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Voc center assistant moves up, chief moves on

By Todd Schnelder
staff writer

Gregory Baracy will replace his mentor of the last 2½ years as principal at the William D. Ford Vocational/Technical Center.

Baracy said Tuesday that outgoing principal Edwin Ferguson has had a "direct influence" on his vocational education philosophy in the time that the two have worked together.

"I think the sense of vision, to be able to look to the future is probably one of the most important traits I've picked up from (Ferguson)," Baracy said.

The Wayne-Westland school board Mon-

day unanimously approved the promotion of Baracy, 38, an assistant principal at the vocational facility since August 1988, to the top job.

He will succeed Ferguson, who is leaving Friday to become vocational-technical director for the Livingston County Intermediate School District.

BUT BARACY may begin his duties in the administrative post with one less staff member.

No decision has been made on whether to fill the assistant principal's job being vacated by Baracy, Superintendent Dennis O'Neill said Monday.

That would leave the vocational center with one assistant principal, Rick Hamrick. In 1989-90 the staff included three assistant principals.

One of the jobs was eliminated last spring as part of \$5 million in administrative, staff and program cuts approved by the district to balance the budget.

The district lost additional state aid this fall due to declining enrollment.

"We simply don't know yet, with all the (budget) cuts, whether we can afford to fill that job," O'Neill said.

The superintendent said a decision could be made by the end of the week and one option might be to post the position on a

delayed basis, possibly leaving the job vacant for the rest of the school year.

IN APPOINTING Baracy to the principal's job, O'Neill cited his "reputation of (being) a problem solver," his work ethic and the respect by staff and students at the center for the former assistant principal.

Baracy said Tuesday he hoped the staff situation would be addressed in the near future, but he and Hamrick would "carry the load" for the time being.

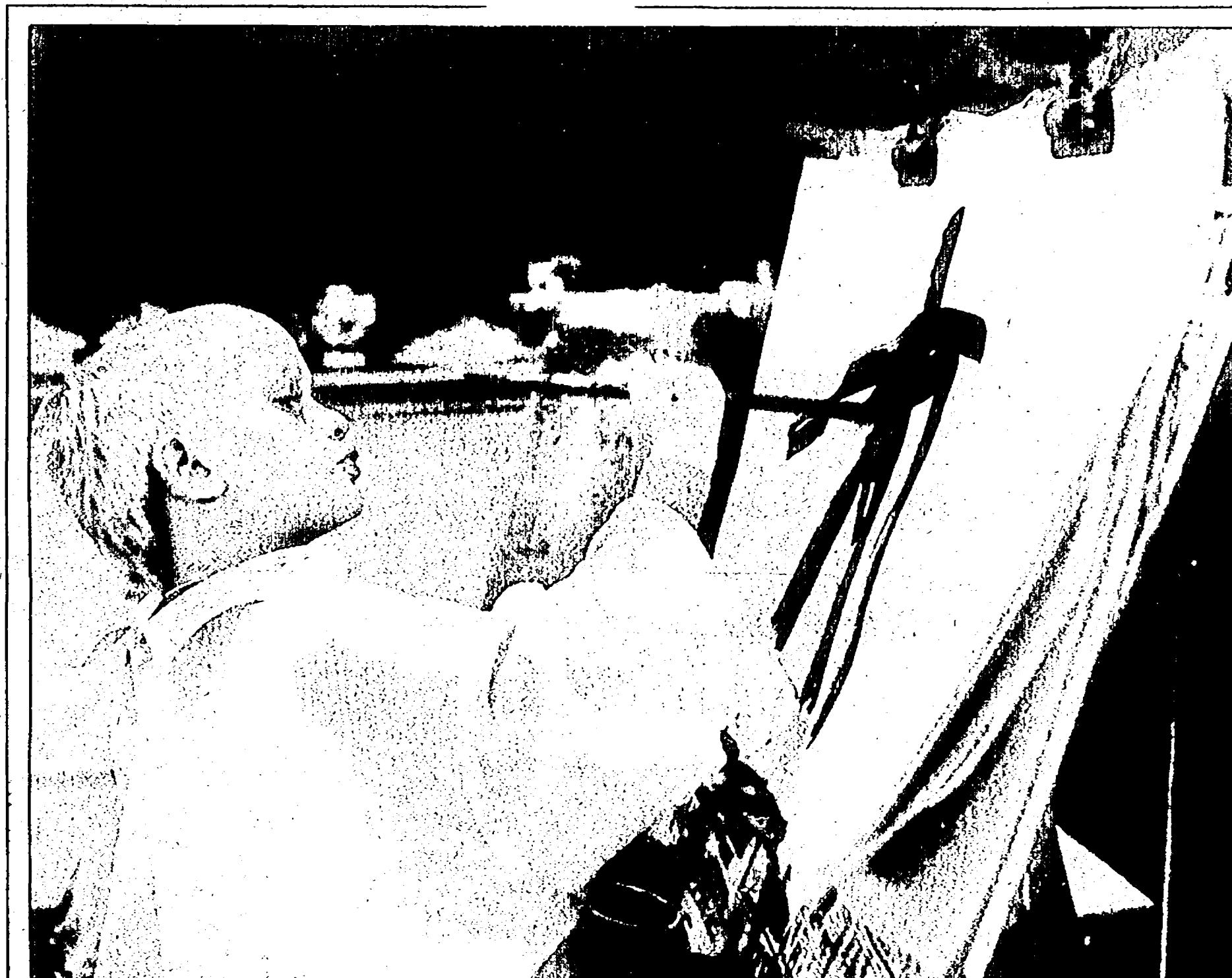
The Canton Township resident said his background, unusual for a school administrator, would be a plus in overseeing the

district's award-winning vocational program.

HE WORKED for five years as an auto mechanic before he began teaching the subject to vocational students. He has served in the National Automotive Technicians Education Foundation and as a technical consultant to Ford Motor Co.'s consumer appeals board.

"I've spent a considerable amount of time with people in industry," Baracy said. "It's helped me develop an inside perspective on what industry looks for in our young graduates."

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Head Start

Geoff demonstrates his artistic technique with a hearty stroke of the brush during a Head Start activity. For more on the program, created as part of the Great Society legislation 25 years ago, turn to the story and photo on Page 3A.

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Parent angry over half-empty bus not taking son to school

By Marie Chestney
staff writer

A parent has discovered that families take on a heavy burden if they choose the "schools-of-choice" option offered by the Livonia school district, which serves the northern section of Westland.

Much of the burden stems from assuming the responsibility of transporting their child to a distant school in the district.

To resolve an apparent teacher-student conflict at Grant Elementary, on Hubbard north of Joy, Nancy Sandulowich decided in October to send her learning disabled son, a fifth grader, to Buchanan Elementary, on Hubbard between Five and Six Mile.

In the Livonia district, parents who opt for a non-neighborhood school must provide transportation for their youngster.

"I was willing to do that, as long as I knew he was going to the school that was best for him," Sandulowich said. "I was willing to do that for him for the next seven years, if I had to. The teacher he had at Grant was not an effective teacher for my son."

SO SINCE early October, Sandulowich has worked around her own work schedule to get her son to Buchanan by 9 a.m. That has meant lost time at work, but she did so willingly.

'If I had never seen that bus, I never would have questioned this policy. But seeing that half-empty bus go by my house to Buchanan just raises my blood pressure. It goes up every time I see that bus.'

— Nancy Sandulowich

"I had to rearrange my working hours but I would have quit my job to keep him going there. Since we changed schools, his motivation has been up and he has adapted well to the change."

All went well until late October, when Sandulowich saw something that she now wishes she had never seen.

One morning she got behind a bus that stopped three houses away at Elmira and Arden to pick up a child. She followed the half-empty bus, all the way to its final stop at Buchanan. "If I had never seen that bus, I never would have questioned this policy. But seeing that half-empty bus go by my house to Buchanan just raises my blood pressure. It goes up every time I see that bus."

Sandulowich can't understand why her son can't ride the bus to Bu-

chanan, especially because he is a special education student.

To her, it makes no sense to drive her son to school when a half-empty school bus bound for Buchanan goes right by her house.

SHE TOOK her case to the Livonia board of education last week.

"I've told my story 100 times and haven't gotten anywhere."

In a letter, the trustees have since told Sandulowich her son can't be bused.

"We explained that because the program was offered in her home building, and she opted not to use it, we could not provide transportation," said board president Patricia Sari.

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Oscoda County crash claims Westland man

A Westland man was killed and a companion injured Nov. 21 in northeastern Michigan when their car slammed into a tree and burst into flames, police said Monday.

Mark Daniel Raney, 21, was reported dead at the scene of the accident in Oscoda County's Clinton Township, said a dispatcher for the Oscoda County Sheriff's Department.

Raney suffered burns and other injuries, police said.

Injured in the accident was Michael Haag, 19, also of Westland.

Haag was treated and released Nov. 22 from Alpena General Hospital for unspecified injuries, a hospital spokeswoman said.

Raney was one of 18 traffic fatalities on state roads during the Thanksgiving holiday period from 6 p.m. Nov. 21 to midnight Sunday, according to Michigan State Police.

Police said a 1985 Ford Thunderbird, driven by Raney, was southbound on M-93 shortly after 10:30 p.m. when the driver lost control, hit a curb and then slammed into a tree. The car then burst into flames, police said.

Police were still investigating the accident Monday and had not determined the cause, the dispatcher said.

The weather was clear and dark, with wet roads but no rain falling at the time of the crash, police said.

Neither occupant of the car was wearing a seat belt, according to police.

Half-empty bus angers 'school-of-choice' parent

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"We have 250-280 voluntary transfers going to different schools for different reasons and we don't provide transportation if the program is offered in the home school."

Sandulowich is experiencing the same frustration other parents feel in Livonia who must abide by the district's rules for bus transportation.

Chuck Ritter, assistant director of operations, called the board's transportation policy a matter of fairness.

"Would it be fair if a parent living next door to the Sandulowich's had to drive their child to McKinley because a bus didn't

come by nearby, and the Sandulowich's get a bus because one happens to be nearby?" Ritter asked.

RITTER SAID Sandulowich's dilemma is the same shared by parents who live just outside the one-mile boundary set for bus transportation and then see a half-empty bus go by.

"We have many cases where a child lives one block beyond the bus transportation limits and parents see only 30 kids on the bus. Where do we draw the line? We can't grant exceptions. We can't favor one group over another."

Ritter said the district has to be "fair and

equitable" in its decisions or would "get shot down" if a parent appealed to the state.

"To a parent, it's only logical that a child should be able to get on a nearby bus. The bus is there, and it's hard for them to understand. But we have to give fair and equal treatment for all."

Sandulowich said she might form a committee to try to get the transportation policy changed. "With a bus stop so close, students should be allowed to ride."

IN FOLLOWING its "schools-of-choice" philosophy, Livonia allows parents to choose between its three high schools, four middle schools and 22 elementary schools,

as long as parents provide transportation and space is available at the requested school.

Although the district does not provide transportation for these students, it does provide transportation for its "magnet" programs at non-neighborhood schools.

Magnet programs include: the gifted programs for elementary, middle and high school students; the math, science and computer program at Churchill; the creative and performing arts program also at Churchill; the global education program at Stevenson; and numerous programs at the skills center.

"For this, you can't expect the parents to

pay," Ritter said. "But when there's freedom of choice involved, where parents want to switch from one school to another, then it's the parent's responsibility."

"If not, people would go from one end of the district to the other end, and the district would have to provide the transportation."

"The regulations make it clear, if it's not a magnet program, it's the parents' responsibility. We would have to change the regulations to do it differently."

SANDULOWICH DISAGREED that the district would be deluged with large numbers of parents seeking to transfer to another school if the district provided transportation.

Friends of Nankin Mill to light Christmas tree for 3rd year

Friends of Nankin Mill will hold their third annual Christmas tree lighting ceremony Friday night, Dec. 7, at the mill on Ann Arbor Trail at Farmington Road.

The event will start at 6 p.m., and will have Santa Claus and Mrs. Claus on hand.

Planned to take part are area girl scouts who will sing Christmas carols and city and county officials. Refreshments will be served after the ceremony ends.

The event is sponsored by a private, non-profit group which has been raising money for the nearly-

completed restoration of the mill, built during the Civil War.

The group is sponsoring an essay contest among students at the nearby Nankin Mills and Hayes Elementary Schools in conjunction with the lighting ceremony. Winners will be presented plaques at the tree lighting ceremony. All other entrants will receive honorable mention recognition.

Friends of Nankin Mill president is Beverly Melasi with Denise Mehlrich the head of the mill's decorating committee.

The group has also decorated the

mill with Christmas lights.

At the Dec. 7 ceremony, the group will sell special edition Christmas tree bulbs with pictures of the Westland Helen C. Brown Historical Museum and the Nankin Mill for \$5. There will also be available for the first time packages of Christmas cards showing the mill. The cards are also \$5 a package.

Proceeds from those sales will be used for the restoration of the mill and the nearby tenant house.

The mill is used by the county for its parks and recreation administrative offices.

Baracy is promoted to principal

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by the chance "to give something back to the school system."

BEFORE TAKING the assistant principal's job, Baracy taught auto mechanics at Edsel Ford High School in Dearborn and was a part-

time instructor in the same field at Henry Ford Community College.

He held similar positions in Washington County.

The new principal received his bachelor's degree in auto mechanic conservation from the University of Michigan in 1974 and a master's degree in administration from the U-M in 1980.

Baracy will have a starting salary of \$58,583 as principal.

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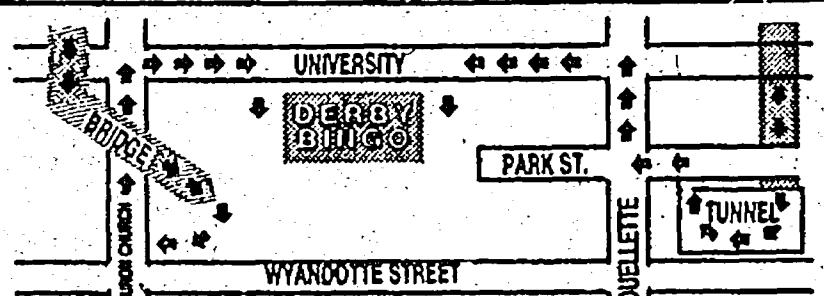
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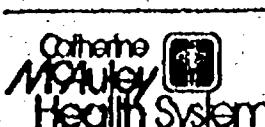
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Head Start still growing at 25 years

By Marie Chestney
staff writer

Since 1965, federally funded programs have come and gone. But the one program, borne amidst the high aspirations of the Great Society, which still wins praises from educators across America continues each week in three classrooms in Livonia.

The 57 preschoolers who to the Livonia school district's Head Start classes four days a week don't know they are part of an innovative, and even controversial, program launched 25 years ago by the Office of Economic Opportunity in Washington.

The Wayne-Westland school district also has a preschool program for most of the city.

The youngsters who come to the Livonia school district program, which serves families in the northern section of Westland, don't know that many politicians, child care experts and teacher's unions vehemently opposed the program 25 years ago on the grounds that, with its heavy emphasis on parent involvement, it threatened the way things were traditionally done in the classroom.

The preschoolers who come to Head Start today don't know that more than 10 million children nationwide have gone before them, getting one of the best starts available on the road to good nutrition, good health and a better family life.

"The Best Start is a Head Start," reads the poster on the classroom door at Bentley.

WITH HANDS held by moms and teachers, the 3- and 4-year-olds from mostly low-income families in the district, walk past the poster at 9:30 a.m. into the rooms where their better future begins.

"Our goal is to give kids a good school experience and build strong

healthy bodies," said Connie Kenty, Head Start director who has been with Livonia's program for nine years.

"There are a lot of preschool programs which provide for the child, but ignore the family. We provide for both."

The three classrooms look typically preschool, with plenty of toys, games, puzzles and stuffed animals.

One big difference, however, is that two meals are served each day to the youngsters.

As soon as they arrive, the youngsters sit down to a breakfast of milk, juice and homemade bread or cereal, prepared by the program's cook, Judy Blaharski.

Before they leave at 12:30 p.m., the youngsters sit down at the tables once again, this time for lunch.

On this particular day, lunch is lasagna, peas, carrots, fresh fruit and milk, all prepared in the kitchens of the district and shipped to Bentley Center, on Five Mile at Hubbard.

"What really makes me feel good about the program is when a kid says to me, 'I've never had homemade soup,'" Blaharski said.

THE TWO meals, paid mostly by Michigan's Child Care Food Program, buttress Head Start's belief that good nutrition goes hand-in-hand with good preventive medical care in building healthy bodies.

"Some of our parents can't afford orange juice or fresh fruit," Kenty said.

Nutritionist Salley Poux gives dietary help to parents.

Diane Hellenga, a nurse, keeps track of their children's health.

Tracey Wright, a social worker, helps families iron out domestic problems.

All three take part in Head Start's mission — to break the cycle of poverty in families.

"Head Start is for at-risk fami-



Denard prepares to eat a slice of bread at breakfast time in the Livonia school district's Head Start program.

lies," Kenty said. "What makes it work is its comprehensiveness. We work hard to get families into the classrooms. The staff values parents and works with them as a team.

"We can't make parents come in and we can't keep kids out of the program if they don't participate. We have to make them want to come in but the staff can't be offended if the parent doesn't show up."

Two parents sign up each day to help out teachers Kathy Goebel, Patricia Gries and Susan Knapp.

"But, because of family problems, we can't be sure they'll always come," Kenty said.

HEAD START'S original \$96.4 million budget in 1965 served 561,000 preschoolers. Its \$1.2 billion budget in 1989 served 452,314 preschoolers nationwide.

This year, the budget for Livonia's Head Start program is \$114,000. Last year it was \$98,755 but adding 17 youngsters to the program this year increased its cost.

"That's all federal dollars, but the district pays the costs of transportation, class space, custodians and other in-kind help," said Kenty, who has a master's degree in early childhood teaching, but earns half of what similarly degreed teachers earn in the district because she works for the federally funded program.

"I believe in the program. I got hooked on it. It makes a difference in the lives of the kids and their families."

Head Start is free to certain families with handicapped children and to families who fall within income guidelines set by the federal government. To participate, a family of four can earn no more than \$12,700 yearly.

UNLIKE MOST Livonia classrooms, toothbrushes occupy a prominent spot near the sink in each Head Start classroom.

As part of the program's emphasis on good health, teachers make sure youngsters brush their teeth after each meal.

Before the school year starts, each youngster also gets a physical exam, where their height, weight and blood pressure are recorded. Hellenga and Poux use the results of this exam to monitor the young-

sters throughout their eight months in school.

Government statistics show that of the first 2 million children who took part in Head Start, 180,000 failed a vision test, 180,000 had anemia, 1.3 million had dental problems, 1.2 million had not been vaccinated against measles, and 60,000 had severe skin diseases.

Goebel, Knapp and Gries also visit each family in their own home twice during the school year. They see first-hand each child's home environment, and can then give suggestions on ways the Head Start staff can help.

"Sometimes there might be no food, no clothing or no money, or the family is facing eviction or has some other housing problem," Kenty said.

Free measles shots offered to district students Saturday

By Marie Chestney
staff writer

Free measles, mumps and rubella shots will be given Saturday to seventh graders in the Livonia school district, which includes the northern section of Westland.

The shots are intended for students who either do not have a private doctor or for students whose parents can't afford to pay for the vaccination.

The charge for the three shots range from \$30 to \$90 per child.

THE FREE clinic is sponsored by the Livonia PTA Council, Livonia schools and Botsford General Hospital.

"Funding for a limited number of doses has become available through the Michigan Department of Public Health," said Kathy Kalousek, PTA Council president. "The first target group for free immunization is seventh grade students."

The shots will be given 1-4 p.m. at the Botsford Family Health Center, 35000 Schoolcraft between Farmington Road and Levan in Livonia.

The federal Centers for Disease Control and the American Academy of Pediatrics recommend a routine two-dose measles vaccination for all people in the United States born on or after Jan. 1, 1957.

The second dose should be given to youngsters before they enter school.

However, some doctors also recommend another shot be given youngsters during their school years, said PTA Council spokeswoman Linda Hoff.

"It's not mandatory but recommended. The latest recommendation is that anyone who once received immunization should be reimmunized."

Kalousek cited a "dramatic increase in the number of reported cases of measles, mumps and rubella" in the last 10 years.

DR. DONALD LAWRENCHUK, medical director for the Wayne County Department of Public Health, said Michigan has recorded 475 confirmed cases of measles so far this year "despite major efforts to control these outbreaks."

"Nationwide, there have been over

23,000 cases of this highly communicable disease, including 95 deaths."

Despite a current nationwide vaccine shortage, Laurenchuk said the state has made a limited supply of the three vaccines available to local health departments, including Wayne County.

Pre-registration is not mandatory. However, it would be helpful if the clinic knew how many children to expect, Kalousek said.

Seventh graders have been given a card for parents to fill out and return to their child's teacher or to PTA Council office, 15125 Farmington Road.

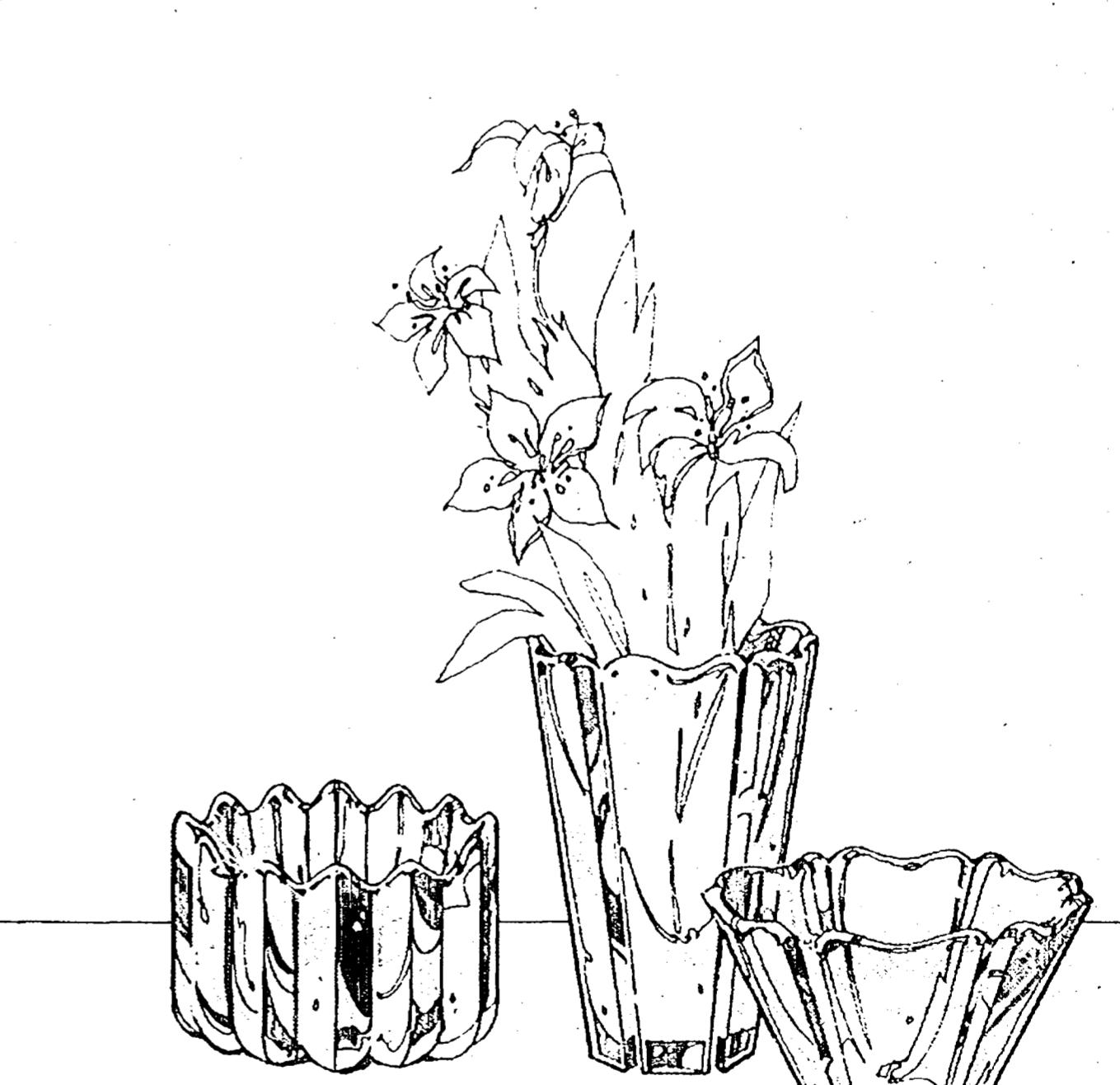
To receive the immunization, children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian and have their student identification number.

Clinic staff should be told if a child currently is taking medication.

Parents with questions can call Hoff (484-4062), Patti Coughlan (474-3525) or Kalousek (525-3517).

If funds become available, the shots might become available in the future for other grades, Hoff said.

"Right now, there's not enough funding for all kids."



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"I don't think it's a good idea. They're going to end up with empty schools. What will you do with the teachers? Also, how would kids get to school? There would have to be a new busing system."

—Tammy Czarnowski



"I like it. I went to a parochial school and it never hurt me. It would work as long as everybody had the same choices available."

—Harold Gauthier



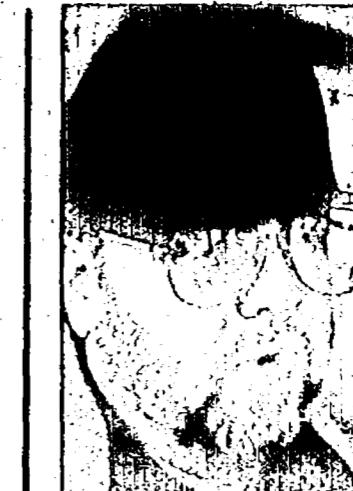
"I think if you let kids go where they want, maybe more of them will stay in school."

—Herschell Pennington



"I guess it depends. Are they going to be busing my son somewhere else? He's only two blocks away from school now and I like that. I can see him walk to school and walk home."

—Traci Bliven



"I would rather keep things the way they are now. We (residents) have more control. We know what's good for our kids locally."

—Robert Shaw



"It might be a good idea to try. With different schools kids would have a chance to experience different curriculum and maybe better teachers. (Students) might find a program (they) like better."

—Paula Bakken

Angry customer pulls shotgun on gas station clerk

A clerk at the Sunoco gas station, 37400 Ford, told police a customer threatened him with a shotgun early Monday after he informed the man he would have to pay before filling his pickup with gas.

The clerk said the man, apparently a regular customer, became enraged after the gas pump wouldn't work. After an angry confrontation inside the station, the man returned to his truck and pulled a shotgun from behind the front seat, the clerk said.

He said the gun was loaded and he threatened to "use it," the clerk said. A few minutes later the customer

returned, apologized, handed over some cash and proceeded to fill his truck, the clerk reported.

The clerk described the angry customer as a white man, 45-50 years old. He was driving a white pickup, possibly a Chevrolet S-10, the clerk said.

Garage arson

Police were called to a suspicious fire in back of a home on the 1400 block of South Merriman Saturday afternoon.

Firefighters who were called to the home at 5:11 p.m. extinguished

the blaze which was in a garage on the property, according to a police report.

A fire official said the fire was apparently started about 6 feet up a wall on the west side of the building. From there it spread to the ceiling and the rest of the building, he said.

The fire caused about \$10,000 worth of damage, the report said.

Burglary

Nearly \$3,000 worth of property, including 13 ceramic Hummel figurines valued at \$200 each, was stolen in a burglary at the Woodcrest Villa

apartments last week, police said.

The robbery occurred between Nov. 21 and early Sunday when the resident was out of town, according to a police report.

In addition to the figurines, stolen items included a cable television converter box and remote control and a sweatshirt, the resident told police.

The resident said a bedroom dresser was apparently ransacked by the thieves.

There were no signs of forced entry into the apartment, police said.

Stolen cycle

A Wayne man told police his motorcycle was stolen early Saturday from behind a home on the 2100 block of Emerson.

The 1970 Yamaha was stolen from the back yard between midnight and 7 a.m., the man said. It wasn't locked, he told police.

State OK expected for parks

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Willow Creek isn't fully served by roads and utilities.

"Newer Industrial parks are more likely to be built to certifications," Stult said. "But occasionally we find problems with new parks too."

He cited a park in the Grand Rapids area that evaluators said didn't meet municipal zoning requirements.

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Blood drives to build up a supply needed during the holidays are scheduled for nine locations in Westland, Wayne, and Livonia in December.

Following are the dates, locations, times and persons to contact for appointments, which aren't required:

• Monday, Dec. 3, Westland Free Methodist Church, 1421 Venoy, 3-9 p.m., call Rev. Richard Thomas, 326-4459.

• Tuesday, Dec. 4, Margaret Montgomery Hospital, 28303 Joy, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., call Jackie Dziedosz, 458-9228.

• Friday, Dec. 7, Bova VFW Post

Hall, 6440 Hix, south of Warren Road, 2-8 p.m., call Robert Hysko, 728-3231.

• Tuesday, Dec. 11, MoTech Automotive Education Center, 35155 Industrial, Livonia, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., call Carolyn Matzinger, 422-1425.

• Friday, Dec. 14, St. Mary Hospital, Five Mile at Levan, 6 a.m. to 6 p.m., call Sara Page, 422-4090.

• Sunday, Dec. 16, Newburg United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., call Larry Johnson, 522-1977.

• Monday, Dec. 17, Annapolis Hospital, on Ann Arbor at Venoy, Wayne,

School, on Newburgh north of Joy, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., Carolyn Matzinger, 422-1425.

• Tuesday, Dec. 18, Churchill High

• Friday, Dec. 21, Century 21-Charles, 33607 Seven Mile, Livonia, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., call Stacey Borregard, 477-1800.

Lunch menu for seniors

The senior citizen nutrition program will serve these hot meals the week of Dec. 3:

Monday — Meat loaf with gravy, peas, stewed tomatoes, pear slices, corn muffin with margarine, milk.

Tuesday — Fried chicken, mashed potatoes, winter blend vegetables, strawberry ice cream, biscuit with margarine, milk.

Wednesday — Stuffed cabbage, natural potato wedges, green beans, bread with margarine, peaches, milk.

Thursday — Macaroni and cheese, stewed tomatoes, tossed salad, fresh pear, pumpernickle bread with margarine, milk.

Friday — Crumb topped scrod,

farter sauce, natural potato wedges, Scandinavian vegetables, pineapple tidbits, roll with margarine, milk.

Meals will be served at noon at three locations: Westland Friendship Center, 1119 Newburgh at Marquette; Whittier Center on Ann Arbor Trail west of Inkster Road, and Kirk of Our Savior Church, on Cherry Hill between Wayne Road and Newburgh.

*SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES BOARD OF EDUCATION 15125 Farmington Road November 5, 1990

The following is a summary, in synopsis form, of the Board of Education's regular meeting of November 5, 1990; the full text of the minutes is on file in the office of the Superintendent, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia, and in the principal's office of each school, and is available on request.

President Sari convened the meeting at 7:00 p.m., in the Board Room, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia. Present: Richard McKnight, Marjorie Roach, Patricia Sari, Carol Strom, Pat Tancill, Richard Thorderson. Absent: Joseph Laura (Out of Town).

Golden Apple Awards: Golden Apple Awards of appreciation were presented to Betty Mads, music teacher at Frost Middle School, and Bob Struthers, custodian at Ford Skill Center.

Community Survey: Jay Young, supervisor of community relations, and Barbara DeGrazia, special education teacher at the Career Center, presented the results of the community-side Project Outreach telephone survey and honored the volunteers who conducted the calls. Results showed 74 percent of all respondents graded LPS with an "A" or "B".

