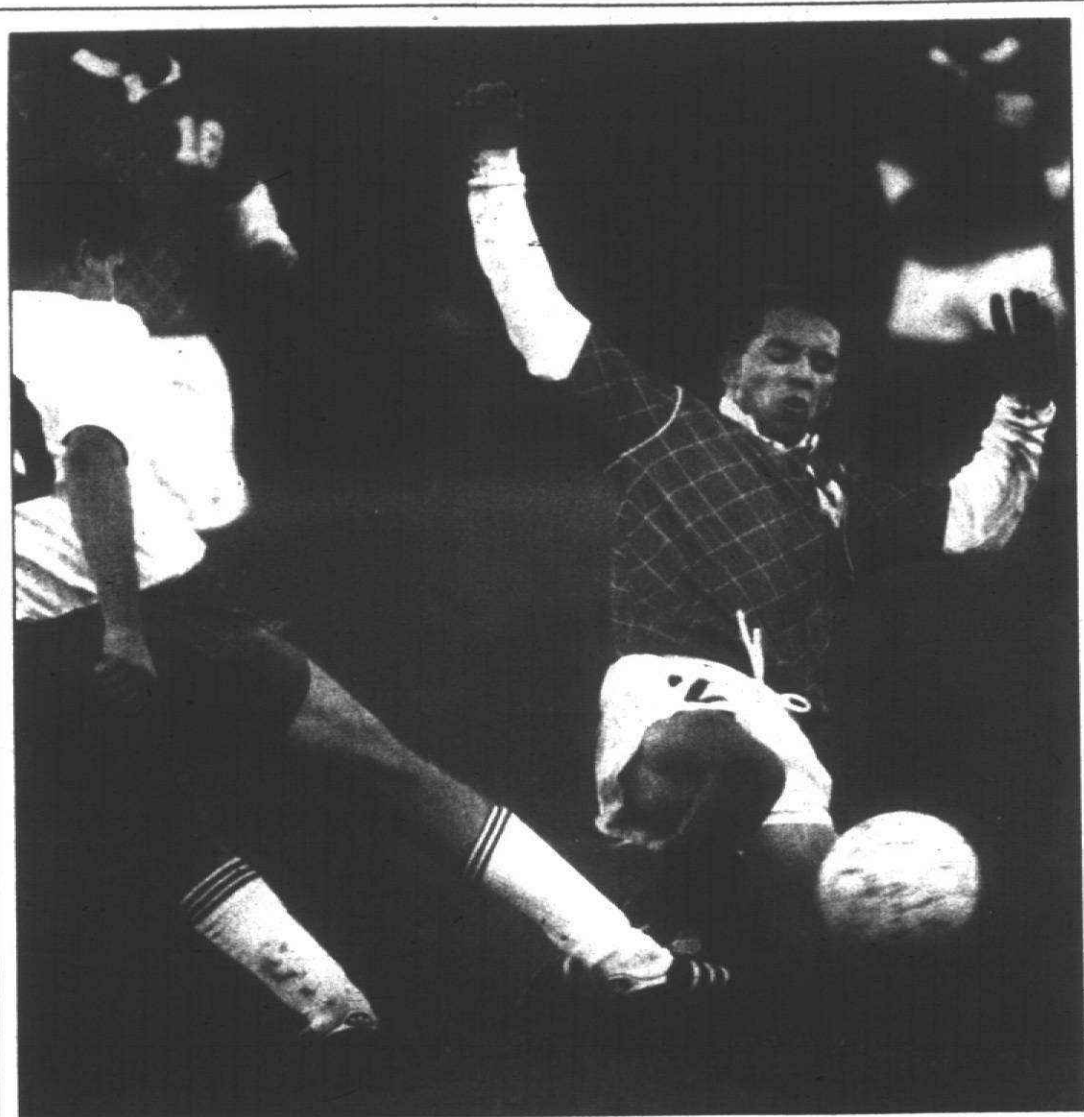
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Soccer slide

Michael Presley of Canton demonstrates his technique for gaining possession of the ball, sliding into the path of an attempted shot by

Salem's Chris Lajoy. The Rocks won the game 1-0. See story on Page 2D.

Chiefs rise to top in WLAA Relays

By Dan O'Meara
staff writer

Plymouth Canton swimmers were in the right place at the right time Saturday, according to coach Hooker Wellman.

The Chiefs were impressive but surprise winners in the annual Western Lakes Activities Association Relays at Plymouth Salem.

The Canton girls won four relays, including the diving, to capture the title for the second time in three years with a 250-point total. The Chiefs were second last year.

"We talked about swimming well, not making any mistakes and seeing what we could learn from the meet," said Wellman, admitting Canton didn't anticipate finishing on top with teams like North Farmington, Livonia Stevenson and Northville competing. "They got in there, held themselves together and did what they were supposed to do."

Plymouth Salem also had a good meet, taking second place with 228 points. North and Northville tied for third with 190, and Stevenson (169), Livonia Churchill (167) and Farmington Hills Harrison (165) were bunched together in the Nos. 5-7 places.

NORTH WAS disqualified in the first event, the 400-yard medley, but would have taken first place with a record time of 4:10.87. The 36 points the Raiders would have received for winning that race would have tied them for second place with Salem.

While some teams loaded up in certain relays, the Chiefs benefitted from their depth, having enough good swimmers to win some of the other races. Each swimmer was allowed to compete in two just events, limiting the impact of outstanding individuals.

"It makes it hard if you've got a small team," Wellman said. "We've got 51. It's very crowded at practice, but it's an advantage in a meet like this."

Canton, which held the lead from

swimming

Salem stays on swim roll

Plymouth Salem followed its fine performance Saturday in the Western Lakes Activities Association Relays with a 120-65 swimming victory Tuesday over Brighton.

The Rocks, who were runners-up in the relays, are 2-1 in girls dual meets. Brighton is 1-1.

Candi Bosse won a pair of freestyle events and helped Salem capture the 400-yard freestyle relay.

She swam 2:07.44 in the 200 freestyle and 5:43.4 in the 500 freestyle. Julie Hickey, Stephanie Long, Bosse and Nicole Bosse combined to win the 400 freestyle relay in 4:07.44.

"The times are about what I expect (at this stage of the season)," Salem coach Chuck Olson said. "Things are progressing nicely. Candi is swimming well, and Nicole has come back from a shoulder injury."

Megan Andrews and Amy Austin had the other individual wins for Salem: Andrews was timed at 1:10.97 in the butterfly, and Austin swam the breast stroke in 1:15.56.

The Rocks had Nicole Bosse, Mandi Ras, Toni Lupo and Hickey in the 200 freestyle relay, and the foursome responded with a winning time of 1:50.91.

Brighton's Kristin Storm won the 50 and 100 freestyle contests in 26.13 and 56.07.

the third event, set a record in diving with senior Becky Hoisington and junior Amy Kodrik achieving a combined score of 432.15 points. Northville's Wendy Beach and Michelle Beacham set the old record of 392.75 two years ago.

"Amy has been diving the year round at Eastern Michigan," Wellman said, "and both went to Boca Raton (Fla.) and worked with Ron O'Brien, who is Greg Louganis' diving coach. So they've had good training, and both have grown up and matured a lot."

The Chiefs captured the 400-yard freestyle with Jeni Cooper, Janet Roberts, Chris Lang and Pam Pritchard swimming that race.

"I WAS A little concerned about Pam Pritchard," Wellman said. "She hurt her back last year, and we lost her for half a season. She swam well. She's got a lot of guts for someone in the kind of pain she is."

Canton's victories in the 200 backstroke and 200 butterfly reflected its depth as the Chiefs capitalized on other teams concentrating their top people in specific events.

April Billins, Jill Mellis, Amy Butzlaff and Nicole Montresor won the backstroke, and Beth Yack, Jill Barnes, Sonya McWhirter and Erica Carson comprised the winning team in the butterfly.

"Our kids were in the right place at the right time," Wellman said. "Any team could have stacked (the backstroke) and didn't. It seemed everybody backed down on the backstroke relay, and we put together a good enough one to win."

"The butterfly was real similar. It's not like we had an incredible time. The backstroke and butterfly showed we have decent depth. We could have put faster kids on those relays to make them go faster, but we didn't have to do that."

Meet records also were set in the 200 breast stroke by North Farmington and the 200 freestyle by Churchill.

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Former CC all-stater to start for Wisconsin

By Dan O'Meara
staff writer

As a senior at Redford Catholic Central two years ago, Plymouth's Lee Krueger wanted to play college football in the Big Ten.

He was an all-stater who helped the Shamrocks reach the Class A final in 1988, but the scholarship offers came from smaller schools instead.

Krueger wasn't discouraged by the lack of attention from the big teams.

A two-time state champion in wrestling, he took the University of Wisconsin's offer in that sport with the intention of trying football as a walk-on player.

Now, a short time into his collegiate career, Krueger has proved to himself and his doubters he belonged in the Big Ten after all. Krueger, a redshirted freshman, will be in the starting lineup at noseguard Saturday when the Badgers entertain Temple in Madison, Wis.

"I GUESS I never let that get to me when they told me that," Krueger said. "I just wanted to do it for myself. My dream was to play Big Ten ball, and I wanted to carry it out. I'm not out to prove anyone wrong."

The 6-foot-1, 252-pound Krueger, who has added more than 35 pounds since high school, was told Monday by defensive coordinator Dan



Lee Krueger will start for Wisconsin

McCarney he would be the starter this week.

He didn't play in the season opener against California, but he split time with former starter Patrick Thompson of Oak Park in last week's win over Ball State.

"(The coaches) said I played the better game and right now I'm the No. 1 noseguard. 'Keep it up,'" Krueger said. "Nothing is for sure. I have to keep having a good game."

"I made some tackles, but I made some mistakes that I need to cor-

football

rect. I was happy to get in the game. I was a little nervous before the game, too. Once the game starts you forget about everything else and concentrate on your assignment."

Walk-on players usually are treated as lower-class citizens until they prove themselves on the field, and that was Krueger's objective a year ago when he was a linebacker for the scout team.

"ALL YOU can do is show the coaches you can hit, and maybe they'll remember you for next year," Krueger said.

But the Badgers underwent a coaching change in the off-season. Don Morton was fired as head coach, and former Notre Dame assistant Barry Alvarez brought in a new staff.

"It was kinda like starting over again," Krueger said. "I can't say what the outcome would have been with the old staff. I think (the change) is an advantage to everybody. I think we're being pushed more and getting more out of everybody."

Not only did Krueger have to

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Bad weather can't stop Urbats

By Steve Kowalecki
staff writer

Bob Urbats brought a caddy with him for the final round of the Observer & Eccentric Golf Tournament Sunday, and it's a good thing since he was out late the night before.

The extra help must have done some good, as the 36-year-old Livonia resident responded with a two-over par 72 in the wind and rain to take his first-ever O&E title at Whispering Willows. See results on page 6D.

The rest of Urbats' foursome went solo, but he was glad to have his brother Mike at his side for all 18 holes during the championship flight. Urbats finished with a two-day total of 141 (69-72) and afterwards bought his brother a drink in the clubhouse to show his appreciation.

"I should buy him a lot more than



that," said Bob. "I went to a wedding and got to bed about one last night. When I got up and saw the rain, I said 'Oh my God.' But the blood came through today. He helped out in the rain, with an umbrella and keeping the clubs dry."

URBATS, A VETERAN of more than 10 O&E tournaments, is notorious for being inconsistent. But not this weekend, as he was able to outduel 28 others in the top flight, including second-place Alex McLuckie (73-74, 147), of Livonia, and third-place Richard Quilton (73-75, 148), also of Livonia.

Urbats won a \$325 gift certificate

for winning the Championship Flight and Quilton took home a \$120 gift certificate for winning the net division (including handicap).

"Urbats always has one very good round and one not so very good," said Whispering Willows Golf Professional Gary Whitener. "He'll shoot an 81 and then come back with a 71. He's a good kid, been playing the O&E as long as I can remember."

Urbats, who says he normally plays "pretty good in rainy, windy weather," lived up to that reputation Sunday. After shooting a four-over par 39 on the front nine, Urbats closed out strong, with a sterling back-nine score of 33.

Urbats had three birdies on the back nine, including one on the par-4, 341-yard 11th hole — where he

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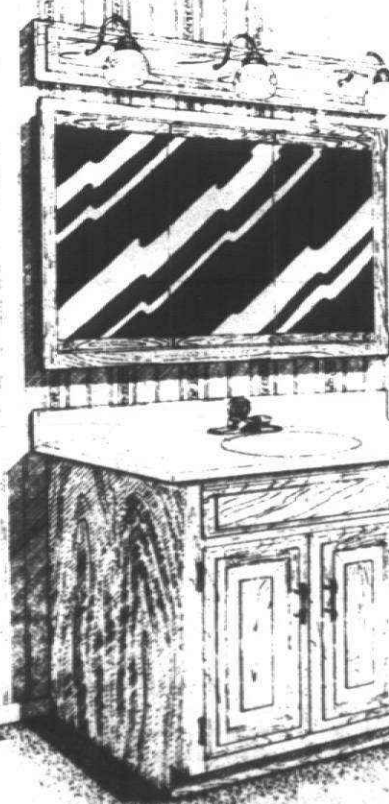
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Chiefs win consolation title

The scoreboard was a good measure of the progress Plymouth Canton's girls basketball team has made.

The Chiefs won the consolation title of the Mercy Hoops Classic by beating Trenton 54-30 Saturday — a 17-point improvement over the first meeting between teams 42-25 at Trenton on Sept. 4.

The Chiefs received contributions from several players, including Julie Nicastri, who was named to the all-tournament team.

Britta Anderson led the team in scoring with 13 points. Stephanie Gray posted 12 and Nicastri sank 12. Mary Barna and Kelly Holmes chipped in eight and six points, respectively.

"We had 29 points from our inside kids, and I'm really pleased with that," Canton coach Bob Blohm said. "I see some improvement in there, and we're starting to get balance in our scoring and rebounding. That's

girls basketball

nice to see going into the league season, because defending the division title is going to be a challenge for these kids."

Both teams struggled offensively at the start, but Canton extended a three-point lead to 21-11 at halftime. The Chiefs outscored Trenton 33-19 in the second half, leading 39-23 after three quarters.

"I was pleased with the way we bounced back against Trenton (after losing 41-32 to eventual champion Farmington Hills Mercy in the first round)," Blohm said, "because we had a pretty good game with them down there."

NORTH FARMINGTON had another high-scoring game from Eve Clear, who paced the Raiders with 28 points Tuesday in their 42-37 win over cross-town rival Farmington.

Hills Mercy.

In addition to her offensive output, Clear also pulled down seven rebounds and recorded eight steals. She made 16 of 20 free throws.

North's 27-13 halftime lead dwindled late in the game as Harrison outscored the Raiders 8-2 in the third quarter and 16-13 in the fourth.

"We got too comfortable with our lead," North coach Lance Davis said. "We came out flat in the second half, and Harrison was motivated to stop Eve."

Heather Hopkins had 14 points to pace the Hawks, 2-3. Andrea Najari added 12.

The Raiders improved their record to 3-2.

CANTON IMPROVED its record to 3-3 overall and 1-0 in the Western Lakes Activities Association by

defeating host Farmington 56-31 Tuesday.

Junior forward Julie Nicastri poured in a game-high 17 points for the Chiefs, and sophomore center Stephanie Gray added 12.

Canton marched to a 10-5 lead after one quarter and a 31-13 advantage at halftime.

Farmington (1-5) got most of its offense from senior guard Kim Oczarski, who tallied 13 points.

Junior center Becky Washnock chipped in eight points.

PLYMOUTH CHRISTIAN rolled to a 63-21 win Tuesday over visiting Ypsilanti Calvary Christian at Lowell Middle School.

The Eagles, who raised their record to 4-1 overall, were paced by Jenny Moore's 18 points. Senior guard Amy Windle added 15.

Calvary, which trailed 33-8 at halftime following a 22-point second quarter by Plymouth Christian, was led offensively by Kristen Salladay's 10 points.

Canton relay champ

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EMILY SHIVELY, Sherri Richardson, Anna Palmer and Carrie Worthen swam 2:15.52 in the breast, eclipsing the 1988 mark of 2:15.84 by the Raiders. Tara Ditchkoff, Ellen Lessig, Liz Sorokac and Carla Karoub went 1:44.74 in the freestyle, surpassing the time (1:48.3) recorded last year by Farmington.

Other event winners were Stevenson in the 400 medley (4:21.49) and Northville in the 200 medley (1:59.21).

Having won the relay meet, Canton's stock — as well as that of Salem — as a contender for WLAAs championship has gone up, but Wellman said too much emphasis shouldn't be placed on results of the relays.

"I had a couple coaches come to me and say 'Congratulations, but now you have to win the league meet,'" Wellman said. "They lay that on you every year, which is the kiss of death."

The relay meet tells nothing, nor is it a reflection of how strong or weak your team is. Sometimes it's a matter of luck, where you put your kids. We were in the right place at the right time."

The winner of the WLAAs Relays has always been the team to win the 21, too, second in 1986/14. Nov's Brian Molloy was third (16:18.06) and Plymouth Canton's Mike Ream was fourth (16:19.57).

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Other Western headers in the top 21 included senior Jeff Grosso (seventh), Bill's twin brother Chris Crosby (eighth), sophomore Brandon Kee-

plymouth Salem got the attention of the Western Lakes Activities Association swim powers Saturday with a strong showing in the annual WLAAs Relays.

Like first-place Plymouth Canton, the Rocks demonstrated their potential by capturing runner-up honors. The Chiefs had 250 points; Salem 228.

"It's been a while since we've taken home any hardware at the girls meet," Salem coach Chuck Olson said. "I don't think it changes who's favored (to win the league meet in November). I think that's still North Farmington, and Northville got our vote. They're pretty good. But this brought us back into the picture."

Salem swimmers had reason to be pleased with their performance, Olson said, after they rebounded Saturday from a dual-meet loss to Northville.

It's been a while since the Panthers won the coveted title, but on Saturday coach Bob Ouellette's team broke an nine-year drought, winning its first team title since 1981. RU has now won four team titles and has been runner-up four other times (including 1989).

It was pretty much a two-school race and a two-girl race as Wallied Lake Western's one-two punch of Jennifer Ray and Wendy Proost posted the top times of 20:05.96 and 20:12.08, respectively, over the 5,000-meter course.

RU scored 76 points with Livonia Stevenson only nine off the pace (85). Defending champion Farmington finished third with 102. See statistical summary.

"The kids just say 'Run the best you can, and whatever happens, happens,'" said Ouellette. "Today we ran as well as we could."

RU had only one runner make the top 10. Senior Liza Mockridge finished seventh.

"I figured it would North Farmington, Northville and Stevenson with Canton and us fighting it out to get in there," Olson said. "I didn't pay any attention to the scoring until the last few events."

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WLW runs to S'craft victory

By Brad Emons staff writer

For Farmington's Ben Goba it was old hat, but for the Wallied Lake Western boys cross country team it was something brand new.

Goba repeated as individual champion, while Western captured its first team title ever at the 35th annual Schoolcraft College Invitational. See statistical summary.

A sudden overnight change of weather from hot, humid conditions to damp, chilly weather, was a well-come sight for the large field.

Goba, never seriously challenged, covered the 5,000-meter course in 16 minutes, 22.8 seconds.

Junior Bill Crosby, one of six Western headers to finish in the top 21, too, second in 16:16.14. Nov's Brian Molloy was third (16:18.06) and Plymouth Canton's Mike Ream was fourth (16:19.57).

"The weather was cold, but ideal," said Crosby, a junior, "but it was a lot of fun. This means a lot. It's great for the team."

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cross country

ney (16th), Junior Matt Wright (17th) and Junior Jim Sweetman (21st).

"We've BEEN fifth here the last couple of years, but it was nice to win it," said Western coach Dennis Keeney. "My kids did about what I thought they would do. The hot weather we've been having could have taken its toll, but they were fresh with the cool weather and they helped everybody. They rose to the occasion even though you never know with a big field like this."

Western led the 18-school field with 56 points followed by Novi in second with 62 and defending champion Plymouth Canton third with 84.

One of the keys to Western's team victory was the 14th place showing of Chris Crosby, according to Keeney.

"He's very capable and I was happy to see him do that," said the Western coach. "But now he has the confidence to be in there with the top runners."

"And to have six around the top 20 is super."

Bill Crosby and Molloy tried to get an early jump on Goba, but it became a futile chase after the Farmington ace took the lead for keeps around the mile mark.

