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Escaped convicts captured

By Kevin Brown
staff writer

Two inmates who escaped Christmas Eve from a Plymouth Township prison were arrested Friday in Virginia.

After photos of Frank Schanault of Westland and Bruce White of Pontiac were identified by Greyhound bus line officials, Wytheville, Va. police were called in and circled a bus depot the two men were waiting in, an FBI spokesman said.

Just hours earlier, the two men released unharmed a 21-year-old Dearborn Heights woman they abducted Christmas Eve after their escape from the Western Wayne Correctional Facility, said Hal Helterhoff, FBI special agent.

Schanault and White kidnapped the woman from a State Farm office on Telegraph Road in Dearborn Heights, "and forced her to drive them out of the area," Helterhoff said.

"They released her unharmed," he said, in Bristol, Va. "The FBI had several leads in the area and went to the bus station and showed photographs," Helterhoff said.

"We also located a relative who admitted he gave them a change of clothes, and they had purchased (bus) tickets to go from Bristol to Jacksonville, Fla.," he continued.

Before the two were captured, Schanault "went for a police officer's gun," while White tried to flee, Helterhoff said, adding both were caught and jailed in Wytheville.

He said one inmate had a three-inch knife and another had a small pistol when they were arrested.

Before the two can be returned to Plymouth, the two will have to face a hearing on charges of resisting arrest, Helterhoff said. Both men could also face charges of kidnapping; he added.

Both inmates had vowed they would "not be taken alive," the state police reported.

The prisoners were discovered missing at 10 a.m. Christmas Eve, "within minutes" of the last check of the prison yard the men were in, said Western Wayne Correctional Facility Warden Luela Burke.

Schanault, 33, was sentenced in Isabella County to 25-to-50 years in prison for armed robbery. White, 28, was sentenced in Oakland County to 2-to-20 years for armed robbery and 4-to-40 years for first-degree criminal sexual conduct related to homosexual assaults, the state police reported.

On Wednesday, the FBI joined the investigation.

After the prisoners left the yard, investigators said they weren't sure how — tracks in the snow suggested the men headed a short distance southwest to the Metro West industrial park.

"It's believed they had a vehicle waiting for them," Burke said.

Tire tracks at the scene were not "indicative of anything in particular," Sanderson said.

While prison officials have reported occasional walkaways of prisoners on minimum security work details, this was the first escape from the prison's secure perimeter in four years, Burke said.

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By Ted Schnieder
staff writer

The hit-and-run driver who killed a Wayne teenager Tuesday may have been headed home to Westland or Livonia, police said.

Police were still looking for the driver late last week.

"He was headed northbound on Venoy and based on the time of day, I'd say it's a good possibility," Lt. Dan Randall of the Wayne police traffic bureau said Wednesday.

Killed in the Tuesday night incident was Rachel Mullens, 17.

Mullens was hit by a light gray or white compact car at 5:30 p.m. as she walked across Venoy near the Conrail tracks, just south of Michigan Avenue, police said.

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Warris Farms mired in money trouble

Promises not kept, renters say, 2A

By Janice Brunson
staff writer

Warris Farms, beset by financial problems, has become a dream gone bad in Westland.

The construction project, the city's first under new multi-use land ordinances, was forged amid high hopes and grand expectations in January 1986. But by early 1987, the project was in financial trouble.

Today, Warris Farms — a proposed \$38 million retail and residential development on Newburgh, south of Joy — is overseen by a court-appointed receiver who said some 20 lawsuits are pending against the project.

Two recently completed apartment buildings, three partially completed buildings and a series of half-finished ponds are all that stand on the original 67-acre development.

"Cosmetically, it's horrible. I'm ashamed. We wanted something beautiful for Westland," said Eddie DeSantis of Clawson, one of seven financial investors in the project. DeSantis once owned 42 acres in the project. He has since lost the property.

An eighth partner who contributed no funds, Pat Carnacchi of Troy, served as general contractor, according to DeSantis.

"IT'S A CLASSIC example of how not to build something," said Westland planning director George Wilhelm, adding that other multi-use projects in the city have been successfully completed.

"It's unfortunate Warris Farms is



GUY WARREN/staff photographer

Warris Farms, Westland's first multi-use development, is in receivership. Only two apartment buildings in the 67-acre retail

and residential development on Newburgh south of Joy have been completed.

in such a visible community location," Wilhelm said.

Immediate solutions aren't likely, according to attorney John Simon, who has been appointed by the Wayne County Circuit Court to act as receiver.

"It is a project not presently under

any further construction," Simon said. His duties include maintaining the property and preventing further deterioration, securing the buildings and considering offers of purchase.

Simon recently arranged for the completion of two buildings at a cost of \$50,000, resulting in 48 apartment

units being available for rent. Work continues on landscaping abutting both buildings.

While Simon refused comment on the future of the remaining buildings and acreage, he said, "I don't perceive years to a resolution."

George Willard of Westland, a

partner who invested in the project, predicts the property will be sold and developed within six months.

"We expect to get it resolved in the courts before too long, hopefully within six months," he said.

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Helping hand

Brent Mason, 3, gets assistance from his godmother, Annette Snider of Garden City. The two were among dozens of ice skaters from Westland and surrounding communi-

ties who jammed the Westland Sports Arena to ice skate on several afternoons last week. See photostory on Page 3A.

Proposal for senior complex taking shape

By Janice Brunson
staff writer

After more than two years of negotiations between city officials and a Southfield development group, construction of the proposed senior citizens "campus" at Marquette and Carlson should begin by mid-1990.

Purchase of 43 acres of city-owned land by developers Arnold Shapero and Dr. Allen Waldman will be completed this month, outgoing Mayor Charles Griffin said last week. Shapero and Waldman head the Senior Citizen Development Association of Southfield.

The Westland Planning Commission will consider the project during a regular meeting Feb. 6.

Commissioners are expected to review a special site plan as required by city ordinance that permits multiple use on some 43 acres of land north of Marquette, between Carlson and Wayne Road, according to planning director George Wilhelm.

The \$100 million project will feature one of nine Alzheimer's disease centers nationwide, a wellness clinic

High-rise housing, low-rise housing, the wellness and Alzheimer's centers and other buildings would be spread around the 43 acres with private roads between them.

and housing and shopping for seniors.

"THEY TOLD me they're ready to go," said Wilhelm of meetings he held with the pair late last month. Wilhelm also said the project has received wetlands approval from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and state certification of the need for the Alzheimer's clinic.

Certification of need for the nursing home is pending.

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Police seek clues in hit-and-run death

Anybody with information about the hit-and-run accident should call the Wayne police, 721-1414 anytime.

Randall said Wednesday police were interviewing people in the area but had only one substantial lead in the case.

The best piece of information we have is that the car apparently had one of those plastic, personalized license plates," Randall said. "We found part of it in the street."

The red plastic plate with raised white letters had the name "Ken" and a heart symbol, police believe.

MULLENS DIED at Annapolis Hospital from multiple injuries about four hours after the incident, Randall said.

Contacted at home Wednesday, Wayne Memorial High School principal Ronald Stratton said the victim was a junior attending classes at both Wayne High and the William D. Ford Vocational/Technical Center.

Stratton, who took over the principal's job this year, said Mullens was

a student in good standing, but that he didn't know her personally.

Funeral services for Mullens were Saturday at Uht Funeral Home, Westland.

Mullens is survived by her parents, Violet and Michael Wheeler and Dwight Montgomery; a brother, Victor Wheeler; and grandparents Mildred Wheeler and Hazel Montgomery.

Randall said there might have been witnesses to the incident who haven't come forward.

The section of Venoy where the incident occurred is a commercial area with several fast food restaurants.

Anybody with information about the incident may call the Wayne police, 721-1414 anytime.

Promises not kept, wary Farms renters say

By Janice Brunson
Staff writer

Talk to tenants at Warris Farms apartments in Westland and one is apt to hear an unhappy tale about the lack of promised amenities, questionable construction and unsettling rumors about the complex each calls home.

Two buildings of 24 apartments each on Newburgh south of Joy are all that is completed of an ambitious retail/residential development begun three years ago and now in receivership with the Wayne County Circuit Court.

Nearby, three additional apartment buildings — one a shell and two with siding — sit unfinished. Small children play, teens occasionally party, and homeless people sometimes sleep in the shadow of the vacant buildings, according to residents.

A series of mobile trailers, emblazoned with Time Construction of Troy (owned by contractor Pat Carnacchi, one of the project's eight partners), abut piles of lumber and other construction debris.

"IT'S A COMPLETE eyesore,"

said a woman who signed a second one-year rental agreement in September.

She likes the interior of their apartment though and appreciates the fact that pets are permitted. The family has a cat.

Earlier this year the woman, who asked not to be identified, said she filed suit in 18th District Court, charging Warris Farms with failure to sod surrounding grounds as promised, replacing silly sand that filtered into shoes, cars and every nook and cranny in the apartment.

Last August 18th District Judge Gall McKnight ordered sod to be laid, the woman said. The job, started in November, is incomplete and covered with snow, she said.

A newlywed said her apartment resembles "a sand box. The sand even gets into our bed." She said she and her husband plan to move next month when their lease comes due.

"Nobody stays here. I don't blame them," she said. "We're paying for amenities they promised and we aren't getting."

Manhattan Management of Southfield manages rentals that range in cost from \$560 to \$585 monthly. The

newlyweds pay \$570 monthly.

A spokeswoman for Manhattan Management would not verify the vacancy rate at Warris Farms and declined further comment.

Carnacchi failed to return several phone calls last week.

MANY RENTERS in both buildings who signed lease agreements within the past 12 months said they were told to expect covered parking, cable TV and grass. Those who have lived in the complex a year or more said they were also promised a club house, a swimming pool and a nature trail.

A young mother of two who was one of the first to move into Warris Farms 1½ years ago said she is concerned about the derelicts and others she has seen entering and leaving the unfinished buildings.

Once, while walking to her car early in the morning, an unkempt man whom she described as drunk, exited an adjacent unfinished building and headed for her. It frightened her, enough so that she ran back to her apartment and had her husband accompany her to the car.

While two of the unfinished build-

Farms is in receivership

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Wilhelmi, too, is hopeful of a speedy resolution.

"OF THE MULTITUDE of suits, countersuits and what have you, most have been settled," making resale more likely, he said. "Our primary immediate concern is completion of the three remaining buildings."

Present efforts include clearing title to 20 acres in the north part of the property for resale, according to Wilhelmi. An additional eight acres must be made into ponds to

protect "margin or deteriorating wetlands," according to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources.

The DNR designation is binding and, in the event of resale of the property, must be honored by new owners, Wilhelmi said.

He blamed DNR action as one reason the project failed, by interrupting construction for over one year, from fall 1987 to summer of 1988, while officials considered a pond proposal.

DeSanis gave other reasons.

"The prosecutors from two coun-

ties, Wayne and Oakland, are looking into missing investment funds amounting to \$2 million," he said, adding that there has never been a full accounting of money spent on the project.

If the property is sold, it reverts to original zoning, single-family residential. New owners must seek new multi-use zoning under Special Planned Development ordinances, Wilhelmi said.

Other projects successfully constructed under the ordinance are Trailbrook and Emerald Point condominiums.

good location. The apartments are nice."

Few, however, are optimistic about the future.

Tenants are uncertain where to direct complaints.

"I don't even know who to talk to," said the newlywed.

Trainers to help schools prevent athletic injuries

By Mario Chestney
Staff writer

For the next six months, coaches in the Livonia school district will get extra help in preventing injuries.

The Livonia school board, which represents the northern section of Westland, recently gave the go-ahead to hire certified athletic trainers to help athletes get ready for games and to give them first aid if they should get bruised while playing. The trainers also will determine if a previously injured player is ready to play again.

At the end of the pilot program,

the board will evaluate the trainers to see if they did what they were hired to do — prevent injuries.

"We'll see if we get what was promised," said George Lovich, athletic director for Franklin High, which serves the northeast section of Westland.

THE DISTRICT has agreed to pay \$10,800 to Sports & Preventive Medicine Corp., Livonia, to provide the trainers until June.

In the past, coaches have done what the trainers now will do. This includes leading stretching exercises and making sure athletes' ankles and wrists are adequately taped.

Carole Samples, assistant superintendent for instruction, said changes in the world of coaching have created the need for the trainers.

"Fifty to 60 percent of the coaches are not our employees," Samples said. "They're coaches from the outside that we can't talk to during the day. Our teachers are getting older and they don't want to coach. It's rare now to be a coach for 30 years."

Having certified trainers paid for by the district will give the district more control over how athletes are prepared for games, she said.

FOR LIABILITY reasons, trustee Richard Thorderson stressed the

need to have in writing what the district expects from the trainers.

Dr. Samuel B. LaMonica, director of employee relations and benefits, recommended the district sign with a clinic rather than hire trainers of its own.

"We lose some control over the individual but we greatly reduce the liability risk to the district," LaMonica said.

Samples said the trainers won't handle medical emergencies that take place on the playing field.

She said the trainers might be present more at games that tend to have more injuries, such as basketball.

After June, the district will evaluate the results of the pilot program before deciding whether to hire the trainers for the full 1990-91 school year, at which time the cost would double.

The hiring of the trainers came as good news to Lovich, athletic director for Franklin High, who's been lobbying for three years to hire trainers.

Livonia will simply be following suit with districts across the nation who have turned to trainers and taken the responsibility of first aid away from coaches, he said.

For minor injuries, trainers will

City, developers near accord on plans for complex

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"I'm not opposed to the project," said planning commissioner George Lomas who has served on the board nearly 30 years. Nor does he necessarily support the project, he said.

"I'm in the dark. I have no details yet," he said.

Commissioners, Lomas added, normally receive detailed information packets on individual projects

immediately prior to planning commission meetings.

"Basically, what we have is a complete environment," Wilhelmi said of the current plans for the development. High-rise housing, low-rise housing, the wellness and Alzheimer's centers and other buildings would be spread around the 43 acres with private roads between them.

Entrances would be off Marquette and Wayne Road.

The city-owned Taylor Towers apartment building for senior citizens and the William Dyer Senior Center, operated by Wayne-Westland Community Schools, are nearby.

ONCE PLANNING commissioners approve the site plan, it will be considered by members of the city council. Public hearings will then be scheduled by both boards.

The final plan will "be based on feedback" — from comments made during the meetings and public hearings, according to Wilhelmi, who said he expects the process to be completed by late March.

Waldman and Shapero, both on vacation and unavailable for comment, agreed to purchase the property from the city for \$1 million in 1987, paying an option fee of \$8,300, or \$200 an acre. Zoned for single-family residential use, the land requires no zoning change providing planned

unit development status is granted, Wilhelmi said.

Due to delays in the project, the city council granted in mid-1988 a seven-month extension on the sale price. The project received another extension in 1989.

Plans call for the Alzheimer's center to be under the auspices of a local hospital, either Henry Ford or the University of Michigan, in conjunction with the John Douglas French Foundation of Los Alamitos, Calif., Wilhelmi added.

determine whether the athlete can continue to play. For major injuries, he said, a doctor will be called.

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military news

SCT. RICHARD

Michniak of Westland has retired from the Army.

Michniak, who was in military intelligence, was last stationed at Fort Devens, Mass.

He plans to enroll at Wayne State University and study Russian.

Michniak is the son of Helen Walker of Westland.

STANLEY RUTKOWSKI has finished Army flight school and been commissioned as a warrant

officer at Fort Rucker, Ala. Rutkowski is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Rutkowski II of Westland.

He is a graduate of Franklin High School, Livonia, and Embry Riddle Aeronautical University, Daytona Beach, Fla.

CADET JOHN M. SWEET of Westland was named to the Commandant's List at Marion Military Institute, Ala.

Sweet was cited for earning top grades at the school.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Sweet of Westland.

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Young skaters warm to arena

It could have been the decidedly winter-like weather, or the expanded open skating schedule during Christmas break.

Whatever the reason, crowds of young ice skaters jammed the Westland Sports Arena on several afternoons last week.

The open skating sessions from 3:45 p.m. each day (with the exception of Christmas Day when the

arena was closed) drew elementary-aged children with their parents and scores of teens as well. They came from Westland, Garden City and surrounding local communities.

It didn't matter that their moves didn't approximate Debbie Thomas or Brian Boitano. They were having fun.



photos by GUY WARREN/staff photographer

Skater LeAnne Bell, 6, is careful that she doesn't fall.



Above: Westland residents Rosina Liebau and Tara Seward, both 10, make their way around the rink together. At left: Omar Freij of Livonia gives cousin Tabatha Khoury a hand lacing up her skates.

Cold weather helps heat excitement for ice festival

By Kevin Brown
staff writer

The colder than usual winter weather so far this season has been a burden for some.

But for folks putting on the eighth annual Plymouth Ice Sculpture Spectacular, cold temperatures are nothing but good news.

"Absolutely," said Pam Kosteva, festival executive director. "The last two years, the weather has been inconsistent."

"Everyone is really pleased that this year we will not have any problem with the ice."

THE FESTIVAL, which attracts visitors from metro Detroit and around the country, is scheduled for Jan. 11-21.

Last week, ice festival organizers placed the order for ice to be carved at the festival. The order called for 400,000 pounds of ice — 1,000 blocks at 400 pounds a block.

"We'll have seven deliveries (by refrigerated truck) over a week and a half period (beginning Jan. 8)," Kosteva said.

Some ice sculptors will be attempting new, innovative designs at the festival, Kosteva said.

Asked to describe those designs, she said, "People will have to come

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Pam Kosteva
executive director
Plymouth Ice Sculpture Spectacular

see them. They have to get in their car and come to Plymouth."

IN AUGUST, the festival was nearly canceled after the non-profit organization that ran the ice festival folded. The organization was headed by former city manager Henry Graper and Mayflower Hotel co-owner Scott Lorenz.

A new corporation to oversee the ice festival was formed by Plymouth Chamber of Commerce members. The corporation, Plymouth Community Ice Spectacular Inc., got enough donations to keep the festival going.

With preparations in full swing, "I am vastly relieved," Kosteva said.

"I am excited to be part of a group of folks making sure a viable part of the community will be continued," Kosteva said.

THOSE DONATING time to put

on this year's festival include 40 to 50 companies donating services in kind, sponsors who donated \$135,000 to put on the festival, and approximately 45 Plymouth people working behind the scenes, she said.

The theme of this year's festival is "Local-Motion: Laying the tracks for the future."

There will be three carving competitions for viewing. They are a student competition Jan. 13, a multi-block team competition Jan. 19, and a single-block professional competition Jan. 20.

The city of Plymouth is also contributing \$20,000 in services to the festival.

In other changes, the number of booths offering hot chocolate and hot dogs will grow from one to three, Kosteva said.



Scott Erwin (left) and Ken Lindell (right) showed off their skills at ice carving during last year's festival.

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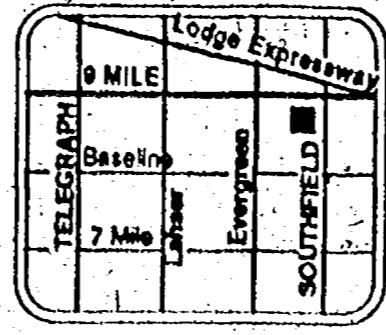
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GED tests
Monday-Tuesday, Jan. 15-16 — Livonia Public Schools will offer GED tests 5-10 p.m. at Bentley Center, 16100 Hubbard. For more information, call 523-9294.

Adult floor hockey
Wayne-Westland YMCA is now taking registrations for adult floor hockey teams. Leagues play at Stevenson Jr. High on Saturday afternoons beginning in February. Team fee is \$230. Players must be at least 18 years old. Register before Jan. 18 at the Wayne-Westland YMCA. Call 721-7044.

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

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Open swim is available at the Wayne-Westland YMCA. Monday thru Friday from 7-8 p.m. and Saturday from 1-3 p.m. Fee is \$4 for adults and \$1.50 for youths 18 and younger.

Pre-school
Garden City Preschoolers, ages 3½ to 5 years old, will be scheduled for preschool screening during January. Screening dates are: Douglas — Tuesday, Jan. 16; Memorial — Thursday, Jan. 18; Farmington — Monday, Jan. 22; Henry Ruff — Wednesday, Jan. 24 and Lathers — Tuesday, Jan. 30. Letters notifying parents of scheduled appointments will be mailed two weeks prior to the screening date. If you have a preschooler and do not receive a letter, please call the Child Development Center at 421-5763.

Advisory Council Meeting
Friday, Jan. 5 — The Advisory Council will meet at 10 a.m. in the Linden Conference Room of the Westland Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh Road. The Advisory Council is to advise the Commission on

Aging for the betterment of the elderly.