Audience Communications: Steve Naumcheff, president of the Livonia Education Association, presented certificates of appreciation and the nation's education flag lapel pins to all members of the Board, the superintendent, the assistant superintendents, the supervisor of community relations, and the recording secretary in recognition of their support for public education in Livonia Public Schools and as part of American Education Week.

Minutes: The minutes and synopsis of the regular meeting of October 15, 1990 were approved as written. The closed session minutes of October 15, 1990 were approved as written. The closed session minutes of October 29, 1990 were approved as written.

Recess: President Sari recessed the meeting at 8:05 p.m. and reconvened at 8:15 p.m.

Presentation: Lorna Durand, principal at Taylor, Shelly Stockwell, principal at Webster, and school psychologist Wayne Fisk presented some of the environmental education activities that took place in their buildings during the last school year.

Drug Free Schools Grant: Motion by Roach and Tancill that the Board of Education accept the grant established by the Drug Free Schools and Communities Act of 1986 in the amount of \$74,275. Ayes: McKnight, Roach, Sari, Strom, Tancill, Thorderson. Nays: None.

Bills for Payment: Motion by Thorderson and McKnight that General Fund checks Nos. 174303 - 175392 in the amount of \$48,052,581.78 be approved for payment except for check No. 174333 which is void.

Also move that Building and Site checks Nos. 11127 - 11138 in the amount of \$3,080.00 be approved for payment.

Also move that Debt Retirement checks Nos. 1045 - 1047 in the amount of \$301,621.71 be approved for payment. Ayes: McKnight, Roach, Sari, Strom, Tancill, Thorderson. Nays: None.

Detroit Edison Easement Request: Motion by Strom and Tancill that the Board of Education grant a twelve foot wide easement on the Bryant School property to Detroit Edison Company. Ayes: McKnight, Roach, Sari, Strom, Tancill, Thorderson. Nays: None.

Approval of Teachers: Motion by Thorderson and Strom that the Board of Education accept the recommendation of the superintendent and offer employment for the 1990-91 school year to Susan Bares and Kathleen LaCombe. Ayes: McKnight, Roach, Sari, Strom, Tancill, Thorderson. Nays: None.

Teacher Tenure: Motion by McKnight and Roach that the Board of Education accept the recommendation of the superintendent and grant tenure status to the following teachers effective on the respective dates: Christine Berry 1/29/91; Debra Jean Harbison 1/30/91; Susan Shah 1/20/91. Ayes: McKnight, Roach, Sari, Strom, Tancill, Thorderson. Nays: None.

Reports from the Superintendent: Dr. Marinelli reported on the following topics: District objectives that have been adopted to address environmental issues; Status of the district's strategic planning process; Attendance at the MASB fall conference in Grand Rapids; Arts Camp at Bentley Center; Luncheon meeting with representatives of the LEADS organization; Attendance at the Livonia Chamber of Commerce "Harvest Ball"; Nankin Mills ground breaking ceremony; and Luncheon meeting with state board of education member Annette Miller during her recent visit to Grant elementary where she presented a program for students.

Board Committee Reports: Reports were heard from the following Board committees: Curriculum, Livonia Liaison, Building and Site, Finance, and Policy.

Hearing from Board Members: Board members reported on the following topics: NSBA Large District Forum Meeting; MASB Fall Conference; Update meeting regarding districts involved in lawsuit against the State of Michigan relative to recapture in the State Aid Act.

Adjournment: Motion by Thorderson and McKnight that the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: McKnight, Roach, Sari, Strom, Tancill, Thorderson. Nays: None.

President Sari adjourned the meeting at 9:15 p.m.

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Paralyzed woman seeks to make a miracle

By Janice Brunson
staff writer

At first glance, Elizabeth "Betsy" Madar and Ira Williams do not seem like people with the makings of miracles.

But the pair is intent on a miraculous quest and, based on the personal qualities of each, bets are they will ultimately achieve success.

Madar is a fighter, a tenacious survivor bravely waging a battle of overwhelming proportion. She is fighting for meaningful existence since an auto accident left her paralyzed from the neck down three years ago at the age of 25.

Williams, recreation coordinator at Hawthorn Center in Northville, is a big man endowed with an unusual capacity for caring and the rare ability to translate caring into action.

Together, they are nudging the system to create a paying job suitable to Madar's abilities at Hawthorn, a facility for emotionally impaired youth that is adjacent to Schoolcraft College in Livonia. A 1986 graduate of social work from the University of Michigan, Madar interned at Hawthorn during her master's program.

She, Williams and a second intern, Lolita Ghosh, grew close during a summer four years ago when the trio walked door to door in Detroit, searching out forgotten children and families in need.

"WE'RE LIKE MOSQUITOES. We're gonna keep biting until something happens," said Williams of the job quest, adding it is the natural extension of "involvement and commitment."

"Getting involved" is an act of commitment. The first commitment is to family. Betsy's part of the family."

Madar, encumbered by medical problems and the need for 24-hour assistance, is perhaps a bit less certain. But natural confidence is returning as she prepares for a return to work.

Twice each week, she is driven to Hawthorn where she leads youngsters 6- to 8-years-old in recreational activity. An assistant acts as Madar's arms and legs, producing craft supplies and physically interacting when necessary with the children.

While "there are bad days, when I think I won't go back," she has come a long way. A year ago, she would not leave home.

Frank Pasley, clinical director of Hawthorn, is optimistic about Madar's employment opportunity. The facility has long employed handicapped personnel, including a social worker who is a paralyzed from the waist down and a director who walks with crutches as the result of polio.

"Social workers don't necessarily need mobility. They need to hear, talk and be sensitive. We are very free in providing interpreters for the deaf. I don't see any less reason to provide help for someone who needs arms and legs," Pasley said.

Williams concurs. "There's nothing wrong with Betsy's brain. We need to create a unique situation for her. Under the right circumstances, there are things she can do with kids."

THREE LITTLE BOYS and one little girl, gather about Madar's wheelchair, chattering and busy. "We want you to tell us a story and then play on the mats," one says.

The children are patients at Hawthorn. Madar and assistant Annie Page are showing them how to make turkeys from paper cutouts the shape of a small hand. Each finger represents turkey feathers, the perfect place to write descriptive words of thanks.

One child asks Madar to print the words for him.

"I can't. But I'll spell for you." The response satisfies the child, who laboriously prints each letter as Madar mouths it.

The children are oblivious to her disability. It has been explained to them but other than an occasional question, it seems insignificant.

Unfortunately, this is not always the case with adults, even with colleagues at Hawthorn who Madar thought would be more sensitive because of their professional training.

She says one incident is particularly hurtful. Madar was briefly left alone with the children while an assistant fetched nearby pumpkins for carving. In the intervening moments, a child received a minor injury.

A Hawthorn staffer complained the children had been left alone, a charge that enrages Williams.



GUY WARREN/staff photographer

Betsy Madar, left, and Hawthorn Center recreation director Ira Williams go over details of Madar's job at the Northville center.

Madar, paralyzed since a 1988 automobile accident, is seeking a paying job, with the help of Williams, her friend and booster.

therapy. And in counseling, it would be hard to have someone else (an aide) with you."

Asked for an alternative job description, Madar has a ready answer — she envisions case development with professionals, family and client, accomplished primarily by phone.

She would plan action for care and coordinate services. She has experience on computers adapted for the disabled, enabling her to fully document case activity.

Madar is NOT yet convinced that working directly with children is the total answer to employment needs.

"I'm not sure how totally feasible

that is because there has to be a lot of one on one and at least some mobility for interaction, like in play

disability. Prior to the accident she was employed as a social worker for Judson Center and the St. Vincent/Sarah Fisher Center.

The biggest obstacle now is a hiring freeze at Hawthorn and in all other Civil Service positions.

"When they isolate (stop) hiring, good feelings and patience go out the window," Williams said. "But we'll find an avenue to open things up. We have a few favors due."

Williams' response is no surprise to Madar. "Ira doesn't spend much time on Ira. Usually it's for other people."

'Social workers don't necessarily need mobility. They need to hear, talk and be sensitive.'

— Frank Pasley

Drunk driver shattered her world

By Janice Brunson
staff writer

Elizabeth "Betsy" Madar, 28, is in a wheelchair because of a drunk driver who ran a red light in Westland on Easter Sunday 1988. A bride of five months and employed then as a social worker, the accident has ravaged her body.

"I have what they call an incomplete injury. I have a lot of sensation. Some signals to the brain are getting

through, like I can move the toes on both feet. Or I can tell my butt is getting tired."

"I've been very lucky as far as that goes. I've never had a pressure sore."

"It's taken me a long time to adjust. I really liked what I was doing (before). I'm still not sure (about the future).

"I don't like being in the chair. I don't like the weight gain (from inactivity and the side effects of daily

medication). I used to weigh 95 pounds. Five feet tall. I was a very tiny person."

Her attendant approaches. "She's rearranging how I'm sitting so I'm not lopsided. We always use the seatbelt as a precaution. I get muscle spasms bad enough to move me around."

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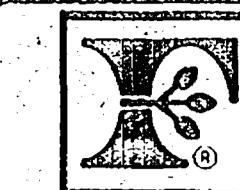
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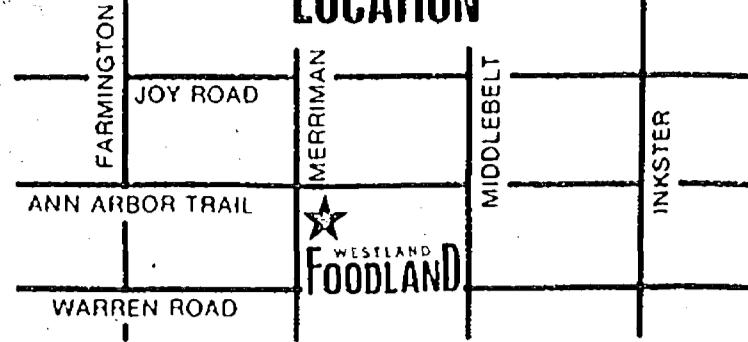


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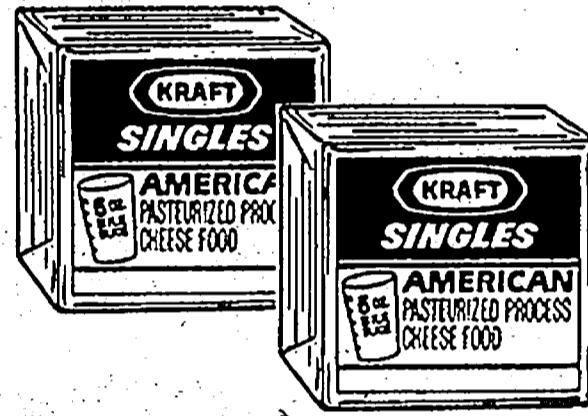


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GRADUATION PARTY

Thursday, Nov. 29 — A "Project Graduation" planning meeting will be 8 p.m. in Garden City High School band room. Committees will be formed for the senior's class all-night graduation party. Senior parents are invited to attend and with parents of juniors also welcome.

YULE WONDERLAND

Friday-Saturday, Nov. 30-Dec. 1 — "A Christmas Wonderland" arts and crafts show will be 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. in Lutheran High School Westland, 33300 Cowan, a half mile east of Wayne Road. Admission is \$1. Lunch will be available.

MORE CRAFTS

Saturday, Dec. 1 — Crafters are needed for the Hamilton Elementary Craft Show. For information, call Barb 722-7264, Bobbie 728-4916 or Ed 728-2657.

YULE BOUTIQUE

Saturday, Dec. 1 — A Christmas boutique will be 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in

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.

Lathers School, 28351 Marquette. Admission is \$1, senior citizens and children under 12 are free.

CARD SHOW

Saturday, Dec. 1 — A sport card show will be 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Wayne-Westland YMCA, 827 S. Wayne Road. Tables are available for \$17. For more information, call YMCA at 721-7044.

SORORITY MEETS

Saturday, Dec. 1 — The Alpha Laureate Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi Sorority will meet in the Livonia home of Joanne Kosch. Members are bringing toys for the Children's Hospital Leukemia Clinic and will have a "Potluck Supper Couples Party" at 7:30 p.m. Sharron LaCasse of Garden City will host the party.

FRANKLIN BOOSTERS

Tuesday, Dec. 4 — Franklin High School Vocal Music Boosters will meet at 7:30 p.m. in Franklin High School, Room 508, in the school on Joy east of Merriman.

YULE CEREMONY

Friday, Dec. 7 — A Christmas tree lighting ceremony and a visit by Santa Claus will be held at the Nankin Mill, Ann Arbor Trail at Farmington Road. Santa and Mrs. Claus,

along with city and county officials and Girl Scouts will be present to sing Christmas Carols and light the decorations at the mill. Refreshments will follow.

HOLIDAY PROGRAM

Saturday, Dec. 8 — A children's Christmas program will be 2 p.m. in Carl Sandburg Library, 30100 West Seven Mile at Middlebelt. Dinghy Sharp will read the poem "The Night Before Christmas" and display antique toys. For reservations, call 476-0700.

LUNCH WITH SANTA

Saturday, Dec. 15 — Santa will be at Wayne-Westland Family Y, 827 S. Wayne Road. Children can eat lunch with Santa at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Pictures will be available. There will be songs and festivities.

TOPS

Thursdays — Take Off Pounds Sensibly meets at 10 a.m. Thursdays in the Log Cabin in Garden City Park, Cherry Hill and Merriman. For information, call 422-2297 or 561-9205.

FITNESS GYM

Monday-Saturday — The Wayne-Westland Family Y will sponsor a fitness gym open 6 a.m. to 9:45 p.m.

weekdays and 8 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. Saturday. Daily guest pass is \$5 per visit. For information, call 721-7044.

PLAY/LEARN

The Wayne-Westland YMCA is accepting registrations for children ages 2½ through 6 years of age for its Play and Learn Program. For more information, call 721-7044.

DANCERS WANTED

The Polish Centennial Dancers are accepting registrations for fall. Students ages 3 through adults can learn Polish folk dancing, American polkas, along with a touch of Jazz and various routines. For information, call 427-2636 or 464-1263.

CARDIAC GROUP

Mondays — A cardiac support group meets the second and fourth Monday of every month 7:30-8:30 a.m. in Garden City Osteopathic Hospital classroom No. 1, 8245 N. Inkster Road at Maplewood. The group will offer educational and emotional support of cardiac patients and their families.

EXERCISE

Monday-Friday — A daily exercise program for retirees 50 and over meets 9:30-10:30 a.m. with an instructor at Westland Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh. The program will be inside and outside on the walking course. The Exercise Room is also open daily 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. with commercial exercise equipment geared to the retiree's needs. Membership cards are \$5 per year for residents and \$10 for non-members. For more information, call 722-7628.

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obituaries

NICHOLAS A. MATZO

Services for Mr. Matzo, 79, of Westland were held Wednesday, Nov. 28, from the Harry J. Will Trust 100 Funeral Home, Livonia with Rev. Victor Halboth of Grace Lutheran Church officiating. Internment was in Glen Eden Memorial Park Cemetery.

Mr. Matzo died Saturday, Nov. 24. Survivors are his wife, Ida; son, Robert, longtime former city of Westland administrator; grandchildren Nicholas, Clinton and Dean Matzo and Kathleen, Kristopher and Karrle Wujcik; and step-grandchildren Stephen and Daniel Martin and Victoria and Jennifer Cherniak.

WILLIAM McALISTER

Services for Mr. McAlister, 79, of Dearborn Heights were held Nov. 21 from the R.G. and G.R. Harris Funeral Home, Garden City, with Mark Strang of the Dearborn Heights Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses officiating. Burial was in Cadillac Memorial Gardens West, Westland.

Mrs. McAlister died Nov. 20 at home following a lengthy illness. He was a retired construction worker for Bancroft, Inc., Dearborn.

He is survived by his wife, Lorene; three sons, Dean of Rocky River, Ohio, Bob of North Hollywood, Calif., and James of Westland; two daughters, Betty Svacha of Mesa, Mich., and Cindy West of Westland; two grandchildren, and one sister.

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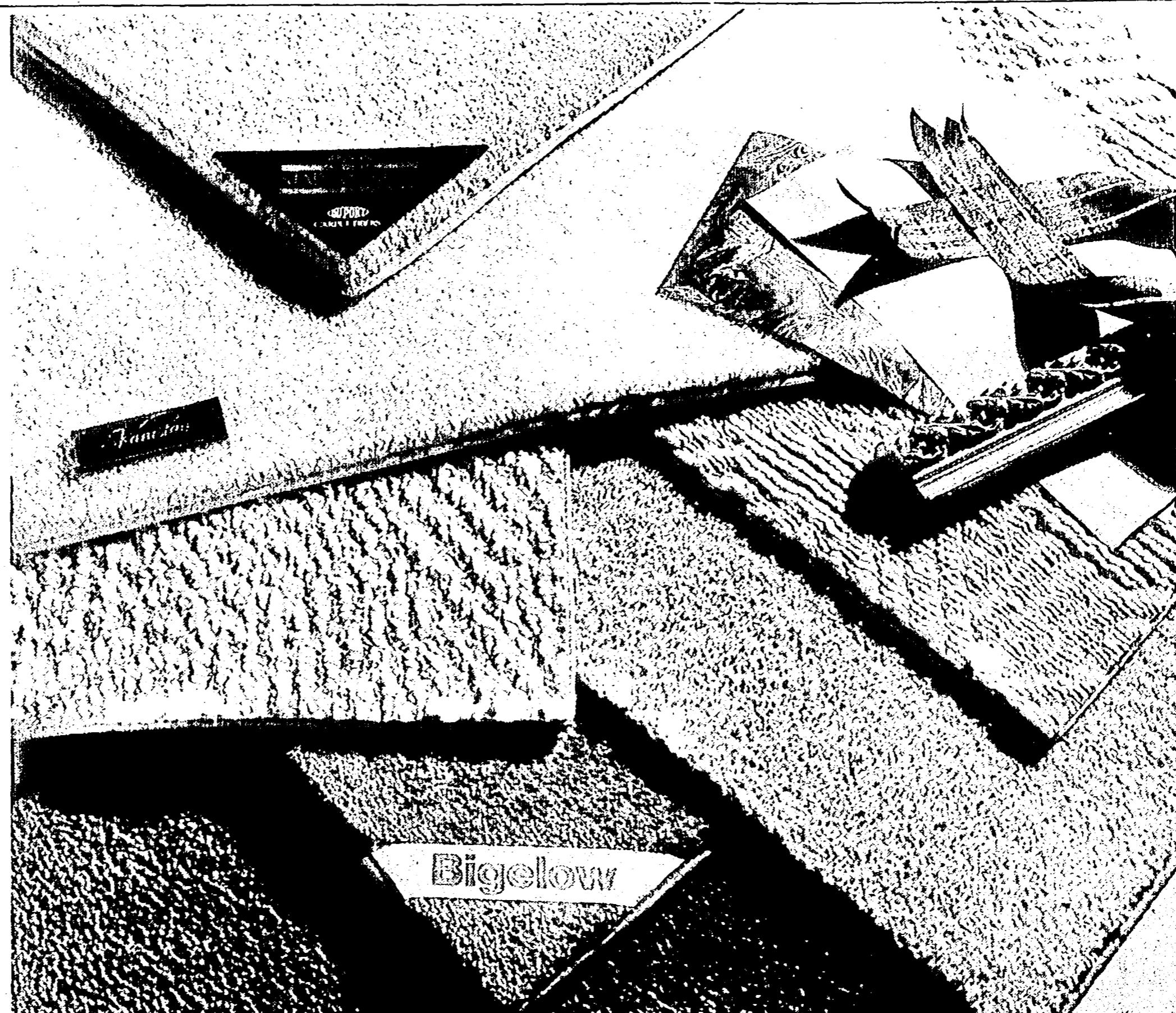
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HUDSON'S

Grant loss delays shelter opening

By Wayne Pool
staff writer

Wayne County's shelter for the homeless wasn't open in time for Thanksgiving — and might not be open in time for Christmas.

The shelter, designed for western Wayne families who lose their homes, was to have opened this fall.

But loss of an expected federal grant, county officials said, has put the Westland shelter on hold.

"We're still trying to cover that hole," deputy county executive Michael Duggan said of the \$350,000 the county expected to receive from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

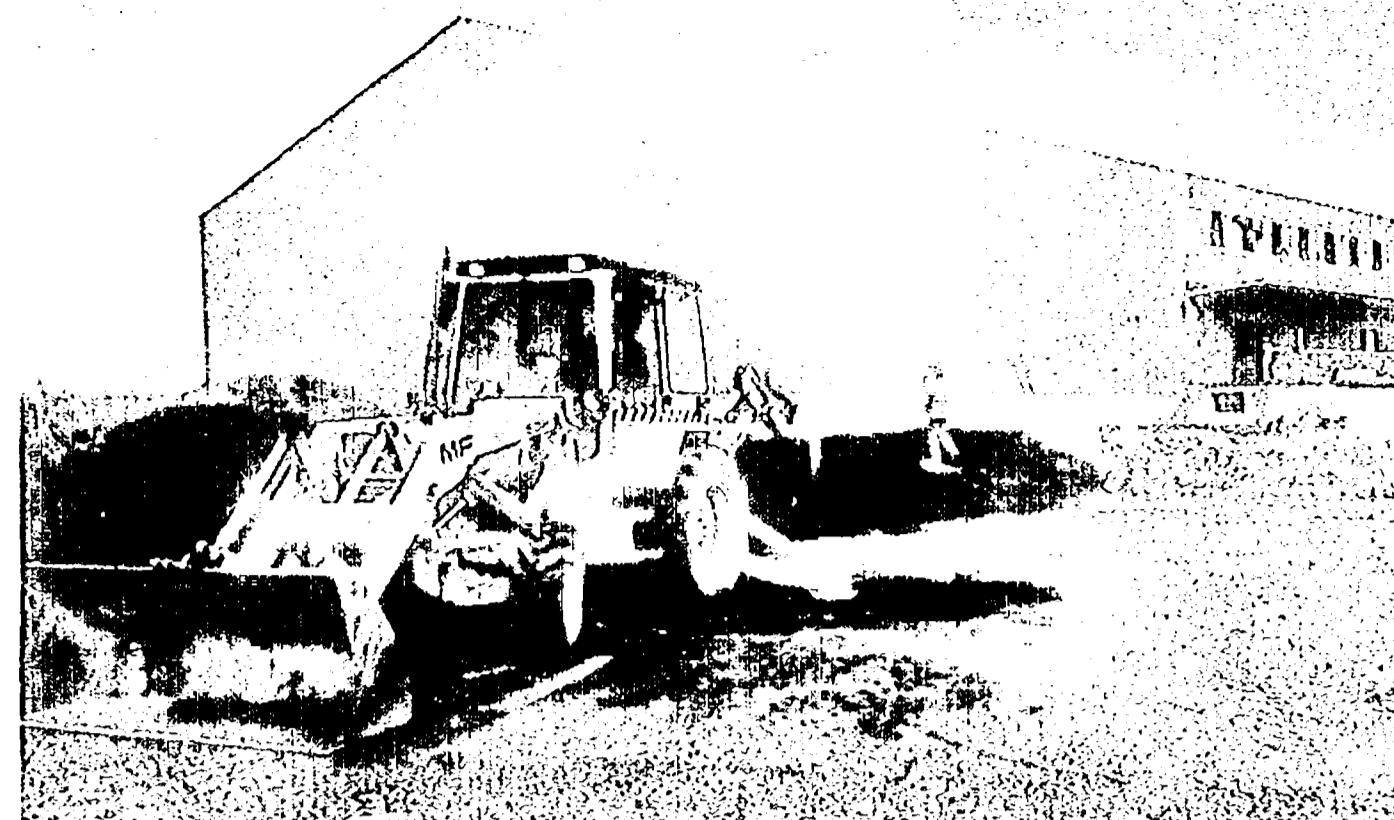
Federal money was to have paid for roughly 40 percent of the shelter's expected \$750,000 to \$800,000 cost.

Design work is continuing on the shelter, and a program director was hired. But construction has been pushed back indefinitely.

"IT'S NOT anything that's going to be open in a matter of weeks," he said.

County officials are hopeful they will be able to receive the money through other grant programs, perhaps even using private grants.

Even though the federal grant wasn't forthcoming, the county did receive \$235,000 in federal block grant and McKinney Act money from area communities. Block grant money was pledged by Westland, Livonia, Redford, Canton, Plymouth and Plymouth Township, among other communities. Westland, Livonia and Redford



GUY WARREN/staff photographer

Landscaping work continues near the site of Wayne County's planned homeless shelter, but the shelter's opening has been put on

hold indefinitely due to the loss of an expected federal grant.

also pledged McKinney Act money — part of a federal grant program designed to specifically help the homeless.

When open, the shelter would be among the first of its kind specifically designed for use by homeless people from suburban areas.

The shelter is planned for Eloise complex, near Michigan Avenue in southeastern Westland. The com-

plex housed the former Wayne County General Hospital and a variety of other county offices, though is now mostly vacant.

When completed, the shelter would feature about 20 dormitory-style rooms, providing shelter for about 80 individuals. Space would primarily be reserved for families who lose their home through fire or foreclosure.

Suburban homelessness is considered a rising problem by many social service agencies. The shelter would have been among the first, if not the first, in the nation specifically designed for homeless suburbanites. At present, the only shelter in western Wayne County is provided through First Step, a Westland-agency that assists female victims of domestic violence.

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The Michigan Humane Society advises pet owners to keep their pets safe and warm this winter by observing cold weather rules.

Pets usually kept indoors shouldn't be exposed to the cold for long periods of time. Coats and sweaters may be necessary for short-hair breeds for a walk or car trip. Towels should be kept handy to dry pets. Pets' feet should be wiped thoroughly because rock salt can cause paw irritation.

While the Humane Society generally discourages keeping pets outdoors, it offers these tips for pets that cannot be kept indoors.

- Make sure doghouses, stalls and other pet shelters are in good repair, with no leaks or gaps.

- Elevate doghouses 4-6 inches off the ground to allow flooring to dry.

- Turn doorways southeast, away from prevailing winds.

- Put a flap over doorways to block wind.

- Use clean straw as insulating material and change it frequently.

As with human beings, animals expend more calories keeping themselves warm in cold weather. Because of that, pets' food intake should be increased.

Pets should be brought indoors if the wind chill factor falls below zero degrees. Pets with heavy coats, however, should be placed in a garage or other moderately warm area. Bringing them inside the house may cause them to be uncomfortable.

Additional information is available by calling the MHS Westland Kindness Center, 721-7300.



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Colleen Mallia pushes Betsy Madar toward Madar's two-day-a-week job working with children at Hawthorn Center, Northville. The job, Madar said, has helped give her strength to build a new life after a serious auto accident.

Recovery Determination guides woman

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back therapy in Florida. It measures brain activity. I have a lot of untapped signals that can be retrained.

"I have a small amount of feeling in my left arm, nothing functional. I'm hoping (with bio-feedback therapy) to eventually feed myself and brush my teeth. That's the goal right now."

"But it's expensive and insurance won't pay for it (catastrophic coverage under Michigan's No-Fault Insurance). We're battling them. They don't want to give me anything because from their point of view, it isn't

going to make me any more functional."

Five attendants provide Madar 24-hour care. "At night, I'm turned and cathed every five hours. During the day, every six hours. And we tip the chair for pressure relief."

"Initially I was told my condition, but it didn't really register. This is how it's going to be forever."

Madar's husband, Gary, received minor injuries in the accident. His mother, Doris Madar, 61, was killed. The driver who ran the light is serving 5-15 years in the Florence Crane Women's Facility for felonious driving and vehicular manslaughter.

Expert: Short sentences don't deter drunk driving

By Janice Brunson
staff writer

Mandatory, short term incarceration as a mass response to drunk driving is an ineffective deterrent, according to an authority on the subject, attorney James Jacobs of the Center for Research in Crime and Justice, New York University of Law.

Mandatory short sentences of 24 to 48 hours serve to trivialize the offense and suggests drunk driving is not really a true crime and need not be treated seriously, Jacobs wrote in a paper entitled "Researching and Conceptualizing Drunk Driving: An Invitation to Criminologists and Criminal Law Scholars."

In addition, the failure of most existing law to require any proof of culpability is incompatible with routine incarceration, Jacobs added.

Since drunk driving spans such a vast range of behavior, differentiations need to be made at the sentencing stage, and a great deal of judicial flexibility is necessary.

Jacobs suggests an alternative.

"THE BASIC RESPONSE to drunk driving should be probation, conditional on six months of home detention on weekend evenings. Since drunk driving is by far most frequent during weekend night hours, keeping drunk drivers at home during this period would have a strong incapacitative effect."

Home confinement is appropriate punishment because "practically everyone, especially younger bar hoppers and party goers, are substantially inconvenienced by being confined on Friday and Saturday nights for six months."

Unlike license suspension or revocation, home detention does not threaten economic and social survival.

To ensure enforcement of home confinement, Jacobs suggests the use of electronic monitors. Those who break the conditions of probation "should be punished with significant jail terms and heavy fines."