"Ben usually goes right to the front and says 'Catch me if you can,'" said Farmington coach Jeff Young. "Mentally he's tough as any runner I've had. He's very focused. His concentration and confidence level is very high."

Goba, coming off a win at the West Bloomfield Invitational, is trying to catch two of the state's top returning runners in Birmingham Brother Rice's John Cowen and 1989 defending individual champ Brian Hyde of East Kentwood.

Goba, "When it was time to go, he's a stronger kid," said Young. "And that will make a difference this year."

Goba weighs a hefty 125 pounds. "I had a problem last year at the state meet when I got out-kicked," said Goba. "When it was time to go, I didn't have any speed, but now I can run faster."

The Farmington standout, however, didn't make a late burst on Saturday.

ADAMCZYK has yet to run after hurting her back while water skiing over Labor Day weekend.

"We hoped she could run today, but she wasn't really ready and it was not the wise thing to do," said Holmberg.

"This is her first year, she was a hurdler for me in track last spring," Holmberg said. "She came to me from the marching band. She's getting better and better."

Like Stevenson, Western coach Ed Roselle believes his team is one runner away from grabbing a major title after finishing sixth Saturday in the team standings.

He said his combination of Ray, a sophomore, and Proost, a junior, can get even better.

"They did what I hoped they could do and I'm real pleased with what they did," said the Western coach. "They both have talent. They spur each other on to be better runners and they're both self-motivated. They push each other and they're good friends. On a state level they might be in the top 10."

Other overboarders girls cracking the top 10 included Livonia Ladywood's Malia Dixon (fourth) and Wallied Lake Central's Tabitha Belcher (sixth).

RU girls outdue Warriors at SC

By Brad Emons staff writer

Meanwhile, Stevenson had three crack the top 10 — sophomore Stacy Prais (third), sophomore A.J. Koritnik (ninth) and Carrie Creehan (10th).

But it was the rest of the Panthers' contingent — junior Tracey James (12th), senior Michelle Daraban (14th), senior Melissa Still (21st) and junior Jenni Sturdevant (22nd) — helped make the victory possible.

"Stevenson is awfully good," said Ouellette, "but we have nine kids who run absolutely together all the time. And we stress it."

"I'm really happy for these kids, especially the seniors. They're the ones who came out when there was nothing. They're really no different than the good boys teams we've had at RU. They run hard all the time."

Stevenson, making a bid for its first title ever, may have been the victim of bad timing.

The Spartans' fourth runner, junior Gail Grewe, took 15th place. Freshman Amy Klassa, filling in for the injured Becky Adamczyk, gained 48th.

"It was a nice effort by our ninth grader," said Stevenson coach Paul Hohenberg. "Our top four have been solid all along. If we get Becky back, we'll be that much better. But I can't knock Amy. She's going to be a factor in a lot of our meets because she's improving each time out."

O&E golf champ consistent

Continued from Page 1

chipped in a 40-foot shot for a three.

"I kind of snuck that one in," Urbats said. "I prayed to just get it on the green so I could put for a four. I kind of figured things were going my way. These greens are in the best shape I've seen in a long time. Even in the rain you can really roll the ball."

URBATS, WHO carries a two-handicap, had a four-shot edge over McLuckie after the first round. McLuckie owns a one-handicap but knew it would be tough to catch Urbats on the final round — regardless of the past.

This was the second-straight second place finish for McLuckie, a 29-year-old who would like to win the O&E sometime this decade.

"I'm sick of being the bridesmaid — especially to Urbats," he said, half-joking. "I know Bob's track record of having one good round and one bad, but four shots is a lot to make up and the weather wasn't very good. Anything could happen. I just went out and tried my best, unfortunately it wasn't good enough."

The O&E championship flight wasn't quite as strong as in past years, mainly because the Michigan Mid-Amateur Tournament was held the same weekend in Kalamazoo. As

many as 10 contenders missed, including two-time champion John VanVleck, and defending champ Gary Causillo.

Whitener said it's hard picking a weekend for the O&E without having to worry about competition from other tournaments.

The Women's O&E tournament was canceled earlier this summer, but Whitener is hoping to have it back next year, as strong as ever.

"Next year, I think we'll have posters and hang them up in our three (Livonia) clubs (Whispering Willows, Idyl Wild and Fox Creek), reminding people (men and women)

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two months in advance," Whitener said.

FIRST FLIGHT: Jon Paupore, a first-time entrant and a student at a Plymouth Canton High School, won the First Flight with a two-day total of 155 (77-78). Paupore edged second-place Allan Brink (75-81), of Berkley, by one stroke, and Livonia's Andrew Ponke took third (80-79, 159).

Paupore won a \$190 gift certificate and David Meyers, of Farmington Hills, won \$110 for the best net score.

SECOND-FLIGHT: Thomas Blaser, of Canton, took first with a two-day total of 167 (82-85). Kevin Behn, of Farmington Hills, placed second with a 169 (84-85), followed in third place by Livonia's Robert Legel (82-90, 172).

Blaser won a \$110 gift certificate and Robert Legel a \$70 gift certificate for the best net score.

THIRD FLIGHT: Dennis Purlong of Farmington Hills took first place with a 180 (86-94). Dan Gutowski (Livonia) tied Redford's F. Robert Taylor for second place with identical 190 scores.

Purlong won a \$75 gift certificate and Gutowski won \$40 for the best net score.

Canton girls repeat as tourney winners

Plymouth Canton's tennis team retained its title Saturday as champion of the Ypsilanti Invitational, winning two flights in singles and three of the four doubles flights.

The Chiefs had 14 team points, the host Braves 14, Livonia Franklin 9, Dearborn Edford Ford and Woodhaven 8, Milford 5, Westland John Glenn 4 and Taylor Kennedy 3.

"The girls played very well," Canton coach Carol Michaels said. "I thought it would be a rebuilding year, but they're real good fighters. I'm real proud of them."

Canton's Denise Gildo defeated Franklin's Nicole Chiesa 6-2, 6-1 to win the No. 2 singles title, and teammate Reetika Aulakh was the No. 3 singles champ with a 7-5, 4-6, 6-2 victory over Ypsilanti's Melissa Thompson.

Franklin's Tanya Berner was the No. 1 singles winner, and Canton's Jennifer Davis was the runner-up in the fourth flight.

The Canton doubles teams of Lorena Sanford and Gina Fuerst, Jenny Schaffer and Ellen Gaston, Kira Dahlval and Shazia Ahmed were champions at Nos. 1, 3 and 4 flights, respectively.

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PLYMOUTH CANTON 4 WALLED LAKE CENTRAL 3 (Monday at Central)

No. 1 singles: Jackie Brown (Central) defeated Lynn Gurchak 6-0, 6-1.

No. 2: Denise Gildo (Canton) def. Dee Gorchak 6-0, 6-0.

No. 3: Stephanie Gesheloh (Central) def. Reetika Aulakh 6-3, 6-0.

No. 4: Laura Barton (Central) def. Jennifer Davis 6-4, 6-4.

No. 1 doubles: Lorena Sanford-Gina Fuerst (Canton) def. Lisa Haupt-Emily Chiswick 6-4, 7-5.

No. 2: Dorothy Pao-Pam Reynolds (Canton) def. Kelly Lake-Tara Gluck 6-1, 6-2.

No. 3: Jenny Schaffer-Ellyn Gaston (Canton) def. Arny Ardy-Arny Ardy 6-3, 2-6, 6-3.

LIVONIA CHURCHILL 1 Monday at N. Farmington

No. 1 singles: Jennifer Low (North) defeated Lori Delany 6-4, 4-6, 7-5.

No. 2: Kelly Jones (North) def. Kathy Wira 3-6, 6-0, 6-1.

No. 3: Jennifer Relf (North) def. Terri Kolyer 6-1, 6-1.

No. 4: Marc Kneding (Churchill) def. Julie Berner 6-2, 6-3.

No. 1 doubles: Lisa Anderson-Amy Howie (North) def. Jenny Sturdevant-Annette Dzwizewski 6-2, 6-2.

No. 2: Hedy Thurmon-Jana Bodnar (North) def. Robin Lewis-Kim MacDonald 6-2, 6-1.

No. 3: Jennifer Kristal-Margi Lefsky (North) def. Stephanie Fields-Eve Brainerd 6-1, 6-2.

North Farmington's dual-meet record is 3-4 overall, 2-3 in the Western Lakes Activities Association.

Next match: North plays Monday at Plymouth Canton.

FARMINGTON HILLS MERCY 7 WATERFORD OUR LADY 0 Monday at N. Farmington

No. 1 singles: Alison West (Mercy) def. Monica Frisch 6-1, 6-2.

No. 2: Robyn Baker (Mercy) def. Kathy Sowers 6-1, 6-3.

No. 3: Tricia Holm (Mercy) def. Heidi Trossek 6-0, 6-0.

No. 4: Allison Gabry (Mercy) def. Jenny Crowley 6-0, 6-0.

No. 1 doubles: Andrea Nech-Sara Saraf (Mercy) def. Patti Kelly-Allyn Adams 7-5, 6-1.

No. 2: Meghan Leachette-Molly McKenna (Mercy) def. Stephanie Lewis-Vick Meyers 6-1, 6-0.

No. 3: Julie Schaner-Martha McIntyre (Mercy) def. Jan Hayes-Kelle Maringo 5-1, 6-0.

MERCY's dual-meet record: 4-1 overall.

FARM HILLS HARRISON 6 FARMINGTON 1 (Monday at Harrison)

No. 1 singles: Don Davidson (Harrison) def. Sara Stevens 6-0, 6-1.

No. 2: Marilyn Orsiko (Harrison) def. Rita Taylor 6-3, 6-0.

No. 3: Lisa Tonne (Harrison) def. Shalee Corneil 7-6, 7-5.

No. 4: Jayne Lee (Harrison) def. Jill Binger 6-3, 6-0.

No. 1 doubles: Kristi Corneil-Jode Whitehead (Harrison) def. Nicole Parsons-Kirsty Burdary 6-3, 6-2.

No. 2: Julie Heist-Melissa Prendergast (Harrison) def. Helen Monbanc-Kiran Arora 6-3, 6-1.

No. 3: Alisa Bombardier-Jill Rosenthal (Harrison) def. Julie Noonan-Elaine Sarab 7-5, 6-4.

LIVONIA STEVENSON 7 WALLED LAKE WESTERN 0 Monday at Stevenson

No. 1 singles: Holly Findling (Stevenson) def. Kate Kennedy 6-0, 6-2.

No. 2: Chare Granocchia (Stevenson) def. Anne Wentzel 6-0, 6-0.

No. 3: Gina Pergele (Stevenson) def. Jennifer Lipson 6-3, 6-1.

No. 4: Iren DeLuka (Stevenson) def. Deane Berner 6-0, 6-0.

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200-YARD MEDLEY RELAY

(State out: 1:59.09)

North Farmington	2:03.70
Lyons Stevenson	2:03.18
Plymouth Canton	2:03.38
Lyons Stevenson	2:03.70

200 FREESTYLE

(State out: 2:01.59)

Katie Krenz (N. Farmington)	2:01.88
Jamie Anderson (Stevenson)	2:03.12
Shari Richardson (N. Farmington)	2:07.93
Katie Worthen (N. Farmington)	2:08.11
Katie Hamann (Churchill)	2:08.80
Pam Pritchard (Stevenson)	2:09.44
Holly Palmeri (Stevenson)	2:09.50
Joni Cooper (Canton)	2:11.45
Julie Hickey (Stevenson)	2:11.79
Ann Toms (Stevenson)	2:13.80

200 INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY

(State out: 2:19.99)

Kerry Doran (N. Farmington)	2:16.30
Katie Krenz (N. Farmington)	2:19.24
Jamie Anderson (Stevenson)	2:21.40
Anna Palmeri (Stevenson)	2:22.33
Liz Sorokac (N. Farmington)	2:23.50
Carrie Worthen (N. Farmington)	2:24.53
Candice Bosse (Stevenson)	2:28.06
Liz Sorokac (N. Farmington)	2:28.26
Shari Richardson (N. Farmington)	2:30.46
Chris Lang (Canton)	2:32.16

50 FREESTYLE

(State out: 25.89)

Elen Lessig (Churchill)	25.70
Nancy Wesson (Stevenson)	26.60
Joni Cooper (Canton)	26.80
Handi Risa (Stevenson)	26.84
Liz Sorokac (Churchill)	27.00
Tami Santomero (Canton)	27.36

WESTERN LAKES ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION

GIRLS SWIM RELAYS (Saturday at Plymouth Salem)

Team standings: 1. Plymouth Canton, 250; 2. Plymouth Salem, 228; 3. (tie) North Farmington and Northville, 190; 5. Lyons Stevenson, 169; 6. Livonia Churchill, 167; 7. Farmington Hills Harrison, 165; 8. Farmington, 122; 9. Livonia Franklin, 81; 10. Walled Lake Western, 69; 11. Walled Lake Central, 53; 12. Westland John Glenn, 26.

400-yard medley

1. Stevenson (Julie Perrillo, Jennifer Krapp, Nancy Wesson and Jamie Anderson), 4:21:45; 2. Churchill, 4:23:57; 3. Salem, 4:29:51; 4. Northville, 4:41:13; 5. Canton, 4:44:26; 6. Farmington, 4:51:35.

200 breaststroke

1. N. Farmington (Emily Shively, Shari Richardson, Anna Palmeri and Carrie Worthen), 2:15:52 (meet record); old record: 2:15:54 by N. Farmington in 1988; 2. Stevenson, 2:17:02; 3. Salem, 2:20:52; 4. Northville, 2:27:10; 5. Canton, 2:29:59; 6. Harrison, 2:35:49.

200 backstroke

1. Canton (April Bli-

swimming rankings

Veronica Forberger (Harrison) 27.39
Jenny Wagner (N. Farmington) 27.54
Karin Stackpole (Salem) 27.59
Cohen Harrison (N. Farmington) 28.07

DIVING

(5 first places)

Amy Kodrick (Canton)	218.54
Becky Holsinger (Canton)	213.61
Elana Trager (Harrison)	208.70
Kim McCormick (Salem)	170.70
Shelly Rogers (Stevenson)	150.55
Kim McCormick (Salem)	149.50
Michelle Doerke (Harrison)	145.15
Michelle Doerke (Harrison)	144.00
Mandy Tarnell (N. Farmington)	143.80
Erin Stricker (Canton)	143.35

100 BUTTERFLY

(State out: 1:02.58)

Kerry Doran (N. Farmington)	1:02.43
Karin Stackpole (Salem)	1:03.66
Candice Bosse (Stevenson)	1:04.82
Nancy Wesson (Stevenson)	1:05.00
Chris Lang (Canton)	1:05.40
Anna Palmeri (N. Farmington)	1:09.42
Julie Farabee (Harrison)	1:09.42
Heather White (Stevenson)	1:09.80
Erica Carson (Canton)	1:09.87

100 BACKSTROKE

(State out: 1:05.29)

Julianne Markey (N. Farmington)	1:05.64
Stacey Krause (Harrison)	1:06.44
Nicole Mottorcross (Salem)	1:09.14
Julie Perrillo (Stevenson)	1:10.00
April Brien (Canton)	1:11.30
Amy Kodrick (Churchill)	1:11.88
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Handi Risa (Stevenson)	1:15.10
Danica Hurley (Stevenson)	1:15.10

100 BREASTSTROKE

5:02.85; 2. Canton, 5:11.84; 3. N. Farmington, 5:12.46; 4. Salem, 5:17.20; 5. Northville, 5:20.21; 6. Farmington, 5:26.51.

200 medley

1. Northville (Jodi Wesley, Teri Juhan, Pam Holdridge and Megan Holmberg), 1:59.21; 2. Salem, 2:08.68; 3. Canton, 2:11.07; 4. Churchill, 2:11.18; 5. Farmington, 2:14.75; 6. N. Farmington, 2:15.72.

200 freestyle

1. Churchill (Tara Ditchhoff, Elen Lessig, Liz Sorokac and Carla Karou), 1:44.74 (meet record); old record: 1:48.31 by Farmington in 1989; 2. Canton, 1:50.51; 3. Salem, 1:51.60; 4. Harrison, 1:54.25; 5. N. Farmington, 1:58.77; 6. Northville, 2:06.01.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Thursday, Sept. 20
Livonia Churchill vs. W. L. Luth. East, 7 p.m.
Farmington at Liv. Franklin, 7 p.m.
Westland Glenn at Liv. Franklin, 7 p.m.
Liv. Stevenson at W.L. Western, 7 p.m.
W.L. Central at Ply. Canton, 7 p.m.

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O&E MEN'S GOLF

Championship Flight

Robert Urbani	69-72/141
Alan McLuckie	73-74/147
Richard Outton	73-75/148
Kirk Eder	74-77/151
Paul Pys	73-79/152
Ken Cavannaugh	79-74/153
Robert Nelson	79-77/154
Jeff Pankas	77-79/156
Robert Samrog	75-81/158
Mark Roberts	75-82/157
Ken Kias	78-79/157
Kevin Zischak	82-78/158
Philip Noville	79-83/159
Gary Palarcho	76-83/159
David Reese	83-77/160
Brian Guick	79-87/160
Jason Wright	79-83/162
Jim Aile	77-86/163
Daniel Donohue	77-86/163
Dennis Smith	80-83/163
James Alpers	81-83/164
Jason Wall	79-85/164
Peter Charney	83-82/165
John Burr	78-87/165
Kevin Colombo	80-87/167
Thomas Higgins	85-80/170
Peter Cristano	87-85/172
Mendi Ray (Salem)	83-93/176
Bob Lemon	

400 FREESTYLE RELAY

(State out: 3:52.59)

North Farmington	3:53.56
Plymouth Canton	3:55.23
Lyons Stevenson	4:01.96
Lyons Stevenson	4:07.00
Farmington Harrison	4:11.12

100 FREESTYLE

(State out: 56.29)

Elen Lessig (Churchill)	55.80
Karin Kranz (N. Farmington)	56.76
Kerry Doran (N. Farmington)	57.75
Pam Pritchard (Canton)	57.75
Joni Cooper (Canton)	58.49
Julianne Markey (N. Farmington)	58.77
Carrie Worthen (N. Farmington)	59.52
Shari Richardson (N. Farmington)	59.73
Mendi Ray (Salem)	1:00.00

500 FREESTYLE

(State out: 5:24.59)

Jamie Anderson (Stevenson)	5:31.20
Carrie Worthen (N. Farmington)	5:41.51
Shari Richardson (N. Farmington)	5:50.76
Pam Pritchard (Canton)	5:50.76
Julianne Markey (N. Farmington)	5:52.41
Emily Shively (N. Farmington)	6:02.40
Janet Roberts (Canton)	6:08.67
Ann Toms (Stevenson)	6:09.06
Sonya McWhirter (Canton)	6:14.08

200 FREESTYLE RELAY

(State out: 1:46.58)

Livonia Churchill	1:44.74
Lyons Stevenson	1:47.50
Plymouth Canton	1:49.14
North Farmington	1:50.46
Plymouth Canton	1:51.29

PREP FOOTBALL

Friday, Sept. 21

Redford Union at Don. Edsel Ford, 3:30 p.m.
Garden City at Woodhaven, 7 p.m.
Redford Union at Don. Edsel Ford, 7 p.m.
D.H. Annapolis at Red. Thurston, 7 p.m.
Liv. Ladywood at Bern. Merion, 7:30 p.m.
Det. Lathrup at West at Cantonville, 7:30 p.m.
Farm. Harrison at Liv. Churchill, 7:30 p.m.
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the week ahead

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Liv. Stevenson at W.L. Central, 7:30 p.m.