Jobs
Part-time jobs are available for low-income men and women 55 and older through the Senior Community Service Employment Program. For more information, call Lynne at 722-2830.

for parent
Tuesdays — A new support group, "Parent to Parent for Prevention," will meet the second Tuesday of each month at 7:30 in the north cafeteria of Franklin High School, 31000 Joy. Discussion will focus on substance abuse. For information, call Penny Irwin at 525-8644.

alzheimer's support
Wednesdays — Members of a support group for Alzheimer's Disease meet the first Wednesday of the month at 2 p.m. in the Westland Convalescent Center, 36137 Warren Road. For information, call 728-6100.

host lions
Thursdays — The Westland Host Lions Club meets at 6:30 p.m. the second and fourth Thursdays of the month, in the Red Lobster Restaurant on Wayne Road, north of Ford.

purple heart
Wednesdays — The Military Order of Purple Heart meets on the third Wednesday of the month at 8 p.m. in the VFW Hall on Ford Road, west of Venoy. Meetings are open to combat-wounded vets.

pinochle
Mondays and Tuesdays — Wayne Westland School District Senior Adults will hold Progressive pinochle will be held in the Dyer Senior Center, 36745 Marquette, near Carlson. Mondays at 1:30 p.m. and Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m.

concert band
Wednesdays — The Westland Concert Band meets every Wednesday at 7 p.m. in Marshall Junior High, 35100 Bayview, south of Cherry Hill east of Wayne Road. Musicians are sought for the newly formed band. Call Jim Frob at 729-7388.

community calendar

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

basketball

The Wayne-Westland YMCA is now taking basketball registrations for a league in which boys and girls in grades 3 through 6 will compete. Practice begins Dec. 4 at John Marshall Junior High. For more information, call the YMCA at 721-7044.

swim classes

Wayne-Westland schools' leisure program will offer late fall swim classes including aquatic exercise, arthritis aquatic, family swim and tot swim. Also offered are two fitness classes and preschool art and story hour. Classes start in late November. For information, call 728-0100.

open swim

The Wayne-Westland YMCA has daily open swim available 7-8 p.m. Monday-Friday, and 1-3 p.m. Saturday. Family Swim is 8:45 p.m. Friday and 3:45 p.m. Saturday. The YMCA is at 827 South Wayne Road, Westland. For more information, call 721-7044.

co-op

Little People's Co-op Nursery is accepting applications for the new school year for 3- and 4-year-olds. Classes will be in Cleveland Elementary School, 28030 Cathedral, west of Inkster and south of West Chicago. For information, call Lois at 937-3174 or Yvonne at 422-8939.

co-op nursery

Suburban Children's Co-op Nursery is accepting applications for a 3-year-old morning class. The class is on Monday and Thursday 9:15-11:15 a.m. at Newburg United Methodist Church, 38500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia. For more information, call Donna Kuhn 981-0277.

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bernardino

Bernardino, Calif., after an automobile accident.

He was employed in retail sales.

Mr. Renauer attended Garden City East High School, Catholic Central High School and Wayne State University before moving to California.

He is survived by his parents, Stephen and Mary Renauer, and a brother, Stephen Jr.

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Fast food quiz: Can you make healthy choices?

The busier we get, the more we seem to rely on fast food to stanch the hunger pangs.

With all the talk about eating healthy, the fast food establishments are all introducing "healthy" additions to their menus. But, how healthy are their selections?

Take the Fast Food Quiz from Nutrition Action Healthletter and see:

1. Three of these foods have at least half the fat an average adult should eat in an entire day. Which one has less?

a. McDonald's Biscuit w/Sausage & egg
b. Burger King Whopper w/Cheese

c. Domino's Cheese Pizza (2 large slices)

d. Arby Bac'n Cheddar Deluxe

2. Which has the most sodium?

a. Arby's Philly Beef 'N Swiss

b. Pizza Hut Pepperoni Pan Pizza (2 medium slices)

c. Taco Bell Beef Burrito w/red sauce

d. Hardee's Ham, Egg & Cheese Biscuit

e. Kentucky Fried Chicken Extra Crispy Breast & Thigh

3. Which of these McDonald's foods has the least amount of sodium?

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a. Chicken McNuggets
b. Large french fries
c. Chocolate Milk Shake
d. Chef Salad
e. Apple Pie

4. Which has more than 1000 calories?

a. Dairy Queen Chocolate Malt (large)

b. Burger King Bacon Double Cheeseburger
c. Arby's Super Roast Beef Sandwich
d. Dunkin' Donuts Chocolate Croissant
e. Wendy's Big Classic

5. Which has as much saturated fat as the average adult should eat in an entire day?

a. McD.L.T.
b. Burger King Great Danish
c. Taco Bell Nachos Bellgrande
d. Pizza Hut Thin 'n Crispy Medium Supreme Pizza (2 slices)
e. Hardee's Sausage & Egg Biscuit

f. Burger King Great Danish

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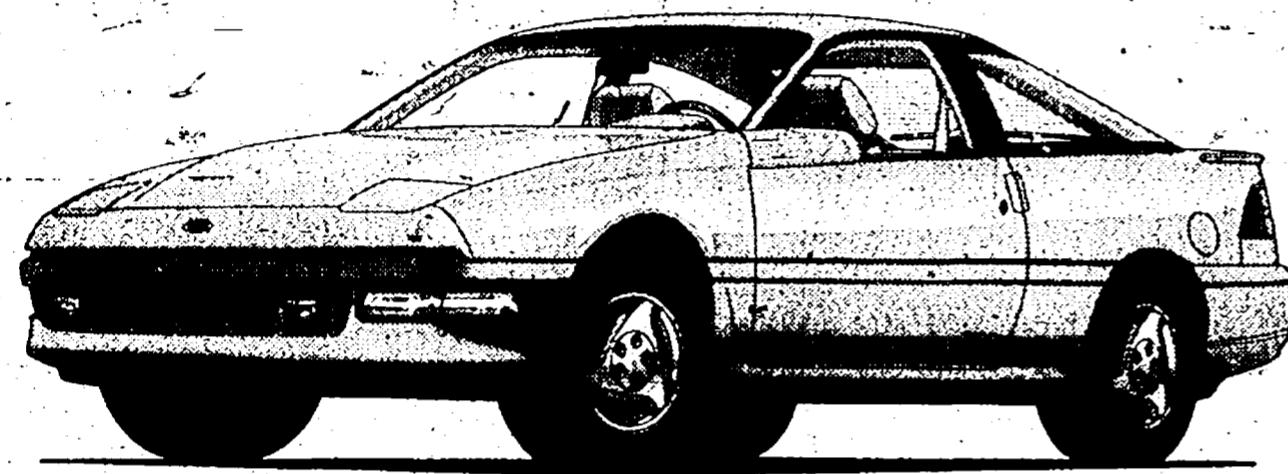
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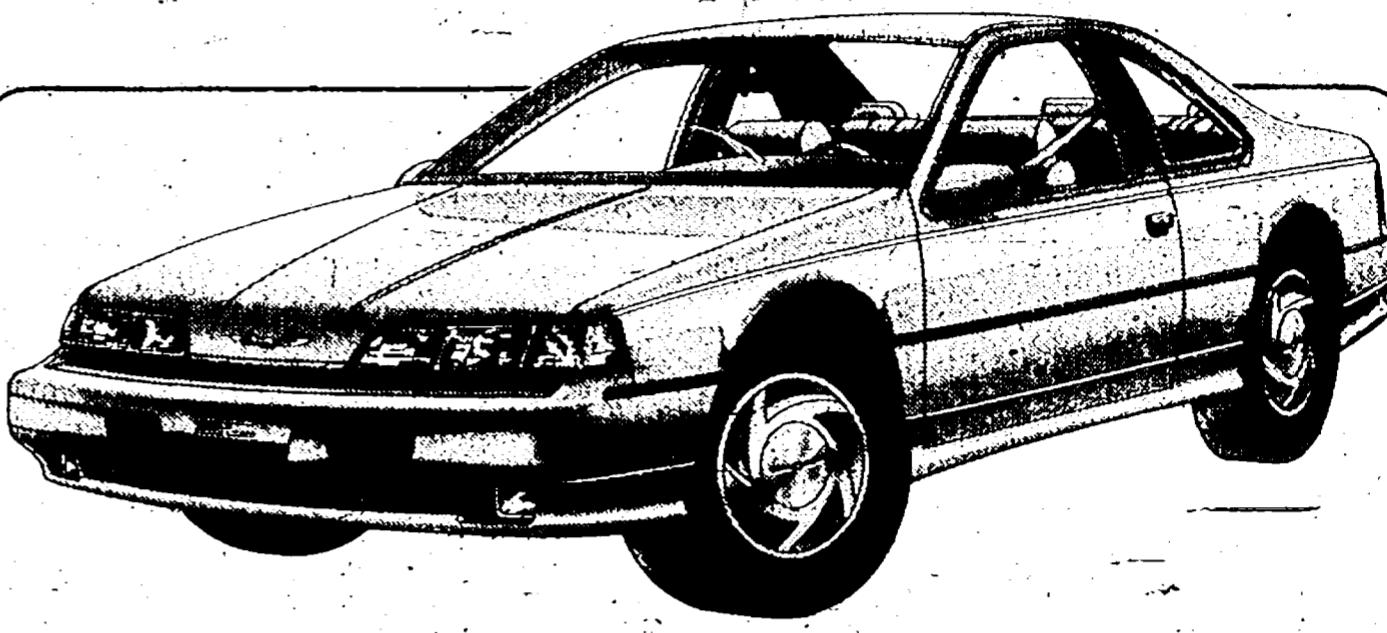


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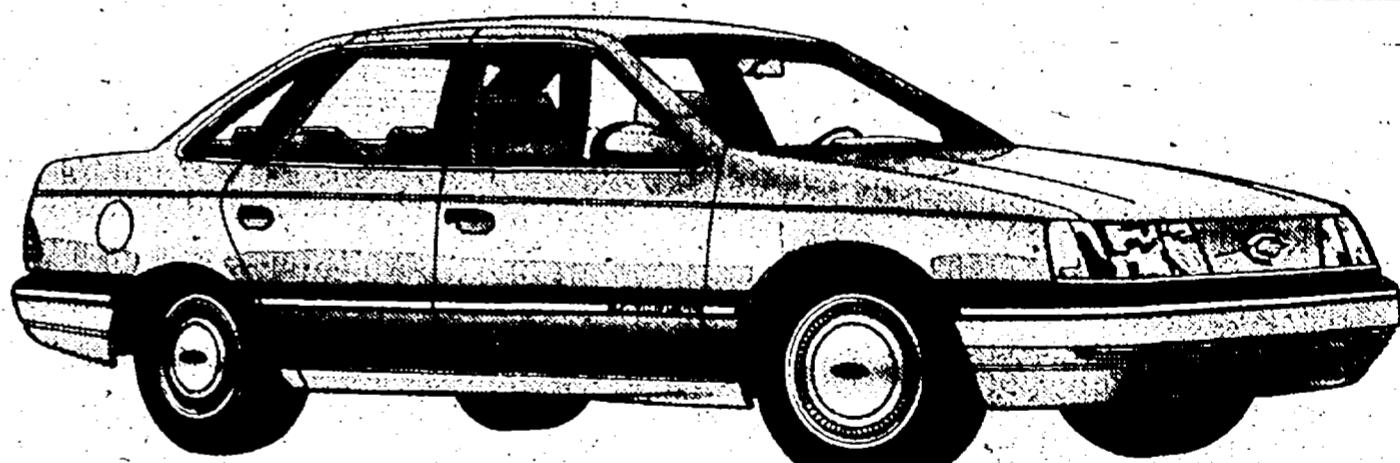
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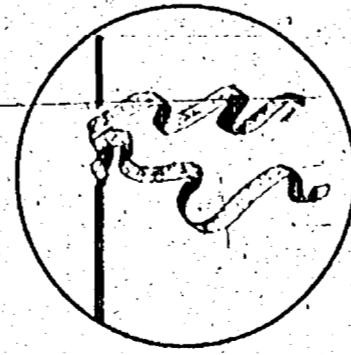
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Simplicity key to a happy New Year

Tis the season for making resolutions. There is a reason for not putting dry gas in the car, there is a reason for having a cigarette. But this year, there is NO reason for not being able to keep these simple New Year's resolutions.

I think I have learned enough in past years not to make resolutions that I know I won't be able to keep, so instead, here is my list of New Year's resolutions I know I'll be able to follow through with:

First off, I am gonna resolve to lose weight. Last year, I said I would lose 25 pounds, but this year, I'm setting a more realistic goal — I'm gonna lose 5 pounds before Valentine's Day. The way I figure, I'll gain it back making candy anyway so things should even out in the long run.

Secondly, I resolve to purchase at least three laundry baskets and keep them under the basement steps so that I can be a little more organized while recycling. Glass in one, cans in another and plastic in the third. No more spending an hour sorting through a multi-purpose basket on Saturday mornings before seeing my friends at the recycling center.

Next in line, is a resolution that I made before my holiday shopping. I resolve to continue not buying battery-operated toys and stuff and instead, I bought myself a battery charger and a slew of rechargeable batteries. All the old batteries are going to the recycling center for safe disposal and will not go into the trash.

I also am resolving to expand my cookbook library not just by purchasing what is on the New York Times Best Seller list, but to include some great selections put out by local charities, organizations and churches. These books are filled with family tried-and-true recipes that are sheer joy to prepare and eat.

This year's winners include the "Good Enough Cookbook" from the Farmington Community Center and the OCC Meadowbrook Theatre Guild's "Curtain Calls" cookbook. Both are filled with homemade recipes even Momma would give her top denture plate for. For more information on these two great locally produced gems, contact the Meadowbrook Theatre Guild or OCC or the Farmington Community Center. You won't be disappointed.

Cookbook fanatics will also enjoy MFK Fisher's re-release of her five book anthology. This five-book collection from a master writer and cooking authority will offer not just great recipes but also great reading enjoyment. Fisher, now in her golden years, has a way with words and her recipes and culinary style will live long after you and I have taken the big path to that 4-star restaurant in the sky.

This next one is a toughie. I resolve to try harder to clean up after myself in the kitchen. Last month when the O&E ran my feature article on holiday cookies, the kitchen was a disaster and it stayed that way till I paid to have it cleaned up. From now on, it will at least go into the dishwasher so I won't have to look at it. No more Petrie dish creations from letting something sit in the sink too long.

Lastly, I resolve to not accept mediocre food when paying top-dollar prices in area restaurants. I'm not going to be belligerent about it, just take it away and bring me something better.

I truly hope 1990 heralds in a prosperous year for you and yours. If you too, are making a list of New Year's resolutions, I hope you keep them simple and attainable. Bon Appétit!

Shop supplies sushi for at home

By Kathie Maple McBride
special writer

For many people, the idea of eating raw fish is hard to swallow. But sushi — the Japanese food often featuring fresh, raw tuna, flounder, salmon or other sea creatures — is changing more and more minds and entering more and more mouths.

The adventurous might try one piece at a party, then stop by a sushi bar and make a meal of it. They really know they are hooked when they try to make sushi at home, forming their own flavor combinations by hand.

For these inspired souls, Noble Fish in Clawson, offers one-stop shopping and friendly advice. This fish market and Japanese grocery sells the ingredients, seasonings, and utensils to make sushi. An in-store sushi bar allows patrons to observe and learn from the chef's specialized techniques.

"WE GET A lot of people who want to make sushi at home," President of Noble Fish Jim Hewes said. "It's cheaper, and they like to do it."

Hewes is quick to educate first-time sushi consumers.

"Not all sushi is made with raw fish, which surprises people," he said. "When someone is trying sushi for the first time, we generally start them with our California roll, which has avocado, cooked imitation crab and cucumber, or a cooked crab or shrimp nigiri."

Nigiri is a form of sushi that uses vinegared rice as a base, with a piece of a Japanese-style omelette, cooked seafood or sashimi (raw fish) carefully placed on top.

"The Japanese have been making sushi for more than 500 years," Hewes said. "They know which kinds of fish are best raw. If there is any possibility of worms in the fish, they won't use it."

A WIDE VARIETY of sashimi are available at Noble Fish, packaged in recipe-ready portions. In addition to the tuna, flounder, salmon, shrimp and crab, the store sells an ever-changing menu of raw fish for sushi including yellowtail, fluke, sea urchin, squid and giant clams.

Sashimi, caviar and cooked seafood for sushi fill one side of a refrigerated case. The other side displays such standards as salmon steaks, orange roughy, fillet of sole and bluefish.

"If a fish gets two to three days old, we'll sell it in steaks to be cooked," Hewes said, warning people not to buy raw fish for sushi in traditional grocery stores. Because consumers rarely know the day a fish was caught, supermarket purchases should be cooked to eliminate possible bacteria.

In addition to sashimi, fish, and seafood, Noble Fish offers the other key ingredients for sushi: rice, seaweed and special seasonings.

Japanese rice has a very short grain and a chewy, slightly sticky texture which allows it to be formed into numerous sushi shapes.

ALSO, NOBLE FISH customers can buy cooked sushi rice to make "instant" sushi.

Rolled sushi requires nori, the Japanese term for seaweed, to create its wrapper. One form calls for a sheet of toasted seaweed, covered with a layer of sushi rice and an assortment of vegetables or seafood. Using a bamboo rolling mat (sudare), the nori is rolled around the filling to form a cylinder, then sliced into bite-size pieces.

Both the sudare and nori can be purchased at Noble Fish. Special



STEVE CANTRELL/Staff Photographer
Owner of Noble Fish Jim Hewes shows some of the sushi served in his grocery.

Making sushi dishes

SUSHI RICE

Place 2 cups short-grained raw rice in a deep bowl and barely cover with cold water. Swirl rice to rinse well and drain off water. Refill bowl with cold water and repeat until water runs clear. Place washed rice in a bowl or saucepan with 2 cups cold water and let soak for 15 to 20 minutes until the rice changes color to white. Transfer the rice into a colander and drain off water completely for 10 to 15 minutes. Combine the drained rice and 2 cups water in a heavy metal

pot which has a tight-fitting lid.

With the lid on, bring contents of pot to a vigorous boil over high heat. Then reduce heat to medium and cook 5-6 minutes, until the water is absorbed. After this, do not remove the cover, until you are ready to use the rice. Reduce heat to very low, and continue to cook 10 to 12 minutes. Remove from heat and allow to stand for 15 to 20 minutes. Makes 6 cups cooked rice.

While the rice is cooking, make vinegar seasoning. Combine 1/4 cup rice vinegar, 1 tablespoon sugar,

and 1-1/2 tablespoons salt in a small enamel saucepan. Place over very low heat, stirring slowly until sugar is dissolved. Cook to lukewarm, without letting it boil, then set aside.

When the rice is ready, transfer it from the pan with a wooden spatula (wet before using) into a large flat-bottomed bowl (untreated wood is preferred to absorb excess moisture, but you can use a plastic bowl instead). Do not use a metal bowl. Run your wooden spatula

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Cooking service makes house calls

By Anne R. Lehmann
special writer

MASS PRODUCED frozen entrees, move over. A new concept in home cooking was born this past July with the creation of Nina Schneyer's "Your Home, My Cooking."

As this self-explanatory name for a business suggests, people are being offered the unique services of a cook who provides wholesome, flavorful home-cooked foods. Schneyer, a respected cooking instructor, caterer and seasoned cook who has studied with James Beard and Michael James, will come to your home with baskets full of equipment and ingredients to whip up whatever your heart desires.

Schneyer said, "I make the kind of foods you would make yourself if you had the time and inclination."

The idea was developed when Schneyer was brainstorming with a Brazilian friend who said this kind of service is common in her native country.

"Busy families, new mothers, all-

wanted and together we struggled to create an apple pie I had thought about a great deal. After many failed attempts, he told me to give up," she said.

Schneyer's specialty apple pie fi-

nally was realized when she joined a recipe crust from one cookbook with a filling from another volume.

SCHNEYER'S REPERTOIRE includes many recipes from the hun-

dreds of cookbooks found all over her home. "One good recipe from a cookbook makes it a worthwhile investment," she said. Some of her favorites include French Onion Soup, hearty beef stew and apple pie.

So home much will a meal by this cook cost you back? Her fee is \$40 an hour. At first glance, that may seem a hefty price for a meal that can take several hours to prepare, but not when you consider she coordinates things so that every hour is packed with cooking activity.

For example, she said she will prepare a soup or stew that requires a few hours to cook first. While that simmers, meat might be marinating, bread dough rising and spinach gratin being assembled.

"Many things are going on at once," Schneyer said, "and ordering large quantities makes things even more economical. If I make several dozen muffins, or a large batch of soup for the freezer, things actually turn out to be very reasonably priced."



DOUG SUSALLA/Staff Photographer
Nina Schneyer displays a meal prepared in her customer's kitchen.

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Service cooks home meals

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Before going to a client she will plan the menu, take an equipment inventory and make an ingredient list. She will check to see what ingredients a person already has in order to avoid making unnecessary expenditures for such staple items as olive oil or grainy mustard.

So far, most people requesting her services are on special diets. "I can make almost anything low salt or low fat and still have it taste good," Schneyer said. "The point is, I'm doing what I love and helping others at the same time. What more could anyone want in a job?"

DOUBLE RICH CHICKEN SOUP

3-4 lb. Chicken back, neck, giblets or a cut-up chicken
2 chicken feet, if possible or a couple of veal bones
plus 1 whole 3-4 lb. chicken, not cut
2 onions, sliced and sauteed with 2 garlic cloves
1 leek - optional
4 carrots
2 parsnips
2 stalks celery - with leaves, if you like

2 sprigs parsley (Italian or flat parsley is more flavorful)
few peppercorns
1 teaspoon salt
1 tablespoon thyme
fresh dill

Cover chicken parts with cold water and bring to boil.

Skim off scum of foam if you want a clear broth. When no more foam is forming add vegetables and seasonings (reserving half the onions, carrots, celery, and parsnip for later). When broth returns to boil, turn down and let simmer for 2½-3 hours.

Strain the broth, discarding bones, meat, and vegetables.

You now have a stock, broth or bouillon - a base for many soups, stews and sauces.

To make a chicken soup for serving (or to poach a chicken) bring the stock to the boil first, then gently add the whole chicken. When it returns to the boil, cover and let it simmer until chicken is just tender or boil for twenty minutes; turn off and wait until you can hug the pot.

Remove chicken.

Add remaining vegetables and sprig of fresh dill and cook just until barely tender; then remove. While vegetables are cooking, separate bones and skin. Reserve good chicken and just-cooked vegetables to add to soup later. May serve double rich chicken soup with bite-sized pieces of meat and vegetables or strain broth through two or three thicknesses of cheesecloth; measure broth and refrigerate over night. Remove all fat from top of soup.