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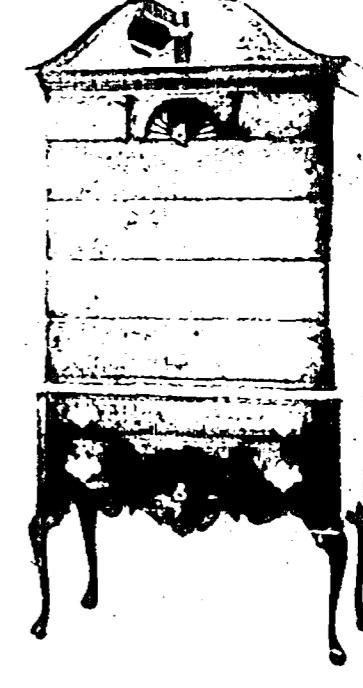
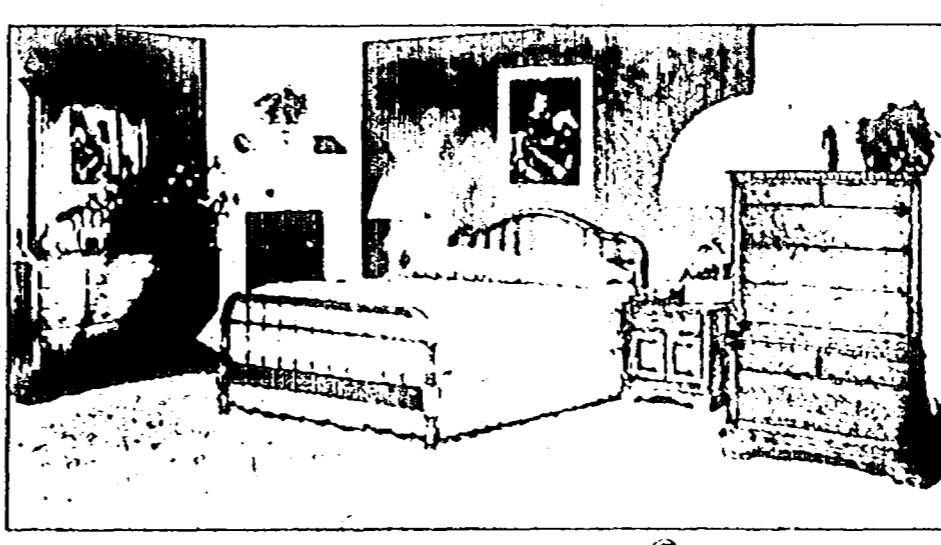
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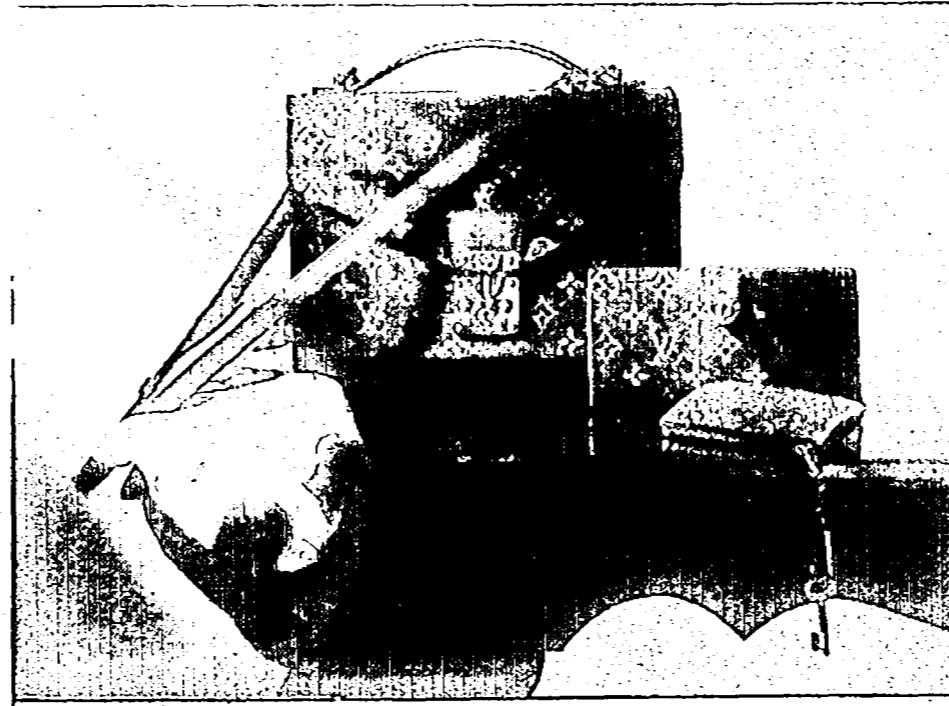
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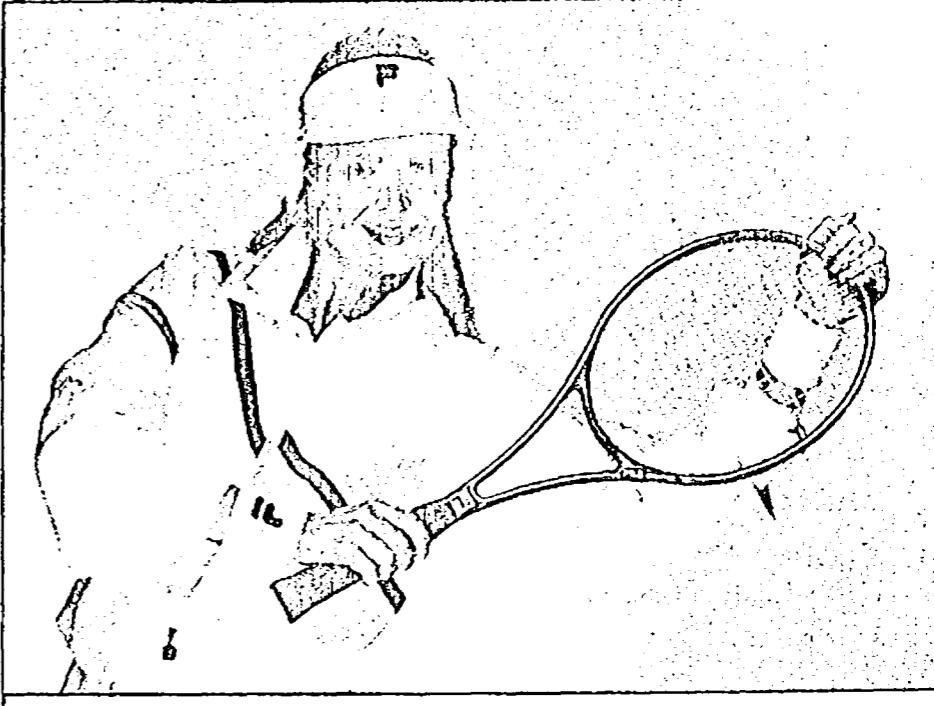
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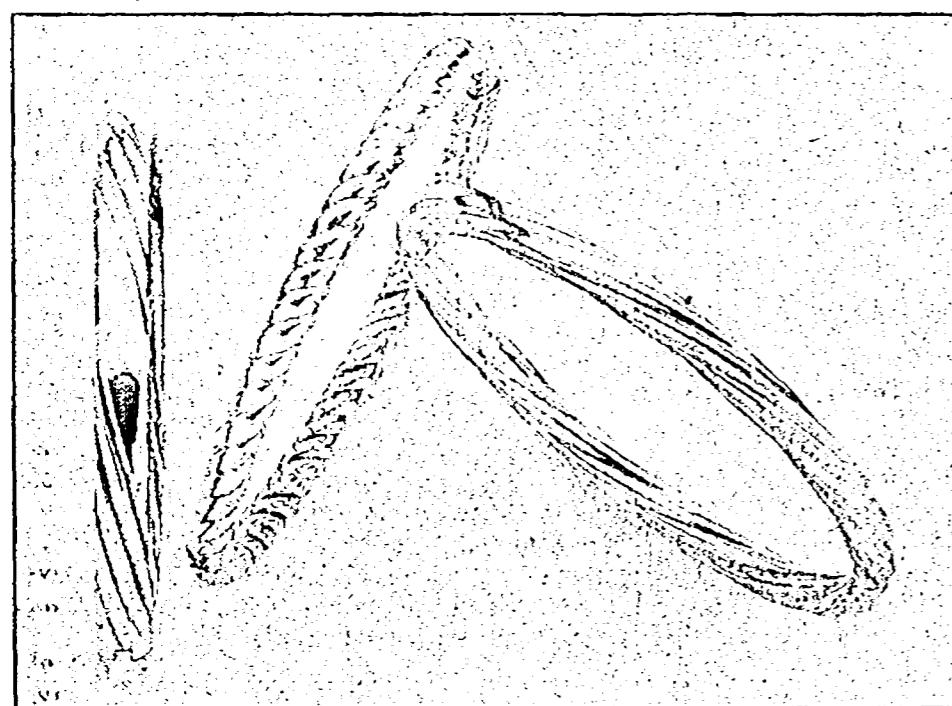
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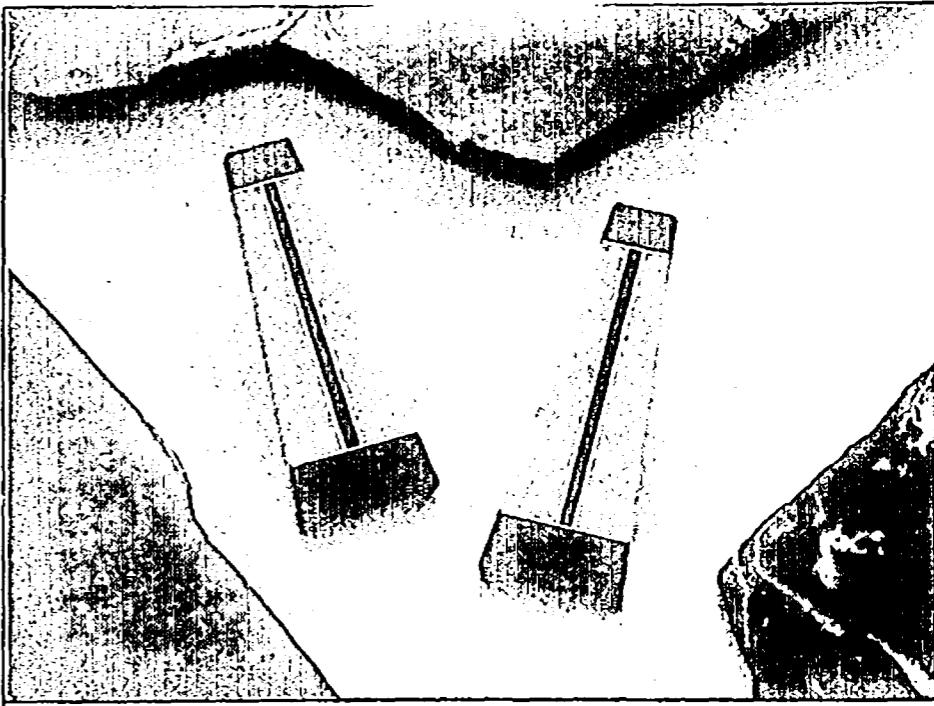
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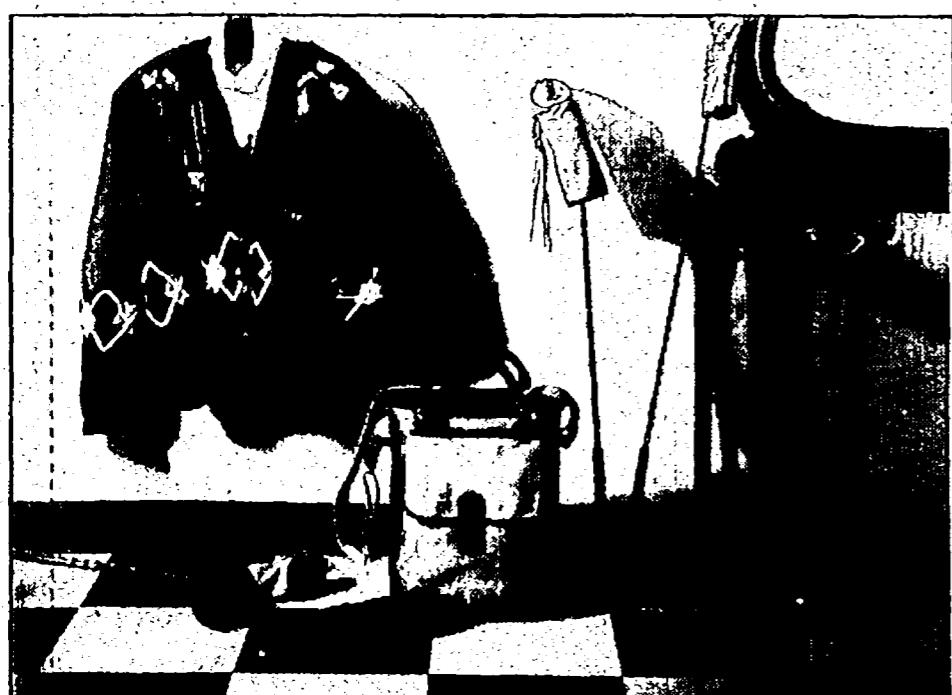
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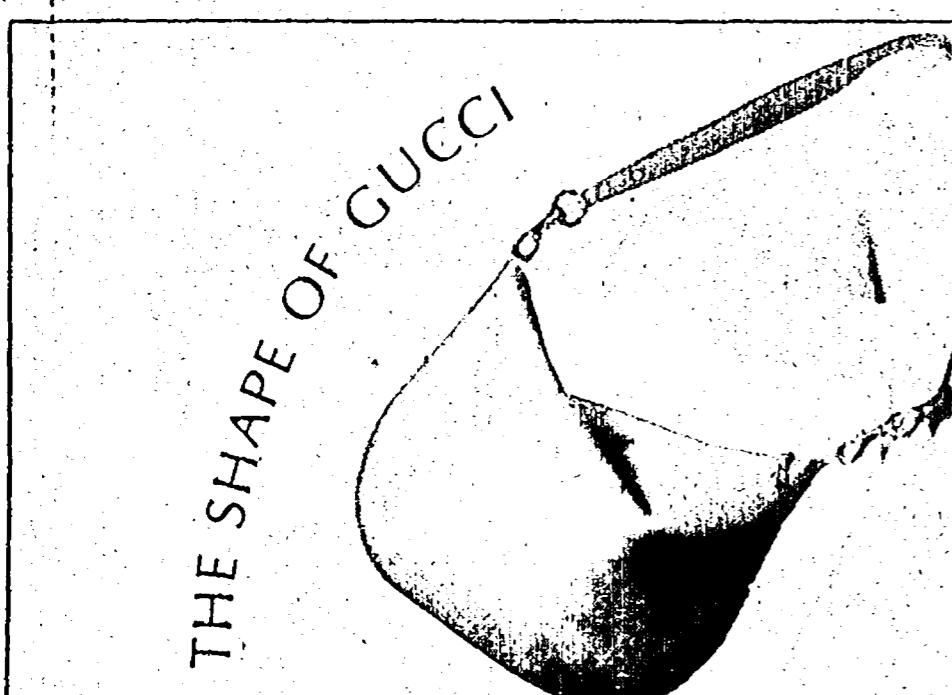
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Bills propose business property tax sharing

By Tim Richard
staff writer

The state Senate today will get its first look at bills to permit — but not require — schools to share their business property taxes countywide.

"It's the camel's nose in the tent," said Sen. Jack Faxon, D-Farmington Hills, who was on the short side of a 2-1 vote Wednesday morning in the Senate Appropriations subcommittee on school aid.

"There's no way out-of-formula school districts can gain. Their only potential is to lose," he said.

But panel chair Dan DeGrow, R-Pont Huron, made it clear he prefers statewide mandatory sharing of property taxes on commercial and industrial property — but not residential, farm or mining property.

"I would prefer to move farther, faster," DeGrow said. But he dropped his plan in favor of the House-passed bills sponsored by Rep. William Keith, D-Garden City.

Voting for the bills were DeGrow and retiring Sen. William Sederburg, R-East Lansing.

KEITH'S HOUSE Bills 5885-6 will allow school districts within an intermediate (county) district to share the growth in business property taxes on a per-pupil basis. Every kindergarten-through-12th grade district within a county would have to agree.

Keith introduced the bills at the request of the Kent County Intermediate District and Grand Rapids Area Chamber of Commerce.

"We need an adequate supply of

employees for businesses," chamber spokesperson William Knox told DeGrow's panel. "Each business draws employees from several school districts, not just from where it (the company) is located."

"Countywide revenue sharing assures employers they will support the local market," added Connie Giarmo, another Grand Rapids chamber spokesperson.

They asked DeGrow to "go slow" on his plan for mandatory statewide business tax sharing during a hearing in Lansing Tuesday.

By Wednesday morning, DeGrow had agreed to wait 'till next year on his plan. The Keith bills were due for

full Appropriations Committee action Wednesday afternoon.

SOUTHEASTERN Michigan city and school leaders strongly opposed the DeGrow plan, asking that the state raise aid to poor districts rather than robbing the local commercial-industrial tax base of richer districts.

Farmington Hills councilman Ben Marks said DeGrow's plan would have a "devastating impact" on the Farmington School District.

Marks also accused DeGrow of hiding his plan and trying to push it through during the post-election, lame duck session of the Legislature.

"The last thing you want is people coming to you and saying 'we didn't know about it,'"

DeGrow replied he had held many meetings with school people.

But Faxon agreed with Marks, saying DeGrow "is obviously holding meetings all around and not including everyone in." Faxon had a similar, bitter fight with DeGrow in June during the school aid budget fight in which he accused DeGrow of hiding the bill from a conference committee and ramming it through in five minutes. That bill cut categorical aid to richer districts by \$72 million.

KEITH'S PERMISSIVE bills were

passed by the House in September on identical votes of 83-16.

Opposed were suburbanites from both parties: Lyn Banks, R-Livonia; John Bennett, D-Redford, Maxine Berman, D-Southfield, Gerald Law, R-Plymouth, Judy Miller, R-Birmingham, Gordon Sparks, R-Troy, and Wilfred Webb, D-Hazel Park, along with members from Macomb and southern Wayne counties.

Supporters included Justine Barns, D-Westland, Jan Dolan, R-Farmington Hills, Mat Dunaskiss, R-Lake Orion, Keith, and James Kotsos, D-Canton.

Not voting was David Honigman, R-West Bloomfield.

Legislature considers 2 tax sharing bills

Two property tax base sharing measures (House Bills 5885-6) are in two different forms in the Michigan Legislature:

- House — Allows growth in commercial and industrial property to be shared within an inter-

mediate (county) district if all school districts agree. It's a voluntary procedure sought by Kent County. The House approved these bills Sept. 26.

- Senate substitute — Requires half the growth in commer-

cial and industrial property to be shared statewide. This version is before the Senate Appropriations subcommittee on K-12 school aid.

Both would restore some of the categorical aid which the Legislature has "recaptured" (taken

away) from wealthier districts. "Categorical" includes special education, bilingual classes and the employers' share of Social Security taxes. The bills are tie-barred, meaning each must become law for the other to take effect.

Area school officials blast 'share the wealth' plan

By Tim Richard
staff writer

A plan to share commercial and industrial property taxes statewide would punish school districts with factories and working class residents, suburban superintendents told lawmakers Monday.

"It's very elitist," said William Bedell, superintendent of the Romulus district in southern Wayne County. "This will benefit residents of in-formula districts and punish highly industrial districts."

Bedell, a former Livonia district administrator, joined Farmington Superintendent Michael Flanagan in bashing a share the wealth plan sponsored by Sen. Dan DeGrow, R-Pont Huron.

Bedell and Flanagan said their districts, though high in office and

factory tax base, are far from being as wealthy as their images because many pupils come from low-income families with problems.

DeGrow, a strong advocate of allowing poorer districts to share the growth in commercial and industrial property tax growth of prospering districts, took his subcommittee and a House subcommittee to Royal Oak Monday to listen the objections of suburban school officials. The hearing was requested by Sen. Doug Cruce, R-Troy.

DeGrow made it clear he wants everyone to share in the suburbs' business tax base growth.

"The auto plant makes cars for people who live outside the school district," said DeGrow, the Senate's top school finance man. He noted

there are more poor than wealthy districts.

TO SWEETEN the loss of business tax base, DeGrow proposes restoring categorical aid of \$72 million over two years.

Suburban leaders opposed it.

"Totally unfair. Blackmail," said Sen. Jack Faxon, D-Farmington Hills. "You're putting people between a rock and a hard place."

Mike Furlong, a Livonia administrator, said the rhetoric behind the federal tax cut of the Reagan administration was "leave the money in the school districts. The money was to be spent locally."

Furlong blamed the money problems of poor districts on the low priority which the Legislature gave to schools during the 1980s: 184 percent

more for public safety, 116 percent more for mental health, 73 percent more for conservation and recreation, but only 48 percent more for education.

ONLY THREE speakers had anything good to say about business tax base sharing.

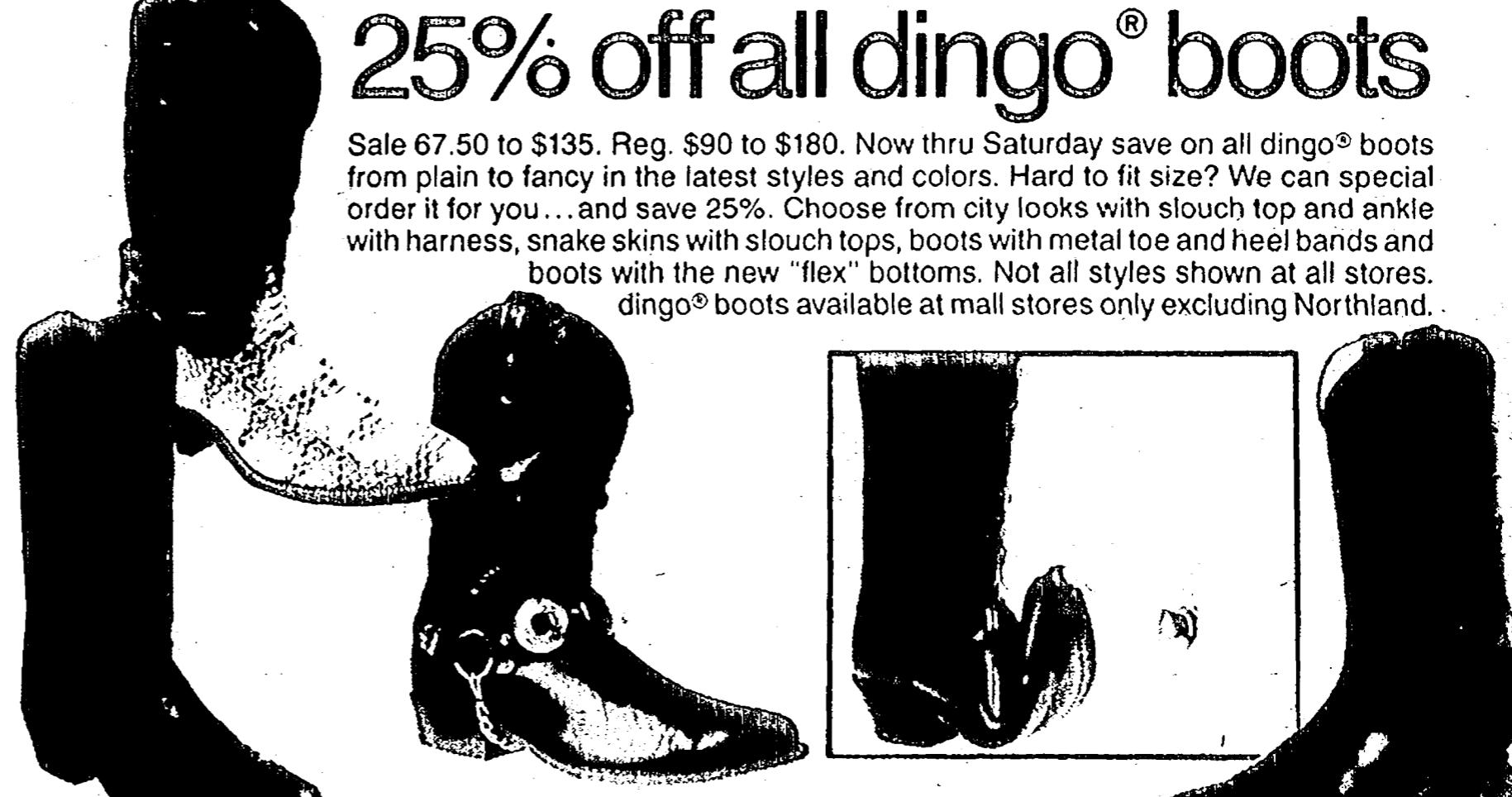
Wayne Peters, superintendent of Holly in northern Oakland County, said "we're taxing our workers in homes to death" because the 125 square mile district has no industry.

"We've very much General Motors community — people work in Grand Blanc, Lake Orion, Milford proving ground Flint," he said, but factory taxes stay in the factory towns.

"Do something, for God's sake. The gap is getting wider all the time."

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Review time

Bureau clarification needed

IS IT time for the city of Westland to review the quasi-public Municipal Service Bureau?

While the bureau may have served a worthwhile purpose when created in 1977, the current dispute over the fate of municipal golf course manager Carl Morton could be just a detail in an overall evaluation of the bureau.

The bureau was created as a private, non-profit organization, among other things, to allow the city to avoid the cumbersome bureaucracy of administering job grants, said Kent Herbert, then the city's budget director who helped create the MSB. He also served as its charter chairman. Herbert is now the city's personnel/operations director.

That purpose is now moot since the federal government has dropped virtually all grants for local job training programs run by the city.

The second major purpose of the MSB, Herbert said, was to allow the city to staff the newly opened municipal golf course with employees getting less than the municipal union wage scale and fringe benefits.

Five years later, the same approach was used when the bureau took over the Sports Arena.

WHILE THE need to have cost-effective programs for city facilities and services continues, the legal relationship of the MSB and the city government needs to be reviewed and clarified.

The bureau is run by a five-member board of directors appointed by the mayor for staggered terms. The Michigan Open Meetings Act, which provides that governmental agencies, boards, and commissions have their sessions open to the public, doesn't cover the MSB board, according to city attorney Charles Bokos.

But the board's minutes are public record and open for inspection on request, said board chairman George Gillies.

The conflict is that the bureau, whose major responsibilities involve the arena and golf course, manages the facilities and employees of two major city programs.

The MSB has been valuable, but a review is needed to clarify its ties with the city government and the facilities the bureau operates.

But the mayor has no direct voice in its policies or personnel, although the board's current chairman is Gillies, Westland's parks and recreation director who serves at the will of the mayor.

In the Carl Morton dispute, Mayor Thomas wants the 13-year course manager fired and made that recommendation to the MSB board. The board has met but hasn't decided if it will confirm the mayor's dismissal.

Herbert said the city, through the mayor's office, has the authority to remove a manager after 30 days notice.

BUT THE procedures as understood by the board aren't clear. The lines of authority and responsibility should certainly be tightened and clarified so everyone involved knows who is in charge.

Herbert said the MSB over the years has served a valuable public service — and we agree. The bureau has made sure that the golf course is self-supporting and sharply reduced the arena's general fund subsidy.

But some of the structural matters — such as the question of the bureau being a private agency not subject to the Open Meetings law and the need for a clear line of authority between the bureau and the mayor's office — must be clarified and strengthened where needed.

The community and the employees of the arena and golf course need to know who is in charge of those facilities.

We hope the city administration, council, MSB board of directors, and city attorney convene soon to review the bureau's basic missions and make revisions to make sure that it continues to be an effective organization.

Drug sentences

Bill gives judges discretion

THE U.S. SUPREME Court will decide whether to uphold or strike down a Michigan law that imposes a mandatory life sentence with no parole for drug possession.

Keeping such a law on the books will not put a dent in the state's drug problem and will likely lead to violent criminals getting out of jail earlier.

The court will decide whether, under the present law, the penalty for possessing 1½ pounds of cocaine is cruel and unusual punishment.

The only other crime with that severe of a sentence is first-degree murder. The average sentence for second-degree murder is 20 years. For first-degree criminal sexual conduct the average sentence is 13.7 years and for armed robbery it's 6.4 years. That is the average sentence, and doesn't include time off for good behavior, early release, or parole — something unavailable to those in prison on the drug charge.

State Rep. William R. Bryant Jr., R-Grosse Pointe Farms, has introduced a bill that would give judges discretion when sentencing those convicted of possessing drugs. Bryant's bill calls for a minimum five-year sentence while still retaining the maximum penalty of life.

He plans to reintroduce the bill next year if there is no action on it before the end of this legislative session.

Bryant's proposal is in line with drug laws in

We can't just "get tough" with drug users and expect the problem to go away.

other states and gives judges the necessary discretion when handing down a sentence.

The proposed law makes sense when you consider that about half of the 125 prisoners now serving life for drugs are first-time offenders.

"These were little guys," says Detroit attorney Carla Johnson, who argued for her client Ronald Harmelin, who had been sentenced to life, and against the law before the high court. "It's the Hortonization of politics (citing the negative campaign ads that featured Massachusetts convict Willie Horton)."

The claim by some prosecutors that the stiff sentence will encourage dealers to turn in drug kingpins hasn't proven to be true, and the law's been on the books 12 years.

Then there's the state's overburdened prison system, which already has to release prisoners early to make room for new ones. All but 18 of those serving life for drug possession in Michigan were in prison before 1987. More than 100 have been sentenced since then, putting an increased burden on an already crowded prison system.

And the cost of housing these prisoners is, by a conservative estimate, about \$20,000 a year. A life sentence would be extremely costly, especially if the offender is young at the time of sentencing.

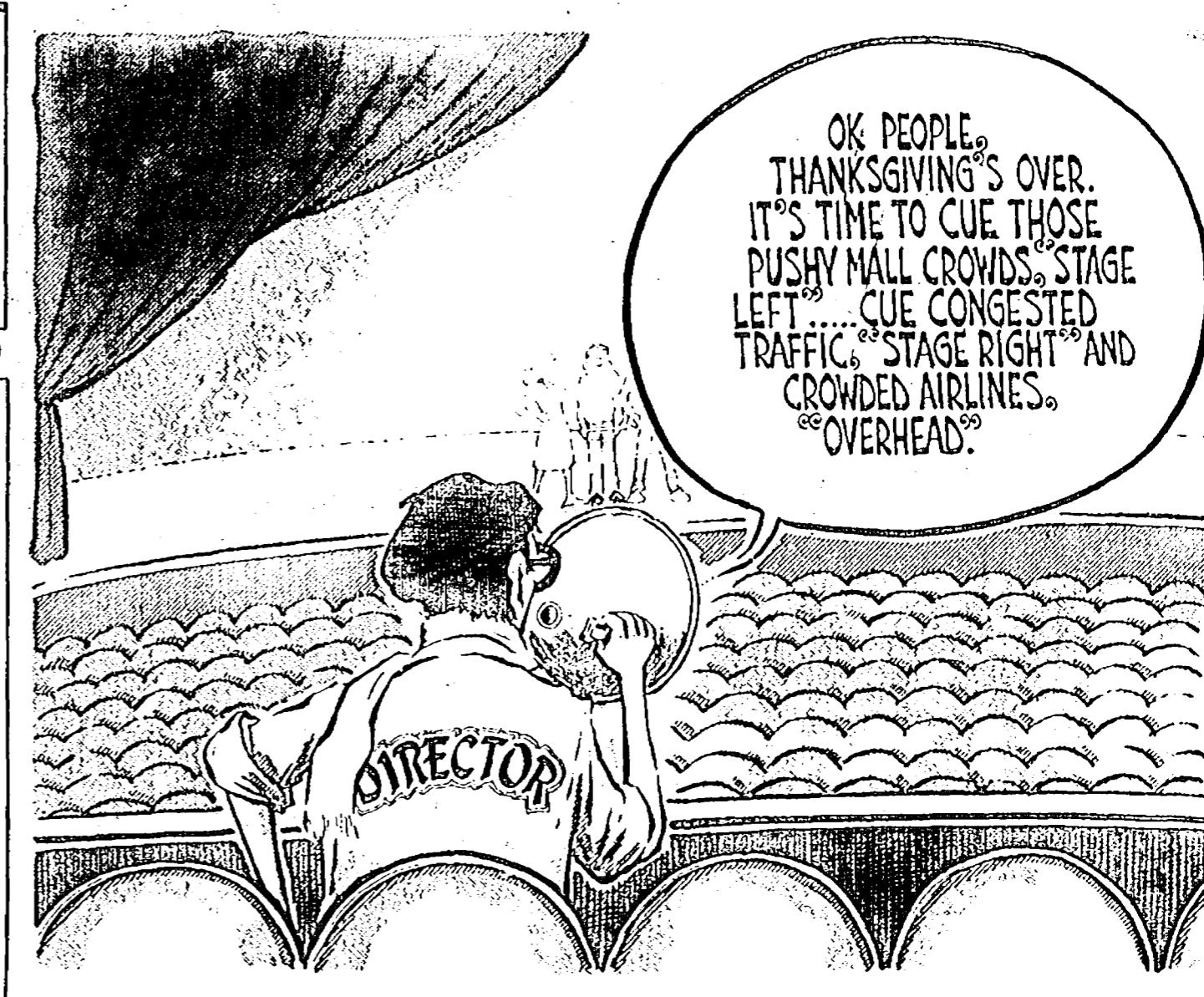
Judges now may be more reluctant to sentence some criminals to already full prisons. But they have no choice about those convicted under the present statute. That will make it more likely that someone who committed a violent crime will be back on the streets sooner.

Why then this law? Because it sounds like a "tough" solution to a crime that our political leadership has given war status. A "war on drugs" would seem to demand an extreme punishment.

But if the punishment is ineffective, adds more to a crowded prison system, takes judicial discretion out of the hands of judges and parole boards, and puts violent criminals back on the streets sooner, then it has not served the residents of Michigan well.

We can't just "get tough" with drug users and expect the problem to go away. Education and employment for those most likely to enter the drug trade are much tougher to accomplish, but more effective solutions than mandatory life in prison.

A law that takes this crime out of the political arena and puts it back into the courts will help bring the scales of justice back into balance.



Cultural myths are vital in this land of immigrants

LAST THURSDAY was Thanksgiving, the most American and most mythical of our holidays. Nowhere else in our festive calendar do we all come together to commemorate an event that certainly occurred but surely bore little resemblance to the myths now propagated around it.