200 breaststroke

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200 backstroke

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golf

Championship Flight

Robert Urbani	69-72/141
Alan McLuckie	73-74/147
Richard Outton	73-75/148
Kirk Eder	74-77/151
Paul Pys	73-79/152
Ken Cavannaugh	79-74/153
Robert Nelson	79-77/154
Jeff Pankas	77-79/156
Robert Samrog	75-81/158
Mark Roberts	75-82/157
Ken Kias	78-79/157
Kevin Zischak	82-78/158
Philip Noville	79-83/159
Gary Palarcho	76-83/159
David Reese	83-77/160
Brian Guick	79-87/160
Jason Wright	79-83/162
Jim Aile	77-86/163
Daniel Donohue	77-86/163
Dennis Smith	80-83/163
James Alpers	81-83/164
Jason Wall	79-85/164
Peter Charney	83-82/165
John Burr	78-87/165
Kevin Colombo	80-87/167
Thomas Higgins	85-80/170
Peter Cristano	87-85/172
Mendi Ray (Salem)	83-93/176
Bob Lemon	

400 FREESTYLE RELAY

(State out: 3:52.59)

North Farmington	3:53.56
Plymouth Canton	3:55.23
Lyons Stevenson	4:01.96
Lyons Stevenson	4:07.00
Farmington Harrison	4:11.12

100 FREESTYLE

(State out: 56.29)

Elen Lessig (Churchill)	55.80
Karin Kranz (N. Farmington)	56.76
Kerry Doran (N. Farmington)	57.75
Pam Pritchard (Canton)	57.75
Joni Cooper (Canton)	58.49
Julianne Markey (N. Farmington)	58.77
Carrie Worthen (N. Farmington)	59.52
Shari Richardson (N. Farmington)	59.73
Mendi Ray (Salem)	1:00.00

500 FREESTYLE

(State out: 5:24.59)

Jamie Anderson (Stevenson)	5:31.20
Carrie Worthen (N. Farmington)	5:41.51
Shari Richardson (N. Farmington)	5:50.76
Pam Pritchard (Canton)	5:50.76
Julianne Markey (N. Farmington)	5:52.41
Emily Shively (N. Farmington)	6:02.40
Janet Roberts (Canton)	6:08.67
Ann Toms (Stevenson)	6:09.06
Sonya McWhirter (Canton)	6:14.08

200 FREESTYLE RELAY

(State out: 1:46.58)

Livonia Churchill	1:44.74
Lyons Stevenson	1:47.50
Plymouth Canton	1:49.14
North Farmington	1:50.46
Plymouth Canton	1:51.29

PREP FOOTBALL

Friday, Sept. 21

Redford Union at Don. Edsel Ford, 3:30 p.m.
Garden City at Woodhaven, 7 p.m.
Redford Union at Don. Edsel Ford, 7 p.m.
D.H. Annapolis at Red. Thurston, 7 p.m.
Liv. Ladywood at Bern. Merion, 7:30 p.m.
Det. Lathrup at West at Cantonville, 7:30 p.m.
Farm. Harrison at Liv. Churchill, 7:30 p.m.
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Second Flight

Thomas Blazer	82-85/167
Kevin Behn	84-85/169
Robert Legel	82-90/172
Jeffrey Legel	80-85/175
Tom Cullen	84-82/176
James Muir	82-95/177
Tom Galtchup	82-98/178
Paul Pys	88-91/179
David Emory	88-92/180
Andrew Mikot	91-83/181
Michael Tomham	89-96/185
Bill Campbell	90-95/185
Charles Henry	93-92/186
Greg Wilkinson	94-84/188
Paul Krumel	96-89/187
Craig Nersis	94-84/188
Eric Mozy	91-97/188
Wait Taylor	91-101/192
Joseph Wengarden	92-102/194
Ed Burr	98-97/195
Joseph Lang	100-101/201
Bill Ewell	96-105/203
Tim Beaudoin	105-100/208
	103-110/213

Third Flight

Dennis Furlong	86-94/180
Dan Gutowski	92-98/190
F. Robert Taylor	101-89/190
Ron Reitzel	102-92/192
Tom Cook	96-99/195
Tom Cook	105-100/208
Tom Cook	111-102/213
Tom Cook	110-109/219

Hard water doesn't need to be a problem

Q. What makes water hard? What can I do to soften my water?

A. The most common water quality problem reported is hard water. Hard water is found in more than 85 percent of the United States. Over 60 percent of the earth's water is groundwater. It travels through rocks and soil picking up minerals, including calcium and magnesium. These two contaminants are the major cause of what is commonly referred to as "hardness" in water. Hardness is measured in grains per gallon (gpg). A range of 1.0-3.5 gpg is considered slightly hard. 10.5 or above is considered very hard.

Hard water can be detected easily by the consumer:

- Clogged pipes and/or appliances could be a sign of hard water. Mineral deposits can build up in pipes or plumbing equipment. A reduced water flow or increased number of calls to the repairmen can indicate a hard water problem.
- A film on the bathtub or shower, or even on the body can signal hard water.
- Water heating costs could increase due to hard water. When water is heated, the minerals can precipitate and form scale.
- The calcium and magnesium in hard water act on many soaps, detergents and shampoos to reduce their sudsing and cleaning capabilities.

In areas of very hard water, the local water utility may soften the

water to a level of 5 or 6 gpg. However, softening at the central facility can be costly because it softens all the water, including that used for fighting fires and cleaning streets.

The most common option for water softening is for consumers to soften the water used in their household. There are many different types of water softeners. The most often used method for households is cation exchange. An ion is an electrically charged atom or group of atoms. A cation is a positively charged ion. The water is softened when the hardness ions (magnesium and calcium) are exchanged with sodium ions.



Terry Glbb

The two main types on the market are automatic and demand initiated regeneration (DIR). Automatic softeners regenerate on a schedule regulated by a timer. DIR softeners are more sophisticated. They contain a hardness sensor or water meter which triggers regeneration as it's

needed.

There are several factors that must be considered before purchasing a softener:

- the number of people in the home.
- how much water is used.
- the hardness of the water.

Determining the size of the softener is simple. Multiply 75 (the average number of gallons used daily by each person) by the number of people in your household. Then multiply that figure times the number of grains per gallon of hardness (Call your water department to get the correct figure). The typical water softener capacity is from 18,000-30,000 grains per regeneration.

Some consumers are concerned about the sodium that is used to soften the water. Two things should be remembered about this additional sodium. First, sodium bicarbonate is used in water softeners — not sodium

chloride and the amount is such a small part of the total sodium intake that it should not be a concern.

Finally, before purchasing a water softener, look for the WQA Gold Seal. This seal assures consumers that the equipment has been tested against industry performance standards, has successfully passed these tests and has been validated for performance capabilities.

The Consumer Mailbag answers your questions. Address mail to The Consumer Mailbag, Concern Detroit, One Kennedy Square, 4th Floor, Detroit, MI 48226.



Brewery donates to Rouge

In a promotion to benefit Friends of the Rouge, five cents will be donated to the environmental group from every 12-pack of Coors Beer sold within Wayne County this month.

The promotion is part of the brewery's "Pure Water 2000" campaign, a national effort to restore waterways. The local promotion is co-sponsored by Don Lee Distributors of Dearborn.

Friends of the Rouge is a non-profit organization which organizes the annual Rouge Rescue volunteer cleanup and sponsors environmental education programs in 50 high schools and middle schools.

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Per-Check Charge	-0-	.36
Maximum Annual Fees	36.00	177.60

The competitive prices in this table represent the average prices of the five largest banks in the Southeast Michigan area. Average prices shown in the comparison are for "stand alone" checking accounts with cancelled checks returned. For illustrative purposes, "Maximum Annual Fees" assume checkwriting activity of 30 checks per month. All figures are annualized.

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On trial

Embattled arts director fights obscenity charge

By Noreen Flack
staff writer

THE "rollercoaster ride" began in February for Dennis Barrie, director of Cincinnati's Contemporary Arts Center.

Barrie and the CAC go to trial Sept. 24 on two misdemeanor charges of pandering obscenity and illegal use of a minor in nudity-oriented material in connection with displaying sexually explicit photographs included in the traveling exhibit by the late Robert Mapplethorpe.

On Sept. 13, Barrie gave more than 600 Detroit-area art lovers a taste of his seven-month-long "rollercoaster ride" as he lectured at Rackham Auditorium in Detroit. The

lecture was coordinated by the Detroit Focus Gallery, a nonprofit visual arts group.

Barrie was Midwest regional director of the Archives of America before he moved to Cincinnati seven years ago. Gere Baskin, Detroit Focus Gallery director, worked with Barrie for years. She said it was "a great pleasure" to ask him to speak in Detroit.

"We haven't received any negative feedback from the presentation," Baskin said. "I think most people are in favor of what he has done."

IN AN effort to "wake up" the art community in America, Barrie, a native Detroit, has been touring the country since spring raising money to defend himself in court. His legal fees have passed \$100,000 and could top \$200,000.

With a tired yet persistent tone during his two-hour lecture last week, he urged local art supporters to get involved in the fight. His lecture theme: "Robert Mapplethorpe: Freedom of Expression and the First Amendment."

The two misdemeanor counts he faces stem from the CAC's April exhibit of Robert Mapplethorpe's, "The Perfect Moment."

Mapplethorpe, who died of AIDS in March 1989, has been labeled a controversial artist. Much of his later work captured his homosexual lifestyle, — tagged "homosexual."

Barrie called "The Perfect Moment" a "stunning body of work." He credits Mapplethorpe as "one of the best classical photographers of the 20th century."

BUT DUE to the endless "wear and tear" of the charges, including a "Nazi Germany-type" indictment on opening day and previous scares of being arrested, Barrie said he would "think twice" before featuring a controversial exhibit again.

"This case has created divisions in the city that will take a long time to heal," he said.

"Sometimes, I think maybe I shouldn't have done it, but that principle (freedom of expression) is so important, in the end, the city will learn from this," he added.

Backing the city of Cincinnati's obscenity claims are U.S. Sen. Jesse Helms, R-N.C., and the Rev. Donald Wildmon, a former Cincinnati resident and now a Mississippi fundamentalist preacher. Both leaders are noted crusaders in the case and other cases against "what they consider to be obscene," Barrie said.

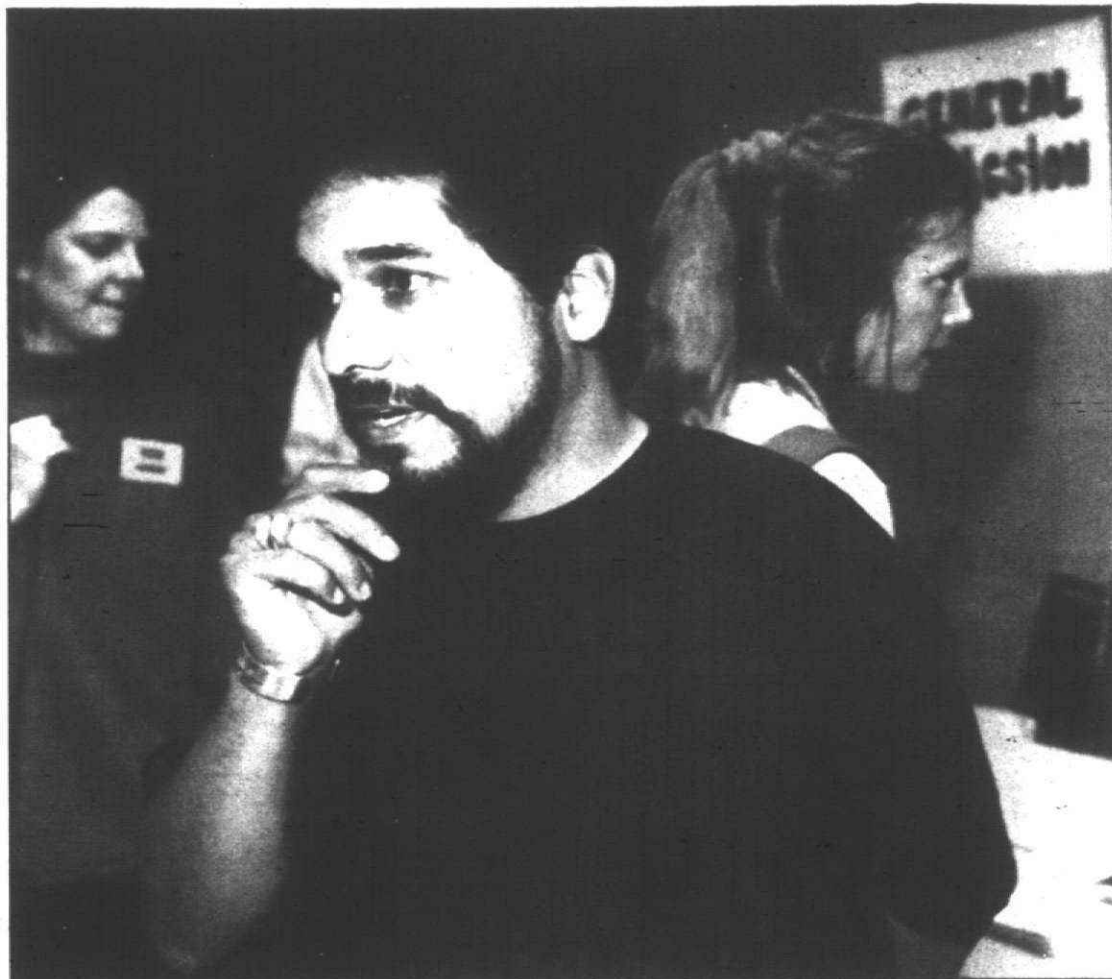
Although he has received much support from the national art community and particularly Cincinnati residents, his trial outcome looks grim. He is already preparing for the possibility of appeal.

"The fallout is very, very real," Barrie said. "The opposition is very well organized and they are funded much better than we are. They have stirred up the city unlike any other event."

The maximum penalty upon conviction of each charge is a \$1,000 fine and six months in jail for Barrie and a \$5,000 fine for the Contemporary Arts Center.

On Sept. 6, Hamilton County Mu-

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Carlos Diaz of Livonia and co-chair of the exhibition committee for Detroit Focus Gallery in

Detroit fears the Barrie case is a threat to freedom of expression for artists everywhere.

Right to exhibit defended

By Noreen Flack
staff writer

Local art lovers were "disturbed by the reality" of Dennis Barrie's Sept. 13 lecture, "Robert Mapplethorpe: Freedom of Expression and the First Amendment," which he gave at Rackham Auditorium in Detroit.

"We've had it too easy," said Sue Carman of Birmingham. "As Americans, we thought we had all this freedom — freedom of expression, but we were wrong. This is a way of bringing awareness to us, to show us how easily that freedom is taken away."

Barrie, director of the Contemporary Arts Center in Cincinnati, has hit the national lecture circuit to raise money to defend himself from



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Staff photos by John Stormzand



Dennis Barrie, a national hero to many art lovers, greets local supporters at his Detroit appearance last week.

Legendary murals tell a very enduring story

"He was a man, an artist, who had not forgotten the working people. And I hope other artists will pick up the torch that Diego Rivera was carrying at that time to light a way through a dark tunnel to show the contribution the American working man and woman was making, had made and is still making to this country."

— Dave Moore
former auto worker

HE WAS a man driven as much by idealism as realism.

But the legendary "Detroit Murals" in the Garden Court at the Detroit Institute of Arts serve up more than an industrial landscape. They underscore painter Diego Rivera's utopian vision of productive power.

The two magnificent wall frescoes present a compressed portrait of life in Ford Motor Co.'s mighty Rouge manufacturing plant in the 1930s.

Today, 57 years after they were unveiled to mixed reviews, the murals still stand as a haunting tribute to the American auto worker.

The intimately detailed murals transport viewers into the bowels of factory life at the time of the Great Depression.

For example, they portray the mechanical presses that stamped metal body parts as huge cookie cutters, looming over workers feeding sheet steel fashioned from nature's minerals.



Bob Sklar

TAKE IT from "Rivera's Labor Legacy: The Detroit Murals," a Detroit Labor History Tours public television special released on Labor Day.

The murals fuse the contradictions of the developing mechanical age: improving yet repressing the workers' lot in life.

Rivera grew up in a prosperous Mexican family. He studied canvas painting, wall frescoes and aristocratic tastes in Europe. Yet he felt a deep kinship to the common person.

His Detroit murals punctuate the strain and grimness of factory life. The workers' blank expressions convey a lack of emotion along the assembly line — something management nurtured.

In keeping with his utopian perspective, Rivera didn't include smoke, fumes or dust. Nor did he underscore the hostility between workers and supervisors.

He did, however, depict sand workers wearing air masks, which they didn't really wear — a not so-

subtle jab at the working conditions.

AS DETROIT labor scholars Ron Alpern and Steve Babson tell it in the TV special, Rivera, a Mexican Communist Party member and devotee of the 1911 Mexican revolution, envisioned a cooperative, unsegregated, multiracial work force, "the true agents of potential prosperity."

Why did he focus on teeming factory life after Edsel Ford and the DIA commissioned him to paint the DIA's Garden Court? Because he never forgot the poverty back home.

Rivera hoped his murals would sensitize American workers to the environment and thus serve the revolutionary process. Within two years, the emerging United Auto Workers looked to the paintings for inspiration.

Rivera considered engineers and architects as America's greatest artists. And he envisioned industry as the salvation for Mexico's squalor.

Bob Sklar is the O&E's assistant managing editor for special projects.

Family concert opens season for symphony

Series details: 2E

By Ariene Funke
special writer

The Livonia Symphony Orchestra hopes to stir some goose bumps with its first concert of the season: a salute to Halloween.

"Scary Moments" is the title of the Saturday, Oct. 6, concert at Churchill High. It will feature ex-

cerpts from Damnation of Faust, a violin solo of Danse Macabre and seasonal poems by local celebrity "witch" Gundella.

"The orchestra will be in costume and we want the audience to be also," said Francesco DiBlasi, Livonia Symphony conductor. "We hope it will attract a family audience."

Costumes will be judged. Prizes will be tickets for remaining LSO concerts.

That recipe of serious and frivolous typifies the Livonia Symphony's mission as it begins its third season.

"I like to give one good, solid piece of music for each concert," said DiBlasi, 62, a Livonia resident. "The rest is on the light side. We're still trying to build our audience."

The LSO offers two series of concerts.

Series A consists of five Saturday evening performances at Churchill High on Newburgh Road, north of Joy, in Livonia.

The Series B mini-series, which begins in January, includes three Friday evening performances at the Livonia Civic Center Library, Five Mile and Farmington roads.

All concerts start at 8 p.m.

THE LIVONIA Symphony is a successor to the old Oakway Symphony, formed in 1973 to serve suburbs in Oakland and Wayne counties. Oakway flourished for many years. But over time, several communities broke away and formed their own orchestras.

DiBlasi, a native Detroit, previously was music director and conductor of Oakway. He trained at the Juilliard School of Music in New York. He has played with the New York City Opera, American Symphony Orchestra, Metropolitan Opera and Detroit Symphony Orchestra.

His list of credits include guest

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JIM JAGOFFEL/staff photographer

Violinist Victoria Halo of Grosse Pointe is the concertmaster and a featured soloist for the Livonia Symphony.

Musicmakers

Livonia Symphony opens with family fare

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conducting for symphonies in Grand Rapids, Philadelphia and Pittsburgh.

At full complement, the LSO consists of 80 musicians, selected by audition. Several openings remain in the strings sections, DiBlasi said.

While some of the LSO musicians are professionals, others are serious students and music teachers. "Two-thirds are from Oakway," DiBlasi said.

Separate Saturday concert themes will be the Russian composers; "mostly American," including selections from "Carousel" by Richard Rogers and favorite pieces by Victor Herbert; and Mozart and his contemporaries.

FOR CHRISTMAS, patrons may choose either a full production of the Nutcracker Ballet on Friday, Dec. 7

or Act II of the Nutcracker with a holiday sing-along on Saturday, Dec. 8.

The Saturday series will include an international night with a performance by a bagpiper, a salute to several popular Broadway hit shows, and an evening featuring LSO soloists.

The two venues are quite different.

The full orchestra performs during the Saturday concerts at Church Hill, which seats around 950. Fewer musicians perform during the Saturday concerts because the library auditorium seats only around 275.

"It's more intimate," DiBlasi said of the library. "It's more chamber style."

A 30-member board of directors oversees the symphony operations. Funding and building community

awareness are primary goals, said Ken Kelsey, symphony board president, formerly of Livonia and now living in Farmington Hills.

"I grew up listening to this kind of (classical) music," said Kelsey, 49, president of Kelsey Advertising Specialties of Livonia.

"It's good for the community to have an orchestra," he said. "But many people aren't exposed enough."

EACH CONCERT costs around \$6,000 to present, Kelsey said. Operations of the Livonia Symphony have received financial support from the Michigan Council for the Arts, the Livonia Arts Commission and the Livonia Heart Fund.

Corporate sponsors are being sought. The symphony group also raises money through special events

'The orchestra will be in costume and we want the audience to be also.'

— Francesco DiBlasi

such as fashion shows, cabaret nights and a Victorian Christmas dinner with traditional carols.

A long-term goal is to present more youth-oriented concerts. "They (children) will learn to love what is put in front of them," DiBlasi said. "It pays off in a few years. They will come to the symphony."

Kelsey said he enjoys hearing the Detroit Symphony. He said the Livonia Symphony can fill the needs of people who choose not to go downtown. "There is room and a place for both of us," Kelsey said.

2 series near for orchestra

Season tickets for the Livonia Symphony concerts are available until Sunday, Sept. 30.