To clarify soup for a clear broth; measure soup and put back into cooking pot. For each quart of soup, use one egg white. Beat whites into a froth which is not quite stiff. Stir into cold stock. Stir and cook over medium heat. When stock begins to bubble at edges, stop stirring and allow mixture to simmer for about ten minutes. All the tiny bits and pieces will cling to the egg whites. Turn off heat and let settle for one-half hour.

With skimmer, remove as much of the mess as possible. Strain remaining broth through three thicknesses of cheesecloth. Serve or freeze.

You have a clear double-rich consomme or a base for onion soup.

Taste and salt before serving.

To make: Beef Broth, a Double Rich Beef Broth or Clear Beef Consomme.

Use 3-4 lbs. beef neck and beef marrow bones and a couple of veal bones plus 2-3 lbs. of chuck, flank steak or round for the second cooking. Brown the bones and the roast under the broiler on all sides and then proceed exactly as for chicken soup.

For richer consomme before clarifying, put broth (fat removed) into pot with ½ lb. ground beef, ¼ cup red wine, and 1 cup cold water. Bring to boil, skim again. Cook gently 30 minutes and clarify as above using egg shells as well as egg whites.

A petite marmite is a soup made with both beef bones and chicken broth.

FRENCH ONION SOUP

3 large yellow onions, sliced in rounds
1/4 pound butter or beef fat
1/4 cup beef consomme per person
salt, if needed
fresh ground pepper

nutmeg to taste

French bread toast rounds (cut to fit exactly in opening of individual oven-proof soup crocks)

Freshly grated gruyere cheese

Freshly grated parmesan cheese

Sauté onions in fat until soft (for brown onions sprinkle with sugar and turn over). Add consomme. Add salt, fresh ground pepper and nutmeg. Let blend very well, 5 to 6 minutes. For lighter soup, serve as is and pass the fresh grated parmesan. Or, ladle servings into individual crocks adding 1-1½ tbsps. Madeira to each crock, fit in toast rounds and top with mound of grated gruyere cheese. Bake at 350 degrees until cheese melts and is bubbly. Serve with parmesan.

CHILI

2 pounds cubed beef chuck (fat removed)

2 tablespoon chili powder (or more)

beef broth to cover

1½ cup chopped onions

1/4 cup flour

1/4 cup water

12 tablespoons butter, frozen; cut into table spoon-sized pieces

With metal blade of food processor in place, add flour, salt, butter and process with on and off switching rapidly for 15 seconds. Add water as needed. Continue processing until a ball of dough forms on the blade. Chill overnight. Handle pastry as little as possible, make in a cool spot, using cool fingers; inakes two 8 or 9 inch pastry shells.

PASTRY FOR PIE

2 ½ cu. flour, sifted

1 teaspoon salt

3-4 tablespoon ice water

12 tablespoons butter, frozen; cut into table spoon-sized pieces

With metal blade of food processor in place, add flour, salt, butter and process with on and off switching rapidly for 15 seconds. Add water as needed. Continue processing until a ball of dough forms on the blade. Chill overnight. Handle pastry as little as possible, make in a cool spot, using cool fingers; inakes two 8 or 9 inch pastry shells.

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family-tested winner dinner

Betsy Brethen

Dinner hails 1990s neatly

I don't know how you are, but I always make New Year's resolutions. I keep anywhere from six hours to six weeks depending on my resolve.

When I make these resolutions, I really do mean to follow through, but somehow my sincere intentions begin to fade into the mist as the reality of the pressures of everyday life take over.

But once again, I find myself excited by the prospect of yet another fresh, new year, although I sometimes regret there is no quick-and-fool-proof recipe for life.

Unpredictable at best, life can be likened to this week's Winner Dinner, "Neat to Eat" Sloppy Joes, which are perfect examples of controlled chaos - neat and tidy on the outside and all mixed up on the inside. And yet, as with life's delights, these tasty sandwiches will keep you coming back for more.

Barbara Crouse of Farmington Hills is this week's Winner Dinner Winner. Her 22-year-old son and husband love this dinner and it is already slated to be served to friends on Super Bowl Sunday.

Eaten with a fork, these no-mess, no-fuss sloppy Joes take only minutes to put together. A mock Caesar salad and peach cobbler that can be cooked in the microwave round out this tasty dinner.

Barbara, a woman of many talents, has worked as a secretary, real estate agent, sewing teacher and sales person. Putting these varied job experiences to use, she recently started her own "have skills, will travel" business, and now works as an independent temporary person.

Originally from New Jersey, the Crouses have lived in the Detroit area for 21 years. Citing the friendli-



Barbara Crouse's Neat-to-Eat Sloppy Joes are a hit with her family.

ness of the people and less congestion and traffic, they love Farmington Hills and consider this area to be home.

Thank you, Barbara, for sharing your family's favorite dinner with us and congratulations on being our first Winner Dinner Winner of the nineties.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you who have supported and contributed to this column. I hope it has been helpful and I am looking forward to hearing from more of you in the new year.

Just as we have dinner menus, each and every one of us has our very own unusual menu for life, filled with many different courses. Some courses are simple, others are more complicated; some are delightful and others, quite frankly, can give one indigestion.

Hopefully, the courses life serves you in this new year will be fulfilling and bring much happiness to you and your family. Wishing you all the best, I hope this week's Winner Dinner will start you off in the right direction for 1990.

Each week's winner receives an apron with the words Winner Dinner Winner on it. Submit your recipes, to be considered for publication in this column or elsewhere, to: Winner Dinner, P.O. Box 3503, Birmingham 48012. All submissions become the property of the publisher.

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

Observer & Eccentric Winner Dinner

Menu

"NEAT TO EAT" SLOPPY JOES MOCK CAESAR SALAD MICROWAVE PEACH COBBLER

Recipes

"NEAT TO EAT" SLOPPY JOES

1 pound ground beef
1 small onion, chopped
1 cup sharp cheddar cheese, grated
½ to 1 cup ketchup
2 tablespoons prepared mustard
2 teaspoons Worcestershire sauce
dash pepper
2 cans (8 ounces each) crescent rolls

made as much as a day ahead and kept refrigerated until placed in the oven.

Brown ground beef with onion. Drain grease. Stir in remaining ingredients while beef and onion mixture is still hot. Separate crescent rolls into 8 rectangles (press seam holes together). Spoon ¼ of the mixture onto center of each rectangle. Bring edges up and fold together at center. Seal edges. Place on ungreased cookie sheet and bake for 15 to 20 minutes at 350 degrees.

This recipe takes 10 to 15 minutes to prepare and can be

MOCK CAESAR SALAD

1 head romaine lettuce
½ jar (3 oz.) crumbled bacon bits or
5 slices crispy cooked bacon, crumbled
Golden Caesar salad dressing
(Crosse prefers a dressing made by Kraft)

½ cup onion and garlic flavored croutons
anchovies (optional).

Rinse and pat dry the lettuce. Tear into small pieces. Mix all other ingredients and toss well.

MICROWAVE PEACH COBBLER

4 peaches, peeled and sliced (or two 16 ounce cans of peaches, drained and sliced)
¼ cup butter or margarine
2 cups yellow cake mix or 1 small box of Jiffy yellow cake mix
1 teaspoon cinnamon
3 tablespoons sugar

Arrange peaches in an 8-inch square microwave-safe pan. Sprinkle with cinnamon and sugar. Cook 3 minutes on high. In glass bowl, melt butter. Add cake mix and blend well. Crumble over peaches. Microwave on high for 10 minutes. Cool slightly and serve. It is especially good with vanilla ice cream. If you prefer to bake this in an oven, assemble and bake for 30 minutes at 350 degrees.

Shopping List

1 pound ground beef
bacon or bacon bits
2 cans crescent rolls (8 ounces each)
onion and garlic-flavored croutons
1 box yellow cake mix
1 onion
1 head of romaine lettuce
anchovies (optional)
4 peaches or 2 cans of sliced peaches (16 oz. each)
sharp cheddar cheese
butter or margarine
ketchup
prepared mustard
Worcestershire sauce
pepper
cinnamon
sugar
golden Caesar salad dressing

Notes

Nutritionist cautions against catalog food

"If it wasn't for catalogs, I would never have anything new, because I don't have time to shop."

Does that sound like you? In-home shopping is big business. Besides purchasing clothing and home furnishings, Americans order food through the mail to the tune of about one billion dollars a year.

It's not surprising that crown rib roasts, succulent baked hams and turkeys, gorgeous planked salmon or perfect cheesecakes seen in catalogues tempt customers. They're great for putting together easy holiday meals and as gifts for those hard to buy for.

Still, the food safety question remains. How can you be sure these foods will stay safe and arrive looking wonderful during shipment?

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just because a meat has been smoked, which often is just exposure to a commercial smoke source, this doesn't necessarily mean the meat has been cooked. While a vacuum pack does extend shelf life somewhat and delays some taste change problems, most vacuum-packed foods still need a cold source.

WHAT IS AN adequate cold source? Some companies use a box consisting of a plastic foam cooler packed with dry ice. Other reliable companies freeze food solid so that overnight delivery in cold weather guarantees it will arrive still firm and cold to the touch.

When you order a gift, find out some answers to ensure that it arrives in a safe eating condition.

Check on the cold source. Ask what kinds of cold source will be used with perishable food and how long the package will be in transit. The cold source must last long enough so that food arrives frozen or firm and cold. Canned or processed foods labeled "keep refrigerated"

should also be shipped with a cold source.

Check to see that the package will be labeled as perishable on the outside wrapping. Perishables have a much better chance of surviving if those receiving the food item can see the label.

Set a workable delivery date. Once you know how long the mailing takes, call your friends to find a date someone can be home to receive the gift. It's surprising how much food can spoil because it's stuck in the post office. Mention that this surprise should go straight into the refrigerator. Then call the mail-order house back and set up a date. It's the shippers responsibility to deliver on time, the customers responsibility to have someone at home to receive the goods.

to have someone at home to receive the goods.

It's safer to send food directly to the home rather than the office, as people forget to take the gift home and leave it unrefrigerated.

If you receive a gift of perishable foods, what should you check for safety?

Fresh or cooked meat, poultry or fish should arrive frozen or still hard in the middle. If never frozen it should be cold to the touch.

Ham, with the exception of dry-cured country hams, baked hams and most canned hams need refrigeration and should arrive cold.

Sausage, some hard, dry sausages; pepperoni, and hard salami

don't need refrigeration. Other types (summer sausage, Lebanon bologna, Thurbinger) do. If the label says "refrigerate," the sausage should arrive cold.

Cheese. There should be no mold on cheese except what is part of its nature — blue mold in blue cheese, for example.

Cheesecake is perishable because of its ingredients and should arrive fully frozen.

First-class live lobster should come packed in seaweed in an insulated box. Lobsters should still be lively before cooking. Check that the tail is tightly coiled. Do not eat lobster with a limp tail. This may indicate the presence of disease or that the lobster is near death.

Make sure you are dealing with a reputable company and ask questions about delivery policies. These companies want to have satisfied customers so are willing to answer your concerns. If you have taken the time to order a gift you certainly want it to arrive in beautiful and safe condition.

Veggie duo spices up meals

AP — Because two are often tastier than one, be on the lookout for new vegetable duos.

MICROWAVE CAULIFLOWER AND TOMATOES
2 cups cauliflower flowerets
2 green onions, sliced
2 tablespoons water
1 medium tomato, seeded and chopped
1 slice bacon, cooked, drained and crumbled
½ teaspoon dried basil, crushed
½ teaspoon salt

In a 1-quart microwave-safe casserole combine cauliflower, onions and water. Cook, covered, on 100 percent power (high) for 5 to 7 minutes or until cauliflower is crisp-tender. Drain well.

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Recipes warm Chef's heart

Here's a few of my favorite selections from the Farmington Community Centers' "Good Enough" Cook-book I know you'll enjoy:

ROSLIE'S POTATO SOUP

3 tablespoons butter
1/2 cup sliced onions
2 tablespoons flour
3 1/4 cups hot milk
1/4 cup water
1 pound potatoes, peeled and sliced
1/2 cup celery, chopped
1/4 cup shredded carrots
2 teaspoons salt
dash pepper

1/2 cup chopped ham, optional
grated cheese and croutons

Sauté onions in butter until tender. Add flour and mix well. Add milk and bring to a boil. Simmer potatoes, celery, carrots in water till tender. Add to milky stock. Season with salt and pepper. Stir in ham. Heat to serve, top with grated cheese and croutons, if desired.

NO PEEK STEW
(great for those holiday crock pots)
2 pounds stewing beef, cut into cubes

12 ounces tomato juice
12 ounces beef broth
5 tablespoons instant tapioca
6 carrots, cut up
3 onions, cut up
1 cup celery, cut up
8 ounces mushrooms, diced
4 potatoes, diced
parsley

Place all ingredients in a heavy kettle or crock pot at medium temperature, about 325 degrees. Cover and don't raise the lid for 4 hours. Serves 8-10.

Long drives allow taste tests in small eateries of country

By the time you read this, I will either be in Florida, or well on the way. I don't have anything against flying. In fact, I enjoy it, and fly often. However, if I have the time to do so, I enjoy driving to and from my annual vacation spot.

But "time" is a key word here. Never do I want to drive there as my son and brother do; I-75 all the way, stopping only to go to the bathroom, and arriving less than 24 hours after leaving home — tired out and tense from a trip that was no fun at all.

When I drive to Florida, the actual trip is half the fun of the vacation. And I don't hurry. My friend Inez and I once took two days to get from Marco Island to the Florida-Georgia border, and we did not get back to Michigan for another five days.

We had to come home because, by that time, the car was so full of plants, shells, feather beds, pillows, and other wonderful things we had picked up at factory outlets and flea markets along the way, we could no longer close the car doors without great difficulty.

TAKING BACKROADS and alternate routes, stopping in small towns along the way, visiting old cemeteries, eating in homely little restaurants, and passing the time of day talking with strangers beats any form of relaxation I can think of.

You forget all about your daily routine, and when you don't race the clock, you arrive at your destination well rested. Besides that, you get to enjoy some of the world's best cooking.

Sure, there are some dangers in straying from the beaten path. Once I ended up spending the night in the Everglades. Another time, I drove 20 miles on a steep winding road in the mountains of Kentucky before finding a safe place to turn around.

On those occasions, I-75, with its chain motels at every exit seemed mighty good to me. But the excitement, the beauty, the people you meet, and the peacefulness of traveling through small towns you can't see from the main highway — as well as the serendipities you come across there — far outweigh the risks.

SMALL TOWN restaurants in Georgia, Tennessee, and Kentucky offer menus very different from the ones you find in Michigan. More than once, I have sent my compliments to the cook, and he or she has come out from the kitchen and pulled up a chair to talk a spell. I have collected some really good "down home" recipes this way.



kitchen witch

Gundella

I'd like to share these with you exactly as they were given to me.

CORN MEAL MUSH

Put two quarts of water in a clean pot, and heat it until it boils. Then add a tablespoon of salt.

Take a handful of yellow cornmeal in your left hand, and a wooden spoon in your right. Drop the meal slowly into the water, and stir constantly. Continue to add cornmeal until the mixture is as thick as you can stir easily.

Cook about 20 minutes. It will bubble and puff up. Stir it a lot. Pour it into a deep pan or dish, (bread loaf pans, if you plan to slice it later).

This may be eaten cold or hot, with milk or with butter and syrup and sugar, or with meat and gravy — like potatoes or rice.

The next morning, quickly slice the left-over mush, and fry the slices in hot fat until golden brown. Serve with molasses, maple syrup, or honey — along with sausage, ham, or bacon.

TURKEY BURGERS

1 pound ground beef (or ground venison)
1 pound bulk pork sausage (sweet or spicy, to your liking)
1 small onion, chopped
2 cups coarse cracker crumbs
2 eggs, slightly beaten
salt and pepper to taste

Mix all ingredients together. If mixture is too dry, add a little milk. Shape into patties, and fry as you would hamburgers. These are really good grilled, and served on hamburger buns.

COUNTRY HAM

This is nothing like the boneless variety we have all become used to. A country ham should be soaked overnight before cooking, to remove excess salt. Then wash the ham thoroughly, and place it in a large kettle. Cover with water, and cook until tender (20-30 minutes per pound).

Remove from kettle. Cut off the outside skin, and score ham. Sprinkle

with brown sugar, and dot with whole cloves. Bake about 45 minutes at 350 degrees, basting regularly with apple cider.

Other Glazes For Baked Ham

Jelly glaze: Mix one cup of jelly with one cup ham gravy (baste the ham with this).

Mix one cup brown sugar with one teaspoon dry mustard and enough apple cider to make a thin paste to cover the ham.

Boll together: 1/4 cup corn syrup (light or dark), 1/4 cup brown sugar, and 1 cup orange juice. (Use to baste the ham.)

Fried Ham and "Red Gravy"

Slice the cooked ham, and fry in a skillet. Cook on both sides. Add 1/2 cup of black coffee. Serve while hot.

STEWED CHICKEN WITH DUMPLINGS

1 1/2 pound chicken (whole or cut up)
1 large or 2 small onions, (chopped up)
1 or 2 carrots, (sliced lengthwise)
a couple of bay leaves
salt and pepper to taste

Place all of this in a stew pot. Cover with water, and boil slowly until chicken is tender. Remove chicken to platter.

Drop dumpling batter into boiling water by spoonfuls. Cover, and cook about 10-15 minutes. The pot must have a tight fitting cover, or dumplings will be heavy.

Serve hot with butter, and more salt and pepper.

Dumpling Batter
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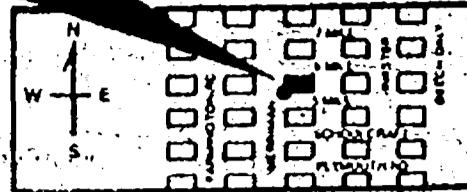
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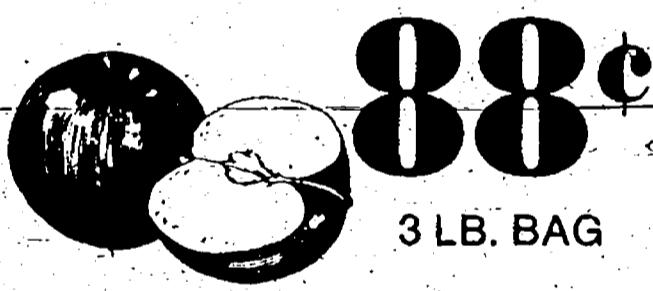
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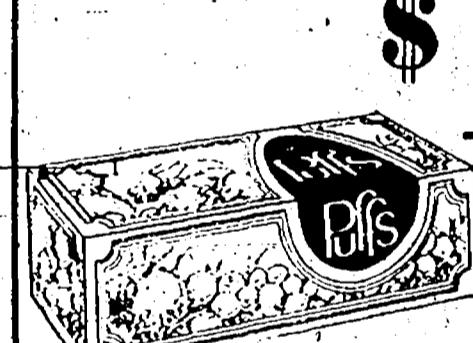
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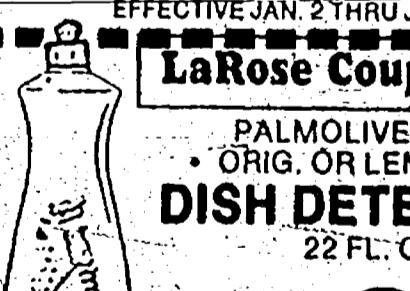
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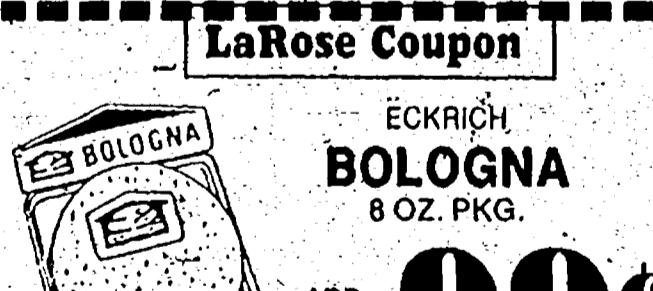
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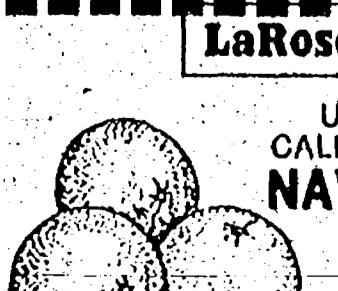
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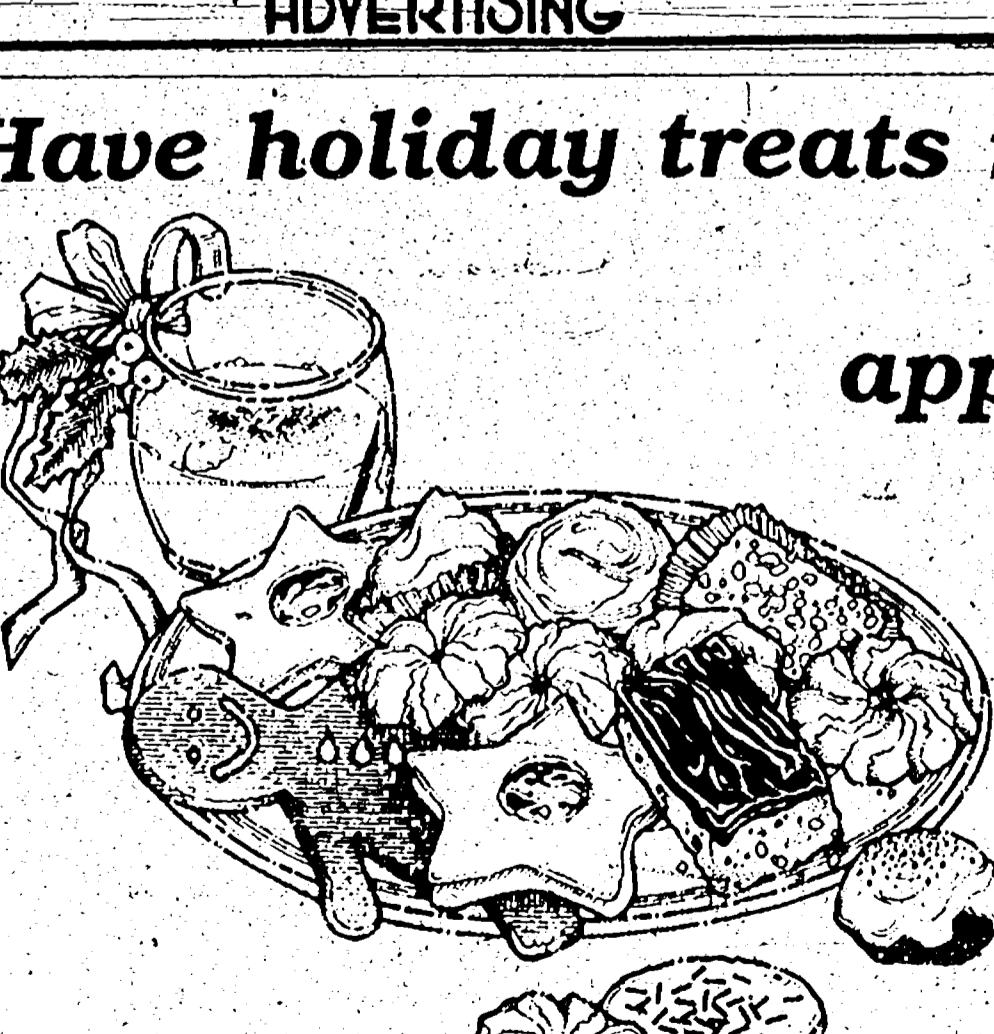
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Parents can help children reduce fat, cholesterol

AP — High blood cholesterol affects one in four children in the United States, and it is not something a child will outgrow, according to the experts who say that cholesterol stays high from birth to adolescence with age.