But myths are vital in a heterogeneous land such as ours.

For America is white and black, yellow and red, rich and poor, north and south, east and west, urban and suburban and rural. America is a land of waves of immigrants, none bigger than the mass of hopeful poor now pouring across our borders in the South, in the West and in California.

And America is so big, so varied and so lacking a common shared racial or cultural history that it is a hard country to hold together.

That's why myths are important to America.

AND THAT'S WHY I was so struck at Peggy Noonan's Nov. 21 column in the Wall Street Journal.

"The children of the new immigrants," she argued, "will get most of their sense of what America is from the general culture and the public schools. It is there that we must give special attention to communicating the great unifying myths that define the dreams, characteristics and special history of America and that even to this day bind us together."

She then proceeded to set out seven great unifying myths:

The coming of the Pilgrims, who demonstrated that courage and suf-

The greatest commonality we have as a country — greater by far than any of our great myths — is our shared language. As we are learning from the experience of Canada, one country with two languages is an impossibility.



So let's be sure we learn the right lessons from our past about our myths.

First, the schools are at the absolute center of making the children of new American parents into comfortable young Americans. Whatever is done about school reform, and however we work to improve school quality, let us never lose sight of the necessity of teaching and re-teaching our myths to our young people.

Second, the greatest commonality we have as a country — greater by far than any of our great myths — is our shared language. As we are learning from the experience of Canada, one country with two languages is an impossibility.

American English is our common language. It is the subtle compelling tie that binds us together.

Whatever is done in our schools, let us never be seduced by the theories of the bilingualists who, for example, want black children to learn "Black English" and expect Hispanic children to be taught in Spanish.

That way lies disaster. And if it takes post-Thanksgiving reflections to realize it, let us all give thanks that is so.

Phil Power is chairman of the company that owns this newspaper. His award-winning column will appear periodically.

from our readers

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Greed keeps stores open on holidays

To the editor:

You hear in the news about the breakdown of the family unit and how bad this is for our society. I walked into Kmart the other day and saw a sign that read "Open Thanksgiving Day" and I became livid.

Big business is taking away another one of our holidays. Just a few years ago all shopping centers were closed on New Year's day; now they are all open. Our family members must work on these days in order that the presidents of these stores and their stockholders can make the big buck.

How much longer until the stores and malls are open Christmas Day? It's not necessary for these stores to be open except greed.

A person said to me in defense of the stores, that if people did not go into them, they would be forced to be closed. However, the stores entice people with big sales and mark downs.

We must stop this stupidity in order to ensure that we may spend one or two days a year with our entire family.

Pamela Misenar, Wixom

Senate not doing job on car insurance

To the editor:

In reply to the article "Michigan's No Fault Under Scrutiny, Again" by Janice Brunson, I would like to add that the Michigan Legislature, namely, the Senate should also be under scrutiny for not doing its job!

Our Legislature much like the U.S. Congress on its budgetary obligations is also dragging its feet on much needed auto insurance reform.

Sen. Dick Posthumus' Commerce & Technology Committee is holding up several important and worthwhile bills for Michigan drivers.

The Maynard rollback Bill (HB 5131), Saunders Insurance Commissioner Ethics Bill (HB 4912) and the Gagliardi antitrust package (HB 4487 and 4496). All of these have already been passed by the House. But

alas! — whose legislation waits patiently to take away our rights and benefits but (SB 712) Posthumus and (HB 5317) Wartner.

As Wayne Miller, attorney and vice president of the Head Injury Alliance for Wayne and Oakland counties states, the proposal is "60 pages of a virtual wish list for the insurance industry. Not a single reform is favored by consumer groups." Which encourages me to ponder... How much money do elected officials get from the Insurance Industry?

I've made myself familiar with the bills pending for auto insurance reform, have you? If you care about losing more of your rights, then you had better get behind the beneficial bills, (i.e. Saundar, Gagliardi, and Maynard in opposition to the detrimental ones by Posthumus and Wartner), one feature of which would limit the vocational rehabilitation to those who were employed within one year prior to the date of an injury. How would this affect housewives I wonder?

I'm not so sure that Dean Bablak, or a lot of others who after sustaining a severe injury and were unemployed would fare so well under the Michigan No Fault Laws, if the Posthumus/Wartner bills are adopted by our Senate!!

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December has always brought us the start of winter and two meteor showers, but in 1990 it also brings two full moons and the end of the decade of the '80s. (Contrary to popular belief, the 1990s did not start on Jan. 1, 1990.)

The amount of sunlight we receive this month decreases by 31 minutes. On Dec. 1, sunrise is at 7:42 a.m. and sunset is at 5:01 p.m., for a possible nine hours and eight minutes of sunlight.

Mars, Jupiter and Saturn will be easily visible this month. Saturn is in the evening sky; Mars and Jupiter are visible most of the night. Mercury and Venus can be viewed, late in the month, with difficulty.

Look toward the east northeast around 6 p.m. on Dec. 1 and locate the moon. The bright "star" three degrees to the south (right) of the moon is the planet Mars. Mars was nearest the earth last month and will be fading as we orbit farther away from it. Mars will be visible in the evening sky through July, 1991.

Directly above Mars is the Pleiades (PLEE-a-dees) star cluster. It will be difficult to see the fainter members of this cluster with the bright moon nearby. This "tiny dipper" of stars marks the shoulder of Taurus the bull and is a delight to see through binoculars. The red star below Mars is Aldebaran (al DEB-a-rah) the "eye" of the bull.

THE FIRST FULL moon of the month occurs at 2:50 a.m. on Dec. 2. The moon is fully lighted by the sun. The amount of time it takes the moon to complete a full cycle, from full moon to full moon, is 29 days, 12 hours, 44 minutes and three seconds (approximately). This is called the moon's synodic (sin NOD-ik) period.

When a full moon occurs very early in the month, it is possible to complete a synodic period within that month and experience two full moons. (Logically, the same holds true for two new moons, or two first-quarter moons happening in the same month, but they don't have the same romance of Full Moon.) The second full moon of the month is called the "Blue Moon" and, as you might suspect, doesn't happen very often. The last "Blue Moon" was in May, 1988; the next occurs in September, 1993.

Notice the equilateral triangle formed by the setting moon, Mars and Aldebaran in the west northwest before sunrise on the morning of the second. This is one of the closest full moons in many years; the moon is 356,525 km (221,534 miles) away and will produce extreme tides.

The moon is in Gemini on the evening of the fourth, forming a line with the stars Pollux (above the moon) and Castor (above Pollux). These two stars each mark a "head" of the twins and will be up in the east, five hours after sunset.

The planet Mercury is at maximum elongation (greatest apparent angle) from the sun on the evening of the fifth. Mercury is 21 degrees east (left) of the sun, but only a few degrees above the southwestern horizon. Higher in the southwest, and easier to see, is Saturn, located about 18 degrees to the south (left) of Mercury.

LOOK TOWARD the east, five hours after sunset on the fifth, and you'll see the moon about six degrees above and to the right of Jupiter. Notice the bright star to the right of the moon. This is Procyon (PRO-se-on), a name which means "before the dog." Procyon rises in



skywatch

Raymond E. Bullock

the east shortly ahead of Sirius (SEER-e-us) the "dog star." Sirius is the brightest star in the night sky and easy to spot, rising in the southeast after Procyon. Procyon is the eighth brightest star in the sky and the fifth closest, being about 11.3 light years away. (The light we see tonight left Procyon 11.3 years ago.)

Watch the moon pass through Cancer and Leo on the mornings of Dec. 6 and 8. The moon, high in the west southwest, is approaching Jupiter on the morning of the sixth. On the next morning, the moon is to the south (left) of Jupiter and below the star Regulus (REG-u-lus), forming a triangle. On the morning of the eighth, the moon, approaching last quarter phase, has passed Regulus.

Last Quarter Moon occurs at 9:04 p.m. on Dec. 8. The moon is beginning the last quarter of its orbit around the earth.

The waning (fading) crescent moon, now in Virgo, will be six degrees to the south (right) of the bright star Spica (SPY-ca) on the morning of the eleventh. On the next morning the moon has passed Spica.

One of the year's best meteor showers, the Geminids (GEM-in-ids), reaches its peak on the morning of Dec. 14. Meteor showers are named for the constellation from which they appear to radiate, in this case Gemini.

Meteors are more commonly known as "falling stars" because they look like little stars falling from the sky. Some American Indians thought they were stars running from danger. But they have nothing to do with stars; meteors are rocks falling out of the sky.

MANY OF these meteors are orbiting around the sun in well-defined orbits. They may be trailing along as the debris of a comet, or they may be the remains of a comet that disintegrated long ago. When the earth passes through the orbit of a meteor swarm, many more meteors than usual can be seen, and we can predict precisely when that happens.

The Geminid swarm is one of the richest. A patient observer can expect to see an average of 50 meteors every hour, which is about one every minute. The best meteor display occurs between 2 a.m. and sunrise. Although Gemini is nearly overhead, the meteors can appear in any part of the sky. Their trails can be traced back to Gemini.

Mars passes two degrees below the Pleiades on the evening of the 14th. The moon is nowhere near Taurus now, so the fainter members of the Pleiades will be much easier to see.

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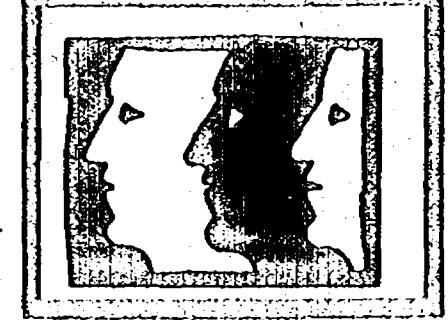
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Getting off the ADC merry-go-round

Critics claim its recipients get raw deal

By Larry O'Connor
staff writer

ADC (Aid to Families with Dependent Children) is an offshoot of the Social Security Act of 1935. Women with children would receive government assistance in cases of death or a disabled spouse.

The program was part of Franklin Roosevelt's New Deal. Critics say its ADC recipients, though, often get a raw deal.

In 1989, a family of three on ADC received \$488 a month, which averages out to \$5,856 a year. The poverty line for a family of three is \$10,560.

The grant for that same family increased from \$425 in 1980 to \$488 in 1987 — the first raise in seven years. The problem is purchasing power was reduced 27 percent during that period.

In essence, the raise amounted to 13 cents a week per person — not enough to buy a postage stamp.

A LACK of money has always been a focal point of the ADC program. So, too, is the age-old stereotype of ADC recipients.

"In terms of self-esteem, the population views ADC mothers as whole as 'You asked for it,'" said Marianne Bach, executive director of the Metro Detroit Welfare Reform Coalition. "They don't seem to realize these women made a choice to stay home and raise their children."

Many would argue the women have no choice. With the prospects of working for minimum wage with no medical insurance or suitable day care for their children, the alternatives are few.

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ART EMANUELE/staff photographer

When Debbie Cox married, she imagined a nice, middle-class life. But instead she is going to school to find a way of supporting herself and her two children, Matthew, 22 months, and Jay, 4½, without ADC.

She shuns image of welfare Mom

By Larry O'Connor
staff writer

Debbie Cox of Westland said she's embarrassed.

"But I shouldn't be," she added.

Cox is an ADC (Aid to Dependent Children) mother, something she doesn't care to brag about. The most disturbing aspect of Cox's story is that many would have painted a better fate for her.

After all, Cox didn't get pregnant as a teen. She wasn't from a family where welfare was a generational source of income.

In person, Cox doesn't fit the stereotype of the mother on ADC. She's well groomed, articulate and soft spoken.

She grew up in a middle class family in Livonia. She followed the path set by other women her age at the time.

After graduating from Livonia Churchill High School in 1976, Cox got a job. She later met the man whom she would marry — all the elements thought to guarantee a nice, middle class existence.

And, indeed, life was idyllic for her. Her marriage was fine, they had a nice home in Westland.

Then the couple had their first child, Jay, who's now 4½. At the same time, her husband was diagnosed as being manic depressive — a severe mental illness causing repeated episodes of depression or mania. When their second child,

Matthew, 1½, was born, he suffered another manic episode.

HER HUSBAND would eventually lose his job as a purchasing agent. The marriage eventually disintegrated.

Suddenly, Cox was faced with being alone with two children and mounting bills. With only a high school education, job prospects looked slim.

"I could get a job in order to pay the house payment," said Cox, "but I couldn't afford day care . . . That's the killer right there."

Child support is fleeting since her ex-husband only makes \$5 an hour.

So, last April, Cox found herself down at the Department of Social Services applying for ADC, an experience she describes as "humiliating."

"You look around at the people who are there . . . I never thought I'd be in this position," Cox said. "Then there is the stigma that goes along with it."

"I keep telling myself I didn't do anything wrong."

But believing that can be difficult, especially when workers look at applicants with incriminating stares. Then there are the relentless questions, which delve into every personal aspect of the client's life.

Cox said DSS sent out a worker to look around in her Westland home to make sure there was "no male presence."

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GUY WARREN/staff photographer

Rosia Ramirez of Redford, an assistant payments manager with the Department of Social Services, can relate to mothers who receive

ADC. She remembers what it was like as a child being poor.

Understanding: It helps

By Larry O'Connor
staff writer

She gets their refrigerators plugged in, their lights turned back on and their checks in the mail.

Perhaps, more importantly, Rosia Ramirez of Redford understands mothers who receive ADC (Aid to Families with Dependent Children).

One of six children in Detroit, her father died when she was young and her mother raised the family on her own. Like those who come to see her in dire need, Ramirez said she grew up poor.

"To me, the allotment given through the state . . . it's hard for people to make ends meet," said Ramirez, who is an assistant payments worker at the Department of Social Services office in Redford. "You have to tell clients that and try to relate them . . . That's frustrating to me."

The frustration is multiplied by 120 ADC cases Ramirez handles alone. She also manages clients receiving General Assistance, food stamps and emergency aid.

On a given day, Ramirez will be visited by three or four clients whose electricity or gas has been shut off or who've been evicted from their home. Ramirez can either grant them what they need or has to tell them no.

For instance, one ADC case with a household of five was evicted from their home. The woman came to Ramirez with the eviction notice, looking for help.

ADC ONLY allows \$190 a month in rent for a household of five. An emergency need provision provides another \$100, plus \$200 for a security deposit.

That still wasn't enough to pay the \$300 a month rent and \$300 security deposit. Ramirez was able to put through a request for an exception in this case.

"Some days are worse than others," said Ramirez, who is a graduate of East Catholic High in Detroit. "I feel I'm serving my clients. I don't look down on them."

She's never been threatened, though, some clients can be hostile. Most, she said, are cooperative.

In some cases, the family has never been able to escape the cycle of poverty where the grandmother, mother and grandchild are living in the same home receiving public assistance.

Most of those Ramirez sees are single women with children, often one or two. Though, in a few cases, clients continue to have children despite being on ADC.

"I think with the environment they're in, self-esteem becomes a problem," Ramirez said. "They need someone to tell them they can do better. We all need that."

RAMIREZ IS not a trained social worker. So she cannot counsel those who see her on how to improve their self-images. "When their lights are shut off, we have to work on that," she said.

Yet, it's people like Ramirez who probably have the most face-to-face contact with ADC clients. She said being positive and professional is all she can do.

Sometimes, Ramirez does see success stories. There are women on ADC who work, trying to break their own cycle of poverty. They don't make enough to get off ADC, but Ramirez said they earn self-respect.

"You see the client and they're trying to better themselves," she said. "I respect that."



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ADC: Bottom line is getting out, staying off welfare

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AS A RESULT, women turning up at Department of Social Services offices are not so much the typical high school dropout with children born out of wedlock. Instead, they are likely to have high school diplomas, come from middle class backgrounds and have been recently divorced.

"There's two really short ways to end up on public assistance," said Kay Hoffman, a professor in the Social Work Department at Wayne

State University. "One is to be a teenage unwed mother . . . and, second, is get a divorce without (a college) education."

Some women on ADC are going back to school for their college degrees. The obstacles for them are great.

For one, they need transportation and affordable day care. Also, support services are needed to make the transition back into academic life.

Programs like Schoolcraft College's From Chocolate Chips to Mi-

Mom trades looks for books, new life

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"He looked behind the shower curtain. He wanted to know what was in the garage. He went into both bedrooms and woke up my baby . . . It was weird," Cox said. "I felt violated. It makes you feel real low."

COX RECEIVES \$486 a month from DSS, which is offset by a \$454 a month house payment. That leaves \$12.50 a week for incidentals like clothes and hygiene products, such as shampoo, soap and toothpaste. She also gets \$50 a month in child support payments from her husband.

She also gets \$187 a month in food stamps, which are allotted to feed a family of three. Since food stamps usually don't last through the month, Focus Hope provides juice, formula,

powdered milk and butter.

Fortunately, Cox and other women like her may have a choice.

Today, Cox has returned to school where she is studying to become a medical transcriptionist. She took a career assessment test during the Project HERS program and "everything points to the medical field."

Needless to say, the visible experience has been eye-opening. She admits she had a preconceived notion of people who were on public assistance as "lazy."

"I'm wiser now," she said. "People were put into situations that they have no choice."

"I've heard that there are women on ADC who've been on it for five years that don't go to school or anything. They are in a rut. I understand why."

cro Chips (formerly known as Project HERS) are models.

Such programs help ADC mothers find financial aid for tuition, find day care and help with transportation. Few mothers on ADC, though, are aware such assistance is available.

The reason, according to experts, people in DSS don't tell them.

"THERE ARE some women who do go back to college and get their degrees," Hoffman said. "They have to figure out how to do it themselves. They have to beat the system."

It's a system served by caseworkers who are overburdened by the number of caseloads. Many don't have bachelor's (four-year) degrees in social work. An assistance payments worker must have an associate's (two-year) degree in a human resource specialty, a spokesman for DSS said.

Workers that do care often burn out.

"People still need to be treated with dignity," Bach said. "What's happening is people are going into DSS offices and not being treated with any shred of dignity."

"Some people end up spending the entire day down there and don't come home with anything. Many of them don't know their rights."

THE METRO DETROIT WELFARE REFORM COALITION helps those receiving public assistance become aware of their rights. The group is involved in getting DSS policies changed and bringing awareness to the plight of those in poverty.

Bach sees the severe cases, the people forgotten even by the system. She relates a story about one woman

on ADC with three children living in Detroit. The mother had her check wended out whereby the landlord receives rent payments directly from DSS.

Bach visited the home to find a hole in the ceiling large enough to see the sky, splattered blood where a rodent's nest underneath a child's bed was recently destroyed and all four burners on the stove going.

In all the mess of poverty, Bach noticed an open bag of dog food. There was no dog.

"She told me, 'If you feed them (the rats), they won't bite your children,'" Bach said.

No worker from DSS would visit the home, Bach said, because of the

neighborhood. The family was trapped.

TO ESCAPE is difficult. Training programs ADC mothers with school-age children are required to attend often don't prepare them for jobs to support their families adequately, critics say. Most are trained for clerical jobs earning \$4-\$5 an hour with no medical insurance.

Bach relates a case where an ADC mother had a nursing scholarship to attend Mercy College. She didn't have child care.

Instead, the woman was required to participate in a job training program at the Michigan Humane Society destroying animals.

DSS DOES provide some support for those ADC mothers who also work. The financial incentives are not great.

Recipients get \$90 a month employment expense and child care benefits. Also, \$30 plus one-third of that month's gross wages for the first four months are not deducted from an ADC mother's grant. After that, \$30 is not counted against the monthly grant for the next eight months.

As a result, many who get off ADC only end up back on public assistance.

"That's really the bottom line: getting off the system and staying off the system," Bach said.

Chips aims to end poverty cycle

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More importantly, the program helps women believe in themselves.

"The major difference with this class is we're focusing on issues of

Bloom-Vettses.

Colleges have to match funds provided by the grant. One college in Wisconsin could not and the grant was pulled, leaving several needy students without money.

As a result, grants are more likely to be awarded to colleges with the most students eligible for Pell Grants. Pell Grants are given to low-income students for tuition.

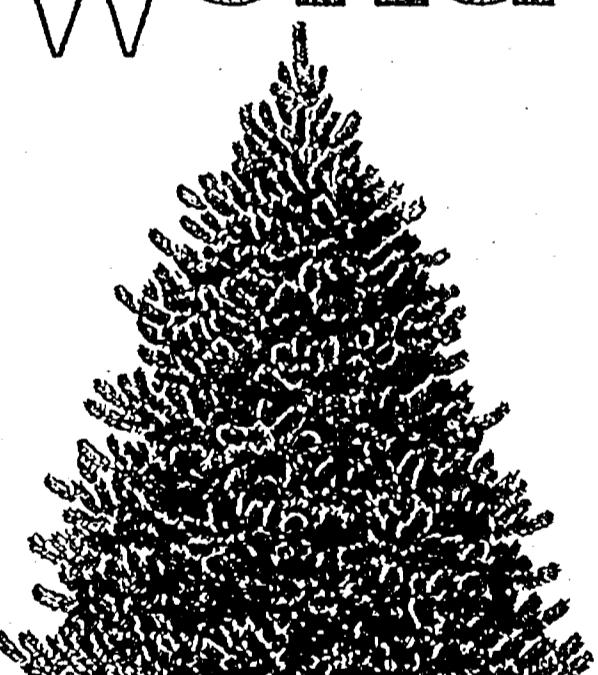
Schoolcraft College has several students eligible for Pell Grants, but not as many as other schools such as Henry Ford Community College and Wayne County Community College.

"We have to make a good case because of Schoolcraft College being in a high-income area," Bloom-Vettses said. "We have to show them there are needy people in this area."



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C.H.,
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moving into one in which you feel more comfortable. You also experience ambivalent feelings about sharing with others and strong self-concern. All of this may be causing you some guilt feelings.

I can see that you are a bright young woman with a resourceful mind. You easily see the broad scope and do not get mired in details. If I talk to about a watch you probably envision the whole watch factory.

A mind like yours would be an asset in almost any career choice you make. Still, I think you would be happiest in a position with people involvement and where you have the opportunity for freedom of movement, as opposed to being confined to a desk job all day.

Mental stimulation and variety should also be high priorities. Material concerns seem rather important so you will want to research the salary potential before making your decision. Best wishes for success in a new career! And keep in mind the importance of discipline.

If you would like to have your handwriting analyzed in this newspaper, write to Lorene C. Green, a certified graphologist, at 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150. Please use a full sheet of white, unlined paper, writing in the first person singular. Full signature, age and handedness are helpful and objective feedback is always welcome.

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You are socially oriented and enjoy being active and on the go. I suspect you rarely sit down and just relax.

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You appear to vacillate between retaining a conventional lifestyle or

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Tri-County Singles will have a dance 8 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 1, at Monaghan Knight of Columbus Hall, 19801 Farmington Road, Livonia. Admission is \$4, ladies \$2. For information, call the hotline at 842-7422.

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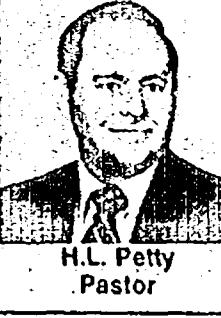
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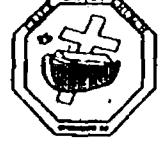
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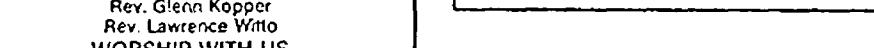
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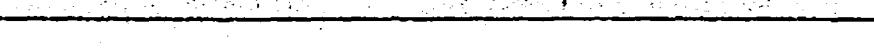
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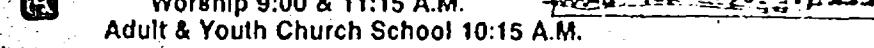
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Musical ministry

Performers bring message of joy

By Julie Brown
staff writer...

When Sharon and Robin perform at concerts, they have a basic goal in mind.

"I love to bless the Lord," said Robin Howard, who's been performing with Sharon Hoffman since 1978. "It's got to be done, so I will do it. The real audience is Jesus, it's God Almighty."

The women travel around the United States and Canada, performing at churches, women's retreats, conferences and other get-togethers. Howard usually plays the piano and Hoffman sings.

Howard recently came to Michigan for a performance at St. John Neumann Catholic Church in Canton. Hoffman, who's expecting a baby, stayed home because she was ill.

HOFFMAN'S HUSBAND, Jeff, works as manager of their ministry, based in Fort Wayne, Ind.

Marlene Everson took Sharon Hoffman's place at the Canton concert. Everson teaches vocal music at Summit Christian College in Fort

Wayne. Robin Howard played the piano and sang during the Sunday, Nov. 4, concert, which drew about 75 people.

Howard began to play the piano as a young girl.

"We lived in the country in Indiana." Howard went to a Catholic boarding school as a teenager and later became a nun.

"I spent 11 years in the community and they were wonderful years in many ways. I guess you can tell from looking at me it didn't work." She quit playing the piano when she became a nun.

Howard began to do prison ministry work.

"They really didn't want me to do that." She got a dispensation from her vows, and began to look for a job in social work.

"They wanted a piece of paper that said I was good at something." Howard didn't have a degree and that made her job search difficult. She returned to college and later became a social worker.

HOWARD, WHO recalls that she "always went to sleep during medi-

tation as a nun," went through a period of blaming the Catholic church for her troubles.

"I went over and played for the Methodists for three years."

Her disillusionment didn't last. Howard realized there was a place for Jesus Christ in her life.

"I became convinced that I could really touch Jesus. That has been a thing that's driven me all my life, to touch the face of God. I really want to go to heaven when I die."

Howard joined a Catholic prayer group in Fort Wayne and met Sharon Hoffman, who's from a Lutheran background. Howard began to play the piano again, and remembers being nervous during that first performance at a Baptist church.

"I was scared to death they'd find out what I was. Since that day, I can't tell you what a joy it is to sit down at a piano."

The women write a lot of their music, and perform traditional and contemporary songs. They've recorded eight tapes and the ninth, "Simply Worship," is due out in December.

They presented the music for the

1987 National Prayer Breakfast in Washington, D.C. Hoffman's background includes studying voice at Indiana University, and she earned a music education degree with a minor in Biblical studies from Fort Wayne Bible College. Howard studied piano at Butler University in Indiana, and earned a secondary education degree from Indiana University.

JEFF HOFFMAN graduated from Fort Wayne Bible College and Westminster Theological Seminary, and served as an associate pastor for two years at a church in Ohio. His background in theology is a tremendous help, Howard said.

"Jeff does everything except sing and play," she said. "He helps keep us on track." The Hoffmans have a son, Andrew, 2½, who frequently travels with his parents.

The women perform at churches and other settings for 11 months each year. They've been at Ward Presbyterian Church in Livonia and other Detroit-area churches of various denominations.

"This is what I was meant to do," Howard said. "This isn't performing, this is just worship."



Sharon Hoffman (left) and Robin Howard have performed together since 1978. Their Christian Music Ministries is based in Fort Wayne, Ind.

The performers present the gospel to those who don't know it, Jeff Hoffman said.

"The other side is to encourage those who are already believers in Christ. Everything we do, we try to keep that in mind."

"We have the body of Christ everywhere we go," he said. "The Lord has given us friendships and close relationships everywhere we go."

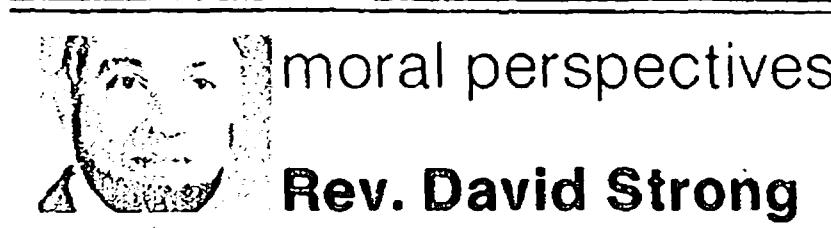
The St. John Neumann concert was part of the ongoing Renew mis-

sion at the church. Church member Sherry Kuhr, a Canton resident, was among concert-goers who'd heard Sharon and Robin at earlier performances.

"They've really touched my heart with their testimony and their songs," said Kuhr, who first heard the duo at a retreat in Kalamazoo. She's heard them several times since then, and enjoyed the November concert.

"I just think they're wonderful."

Diversity offers us strength



Rev. David Strong

be heard. We must allow others to be different.

At a recent peace witness in downtown Detroit, there were speakers from every religious community. Arab, Jew, Catholic, Lutheran, Methodist — all spoke of their commitment to peace.

Various languages were used. Even I found this diversity hard to integrate. Too long have I lived in a homogeneous setting. Too long have I lived in a suburb in which everyone is expected to look and think alike. Without living in a diverse community I find it difficult to know how to integrate diverse positions and affirm diversity as good.

Everything we notice about the world and about the future demonstrates that diversity works for us. It is the way we are headed as a planet. Either we learn to live together and love it or we risk suicide. How will you and I do this? How will you and I prepare our children to accept and seek to understand diversity?

The news reports that a man from Grayling, Mich., has decided that he will not go to war and kill another human being. He is in the Army. He is also a member of my denomination.

HOW WILL I view his decision? The issue is an old one. It is an issue

of religious conscience. This man is troubled by his own moral beliefs.

We must realize that war does this to people. Will we accept the many positions people have regarding a war in the Middle East? Will we promote the dialogue that not only Congress but we must have regarding this critical issue?

I am proud to live in a nation that first and foremost refused the principle of compulsory military service. One of the reasons people of conscience came to the new world was to leave this behind them in Europe. The United States is one of the few countries in the world which will allow a person to refuse military service because of conscience. It is a principle which is very dear to liberty.

I talked with a person whose family has preserved the story of a soldier in the Civil War. This member of their family entered the war and then decided that he could not kill. Of course, he had enlisted. But conscience has a way within human beings of breaking out in non-logical ways.

The story is told that he shot his gun, but off away from the Southern soldiers. His commanding officer was beginning to be suspicious. In one battle, he aimed at a squirrel in

a tree rather than at an enemy soldier. As he fired someone else shot and both the Southern soldier and the squirrel fell. His decision to not kill was not prompted by fear but upon moral principle.

WILL WE allow such positions in our time? Will we resist the slip slip, sliding to a polarity of opposites, warring among ourselves? Dr. James Bristow says "In time of war, people can only count to two." What will we do to defend the liberty of many positions, each based upon religion and moral conscience?

Diversity is only possible when we listen to others who are different from us. To truly listen, we must get under the words to deeper principles and life experiences. Too often, we judge those who are different from us by the worst fears, the most negative impressions.

Yes, there is diversity even among those who appear to us to be the same. Islamic people have a wide diversity of beliefs and positions. I have heard Moslem religious leaders who defended the practice of vengeance. I have heard other Moslem religious persons speak of love as the center of their faith. Do we not count more than two positions within our own faith community?

As we face the complex issues of the Middle East, let us commit ourselves to defend the principle of diversity. Let no one force you or me into allowing only one or two positions. This is the greatest danger that faces us today.

The Rev. David T. Strong is pastor of Central United Methodist Church in Detroit.

Tours highlight historic roles of city's churches

- Most Holy Trinity, a restored Irish church in Corktown;
- St. Peter's Episcopal, the church where Henry Ford's parents were married;
- Ste. Anne, Detroit's first parish, established in 1701;
- Trinity Episcopal. A bake sale and boutique sale of items made by women at the church will be held during the lunch break.

The tours are co-sponsored by the National Society of the Colonial Dames of America in the State of Michigan, the Detroit Historical Department and the Detroit Historical Society. Tours are conducted on the first Monday of each month.

The next tour is scheduled for

Monday, Dec. 3.

The tour bus

leaves the Detroit Historical Museum parking lot, 5401 Woodward at Kirby in Detroit, at 10 a.m.