Two series will be offered. All concerts start at 8 p.m.

Series A consists of five Saturday performances at Churchill High, 8900 Newburgh, Livonia.

The schedule:

- "Scary Moments," Halloween with the LSO, Oct. 6.
- All Russian, Nov. 17.
- Christmas, choice of full production of Nutcracker Ballet on Dec. 7 or Act II of Nutcracker and holiday sing-along, Dec. 8.
- Mostly American, Feb. 16.
- Mozart and contemporaries, May 4.

Tickets are \$9 per concert or \$40 per season. Seniors (62 and older)

and students (21 and younger) pay \$5 per concert or \$20 per season.

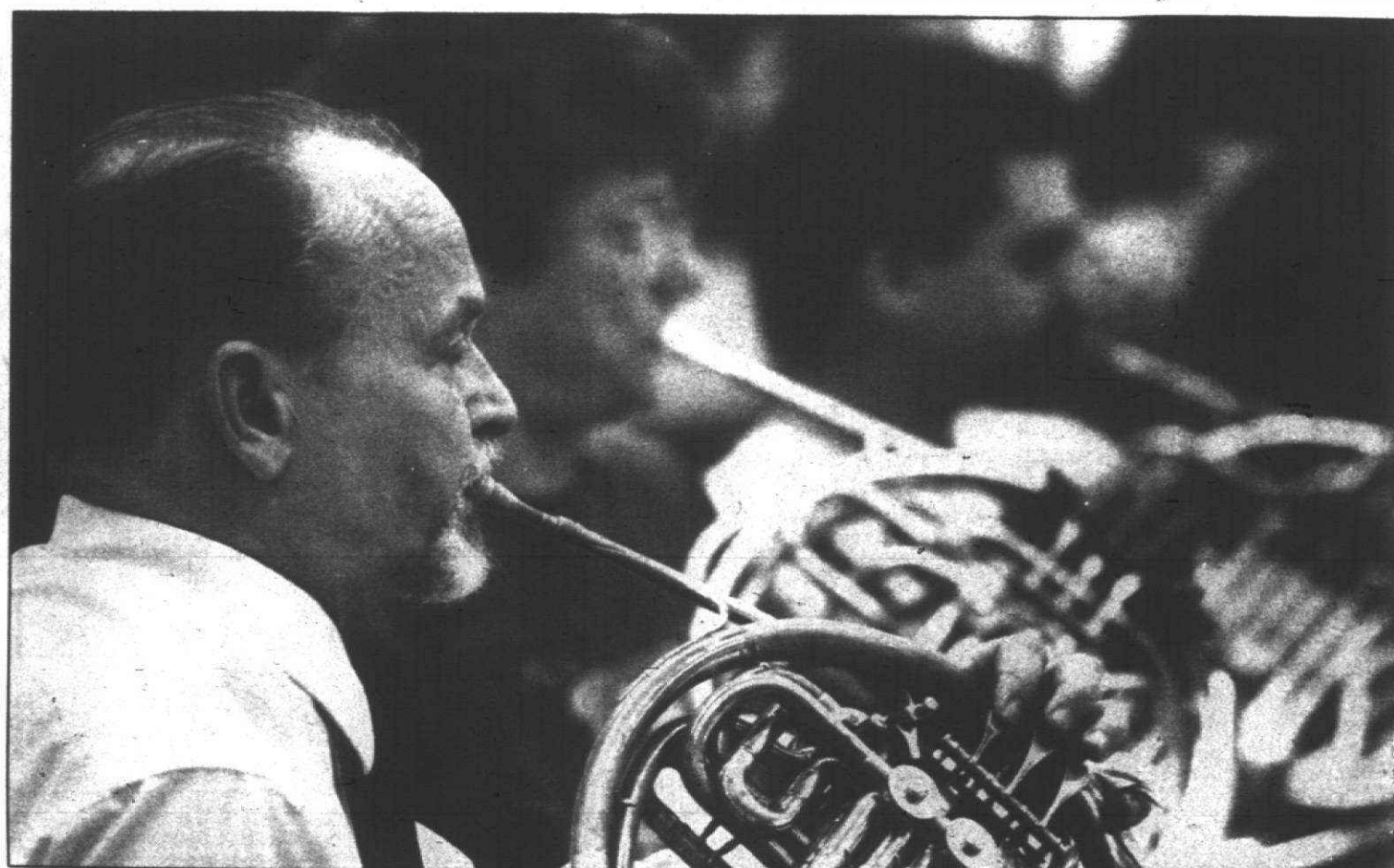
Series B consists of three Friday concerts in the Livonia Civic Center Library, 3277 Five Mile.

The schedule:

- Music internationale, Jan. 25.
 - American theater music, Feb. 22.
 - LSO soloists, March 15.
- Series B prices are \$9 per concert or \$24 per season. Students and seniors (60 and older) pay \$5 per concert or \$12 per season.
- Mail checks payable to: Livonia Symphony Orchestra. Enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope for ticket return. Mail to Livonia Symphony, 30499 Plymouth Road, Livonia 48150. Call 422-8090.



Don Sill of Novi plays the bass for the Livonia Symphony.



The French Horn section of the Livonia Symphony includes Clinton Washburn (left) of Troy, Virginia Hazen of Detroit and John Pirtle of Redford Township.

photos by JIM JAGOFF/staff photographer

At Madonna

Lecture focus: Japanese music

Dr. William P. Malm, distinguished author and professor of music at the University of Michigan, will be first speaker in a lecture series on the culture and civilization of Japan presented by Madonna College, Livonia.

Malm, considered one of America's foremost musicologists, will speak on Japanese Music at 3 p.m. Friday, Sept. 28, in Room 228 on the college campus.

"We are honored to have such an esteemed authority on Japanese music speak in the first of seven entertaining and informative lectures," said Dr. Robert Rann, professor of Japanese Studies at Madonna College.

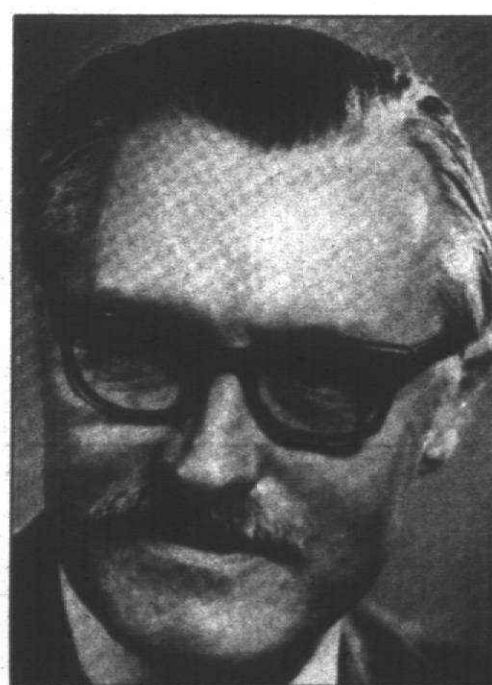
The lectures, funded by a grant from the Panasonic Foundation, are an extension of the Japanese Studies Faculty Development Project, a cooperative effort between Madonna College and Lawrence Technological University to foster international perspectives.

Entitled: "Japan: A Cultural Overview," the series runs monthly through April 1991. It will feature speakers from across the nation.

SLATED FOR November is Kinoshita Toshio, a partner in the firm of Coopers and Lybrand. The topic will be "The Japanese in Business Trade."

April's lecture will feature Dr. Merry White of Boston University. White is author of "The Japanese Educational College" and is considered the pre-eminent authority on Japanese education today.

For more information on this series, call the Madonna College Humanities Division, 591-5197.



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Plymouth gallery marks 1st anniversary

By Linda Ann Chomik
special writer

WHEN CHAMELEON Galleries Ltd. opened last September in downtown Plymouth, the idea behind the gallery was that it would be chameleonic, or changeable.

As you gaze across the gallery's walls, it becomes apparent that since last year's opening, Chameleon has changed, acquiring a full range of mediums and techniques, as well as tripling the number of artists on exhibit.

"In the last year, we've grown from 26 artists to over 100 artists on the first anniversary of our opening," said Danni Englehart, co-owner and manager of Chameleon Galleries Ltd.

Watercolors, lithographs, mixed media, rakuware and sculpture, stained glass, blown glass, functional pottery and oil paintings on silk are typical of the eclectic works showcased in the Chameleon gallery.

Ohio resident Peggy Brown's transparent watercolor landscapes hang alongside the photo-realism, wildlife prints of kookaburras and barn owls by Paul Morgacy of Australia.

Dennis Englehart's husband, Jim, Ford Motor Co. Light Truck Division executive director, is her silent partner in the gallery.

WHEN CHAMELEON opened a year ago, there were six partners. Since then, Danni and Jim Englehart have bought out the other four.

"Chameleon carries contemporary and Oriental art, from \$5 to \$1,000," said Danni, a Northville resident. "The art is impressionistic, some totally abstract art, except for a few traditional pieces."

"We travel all over looking for art. The intriguing part is the finding of new artists," she said. "We've picked up a lot of unknown artists so that the work is affordable but still quality work."

"We recently attended an exhibit of 1,200 artists in Atlantic City, where we picked up 20 artists. We have 25 local artists, several from Birmingham, who do functional pottery, such as Suzi Bolton and Carole Bekhorst."

Ricki Berlin of Birmingham paints abstract watercolors. In "Sunny Day in the City," she uses a pallet of opaque colors that take in the spectrum of a rainbow after a thunderstorm, from red to violet and cerulean blue, with fine brush strokes of ochre creating the rays of the sun.

Another of the gallery's artists, Judy Gresser of Livonia, works in mixed media. In her abstract paint-



On the pedestal below Ricki Berlin's collage "Subtleties" sits Mark Sudduth's blown glass vessel in deep violet. The vessel is from Sudduth's Line Series. It contains seven layers of blown glass.

ings, she uses watercolors, pastels and acrylics in primary colors, mainly red, to create vibrant geometric lines and spheres.

MANY OF Chameleon's artists are Australian because Danni lived on there for seven years. For three of those years, she ran Artist Proof Galleries in Melbourne. The gallery, which she established, is now celebrating its 10th anniversary.

Pat Delanty's oil paintings on silk are realism landscapes. The Australian artist gives texture and dimension to her strong compositions of Australian gum trees by building up color on the trunks.

Judy Whitford of Australia uses gouache, a grainier form of watercolor, to create a classic nude figure in tones of gray upon a huesless background. Her study is a stunning display of contrasting lights and darks.

Photo-realism wildlife prints of paintings by Paul Morgacy of Aus-

tralia are so life-like, you'll swear the kookaburra laughed. "Morgacy has just been commissioned by the Australian government to do a series of Australian stamps for 1991," Danni said.

Ann Arbor artist Daniel Gelakoska's abstract lithographs are bright and bold. Arizona resident Michael John Marsh's monochromatic, Red Ridge Pass, uses three main shapes in hues of sepia to create his striking piece of art against a white backdrop.

Danni, a veteran businesswoman with a passion for art, is clearly aware of what sells. "Peggy Brown's paintings sell off the wall. Art sales vary during the year. We'll sell a lot of blown glass and raku around Christmas, while paintings sell best in spring and fall, when people redecorate."

Chameleon Galleries Ltd. is at 370 S. Main, in downtown Plymouth.



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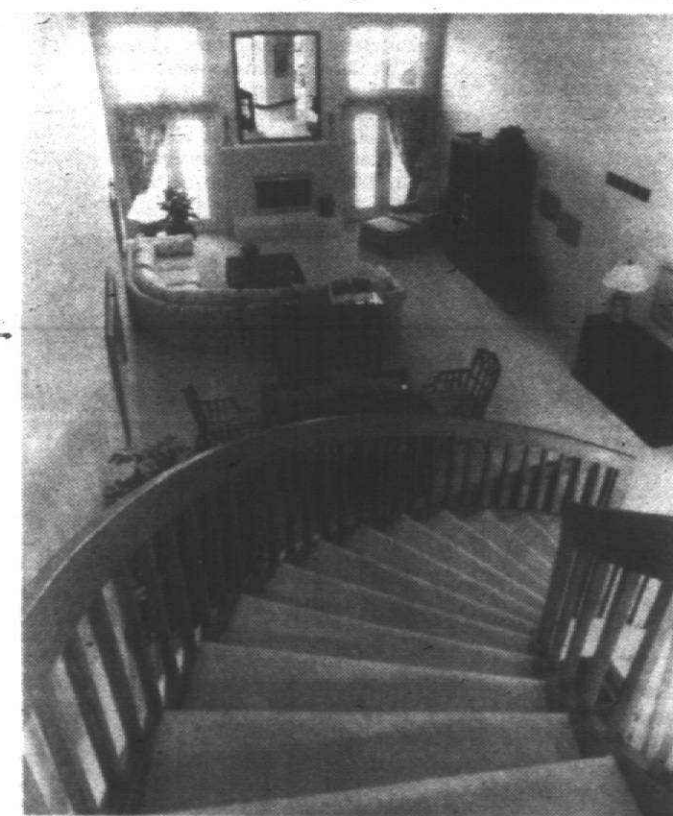
Chameleon Galleries Ltd. co-owner and manager Danni Englehart stands in front of an abstract watercolor, Sunny Day in the City, by Ricki Berlin of Birmingham. Next to Berlin's abstract art is Livonian Judy Gresser's Cosmic

Series. She uses primary colors, mainly vibrant reds, to create her cosmic spheres and geometric planes using watercolor, acrylic and pastel.

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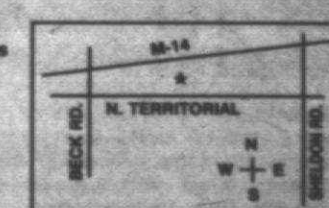
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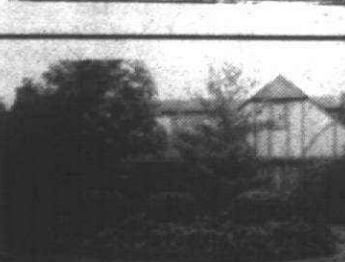
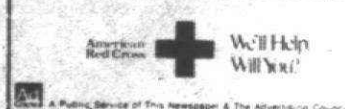
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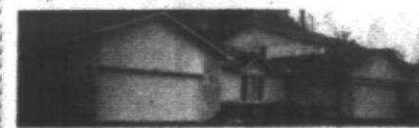
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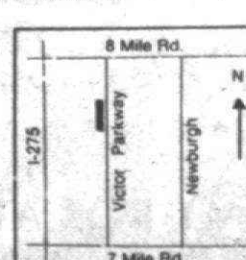
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Art on parade

The Palette Guild is hosting its fall art show in the Livonia City Hall through Sept. 28. Hours are 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and select evenings from 7-9 p.m. Sept. 13, 17, 18, 24 and 25. The works include collage, oil, watercolor, pen and ink, acrylic and

monoprints. Above, Evelyn Henry entitled this acrylic "Donna and Children." The city hall is on Farmington Road, south of Five Mile.

JIM JAGOFF/staff photographer

Art fest boasts local exhibitors

Eight local residents will take part in the fourth annual Detroit Festival of the Arts on Friday-Saturday, Sept. 21-22, at Wayne State University and the University Cultural Center in Detroit.

More than 500 dancers, actors, musicians, acrobats, mimes, jugglers, street and stage performers will participate. The four stages will feature continuous music and cultural performances, from jazz to rock.

In the artists market along Cass and Kirby, 100 visual artists from across the country will offer original artwork for sale. Local artists will include:

- Livonia — Elizabeth Barick, Jon & Joanne VanWagner, Katherine Wickersham.
- Canton — Sharon Bida.
- Farmington Hills — Gary Bykowski, Claudia Tann.

The VanWagners will present a variety of "broken pieces" stained glass. They began working in stained glass 13 years ago, while renovating their house.

Their work boasts decorative solder techniques and carefully combined patterns, which provide a finished look. Most of their current work is with mirror glass, but their commissioned work includes custom-designed sidelights, panels and windows.

Barick will present her jewelry, Wickersham her handmade fabrics.

THE WSU art faculty will present an exhibition at the Community Arts Gallery. The WSU Jazzet will perform 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday on the WSU stage, Cass at Putnam. Purdy Library will sponsor a book sale both days.

The WJBK-TV Children's Fair, "Wonder World," a family project with 40 hands-on activities for youngsters, is on the WSU Gullen Mall.

Interpretive works by resident artists from the Detroit Department of Recreation Program will be shown at various Art on the Move exhibits.

National poets will read their works 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and 1-4:30 p.m. Sunday at the Engineering Society Theatre, 100 Farnsworth.

A family kite fest will take place all day Sunday along Woodward.

Some entertainment requires patrons age 12 and older to buy a \$3 DFA button. It offers a 5 percent discount on artwork, smooze acts and festival souvenirs.

A new feature, Food Extravaganza, offers healthy food dishes by Friar Tuck's and other area restaurants.

Library science scholarship set

A new scholarship for students of library science, the Gloria A. Francis Memorial, has been announced by Wayne State University. The first recipient will be awarded \$500 next fall.

Francis, a librarian for the Detroit Public Library since 1964, was chief of the Rare Book Room. Under her curatorship, the library's collection increased in number and quality.

The scholarship is funded by Ann Kirk Warren, an adjunct faculty member in the university's fine arts department, who contributed \$10,000.

The scholarship will recognize scholarly achievement and encourage graduate study in library science.

Contributions to the fund may be mailed to the Francis Scholarship Fund, Wayne State University Library, Science Program, 106 Kresge Library, Detroit, 48202. For more information, call 577-1825.

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• YOUTH AUDITIONS

Auditions continue through September for openings in three orchestras of the Livonia Youth Philharmonic of Michigan.

LYPM is a non-profit organization that offers youth orchestra experience at three levels, starting with the entry-level young string orchestra for young players with as little as one year of training.

The advanced string orchestra accepts students with two or more years of experience.

Students are placed in these two orchestras based on their auditions. Andrew Sewell conducts the two string orchestras.

The philharmonic orchestra is a full-concert orchestra studying standard classical repertoire. It has openings for all string players as well as French horns and bassoons.

Attila Farkas is the conductor. LYPM membership is open to all students in the nearby Detroit area. Rehearsals are 9 a.m. to noon Saturday at Bentley Center, 15100 Hubbard, Livonia.

The season boasts two major concerts as well as other area. For more information or to schedule an audition, call Lois Gilmore, 453-8887.

• ON EXHIBIT

Two pieces of precision machinery that helped shape the industrial revolution are on display in the New Additions area at Henry Ford Museum, Dearborn.

The machines are early 19th century metal-working lathes built by Henry Maudslay, who is credited with developing the first truly accurate lathes capable of cutting extremely precise screw threads.

In the exhibit, a recently acquired 1815 Maudslay lathe is shown with an 1805 model that has been in the museum's collection since 1929 but was only recently found to be of great historic significance.

Both lathes are beautifully made with great precision, which is remarkable considering that they were finished by hand without the aid of powered machinery," said John Bowditch, the museum's curator of industry.

The display will continue through December.

• HOMEARAMA SET

Ten new houses go on display Thursday, Oct. 4, during Homearama Fall 1990, the eighth annual public showing of houses designed to

showcase new ideas. Builders are members of the Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan and the Home Builders Association of Livingston County.

The display houses are in Pine Creek Ridge, on Brighton Road, three-quarters of a mile west of Grand River, Brighton.

Priced at \$500,000 to \$875,000, the houses will be open 3-10 p.m. weekdays and noon to 10 p.m. weekends through Oct. 28.

Admission is \$5, which includes a plan book covering each house. Discount coupons good weekdays can be obtained at offices of Standard Federal Bank and Detroit Edison, event sponsors.

Discount tickets are available from AAA Michigan Metro Detroit locations. Parking is free. Refreshments can be bought on site.

At least six hands-on activities, many with take-home materials, and a 30-minute demonstration will be available for visitors to enjoy in the National Chemistry Day Celebration 1-4:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 3 at the Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum.

You can make nylon or experiment with felt-tip pen chromatography, discover the properties of oobleck and make a batch of slime.

This event, designed for all family members, is sponsored by the Huron Valley Chapter of American Chemical Society and Eastern Michigan Chemistry Department.

In addition, there's a teachers workshop 7-9 p.m. Monday, Oct. 22, that will focus on chemistry in their elementary classrooms.

A polymer chemistry workshop for children ages 11-13 also is scheduled for the morning of the event.

Preregistration is necessary for both workshops. Call 995-3439.

• ORCHESTRA HALL

Orchestra Hall, home of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, reopened this week with the latest phase of restorations having been completed during the summer.