The American Health Foundation recommends children get no more than 30 percent of their daily calories from fat and no more than 10 percent from saturated fats.

A breakfast of cereal, fruit, milk and whole-grain bread is the "fuel" children need to get going in the morning. Breakfast should add up to at least one-fourth of daily food requirements.

The American Health Foundation says you can reduce fat and cholesterol at breakfast by serving low-fat milk and whole-grain breads and cereals with fruit.

Sandwiches made with water-packed tuna and part-skim mozzarella and ricotta cheeses make nutritious alternatives to processed meats. Plain low-fat yogurt can be used instead of mayonnaise in chicken and tuna salads. Ketchup, mustard and chutney have very little fat and are good substitutes for butter and mayonnaise. Try whole-wheat, pumpernickel, oat and pita breads for variety.

Cauliflower, broccoli, turnips, mushrooms, green peppers and tomatoes make colorful snacks. Soak fresh vegetables in icy water before serving to make them crispy. Use carrot and celery sticks with low-fat cheese and low-fat yogurt dips.

Offer a variety of fruits. You can prevent sliced fruit from turning brown by squeezing on lemon, lime or orange juice, which also adds flavor. Or try dried fruits, such as figs, apricots and dates.

Whole-grain breads and crackers make healthy snacks and are good

sources of vitamins, minerals and fiber. Air-popped or microwave popcorn without butter is another heart-healthy treat. Nuts, too, are healthy nutritious snacks, full of protein. They contain fat, but very little of it is saturated fat. Low-fat munchies also include pretzels, but watch the salt.

Cook your own sandwich meat. Roast chicken, turkey, beef and pork. Remove the skin and fat. Bake or boil ham. For frankfurters, your best choice is chicken or turkey hot dogs.

The American Health Foundation says 50 percent or more of the calories children eat should come from carbohydrate foods. The best sources are bread, pasta, potatoes, cereals, grains, rice, peas and corn, which are also packed with vitamins and minerals.

An easy way to reduce fat intake is to serve meatless dishes. Try pasta with marinara sauce, rice and beans, vegetables with low-fat cheese, and vegetable stew.

Make your own low-fat desserts. Serve sherberts, ice milk or frozen-fruit bars instead of ice cream. Muffins, cookies or cakes turn into healthier desserts when baked with whole-wheat flour or a mixture of half whole-wheat and half white flour. Use 2 egg whites in place of 1 whole egg.

The importance of eating breakfast has been emphasized by Dymple Cooksey, a nutrition specialist at Texas A & M University in College Station, Texas.

Kids who skip breakfast can not concentrate as well as their classmates who take time for a morning meal, Cooksey says.

Proper choices from the basic food groups of meat, milk, fruits and vegetables, cereals and grains should provide about one-fourth of the recommended daily amounts of protein, calories, vitamins and minerals, Cooksey says.

"These nutrients are essential for energy, maintenance and body repair," Cooksey says. She compares breakfast eaters and breakfast skippers in these ways:

- Kids who regularly eat a well-balanced breakfast can perform more efficiently, concentrate on the day's schedule, and are less tired after a busy day.

- Kids who eat breakfast are energetic and can concentrate on school-related tasks; skippers often tend to be irritable, restless and listless.

- Kids who eat breakfast have a better late-morning problem-solving ability and have more energy at midday.

- Kids who eat breakfast are better nourished, and have more nutritionally balanced diets. They have higher intakes of calcium derived

from milk, as well as phosphorus and riboflavin, nutrient essentials for strong bones and teeth.

LOW-FAT RECIPES

BEAN SOUP

One 12-ounce can of red kidney beans or black beans

1 green pepper, chopped

1 tablespoon garlic, chopped

1 15-ounce can crushed tomatoes

1 tablespoon olive oil

3 cups water

1 tablespoon chili powder

1 onion, chopped

Rinse beans and cook in water until tender. Add remaining ingredients.

Stir. Continue cooking until all ingredients are tender. Makes 8 servings.

STUFFED TURKEY BREAST

One 8-ounce can sliced water chestnuts

10 ounces sliced mushrooms

1 bunch scallions

1 cup low-fat plain yogurt

Place 1 tablespoon of vegetable mixture into the middle of the turkey breast. Roll up turkey and place on rack in baking pan. Top with remaining vegetable mixture, the remaining yogurt dressing and sesame seeds. Roast in preheated 350° oven for 45 minutes. Makes 4 servings.

FRUITY ICE

2 peeled oranges

2 peeled bananas

2 cups applesauce, unsweetened

$\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon cinnamon

2 cups crushed ice

Mix all ingredients in a blender, adding ice slowly. Makes 4 servings.

Chef creates holiday trifle

Chef Edward Janos, Chef de Cuisine of Chez Raphael in Novi created a holiday dessert called Persimmons Trifle. Janos combined the sweetness of Persimmons with layers of vanilla chiffon, then topped it off with a brown sugar glaze.

PERSIMMONS TRIFLE
8 ounces (approx. 2 large) Persimmons, pureed
4 ounces heavy cream
1 ounce egg white

2 ounces sugar
thin vanilla chiffon layers, soaked with Grand Mariner

Dissolve sugar in egg white, warm over water bath, whip until cool. Fold in Persimmon puree. Add cream, whip to medium peaks. Layer in 4 ounces ramkins with chiffon layers, (3 layers each), ending with persimmon mousse. Top with thin layer of brown sugar and glaze under broiler. Refrigerate and serve. Serves 4.

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In rheumatology, there is a "shoulder impingement syndrome." It refers to compression of the tendon of the supraspinatus muscle, as that tendon goes under the edge of the shoulder blade and over the top of head of the humerus. If thickened bone is at this site, then the narrow channel for the tendon is compromised. The tendon cannot move freely, and may tear when the muscle contracts.

If you have shoulder impingement syndrome, you feel pain in your shoulder even at rest, and encounter marked difficulty in raising your arm. This problem can arise from other causes, such as tendinitis or adhesive capsulitis. By noting how you rotate the extremity and finding certain changes from normal on shoulder x-rays, your doctor often can determine if you have impingement syndrome or one of these other conditions.

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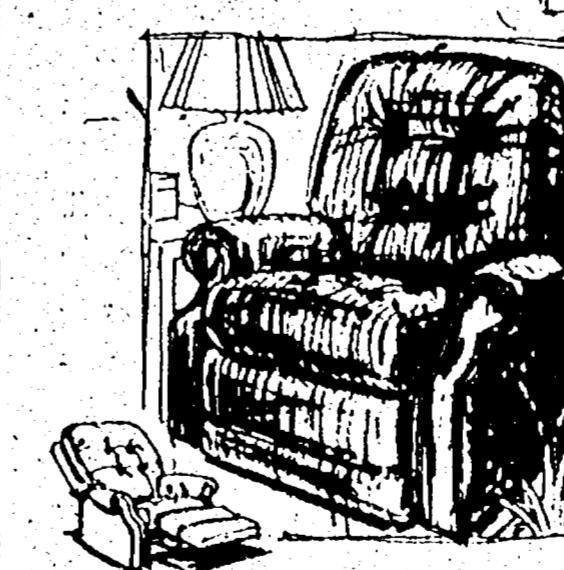
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Gun regulation bills

Tighter controls attract broad support

By Tim Richard
staff writer

The latest gun regulation bills are sponsored by a gun-owning lawmaker and endorsed by a committee chair who belongs to the National Rifle Association.

"They would ban fully automatic weapons in Michigan."

"I'm a gun owner and ardent supporter of Second Amendment rights," said the sponsor, Rep. James Kosteva, D-Canton.

"It's easier to defend (gun ownership) when we've removed access to weapons with no sporting purpose whatever. Why wait until another Stockton, Calif., incident?" said Kosteva.

THE BILLS will go to the House Tourism, Fisheries and Wildlife Committee, chaired by Jerry C. Bartnik, D-Temperance, the NRA member who endorsed it.

"A few years ago, you would never see my name associated with this kind of bill," said Bartnik. He changed his mind because of "the fatal link between these kinds of weapons and the spread of drugs throughout our state."

The Kosteva bills have been endorsed by House Democratic leaders

Lewis Dodak of Birch Run and Pat Gagliardi of Drummond Island. Kosteva expects bipartisan support.

One Kosteva bill is a revision of House Bill 4624 (see chart). The sponsor, Rep. Vincent Porreca, D-Trenton, withdrew it from consideration after a buzzsaw of opposition. Porreca's name is on several strict gun control measures.

Other bills in Lansing would treat inoperable pistols as if they were operable and require training of pistol buyers.

THE NEW package of bills by Kosteva would:

- Require a criminal history check and mental health background declaration of persons purchasing firearms. (It appears similar to SB 325, sponsored by Sen. Nick Smith, R-Hillsdale.)

- Ban shotguns capable of accepting ammunition drums or magazine clips of more than five rounds. "They call them 'street sweepers.' They fire 20 rounds in a few seconds. They serve absolutely no sporting purpose. They are a kill-and-maim type weapon," Kosteva said.

- Prohibit "conversion kits" used to convert a semiautomatic to automatic firing. (A semiautomatic gun requires a separate trigger move-

ment for each shot; an automatic weapon fires continuously as long as one squeezes the trigger.)

- Repeal a law allowing individuals to buy and possess automatic weapons.

REP. WILLIS Bullard Jr., R-Highland, is sponsoring a bill to treat inoperable handguns the same as working guns for purposes of sentencing: His HB 5003 is locked in the House Judiciary Committee.

"There was a Court of Appeals case where someone was let off because the gun wasn't working," said Bullard.

That case reversed nearly 20 years of case precedent that an inoperable handgun which can easily be made operable requires the same pistol permit, according to Prof. David G. Cotter of the Cooley Law School in Lansing.

Bullard said his intent is not to require licensing of inoperable pistols but to allow a judge to sentence users as if they were operable pistols.

House Judiciary Chairman Perry Bullard (no kin of Willis), D-Ann Arbor, scoffed that HB 5003 "a Republican load of . . . It loads prisons without doing anything about the cause — loaded, real guns."

Replied Willis Bullard: "That's what he says about all criminal legislation."

LEGISLATORS LIKE the sound of the pistol training bill (HB 4163), but find problems with setting up classes.

"The sheriffs association didn't want to do it," said Perry Bullard, who co-sponsored it and handled it in the Judiciary Committee. "We couldn't get a floor vote. They sent it back to committee."

"It's not a bad idea," agreed Kosteva, "if it's not overly costly to implement."

Willis Bullard added that lawmakers "on a lot of issues are not concerned about the bill itself but where it might lead." He said it would have to be "meaningful training" by a "responsible group."

"There's still argument over the effectiveness of driver training," Bullard said.

TWO BILLS favored by gun owners and the Michigan United Conservation Clubs have made it through one chamber of the Legislature.

In 1988, the Senate passed, 26-9, a bill by Chris Dingell, D-Trenton, to prohibit local units of government from enacting ordinances more restrictive than state and federal firearms laws. It died in the House Judiciary Committee.

The House gave 77-15 approval to the MUCC-backed shooting range protection bill. HB 5056 would protect shooting ranges from lawsuits over noise in cases where the range was in operation prior to residential development — the situation in several suburban areas. The Senate Judiciary Committee reported it out to the Senate floor.

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Borgess suffers Palace pounding

By Brad Emmons
staff writer

A stay at the Palace was anything but pleasurable Thursday for coach Mike Fusco's Redford Bishop Borgess basketball team.

It was more like a night in the torture chamber as unbeaten Saginaw High held the Spartans hostage during the final 16 minutes of play en route to a convincing 81-52 triumph in the Big Michigan Shoot-out.

"I just chastised my team for getting caught up in the glitz and glamour of the thing instead of being mentally into the game," said Fusco, whose team suffered its first loss in four games. "Our minds were in it emotionally, which is good, but our minds weren't focused on actually playing the game."

Saginaw outscored the Spartans 47-24 in the second half to notch their fifth consecutive win.

The Trojans, in fact, were clearly the most impressive team in the inaugural Shootout, which featured five games on the day, including the big matchup in the nightcap between Detroit Pershing and Country Day School of Birmingham.

"WE DIDN'T PLAY well at all," said Mike Fusco. "But they (Saginaw) played together. Their guards play extremely well. They isolated them one-on-one and they worked in that scheme very well with some of the other things offensively. They can get up the floor very well, but they're also a very selective team with their shots."

Saginaw clearly won the battle of the backcourt.

Senior Marcus Buckley paced all scorers with 21 points, while junior Daniel West contributed 17 and Julian Taylor added 10 off the bench.

The Trojans connected on six shots from three-point range.

"I think we're a good shooting team," said Saginaw coach Marshall



DAN DEAN/staff photographer

Coach Mike Fusco of the Spartans discovered his first visit to the Palace was a frustrating one.

Thomas. "I think we've been under 50 percent only one game. Our guards are starting to come around because mentally they're more into it. Any time Marcus or Daniel had the ball, we felt we could take it to the hoop."

Saginaw also got strong inside play from 6-6 junior Jesse Drain (14 points). The Trojans also started 6-7 junior Rashaan Williams.

"THEY KICKED OUR BUTTS in the rebounding department," said Fusco. "Not that I'm not super happy about our block-outs, but in our defense they had some huge bodies."

The Spartans started out as if they were ready to avenge last year's embarrassing 96-45 loss at Saginaw.

The Spartans, with top gun Shawn Respert scoring eight points, took a 19-18 first-quarter advantage.

But things quickly soured for the

basketball

Spartans in the second quarter.

They got careless with the ball and began forcing shots.

By halftime Borgess was down six, 34-28.

Respert, the 6-3 senior who came in averaging 29 points per game, picked up his third foul late in the first half and sat out half of the third quarter after being tagged with his fourth.

BUT THAT WASN'T the only problem. The Spartans could not handle Saginaw's ball-hawking backcourt. The Trojans, taking advantage of turnovers, outscored Borgess 11-0 during a stretch of only one minute and 32 seconds.

"We didn't have anything special designed for Respert. We played him straight up," Thomas said. "But being in foul trouble kind of took him out of the game."

Respert finished with 12 points. Senior forward Randy White, was the only other Spartan in double figures with 13.

"If they invite us back next year, we'll play," Fusco said. "It was a good experience to play in a game like this. It says something about our program, even though we didn't live up to it tonight."

In the feature attraction of the night, Country Day held off Pershing, 51-46, in a ragged game.

The much-heralded Chris Webber, Country Day's 6-10 center, finished with 14 points as did teammate Iyapo Montgomery.

Sean Rambus, a 6-7 senior, led the Doughboys with 18, while 6-7 Lorenzo Orr, bound for Southern Cal, added 10, including a spectacular left-handed put-back dunk, which had the estimated crowd of 7,000 buzzing.



DAN DEAN/staff photographer

Randy White (right) of Redford Bishop Borgess looks for a crack in Saginaw's defense during Thursday's Big Michigan Shoot-out at the Palace of Auburn Hills. Borgess lost its first game of the season, 81-52.



JIM JAGDFELD/staff photographer

Steve Whillow (right) of Redford Catholic Central drives on Akron (Ohio) Central-Hower's Marquiee Smith during Thursday's intra-state game.

GC's Groves optimistic

By Ray Setlock
staff writer

GARDEN CITY volleyball coach John Groves predicts his team can improve last season's 27-16 record. A year ago, the Cougars finished third in the Northwest Suburban League with a 16-16 mark.

"Our team is considerably better than last year," Groves said. "Sometimes people have rebuilding seasons, but we don't happen to be at that stage now."

Garden City returns five starters, all of whom are seniors: Diane Allison, Tina Emery, Doreen Malone, Colleen Owlesley and lava Palise will all start for the Cougars. Allison is a middle hitter, while Emery and Malone are outside hitters. Owlesley and Palise are both setters.

"We have a good balance of height and ability," Groves said. "We also

volleyball

have speed."

Allison is 5-foot-10 and Emery 5-9. Karla and Krystal Matesic, both 5-11 juniors, are expected to contribute off the bench for Garden City.

LIVONIA CLARENCEVILLE could only manage a 14-10 record last season but hopes to rebound in the upcoming campaign, thanks to the return of three-year starter Karl Watson.

Watson, a 5-7 outside hitter, will join teammates Taft Riedel and Angie Stevenson in leading the Trojans this season.

"Watson, Riedel and Stevenson are all motivated individuals," Clarenceville coach Mary Hursley said. "They believe that they can win a conference championship."

Riedel is a setter and Stevenson an outside hitter.

Rounding out the Trojan starters are junior Danielle Rose and senior Chris Hunter.

"We have a good team of hitters," Hursley said. "But all good teams need solid defense, so we are working on our defensive skills now."

REDFORD UNION is preparing for a rebuilding season, after the loss of seven seniors.

Coch Sue Jimenez feels her team can salvage a few victories despite its inexperience.

"We would just like to win a couple of games," Jimenez said. "Right now, we are just working on our fundamentals. We are starting over."

Co-captains Amy Mullen and Heather Miller are expected to lead the Panthers. Both are 5-6 hitters.

"I just want to have the girls feel confident with the game," Jimenez said. "I want them to know they are giving their best effort."

WAYNE MEMORIAL is already off to a fast start having won the 10-team ITC-

Ford Community College Invitational.

Third-year coach Ann Kolinty lost six starters from her district and Wolverine Conference championship squad of a year ago, including all-area picks Glenda Cobrea and Tiffany Goodlow. They led the Zebras to a 35-8 record.

The most experienced players include 6-10 senior Evelyn Sluder, who had 53 kills at the Henry Ford tourney, and 6-0 junior Brandy Caincross.

Promising newcomers include setter Laura Fisher, along with defensive specialists Mary Kay Mazurek and Katie Corwin. All three are sophomores.

Also expected to contribute is senior Jenny Tibbles, along with juniors Denise Walsh and Gerri Ruffing.

REDFORD THURSTON is also coming off a tournament triumph. The Eagles won the eight-team Oak Park Invitational earlier this month, defeating Redford Bishop Borgess in the final.

Coach Bob Burns is optimistic about Thurston's chances in the Tri-River League.



SHARON LE MIEUX/staff photographer

Brandy Caincross, a 6-foot junior, gives Wayne Memorial a threat at the net. The Zebras won league and district championships last year.

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Ladywood seeking 3rd consecutive state crown

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Daune Koester, a 5-9 freshman, teams up with 5-8 senior Lynn Nellis to give Thurston a strong one-two punch up the middle.

Senior LoriAnne Kujawa and junior Carla Hartman will be the setters, with 5-7 sophomore Patty Haney, senior Laura Kress and junior Jenny Bagalls also contributing to the cause.

"Things are looking up at Thurston," said Burns. "I believe this is the best team Thurston has had in a long time."

LIVONIA LADYWOOD is facing a tough task in trying to defend its Class A championship.

Coch Tom Teeters says his team will be affected by the loss of all-area players Sarah Adzima and Stacey Girard.

"We are going to have to overcome some very tough losses," Teeters said. "Because of these losses, we are going to

give teams a whole new look. We will attack from all directions."

All-area setter Kari Domanski will lead the Blazer attack. She is a 5-9 senior.

Also expected to contribute are seniors Peggy Knittel and Janice Konczal. Knittel is a 5-7 outside hitter and Konczal is a 5-6 backcourt specialist.

Juniors Kelli Hager and Rebecca Wiley will be counted on heavily. Both are outside hitters.

FARMINGTON HILLS Mercy coach Tim DeBeliso hopes his team can overcome all obstacles and win a Catholic League championship. Last season, the Marlins registered a 29-12 record and were Catholic League runners-up behind Ladywood.

"The Catholic League is as good as ever this year," DeBeliso said. "I think we'll have a good year."