THE UPCOMING tour will include:

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The Jan. 7 tour will include: All Saints Russian Orthodox Cathedral; St. Augustine-St. Monica (formerly St. Catherine-St. Edward); Trinity Lutheran; St. Bonaventure; and St. Charles Borromeo.

The Feb. 4 tour will feature: Cathedral Church of St. Paul; St. Dominic; St. John's Episcopal; Central United Methodist; and St. Joseph's.

church bulletin

The church bulletin is published every Thursday in The Observer. Information must be received in the Livonia office by noon the Monday prior to publication.

FINNISH BAKERY

A homemade "Finnish Bakery" will be 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 1, at the Detroit Laestadian Congregation, 290 Fairground, Plymouth. Pasties, tarts, bread and other baked goods will be sold at the holiday event.

ORGAN CONCERT

Redford Presbyterian Church, 2212 W. McNichols, will host a Christmas open house and organ concert 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 2. There will be a life-sized manger scene, 30 decorated trees and a Bible tree.

HOLIDAY MUSICAL

The Kids and Children's Choirs of Ward Presbyterian Church will present the holiday musical "Nathan and the Neon Light" 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 2, at Ward Presbyterian Church, 17000 Farmington, near Six Mile, Livonia. Admission is free of charge. For information, call 422-1150.

CHRISTIAN SOFTBALL

Any church representatives interested in participating in the Northwestern Christian Women's Softball League should call Pat Larson, 478-4929. Games are Tuesdays and Thursdays early May through mid-August, including regular season, tournament and an all-star game.

HANDEL'S 'MESSIAH'

At 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 2, a free performance of Handel's "Messiah" will take place at Newburg United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia. Members of four choruses will present the Christmas favorite: Newburg United Methodist Adult Chorus, Newburg United

Methodist Youth Chorus, the Farmington Hills Christian Community Chorus and the Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church Choir. The public may attend. For information, call 422-0149.

HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS

St. Matthew Evangelical Lutheran Church, 5885 Venoy, Westland, will have worship services 8 and 10:45 a.m. and Sunday School at 9:15 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 2. The bell choir will perform at Westland Center 12:30-5 p.m. On Wednesday, Dec. 5, the church will have a spaghetti dinner in the gymnasium at 6 p.m. followed by Advent worship service at 7:30 p.m. For information, call 425-0261.

BUDDHISM

The Detroit Area Karma Kagyu Study Group offers meditation and discussion of the Buddha's teaching. Free meditation instruction can be arranged by appointment. Weekly meditation and discussion takes place Thursdays in Redford. For information, call 538-1559.

ADVENT MESSAGES

Dr. Bartlett Hess, senior pastor, will deliver a series of messages during Advent. At 8, 9:15 and 10:45 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 2, the message will be "Preparing for Christmas: God's Preparation." Ward Presbyterian Church is at 17000 Farmington Road, near Six Mile, Livonia.

HOLOCAUST CENTER

Raqueela Hadassah will have a guided tour of the Holocaust Memorial Center in West Bloomfield 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 4. Members will meet in the lobby of the Jewish Community Center, Maple and Drake roads. For information, call 932-0935 or 683-4099.

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Poinsettia sales aid Arthritis Foundation

Looking for a nice poinsettia to brighten your home this holiday season? Interested in giving charity a helping hand?

You can do both with Poinsettias for Progress, a holiday benefit for the Metro-Detroit Branch of the Arthritis Foundation.

Money raised from the benefit will be used for the research in a cure for the disease, prevention, improved treatment, education and volunteer services.

Poinsettias will be available in 5½-, 6-, 6½- and 8-inch pots for \$6, \$8.50 and \$11 respectively, a 10-inch hanging basket for \$17.50 and planter bush 2-3 feet wide for \$25. Colors are red, white and pink, with combinations of red and white avail-

able in the 8-inch pots and red, white and pink in the 8-inch pot.

Free delivery will be available for orders of at least 54 plants. There will be an additional \$8 for deliveries of less than 54 plants.

This is the ninth year for Poinsettias for Progress and nursing homes and hospitals throughout the metropolitan area are helping with the event.

Senior resident volunteers at nursing homes will be selling the poinsettias. Locally, Mary Martin will take orders for the flowers on Monday, Dec. 3, at University Convalescent and Nursing Home, Livonia (427-8270).

Orders also can be placed with Elona Howard at Cambridge West in

Redford Township (255-1010), Monday, Dec. 10; Gall Gagacki at Dorvin Convalescent, Livonia (476-0550) on Wednesday, Dec. 12, and with the activities director at Four Chaplins Convalescent Center, Westland (261-9500), on Friday, Dec. 14.

Hospital sales will be Wednesday-Friday, Dec. 5-7, at Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak and Troy, Henry Ford Main in Detroit, Fairlane in Dearborn and West Bloomfield, Saratoga and Mt. Carmel in Detroit and Bi-County in Warren and on Friday, Dec. 7, at Outer Drive in Lincoln Park.

For more information about the benefit or the Arthritis Foundation, call 350-5050.

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• ARTHRITIS SUPPORT

The Dearborn-Dearborn Heights Arthritis Support Group will meet at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 29, in Room 5 of Henry Ford Medical Center-Fairlane, Dearborn. Vivian Bedegian will discuss Social Security disabilities. For more information, call Julia Leedle at 565-2590.

• PSYCHIC FAIR

Psychic Fair and Feast, a benefit for the Wayne County Unit of the American Cancer Society, will be 5:30-10 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 29, in the Riverfront Cafe in the Riverfront Towers Apartments, Detroit. Cost is \$25 per person. There will be psychic readings, hors d'oeuvres, live entertainment and a silent auction. For tickets, call the American Cancer Society at 981-5500.

• JINGLE BELL RUN

Join the fun as runners don cos-

tumes and jingle bells for the 5K "Max and Erma's Jingle Bell Run for Arthritis" Sunday, Dec. 2, at Oakland University and Meadowbrook Village Mall in Rochester Hills. For information, call 350-3030.

• FANTASIA

The American Lung Association of Southeast Michigan will have its second annual fashion show at 3 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 4, at the Hyatt Regency in Dearborn. The event will include cocktails and a Christmas boutique with more than 50 vendors, dinner at 7 p.m. and the fashion show at 8 p.m., featuring the Michigan's hottest designers. Tickets cost \$45 each and are available from the lung association at 559-5100.

• COMMUNITY EDUCATION

"Treatment and Recovery from Chemical Dependency" will be discussed at Brighton Hospitals' next

community education program at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 4. Joseph Petty, a member of the hospital's counseling staff will be the featured speaker. For more information, call 227-1211, Ext. 276, between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. weekdays. Brighton Hospital is at 12851 Grand River, Brighton.

• ALZHEIMER CLUB

The Alzheimer Club, a support group for care givers of people suffering from Alzheimer's or related disorders will meet at 10 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 6, at the Livonia Senior Citizen Center, 15218 Farmington Road, Livonia. For information, call 522-2710.

• NEVER SAY NEVER

The Plymouth Chapter of Never Say Never, a self-help group for people suffering from obsessive-compulsive disorder, will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 6, at the First Baptist Church, 45000 N. Territorial, Plymouth. For information, call 522-3022.

• HOLIDAY FIESTA

The Cystic Fibrosis Foundation will sponsor a Holiday Fiesta Fantasy, beginning at 7 p.m., Friday, Dec. 7, at Crosswinds Mall, Orchard Lake at Lone Pine Road, West Bloomfield. There will be authentic Mexican food from Manuel's, music by Bugs Bedow, Lambada by Dance Art and auction. Cost is \$10 in advance or \$15 at the door. For information, call 354-6565.

• ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUPS

Alzheimer's support groups meet at 2 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month at Westland Convalescent Center, 36137 Warren Road, Westland (for more information, call Sue Ciecielski, 728-6100), and at 7:30 p.m. the fourth Wednesday of the month at Four Chaplins Convalescent Center, 28349 Joy Road, Westland (for information, call 261-9500).

• CHURCH DINNER

A church family dinner will be 6:15 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 6, at Village Presbyterian Church, 25350 W. Six Mile, Redford. After dinner, members will decorate the halls of the church for the holidays.

• COOKIE WALK

Church of God of Prophecy, 28563 Pardo, Garden City, will have a cookie walk noon to 6 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 8.

• POLONAISE CHORALE

A concert of Polish Christmas carols will be sung by the Polonaise Chorale 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9, at the Felician Sisters' Motherhouse Chapel, Madonna College, I-96 and Levan, Livonia. Free-will donations will be accepted. For information, call 464-7996 or 863-6209.

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Christmas salad luncheon 12:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 4, at Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church, Fellowship Hall, Hubbard and West Chicago roads, Livonia. Speaker Elizabeth Gribble will discuss the topic "From Saint Nicholas to Santa Claus." For information, call 422-0494.

• ADVENT SERVICES

Advent services will take place Wednesdays, Dec. 5, 12 and 19, at Timothy Lutheran Church, 8820 Wayne Road, Livonia. A light dinner will be served 6 p.m. followed by 7 p.m. worship. A Sunday School program will take place 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 23, and the Christmas Eve service will be 7:30 and 11 p.m. Monday, Dec. 24.

• SUPPORT GROUPS

Ward Presbyterian Church Grief Support Groups are open to anyone who has had a loved one die. The Wednesday group will meet 10:30 a.m. Wednesdays, Dec. 5 and 19, in the Calvin Room at the church, 17000 Farmington Road, at Six Mile in Livonia. The Thursday group will meet 7:30 p.m. in Room A-15 on Dec. 13 and 27.

New Start for the widowed will meet 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 11, in the Calvin Room for the Christmas party.

• ADVENT SERVICE

Immanuel Lutheran Church, 27035 Ann Arbor Trail, Dearborn Heights, will offer a noon Advent service Wednesday, Dec. 5. Lunch will follow. The Rev. Elmer Beyer will deliver a brief seasonal message. Organist Selma Friedrich will present music and hymns.

• FELLOWSHIP LUNCH

A Christian fellowship luncheon

will take place 12:15 p.m. Friday, Dec. 7, at First United Methodist Church of Farmington, 33112 Grand River, two blocks east of Farmington Road. Price is \$4. Mary MacLeod will install officers, Christmas music will be performed by the Redford Union High School Choir directed by Kevin Cushman. Babysitting will be available on request. For information, call 474-5205.

• MARRIAGE PREPARATION

The Congregational Care Ministry of Ward Presbyterian Church is sponsoring a series of six seminars for engaged couples, those who are considering marriage, and those recently married. The sessions will be 7:30 p.m. Couples must attend sessions together. Advance registration is required. There is a testing fee of \$20 to cover computer processing. For information, call 422-1826. The church is at 17000 Farmington Road, at Six Mile, Livonia.

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*SCOTT STRAPLESS POLES..... \$21.00

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PACKAGE SET

SALE PRICE \$154

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*K-2 MICKEY JUNIOR 80-150..... \$125.00

*MARKER M-6 BINDINGS..... \$75.00

*SCOTT STRAPLESS POLES..... \$21.00

TOTAL \$221.00

PACKAGE SET

SALE PRICE \$159

*OLIN MK-2 110-180..... \$150.00

*TYROLIA 500/520 BINDINGS..... \$80.00

*SCOTT STRAPLESS POLES..... \$21.00

TOTAL \$251.00

PACKAGE SET

SALE PRICE \$164

*OLIN MKR-2 110-180..... \$150.00

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PACKAGE SET

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Health care professionals face caregiver burnout

Q. My wife is a social worker at a local hospital. In addition, she is helping to care for her aging parents living in their own home. I'm concerned about her own physical and emotional health, but she maintains she is fine. Maybe she will listen to advice from you.

A. Having almost the identical experiences I can relate to how you and your wife feel. I have found that most health care professionals are not only practicing in their field but also are responsible for the care of one or two frail parents, grandparents, a spouse, child or friend. Health care professionals have a tendency to feel that they can do it all and unfortunately other family members may assume that their professional relative can handle everything. This is not necessarily true and the stress of double duty caregiving, at the office and at home, can cause serious health and emotional problems. Caregiver burnout is often the result.

Therapist Leonard Felder, co-author of a new book, "When a Loved One Is Ill: How to Take Better Care

of Your Loved One, Your Family, and Yourself," suggests that the sooner you recognize the symptoms of caregiver burnout, the sooner you can alleviate it by practicing what you preach at your job and seeking assistance using your professional contacts. Respite care, support groups, meal services, homemaker service and support groups are available.

Dr. Felder offers these specific clues that should warn you if you are getting close to burnout: Do you tell other people you are fine if it's not true, are you not getting treatment for any type of your physical discomfort or feelings of exhaustion or depression, are you losing interest in friends, hobbies or outside activities you have always enjoyed, do you feel impatient and short-tempered with people you see daily, do you take your family member's condition personally, do you get angry at family or friends who tell you to show down or that you deserve a break?

The warning signs of a stress over-load not only apply to health care professionals but to all caregivers. It is very important to re-



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member that no one can be expected to or expect themselves to do it all. There are services that can help and responsibility can and should be delegated to the agencies and organizations offering help and to other family members. You cannot take care of other people's needs without considering your own.

Q. My 79 year old father lives in his own apartment. He takes several drugs and I am concerned that he may not be taking his medications correctly. Do you have any suggestions I might pass along to him concerning drug usage?

A. The National Institute on Drug Abuse, a division of the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare, has published a list of Do's and

Don'ts, concerning the taking of drugs, that is useful for everyone. The Do's are: tell your doctors about all the medicines you are taking and about any allergies or sensitivity you may have to any drug, be certain you understand all instructions before starting to use a drug including when to take it, with what, how long to continue and what to do if problems occur, make certain you take your medicines when you are supposed to, call your physician if you notice any new symptoms or side effects, keep drugs in airtight containers and store them properly, and keep a record of all drugs and vaccines you are sensitive or allergic to. The don'ts are: take more, or less, than the prescribed amount of any drug, stop taking a drug without checking

with your doctor even if you feel better, take drugs prescribed for someone else or give yours to someone else, transfer a drug from its original bottle to another or keep old or expired medicines in your medicine cabinet.

Drugs can provide great benefits but with these benefits also come serious risks. Drugs are powerful substances and if they're not used carefully, the consequences can be serious. Because elderly people generally take more medicines than anyone else, they naturally run a higher risk of having problems with drugs. Many of these risks can be prevented if medications are used correctly.

Q. Last year, the Alzheimer's Association had a great fund-raising that included sampling of all kinds of chocolate. Are they planning on repeating it again this year?

A. The 5th Annual Chocolate Jubilee, presented by the Alzheimer's Association of Metropolitan Detroit, will be held this year on Dec. 2 at the Somerset Inn, Troy. This

year's event is called Chocolate and Diamonds. In addition to the chocolate displays and samples, by the area's finest chocolatiers, many local jewelers, who belong to the Diamond Information Center will be displaying \$4,000,000 of their beautiful and exciting new diamond creations.

A \$100 per person Patron Brunch will be held at noon prior to the Chocolate and Diamonds event. Patrons will get a preview of the displays prior to the actual opening of the fund-raiser. The doors will be open to the general public 2-4 p.m. Tickets are \$25 per person. All proceeds go to the Alzheimer's Association.

For tickets or additional information call the Alzheimer's Association, 557-8277, Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Renee Mahler is a gerontologist and the director of Communications and Admissions at a Rochester Hills nursing facility. Send your questions to her at Observer & Eccentric, 805 East Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009.

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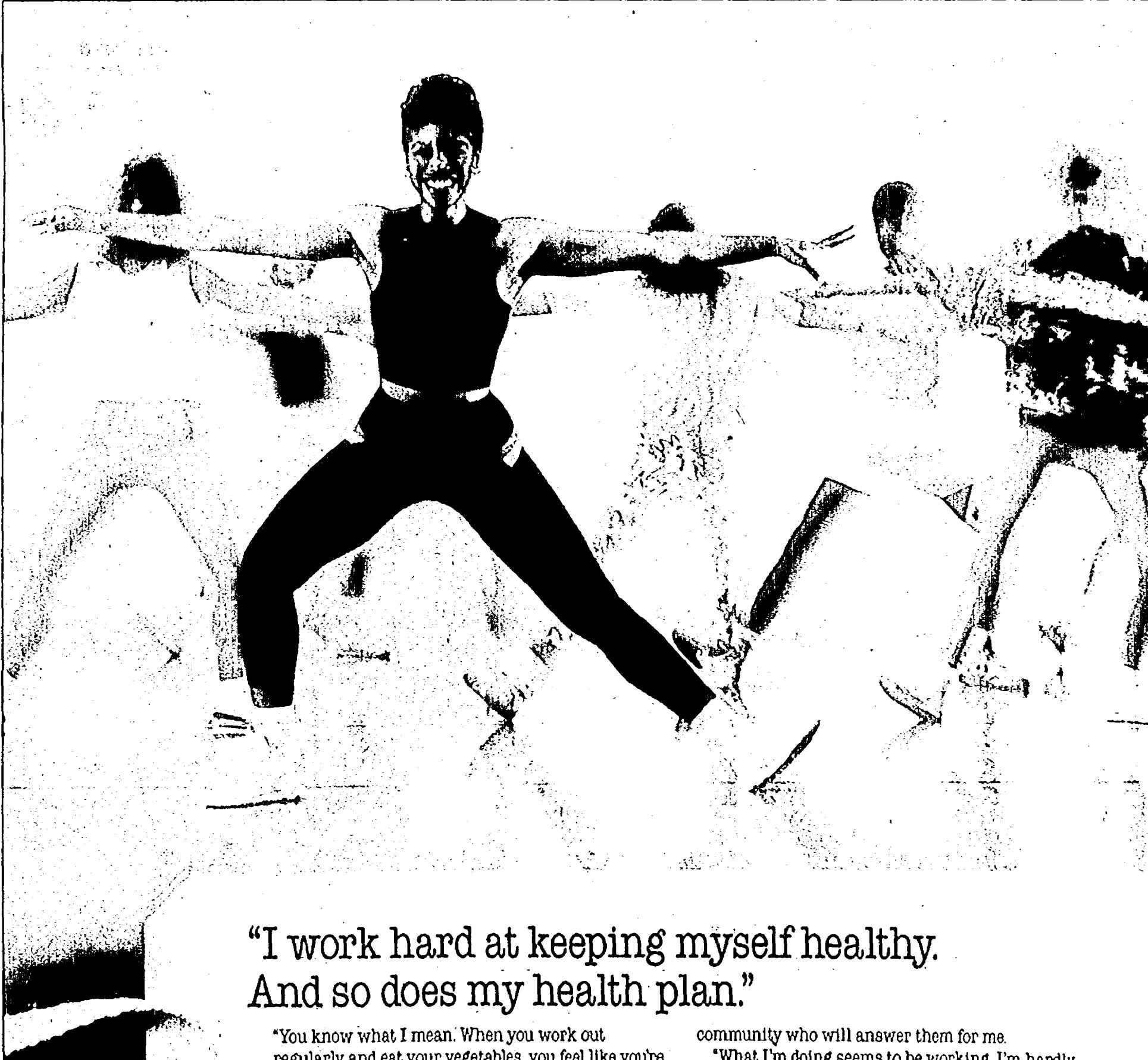
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Sarah Schmid of Troop 1157 (from left), Jennifer Schmid of Troop 1126 and Rebecca Pawlik of Troop 1368 show off the calendar and gourmet fruits and nuts Girls Scouts belonging to the Michigan Metro Girl Scout Council will be selling beginning tomorrow.

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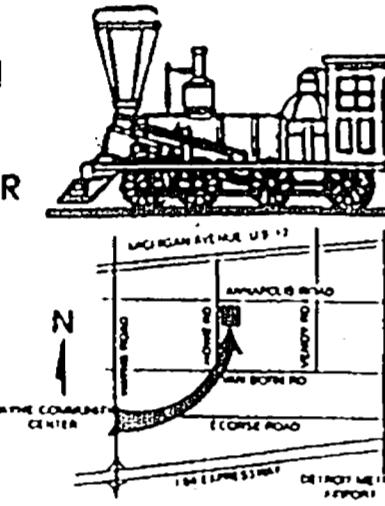
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The calendars come in two sizes — wall and pocket — and sell for \$2 each. The fruit and nuts come in four varieties — Tropical Treat Mix (an assortment of tropical fruits) for \$5 each, butter toffee peanuts for \$5 each, fancy mixed nuts (a mixture of gourmet nuts — no peanuts) for \$8 each and giant roasted cashews at \$7 per package.

Scouts will be manning a booth 1-5 p.m. Friday, Nov. 30, at Manufacturer's Bank, 28049 Joy Road, Westland, and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 1, at Stan's Market locations on Ann Arbor Road and at Five Mile and Farmington, Livonia.

Scouts also will be selling the calendars and foodstuff 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 1-2 and 8-9, and Saturday, Dec. 15, and 3-9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 7, at Farmer Jack, Five Mile and Newburgh Road, Livonia.

In the council's Neighborhood Service Unit 78, Brownie Troop 265 will be selling calendar and nuts between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 1, at Your Better Market, 26058 W. Six Mile, Redford. Fellow Brownie Troop 880 will man a booth there 5-9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 30, and move to the Farmer Jack at Five Mile Road and Middlebelt, 5-9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 8.

Brownie Troop 886 will be at Kroger's, Five Mile Road and Merriam, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 8, while Troop 1734 will be at Danny's, 25905 Five Mile Road, Redford, 1-5 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9.

Brownie Troop 1133 will be at Kroger's, 25850 Grand River, Redford, 1-5 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9. Proceeds from the sale will support Girl Scout troops, camp maintenance and training for more than 8,000 adult scout volunteers.

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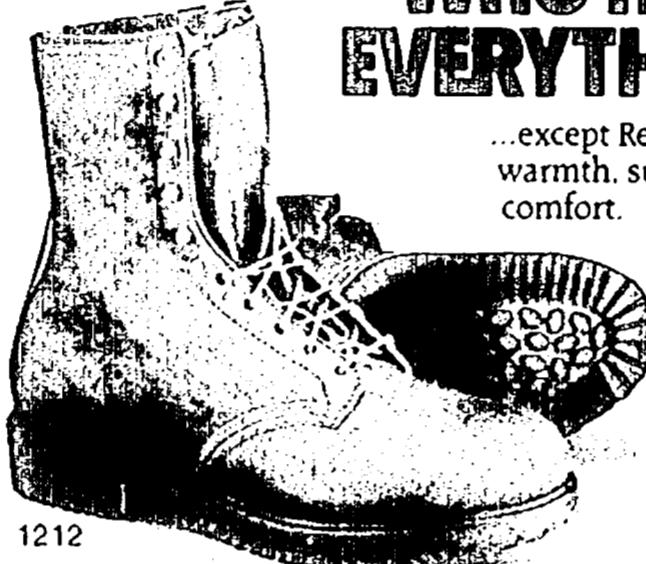
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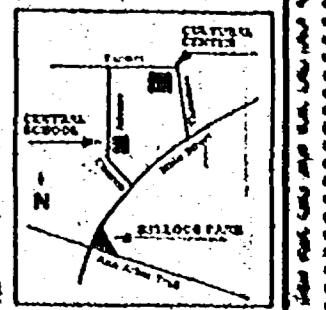
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Junior Troop 624 will have a booth at Danny's Market, Eight Mile and Beech Daly, 5-9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 30, and at Farmer Jack, Eight Mile and Grand River, 1-9 p.m. Saturday Dec. 1.

Junior Troop 1730 will be at Standard Federal Savings Bank, Grand River and Beech Daly, 4-8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 30, while Junior Troop 1127 will be at Farmer Jack, Eight Mile and Grand River, 1-5 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 8.

Brownie Troop 886 will be at Kroger's, Five Mile Road and Merriam, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 8, while Troop 1734 will be at Danny's, 25905 Five Mile Road, Redford, 1-5 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9.

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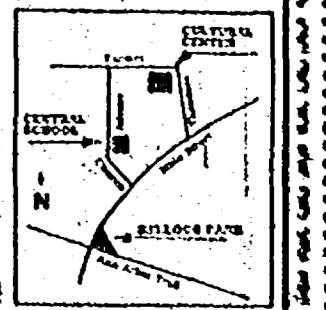
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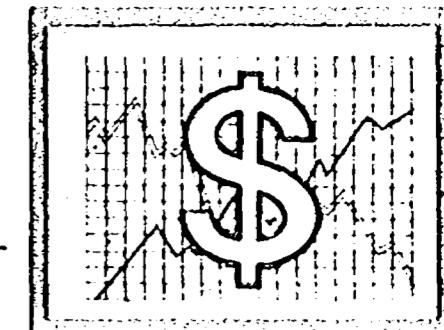
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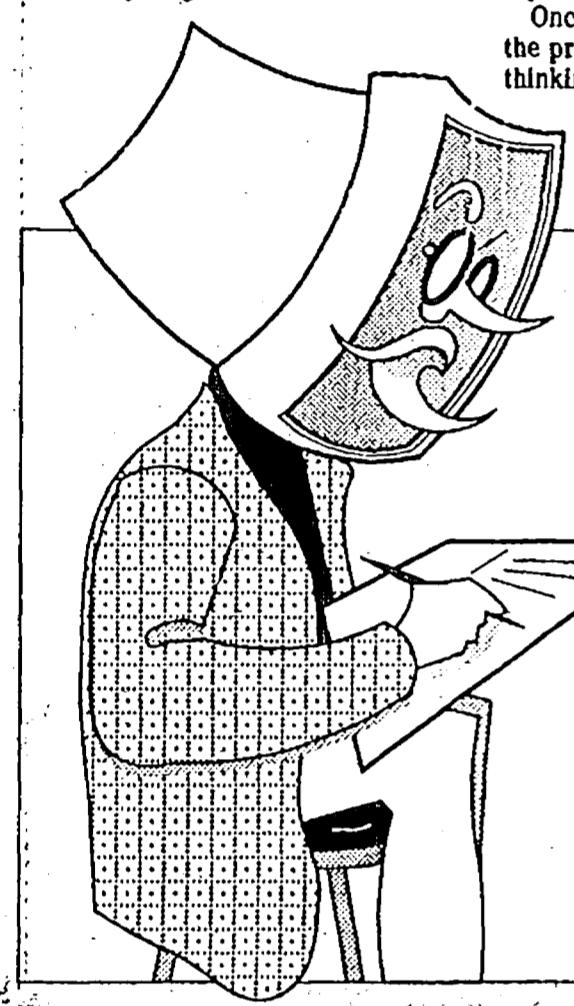
Computers analyze management problems

By Gerald Frewley
staff writer

Information changes behavior. That is the guiding premise on which a new computer diagnostic tool — developed by Plymouth Township-based Human Synergistics — is based.

Available in January, the computer program is designed to help managers overcome the stumbling blocks that act as impediments to productivity.

"Every organization in this country is trying to change, and they're starting to recognize they're getting in their own way," said J. Clayton Lafferty, chief executive officer of Human Synergistics.



"How we manage is the single biggest block to productivity," he said. Most managers think external forces — the economy, market demand, competition — prevent greater success.

"(But) most of the problems people have is the nature of the stuff in their heads," Lafferty said. The most important skill a manager or person can have is his or her behavior, and behaviors flow from thinking patterns.

People may not even be aware they have a problem, Lafferty said. What is needed is a way to identify poor thinking patterns.

That is what the Management Growth Report, based on the Life Styles Inventory (LSI) Stylus does.

Once an individual is conscious of the problem, he can change the poor thinking behind the problem, Human

Synergistics president Bill Neale said. For example, power-seeking may be a problem for a manager.

A case study of a manager with power-seeking problems showed an extremely high grievance rate among subordinates. "The company invested \$15,000 trying to get his grievance rate down," Neale said.

SEMINARS, CHARM schools, discussions — nothing worked, Neale said. The number of grievances continued to climb and employees were demanding the manager be terminated.

"What we found was that he (the manager) had an unhealthy notion of power," Neale said. Rather than viewing power as something that is delegated, he viewed power as something to hold over people.

When the problem was explained, the manager was able to correct it himself, Neale said.

The problem was that everyone

was trying to reduce the number of grievances, but no one was getting at the root of the problem — why there were so many grievances."

For example, an individual conscious of his or her own avoidance behavior can then focus on exactly when he or she is avoiding things (in stressful situations, all the time), where (at work, at home, during meetings), and what is being avoided (people, situations).

Before an individual can improve his thinking and behavior, he has to accept the premise that people can change, Lafferty said. "That is the biggest myth — that people can't change."

THE MANAGEMENT Growth Report (MGR) might then suggest steps to get beyond the avoidance problem, including setting goals, trying different things, or accomplishing small tasks as a precursor to more significant steps.

By forcing changes, even in small steps, people can modify their behavior, but not if they don't know behavior needs modifying, Lafferty said.

The MGR measures personal beliefs, values, behavior, assumptions and consequences concerning ourselves. All that is required, he said, is that a person take about a half hour to honestly answer about 250 questions. The computer program then prints out a 50-page manual on the test taker, which gives a person insight into himself, Lafferty said.

"It's literally a custom book about the person," he said.

Lafferty said Human Synergistics encourages followups after six months to gauge changes in behavior and to reinforce the results of the first test. It is also a good idea, he said, to ask four or five people who you know well to fill out a form with you in mind.

If they really know you, he said, the report generated by them should be similar to the one you filled out.

Lafferty also said retaking the management growth report is beneficial because sometimes people will fall back into old habits — reinforcement ensures that this will not happen, he said.

MOST PEOPLE will be interested

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— J. Clayton Lafferty
Human Synergistics

in taking the life styles inventory and reading the management growth report because it is about themselves, Lafferty said. And if they were honest taking the inventory, they will generally accept the results.

But some will deny the report is accurate and resist the results, he said. There's very little a report can do to change this, Lafferty said, but in the report's favor is the fact that the person took the report willingly and will hopefully accept it with an open mind.

Because the report is confidential and no one but the test taker sees it, Lafferty added, people may be more willing to take a close look at it and themselves.

Earlier computer diagnostic tools on the market — at best — identify only four basic management styles, Lafferty said. "That's absurd."

The MGR incorporates more than 20 years of research, Lafferty said, and while the number of different reports is finite, there are potentially thousands of possibilities.

Each response to a question — and combinations of questions — in the Life Styles Inventory triggers a different aspect in the report.

There are 12 basic life styles, only four of which — affiliative, achievement, humanistic/encouraging, self-actualizing — are psychologically healthy. The others — approval seeking, conventional, dependent, avoidance, oppositional, power seeking, competitive and perfectionistic — are unhealthy.

EACH PERSON'S thinking and behavior are made up of several of these styles to varying degrees, Lafferty said, but one or two are predominant.

The problem, he said, is when destructive thinking and behavior outweigh a person's positive aspects.

Human Synergistics began testing

the computer program on air traffic controllers, bank managers and school officials throughout the country in March.

Deborah Mondro, director, sales and marketing for Human Synergistics, said employers frequently send employees to seminars to learn how to be better managers, but many of these seminars are too broad and don't address the specific needs of the individual.

The management growth report generated by the Life Styles program is written about the individual, she said, and will be more helpful.

Seminars are also far more expensive than the computer program, which will sell for roughly \$125, she said. Discounts will be available for bulk purchases.

"Companies don't have the money or the time (for seminars) today," Mondro said. When companies send employees to seminars, costs — including travel, boarding and seminar costs — can run into the thousands of dollars.

MONDRO ALSO said that while companies spend a substantial amount in training dollars, those training dollars are the first to fall in budget cuts. An easy-to-use, relatively inexpensive computer program could cut training costs by two-thirds and offer the same and probably more benefit, she said.

Mondro said Human Synergistics is launching its program at the Best Of American Training Conference in New York in January.

Fifty percent of the problem is identifying the problem. "Sometimes it's that simple."

Human Synergistics has developed the famous desert survival situation exercises, which teach group problem solving; the life styles inventory, a diagnostics tool used to assess an individual's thinking and behavioral styles; an organizational culture inventory, which does the same for an corporation; stress management diagnostics and programs; and safety and substance abuse programs — all of which are designed to strengthen organizations through individual effectiveness.