Built in 1919 as the home of the DSO, Orchestra Hall has now been restored to its original splendor.

The interior has been brought up to the same level as the acoustics. Old photos and historical documents were studied and sketches were consulted in an effort to restore the building's visual integrity. Orchestra Hall now looks as it did when it opened in 1919.

The DSO took up residence again at Orchestra Hall in September 1989 after a 50-year absence. The hall has undergone extensive restoration since it was saved from destruction in 1970.

The recent refurbishing includes extensive decorative painting by Evergreen Painting Studios in New York on the ceiling coffers, a proscenium arch, painting of faux limestone walls, stenciling of beams, painting of cherubs, friezes and intricate grill work, replacement of the roof, repolishing of the main floor chairs, new drapes and carpeting in the main hall. Additional seating areas for wheelchairs and new floor lighting for the aisles also were installed.

Previous stages of the restoration took place with a total cost of \$5.3 million; this summer's work cost \$1.5 million. Money was provided by donors to the Campaign for Orchestra Hall.

Among the construction contractors, two are from the Observer area: general painter, Mid-West Pro, Livonia, electricians, DBW Electric, Farmington Hills.

• **POLISH ART** Friends of Polish Art are sponsoring the fifth annual Richard Kubinski Art Competition for Michigan artists who are Polish or of Polish descent.

The competition is an all-media show open to professionals, amateurs and students. It will be at the Galaría, Orchard Lake Schools, St. Mary's Campus, Orchard Lake.

The awards presentation will be 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 7. Cash prizes will be awarded.

For information and applications, call Marian Owczarski, 683-0425 or 683-0445 after 6 p.m., or Patty Rice, 286-8800.

• **NEW OFFICERS** Newest officers of the Livonia Historical Society are:

Marian Lynch, president; Joe Soltez, vice president; Betty Farhat,

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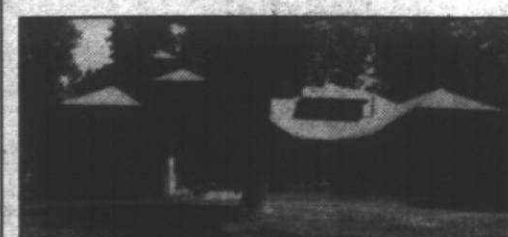
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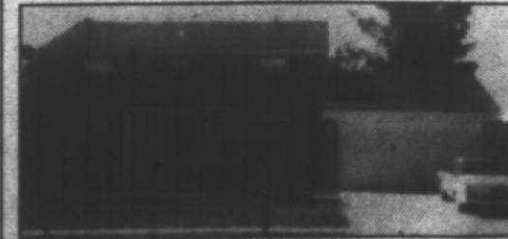
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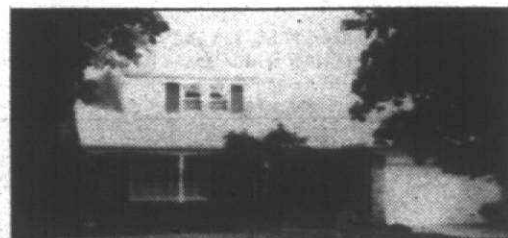
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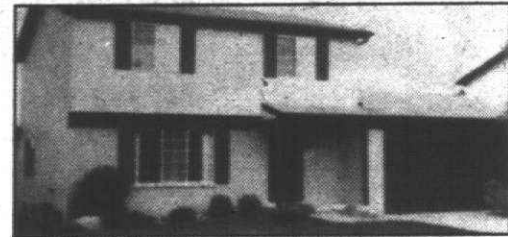
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A PLYMOUTH JEWEL. This home is in the city limits and lets you walk to the charming downtown for shopping and professional services. 4 big bedrooms, formal dining room, cozy family room with natural fireplace and pretty as a picture. \$174,900 459-6000



FINALLY THE HOME you've been waiting for! You must see this 3 1/2 bedroom home inside. Family room with fireplace, 2 1/2 baths, kitchen and an additional mother-in-law room with bath and still at an affordable price. \$109,900 459-6000



VA BUYERS 0 DOWN. Super sharp 3 bedroom Colonial in family oriented sub. Freshly painted top to bottom. New carpet in family room with fireplace. 2 car attached garage, basement and much more. Back to vacant land for privacy. \$103,900 459-6000



ONE OF DOWNTOWN PLYMOUTH'S PRETTIEST TREE LINED STREETS is the perfect location for this special home. 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths including master, family room with reclaimed brick fireplace and central air. Walk to Smith Elementary. \$85,900 459-6000



PLEASANT AREA!! Come out and see this beautiful 2 bedroom, 1 bath sprawling ranch in a nice area of Livonia. Fireplace in family room, beautiful bay window in kitchen and many, many updates. Call now, later may be too late. \$79,900 462-1811



CHARM BEYOND COMPARE! Beautiful 3 bedroom, 2 bath quad level with so much to offer. Large country kitchen, finished basement with wet bar for entertaining and much, much more. \$109,900. 462-1811



BEAUTY BETWEEN THE TREES. This home has one of the most versatile floor plans you will ever see. Formal dining room. Big, open, airy glass sun room. 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath Tudor with much more for you to see. \$237,900 462-1811



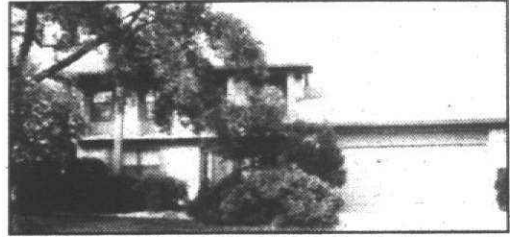
NO EXAGGERATION!! If you want beautiful and private, here it is! Enjoy a 2 1/2 acre lot that includes 3200 sq. ft. of living space, 6 bedroom Colonial, 2 full baths and Florida room. Call today. \$189,900 462-1811



SMASHING BLOOMFIELD COLONIAL. Far too many extras to mention. Family room, rec room, central air, brick fireplace with raised hearth and mantle and possible in-law suite to name a few. \$219,500 737-9000



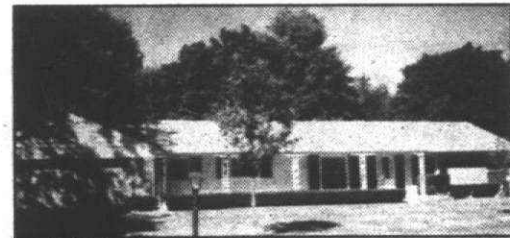
YOUR SEARCHING IS OVER! Perfect family home with 4 bedrooms, family room with fireplace and 2 car attached garage. Many updates: windows, furnace and roof. A bargain at \$114,500. 737-9000



FARMINGTON HILLS BEAUTY. Professionally landscaped Colonial with many extras. Recently painted, prepped for air, semi-circular staircase, thermo windows and energy efficient furnace. Large family room with wet bar. \$149,900 737-9000



EXQUISITE-END UNIT CONDO. Immaculate condo with neutral decor, custom window treatments, gorgeous light fixtures, marble fireplace, loft in upper level, deck and private drive. \$209,900 737-9000



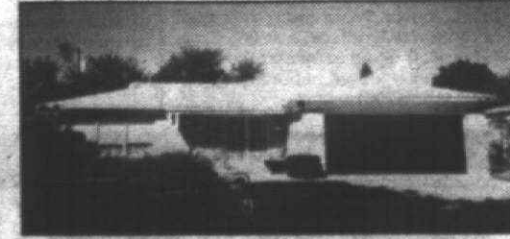
IMMACULATE 3 BEDROOM RANCH with lake privileges on Hammond Lake. Many updated features, large Florida room, family room, 2 baths, central air. \$114,900 (62LAK) 642-2400



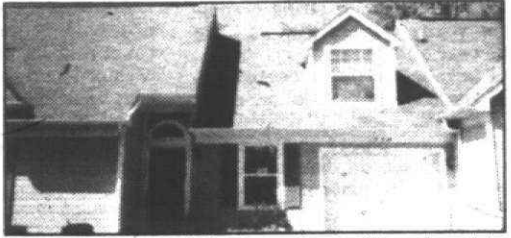
QUARTON LAKE ESTATES superb 4 bedroom Colonial. Formal dining room, family room, formal kitchen, central air, finished basement. \$307,000 (07SUF) 642-2400



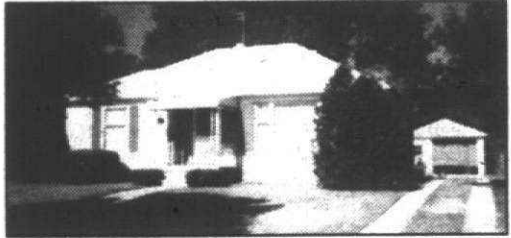
THE WONDER OF NATURE is the Legends condos of Potawatomi Creek. Discover the variety of floor plans, unique in detail, beautifully designed. Circular stairways, cathedral ceilings. From \$229,900. 642-2400



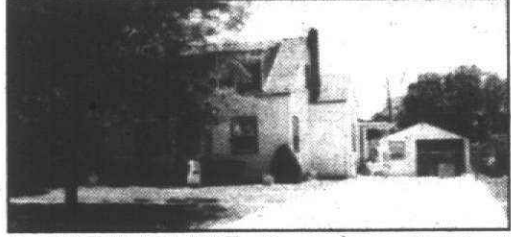
SHARP TRI-LEVEL. 2,550 square feet. 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths. Fireplace in massive family room. Eating space in country kitchen, aluminum awnings, patio, park-like lot. \$114,900 (90HAM) 642-2400



PRICED TO SELL! A real sacrifice for this almost new 4 bedroom, 2 full bath condo with marina available. Will consider LEASE WITH OPTION. Move in condition. \$99,900 (58SAN) 642-2400



BETTER TAKE A LOOK! This beautiful brick ranch located in Rosedale Gardens is just the home you've been looking for. 3 bedrooms, 2 full baths, newly updated kitchen and finished basement. Don't let this home slip through your hands. \$91,900 462-1811



A FAMILY DELIGHT. Great starter home. 3 bedroom, 1 bath bungalow with loads of updates. New Armstrong no wax kitchen and bath floors, freshly painted interior. Come a running. \$55,900 462-1811



GRAB THE CAR KEYS. Perfect home for you and the family in a great neighborhood. 3 bedroom brick ranch, 2 baths, large kitchen, laundry room and unfinished basement. Call now this home won't last long. \$107,900 462-1811



NEWLY CONSTRUCTED CHARMER! 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath Colonial on a court setting. Master suite with jacuzzi and shower. Choice of ceramic or hardwood floors. This home also has a beautiful dream kitchen for the chef in you. \$273,900 462-1811



OWNER HATES TO LEAVE! Check the super updates in this 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath Colonial. Euro-style kitchen, wood doorwall, newer carpet, deck, roof and more! A great floor plan for entertaining or family living. Plymouth Twp. neighborhood. \$139,900 (P60IVY) 453-6800

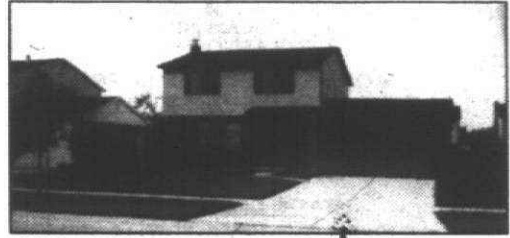


CLEAN BRICK RANCH. New windows ('85), marble sills, new furnace and central air ('88), new steel front and rear doors ('89). Finished bedroom and bath in basement. Large garage. \$83,900 (P53ANG) 483-6800



DECORATOR-PERFECT ESTATE. All you have to do in this stunning 3 bedroom, 2 bath all brick Tudor is bring your furniture. Superb wall and window decorations are in place. Hardwood floors and touches of elegance. Delightful sun porch. \$174,900 (P82BLU) 483-6800

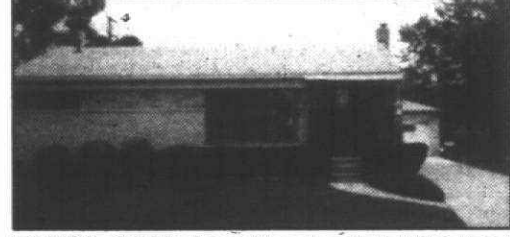
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THIS HOME'S GOT IT ALL! Sprinklers, air conditioning, professionally landscaped, cathedral ceiling in great room, immaculate condition, 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths. North Canton Colonial in one of the best 'subs. \$132,900 (P01CLA) 453-6800



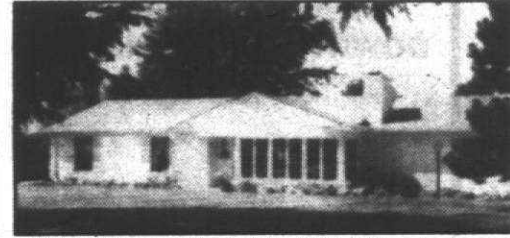
A PLYMOUTH CLASSIC WITH A PREMIER ADDRESS. Impressive features include hardwood and ceramic floorings, leaded and beveled glass. 5 bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths, formal dining room, fireplace, sunlit atrium. Professionally landscaped. \$249,900 (P30PEN) 453-6800



LOVING PRIDE. One of the finest that Westland has to offer. Quality updating and many other amenities for today's living. Immaculate inside and out. This is the one you've been waiting for. \$84,900 (N50ANI) 349-1515



NORTHVILLE. Pillared four bedroom, 2 1/2 bath Colonial offers an unusual floor plan that's sure to please. Quality features include six panel doors, crown moldings, oak flooring in foyer and a private library. \$219,900 (N59BRA) 349-1515



CHARMING AND DELIGHTFUL. Three bedroom ranch with 2 1/2 baths, two fireplaces, one in living room and one in great room, wood windows and 2 1/2 car garage. Interior done in soft light tones. All appliances and much, much more. This won't last long. \$188,900 (N03CHI) 349-1515



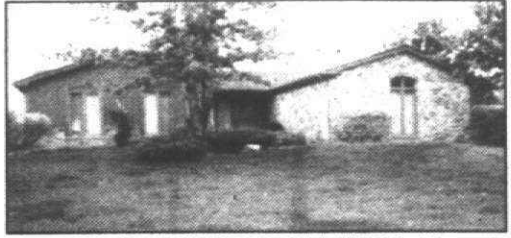
NEW CONSTRUCTION. Stunning four bedroom Colonial on 1/2 acre lot in the most prestigious sub in Green Oak Twp. Exquisite home with jacuzzi in master bath, ceramic foyer and baths. This is the best priced home in the area. \$189,900 (N24ROY) 349-1515



TIED ON CITY LIVING! Hit the beach! Lake privileges to Wolverine Lake. Unique bi-level. Four bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, space saving kitchen, jacuzzi in master bath, ceramic foyer and baths. This is the best priced home in the area. \$85,400 (Z15MEA) 646-1800



WHY PAY RENT? This condo has the appeal of small and the impact of big. 2 large bedrooms, plus a study, living room, kitchen and deck. Lots of storage space. 100' \$45,000 (R31BLO) 651-1040



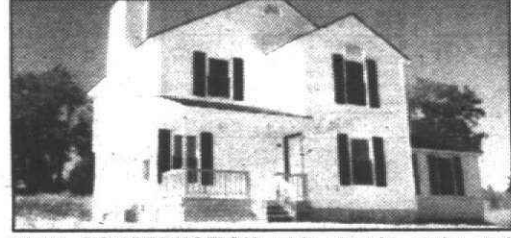
IMMACULATE ROBERTSON RANCH. Move in and unpack. Family room has new carpet, brick fireplace with raised hearth and doorwall to brick patio. Lovely lawn and landscaping sprinkling system. \$199,900 (B11BRO) 647-1900



PRIVACY - PRIVACY. Custom built, 5 level contemporary home, located in Rochester Hills. Just under an acre heavily wooded private lot. Ideal for the auto buff with its 2-2 1/2 car garage. \$147,555 (R70WIL) 651-1040



NATURE LOVER'S DELIGHT. One acre plus of attractive and well maintained landscaping. One horse allowed. Quality abounds in this 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath home. All wood windows, oak kitchen cabinets. \$179,900 (W14MIL) 683-1122



NEW CONSTRUCTION with classic style and charm. Quality built with wood windows and stained woodwork. Beautiful parquet entry way. Brick fireplace in living room. 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths. \$123,000 (W66LAM) 683-1122



THIS ONE'S A TEN! Cape Cod style, 4 bedroom, 3 full bath, doll house, located on a large lot over 1/2 acre in desirable Rochester Hills. Central air, walk-out basement, private deck. \$129,555 (R75LEH) 651-1040



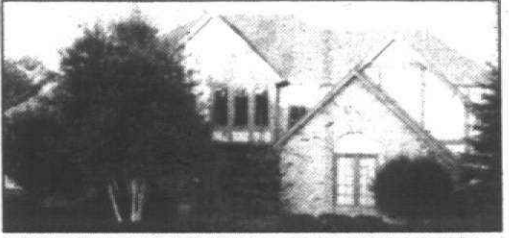
ATTRACTIVE CONTEMP-QUAD near shopping and schools. Quiet sub. Custom features abound, marble window sills throughout, extensive use of paneling, finished basement with den, sauna. \$122,900 (Z31SOM) 646-1800



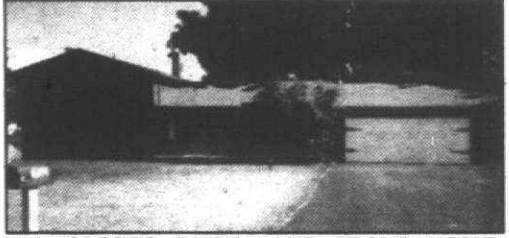
BIRMINGHAM RANCH. Newly listed with features such as new windows and doors, newer furnace and central air, newer roof and gutters, wet plaster, hardwood flooring. Fenced yard. \$103,500 (B33YOR) 647-1900



PERFECT STARTER. This one bedroom condo, conveniently located in Auburn Hills with low monthly association fee and mortgage payment makes paying rent seem more than ridiculous. \$33,900 (R31BLO) 651-1040



CUSTOM EXECUTIVE CONTEMPORARY. Master bedroom suite on first floor. You will just love the open feeling and neutral decor. Great room for entertaining features 2 fireplaces. \$299,900 (R03RAP) 651-1040



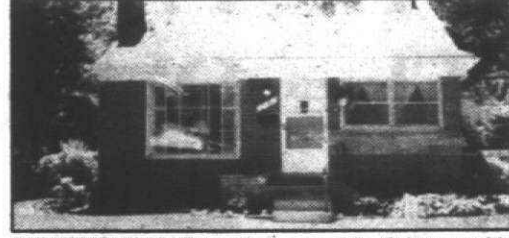
ALL SPORTS DUCK LAKE FRONT HOME. nestled in the trees on a large beautiful site with sprinklers, new dock and sandy beach. Four bedrooms, 2 baths, family room with fireplace. \$214,000 (W22CRA) 683-1122



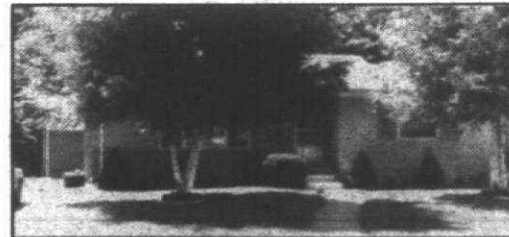
SPARKLING CLEAN and ready to move in! Modern Cape Cod with vaulted ceiling in living room, extensive decking, first floor master bedroom and laundry, family room. Bloomfield Hills schools. \$275,000 (B72WES) 647-1900



THE PERFECT FAMILY HOME. Brand new to the market. Many remodeled features. New furnace, central air, family room redone with new bay window and skylight. New carpet and flooring. \$138,500 (Z82HOR) 646-1800



BIRMINGHAM. Four bedroom, 2 bath home with newer Euro-kitchen. 23 foot master bedroom, master bath, fireplace and fenced-in private back yard. \$119,900 (B46BRA) 647-1900



CHARM, LOCATION, CONVENIENCE. Immaculate two bedroom, one bath brick ranch. Full basement with 2 bedrooms. One car detached garage. Lovely treed lot in quiet neighborhood. \$68,000 (Z53WES) 646-1800



RELAXING VIEW. First floor condo with view of pond from front window. One bedroom and new appliances. Enjoy heated inground pool with clubhouse during the cold months. \$43,500 (Z82COL) 646-1800



WHY PAY RENT? This condo has the appeal of small and the impact of big. 2 large bedrooms, plus a study, living room, kitchen and deck. Lots of storage space. 100' \$45,000 (R31BLO) 651-1040



PRIME ACREAGE in Franklin Village. Large multi-level with a beautiful indoor pool for year around enjoyment. Extra kitchen in recreation area for entertaining, skylights, great room. \$380,000 (B00WOO) 647-1900



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OUTSTANDING VALUE for Bloomfield. Decor done in traditional with extra thought to maintenance and housekeeping. 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, central air, formal dining room, wet bar. \$239,900 (B03VIN) 647-1900



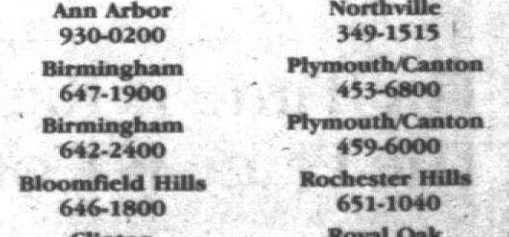
BEAUTIFULLY MAINTAINED and updated. Bloomfield executive Colonial on quiet cul-de-sac location. 5 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths. Newer roof, air conditioning and high efficiency furnace. \$199,900 (B14HO) 647-1900



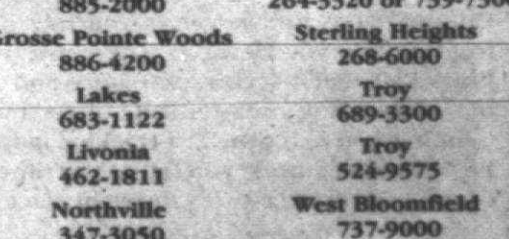
NEW CONSTRUCTION. Great buy for the money. Over 2,400 sq. ft. of living space. Still time to pick your colors. Allowances for carpet and lighting. It's time to make an offer! \$159,900 (R17LEX) 651-1040



ENTERTAINER'S DELIGHT!! Professionally finished contemporary basement, newly remodeled kitchen, California sandstone fireplace, master bedroom with bath, family room. \$137,900 (R30ORI) 651-1040



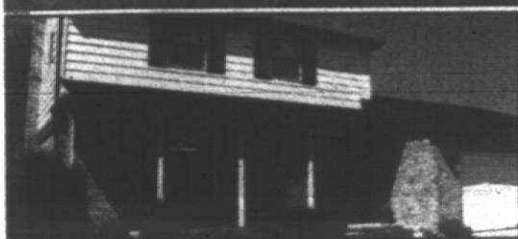
ATTRACTIVE, delightful, brick ranch offers 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, family room, fireplace, full finished basement. Extra! Immediate occupancy. FHA terms. \$84,888 (W21BER) 683-1122



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CANTON

CHARM-ELEGANCE-COMFORT - This house has it all! Super clean, 3 bedrooms, maintenance-free, many newer updates, large kitchen with cabinets galore, central air, neutral decor. Don't pass this by.