Mercy returns setter Nikki Burns and hitters Lee Albrecht, Jennifer Goff, Andrea Velthoven and Maureen Paulin.

Also expected to contribute for the Marlins are Betsy Hope, Becky Leddy, Amy Miller, Gail Murie, Nora Hand and Suzie Atchinson.

REDFORD ST. AGATHA and first-year coach Mike Powaser are excited about the upcoming season. Powaser feels the Aggies can be a good team if they adjust to the new offense.

"I brought in a new offensive system," Powaser said. "The team seems to be real excited about it. Hopefully, we can adapt."

Returning for the Aggies are setters Laura Rakowski and Autumn Battin. Both are seniors.

Other starters include seniors Nancy Rychlinski and Tracy Vonderhoff and juniors Chris Iwan, Aleah Collier and Chaleen Marion.

"Our starters will rotate throughout the season," Powaser said. "They are really pumped up about playing and are working hard."

Expected to lead Lutheran Westland this season are setter Ellen Anderson and hitters Sarah Love and Dana Schleicher.



Tom Teeters
defends state title

sports roundup

• RED WING OLTIMERS

The Detroit Red Wing Oldtimers will take on the best of the Livonia Over 30 Hockey Association in a benefit hockey game, beginning at 7 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 14 at Eddie Edgar Ice Arena in Livonia.

Among those who may participate in the game include former Wings players and coaches Mickey Redmond, Alex Delvecchio, Dennis Hextall, Nick Libbet, Billy Dea, Gerry Abel, Jim Peters, Bobby Kromm, Eddie Mio and Johnny Wilson.

Tickets are \$3 each and are available at Carmack Appliance in Garden City (425-1790), the Looney Baker in Livonia and Colonial Card and Camera (Plymouth and Livonia locations).

All proceeds will benefit a former Livonia Hockey Association member who recently suffered a brain tumor.

• PREP TRACK MEETS

Macomb Community College will stage five boys and girls track meets for high school-age teams and clubs on Feb. 19, Feb. 2 and 23, and March 16 and 30.

The cost is \$3 per participant. Entry fees must be paid at the Equipment Issue Counter in the main hallway of the MCC's Physical Education Center, near the corner of Hayes and Martin roads in Warren.

For more information, pick up a brochure at the Physical Education Center, or call 445-7476.

• RACQUETIME ROLL-OUT

Prize money will be available in the AARA-sanctioned Racquetime Roll-Out Tournament, Jan. 5-7, at the Racquetime Health Club, 36800 Plymouth Road, Livonia.

The event is being co-sponsored by Racquets Unlimited, Dr. James M. Kelly (sports dentistry), Exceed (sports nutritional system), John Ryan Associations (hair care clinics) and the Marriott Courtyard.

The men's open champ and runner-up will receive \$500 and \$125, respectively.

Other men's divisions include Class A-B-C, Novice, Junior Vets (25 years and up), Seniors (35 and over), Masters (45 and over), Open Doubles and A/B Doubles.

Womens titles up for grabs include Open, Class A-B-C, Novice, Veterans (30 and over), Open Doubles and A/B Doubles.

Entry fees are \$35 (open divisions), \$30 (all others) and \$15 (each additional event).

All entries must be postmarked by Saturday, Dec. 30. Phone entries must be accepted through Tuesday, Jan. 2 with an additional \$2 service charge (Visa or MasterCard).

For more information, call 591-1212.

• O&E Sports—more than just the scores

Prize money available at local tournaments

THERE'S SOME money out there just waiting for somebody to come along and win it. Several local tournaments are available to amateur bowlers right now or coming soon.

The prize money is up to thousands of dollars, which you or I can win. Usually, the entry fees are pretty reasonable compared to the available winnings, so it's up to the individual to decide whether to enter or not.

There are lots of bowlers who do not enter tournaments who think they are not good enough. However, with the handicap system offered in many tournaments, it is possible for almost anyone to win, regardless of average.

The 77th annual Greater Detroit Bowling Association City Tournament takes place in April and is open to five-man teams.

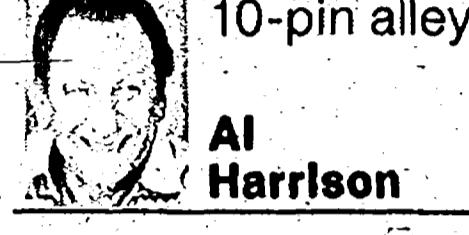
The Classic Division (95 and over) has a \$2,500 first prize, and the Regular Division (95 and under) offers a \$5,000 top prize. There is also a Senior Division for those bowlers 55 or older.

Entries close Saturday, Feb. 24. For the ladies, the Detroit Women's Bowling Association is presenting its 65th Annual City Tournament.

There will be one division based on 80 percent handicap. The prizes for first place are: team, \$1,000; doubles, \$800; and singles, \$300. The total prize fund is estimated at \$40,000.

The ladies bowl at Thunderbowl Lanes beginning March 17. The entry deadline is Saturday, Feb. 3. For entry blanks, stop at your bowling center or call the GDBA at 773-6350 or the DWBA at 773-3050.

One of the most popular tournaments in the Midwest is the Hamtramck Singles Classic, which is under way and continues



into June.

The reason this tournament, which is handicapped at 70 percent, is so popular is the enormous prize: \$54,000 for first place. This tournament is open to all ABC-WIBC bowlers of the past six years. Call 875-1848 for reservations or information.

The Amatuer Bowlers Tour has regularly-scheduled tournaments each month.

They are open to sanctioned bowlers who have had 189 or under averages for the last five years. For information call 928-2741.

For you higher average bowlers, the Michigan Majors Bowling Association is holding forth Jan. 13-14 at the Astro Lanes in Madison Heights and Feb. 17-18 at Century Bowl Pontiac.

There are several out-of-town money tournaments such as the Peterson Classic in Chicago and the Holme Classic in Ohio and which have very substantial prizes. Information on these tournaments can be obtained at the bowling counter.

If you decide to enter, good luck!

• At Bel Air Lanes in Farmington is the site of the Tuesday Night Senior House League, and John Staricha held the hot hand last week with a 690 series, including a 257 game.

Bob Raf rolled a 671 with a 247 game. Bill Funke shot 288 with a 661 series.

Keith Elwert bowled a 241 and 651 and Bill Pietrzek scored 244 with a 654 set. The league finished the first half of the season, and this week everybody starts out even for the second half-money.

Drakeshire Lanes in Farmington Hills saw Al Young of the Farmington Elks run up a 290 with a 748 series. A week earlier he shot a 725 series with games of 278 and 279. In the Wednesday Junior House League, Brian Reamy came through with a fine 761 series.

• At Country Lanes in Farmington Hills, Christopher Semik of the University Men's League put together a block of 205, 245 and 299 for a 749 set. In the Ladies Noon Classic, Gloria Mertz had her magic touch working as she fired a 257 game and 624 series.

Linda Turman had 233/642, Betty Harris 235/637 and Jeanette McDonald sang to the tune of a 633 series. In the Tuesday Night Ladies Classic, Kevin Landacre shot a 238 game and 595 total.

The Greenfield Mixed League was led by Tom Gow with 225/231 and a 667 series, Bob Mertz 248/233 and 666, John Staricha 224/231 and 637. Gloria Mertz rolled a 506 series, Jan Elliot 584 and Darnell Krause 582. Paul LaFleur had a 227 game, and Al Preskorn scored the bat trick with 203, 205 and 208 (616).

• Jerry Harris of Westland recently fired a 300 game in the Monday Night Men's League at 700 Bowl in South Lyon. This was his first perfect game, and the series was 752 as he supported the 300 with a 256 and 197.

At Oak Lanes in Westland, the Wednesday Night Men's League saw Mark Helsel with 231, Ken Callus 241, Henry Coleman 234/630, Ellery Makowski 232 and Ron Mijal 236. In the Tuesday Rollers Mixed

League, Rob Boyce had a 233 and Beth Awdish 227.

The Tuesday Night Men's had Bill Huzar 231, Jeff Terberg 237, Jay Glinewek 266/671 and Leo Sanchez with a 232 game.

The Tuesday Men's League saw Gerald Twigg 244/636 and Bernard Antonelli 233. In the Friday Night Men's Ron Maruk shot 258/630.

The Monday Night Ladies had Cindi Brasil at 246, and the Oak Lanes Three-some featured Jo Bryans with a 207. At Super Bowl in Canton, the Strike & Drink League had Todd Bruning with a 670 series on a block of 243, 225 and 202.

• In the Friday Night Men's, Robbie Cook put together games of 235, 256 and 223 for a fine 714 set. Westland Bowl is the site of the Ford Motor League which saw Steve Bester with a 270 game and 729 series. Bob Spears had a 266 game and Bester's four-man team totalled 269.

The Wednesday 9:30 Men's League featured Brad Falk with a 780 series with games of 275 and 278. In the West Side Senior House League, bowler of the week honors go to Terry Teszar with an 822 series. His scores were 266, 276 and 280.

Mayflower Lanes in Redford saw Bruce Alderman of the Tuesday Men's League with 233/617, Steve Furay 223 and Karl Reel 227. In the Ladies Junior House League, Debbie Gazdik came through with a 255 game.

• At Redford Lanes, the West Side Lutheran League saw Jim Globke roll a 696 set with games of 243, 264 and 189, Don Johnson 244/648; Terry Courier 644 and Terry Krohn 610.

Woodland Lanes in Livonia had Adele Tabaka of the Lyndon Meadows League with a 252 game.

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Schoolcraft gang can't shoot straight in Battle Creek loss

basketball

SCHOOLCRAFT ended up shooting 32 percent in the second half. The Ocelots were 12-of-36 from inside the three-point circle and 3-of-10 outside.

"We just shot bad," Bogataj said. "And we had open shots. They just didn't go down."

On top of that, Schoolcraft's leading scorers, Ken Fuster and Randy Waters, fouled out with five minutes

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Career Farr from over

By Steve Kowalski
staff writer

MIDWAY THROUGH the Blue-Gray All-Star Football Classic Monday afternoon, an ABC television reporter pulled Mike Farr aside for a live interview.

The guy wanted to know why Farr, a wide receiver from Birmingham Brother Rice and UCLA, was struggling so much.

And you know what? Farr was glad he asked.

"I felt that was good, the fact that they know Mike Farr doesn't normally drop balls," said Farr, who caught one pass for 25 yards, but also dropped two. "That's just not characteristic of myself."

Not at all. And yet much of the day was a disappointment for Farr, whose Blue team lost, 28-10, to the Gray in Montgomery, Ala. One of Farr's teammates was UCLA defensive tackle Mike Lodish, another Rice graduate.

Farr enjoyed his week-long stay, but could have done without the 22-degree game-day weather and the yellow-striped footballs that were used. As an experiment, the Blue-Gray game balls had eight yellow stripes painted on them.

"IT WAS WEIRD," said the 6-foot, 185-pound Farr. "It looked like a full yellow ball coming at you. I could see them being used in high school games for badly lit fields or maybe a 4 o'clock game when it starts to get dark. I don't know if that's the reason I dropped two balls, but . . ."

Farr brought impressive credentials with him, finishing his UCLA career second on the all-time pass reception list.

"It would be a great opportunity, playing for the Lions," Farr said. "But whenever the opportunity is, that's where I'll go. I want to play pro football."

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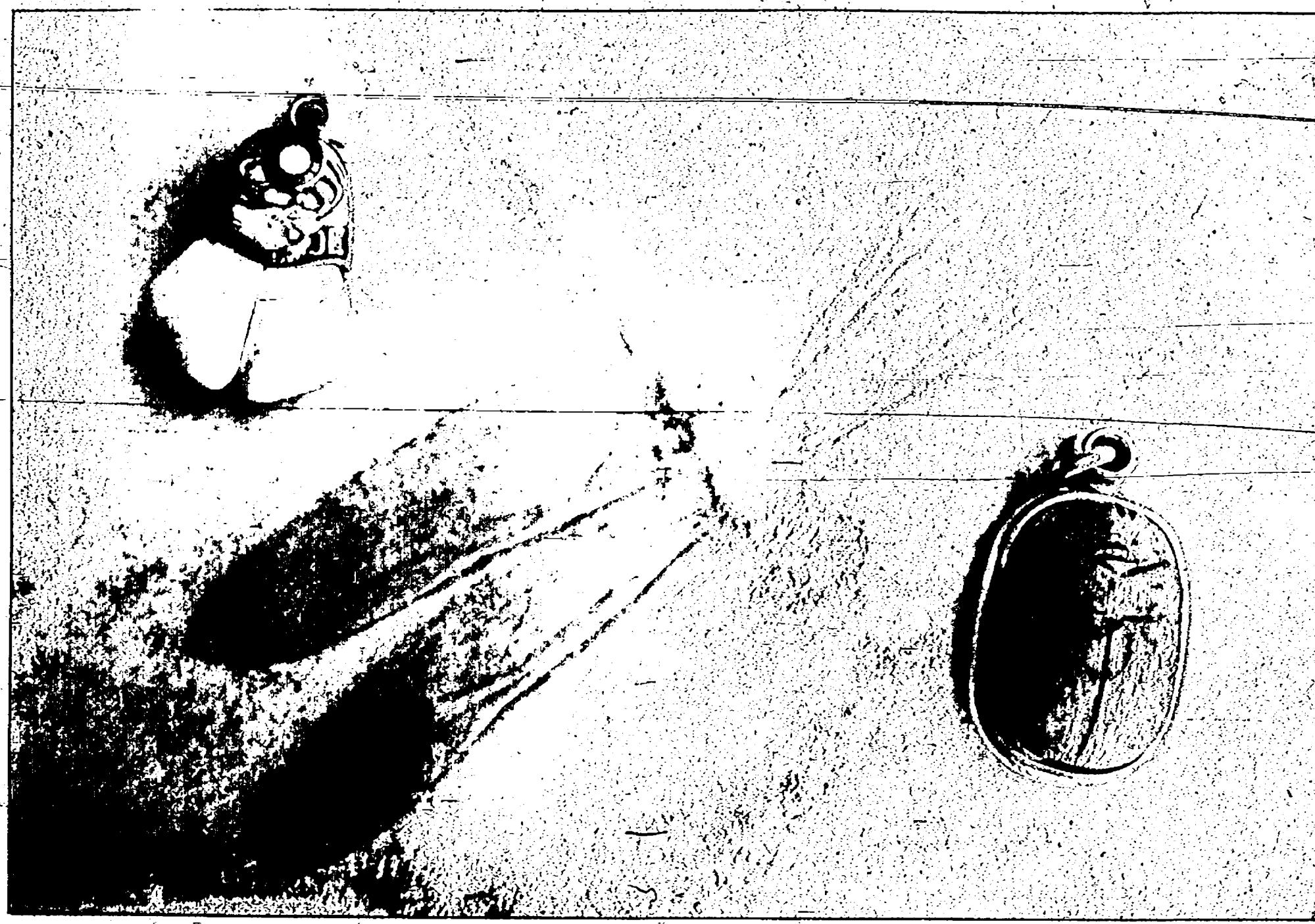
Just relaxing

So what if the weather outside is frightful. So what if there's snow on the ground. It's never too late to think about Florida . . . Well, maybe not Florida per se . . . Jane Fedrigo found the patio furniture of her dreams in Florida and with some luck and a semi full of the stuff, she has set out to make a name for herself in Michigan. Find out more about the queen of patio decor on Page 8D.

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At Your Jeweler's Bench in Farmington Hills, you'll find a stone bearing the fossilized remains of a dragonfly, a pendant made of elk's teeth and a tourquoise paste scarab beetle.

Stone Age

Discovering the hidden meaning

By Debbie Sklar
special writer

All right, you can blame it on actress Shirley MacLaine, if you want to. After all, she's the one who got us hooked on crystals, didn't she?

But now it seems that everyone and his grandmother has his own crystal or personal gem stone.

According to experts, believers and authors, crystals and other gem stones have power.

Precious and semi-precious stones have many qualities beyond their physical attributes," writes George Frederick Kunz, author of "The Curious Lore of Precious Stones."

"They have remarkable monetary value and in the opinion of most of mankind from the earliest recorded times to the present, they have abilities and characteristics that can only be termed magical."

The "agate, for instance, was believed to cure insomnia. Ancient Greeks thought amber was the fossilized tears of Indian birds. Amethyst once was believed to prevent drunkenness and to cool sexual passion," Kunz said.

In the Middle Ages, beryl was thought to help one in battle or law suits, rendering one amiable, intelligent and diligent. Rubies were divided by the ancients into male and female stones. It was believed, they could make water boil and protect fruit trees from tempests as long as they were uncontaminated.

A recent trek through our suburbs uncovered a va-

riety of unusual jewelry, each with its own hidden meaning.

"SURE QUARTZ crystals are still popular, but the newest craze is colored gems," said Elaine Lewis of the Michigan Metaphysical Society in Berkley. "A lot of the customers already have a piece of jewelry that contains a quartz crystal, but now they're coming into the store and buying colored stones to add to the quartz."

Some of the more popular stones, Lewis said, are amethyst, hematite and lapis.

"Here's a perfect example of wearing colored stones in jewelry," she said, pointing to her own wrist wrapped with five beaded bracelets, each containing a different colored stone.

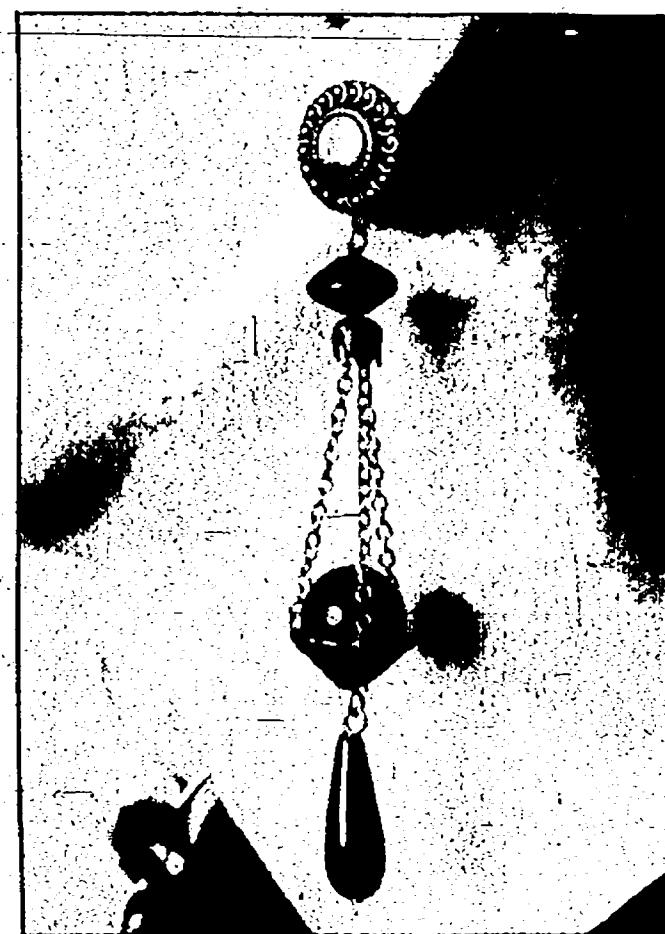
Why would someone want to wear a particular stone?

"It has been said that each stone has different power; each holds a different energy."

The Michigan Metaphysical Society, which has been in business for more than 20 years, sells loose stones as well as those set in pendants, earrings, rings and other accessories. Loose stones cost as little as 50 cents a piece.

"A few years ago, young girls would come in here and ask for an attractive pair of earrings they could buy. Today, they come in and specifically ask for a colored stone."

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Carnelian is a stone reputed to grant good health and even possess antidotal qualities. Here it is used in this pair of "Eternal Light" earrings, made from an Egyptian design.

R.U. Syrius

Karlos Barney



Trends of the Nineties: Salon head-shrinking for fuller, thicker-looking hair.

Plan the honeymoon and let it snow

By Iris Sanderson Jones
contributing travel editor

"Oh the weather outside is frightful . . ."

Is that why my phone is ringing off the hook with questions about honeymoon destinations? The fire may be so delightful, but it can't compare with dreams of a sunny beach somewhere.

"And since we've no place to go . . ."

Why not go to Jamaica, where you can buy a week in an all-inclusive resort (a couples resort like Sandals), with all your food, drink, recreation and entertainment covered by one package price, Club Med style?

Sandals prices start at about \$2,000 a week per couple. Since you've paid for your bed and board anyway, the resort will put on your wedding — at a minimal cost — and invite all the resort guests to the festivities.

"It doesn't show signs of stopping . . ."

But that doesn't matter to Jim and Carol of Redford, who want a nice cold, snowy destination for a

January honeymoon. They want to buy some corn for popping and let it snow!

"No ski resorts," Jim said, "although we wouldn't mind a little

cross country skiing."

That's an easy one. Chateau Montebello, in the village of Montebello, between the cities of Montreal and Quebec. Lots of snow.

The great log hotel is on what was once a seigneurie given by the Bourbon kings of France centuries ago, so there are 100 square miles of snow-covered land for cross country skiing, walking, hunting, etc.

THE CHATEAU IS a lary comfortable place by day, but you dress up for the dining room, so it's a great honeymoon choice. You can take the train 40 miles west to Ottawa, Canada's capital city, or 80 miles east to the history and discos and great food of Montreal.

"When we finally kiss good night, how I hate to go out in the storm . . ."

But if you go to Chateau Montebello, you can stay inside and let it snow.

I'll never tell Julie and Bob of Birmingham on that idea, however, they're planning a March wedding, and they want someplace warm.

How about the islands that surround Florida and southern Georgia? The Florida Keys, Marco or



Honeymooners can soak up the sun or head out to sea in a sailboat at Cloister Beach on Sea Island, Ga.