"A significant change in a key individual can make an incredible difference in the organization," he said.

Some workers question commitments to quality

By David F. Stein
special writer

Wounded American industry, anxious to win back customers and confront competitors globally, has aimed at the elusive target called quality and claimed some successes in recent years. But many workers feel left out of the quest.

A credibility gap exists between company talk and company action, according to a Gallup survey this year of more than 1,000 American employees, that was funded by the American Society for Quality Control (ASQC).

While half of the workers surveyed said that their company proclaims quality as extremely important, only slightly more than a third believed their company followed through well. Almost as many workers are dissatisfied (25 percent) with quality improvement efforts at their companies as are satisfied (29 percent).

Perhaps most telling, two out of three employees said they have been asked to be involved in decisions, but only 14 percent believe they are completely empowered to make those decisions.

And ASQC president, John J. Knappenberger, with more than 20 years in the quality field, doesn't dispute the findings.

"I'm not surprised the quality message hasn't reached everyone," said Knappenberger, also vice president for quality for the automotive division of TRW, Southfield.

The overall survey results, Knappenberger said, reveal two key problems: the need by both manufacturing and service industries to embrace a new definition of quality and adopt management styles that don't waste human resources.

"Traditionally, quality has been defined by specifications and by the manufacturer. Actually, the manufacturer doesn't define quality; the customer does," Knappenberger said. He added that "quality was traditionally seen as a product, but quality is everything we do."

NOT ONLY DOES the customer define quality in today's world, but its definition keeps evolving: Companies must anticipate and keep ahead of customer expectations to succeed.

"This concept of quality extends beyond manufacturing and has been transformed into all areas of business," Knappenberger said. "We all believe that we deal with customers well, but how many employees have actual contact with people? In manufacturing, it's a very small number. Even in service industries, it's still a small percentage of the whole."

Knappenberger gave the example of trying to check in at a hotel, only to find that the computer is down. We vent our frustrations at the hotel clerk, Knappenberger said, but "the actual decision to shut down the computer was made by an employee elsewhere, distant from actual customer contact."

Such employees as the computer controller must have an understanding of real customer needs, Knappenberger said. "Too many people inside organizations

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John J. Knappenberger
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Workers question focus on quality

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We can no longer mandate people to improve quality; we have to excite them. Those in leadership roles have to be willing to give up some control and have faith in the results."

While Knappenberger said that this should lead to better quality and more fulfilled employees, he conceded that "this is a whole different flavor for management than in the past. It is like the first lieutenant asking, 'How can I take that hill?'

Such an approach, Knappenberger said should enhance a new perception of quality as "things gone right," rather than just what meets expectations or specifications.

"We all want something more. We can all get more together if we all work together, going for win-win situations rather than win-lose situations. The win-win mentality adds value to employees' companies and society," Knappenberger said.

SOMETHING ELSE that employees want more of is job skills training, mentioned by 21 percent of surveyed employees as the most important way companies can make it easier for them to do high quality work.

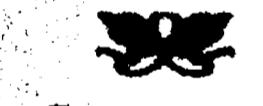
Knappenberger agrees but again stresses the importance of mindset, adding that training is different from education. He said that while industry can train workers in specific job skills, they must have the educational skills to learn and think for themselves.

"In the past, we had a throwaway society. The work force is getting smaller and smaller at the same time as the jobs are getting more and more demanding. The year 2000 work force is in the field; the year 2010 work force is in school!"

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Tom Takeda was named senior vice president and general manager of the newly formed seals division and an officer in Freudenberg-NOK General Partnership of Plymouth. Takeda is an eight-year U.S. resident and most recently was vice president of Freudenberg-NOK's automotive seals division. He also was formerly president of the Singapore Oil Seal Co. Prior to that, he was a man-



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ager in the International division of NOK Corp.

Dale Hirschby was named senior vice president and general manager

of the new molded products division and re-elected an officer of Freudenberg-NOK of Plymouth. Formerly with International Packings Corp., a subsidiary of Freudenberg & Co.

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Richard L. Kelly of Livonia was admitted to the Energy Manager's Hall of Fame. Kelly has been the energy efficiency manager for General Motors since 1980. During his tenure, lasting from his retirement in 1988, GM's energy usage was reduced by 40 percent, resulting in an annual savings of \$1 billion.

James L. Rea of Dearborn joined the staff at McCabe Funeral Home Inc. as a licensed funeral director. He formerly held a similar position

at the R.G. & G.R. Harris Funeral Home in Livonia.

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Friday, Nov. 30 — Japanese-American business relations discussed by Kinoshita Toshiro at 3 p.m. in Southfield. Information: 591-5197. Sponsor: Madonna College humanistic division.

DESIGN FOR ASSEMBLY

Saturday, Dec. 1 — "Concurrent Engineering and Design for Assembly Workshop" 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Madonna College, 33600 Schoolcraft, Livonia. Fee: \$295. Information: 591-5188. Sponsor: Madonna College continuing education department.

HOW TO CREATE

Saturday, Dec. 1 — Free "Technologies for Creating" class 2-4 p.m. at the Professional Building, 32200 Schoolcraft, Livonia. Information: Nancy Ray, 429-3501. Sponsor: Creating Results Inc.

TRAVEL INDUSTRY

Saturday-Sunday, Dec. 1-2 — "Travel Industry Overview" for people interested in travel industry career. 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. in Detroit. Fee: \$395. Information: 689-8282 Ext. 260. Sponsor: Walsh College.

GRAND OPENING

Sunday, Dec. 2 — Grand opening of Kroger supermarket at 37550 W. 12 Mile at Halstead in Farmington Hills.

MARKET TIMING

Wednesday, Dec. 5 — Free investment and market timing seminar begins at 7 p.m. at the Novi Hilton. Information: 642-6741 or 927-6105. Sponsor: Flexible Plan Investments Ltd.

BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT

Thursday, Dec. 6 — Evening semi-

nar, "Writing a Business Plan" in Nov. Fee: \$50. Information: Lisa Pajot, 769-6200. Sponsor: Deloitte & Touche.

AUTO CONGRESS

Sunday-Wednesday, Jan. 13-16 — Automotive News world congress in Detroit. Information: 764-5592.

SMALL BUSINESS DIRECTORY

Copies of the free "Small Business Resource Directory" are available at all National Bank of Detroit offices. The booklet, produced by New Detroit and NBD, offers resource information for operators of small businesses.

Brewer Associates Advertising has moved to Livonia from Dearborn and changed its name to Brewer Associates Marketing Communications Inc. The company's address is 33131 Schoolcraft in the I-96 Officenter, at I-96 and Farmington Road. The telephone number is 458-7180. The company was formed in 1989.

Rein Nomm & Associates Inc., a public relations and business communications company headquartered in Plymouth, will handle marketing and public relations for Sieger Enterprises Inc., a Plymouth-based sales agency representing manufacturers supplying the auto-

motive industry.

Freudenberg-NOK of Plymouth split its former seals and molded products group into two divisions, one for seals and the other for molded products. Freudenberg-NOK is a North American company resulting from a partnership formed in July 1989 between German-based Freudenberg & Co. and Japan-based NOK Corp.

Dearborn Moving & Storage Inc. of Livonia received a sales award from Atlas Van Lines. The award goes to agents with more than \$1 million in sales during the last 12 months.

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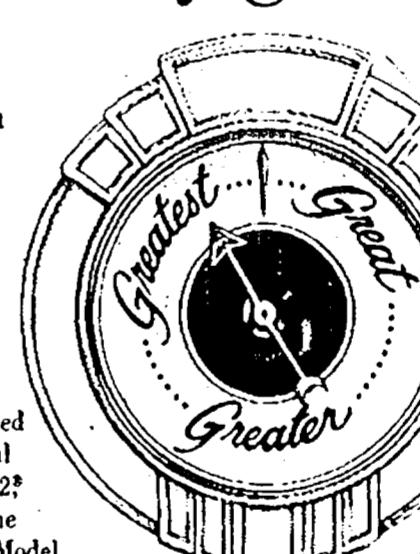
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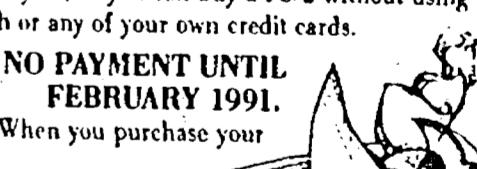


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'Lifestyles of the Rich and Famous' will be a lemon

One of Detroit's claims to fame is that pretty much nobody is famous. Rich, yeah. But not famous, a fact that sinks in when you realize that some of the best-known personalities in town are late-night TV weather announcers.

Even worse is the auto industry, which has produced a meager handful of household words, mainly Chairman Lee and the guy who fired him.

Even in his heyday, Roger Smith could ride three floors on an escalator with nary a turned head, and if you tried dropping his name, the usual response was something like "Smith? Which Smith? The Smith at General Motors?"

"LIKE I SAID. Which Smith?" All of this somehow figures in an industry that asks its top executives out to a fancy affair about twice a year, and half of them end up asking their wives which pocket of the tux you're supposed to put the plastic penholder in.

This is about to change, however.

This year's auto show is going to be the subject of a special "Lifestyles of the Rich and Famous," the TV show narrated by old Robin what's-his-name, who normally does the Cannes Film Festival, or maybe a Jamaican beach or two, where when people say things like "Mick is going to marry Jerry" you don't have to explain it isn't Gerald Greenwald.



auto talk
Dan McCosh

ROBIN LEACH is planning to co-host the special, along with J.P. McCarthy and Anita Baker, along with a host of local celebrities.

These include the comedian Sinbad, supermodel Bobbie Brown, and the musical Group En Vogue. (OK, so I ended up having to ask who the heck is Sinbad, Bobbie Brown and En

Vogue — a question that got blank looks from everybody at my table. Maybe these guys are big, but they aren't weather persons).

FILLING UP four days or so of television with the rich and famous of Detroit's auto business is shaping up to be the ultimate test of Mr. Leach's seemingly inexhaustible enthusiasm for high living. He seemed in good spirits at a recent lunch where the upcoming special was announced, which I assume means he hasn't taken a hard look at the typical auto executive's lifestyle.

For one thing, even Chairman Lee has a tendency to put in 10-hour days, then go home and eat TV dinners, with a hand of poker now and then to spice things up. And that's one of the real swingers.

FORMER FORD Chairman Philip Caldwell collects antiques, which, dull as it seems, beats out former Ford Chairman Donald Petersen, who collects rocks.

Chrysler's Bob Lutz probably has the most active lifestyle, having re-

cently acquired a license to fly helicopters. But even Lutz once confessed he likes cars better than sex, which isn't the kind of thing that goes over at Canes.

I seem to remember a time when auto entrepreneurs were a bit more flamboyant, and it was almost mandatory to sponsor a race car team, or an unlimited race boat as an excuse to throw big parties. But times have changed.

THE FACT is that making useful things for a living just doesn't seem to have the panache of most of Mr. Leach's subjects, which mainly are Hollywood types, or they're out East going bankrupt in 10 figures.

Maybe we ought to bring back DeLorean, just for a night.

Owners of small businesses need not give away freebies

If there's a business owner on this planet who hasn't been asked to do something for nothing by a friend or family member, I'd sure like to meet that person.

Realistically, anyone who owns a business and does a half-way decent job of it must eventually face up to the fact that business-related "freebies" will be expected from him sooner or later.

The only problem is that time is money for any business owner and, far too often, friends and relatives are the first to forget that. The good news is that anyone in business for himself can avoid unfriendly feuds by developing tactful strategies to "fend off the free-loaders."

JUST THE other night I was visiting the home of a friend whose mother recently passed away. When my friend's uncle and I were introduced, he immediately began asking me a series of questions about starting his own business.

After several minutes, I realized that our brief encounter could easily turn into a two-hour consultation if I let it.

Instead of worrying about how to extricate myself gracefully from the situation, I responded in a way I knew would leave no harsh feelings. As the following strategies have "worked" for me over the



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years, so they can work for you, too.

BECAUSE THE line between professional and personal service isn't always clear at times, it remains the responsibility of the business owner to define it. And yes, even though it's difficult in certain situations both parties will be better off in the long run.

One strategy you can use to maintain that line includes asking the person involved if he is seeking your service(s) as a friend or as a professional. By doing so, you help set the proper tone for what is being requested.

As an example, a caterer who is asked "as a friend" to bring an entree to an upcoming social function will know immediately what he is in a position to offer — without blowing his personal budget (and relationship) in the process.

NEXT, WHEN giving advice, make clear your position when a

few simple questions begin to lead to several complicated ones. Here, you can say something like "Since we haven't been working together and I don't have all the facts about your situation, I can only offer you a few hypothetical answers."

Last, if the person doing the asking appears to be a good prospective customer or client, offer a business card and have him call for an appointment. This way, any questions you answer from that point on may be more appropriately focused on the specific services you provide, your fees and level of expertise in his area of interest.

In two weeks, we will conclude this series on avoiding feuds with friends and relatives.

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

use. You may wish to have it filled out by the professional you wish to engage as your financial planner.

Good luck with your search for a financial planner.

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

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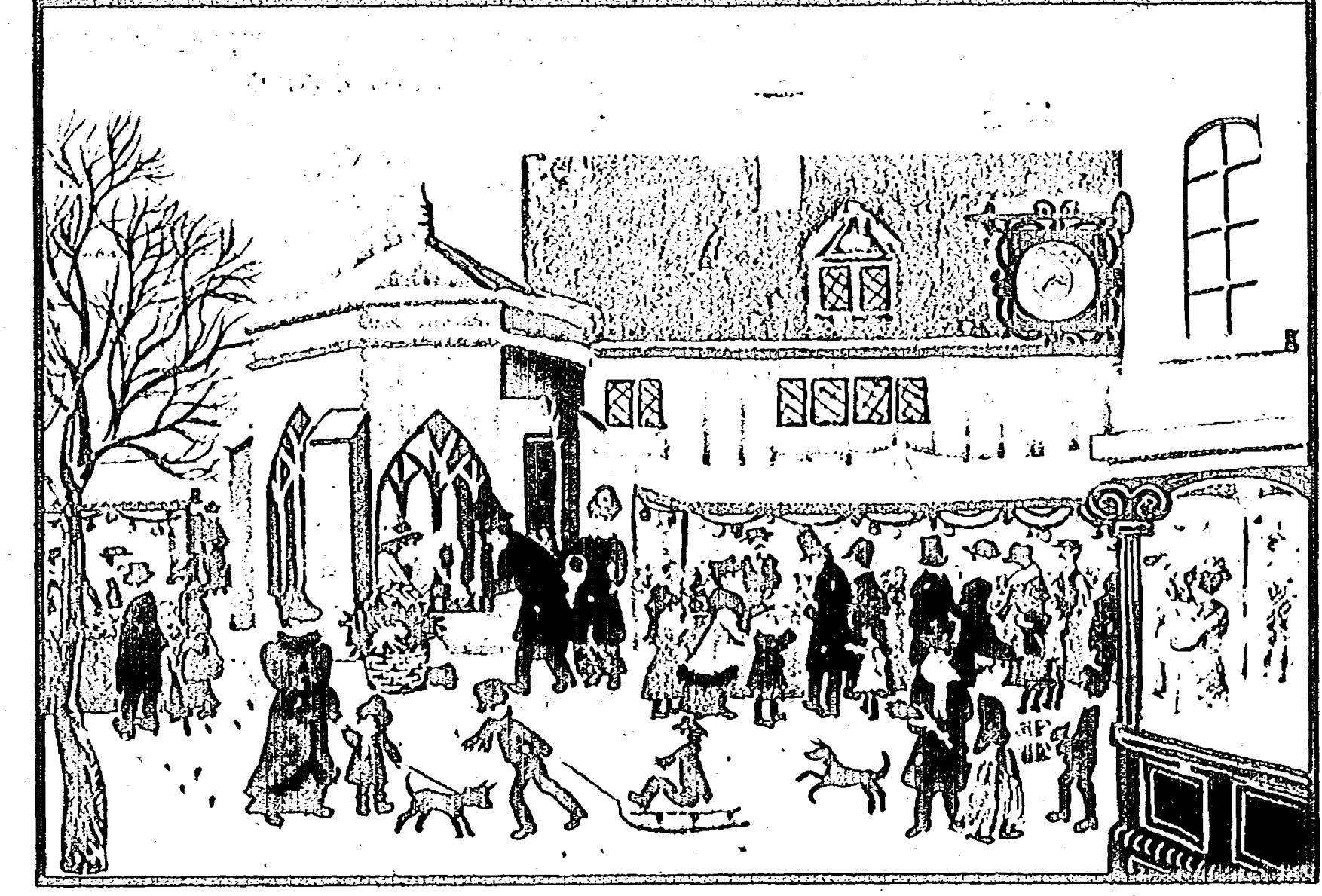
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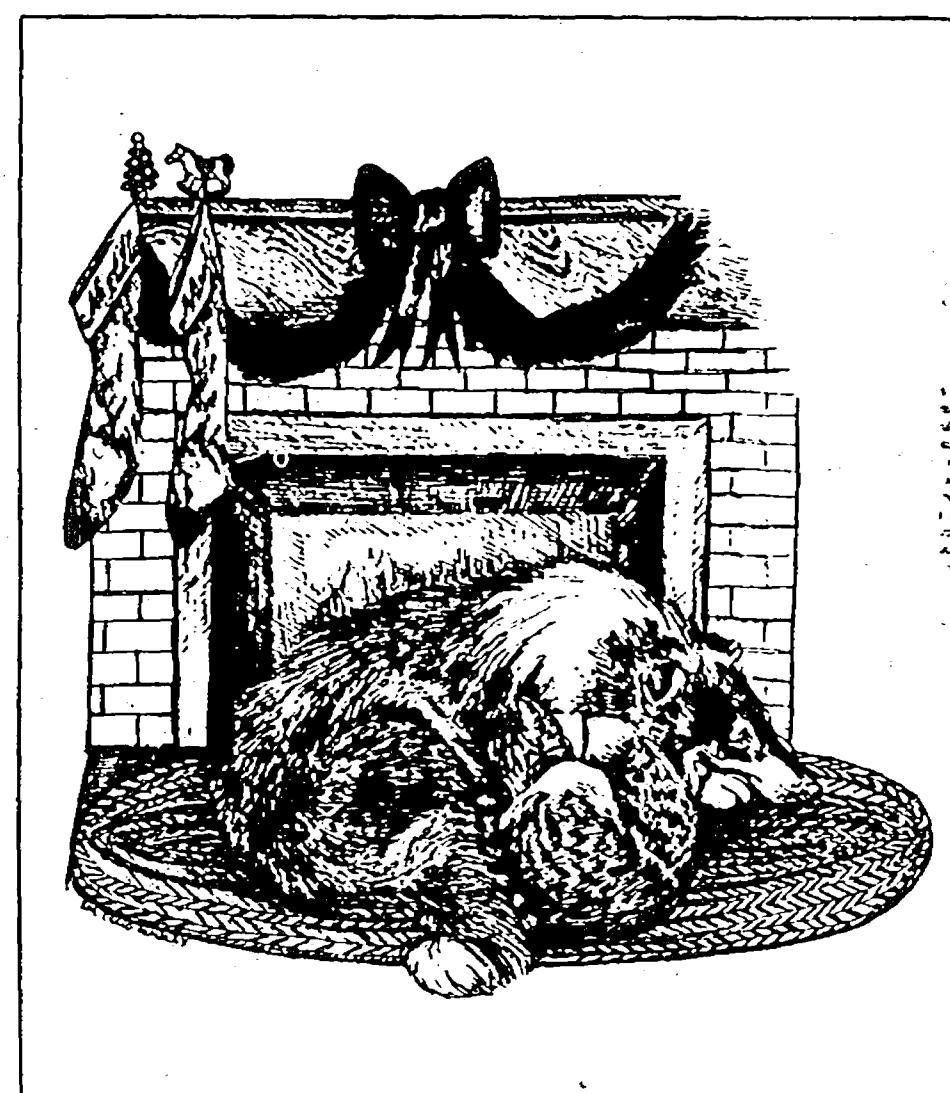
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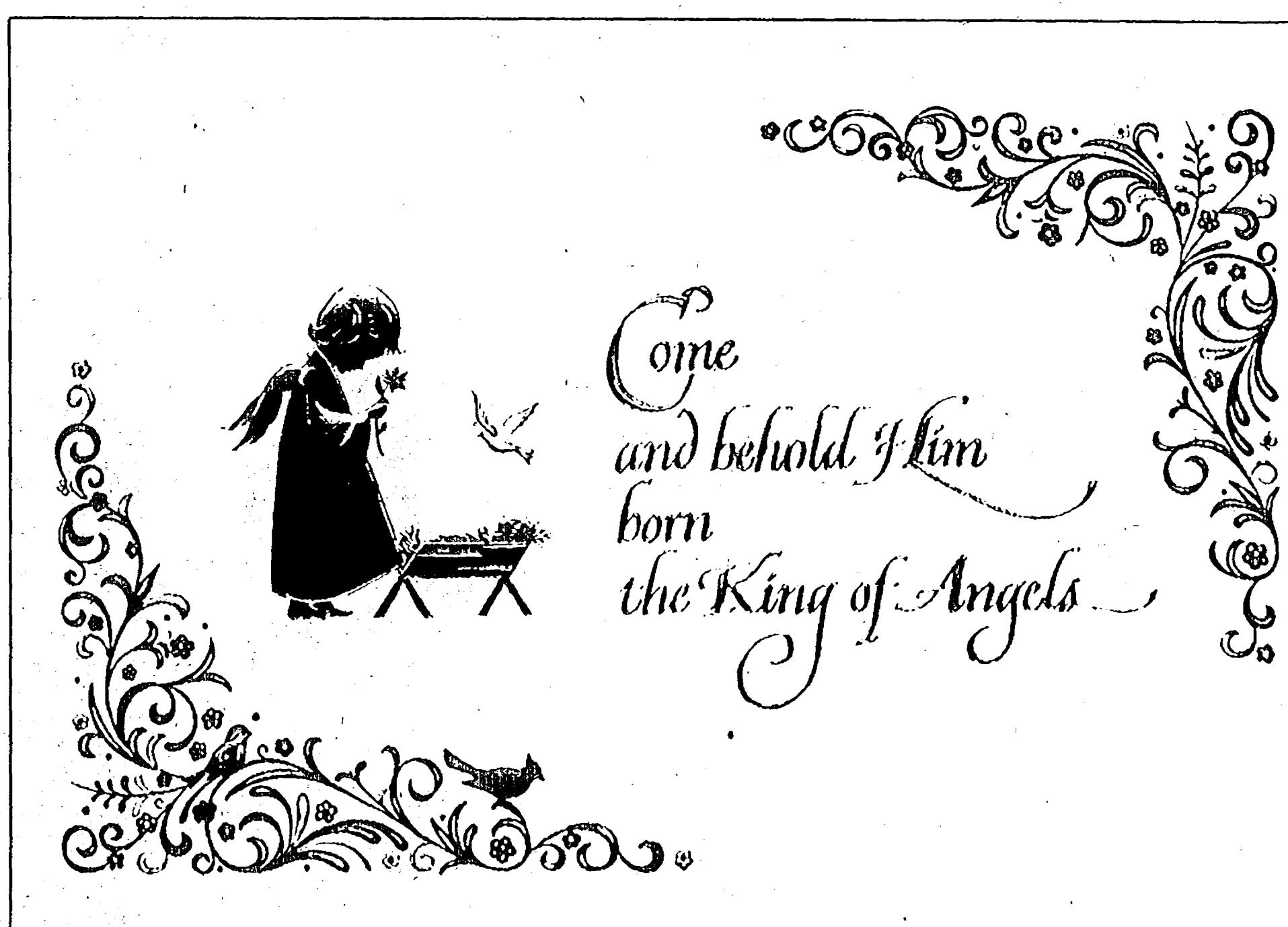


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For more information, contact Naida A. Ayadi, director, MPW High School Journalism contest, 1105 Eastfield, Lansing, MI 48917. Phone: 517/323-3111.