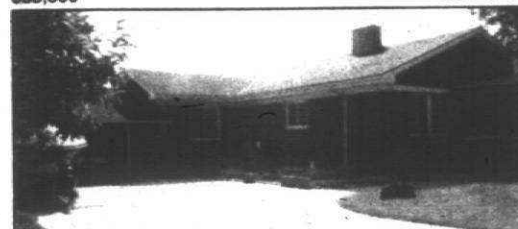
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REDFORD

PRICED TO SELL! - Custom-built three bedroom ranch on a quiet, dead-end street. Walk-out basement, newer furnace, central air and carpet. 2 fireplaces and more! This won't last long, call today.

\$88,500 261-0700



REDFORD

CUSTOM BUILT RANCH - This wonderful home is built to last forever. Formal dining, great room with ledge stone fireplace, 24x16 in-ground pool with 2 patios, marble window sills and an attached 29x24 brick garage.

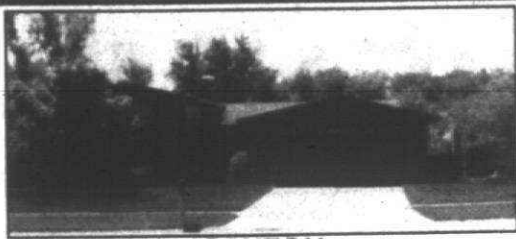
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WESTLAND

BEAUTIFUL CONDO - Livonia schools, 1½ baths, central air, basement and garage. 2 large bedrooms, master bedroom has walk-in closet and double closet. Clubhouse, pool, beautiful courtyard.

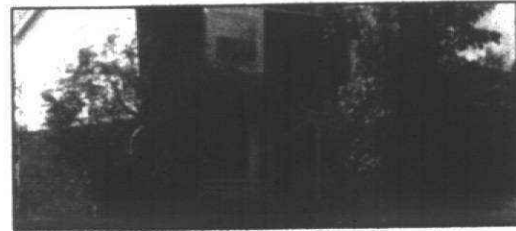
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CANTON

EXCEPTIONAL CANTON QUAD - All a growing family would need. 4 bedrooms, 1½ baths, fireplace, country kitchen. Family dining area, central air, neutral decor. Nice private backyard with deck.

\$123,900 455-7000



CANTON

GREAT FAMILY HOME - is this 4 bedroom, 1½ bath Canton Colonial which features newer vinyl windows, carpeting and driveway. Central air and formal dining. Call for more details.

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CANTON

MOVE UP TO A DIFFERENT STYLE - in this 3 bedroom, 2 full bath Canton Contemporary with cathedral ceilings, central air, skylight, double tier deck and one year Home Warranty.

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LIVONIA

IMMACULATE RANCH ON LARGE LOT - Remodelled recently, in prestigious area in Livonia. 3 bedrooms, 1½ baths. New carpets, updated kitchen. Oversized garage.

\$92,900 477-1111



NEW HUDSON

PERFECT FIRST OR LAST HOME - In nature's backyard. 2.6 acres with mature trees. 3 bedrooms, 1½ bath ranch. Quality construction. Natural wood trim and hardwood floors.

\$114,900 348-6430



MILFORD

LAKEFRONT PARADISE - Panoramic view. Nature lover's dream. Executive retreat. 120 feet lake frontage. Totally updated home!

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REDFORD

CIRCLE THIS ONE! - Large country kitchen with built-ins and lots of cabinets. Three bedrooms, 1½ baths, finished basement with fireplace and wet bar, new windows and two car garage.

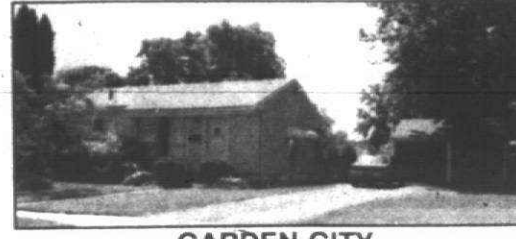
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REDFORD

PRIME AREA - This four bedroom, three bath Cape Cod near Western Golf Course has central air, inground pool, new kitchen in 1989, family room, finished basement, 3 car + garage and much, much more!

\$129,000 261-0700



GARDEN CITY

PEACEFUL, PARK-LIKE SETTING - in this 3 bedroom Garden City aluminum ranch. Remodeled bath, full basement, 2 car garage, double lot.

\$69,900 326-2000



WESTLAND

ATTENTION SINGLES - One bedroom loft condo in Westland. This newly decorated unit is ready to be lived in. This end unit fronts on the pool. Hurry on this one. Assumable financing.

\$44,900 326-2000



WESTLAND

TWO BEDROOM CONDO - Full basement, sharp ranch located in Westland. Private patio, beautiful area, all new carpeting. All appliances stay.

\$64,900 326-2000



CANTON

SUPER SHARP CANTON CONDO - 3 bedroom, 1½ bath Townhouse with laundry on 1st floor. Living and dining room. Home decorated with neutral decor. Quiet location. Ready to move into today! Fantastic buy.

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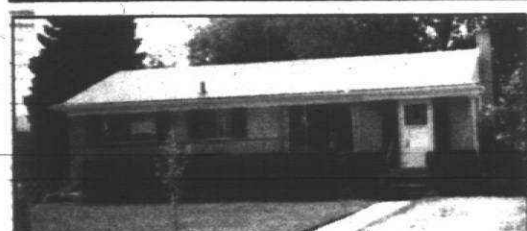


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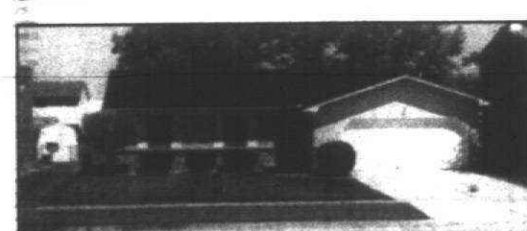
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SOUTH LYON

BEGINNERS DELIGHT - 3 bedroom brick ranch with full basement, hardwood floors, interior freshly painted and a deck overlooking large treed yard.

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CANTON

AN ABSOLUTE SHOWPLACE - Meticulously maintained 3-bedroom, 1½ bath brick ranch in Windsor Park. Newer floor coverings throughout. Newer central air plus attic fan. Deck, family room with fireplace, open floor plan.

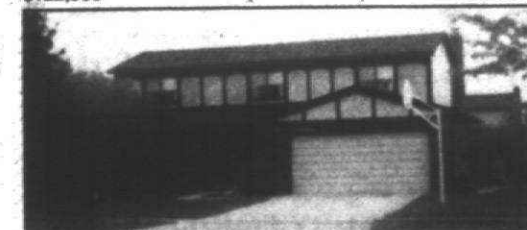
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CANTON

EXCEPTIONAL CANTON COLONIAL - 4 bedrooms, 1½ bath, formal living and dining rooms, family room with fireplace. Florida room, central air, sprinklers. Surrounded by a beautiful landscaped lot.

\$122,500 455-7000



CANTON

QUIET AND SPACIOUS - Crescent built Williamsburg Canton Colonial. 4 bedrooms, 2½ baths, 1st floor laundry. Professionally finished basement with wet bar. Nicely landscaped.

\$148,900 455-7000



NORTHVILLE

GRACIOUS EASY LIVING - in 3 bedroom condo backing to woods in beautiful Northville. Move-in condition. Walk-out lower level with half bath plus 2½ baths, 1st floor laundry, fireplace in living room, closets galore.

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REDFORD

SOUTH REDFORD RANCH - Great starter home with 3 bedrooms. Freshly painted, hardwood floors, large wood deck. On quiet street near Thurston High School.

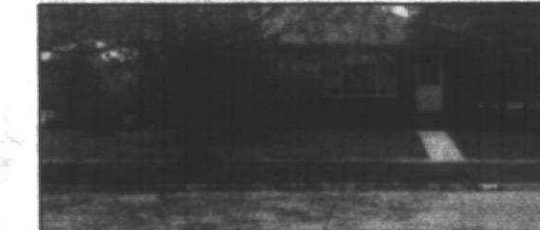
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REDFORD

REDFORD BEAUTY - Attractive 3 bedroom bungalow with hardwood floors throughout. Eating area has built-in hutch, FHA and VA terms.

\$54,500 559-2300



GARDEN CITY

SUPER, SUPER SHARP - ranch in great location. Many upgrades, improvements including: windows, plumbing, electrical and roof. Much, much more - move right in!

\$74,900 348-6430



WAYNE

MOVE IN TODAY! - Lovely three bedroom brick ranch in quiet neighborhood. Enjoy the pool this summer! Partially finished basement, 2 car garage, immediate occupancy. Priced to sell.

\$59,900 261-0700



LIVONIA

CHOICE BUY - Original owners. This home is neat as a pin with neutral decor. Three bedrooms and 1½ baths, on a large lot. Central air and many updates. A lot of home for the money in Livonia.

\$82,500 261-0700



WESTLAND

ALMOST ONE ACRE - in Westland, this one is quite a find, two bedroom ranch with central air and large living room, this one won't last long.

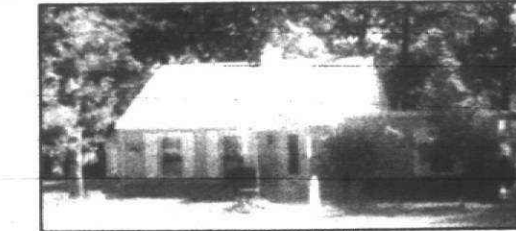
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WESTLAND

IDEAL FOR KIDS - 3 or 4 bedroom Tonquish Colonial with den, 2 baths, country kitchen, full basement, newer vinyl windows, lovely landscaping and owners pride throughout.

\$79,900 326-2000



LIVONIA

COUNTRY ATMOSPHERE - The search stops here. A real cream puff. 3 bedroom, 2 full bath ranch on a large treed lot. Prime Livonia location.

\$98,900 455-7000



PLYMOUTH

1987 CUSTOM PLYMOUTH RANCH - Serene setting on private road. 3 bedrooms, 2½ baths, formal dining room, wood Pella windows. Great room with marble fireplace, covered porch, circular driveway, 3 car attached garage.

\$259,500 455-7000



CANTON

LOCATION! LOCATION! - Townhouse condo located across from pool, clubhouse. 2 bedrooms, 1½ baths, country kitchen with appliances. Master bedroom with walk-in closet. Finished basement. More.


\$74,900 455-7000



PLYMOUTH

RIDGEWOOD HILLS! - Elegant, designer inspired formal area plus warm and cozy family area in this magnificent Williamsburg Colonial. 4 bedrooms, 2½ baths, den and study. Deck, central air, sprinklers.

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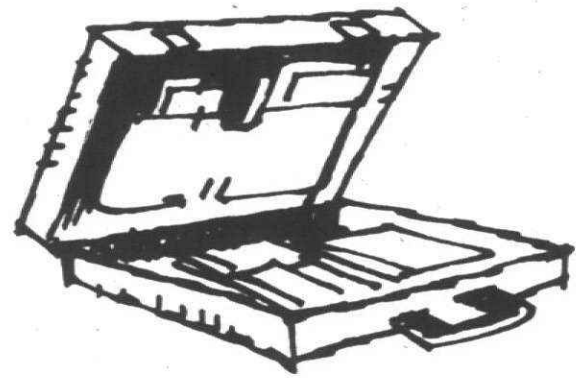
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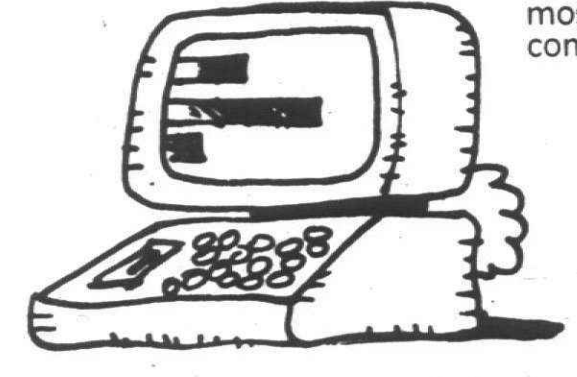
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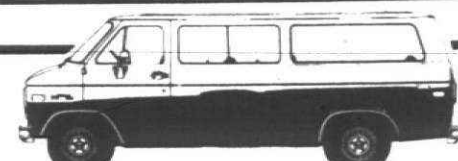
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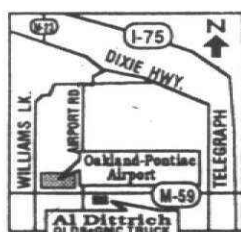

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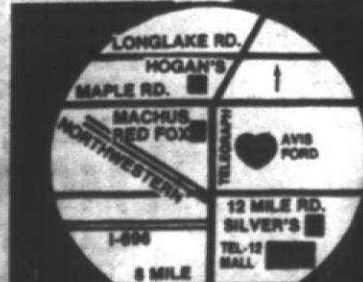
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story great room with fireplace. It is priced in the \$370,000-\$450,000 range.

Large, wooded lots featured at Homearama

By Doug Funke
Staff writer

Awsome. That's the word used to describe the site of the upcoming fall Homearama in Brighton by Dennis Dickstein, general chairman of the show and chairman/CEO of Ralph Manuel Realtors of Birmingham.

"We don't know how we'll ever top this one," Dickstein said of the Pine Creek Ridge subdivision overlooking Brighton Lake.

"This is a beautiful spot. They (spectators) can spend a day in the country among the pine trees and see beautiful homes."

The show, a joint effort of the Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan and the Home Builders Association of Livingston County, will run Oct. 4-28.

Standard Federal Bank, headquartered in Troy, and Detroit Edison are co-sponsors.

Ten builders, including five from the Observer & Eccentric coverage area, will showcase custom-built homes. (See related story on Page 3.) Prices range from \$350,000 to \$800,000. Most probably will be priced in excess of \$500,000.

ATTENDANCE OF some 110,000 is expected.

"I would say 98 percent of the people will never be in a position to buy homes in this price range," Dickstein said. "Sometimes, you just go to see beautiful things."

"If nothing else, they may pick up an idea, flavor, thought or feeling and transfer it to their own homes."

And what of the builder participants?

"It's good for their reputation, credibility," Dickstein said. "It's definitely a marketing tool for sales."

They are the other 2 percent. Two percent of 100,000 (spectators) is 2,000. All you need is 1 percent to buy and you've sold 20."

Robert R. Jones, a West Bloomfield builder, will participate in his sixth Homearama, more than any other builder in metro Detroit.

"I THINK it enables us to bring what we think are new and unique projects to the general public," he said. "I think it enables us to broaden our market."

'I'm a great believer in model homes. It's very difficult for most people to visualize plans. Having models, they'll customize, but they'll know what their getting.'

— Robert R. Jones
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Jones recalled one couple who came to him five or six years after seeing one of his models at a Homearama when they were in a better financial position to build.

"I'm a great believer in model homes," Jones said. "It's very difficult for most people to visualize plans. Having models, they'll customize, but they'll know what they're getting."

Abbey Homes of Birmingham, which acquired exclusive control of the 700-acre property about three years ago, expects to develop in five phases over at least that many years.

"IT'S HEAVILY wooded with a number of lakes, ravines and rivers," said Robert Katzman, president of Abbey Homes. "It was an old Boy Scout camp. The Boy Scouts every year planted pine trees. Now it's a large forest."

Plans now call for 317 home sites and 200 condominium sites, Katzman said. Individual lot sizes will range from one-half acre to three acres.

Homearama tickets, at \$5 apiece, will be available at the Pine Creek Ridge subdivision on Brighton Road ¼ mile west of Grand River when the show opens. Take the Spencer Road exit off I-96.

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OAKLAND COUNTY

Auburn Hills
2551 Auburn Road
Apartment 4 To 19 Family
Barbara J. Zent
Paul E. Hamilton
\$93,000 *

3350 Auburn Road
Other Comm Structures
Hamlin Properties Inc.
New King Lims Inc.
\$285,000

Clawson
1332 Anderson
Light Manuf & Assembly
Jeffrey S. Dudzinski
Thomas C. Sebald Trst.
\$320,000

Farmington Hills
30747 10 Mile
Retail Store Detach (sm)
Miami Land Dev Co.
Virginia M. Stedman Trst.
\$389,500



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John J. Justice Sr.
Lawrence R. Holman
\$225,000

1460 E 9 Mile Road
Commercial
Lawrence R. Holman
Andrew L. Schwyer Jr.
\$70,000

Holly Township
2476 Kenthia Court
Apartment 4 To 19 Family
Thomas J. Hall
Mark D. Collins
\$158,000

2476 Kenthia Court
Apartment 4 To 19 Family
Mark D. Collins
Kenneth R. Cole
\$87,500

Independence Township
Maybee Road
Commercial
Shouhail Investment Co.
Lexington Orchard
\$298,000

Madison Heights
1452 E 12 Mile Road
Restaurant/Cafeteria Bar
Rallys Inc.
R. J. V. Of Detroit
\$199,600

Royal Oak
312 S Main
Commercial
Manmoth Investment Co.
Roy H. Hoke
\$42,000

Southfield
19080 W 10 Mile Road
Office Bldg 1-2 Stories
William A. Dingwell
Donald A. Pong Trst.
\$200,000

17201 12 Mile Road
Commercial
Frederick J. Monahan
Elizabeth C. Cammarata
\$49,300

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David Hoff
Charles Overfield
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Plymouth Township
Helm Street

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Demco Lx Ltd Partnership
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The Builders Association of Southeast Michigan 1990 Fall Homearama, a showing of 10 luxury homes constructed by BASM members—including five builders from the Observer & Eccentric coverage area—runs Oct. 4-28. Take I-96 west to Spencer Road (exit 147), turn south to Main Street. Take Main Street south through Brighton (Main Street turns into Brighton Road) for about two miles to the Pine Creek Ridge Subdivision.