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MOVING PICTURES



Tom Cruise stars as Ron Kovic in "Born on the Fourth of July," an autobiographical film about a Marine veteran who is paralyzed.

'Fourth of July' kicks off a new decade of movies

A very happy, healthy and peaceful New Year to you all.

Everybody's coming through the '80s for their best-this-or-best-that-of-the-decade, so I thought I'd spare you one more trip through other people's pleasures and tip you off to some of the coming attractions that hold great promise for the new year.

"Born on the Fourth of July" opens next week and appears to more than just another Vietnam film" starring Tom Cruise as Ron Kovic in an autobiographical work about Kovic's experiences as a Marine paralyzed during fighting in Vietnam.

The traumas visited on all Vietnam veterans when they returned is synthesized and symbolized in Kovic's story.

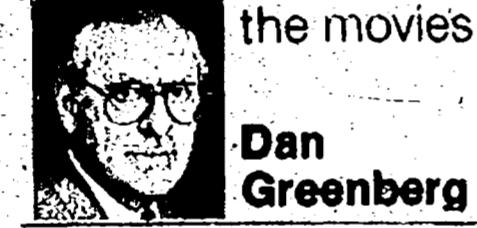
Based on Kovic's book of the same name, "Born on the Fourth of July" was directed by Oliver Stone ("Platoon") who co-authored the script with Kovic. Willem Dafoe also appears in what looks to be a major motion picture.

"Glory" and "Roger and Me" are the best bets for the week of Jan. 12. Everybody's heard about Michael Moore's sardonic look at General Motors, but "Glory" hasn't had the same level of pre-release publicity.

Matthew Broderick stars as Col. Robert Gould Shaw, the commanding officer of the 54th Massachusetts Regiment, the first black fighting unit recruited in the North during the Civil War.

The 54th Regiment's valor in battle undermined Northern opposition to arming blacks who eventually totaled more than 180,000 members of the Union Army.

"Music Box" with Jessica Lange, opening Jan. 19, rounds out the new films this month. Lange is an attorney defending her father against charges that he was a notorious and vicious Hungarian secret police officer during World War II. The film



Grading the movies

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

examines the questions of guilt and innocence during the Holocaust.

STILL PLAYING:

"All Dogs Go To Heaven" (B+) (G) 90 minutes.

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

"Always" (B-) (PG) 110 minutes.

Sometimes poignant, sometimes sappy story of airborne fire fighter who returns from death as a spirit.



Mike Laszlo (Armin Mueller-Stahl), accused of committing unspeakable crimes nearly 60 years ago, is defended by daughter Ann Talbot (Jessica Lange), an attorney, in "Music Box." Lucas Haas plays Laszlo's grandson, Mikey.

ALTERNATIVE VIEWING

Alternatives offered in '89

By John Monaghan
special writer

Controversy and box office receipts thrived in 1989, while some classics got a new life. Here's a look back at some of the year's most significant alternative film events.

- Spike Lee's "Do the Right Thing" had a healthy run in mainstream theaters but was still the most thought-provoking alternative film of the year. Some critics thought Lee's ambiguous moral tone would provoke riots, but audiences found themselves much more stirred up by the controversial violence in "Harlem Nights."

- The highly overrated "sex, lies and videotape," which overshadowed Lee's film at Cannes, was nevertheless an intelligently written drama by 26-year-old director Steven Soderbergh. It was one of the year's many rags-to-riches stories.

- "Heathers," produced by schlocky New World Pictures and written by a former video store employee, poked fun at high school mores in the nastiest — and cleverest — way possible. Some saw it as a glorification of teen suicide, but dark comedies never play by the rules anyway.

- In the Soviet-made "Little Vera," a young woman longs for excitement in a dead-end industrial town. This fascinating film, a sort of "comrades without a cause," has been called the most honest film of the Glasnost era.

- Spain's Pedro Almodovar, the "bad-boy" of European cinema, had three memorable films premiere on area screens this year. His "Women on the Verge of a Nervous Breakdown" was so popular that it left audiences begging for more — and they got it.

- Almodovar's "Matador" (1986), a steamy satire of sexism, provoked women's groups to protest in front of the Detroit Film Theatre. If anyone figured out that "Dark Habits" (1984) was about a sect of drug-crazy nuns, there would have been trouble, too, but it played in relative anonymity at the Tele-Arts Theatre.

- The Maple Theatre, which used to vie for quality art-house titles with the DFT, hit bottom this year.

"Drugstore Cowboy," the subversive look at a group of why-junkies, was their only decent premiere. In recent months, they've been showing pedestrian first-runs like "Gross Anatomy."

- Some old films made a comeback. Golden anniversary celebrations saw new prints of 1939 classics "The Wizard of Oz," "Wuthering Heights" and "Gone With the Wind" in local theaters. The rare concert film, "Ten for One" (1971), set in Ann Arbor and featuring a stirring performance by John Lennon, was unearthed for benefit screenings in Ann Arbor and Royal Oak.

- The restored director's cut of David Lean's "Lawrence of Arabia" (1962), meanwhile, surpassed everyone's expectations — artistically and financially — during its long run at the Fox Theatre. Even with lousy sound and lots of splices, this was an epic achievement. More films at the Fox!

- The Detroit Film Theatre held an ambitious 13-film tribute to wide



Steven Soderbergh's "sex, lies and videotape," which won acclaim at the Cannes Film Festival, stars Peter Gallagher, Laura San Giacomo, Andie MacDowell and James Spader.

screen films this past fall. Poor attendance may have led to the upcoming winter season having just a small handful of vintage titles. It's still the best screen-in town.

- The Tele-Arts, meanwhile, kept plugging away in Grand Circus Park, bringing in decent premieres such as "The Navigator" and "Alice." It's a great place to see movies, though insiders wonder how it's survived this long.

- Senior citizens continue to flock to the Redford and free morning screenings at Livonia Mall.

- Certainly, the most talked-about film locally continues to be "Roger and Me." Journalist-turned-filmmaker Michael Moore's hard look at hard times in Flint was a hit at film festivals. Moore was courted by several studios before deciding to let Warner Bros. distribute it.

Think about it: a grainy, low-budget documentary about lay-offs in a Michigan auto town given the big push by a major film company. I can't think of a more encouraging sign for filmmakers — local, alternative or otherwise — in the new decade.

SCREEN SCENE

LIVONIA MALL CINEMA, 29415 Seven Mile, Livonia. Call 476-1168 for information. (Free)

"Elmer Gantry" (USA — 1960), 10 a.m. Jan. 2. Burl Lancaster shines in this heavy-handed adaptation of Sinclair Lewis' novel. He plays the unscrupulous title character who joins a charismatic woman's (Jean Simmons) traveling salvation show. Part of the mall's month-long tribute to Lancaster.

MICHIGAN THEATRE, 603 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor. Call 668-8397 for information. (\$4 regular, \$3.25 students and senior citizens)

"Laputa" (Japan — 1988), 5:15 p.m. Jan. 2, 4-5 and 5 p.m. Jan. 3. A new animated feature about a woman chased around the galaxy for the magical amulet around her neck. With a mystical floating world, roughly based on a chapter from "Gulliver's Travels."

"Michigan THEATRE, 603 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor. Call 668-8397 for information. (\$4 regular, \$3.25 students and senior citizens)

"The Rainbow" (Britain — 1989), Jan. 5-11 (call for show times). Ken Russell's highly acclaimed adaptation of the D.H. Lawrence novel is a prequel to "Women in Love." A young woman (Sammi Davis) defies social convention to come alive intellectually and sexually in Victorian England. Glenda Jackson co-stars.

SOUTHFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY, 26000 Evergreen Road, Southfield. Call 354-9100 for information. (free)

"Mr. Skeffington" (USA — 1944), 7:30 p.m. Jan. 4. Epic Warner Bros. soap opera stars Bette Davis as a flat-broke socialite who marries a wealthy stockbroker (Claude Rains) only to realize her real love for him years later. Shown on large screen video.

TELE-ARTS, 1540 Woodward, Detroit, 963-8690. (\$2)

"Drugstore Cowboy" (USA — 1989), Jan. 4-8 (call for show times). Matt Dillon leads a quartet of larcenous junkies in the early '70s. Instead of simply depicting the horrors of drugs, the film also shows their appeal — a subversive thought intended for the late '80s.

— John Monaghan

VIDEO VIEWING

By Dan Greenberg
special writer

The flood of videos for home viewing pleasure continues unabated as the New Year dawns. In case you missed a few of the less publicized ones, let's start the new year by looking back over some interesting tapes that appeared unheralded in the last few months.

HBO presented six films from Hollywood's early years entitled "Legendary Silents." This collection has something for everyone — two swashbuckling adventures, "The Thief of Bagdad" (153 minutes) with Douglas Fairbanks and "The Eagle" (81 minutes) with Rudolph Valentino, and three comedies, "Our Hospitality" (75 minutes) and "The General" (77 minutes), both with Buster Keaton, and "The Strong Man" (78 minutes), starring Harry Langdon.

Langdon is little known these days despite great success during the silent era. Then he was ranked with Chaplin, Keaton, Harold Lloyd, Fatty Arbuckle and Ben Turpin although he faded from view quickly when the sound era began. He has not been revived as widely as the others.

In "The Strong Man," he stars as Paul Bergot, a Belgian World War I veteran traveling in America as a circus strongman. Bergot is searching for the young girl whose letters during the war helped buoy his spirits.

"The Strong Man" was directed by Frank Capra, better known at this time of year for "It's a Wonderful Life" as well as his other sound films, including "Mr. Smith Goes to Washington" with Jimmy Stewart.

THE SIXTH of these silents most certainly deserves the "classic" tag, D. W. Griffith's "Broken Blossoms" (95 minutes), the sad and poignant story of a young girl (Lillian Gish) who is brutalized by her drunken father (Donald Crisp). Yes, Virginia, he did play nasty roles in his earlier days.

The young girl escapes from her father and is befriended by a Chinaman (Richard Barthelmess) in London's sleazy Limehouse District. This 1919 tragedy concludes when Crisp discovers her in the Chinaman's rooms.

Buster Keaton's "The General" ranks with the very best film comedies ever produced. "The General" is

a railroad locomotive in the south during the Civil War. Keaton is its engineer, Johnnie Gray, who wants nothing more than to run his engine and court his girl (Marion Mack).

But the Civil War gets in the way. Keaton successfully deadpans his way through the Armies of the North and South, outwitting the machines of war, and of man, as he goes. He does so with some of the finest comic routines ever devised.

There are lots of other excellent films available at your local video store. "The 1990 Video Source Book" should be on local libraries' reference shelves in the next few weeks. It promises to be even thicker than its 1989 predecessor which listed 54,000 titles.

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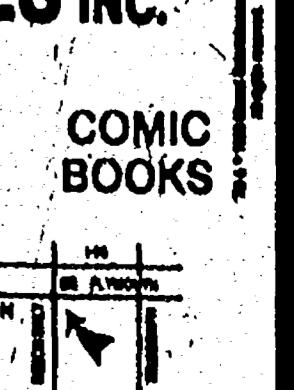
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STREET BEATS

Gories: Pounding out their own R&B sound

By John Logie
special writer

Two minutes into a performance by the Gories, an astute observer can easily determine which audience members are seeing the band for the first time.

The first-timers wear what Gories lead singer/guitarist Mick calls "the grass-eater look" — that look that wildebeests get before the pack of lions pounces on them.

"People who haven't heard us are generally taken aback," he said. "I don't know what it is about us I'd like to think it was the noise level, but I know we're not that loud."

Indeed, it is not the band's volume that prompts the weak to go glassy-eyed and bovine. . . . It is the band's sound.

For the past three years, Mick and his partners in crime, guitarist Dan Kroha and drummer Peg O'Neill, have played a grungy, snarly brand of rhythm and blues which is startlingly unlike anything this side of Bo Diddley's worst lost weekend.

Mick says the sound "generally reminds me of a Marmaduke cartoon, where Marmaduke and this kid are hiding, but looking over the fence at the milkman, and the kid looks at Marmaduke and says, 'OK, Marmaduke, bark real loud right now!'"

A basso back, the sound of breaking glass and crying over spilled milk, are all elements of the Gories' sound, but there's a lot more to the band.

MICK IS nothing if not manic. Clad in sharkskin and sunglasses, he claws his Kent guitar and rants into the microphone with unsettling fervor.

Dan bolster's Mick's guitar lines with a steady stream of bashed-out bar chords. Peg pounds tom-tom with a maraca and generates more noise than one person with a sorely limited drum set including a non-functional bass drum.

You'd expect a band like the Gories to spring from twisted roots, but were it not for occasional perversities, the Gories' genesis would read uncomfortably like an old Mickey Rooney/Judy Garland "we have a show of our own" barnyard musical.

"We were sitting around one night listening to an LP called 'Scum of the Earth, Volume 1,'" Mick recalls, "and Dan was polishing off a six-pack. I looked at him and said, 'You know, we could do this just as good as these guys.' And Dan said, 'You know, you're right. Why don't we form a band?'"



The Gories — lead singer/guitarist Mick, guitarist Dan Kroha and drummer Peg O'Neill — played a grungy, snarly brand of rhythm and blues.

Steve Shaw

Before forming the Gories, Kroha's entire playing skills consisted of strumming one chord during a song in his previous band, the Onset. Mick never picked up a guitar seriously. And because O'Neill happened to be sitting next to Kroha, she got to play drums.

THE BAND'S NAME came "from an episode of *Gidget*, where *Gidget* is in a band called 'Gidget and the Gories,'" Mick said.

Early on the band was uncertain about its guitar/guitar/drums line-up.

"We got all kinds of offers from people who wanted to play bass for us," Mick said. "When we first formed, we really could have used a bass player, but once we got used to the idea of just the three of us up on stage, our arrangements started to reflect that.

"We got the tone of the guitars . . . the timbre where we wanted it. We're true to our sound . . . I can imagine how lot of people wouldn't be, but to us it sounds really complete."

Those who have seen the band will undoubtedly agree that three Gories are more than sufficient, but the

band is hard pressed to explain just how and why it arrives at this sufficiency.

"Most people would say that Screamin' Jay Hawkins is an influence, but it's really not the truth," Mick said. "It just sounds like it. Our primary influences are the Sonics, because they were really wild in the studio.

"AND HOUND DOG" Taylor and the Houserockers is still a big influence because here are these three old bluesmen from Chicago and they play two guitars and a drum set, and they use Silvertone amps."

Mick is especially fond of his vintage Silvertone tube amp, and well he should be. It has given him two years of service — and that can not be said of any other piece of Mick's gear.

"I'm on amp number two, and I'm on guitar number six right now . . . heading for guitar number seven," he said. "Very rarely do I go through a set without breaking a string."

Strings are cheap to come by. It's when I bash up guitars that's the problem, but it's only happened once. The Gories' latest "accident" bodes well for the band.

"We're actually a playing unit right now," Mick said. "In the first shows, we didn't know when to begin or end the songs. I think we can almost legitimately claim to be able to play now, which was never really our goal, and as far as I'm concerned, it's still not. It just happened along the line."

"We were just standing around one day, and we realized that we knew how to play, practically. It was kind of a big shock to us."

The Gories will perform on Friday, Jan. 5, at Willis Gallery.

IN CONCERT

FULLY LOADED

Fully Loaded will perform on Tuesday, Jan. 2, at Rick's American Cafe, 611 Church, Livonia. For information, call 998-2747.

• RHONE

Rhone and the Freedom band will perform on Tuesday, Jan. 2, at the Blind Pig, 208 S. First, Ann Arbor. For information, call 998-8555.

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• HIPPODROME

Hippodrome will perform on Thursday, Jan. 4, at 3-D Club, 1815 N. Main, near 12 Mile, Royal Oak. For information, call 589-3344.

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Sweet Sweet Life will perform on Thursday, Jan. 4, at the Blind Pig, 208 S. First, Ann Arbor. For information, call 998-8555.

• KING DAVID

King David will perform on Thursday, Jan. 4, at Rick's Cafe, 611 Church, Ann Arbor. For information, call 998-2747.

• GRANFALOON

Granfalloon will perform on Friday, Jan. 5, at Paycheck's Lounge in Hamtramck.

• DIRTY BLONDE

Dirty Blonde will perform on Friday, Jan. 5, at Blondie's, 31139 W. Seven Mile, east of Telegraph, Detroit. For information, call 535-8108.

• SERF ENCEPHALADS

Serf Encephalads will perform on Friday, Jan. 5, at Garden Bowl, 4120 Woodward, Detroit. For information, call 535-8108.

• JEANNE AND THE DREAMS

Jeanne and the Dreams will perform Friday and Saturday, Jan. 5-6, at Rick's

American Cafe, 611 Church, Ann Arbor. For information, call 998-2747.

• BIM SKALA BIM

Bim Skala Bim will perform with guests, Gangster Fun, on Friday, Jan. 5, at the Blind Pig, 208 S. First, Ann Arbor. For information, call 998-8555.

• DJ

DJ will perform with guests, Coven and Pittbull, on Saturday, Jan. 6, at Blondie's, 31139 W. Seven Mile, east of Telegraph, Detroit. For information, call 535-8108.

• SKA NIGHT

Bim Skala Bim, Gangster Fun and DJ Eddie Rillot will all perform on Saturday, Jan. 6, at the Art Center Music School, 3975 Cass, Detroit. For information, call 831-2585.

Here are the top 10 songs receiving airplay on WBFR-FM 88.1, student-operated station of Bloomfield Hills School District.

1. "Janie's Got a Gun," Aerosmith.
2. "Storm Front," Billy Joel.
3. "Feels Like Lot Better," Tom Petty.
4. "Another Day in Paradise," Hall & Oates.
5. "Bang," Gorky Park.
6. "Pretending," Eric Clapton.
7. "Terrifying," Rolling Stones.
8. "With Every Beat of My Heart," Taylor Dayne.
9. "Love Song," Tesla.
10. "Dangerous," Roxette.

Here are the top 10 songs receiving airplay on "Detroit Music Scene," which is heard 4:5 p.m. Sundays (repeated 5:30-6:30 p.m. Tuesdays) on WDTR-FM 90.9.

1. "Some Day Son," Strange Bedfellows.
2. "Rainy Day Picture Show," Hypnotic.
3. "Now You're Gone," EFX.
4. "Blue Christmas," Twiggy Barber.
5. "Chan Chan," Nemesis.
6. "Arrangements . . .," Rubber.
7. "Wake Up Rebecca," Chris Gorey.
8. "N.G.L.F.," Pest.
9. "Jingle Bells," Bad Yae.
10. "I'm Not Santa Claus," Lab Animals.

REVIEWS

UPTOWNSHIP — Hugh Masekela



Despite having had a huge hit in the '70s with "Grazing in the Grass," Hugh Masekela is best known in the United States for his contributions to Paul Simon's "Graceland" album.

As the title suggests (blending the American notion of "uptown" with a reference to South African "township" live music), "Uptownship" is an effort to play to the fans Masekela won as a result of his work with Simon.

While Masekela's love for American music is probably every bit as strong as Paul Simon's love for South African music, "Uptownship" suffers when Masekela and his fellow musicians cover the work of American composers.

Masekela's version of Gamble & Huff's "If You Don't Know Me By Now," is a rather syrupy rock-jazz treatment, and Masekela's fine trumpet work drowns. Similarly, Masekela covers Smokey Robinson's "Ooo, Baby, Baby," with his horn playing replacing Robinson's vocals. Even with that substitution, the song is too close to the original to take on a life of its own. It has a comparative, rather than an artistic appeal.

Masekela also covers Bob Marley's "No Woman, No Cry" remarkably faithfully. Were it not for occasional bursts from Masekela's trum-

THREE MONTHS, THREE WEEKS & TWO DAYS — Bill Pritchard



pet, one might mistake the song for the original.

Unfortunately, the remainder of "Uptownship" consists of songs which are at times informed by an American musical sensibility, but remain African. On these songs, Masekela and his band play with vigor and confidence. And it is these songs which are far closer to the spirit of Simon's "Graceland" project than the cover covers of American material.

The best of these songs is the title track, which features a bouncy township bassline, cascading guitars, inspired horn duets, and what can only be described as a skating-rink organ. Masekela draws these elements together, and creates a vibrant, uplifting whole.

It's a terrific song, which makes it seem unfortunate that it is the only Masekela composition on the album.

— John Logie

In the layered sounds of Pink Floyd's "Cosy Evening," a Pritchard-style Christmas tune, has lyrics like "Mouths aren't rational, mouths need feeding/and if the system screws you, months get desperate/and those cosy Christmas evenings are gone forever."

If "Three Months" has a flaw, it is on the song "Invisible State." The backing vocals sounded uncannily like Tracy, Lori and Shirley singing along with "The Partridge Family." It's not a horrible flaw, just a little unsettling. The rest of the album is great, so if you see it in the stores, grab it immediately and enjoy.

— Jill Hamilton

KNUCKLE SANDWICH — Orange Roughies



The Orange Roughies need this album. This band's reputation has been garnered for the most part by touring on the local club circuit for nearly three years. Yet no album.

So here it is, folks, the long-awaited "Knuckle Sandwich" (Nocturnal).

At first, let's say this is better than we expected. This album has been in the can for 1½ years. There's a chance that the material would become dated, especially considering that "Eyepatch" was on the band's debut cassette two years ago and finds itself here on the "latest" LP.

Still there is a spark on "Knuckle Sandwich," something very reminiscent of the Roughies early shows. Unlike before, though, this album captures a cohesiveness that was lacking in the band's infancy.

Then, as now, the group reached the stratosphere on the guitar stylings of Dave Feeney.

Feeney stretches the limits here. "Eyepatch" has become his hallmark, bouncing from raunchy guitar screech to airy melodies. He follows suite the rest of the way. He provides the full quota of driving and soaring guitar lines complete with hooks.