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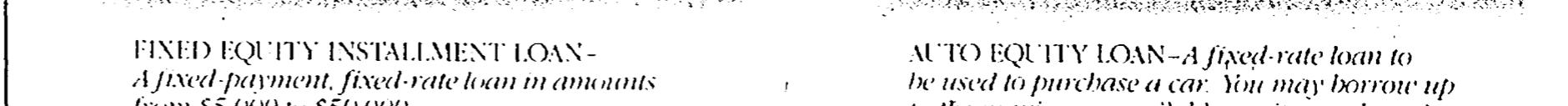
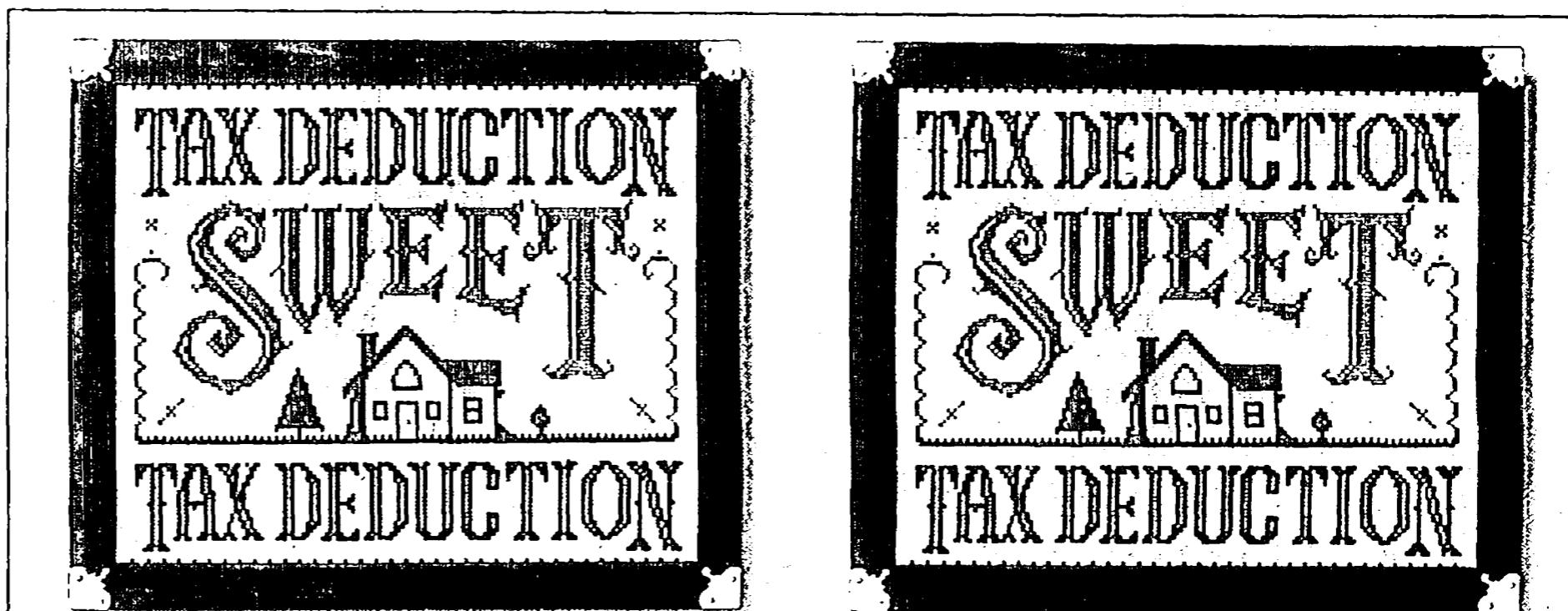
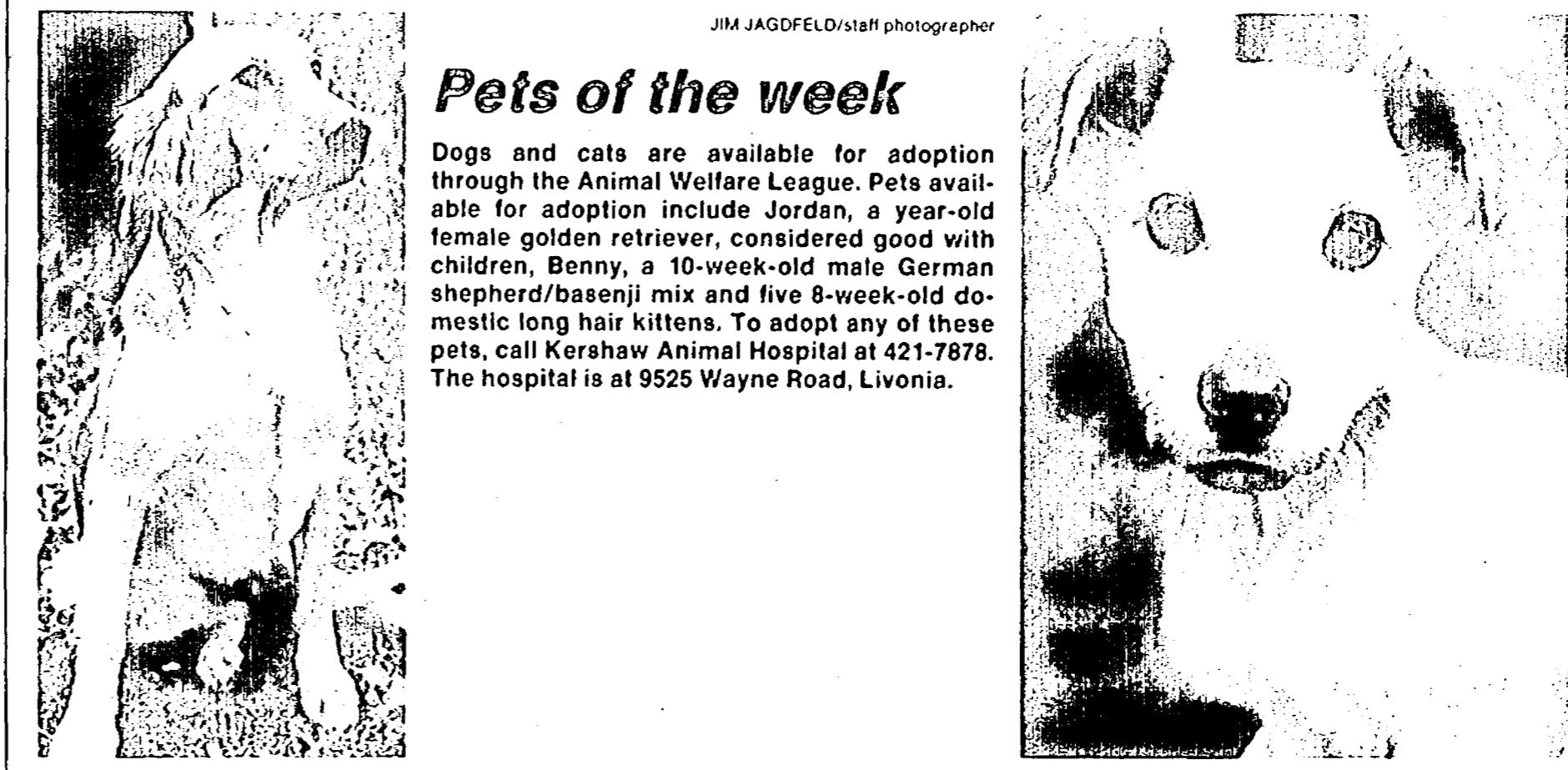
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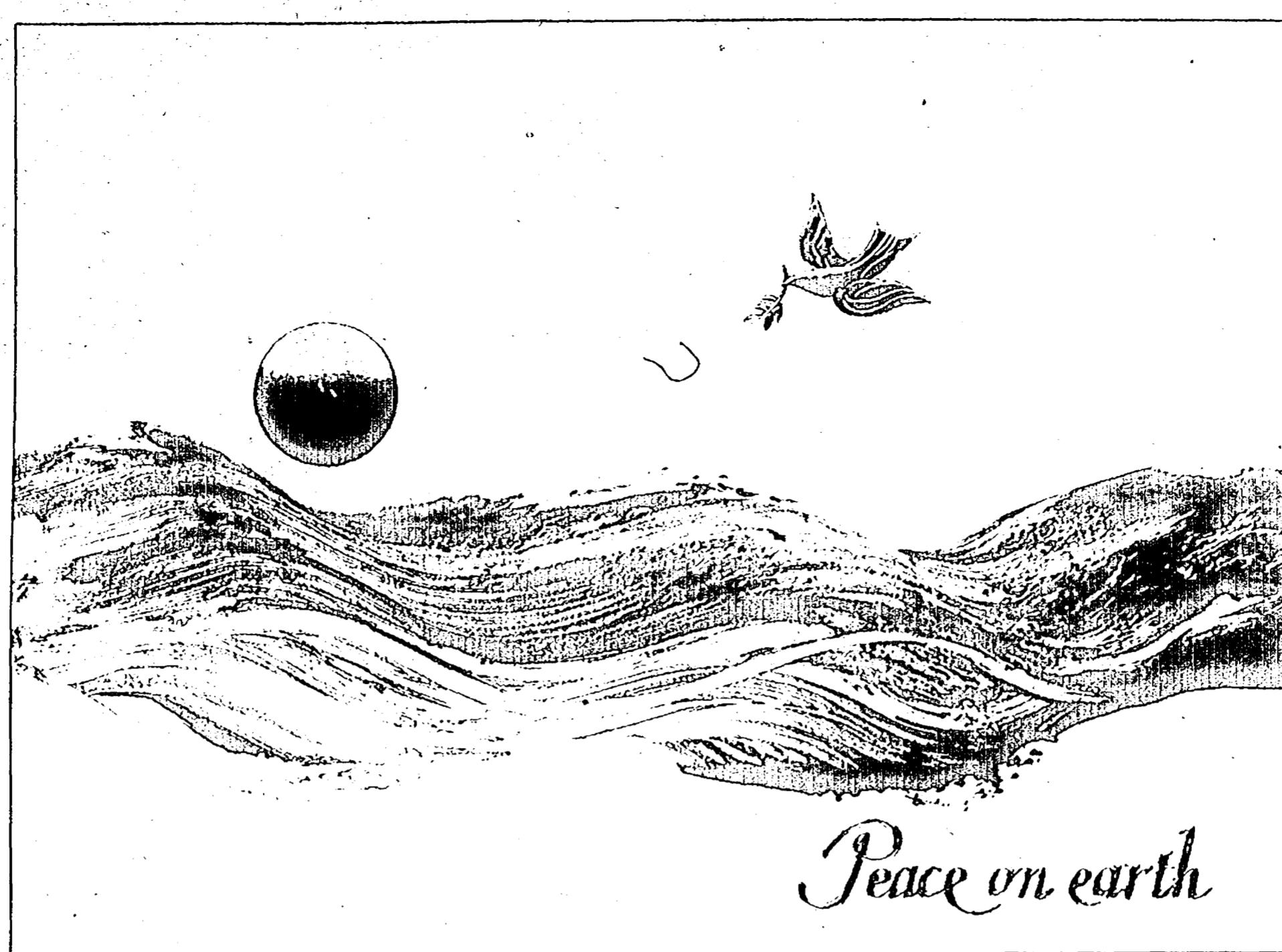
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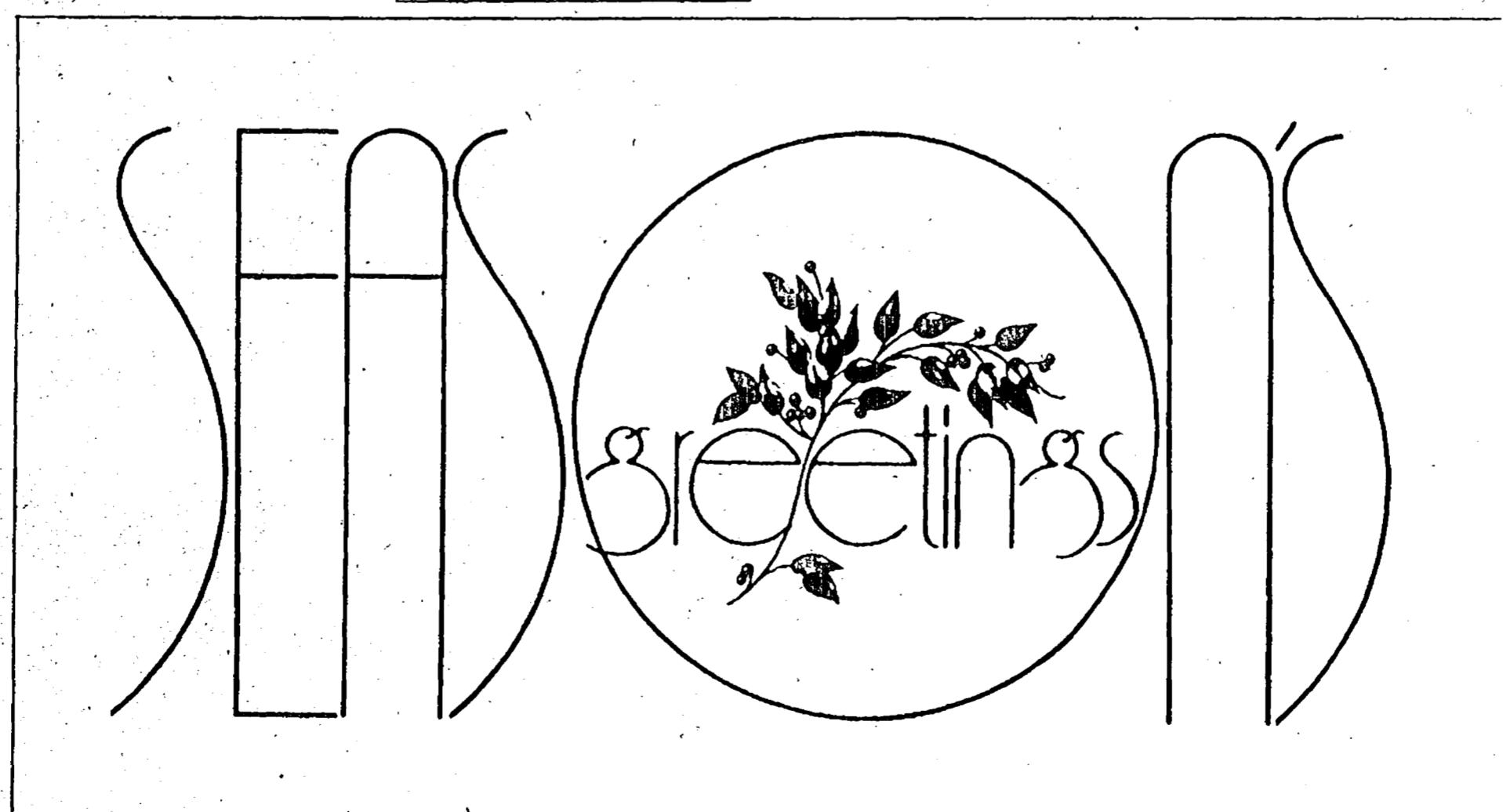
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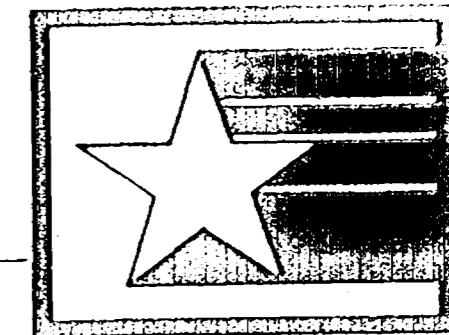
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Different dialects Actress does a variety of them

By Ethel Simmons
staff writer

IN "A SHAYNA MAIDEL" for the Olney Theatre, Kathy Danzer played Luisa, who spoke "three different ways — heavily accented Yiddish-Polish, then Yiddish and straight English.

"It was about European and family survivors," said Danzer.

In "Beau Jest," the refreshing comedy at the Birmingham Theatre, she plays a Jewish girl living in Chicago, and in one scene, at a Seder dinner in her apartment, "I speak Hebrew, for the blessings."

"I've learned dialects before," she said, "Mississippi dialects for 'Crimes of the Heart' and 'Biloxi Blues.' For this one ('Beau Jest'), we decided to go with a Chicago sound, which is 'flat' — and that's not a judgment."

The slim, attractive, dark-haired actress spoke enthusiastically about her role in the current production, which runs through Sunday, Dec. 16, at the Birmingham Theatre. The comedy by James Sherman has been optioned for another production, a New York one, early next year.

"WE'VE HAD SO much fun working on this play," Danzer said. Giving some background on the show, she mentioned, "The first production had a long run at the Victory Gardens Theatre in Chicago. I believe

this is the second production." Sherman, who wrote "Beau Jest," is playwright-in-residence at the Victory Gardens and is on the faculty of the Second City Training Center, where he worked as a writer and performer for three years.

In "Beau Jest," the character Sarah, played by Danzer, "wants to have a boyfriend her family will approve of," she said. "She makes up a guy — David Steinberg, a doctor — and hires someone to pretend to be him. She requests someone Jewish."

As it turns out, the escort service sends Bob, who isn't Jewish but he is an actor who has appeared in "Fiddler on the Roof," which comes in handy when he participates in the Seder dinner.

Allen Fitzpatrick, who starred in New York's revival of "The Rothschilds," is Bob. The hilarious and expert cast also includes Michael Cooke as Chris, her real boyfriend; Judith Granit as Miriam, her mother; David S. Howard as Abe, her father, and Bruce Katzman as Joe, her brother.

MOST OF THE roles Danzer has performed have been contemporary ones. "People don't know if I can do the classics," she said, in her Birmingham Theatre dressing room. "I'm afraid it's too late to play Juliet, but I would like to play that lady in the play whose name I can't men-

'For this one ("Beau Jest"), we decided to go with a Chicago sound, which is "flat" — and that's not a judgment.'

— Kathy Danzer

tion (Lady Macbeth in "Macbeth" — a superstition not to mention in the theater).

Danzer has had quite a thing going with the comedy-drama "Crimes of the Heart." She took over the role of Meg in the Broadway production. The part originally was played by Mary Beth Hurt, who was followed by Holly Hunter for two months, then by Danzer for six months in 1983.

After that, she went to ACT in Seattle, where she played in a production of "Crimes of the Heart" as Babe, "the one who shoots her husband."

Danzer then went on the national tour of the Broadway show, playing Meg for a year and a half. Detroit-area audiences saw her as Meg, whom she describes as "the trashy one," at the Power Center. "It was the biggest theater I've ever been in my life," she said.

Asked which of the two sisters she

preferred playing (she has yet to play the third), Danzer said, "I hate to say I liked Meg best because she's such cheap Christmas trash, but I'm more similar to Meg. I understand what makes her tick."

She enjoyed playing Babe, the older sister, as well. "It was very helpful to me. I knew exactly what Meg, the little sister, needed."

DANZER IS from Montana. The actress started her theatrical career as a child and did 10 years of summer stock before she left the state. She went to the University of Montana, where she received a bachelor of fine arts in acting and directing.

Studying directing was "really helpful" to her as an actress. "A director really needs to look at the whole pie, and as an actor keeps you on track to look at the whole pie." But she declares, "I'm not a director. I rely heavily on Susan (Susan Rosenstock who is director of 'Beau Jest')."

Danzer said there is a theater in her home town, where she has directed "Biloxi Blues" and "Voice of the Prairie," a play about the early days of radio, in which she previously appeared.

Now living in Manhattan, Danzer finally has her own apartment after having roommates and sublets for years. Because she has been on the road all year, she hasn't spent too much time in her apartment, however.



JERRY ZOLYNISKY/staff photographer

Kathy Danzer stars in "Beau Jest" at the Birmingham Theatre.

She has been separated for the last year and a half from her husband, Greg Johnson, a director, stage manager and teacher, whom she met when he was assistant director on

the Broadway production of "Crimes of the Heart." Johnson later directed the Birmingham Theatre production of "Crimes of the Heart" with Genie Francis.

Versatile Charles Nolte returns to Meadow Brook

Performances of "A Christmas Carol" open at 8 tonight (Thursday, Nov. 29) at Meadow Brook Theatre. The production runs through Sunday, Dec. 30. For ticket information, call the box office at 377-3300.

By Mary Jane Doerr
special writer

Charles Nolte directs 'A Christmas Carol'

ers," he said. "It is a brilliant theatrical piece, nothing high tech like 'Phantom.'"

There are a number of versions of "A Christmas Carol" but Nolte prefers the traditional, straightforward one that is true to the original. It is his innovation to have a chorus of eight sing Christmas carols in the lobby before the show and then as part of the show.

"Some directors try to inflict their own egos onto their productions. They feel they are modernizing it and making it relevant to today's audiences. What is the point in taking the story from, say, Marley's point of view or making Scrooge into a cartoon character?" Nolte queried.

This show is Meadow Brook's biggest success, with its 5½ week run 95 percent sold out. The set built nine years ago even had to be replaced with a new one last year. Strangely, the theatrical tradition of mounting "A Christmas Carol" is American and is not done in England.

"THE SHOW IS saturated with the Christmas spirit," Nolte said.

'This play is a bloody good Christmas story. Besides, it is my Christmas and I love it.'

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"Of everything I do — teach, direct, act — writing is my favorite," said the 64-year-old Nolte, who is working on a new opera libretto with a New York composer, Benjamin Lees, about Mexican leader Maximilian.

Born in Duluth, Nolte is a graduate of Yale. He met Terence Kilburn in the 1950s when he was starring in "The Caine Mutiny Court-Martial" on Broadway and Kilburn was in "Teahouse of the August Moon." His enormous list of credits makes his accomplishments as a writer, actor, director look as if success has come easily.

"Everything is hard in the theater. Nothing comes easily," Nolte said.

At Meadow Brook on the Oakland University campus in Rochester Hills, he has directed some 40 productions since his first one "The Andersonville Trial," in 1971. In the cast of that production was Booth Colman, who stars as Scrooge in Meadow Brook's "Christmas Carol."

Nolte's play "A Summer Remembered" had its premiere at Meadow Brook. Later this year, Nolte will direct "Inherit the Wind."

Charles Nolte does other things going. Dominick Argento's opera "The Voyage of Edgar Allan Poe," for which Nolte wrote the highly acclaimed libretto, premiered a month ago at the Chicago Lyric Opera. His 10 plays have appeared on Broadway, in London and in many of the theaters in Minneapolis where he is a professor in the Department of Theatre Arts at the University of Minnesota and artistic director of the university's five theaters.

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"THIS PLAY IS a bloody good Christmas story. Besides, it is my Christmas and I love it," Nolte said between rehearsals with the cast's 30 young and old performers. It only takes 2½ weeks to mount "A Christmas Carol" since so many of the actors and actresses return each year.

"Mostly what the stage direction involves now is bringing the new ones up to the standard of the oth-

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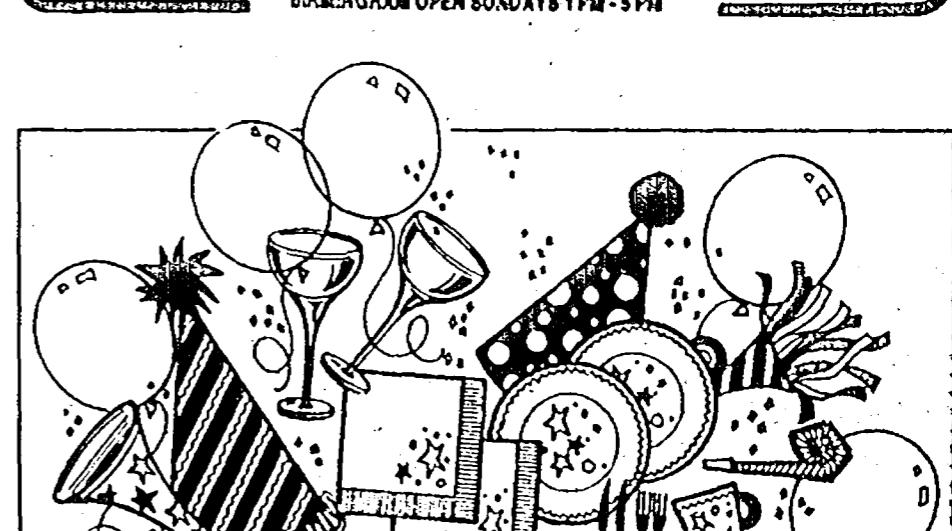
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A 1986 Clarenceville High School graduate, Kurt Fretwell, will appear as a guard in English playwright Jackson Lacey's Russian folktale, "The Prince, the Wolf and the Firebird" in Eastern Michigan University's December production at EMU's Quirk Theatre in Ypsilanti. Fretwell, an EMU senior and Theatre Arts major, is the son of Charles and Sharon Fretwell. Showtimes are 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Dec. 7-8, and 2:30 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Dec. 8-9. For tickets call 487-1221. Children under 14 are \$3 for all performances; adults \$8 evenings, \$7 matinees.

• CASTING CALL

Plymouth Theatre Guild will hold

auditions for the comedy-drama "Crimes of the Heart" by Beth Henley at 7 p.m. Monday-Tuesday, Dec. 3-4, at the Water Tower Theatre on the campus of Northville Regional Hospital. Cast consists of four females and two males, ages 24-30. Anyone interested in auditioning or helping out behind the scenes should call 453-8306 for more information.

• IN PLAY

Michelle Lytle, a junior at Madonna College in Livonia, who is from Columbus, Ohio, stars as Sarah, a student at a school for the deaf, in "Children of a Lesser God," at 8 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, Dec. 5-8, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9, at Adray Auditorium of the MacKenzie Fine Arts Center in Dearborn. The production is presented by the Performing Arts Department of Henry Ford Community College. George Popovich,

director, worked with Plymouth resident Kim Willett, a sign language instructor who holds a Bachelor's degree in sign language from Madonna College. Tickets are \$6 general admission, \$5 for HFCC staff and students and \$4 for senior adults. Tickets may be purchased at the door.

• OPEN AUDITIONS

Pontiac Theatre IV announces open auditions for the musical "Anne of Green Gables" at 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 2, for juveniles only (ages 8-20); 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 2, for adults only (ages 21-plus), and 7 p.m. Monday, Dec. 3, for all age groups, adults and juveniles. Auditions will be held in the Lower Level of the Pontiac Public Library. For more information call 338-2903 or leave a message at the Pontiac Theatre IV office at 335-4277.

• MATINEE ADDED

Nearly all tickets are sold for every Detroit Repertory Theatre performance through Monday, Dec. 31,

for "Cotton Patch Gospel," musical play by Harry Chapin, which tells the story of Jesus in a contemporary setting. A matinee has been added at 3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 8. The show runs Thursday-Sunday until New Year's Eve. Tickets at \$10 are available at the box office or all Ticketmaster outlets. For reservations for the added date or for the New Year's Eve performance call 868-1347. Tickets for New Year's Eve are \$35 and include champagne, hors d'oeuvres, performance cabaret style, buffet supper and celebration.

• JAZZ SOUNDS

Earth Network has announced the complete lineup for the third annual Jazz for Greenpeace Benefit beginning at 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 2, and continuing till 4 a.m. at Alvin's in Detroit. The 10-hour benefit features nearly 40 of Michigan's top jazz musicians. Headliners include pianist Kenny Cox's Guerrilla Jam Band; the Joe LoDuca Group; All Star Congregations from Flint and Detroit; Ann Arbor's Bird of Paradise Orchestra; Hot Club, a specially assembled group featuring some of the city's youngest new players; and, serving as house band and anchor for the concluding jam session, the Darryl Duncan Quartet. Admission is \$10; children 12 and under are admitted free.

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• AT DUFFY'S

The Bob Posch Comedy Show will perform at 9 and 11 p.m. Friday, Nov. 30, and all weekends in December at Duffy's Waterfront Inn in Union Lake. Cover charge is \$7. The Pinky Smith Trio will perform jazz and blues numbers with dancing at 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 1. There is no cover charge. Alexander Zonjic will perform at 7 and 9 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9. Cover charge is \$7.

• HARLEM GLOBETROTTERS

The Harlem Globetrotters bring their arch rivals, the Washington Generals, for two basketball games at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 27, at Joe Louis Arena in Detroit and at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 28, at the Palace of Auburn Hills. Tickets can be purchased at the Joe Louis Arena box office (10 a.m. to 6 p.m.), the Cobo Arena box office (10 a.m. to 6 p.m.) or the Palace box office (10 a.m. to 6 p.m.) and all Ticketmaster outlets. Tickets are \$14, \$11 and \$8. Children under 12 and seniors over 60 receive a \$2 discount. To charge tickets by phone call 645-6666.

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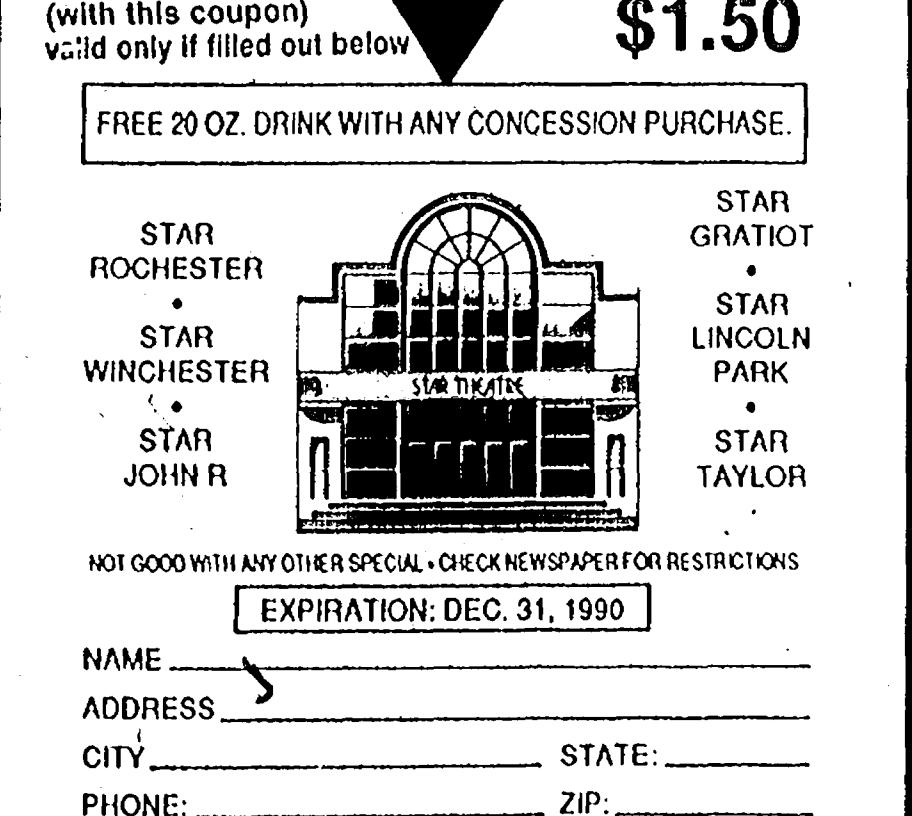
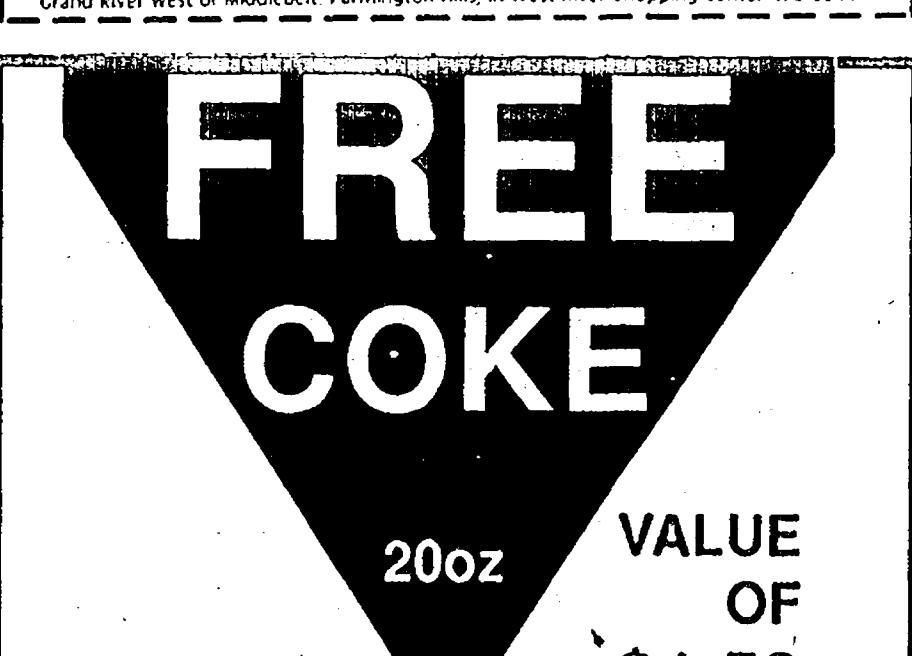
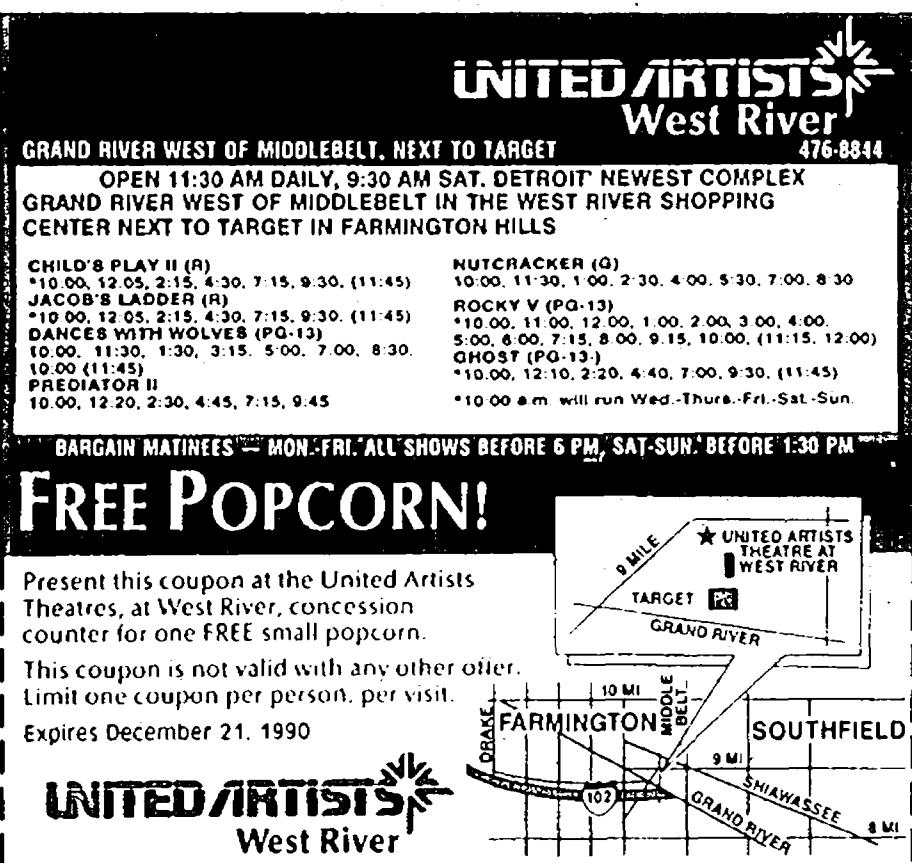
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IN MEMORIAM of Doris Gravin, deceased Nov. 25, 1985, deeply missed by husband Joseph C. relatives and friends.

700 Auction Sales

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8-4

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tall), press back oak chairs, matching
blue velvet sofa, loveseat, antique rosewood 7
hazard chest, 8 ft. round dining room table,
Cambridge patterned chair, ALMOST
NEW SIDE BY SIDE REFRIGERATOR
WITH ICE & WATER IN DOOR,
beautiful poly furniture, large
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Fruitwood. Oval 48x42, w/ 2 side
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Excellent condition. \$1950/best.
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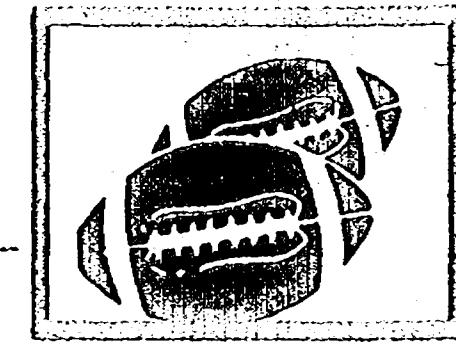
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CC returned to basic approach

IT WAS MIGUEL DE CERVANTES who said, "Can we ever have too much of a good thing?"

Redford Catholic Central High football coach Tom Mach may have repeatedly asked himself that question while waiting outside the bus after his team suffered their second loss in five games, an 8-0 defeat at the hands of Detroit DePorres.

It was pretty dark that night (Sept. 29) at Livonia Clarenceville High (CC's home field) as Mach stood outside the bus, trying to figure out what had gone wrong.

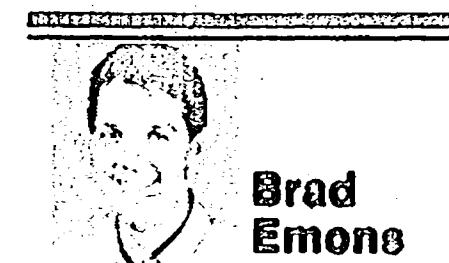
The team that was ranked No. 1 in the state by the Detroit News and No. 2 by the Detroit Free Press was suddenly out of the state playoff picture.

Despite a 15-year career record of 115-31-1 and five playoff appearances (including four state title games), Mach has annually been accused by some CC fans of being too stuffy offensively and too predictable with his play-calling.

WITH A SLEW of talented skill players returning for the 1990 season, Mach tinkered with an offense foreign to even himself. He was fighting the demons within him.

In that loss to DePorres, quarterback Jason Carr threw the ball 27 times, but completed only nine for 68 yards. Faced with several third-and-long type situations, Carr found himself in "A Peck of Troubles," besieged by a swarm of blitzing DePorres tacklers.

"The loss to DePorres turned our season around, it made us re-evaluate things," said the CC coach. "We went back to basic football, less wide-open. It was time to get back to smash-mouth football, the physical brand we like to play."



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The rest is history, Mach found his comfort zone and so did his players.

CC went on the next week to smash rival Birmingham Brother Rice in the Boys Bowl, 32-0, followed by three more regular season wins, including 31-0 demolishing of DePorres in the Catholic League finals at the Silverdome.

(Ironically, Rice won the Class A title on Friday and DePorres the state Class CC title on Saturday.)