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Builders list favorite features

The fall Homearama next month in Brighton will have a distinctive Observer & Eccentric flavor. Area builders are constructing six of the 10 houses. They include:

• Robert B. Jones Associates of West Bloomfield, which will showcase the Balmoral, 5,200 square feet with four bedrooms, three full baths and two half baths.

Highlights include a large combination great room/dining room, a family gathering room with adjoining kitchen, and a full walk-out basement to a lake.

"One of the single biggest things is the exterior, the stone," Jones said. "Usually, you see stone used as an embellishment. We put stone on the whole front of the house including a courtyard."

• Koch Development of Troy, which will exhibit the Dynasty, 5,300 square feet also with four bedrooms, three full baths and two half baths.

The house contains five fireplaces, a three-story staircase and his-and-her separate baths.

"It's got a tremendous amount of windows—61, I think," said Richard Koch, president. "I think the window bill on that was \$55,000."

• James D. Compo of Farmington Hills, which will construct two houses.

The American, 7,500 square feet, with 4-6 bedrooms and 4½ baths, features all Masco building products and a lower level with a bar, exercise area, entertainment center and sauna.

"There's a lot of special lighting in the house and I've used some unusual trim treatments," said Janet Compo, president of the company.

The Parkview, 4,715 square feet with four bedrooms and 4½ baths, has a first-floor master bedroom suite. The house also has a media room and a library.

"It has a very special exterior—a French country look," Compo said. "Roof lines and elevation are quite different. It's the longest house in the show."

• Damascus Development Corp. of Rochester, which will build the Gleanery, 4,150 square feet with four bedrooms and 3½ baths.

The master bedroom suite is more than 800 square feet, and the dining room, with a two-story ceiling, has an overlooking balcony. Hallways are extra wide.

"It has a real stately appearance," said Timothy McDonald, president of Damascus. "They're going to see detailed trim work they're not going to see except in mansions."

• D.J. Blatt Building Co. of West Bloomfield, which will construct the Cranbrook, 5,800 square feet with four bedrooms, three full baths and two half baths.

The lower level features a bar, wine cellar, stone cut fireplace, cedar closet, whirlpool and sauna.

"There's porcelain tile in the hall, foyer and kitchen," said David Blatt. "There's custom oak (kitchen) cabinets, and the countertops are all hand-carved granite."

"All the living areas have a view of the woods or lake," he added.

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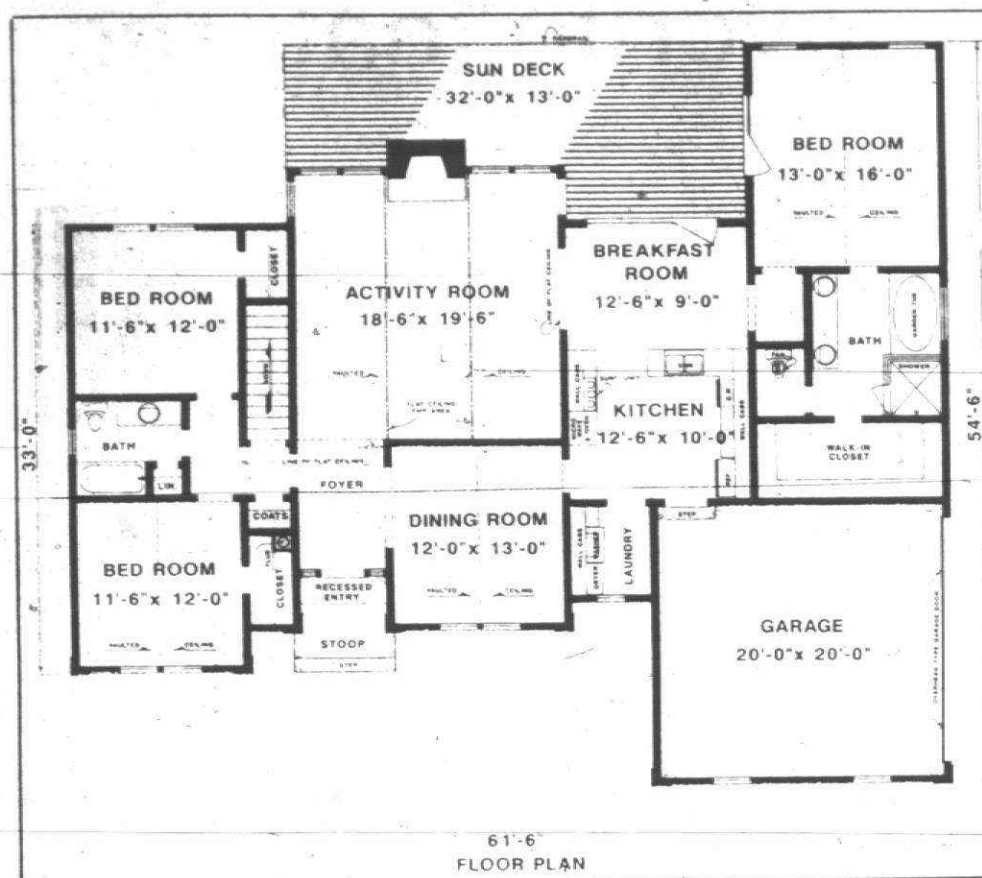
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AP — Home safety doesn't happen by accident. While no one can foresee a child being injured in the kitchen or bathroom — two of a home's more hazardous rooms — everyone can take steps to lessen potential perils. Most of these measures are common sense, but Kitchen and Bath Ideas magazine says it pays to review. These safety guidelines apply to both the kitchen and bathroom.

- Store liquor, chemicals, cleaners and medicines in upper cabinets out of children's sight. Because kids can climb, however, outfit the cabinet with a lock. Buy potentially lethal products in child-resistant packaging only.
- Latch cabinets where garbage and plastic garbage bags are kept.
- All cabinet doors and drawers should feature safety stops. Knobs should be too large for a child to swallow.
- Provide safe storage for sharp objects, such as knives and fingernail files.
- Install slip-resistant flooring and make sure scatter rugs have non-slip backings.
- Eliminate or cover sharp corners, such as on counters, tables and hearths.

- Place all electric outlets, or at least those near water sources, on a ground fault circuit interrupter.
- Cover electric outlets.
- Stay away from water sources when using small appliances.
- To avoid severe burns, set the water temperature no higher than 120 degrees. Water heated to 156 degrees can cause a third-degree burn in only one second.
- Install smoke detectors and place a fire extinguisher near the exit. If building or remodeling, consider installing a sprinkler system.
- Install windows and mirrors with protective film that prevents shards from flying when broken.
- Windows, especially those on upper floors, should feature hardware that limits how far they open.
- Keep cords for draperies and mini-blinds out of reach.
- Make sure interiors are well lighted.
- Keep lamp cords hidden.
- Until children are older, put away knickknacks that are small enough to pose a choking hazard.

Title transactions discussed

Putting together the documents for a property title transaction will be the focus of a seminar hosted by the Professional Women in Construction Council 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 25, at the Clarion Hotel on 12 Mile west of Orchard Lake Road in Farmington Hills.

Phil Seaver of Seaver Title Co. will discuss preparation of title documents, waivers, sworn statements and draw requests at the program sponsored by the Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan.

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Newsletters: builders' marketing tool

By Mary Rodrigue
staff writer

Communications may be the key to selling homes in the '90s. One way builders are drawing attention to their projects is by publishing newsletters. While the tool is commonly used to pique the interest of real estate agents, present homeowners, past customers, potential partners and the media, sometimes it's simply used to keep those who

have already bought into a project informed. Holtzman & Silverman, one of the nation's leading developers of sale and rental properties, produces newsletters for its single family home and condominium developments. In addition, each of its 22 Village Green properties in metro Detroit (representing 8,000 apartment units) produces an independent newsletter.

"Pertaining to single family homes and condominiums, the newsletter apprises the reader of activities of the firm, its distinguished reputation — it's a third-generation company — and its exceptional attention to detail," said spokeswoman Jane Lynch.

The Village Green rental communities begin publishing when leasing begins, again when the first models are open and later when the properties are completed, she said. "Then the focus is on what's hap-

pening with the fitness center, the club room, swimming pool. Each community has a social activities director and the monthly newsletter would promote Sunday brunch, movie nights, any special activity."

OAKLAND COUNTY builder Sam Blumenstein produces a newsletter for each new project he designs. Currently building the Maples of Novi at 14 Mile and Decker roads, 1,000 units of all detached site condomini-

ums, the accompanying newsletter is dubbed the Maples of Novi News. For his last project, Maple Villas between Haggerty and Halstead in West Bloomfield, he produced the Villas Voice.

"It's not for the outside, it's strictly internal," said Blumenstein. "We found a lot of people asking the same questions. Communications in the '90s is very important. People who are kept in the dark are not happy. They want to be informed."

Named broker

Leonard R. Morgan of Garden City has been appointed a broker in the industrial sales division of the Byron W. Trerice Co., Birmingham. He will be responsible for industrial real estate sales and leasing of buildings and properties. He has more than 25 years experience in the field.

Architect to speak

Architect Charles F. Merz of the firm Schervish Vogel Merz, will present a slide program on residential landscape architecture 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 27, at the Bloomfield Township Public Library, 1099 Lone Pine at the corner of Telegraph. Merz has also appeared as a lecturer at Lawrence Technological University, the University of Windsor and the Detroit Institute of Art. He believes that "landscaping is an adjunct to architecture." "Instead of constructing an object which takes up space, you're taking objects and forming space. Even a small area can be enhanced with the right landscaping. That includes special plantings, proper placement and dramatic lighting."



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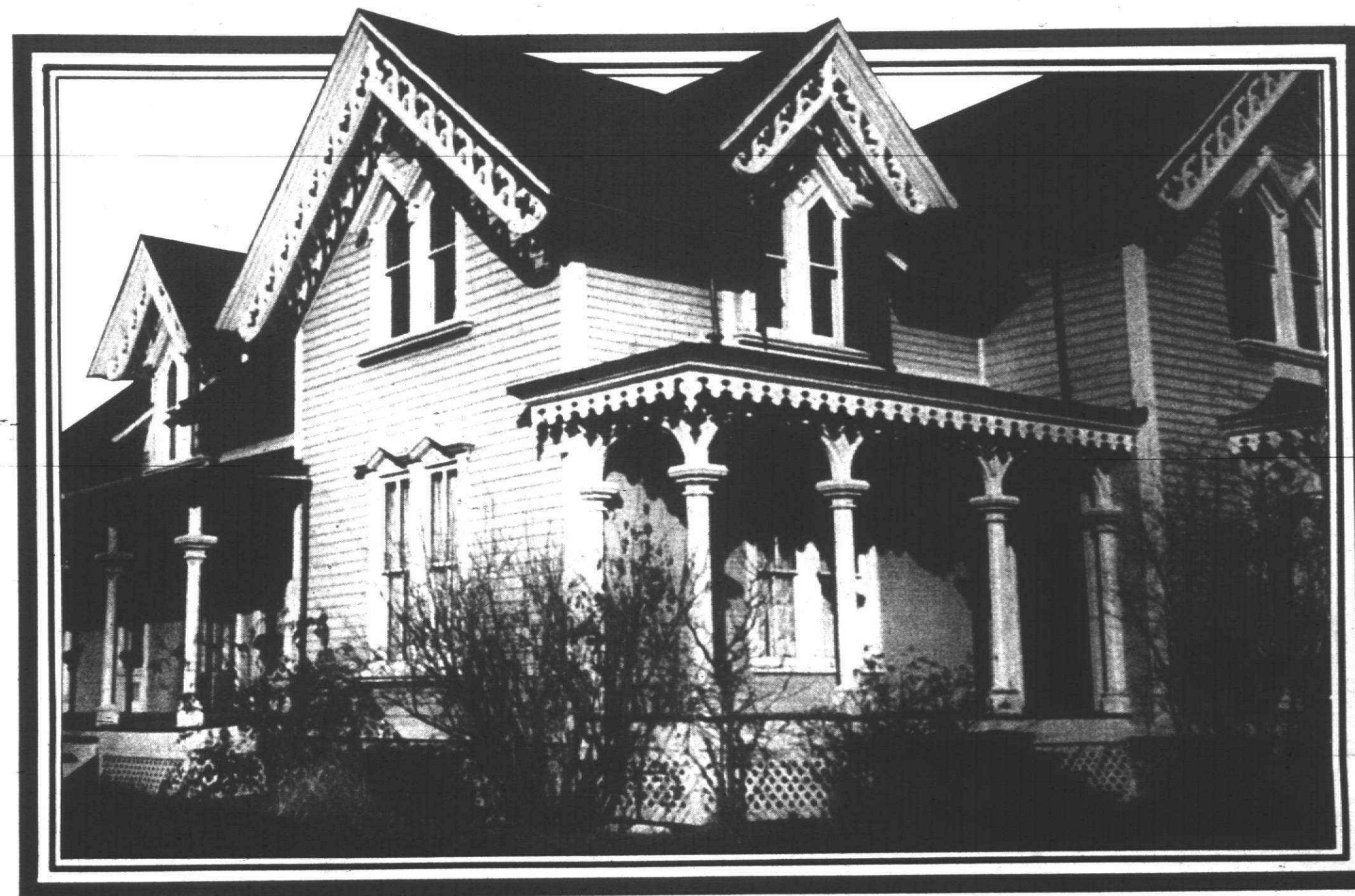
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Tile grows in popularity for counters

AP — Many people consider tile to be the most luxurious material for kitchen countertops. Available in a wide variety of shapes, sizes, colors and textures, ceramic tile allows you to create a countertop to complement any home decor. Prices vary widely, but one of the largest American tile makers estimates material costs at between \$3.30 and \$8.50 a square foot. Imported tiles can run as high as \$30 a square foot.

There are three types of tile: glazed, unglazed and quarry tile. In manufacturing glazed tile, the surface of the tile body is first coated with color and then a glass-like substance that serves to seal the porous clay. Glazed tiles are the softest and easiest to cut.

In unglazed tiles, the color permeates the tile body. The density of the clay makes them extremely stain resistant. Porcelain tiles are unglazed tiles that are the least likely to stain.

Quarry tiles are more porous, and, therefore, more likely to stain. Polyurethane sealers are often used to protect quarry tile, though it may not be desirable to use them on surfaces where food is prepared. For countertop installations, it's usually best to use a latex wall and floor tile adhesive.

Grout is used to seal the joints between tiles. It is available in powdered form. There are cement-based grouts and those made to be mixed with a latex solution. Both types are suitable for countertops, though the latex-based grout resists mildew and deterioration somewhat better. Grout color can either blend or contrast with the tile to create varied effects. Test the grout first to be sure it won't stain the tile surface, particularly if you're working with unglazed tiles.

Build the counter base first, using 3/4-inch exterior plywood. Do not substitute particleboard.

Make cutouts for sinks and countertop ranges.

To prepare for setting tile, skimcoat the base with tile adhesive, using the flat edge of a trowel. Allow it to dry thoroughly (about 4 hours). Make a trial layout with the tiles. For tops without cutouts

for sinks and ranges, start the layout at the center of the front edge. When the top has a sink cutout, start at the cutout center and work toward either side.

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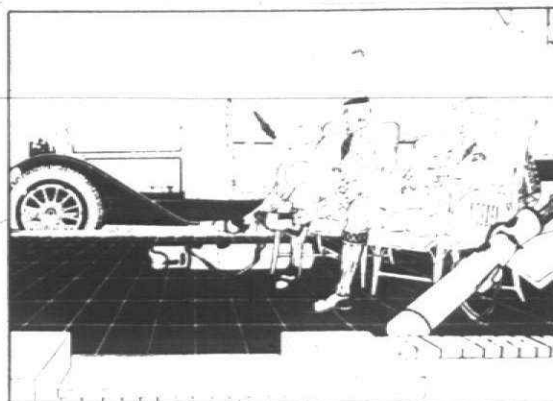
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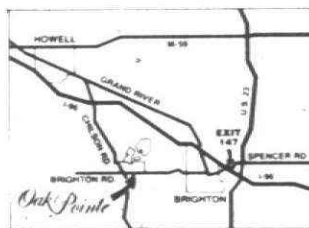


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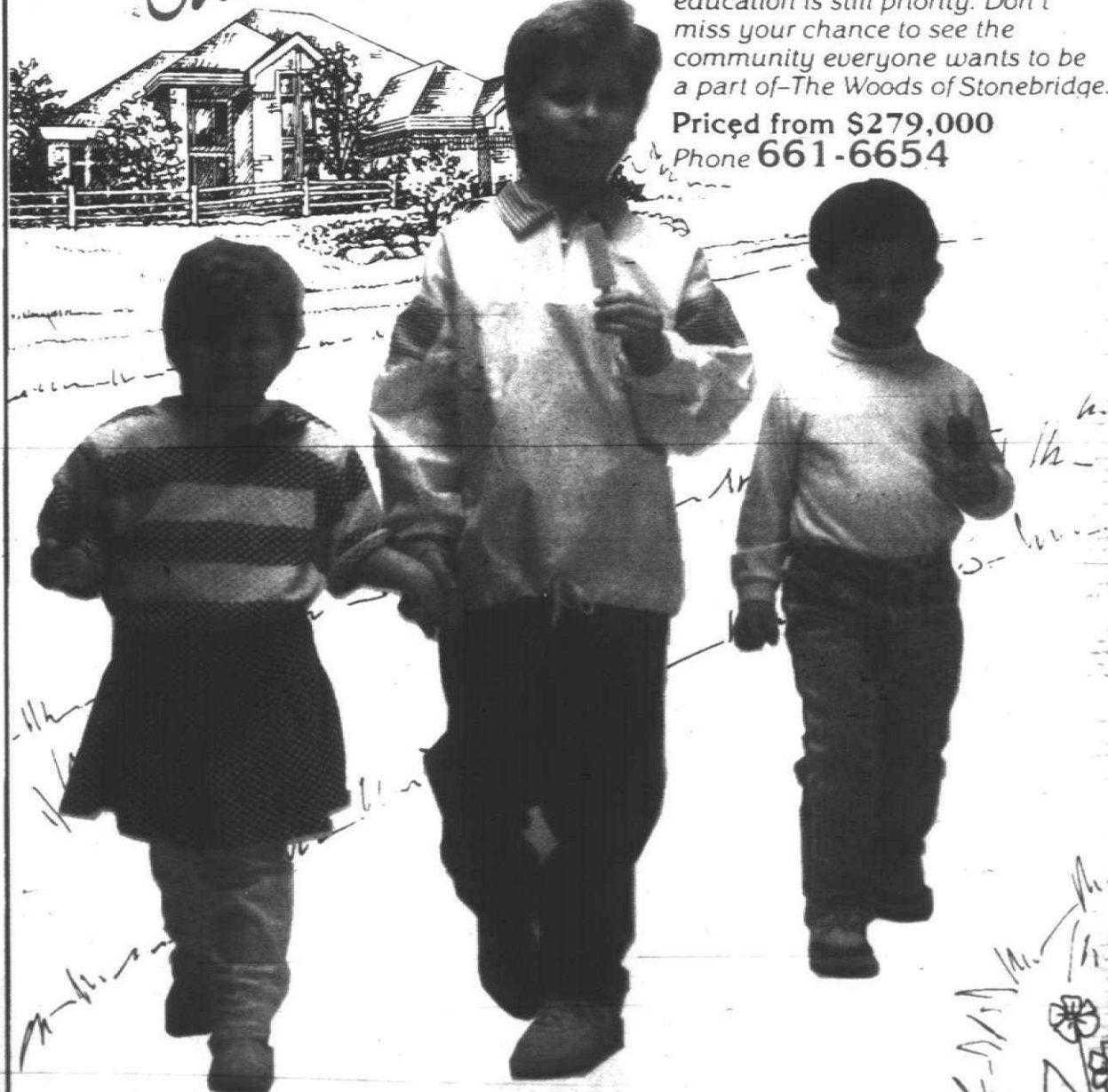
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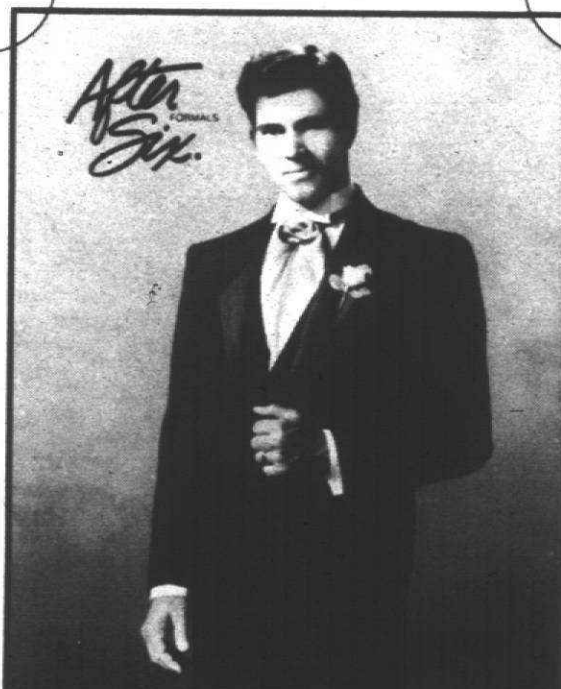
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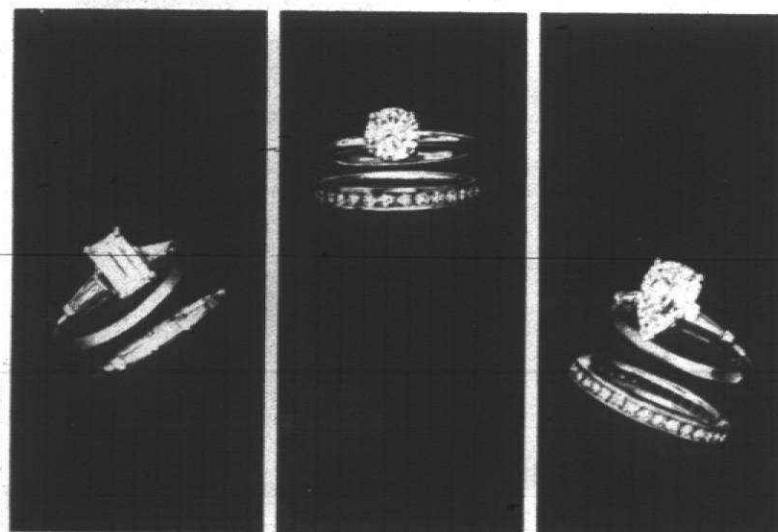
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Hostesses at the Little Wedding Chapel in Farmington Hills are Irene Bruza (left), Shari Johns and Sharon Reed.