His guitar can carry this album alone. John "Rosie" Pineau's vocals have always been, well, an acquired taste. But even here Feeney's guitar manages to provide the right amount of canvas for Rosie to sing without becoming too overbearing (and, yes, at times, enjoyable).

Credit perhaps for that is attributed to the production work. The mixing, along with the cover art work, is first-rate. This does not look like the average (read gray) local band album cover.

Finally, the Orange Roughies have their calling card. Now, let's see what they can do with it.

— Larry O'Connor

STREET SEEN

Our intrepid Street Scene reporter is always looking for the unusual and welcomes comments and suggestions from readers and entrepreneurs. Send those to this column in care of this newspaper, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150, or call 591-2300, Ext. 313.



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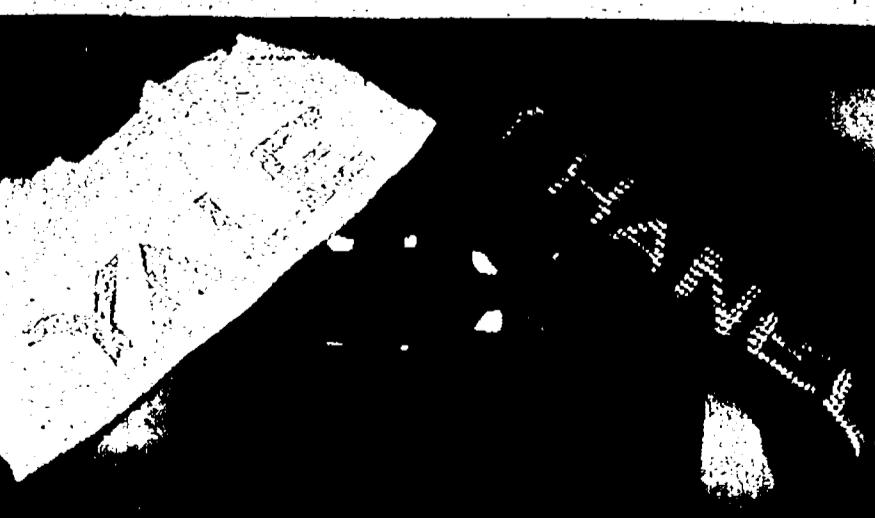
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FEAR & LOAFING

For suburbanites, I predict...

What does the new year hold for suburbanites? To prepare you for 1990, our staff goes back to the future with next year's news:

(1) Fashion Trends

Women's hemlines will go down below the knee, but this move towards modesty will be more than offset by a switch to transparent fabrics. The new "see-through look" will lead to a sharp increase in men walking into parking meters.

Cosmetic dentistry will offer more than just style. For diners who love their steaks extra rare, fully functional fangs will save valuable time at those poor lunches.

Body piercing will be the next craze in jewelry. It started with ear lobes, then spread to noses for a daring few. This year, anywhere you can grab a pinch of skin will be pierced and decorated. Instead of sweating at the gym to lose those "love handles" and "spare tires," fashionable folks will use them to dangle their bangles.

(2) Diet and Health

High-fiber foods will grow even more popular. However, as people consume increasing amounts of oat bran, their bodies will become highly flammable. Colon cancer will be virtually eliminated, but death by spontaneous combustion will skyrocket.

Fad diets will be replaced by a simple surgical procedure — having

your taste buds removed. When everything you eat tastes like old mattress, you'll automatically lose weight. A cheap alternative to having your tongue scraped will be to lick a car fender at 10 below.

(3) Real Estate

Detroit suburbs will pass tough new zoning laws, requiring one strip center for every 10 residents. For city approval, each mall must contain a party store, video rental, sun-tan parlor, frozen yogurt, pizza carryout and sensory deprivation flotation tank. Nicknamed "East Meets West," the project calls for one continuous strip center stretching from St. Clair Shores to Ann Arbor by

1991.

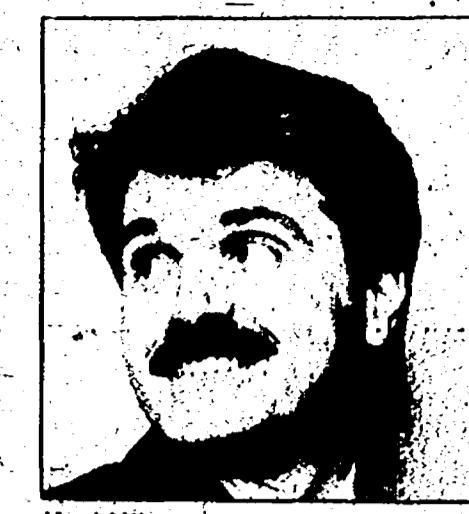
Business and Industry

Early in 1990, the Big Three automakers will unveil bold new marketing. Instead of cash-back rebates, buyers will receive a free Japanese car with every purchase. American engineers will counter foreign technology by adding more design operations like eel skin pedals, leather tail pipes and vibrator seats. As sales slump, buyer incentives will escalate with free gas, free insurance, and a chance to live in the dealer's home for five years or up to 50,000 miles.

"Mr. Ed."

(4) Leisure and Recreation

Boat marinas and public docks will be filled beyond capacity next



Karl Nilsson

(5) Media Scoop

Detroit TV stations will file for a joint operating-agreement by claiming their top execs are forced to deliver newspapers in their bare feet just to pay the rent. Switching to one simulcast channel will cut overhead, end the rating wars and drive ad rates up. Viewers will also benefit from the JOA's take-it-or-leave-it programming policy of non-stop "Mr. Ed."

(6) Leisure and Recreation

Boat marinas and public docks will be filled beyond capacity next

year. Faced with no place to launch their second mortgages, hundreds of families will turn to dryland boating. Special parking lots will be set aside for boaters to trailer their boats around with their families aboard. Wavy sections of pavement will simulate choppy conditions, while the crew enjoys the sun and wind just like before. Ski boats will pull skiers on skateboards, and fisherman can cast into specifically stocked chuck holes.

(7) Cultural Trends

Cigarette smoking will finally be banned in all public and private places. Children will be paid to turn in parents who light up and nicotine screening will occur at every workplace. However, to subsidize the economy of tobacco-producing states, lobbyists will pressure Washington for alternative uses for their cash crop. By the end of 1990, millions of leftover cigarettes will be fed to students as part of the government's school lunch program.

Speaking of schools, the local smut patrol will allow "Catcher in the Rye" back onto library shelves after discovering students can no longer read words with more than three letters.

Ha Pee Nu Yir!

Don't let weather dampen planning

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Sanibel Islands on Florida's gulf coast? Sanibel is low-rise, residential and has the third-best shelling beach in the world. Neighboring Captiva has a huge resort called South Seas Plantation. Marco is high-rise and beachy.

Or, go north and east to the Atlantic, and you get a similar (if slightly cooler) ambience on Amelia Island, which has the Amelia Island Plantation at one end (ask for a pool room) and a funky fishing town at the other.

Or go north across the Georgia border to the Sea Islands. Each island has its own ambience.

GREG AND SALLY of Farmington are also getting married in the spring. Sally said, "Greg likes cities, and I like islands. We both like it warm."

There is one Florida island that will do all that: Key Biscayne, which is across a bridge from Miami. You can do beach life at a contemporary hotel, bike, spend some time in the state park at the end of the island, climb an historic lighthouse, enjoy a fairly populated island and drive across the bridge into the city any time.

Well, the fire is slowly dying, and there's one more couple trying to say goodbye to winter. "We love staying in historic houses and wandering around historic areas. Someplace warm, please." That's Sue, who will marry John in April.

Try Charleston, Savannah or San Antonio, which will be warm, warmer, warmest, as you drive south. Historic Charleston was not damaged by Hurricane Hugo and fits the bill.

So does Savannah. Stay in one of their marvelous historic inns in the restored downtown area and walk, walk, walk.

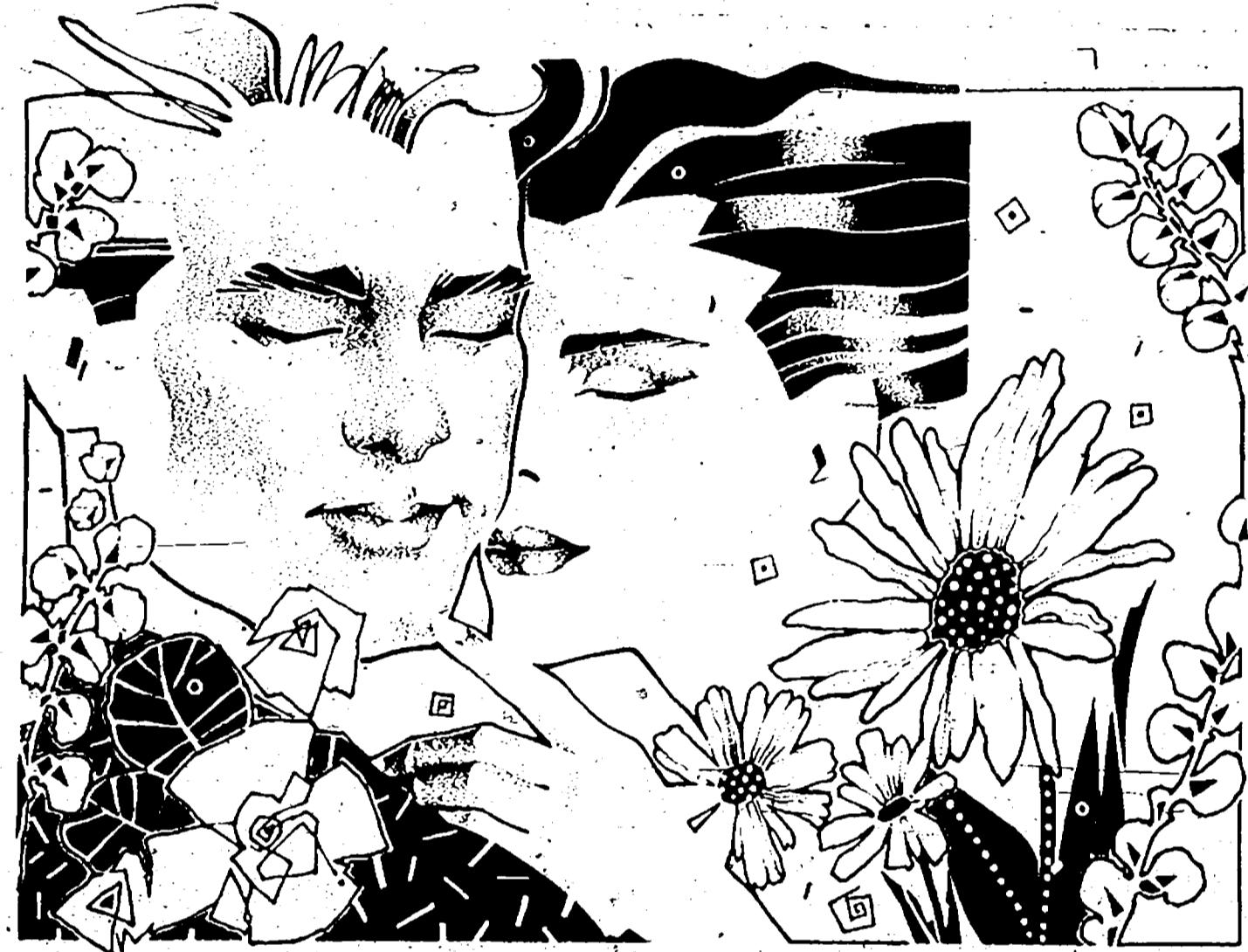
San Antonio has the Alamo, the Spanish missions, a restored river front and lots of warm southern gaiety.

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STREET CRACKS

Brannan: Laughing SUCCESS

By Larry O'Connor
staff writer

Lost in a bet?
Lazy typist at the hospital?
Traded for an extra letter in his last name?

"Hey, Jef Brannan, where's the other F?"
That's the way it is on my birth certificate, with two Fs," said Brannan, 29, who lives in Auburn Hills. "But I cut it down to one. It looks better and two Fs is rather redundant."

When you're a comedian, every letter counts. So does every engagement as the Rochester High School grad has found. Brannan is entering his ninth year as a stand-up comedian, not including the year he took off to go to Florida so he could become a "beach bum."

Life is on the A-side for Brannan. He recently was featured on Showtime's "Comedy Club Network" and has a slew of upcoming headline engagements, both nationally and locally.

And this is from someone who didn't think he was any more funny than the other cut-ups at Rochester High, a person who first viewed comedy as something of a hobby, not a way to make a living. Some \$30,000 a year later, Brannan has found out otherwise.

"That's the reason why I'm telling you," he said about yearly income, which doesn't include expenses. "The I.R.S. already knows."

Brannan knew he was hooked on stand-up comedy after seeing one show.

"I DIDN'T think you had to write material. I used to think all that funny stuff came out of their heads," Brannan said. "Then I went to a comedy show. I liked it so much I went back there the next night and he was telling the same jokes. I thought, heck, I can do that."

Brannan started writing jokes on 3- by 5-inch index cards before graduating to spiral notebooks. He did his first stand-up gig at Mark Ridley's Comedy Castle, which then was one of the only comedy clubs around. He bombed.

Undaunted, Brannan kept practicing and writing new material. Then came the major turning point in his career, "when people started offering to pay me money." A club owner in East Lansing offered Brannan \$25, gas money (an additional \$5) and dinner to perform on weekends.



When you're talking about up and coming comedians, there's Jef — with one F, thank you — Brannan, a Rochester High School graduate who has been honing his laughability for nine years.

From there, Brannan was on his way. His sarcastic and sometimes dark humor found appreciative ears in clubs in the East and South along with the Midwest. He is a regular headliner at Detroit area clubs.

His act has been honed to appeal to all audiences, no matter the region.

"You can't be from New York and do subway jokes in Iowa," Brannan said. "I try not to deal in a whole lot of that humor. I kept my act where I don't have to do that."

Brannan's act was recently captured live on Showtime. He admits being a little nervous at the first of two tapings, the first taking place at the Punchline in Atlanta, Ga. The second time went much better. That performance aired.

The experience of watching himself on TV was a new one.

"YOU TEND to become highly critical," he said. "I saw some things I thought I could do better. But, overall, I was pleased with it."

Brannan's trying to set up some other television appearances to go along with his busy club schedule. A planned move to Los Angeles next year won't hurt in that pursuit, either. Once there, he hopes to cut his travel itinerary from three weeks out of a month to only one week.

His soon-to-be wife wouldn't mind that at all. The two will be married in August 1991.

"She puts up with it," he said. "She would rather be at home."

Jef Brannan will perform Wednesday through Saturday, Jan. 3-6, at Joey's Comedy and Sports Emporium in Allen Park. For information, call 382-7041.

Men, if you're about to turn 18, it's time to register with Selective Service at any U.S. Post Office.

Emporium, Southfield Road, Allen Park. Show times are 8:30 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday and 8 and 10:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday. For information, call 382-7041.

Holly Hotel

Tim Lilly will perform Thursday through Sunday, Jan. 4-6, at Holly Hotel, 110 Battle Alley, Holly. Show times are 8:30 p.m. Thursday and 8:30 and 10:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday. For information, call 634-1891.

Miss Kitty's

Paul Kelly and Tim Rowlands will perform Thursday-Sunday, Jan. 4-6, at Miss Kitty's Comedy Club, Long Branch Restaurant, 595 N. Lapeer Road, Oxford. Show times are 8 p.m. Thursday; 8 and 10:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday. For information, call 628-6500.

Looney Bin

Brent Cushman will perform with special guests Pyramid and Tim Herot will perform Thursday-Sunday, Jan. 4-6, at the Wolverine and Looney Bin Restaurant and Comedy Club, 1655 Glengary, Walled Lake. Show times are 9 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 8 and 10:15 p.m. Saturdays. For more information, call 669-9374.

Chaplain's East

Norm Stulz with Rico Diaz and Harry Artin will perform Thursday through Sunday, Jan. 4-7, at Chaplain's East, 34244 Groesbeck, Fraser. Show times are 8:30 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday and 8:30 and 10:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday. For information, call 792-1902.

Chaplain's West

Tim Walkoe, with Danny Gray and John Daicos will perform Tuesday through Saturday, Jan. 2-6, at Chaplain's West, 16890 Telegraph, south of Six Mile, Detroit. For information, call 533-8866.

Mainstreet

Stunt Johnson Theatre will perform Wednesday and Thursday, Jan. 3-4, and Downtown Tony Brown will perform Friday and Saturday, Jan. 5-6, at Mainstreet Comedy Showcase, 314 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor. Show times are 8:30 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, 8:30 and 11 p.m. Friday and 7, 9 and 11 p.m. Saturday. For information, call 996-9020.

Joey's Livonia

Bob Haney will perform along with Mike Green and Ken Brown Wednesday through Saturday, Jan. 3-6, at Joey's Comedy Club, 36071 Plymouth, east of Levan, Livonia. Show times are 9 p.m. Thursday and Friday and 8:30 and 10:30 p.m. Saturday. For reservations, call 281-0555.

Joey's Allen Park

Jef Brannan will perform along with Keith Ruff and Steve Mitchell Wednesday through Saturday, Jan. 3-6, at Joey's Comedy Club and Sports Emporium in Allen Park.

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Jane Fedrigo of Livonia went to Florida to find furnishings for her 1,000-square-foot back yard deck in Livonia and ended up the owner of two patio furniture stores, named after Palm Beach, Fla.

Palm Beach: Closer than you think

By Darrell Clem
staff writer

You don't find many black plastic Christmas trees in a patio furniture shop.

Come to think of it, you don't find many black plastic Christmas trees anywhere.

But in a patio store? Especially, one that takes its name after Palm Beach, Fla?

The idea might seem strange at first — but not after talking with store owner Jane Fedrigo. Then it starts to make good business sense.

"It's kind of hard to sell patio furniture in the winter," said Fedrigo, the 30-year-old Livonia resident who owns Palm Beach Patio Furniture stores in Waterford Township and Novi.

And anyway, this fast-talking, quick-witted entrepreneur who laughs often and smokes cigarettes can hardly be described as traditional.

"She cares more about her back yard than she does about the inside of her house," said Fedrigo's mother, Gwen.

Perhaps that's why Fedrigo started her patio business 5½ years ago after a shopping spree in Florida. She went south to find furnishings for her 1,000-square-foot back yard deck in Livonia because she didn't see what she wanted in the Detroit area. She ended up having 40 sets of patio furniture — a truckload — shipped north. "I was just looking."

FEDRIGO, WHO had quit college because she didn't believe she was getting her money's worth, didn't even have a home for her patio inventory. Never mind that she had no retail experience. Or loyal customers. Or even a cash register.

Those details would be worked out.

However, even her family questioned her decision, at age 24, to start a patio business.

"But nobody talks Jane out of what she believes in," her mother said. "She had definite ideas, and she would not be discouraged. She has a lot of drive."

Nine of 10 businesses fail in the first five years. Fedrigo observes with a twist of wry humor that after

5½ years in business, "the odds are now only 30 percent that I'll fail."

She must be doing something right though. She has kept a Waterford Township office and last March opened her second store — the one at Novi Town Center. She wants more stores.

Even so, there was a time when Fedrigo wanted nothing more than to own a restaurant, although she concedes that her first love — cooking — is seldom practiced. But she did once beat 25 competitors in a state chili cooking contest. And she jokes — or does she — that she might one day open a restaurant.

I'm halfway to the restaurant business now. People will come in the store, sit down on the patio furniture and get comfortable. Now all I need is a little kitchen in the back room and I can start serving food."

ALTHOUGH SHE sometimes works 60 hours a week, Fedrigo travels to places such as San Francisco, Dallas, Atlanta, Chicago and New York to keep abreast of the latest styles of patio furniture. The furniture she buys has been shipped

from as far away as Costa Rica.

Next summer, the most popular colors for patio furniture will be black, dark green and white, she said, while yellow is expected to decline in popularity. One of the top styles will be large, awning-type stripes.

Palm Beach Patio Furniture carries such brands as Brown Jordan, Allibert, Samsonite and Tropitone. The patio sets vary from wrought iron to wood to steel to polyvinyl chloride. The stores offer wall art, table settings and, of course, Christmas trees.

Fedrigo stocks such a variety because she believes her store is like a doughnut shop, "and who wants to walk out of a doughnut shop with a dozen of the same doughnuts?"

Many people buy patio furniture on the spur of the moment for graduation parties or family reunions, Fedrigo said. When the patio business slows in the fall, Fedrigo turns to the Christmas season.

She decorates 20 trees at her Novi store and 30 at the Waterford Township outlet. White lights and silver tinsel look especially good on the

black plastic trees, she said. She chooses a wheat — yes, wheat — tree decorated with aqua, pink and purple lights for her home.

I REALLY GO for the avant-garde. These trees are just so contemporary."

Fedrigo, the fourth of five children, said she probably will settle down someday and have a family of her own. In fact, she alludes to a marriage but won't say when it might occur.

But she'll never be domesticated, she said, because she plans to stay in the patio business.

"I love patio. I will probably never get out of it."

She will, however, have to consider expanding the 200-square-foot patio built onto the Farmington Hills house to which she plans to move soon. The patio is one-fifth the size of her current patio.

"That's OK," Fedrigo said, puffing on a Carlton. "My new place is on a corner lot. I've got plenty of room to expand the deck. And I'll need to. I've got a lot of patio furniture."



When a stone isn't just a stone

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"I think people in general are doing more research about a particular stone before they make a purchase. The stones have taken on a whole new meaning for a lot of people."

The Gemstone Remedy Chart suggests wearing or having in your daily possession the following stones:

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- For lower back discomforts — Sodalite, malachite or green tourmaline.
- For middle back discomforts — Bloodstone, amethyst, or smoky quartz.
- For upper back discomforts — Rose quartz, amethyst or bloodstone.

In a quaint jewelry shop in Farmington Hills, fossil jewelry is all the craze.

"What we've done is taken fossils and made wearable jewelry out of them," said Anita Collins, co-owner

of Your Jeweler's Bench. "People

love it because they're unique and they don't see themselves coming and going like they do with other jewelry."

Your Jeweler's Bench has fossil jewelry ranging from necklaces made from cephalopods, shells permeated by iron pyrite to Egyptian scarab pendants, which meant good luck in those days. The petrified sand dollar neck pieces are sure to start conversations.

COLLINS ALSO has some antique jewelry with its own history. For example, there's a Bloody Bucket ring. Made of sterling silver, it dates from World War II.

"It belonged to one of the soldiers from the British brigade in Eng-

land; they called themselves the Bloody Buckets. It was like their slogan ring."

Other items include jewelry made from human hair — real collector's pieces, according to Collins — and genuine elk's teeth pins.

"People are generally fascinated with these items. And because they have a story behind them, that makes them all the more interesting."

Fossils range in price from \$150-\$2,500. Mounted prices begin at \$22 for a gold-filled trilobite pendant.

In Southfield, where busy streets and strip malls abound, there is one shop where peace and tranquility still reign.

Presence II on the lower level of the Claymore apartment complex

off of Franklin Road in Southfield can be described in one word — romance.

Jewelry with hidden meaning has "been around for centuries," artist/shop owner Leslie Pilling said.

Pilling's store, which opened last June, carries everything from lavish picture frames adorned in lace to home interior accessories to "jewelry with deep meaning."

"We've done a lot of research on this topic. It appears that the Egyptians and Mayans were the first to use different shapes, designs and colors to give something a particular meaning."

IN ANCIENT Egyptian hieroglyphics certain animals had certain meanings behind them. The fish meant good luck, the bird freedom; the elephant's trunk good luck, the heart love and the bear power, Pilling said.

Pilling has several pieces of jewelry that carry those signs. There is also a pair of earrings that has been made to look like grapes and vines.

"I asked the artist what the significance was. She told me that they should be worn by someone who wants to have a baby because they represent fertility."

Other earrings have astrological signs engraved on them, and there are necklaces adorned with charms that have their own meanings.

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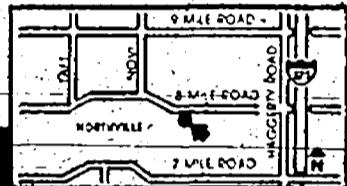
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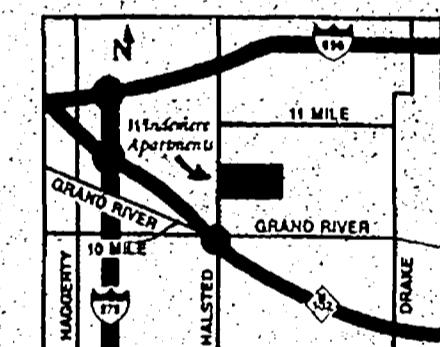
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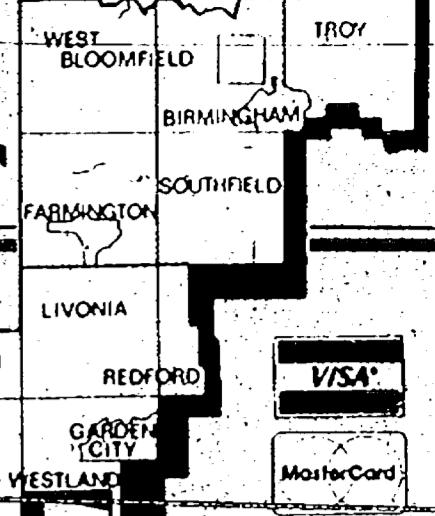
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1st-time house buyers eligible for state trust

By Gerald Frawley
staff writer

Pssst, wanna buy a house? No, really. This isn't a scam — it's got the backing of the state of Michigan.

Gov. James Blanchard has a possible solution for first-time house buyers who are unable to save enough money for a down payment.

HOST, or Home Ownership Savings Trust, is a guaranteed investment program similar to the education trust established last year, according to Michigan department of treasury public affairs director Robert Kolt.

Future first-time house buyers will make monthly purchases of variable-rate, Michigan quality of life bonds for a specified period of time based on the down payment needed. Voters approved the sale of \$800 million in bonds in November 1988.

The savings trust created by the deposits will be tax-exempt.

Reactions to the program, by builders and real estate agents have been favorable, Kolt said.

Builders Association of Southeast

Michigan (BASM) president James Bonadeo said that Governor Blanchard has tentatively agreed to meet with association members to discuss the program, but no date has been set.

On the surface, the HOST program appears to be beneficial to builders, Bonadeo said, but he has yet to examine the program in detail. "Anything that helps young people to save for a home is a good thing."

BONADEO SAID even developers who build apartments may not be opposed to the HOST program. Residential builders have diversified interests and many build single-family and apartments.

"I own apartments, and sometimes I'll talk to a tenant who has been living in an apartment for four or five years and ask him why he's still there," Bonadeo said. "He'll usually say, 'Don't you want me in your apartment?'

"Don't get me wrong, I do want them there, but don't they want to build equity in a house?" he asked. "I

I think this is a good idea for people who have a difficult time saving, but perhaps not for everyone. I'm not jumping up and down over this, but for some people it will be a good thing.'

— Doug Courtney
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can always get someone to fill the apartment.

"Besides, you may vacate one of my apartments, but you might buy one of my homes."

Western Wayne Oakland County Board of Realtors president Doug Courtney said it is premature to pass judgment on HOST because no one has had a chance to carefully evaluate it. "We're excited at this point, but it's hard to say."

"I believe some first-time-home buyers are looking forward to this program, but there may be drawbacks," Courtney said. "It could defer home ownership."

"If a person is interested in buying a home, he may wait because of this program even though it's not necessary," Courtney said. "With a Federal Home Mortgage (FHA) loan or specialized private mortgages, a house can be purchased for far less than many people realize, he said.

A person who buys a house today will build equity and could be in a second house before a HOST participant gets into his first house, he said. "If we talked about this in several years, my guess is that you (the person who bought today) would be further ahead."

"I think this is a good idea for people who have a difficult time saving, but perhaps not for everyone," Courtney said. "I'm not jumping up and down over this, but for some people it will be a good thing."

KOLT SAID most of the quality of life bonds will be sold at a fixed interest rate, but approximately \$40 million worth will be sold as variable rate bonds with an interest rate equivalent to Michigan's annual housing inflation rate, he said. Monies from the bond sales will be used to clean up contaminated sites throughout the state.

The application period for the program begins Jan. 2. A cutoff date has not been set yet, although like the education trust, applications will be accepted again in the future, Kolt said.

Applicants will be asked four basic questions: the approximate value of the desired house, the number of years in which the purchase will be made, the down payment amount, and where the house will be purchased.

Using these four factors, Kolt said the state will be able to design a savings program with specific monthly principal and interest payments to generate a down payment on a house.

KOLT SAID for participants who are uncertain of the house's location the average inflation rate on house prices will be used. That has been historically near 7 percent.

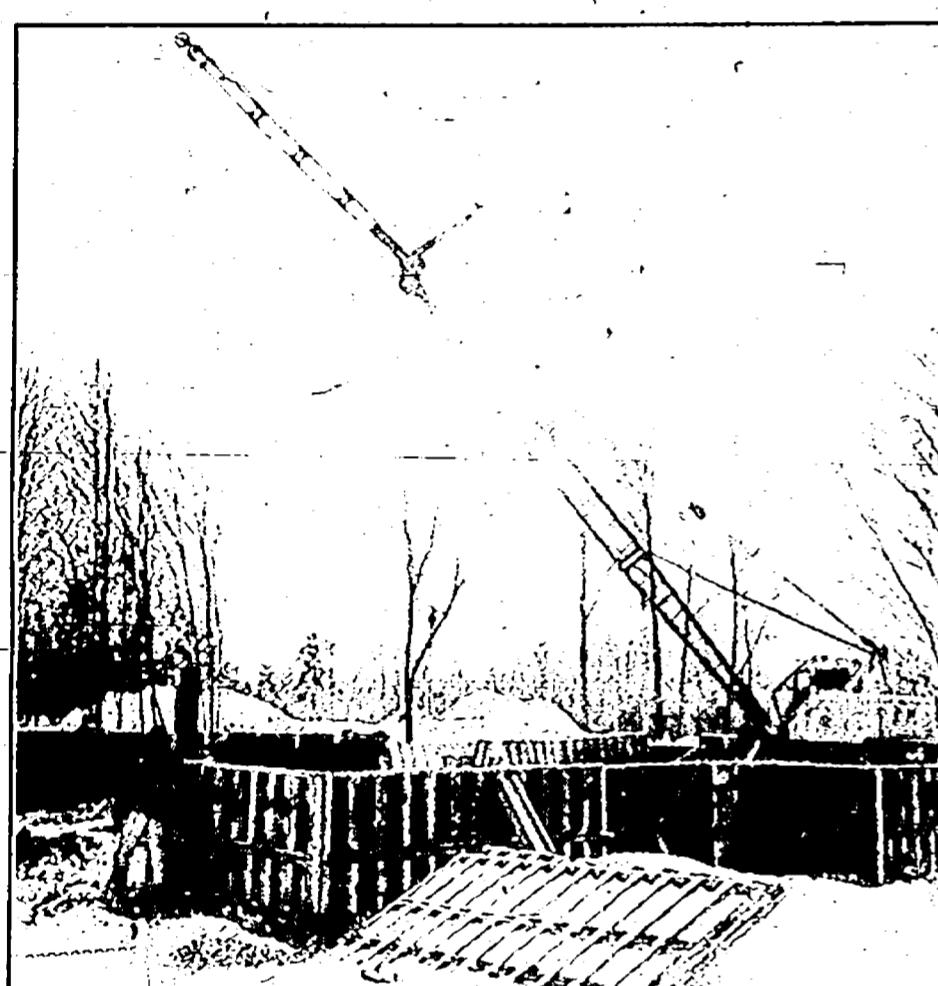
If a house is bought in an area where property values exceed the average state inflation rate, the participant will need to come up with the additional funds, he said.

Kolt said that regions, in contrast to exact cities, will generate a more accurate savings program than the state average.

Typically, bonds are sold on Wall Street in denominations of \$5,000 or more, Kolt said, but the state is making an effort to sell bonds to Michigan residents for as little as \$100.

Participants can collect from the program early and still obtain the same interest rates if they intend use the money to purchase a house, he said. Money withdrawn for other reasons is not guaranteed to grow at the same rate as housing inflation.

Instead, participants will earn a rate of return equivalent to a one-year, tax-exempt investment made at the time of joining the program.



Masons generally can't work when the temperature dips below 30 degrees, and snow and ice sometimes will delay roofers. But beyond that it's business as usual in the construction business.

Activity centers separate

The master suite of the Emerald 2 is a world unto itself on the home's second floor. But the main level is an assemblage of activity centers where a family with diverse interests can come together.

To the left of the front entrances is a sunken living room with skylights in its vaulted ceiling, a corner fireplace and a symmetrical arrangement of narrow and wide windows in a modified bay. To the right is a den with a bay window. Up a few steps is a half bath. A utility room is found near the steps leading down to the garage.

Around a corner is a 15-by-17 family room. Sliding glass doors open to a rear deck. The adjacent kitchen offers a clear view of the deck from a garden window over the clean-up station. A wide counter open to the adjacent dining room can double as an eating bar with the addition of a few stools.

The bedrooms on the main floor are isolated from the home's activity centers and are identical in size separated by a shared bathroom. Both have step-in closets and built-in shelving, vaulted ceilings and large windows.

The second story is dominated by a high-ceiling master suite and adjacent study, which boasts a bay window and fireplace. The sleeping area, with sliding glass doors to a private balcony, measures 18 by 14 feet. A step up leads to the bath, equipped with a combined spa/tub, double sinks and a separate shower.

For a study plan of the Emerald 2 (228-72), send \$5 to Landmark Designs, P.O. Box 2307, Eugene, Or. 97402 and specify plan name and number.

Builders ignore winter weather

By Doug Funke
staff writer

Ask builders here what they do during the cold winter months, and you get a simple, direct answer. They build.

"We'll be busy all winter," said Fred Capaldi, owner of Capaldi Building Co. of Rochester Hills.

He has nine houses under construction in Orion Township, Bloomfield Hills and Bloomfield Township.

Once you get out of the business for even a couple of months, it's difficult getting ready mentally to return to work, said Capaldi. His father started the company in 1945.

"I like to keep in touch with subcontractors so I'm current in prices. If I drop out of the rotation, they might get another builder to fill the slot," Capaldi said.

"If you're going to be a professional, I think you have to tough it out whether you like to or not," he said.

IT GENERALLY takes a little more time, depending on weather,

and more money to build in winter than during more temperate months.

An excavator who charges \$100 per hour may take five or six hours longer depending on the frost line to dig a basement after the ground has frozen.

Some suppliers charge upward of 5 percent more to treat, heat and deliver concrete from November through mid-April. Then there's the added cost for straw and tarps used to keep foundations and basements warm.

"We're not talking significant dollars — two, three, four thousand," said Mark Guidobono, president of Cambridge Homes of Northville.

"Customers have asked, 'Should we hold off to save?' We say, 'No, we get hit with price increases for materials.'"

Cambridge keeps one five-person crew of subcontractors busy all year long, a second six-person crew occupied most of the year and a third crew that works a little less, Guidobono said.

The company currently has 14

houses under construction in Michigan, including Bloomfield Hills, West Bloomfield and Farmington Hills.

"THE BIGGEST thing cold weather affects is putting concrete in the ground," Guidobono said. "You can't put it in driveways or any kind of concrete on top of frost."

Where builders might have taken the winter off some years ago, they generally don't now, said Paul Robertson Jr., president of Robertson Brothers Co. of Bloomfield Township.

"I think builders have become more sophisticated and, with the cost of money, you can't afford to be open only eight months a year," he said.

It's common to excavate basements and pour concrete driveways and sidewalks at several homesites late in October and November so that carpentry and finishing work can continue through the cold weather months, several builders said.

"Everything else you can pretty

much do all year around," Robertson said.

TIMING FOR house orders often dictates winter construction.

"Spring and summer is when people are putting down deposits and making decisions," Guidobono said. "It takes three months to develop plans and specs. You can see where it builds up so we have a lot of work."

Masons generally can't work when the temperature dips below 30 degrees and sometimes, snow and ice will delay roofers. Experienced construction crews, however, are pretty hardy.

"Roughing carpenters are a pretty tough bunch," Capaldi said. "I've seen them working on days you and I won't go out for anything."

"The last few winters have been mild," Guidobono said. "My rough carpenters lost two days last year."

"The only thing you have to worry about that can screw you up is concrete," said Dean Duke, secretary of Duke Contracting of Farmington Hills. "If you want to make money, you keep going through the winter."

Obligations vs. assessments

Why do I have to pay assessments to my condominium association when they refuse to cut the grass and haven't repaired my unit, which is their obligation? What's going on in Lansing to allow a thing like this to happen?

You are correct in your perception that there is a condominium statute that obligates you to pay assessments to the condominium association, notwithstanding the fact that you may have a complaint concerning the services provided by the condominium association. That assumes, of course, that the underlying assessment was legally levied. As to what's going on in Lansing, there is a public policy that requires that condominium associations be compensated for their assessments, even though certain co-owners may be in disagreement concerning the quality or extent of the services. You have a basis to pursue a counterclaim against the association for its inability to meet its legal responsibilities under the condominium documents, and you should consult with counsel with respect to your rights, as well as your obligations.

I am an owner of a cooperative unit that has 15 townhouses in the cooperative association. I have recently discovered that I have termites in my townhouse. Do I have an obligation to notify the cooperative and the prospective purchaser concerning this situation?

Yes. You obviously want to notify the cooperative association as it more than likely has the legal responsibility to take care of the termite problem. You are not the owner of the building and should notify the cooperative association as to the condition of the premises so that they can take the appropriate legal measures to correct the problem. You are obligated to disclose the information to the extent that you

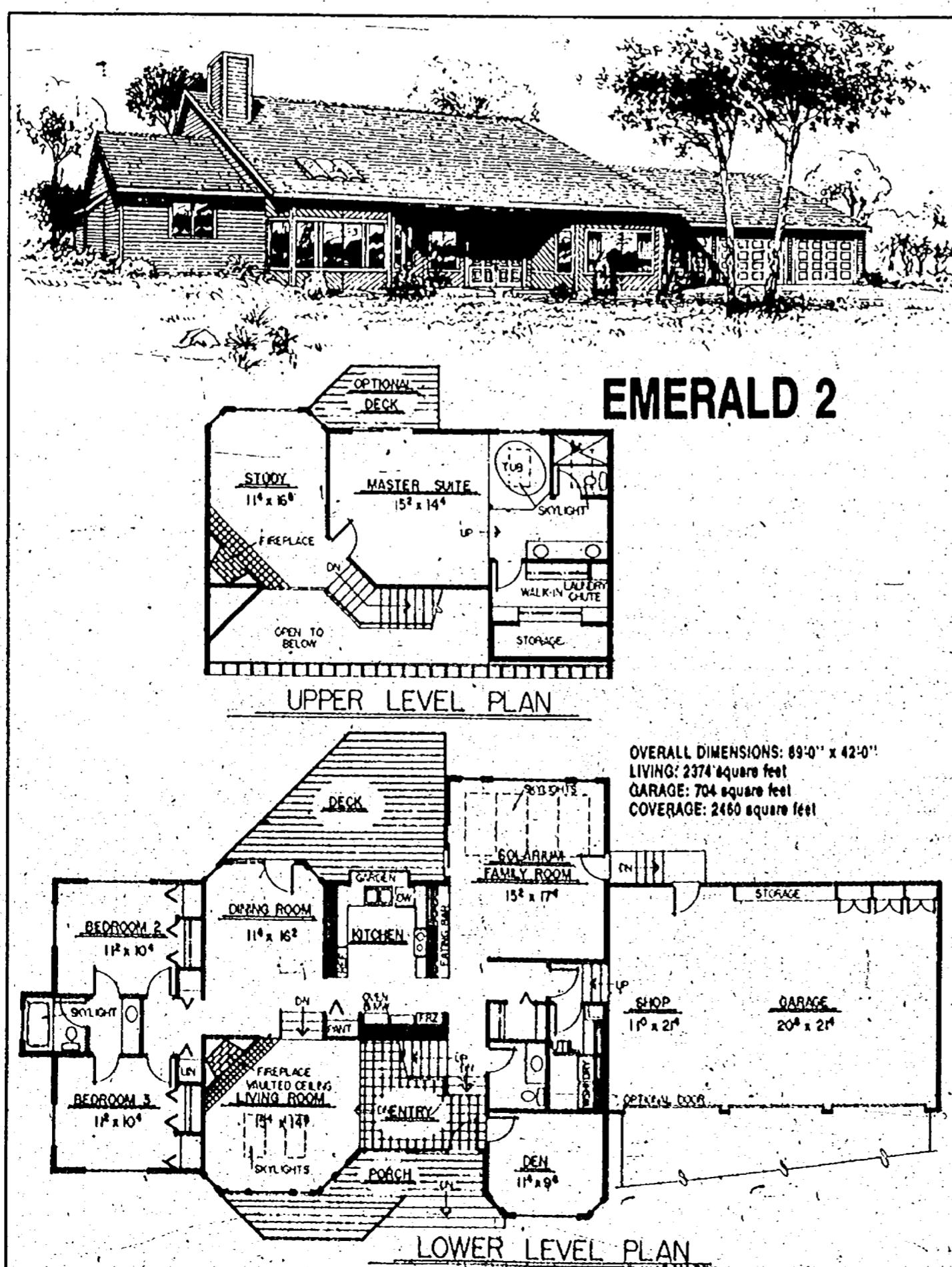
have information or knowledge concerning the physical condition of the premises, which would be of material interest to the purchaser. If you fail to do so, you may be liable for misrepresentation or omission.

Should we take serious the forms that are sent to us by mortgage companies regarding the number of units that are being rented in the condominium? Our association management company is very lax in filling out this form and sometimes just turns it over to the president to take care of. Do you have any comments?

The following is a quotation from the Near North News, published in Chicago on Saturday, October 21, 1989, in an article authored by Bill Caldwell. "Some condo board members and managers are likely to be going to federal prison, the Association for Condominium Education warned this week. The group said that secondary money markets such as Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac have guidelines restricting transactions if condo associations have more than 30 percent renters."

"Some boards and managers have been certifying less than 30 percent renters when they know renters far exceed this amount. The FBI is in final stages of investigation and will report to the Justice Department. Look for indictments by next year," the association said. "Need I say more?"

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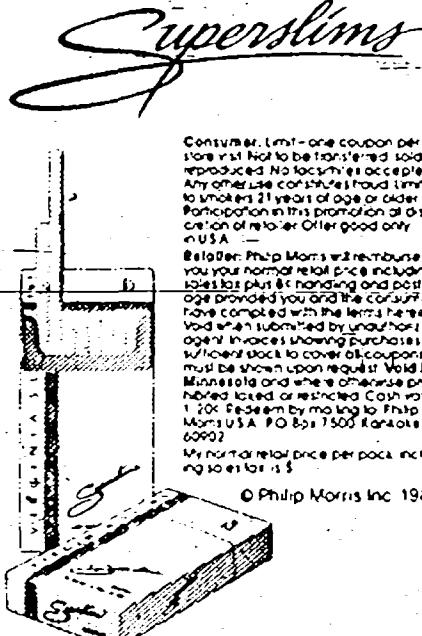
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