Little chapel offers wedding alternative

By Arlene Funke
special writer

FARIMA AZMOUDEH of Bloomfield Hills wanted an intimate marriage ceremony without religious overtones.

Still, she didn't want what she considered to be a sterile wedding in a judge's chambers. What's a bride to do?

Azmoudeh, a 35-year-old computer programmer and her engineer husband, Ahmad, 36, decided to be married at The Little Wedding Chapel, 27857 Orchard Lake Road.

Although it bears the name "chapel," the site isn't affiliated with any church. It is, simply, a place where small weddings are performed.

"We wanted the ceremony for our family and a few close friends," said Azmoudeh, formerly of Southfield.

In the Orchard-12 Shopping Center at Orchard Lake Road and 12 Mile, the Farmington Hills chapel has a cozy, romantic ambience.

THE FRONT window is edged with white latticework and accented with pots of flowers. The chapel, which seats 50 people, has pews, lighted candles, silk flowers and a gas fireplace.

The bride may enter under a trellised arch and down a winding stairway or through lace-curtained french doors.

"They make it very special for you," Azmoudeh said.

The Azmoudehs, who chose a civil ceremony, were married in a candlelight service Dec. 29. Twenty guests witnessed the first-time bridal

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Credits

Getting married means many different things nowadays. Some weddings are festive, others no-frill. Many are traditional, others far-out.

No matter.

To help put the union in perspective, the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers today presents this special fall bridal section.

Stories vary from choosing a cake to choosing a honeymoon. But the theme is the same: what helps make the big day so special.

Enjoy!

— Bob Sklar,
assistant managing editor

On the cover: A formal portrait of Melissa Halstead, who married

Daniel Parisien, both of Livonia, on Aug. 11 in Milford, their new home. By The Ultimate Image, Wedding Photography, Livonia.

Bob Sklar coordinated this section. Randy Borst, graphics editor, designed the cover. Advertising coordinators were Rhonda Rosser and Jeannie Bentley. Direct queries to Bob Sklar at 591-2300, Ext. 313.

Ultimate keepsake: photo love story

By Denise Lucas
special writer

"Excellence is a journey... not a destination. Focus on being the best in what you do every day; do not settle for mediocrity. As you strive to be the best and believe in what you are doing, you will feel good about yourself. Life will be wonderful and exciting."

— Gary Miller, photographer

FAIRY TALES, do come true, it could happen to you... Romeo and Juliet, Anthony and Cleopatra, Bogie and Bacall. Everyone loves to immerse themselves with the "enamorous" feelings of two people in love.

Gary Miller, a nationally renowned photographer from West Bloomfield, has designed the ultimate wedding keepsake for today's newlywed couples: the "Living Love Story."

The "Living Love Story" shares the interaction, essence and spirit of a couple in the form of a three-minute video slide presentation set to music.

The video love story creates a warm ambience when shown to the guests at the wedding reception. It is a wonderful surprise gift from the bride and groom to their friends and family that results in zestful applause and emotional tears of joy.

"I help each couple touch the heartstrings of all their family and friends right at the onset of the wedding reception," Miller said. "At most weddings, the bride's side only knows the bride and the groom's side is only familiar with the groom. My love story is the icebreaker that helps to melt the two separate families into one."

THIS NEW concept in wedding photography begins before the wedding day.

The innovative bride-to-be and her



Photographer Gary Miller captures Alex and Marci Benson of West Bloomfield in a special moment on the beach.

fiance experience pre-nuptial photo sessions (often taken one day of each season of the year), sharing their special moments, common interests and lifelong dreams, which Miller captures in his photographs.

These photo sessions also help the couple feel more confident and comfortable in front of the camera. They establish a special rapport between the couple and the photographer, ensuring photos that radiate and glow on this most important day.

Some couples choose to include their families in their love stories, which often bring two families with three generations together. The love stories are filled with expressions of love, touching, hugging and family interaction. The selected photos are placed on video and orchestrated to

the couples' most meaningful romantic love songs.

Making dreams come true is what Gary Miller is all about. A cross between Francesco Scavullo and Leo Buscaglia, Miller's artistic expression, enthusiasm for life and 29 years of

photographic excellence place him in a special category.

He has taken the "Miller Formula" on the road and lectured to photographers around the country, teaching them how to put the love stories together.

"I take pictures of the couple and families as they walk through meadows, picnic on the banks of a river, horseback ride through beautiful fields and play on swings and slides, ski in the mountains, or splash in the ocean," Miller said.

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There are countless details to consider when planning the most memorable day of your life. It takes endless hours and great deliberation, combined with moments of stress and uneasiness to select that dream-come-true wedding gown, arrange for the perfect caterer, decide on a special florist and opt for the ideal musicians.

The planning timetable takes weeks, maybe months of careful organization and important decisions, yet, the

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Alex and Marci Benson's photo love story, taken by photographer Gary Miller, includes this picture of them jogging in the park.

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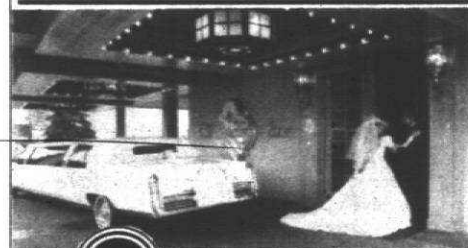
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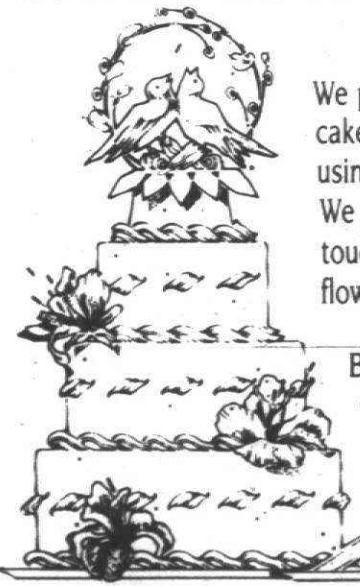
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Blossoms now adorn many wedding cakes

By Debbie Wallis Landau
special writer

TODAY'S WEDDING reception might be held in a church or synagogue hall, a four-star restaurant or mom's back yard.

But regardless of the grandeur or earthiness of the party, guests will most certainly be served a slice of wedding cake.

The choices for contemporary brides and grooms extend from the simple to the sublime. Pastry chefs at local bakeries agree that a first marriage seems to command a more ornate, larger wedding cake. Receptions that include a full dinner also usually feature a multi-tiered cake.

Susan Kelly, manager at Mrs. Maddox's Cake Shop in Farmington Hills, says, "When a cake is on display longer, it's going to be more elaborate.

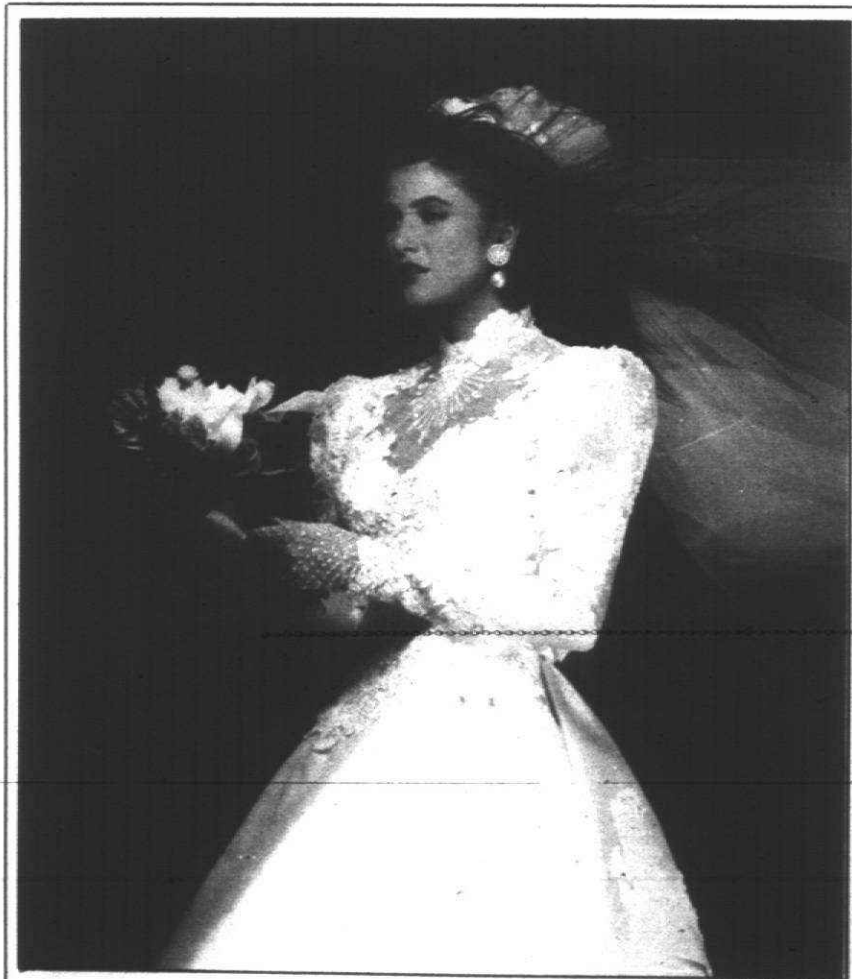
A tea reception with hors d'oeuvres will present a beautiful cake, but often the budget is more modest in the first place, and that's always a consideration."

Kelly is a third-generation baker. Her grandmother was the original Mrs. Maddox. The latter first opened her cake shop in 1928 and became known throughout the Detroit area for her wedding cakes and lovely petit fours.

"In my grandmother's day, more bakeries were decorating cakes with buttercream frosting. You could drape lace, latticework designs with it. Today, because of people's concerns with health and diet, buttercream isn't being used as frequently.

"What we do use is a boiled frosting, which has a fluffy, marshmallow-like consistency. It's derived from a

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A softer look

The Anastasia jeweled neckline controls a sheer yoke dressed with beaded fans, an open back neckline complements the bodice, Alencon lace roses cascade through the bodice touching the hipline ending in a point, the long Juliet sleeves are dressed in a repeat of beaded fans and lace, soft gathers float the Polished Taffeta skirt, a spray of roses introduces the butterfly train and a vine of blossoms outlines the hemline. From the House of Bianchi, Boston. \$1,000. At Alvin's Bridal, Birmingham.

Many wedding cakes now boast blossoms

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granulated sugar base, which is cooked to a syrup and combined with egg white. The appropriate colors can be added to tint the icing."

THE BIGGEST change in her wedding cake orders, Kelly said, is a tendency to duplicate shapes of fresh flowers with icing or adorn the cake with fresh blossoms as well.

"The big favorites are calla lilies and morning glories. The modern bride is also often asking for a contemporary looking cake," she said.

"Today's bride knows exactly what she wants," she added. "She will come in with pictures from magazines or photos taken at parties she has attended."

Richard Jurkiewicz of the G & M Paris Bakery in Livonia sees cakes ordered smaller than in years past. His average order will nicely serve 200-350. He used to get requests for cakes serving 400 or more.

"We're also still doing many tiered cakes," he said, "but using fewer separators between tiers. Yellow cake is still the hands-down favorite flavor for cake, although we do get some people asking for chocolate or raspberry mousse layers. We will alternate flavors between tiers, as well."

Jurkiewicz frequently includes lots of fresh and silk flowers on his wedding cakes. Brides like the design to replicate their throw bouquets, he said.

SYLVIA LEE, owner of Desserts by Sylvia Lee in Southfield, admits that her creations are pretty rich.

"I believe in giving guests a good slice of something satisfying," she said. "If it's chocolate, it's deep chocolate and creamy. I use a lot of fresh lemon for a sweet, yet tart taste if citrus is chosen."

One of Sylvia Lee's signature cakes is a chocolate pinwheel torte adorned with curls of white chocolate. It's a popular choice for older brides or couples celebrating second marriages. With its two tiers, it can still afford that "first anniversary sentimentality" if the couple wants to save some.

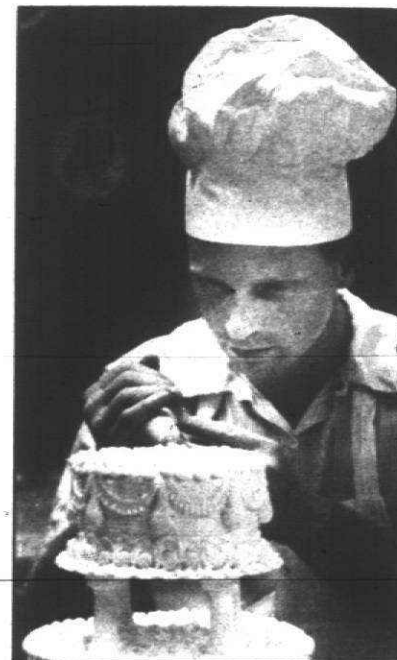
She echoes the popularity of flowers on today's cakes, saying: "We very rarely do anything but fresh flowers. The old tradition of putting a little bride and groom atop the highest layer is getting passe."

Lee likes using lilies of the valley or tiny silk flowers for her smaller cakes.

If customers share her love for something rich and a little different, she will recommend her raspberry cheesecake wedding cake.

Customers with special dietary considerations will appreciate that Desserts by Sylvia Lee is certified.

SHARON AND Stu Koster, owners



JIM RIDER/staff photographer

Stu Koster of the Bavarian Bakery and World Class Cakes applies the finishing touches to a three-tiered wedding cake.

of World Class Cakes and Fine Pastries in West Bloomfield and the Bavarian Bakery in Troy, say that on a busy weekend, they might get 10 orders for wedding cakes at either location.

"One design which our customers keep asking for is our basketweave cake. It has four tiers and we often cascade flowers down the sides. More traditional designs showcase a fountain in the center, or staircase motif on either side of the cake," Sharon said.

The Kosters opened the Bavarian Bakery 11 years ago and World Class Cakes in 1989. "In the years we've been bakers, cakes seem much simpler," Sharon said. "Most people are not into the real fussy designs that used to be popular."

The Kosters will copy any picture brought into their store and honor most flavor requests. "Yellow, chocolate and white cakes are still the most popular," Sharon said, "but we do fruit fillings and mousses, and also offer cherry nut, marble or carrot cakes."

Most basketweaves designs feeding 200-225 people sell for \$228 and a torte wedding cake of the same size is priced at \$296.

Sharon Koster likes to prepare brides for that first anniversary sampling of cake even before the wedding.

She suggests hardening the frosting in the freezer for an hour or so, then removing the cake, wrapping it in several layers of freezer wrap, and placing it in a large freezer bag before putting it back in the freezer.

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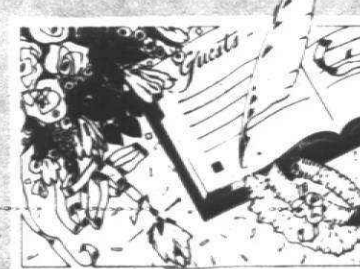
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Chapel offers intimate ceremony

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pair taking their vows before the lighted fireplace.

Passages from philosopher-poet Khalil Gibran's "The Prophet" were recited. A pianist played a medley of love songs.

The Little Wedding Chapel, which opened last October, is owned and operated by Sharon Reed of Southfield, Shari Johnson of Livonia and Irene Bruza of Warren. All three are career women in their 40s.

Reed is the former owner of Bloomie's Face and Body, a skin-care salon in the same center as the chapel. Bruza is a former manager with a chain of eyeglass centers.

Johnson, a former advertising saleswoman, last year was ordained by New Beginnings, a non-denominational outreach ministry based in Arizona. She performs most of the marriage ceremonies at the chapel.

THE LITTLE Wedding Chapel, conceived by Reed, is patterned after similar operations in Las Vegas and California.

Couples with marriage licenses sometimes can schedule their weddings for the same day, according to Reed. Fridays and Saturdays are the busiest, with ceremonies booked every 1½ hours.

The \$175 fee includes a private dressing room for the bride, a rehearsal, use of the chapel (decorated with silk flowers and lighted candles),

piped-in traditional wedding music, assistance of a wedding coordinator and a non-denominational religious or civil ceremony.

Couples may bring their own person to officiate, although few do.

Extras are available, including a pianist, flowers, a soloist, invitations, a photographer and a video of the ceremony. There is a \$20 premium for evening and weekend weddings.

"We do everything possible to ensure complete privacy," said Reed, noting that the door is locked and the phones turned off before the start of each wedding.

JOHNSON, WHO has no church ministry, finds much personal satisfaction in her work.

"A lot of healing starts here," Johnson said. "That is why they come to a non-denominational chapel. Many of the couples, even if they don't have a church of their own, or are going to a church on a religious basis, want God to be part of the marriage ceremony."

The Azmoudehs followed their small ceremony with a gala reception for 100 people. Some weddings have featured harp soloists, bagpipers and horse-and-buggy rides.

Since the partners have prospered with their small chapel, they are planning to develop an adjacent storefront into an intimate reception hall. In keeping with the theme, it will be called The Little Hall in the Hills.

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Love story in pictures

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- **Clothing:** Simplicity! Simple, plain outfits photograph the best as they are not distracting. Wear warm colors with long sleeves.

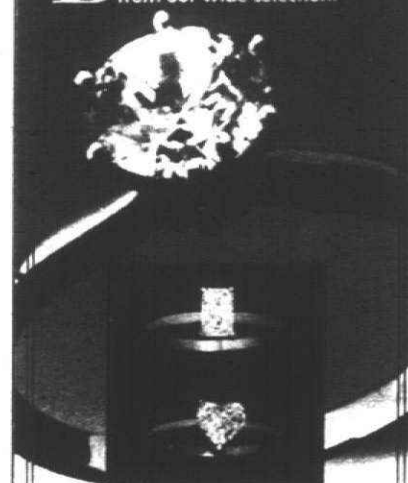
- **Glasses:** Ask your optician to supply you with empty rims for the day of your appointment; not only do glasses catch light reflections, but they also can distort the faceline in some portraits because of the lenses.

- **Women:** Eye shadow should be applied lightly and with care. Apply two coats of mascara on both upper and lower lashes. Wear your other makeup as usual. Bring all of your makeup with you in case any minor modification is required.

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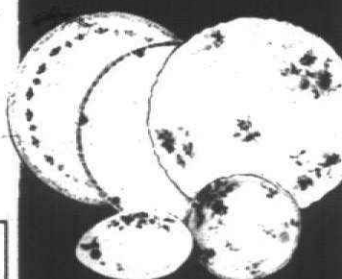
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