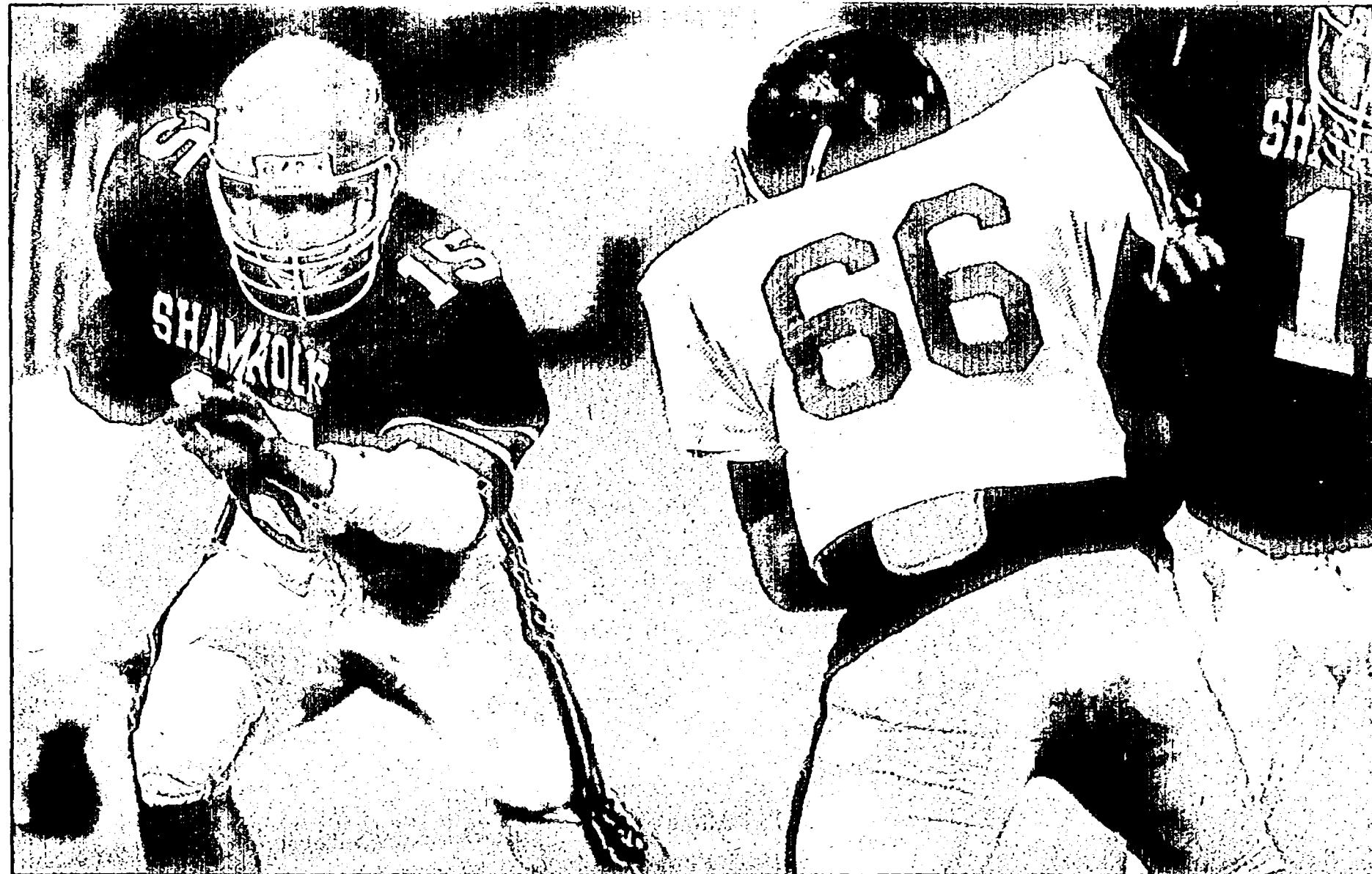
After sneaking into the playoffs, CC man-handled three more foes — Ypsilanti (17-6), Plymouth Canton (35-22) and Saginaw (21-0).

And on Saturday, back in the Silverdome for the AA championship, the Shamrocks put it all together, winning their rematch with Detroit King, the only other team to defeat them this season, 21-0.

"WE KNEW VERY little about both teams (King and DePorres) when we played them the first time," Mach said. "This time we were controlling the ball instead of throwing it."

The Shamrocks, despite the two regular season losses, erased any doubts about them belonging in the playoffs. And if you check back on the records, CC played five opponents on its schedule who qualified for post-season play.

So it was no shock to me on Saturday that they dominated the Public School League champs in every phase of the game.



Catholic Central quarterback Jason Carr (left) had to do little running during Saturday's Class AA state football champion-

ship game, a 21-0 victory over Detroit King at the Pontiac Silverdome.

"We started believing when we beat DePorres soundly in the Catholic League championships," said fullback Jon Barbara. "We said to ourselves, 'This is our year,' and then we made it happen."

"We just started peaking at the end of the season and we carried that momentum all the way through."

Injuries to two starters midway through the season — tailback Mike Thomas and flanker Jack Davidson — may have also proved to be a blessing in disguise.

Thomas is probably CC's most talented all-around player, but his absence forced Mach to incorporate a more balanced backfield,

utilizing the thundering Barbara as the power-back and the slippery Arshon Stewart as the lightning tailback. The mix was perfect.

WHEN THOMAS and Davidson returned for the playoffs, it made CC a deeper and stronger team all the way around.

Aziz Cervantes would say, "Thou has seen nothing yet."

Thomas was used strictly for defense. Meanwhile, Davidson shuttled in-and-out at the flanker spot with junior Frank Yoakam, who was probably Mach's find of the season.

Yoakam enjoyed a great four-game playoff run, capped by returning a punt 58 yards on Saturday for a touchdown.

All the pieces were in place and the result Saturday was overwhelming. CC whipped a team with loads of talent.

"We've been doing it all year," Barbara said. "Nothing fancy, just power football."

The casual fan at the Silverdome had witnessed a machine-like CC performance. There were no mistakes. They played fundamentally strong football.

"They're an intelligent team as far as football sense goes," said

Mach, who now has two state crowns in his hip pocket.

Following the loss to DePorres, the CC coach made things simple and he went back to playing his style of football, ignoring the whispers heard round Breakfast Drive.

Facing adversity often does wonders for a coach and a team.

Cervantes, the great 16th century Spanish author, can attest to that.

"Fortune may have yet a better success in reserve for you, and they who lose today may win tomorrow."

Tuesday tips off '90-91 campaign

By Steve Kowalski
Staff writer

The boys basketball season begins Tuesday. Here's a look at each league in Observerland.

For capsule previews on teams from Livonia, Redford, Westland and Garden City, turn to page 3D.

WESTERN LAKES ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION: Plymouth Salem advanced to the Class A quarterfinal a year ago before losing, and returns Central Michigan University signee Jake Baker for his senior year.

Baker, a 6-5 swingman, will get help from 6-5 forward K.C. Kirkpatrick and a strong bench. So guess who's favored to win the Lakes Division, the WLAA title and . . . well, a lot of games?

The future also looks bright for Salem coach Bob Brodie, who likely will give 6-5, 195-pound freshman James Head a look on the varsity. Head is the brother of former Observerland girls basketball star and Miss Basketball player Dena Head, now playing at the University of Tennessee.

Salem should take the Lakes Division regular-season title with ease, but first-year Westland John Glenn coach Pat Bennett says the Rockets can contend. Bennett, also Glenn's girls coach, will miss leadership and a whole lot of talent without graduated guard Bobby Lawrence. Glenn returns promising forwards Gamal Ahmed and Jackie Howard.

Defending WLAA tournament champ Livonia Stevenson will be young, having to replace 6-9 center Glenn Szeman and guards Ron Baran and Rick Laven. Stevenson's best player is junior guard Matt Grodzinski and he'll get help on the perimeter from returnee Phil Woods.

The cupboard is bare at Farmington, while North Farmington coach Tom Negoshian worries about replacing guard Matt Hoffman, now playing for Lake Superior State College.



LEE EKSTROM/staff photographer

Randy Calcaterra (left) gives Livonia Churchill reason for optimism for the 1990-91 basketball season.

Negoshian might be better off tossing out a football for his rugged group, which includes Todd Pawlowski and Chris White, a pair of standouts on the gridiron.

* The WLAA's most talent appears to be in the Western Division, where Farmington Hills Harrison is

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favored to defend its title.

The Hawks, who return All-Observer forward Andy Smith for his senior year, will get challenged by Plymouth Canton and Livonia Franklin, as well as Northville. Canton has the area's tallest frontline in 6-8, 250-pound junior Tony Coshatt, 6-7 senior Rob Wilson and 6-4 senior Kevin Wilson.

Franklin's hopes revolve around holdover senior forward Steve McCool and junior point guard Keith Roberts, who impressed coach Rod Hanna after being brought up to the varsity the second half of the season.

Livonia Churchill will upset some teams and has a strong frontline with 6-7 center Randy Calcaterra and 6-4 swingman Mike Thomas returning for their senior years. Thomas averaged 18 points per game, but Calcaterra could be the big gun, after scoring nine points and grabbing nine rebounds a game and coming on strong at season's end.

Walled Lake Western will be weak, but at least the Warriors have strong leadership as Chuck Henry takes over after coaching Wayne Memorial to several successful seasons.

Winning either division would be a big accomplishment, just ask Hanna.

"The league is the strongest I've seen in my four years," he said. "There's a lot of potential college talent out there."

CATHOLIC LEAGUE: The Central Division will be stronger, with the addition of the University of Detroit Jesuit and Improvement expected out of Warren De La Salle and Redford Catholic Central.

Defending champion Redford Bishop Borgess, which has won three of the last four regular-season titles,

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won't be as talented but should again contend.

Three starters graduated, so Borgess coach Mike Fusco is counting on better numbers from ReShawn Sumner, the Spartans 6-foot-6½ senior forward. Foremost of the losses was guard Shawn Respert, an all-state being red-shirted as a freshman at Michigan State University because of knee surgery.

Senior guard Kevin Riser is improved and the Spartans also will get a boost from 6-3 freshman Perry Robinson.

The 1989-90 season wasn't a memorable one for Catholic Central coach Bernie Holowicki. Consider: CC suffered through a 5-17 season; Holowicki was sidelined part of the year with pneumonia; and his best player, Bob Kummer, missed a month with mononucleosis.

Holowicki has a better outlook, as he welcomes back a healthy Kummer for his junior year. Kummer, a 6-5 swingman who made second-team All-Observer, will be joined by senior guard Steve Whitlow and 6-3 junior Chad Varga, a transfer who will be eligible in January.

Varga's an impressive offensive player, but has to learn to guard more than his shadow. The Sham-

rocks figure to have no trouble scoring, but Holowicki would rather go with someone other than Whitlow at point guard.

A natural second guard, Whitlow is forced to play the point until someone comes to the front.

The team to watch could be Birmingham Brother Rice. The Warriors lost all five starters, but 6-9 junior Paul Grant returns — and is vastly improved, according to coach Frank Carrico. A pair of intriguing transfers, LeJon Thomas and Lance Arnold, become eligible in January.

They are intriguing because both are nephews of Detroit Pistons guard Isiah Thomas.

In the C-D Division, Redford St. Agatha struggled to a 6-15 finish a year ago and things don't look much more promising in '90-91. Senior Jeremy MacNicol, a 6-4 center, returns after averaging 15 points a game, but missing is swingman Brian Kutch, a senior who left school this semester.

Detroit St. Hedwig, which won last year's C-D crown, closed its doors, but Murphy expects Hamtramck St. Florian, Waterford Our Lady of the Lakes and Immaculate Conception to battle for the title.

NORTHWEST SUBURBAN LEAGUE: Redford Union has one of the league's finest scorers in 6-1

junior guard Bill Malecki, and his return is important with the graduation of Steve Nowak and Dan Lezotte. The pair combined to score 33 points a game for the Panthers in '89-90.

A fine talent, Malecki still must distribute the ball better and play better defense if the Panthers hope to contend in a league dominated in recent years by Woodhaven. Inside strength will come from returnee Jason Gagnon, a 6-4 junior center.

The league title could be in question, with Woodhaven having to find a replacement for 6-7 Vernon Crump, now playing at Miami (Ohio) University.

Over at Garden City, first-year coach Mark Cramton inherits a team that went 8-13 overall in Bob Dropped's last year at the helm. The Cougars will be battling for respectability.

TRI-RIVER LEAGUE: Redford Thurston coach Mike Schuette took his girls team to the Class B regional, and he has similar goals with the boys. The Eagles have something good to build on, having taken third last year in the Tri-River behind co-champions Taylor Truman and Taylor Kennedy.

Thurston, 15-7 overall, return 5-10 senior point guard Danny Pertula, whom Schuette calls one of his best

point guards ever. Also back are forwards Justin McEwen and Jeremy Courval.

WOLVERINE A LEAGUE: Dan Henry, taking over for his brother Chuck as coach of Wayne Memorial, has a rebuilding job on his hands. The Zebras will rely on youth after losing all five starters, including All-Observer player Kevin Hankerson, from a team that was 21-2 a year ago.

Belleville, with 6-4 Ron Hunter and 6-5 Derrick Boles, is favored to take the throne away from Wayne. Wyandotte and Trenton are improving.

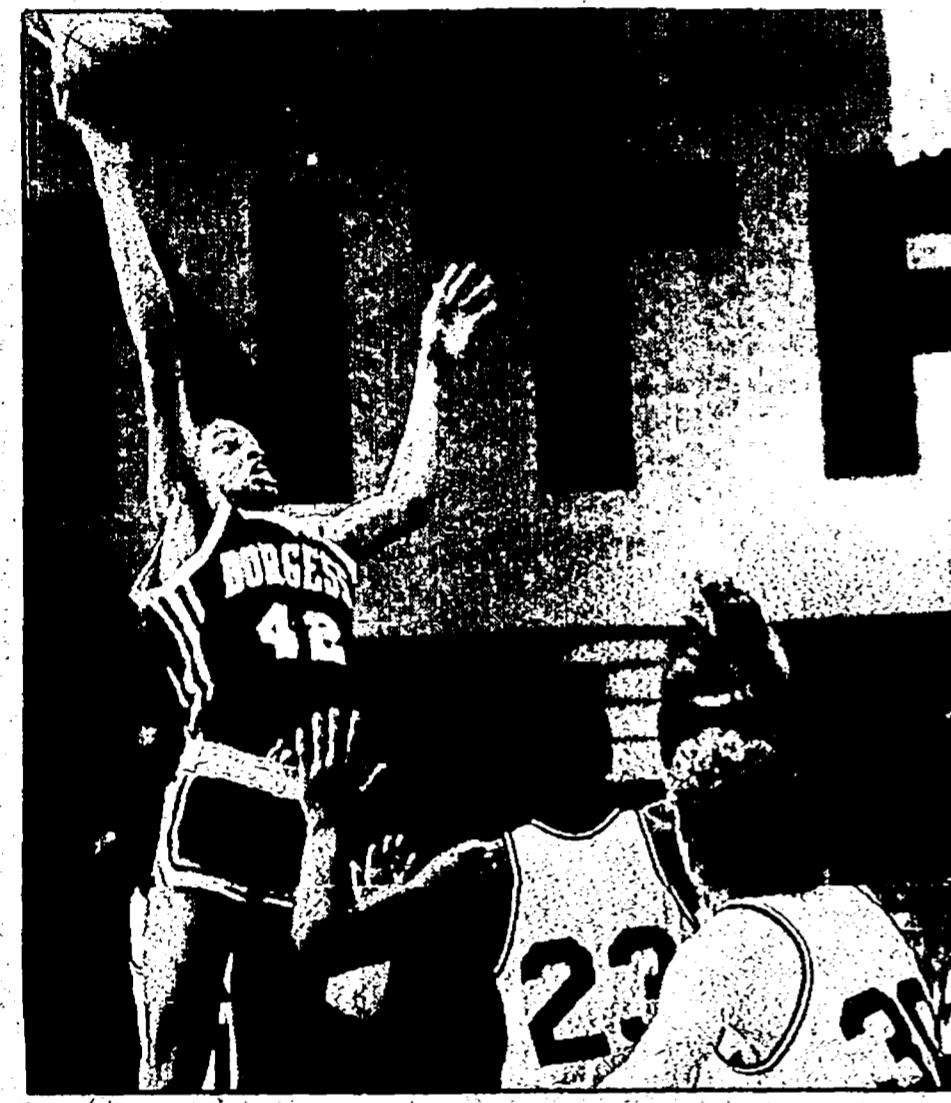
METRO CONFERENCE: Look for Auburn Hills Avondale, Hamtramck and Detroit Lutheran West to battle for supremacy here. Local entrée Livonia Clarenceville will rely on senior guard Kendrick Harrington and a possible Detroit Public School League transfer come January.

MICHIGAN INDEPENDENT ATHLETIC CONFERENCE: Warren Bethesda is the strongest team, but Plymouth Christian will get help from transfers and Lutheran Westland's 6-5 center Chris Habitz returns for his senior year. Habitz averaged 15 points per game a year ago.



JIM JAGDFELD/staff photographer

Steve Whitlow will give Redford Catholic Central's basketball team scoring punch for the 1990-91 season.



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ReShawn Sumner (left) of Redford Bishop Borgess will be a key man in the middle for the Spartans.

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BRAD EMONS RATES TOP OBSERVERLAND PLAYERS

1. Jake Baker, Plymouth Salem: The 6-foot-5 senior has already signed a national letter-of-intent with Central Michigan University. A rugged inside player, the left-hander has extended his shooting range and improved his ball-handling skills. Can run the floor, but often gets winded because he plays so hard. Led Salem to the state Class A quarterfinals last year.

2. Bobby Kummer, Redford CC: The 6-5 junior was a shining light in Catholic Central's otherwise dismal 5-17 season of a year ago. A good leaper who plays with intensity. Is he a forward, guard or center? Has improved his range shooting-wise, but needs to play more under control.

3. ReShawn Sumner, Redford Bishop Borgess: Still growing at 6-6½. His long arms give him shot-blocking ability. He's already a Division II player who could become a Division I recruit. Has shown improvement over the summer and needs to get tougher and work on his post moves. He is the key to Borgess's season.

4. Andy Smith, Farm. Harrison: You won't get anything flashy from this 6-3 senior, who made first-team All-Observer last year. Smith is Harrison's top scoring threat and a solid all-around forward in the high school game. You can't leave him alone on the baseline or he'll kill you, but a good defender with long arms could give him trouble.

5. Paul Gilvydis, Farm. Harrison: The junior could become a force in the Western Lakes Activities Association before it's all over. He's up to 6-8 and has an excellent touch around the hoop. Will be a big collar player for a good Harrison team that could challenge Salem for the WLAA crown. Gilvydis needs more strength and quickness to go to the next level.

6. Steve Whitlow, Redford CC: An experienced player who is starting his third year on the varsity. The 6-3 senior can post people up inside and is a decent ballhandler for his size. Sometime an erratic shooter and decision maker. If he plays within himself, CC will move up the ladder in the Catholic League.

7. K.C. Kirkpatrick, Ply. Salem: Those

who try to key on Baker will pay dearly if they leave this 6-5 senior open. Scores quietly along the baseline and is very effective inside. Like Baker, never gets ruffled, just goes out and does his job. Many would like see him become more aggressive and be more of a take-charge player.

8. Randy Calcaterra, Liv. Churchill: This 6-7 senior is a sleeping giant. Came on strong the latter half of the '89-90 season and is only going to improve each time out. Decent jumping ability makes him a terror on the boards. Not afraid to go at people.

9. Bill Malecki, Redford Union: Averaged 16 points per game as a sophomore. The 6-2 junior guard has good leaping ability and a deadly jumper. Needs to become more aggressive at both ends.

10. Tony Coshtan, Ply. Canton: The 6-8, 250-pound junior turned a few heads last summer with his improved play. Like Calcaterra, could become a force to be reckoned with in the WLAA. Coach Dave Van Wagner can't hide his excitement over the prospects of this potential immovable object.

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Capsule outlook of area hoop teams

REDFORD UNION

- Head coach: Tip Smathers, sixth season.
- Last year's overall record: 7-12.
- League affiliation: Northwest Suburban (3-5, tied for third place).

Notable losses to graduation: Forward Steve Nowak (16.8 points per game, 7.7 rebounds per game); guard Dan Lezotta (17.3 ppg, third-team All-Observer).

Leading returnees: Bill Malecki, 6-1 junior guard (15.7 ppg, 4.2 rpg, second-team All-NSL); Jason Gagnon, 6-4, junior center (4 ppg); Chris Murka, 6-3 senior forward; Reeve McNitt, 6-1 senior forward; Steve Zimbrelli, 5-9 senior guard; Greg Mundis, 6-1 senior guard; Mark Utter, 5-11 senior guard.

Promising newcomers: Chris Locke, 6-5 senior center (returns after knee surgery); Paul Nowak, 6-2 junior forward (leading junior varsity scorer); Randy Moore, 5-10 junior guard; Brian Locke, 6-4 junior forward.

Straiders' '90-91 outlook: "I think we've got a chance. Definitely, it's a matter of if we bring it all together and play some defense. I expect Dearborn to be up there — they have a real outstanding player back — and a 7-1 JV team. Woodhaven won the league, but lost a lot of people. But they always seem to fit in."

Season opener: Tuesday, Dec. 4, at Walled Lake Central.

REDFORD ST. AGATHA

- Head coach: Jim Murphy, fourth season.
- Last year's overall record: 6-15.
- League affiliation: Catholic League (C-Division).

Notable losses: Brian Kutch, (no longer attending school after averaging 13 ppg a year ago); Pat Wagner and Ken Kroll.

Leading returnees: Jeremy MacNicol, 6-4 senior center (15 ppg, all-C Division); Jerod Kresnak, 6-1 senior forward (10 ppg); Devin Henderson, 6-1 senior guard/forward (12 ppg); Todd Reamer, 5-9 senior guard; David Kocenda, 6-5 senior forward/center.

Promising newcomers: David Buyak, sophomore guard (transfer from Redford Catholic Central, eligible in January); Shelton Ricks, 6-1 sophomore forward; Joe Boards, 6-1 senior forward.

Murphy's '90-91 outlook: "MacNicol's a good shooter and hard-working kid who's got to learn to stay around the glass more than he does. When he plays the way I want him to, he does well."

Season opener: Friday, Dec. 7, at Detroit Holy Redeemer.

REDFORD THURSTON

- Head coach: Mike Schutte, seventh season.
- Last year's overall record: 15-7.
- League affiliation: Tri-River (10-4, third place, behind co-leaders Taylor Truman and Kennedy).

Notable losses to graduation: D.J. Kellogg, center (12 ppg, 12 rpg, second-team All-Observer); Jason Muller, guard.

Leading returnees: Danny Pertluba, 5-10 senior guard (averaged 12 ppg last half of '89-90); Justin McEwan, 6-1 senior forward/guard; Jeremy Couval, 6-1 junior forward; Jamal Merida, 5-11 junior guard (brought up from JV midway through '89-90); Rob Delyon, 6-1 senior forward.

Promising newcomers: Ray Curtis, 6-2 junior; Paul Parsells, 5-9 sophomore guard.

Schutte's '90-91 outlook: "Kennedy and Truman always has a surplus of talent and it's up for grabs after that. I think other coaches will look at us as a team to beat. Pertluba can shoot inside, outside and there's no reason he can't have an outstanding season. He's one of the best point guards I've ever had."

Season opener: Tuesday, Dec. 4, at Midland Lakeland.

REDFORD CATHOLIC CENTRAL

- Head coach: Bernie Holowicki, 19th season.
- Last year's overall record: 5-17.
- League affiliation: Catholic League Central Division (3-7).

Notable losses to graduation: Matt Puttill, Jeff Brown and Mark Clary.

Leading returnees: Bob Kummer, 6-5 junior swingman (10 ppg, 5 rpg, second-team All-Observer); Steve Whitlow, 6-3 senior guard (12 ppg); Jon Barbara, 6-foot senior guard; Billy Hermann, 6-5 senior.

Promising newcomers: Chad Varga, 6-3 junior forward (transfer from Dearborn Heights Fairlane Christian becomes eligible Jan. 7); Tom Laco, 6-3 junior; Bobby Schneider, 5-11 sophomore guard; Marc Gondel, 6-4 sophomore guard.

Hollowicki's '90-91 outlook: "Bobby can play, Steve can play. The loss of (Steve) Gallagher (transferred to Farmington) hurts us. Jon will take awhile to get his basketball legs, but he's a great leader. If Kummer and Whitlow raise their games to another level we could be really competitive."

Season opener: Tuesday, Dec. 4, at Wayne Memorial.

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REDFORD BISHOP BORGESS

- Head coach: Mike Fusco, ninth year.
- Last year's overall record: 21-4.
- League affiliation: Catholic League (Central Division).

Titles won: Catholic League (Central Division) and Class B district champs.

Notable losses to graduation: Shawn Respert, guard (first-team All-Observer, playing for Michigan State University); Randy White, forward (first-team All-Observer); Artie Brown, guard.

Leading returnees: Reshawn Sumpter, 6-6 senior forward (started every game but one a year ago); Kevin Riser, 5-11 senior guard; Lamar Westbrook, 6-1 senior guard (part-time starter); Jerome Parker, 5-10 junior guard; Darwin Cogers, 6-2 junior forward.

Promising newcomers: Mike Respert, 5-9 senior guard; Perry Robinson, 6-3 freshman forward.

Fusco's '90-91 outlook: "Generally speaking, I know what five or six kids can do. This year, I know two or three kids. I'd rather have the role of underdog. I'm 'Mr. Pessimist.' I've been pleased from Nov. 12 until last (Monday) night. But still have a long way to go. These guys aren't basketball players, but as a team, we haven't developed yet."

Season opener: Tuesday, Dec. 11, at Dearborn Divine Child.

GARDEN CITY

- Head coach: Mark Cramton, first year.
- Last year's overall record: 8-13.
- League affiliation: Northwest Suburban League.

Notable losses to graduation: Dan Emerson, guard; Rick Morton, forward (third team All-Observer); Bud Barnett, center.

Leading returnees: Scott Marquett, senior guard; Matt Johnson, senior guard; Nick Matus, senior forward; Adam Marano, senior forward; Jim Brown, senior center.

Promising newcomers: Jeff Williams, junior guard.

Cramton's '90-91 outlook: "Hopefully we can play 500 ball. We are inexperienced even though we have five seniors. They didn't see a lot of playing time last season. We trap and anticipate the ball well on defense."

Season opener: Tuesday, Dec. 4, at home vs. Livonia Stevenson.

WAYNE MEMORIAL

- Head coach: Dan Henry, first year.
- Last year's overall record: 21-2.
- League affiliation: Wolverine A.

Titles won last year: Wolverine A League and Class A district champs.

Notable losses to graduation: Kevin Hankerson (first team All-Observer); Larry Johnson (second team All-Area); Pierre Hixon, Reggie Brandon and Terry Hall.

Leading returnees: Rick Barnes, 6-1 junior forward; Greg Hartman, 6-1 junior forward; James Gray, 6-2 senior forward.

Promising newcomers: Romarco Fletcher, 6-5 junior center; DeMarco Robinson, 6-2 junior forward; Lee Williams, 5-10 junior point-guard; Donte Prewitt, 5-7 sophomore forward/guard; Antonio Dodd, 5-7 sophomore point-guard; Bruce Caufield, 6-1 sophomore forward.

Henry's '90-91 outlook: "They all can jump, and they're quick, but we have now experience coming back. It's a little difficult with play-to-play. We're coming for all different directions. We're a long ways from being a good team. Our schedule is hard, everybody is better in our league."

Season opener: Tuesday, Dec. 4, at South Lyon.

WESTLAND JOHN GLENN

- Head coach: Pat Bennett, first year.
- Last year's overall record: 11-11.
- League affiliation: Western Lakes Activities Association (Lakes Division).

Notable losses to graduation: Bobby Lawrence (second team All-Observer), Eric Spencer, Tony Dobbins and Mike Trusler.

Leading returnees: Gamal Ahmed, 6-2 senior forward; Jackie Howard, 6-0 senior guard.

Promising newcomers: Mark Baker, 6-10 senior guard; Kevin Tomaszewski, 6-5 junior center; Jerry Jordan, 5-11 junior guard; Kevin Champion, 6-3 junior forward; Ken Taylor, 6-4 sophomore center.

Bennett's '90-91 outlook: "I expect, with the way the attitudes and practice is going, that John Glenn has the ability to contend for the title."

"We're quick with a little bit of size. They have been pretty disciplined on offense and defense. We're going to be pressing and running a lot."

Season opener: Tuesday, Dec. 4, at South Lyon.

LIVONIA CHURCHILL

- Head coach: Fred Price, third year.
- Last year's overall record: 11-10.
- League affiliation: Western Lakes Activities Association (Western Division).

Notable losses to graduation: Mike Judd.

Leading returnees: Matt Kummer, 6-5 junior swingman (10 ppg, 5 rpg, second-team All-Observer); Steve Whitlow, 6-3 senior guard (12 ppg); Jon Barbara, 6-foot senior guard; Billy Hermann, 6-5 senior.

Promising newcomers: Chad Varga, 6-3 junior forward (transfer from Dearborn Heights Fairlane Christian becomes eligible Jan. 7); Tom Laco, 6-3 junior; Bobby Schneider, 5-11 sophomore guard; Marc Gondel, 6-4 sophomore guard.

Churchill's '90-91 outlook: "I expect, with the way the attitudes and practice is going, that John Glenn has the ability to contend for the title."

"We're quick with a little bit of size. They have been pretty disciplined on offense and defense. We're going to be pressing and running a lot."

Season opener: Tuesday, Dec. 4, at South Lyon.

DAWKINS, KEVIN HANNIGAN AND ALEX BEDOWAY

- Leading returnees: Randy Calcaterra, 6-7 senior center (9 points, 9 rebounds per game); Mike Thomas, 6-4 senior guard/forward; Mike Alt-Observer (13 ppg); Mike Brooks, 5-11 senior point-guard; Scott Bowes, 6-3 senior forward; Russ McQuaid, 6-1 senior point-guard.

Promising newcomers: Marcus Saranovsky, 6-2 junior guard/forward; Jeremiah Lak, 5-11 junior guard; Brian D. Johnson, 6-1 junior guard/forward; Steve Townsend, 6-3 senior forward/center.

Picco's '90-91 outlook: "One of our keys is to get strong play at guard, especially at the point. We have to get the ball in the right person's hands. We'll get strong inside play from our guys up-front."

"Our job is to be focused, find the right chemistry and play as one unit. Everybody has to accept their role."

Season opener: Tuesday, Dec. 4, at Northville.

LIVONIA FRANKLIN

- Head coach: Rod Hanna, fourth year.
- Last year's overall record: 10-11.
- League affiliation: Western Lakes Activities Association (Western Division).

Notable losses to graduation: Craig Overalls (third team All-Observer); John Santini and Dave Barina.

Leading returnees: Steve McCool, 6-4 senior center (14 ppg, 7 rebounds); Steve Stasevich, 6-4 senior forward; Keith Roberts, 5-8 junior point-guard; Dave Roman, 5-10 senior guard; John Revels, 6-6 senior center.

Promising newcomers: Russ Keberly, 6-0 junior forward; Jason Facione, 6-2 sophomore guard; Jeff Hunt, 5-9 senior guard; Jon Jarvis, 6-1 junior forward.

Hanna's '90-91 outlook: "I'm positive about the season. I think we'll be a better shooting team and we're quicker. I'm really concerned about rebounding. We lack size. We'll play tough pressure defense. Offensively, we'll read and take advantage of whatever the defense gives us. We have to make good decisions with the ball."

Season opener: Tuesday, Dec. 4, at home vs. Dearborn Heights Crestwood.

LIVONIA STEVENSON

Davidson, Hoffman gain national titles

By Dan O'Meara
staff writer

Southern Oakland County is the amateur tennis capital of the country this week.

Kori Davidson of Farmington Hills and Seth Hoffman of West Bloomfield, both of whom are coached by Armand Molino, won their first national titles in under-16 tournaments just a day apart.

Hoffman defeated Jim Thomas (6-2, 6-7, 6-2) to win the boys' final Sunday afternoon in Boston, and Davidson whipped Anne Miller (6-3, 6-1) Monday morning in the girls' final at Franklin Fitness and Racquet Club in Southfield.

"I got in on the plane at 10:15 and raced over to Franklin," said Hoffman, a sophomore at North Farmington High School. "She smiled when she saw me, because it's the first time we've won singles titles."

"I wasn't surprised (that Kori won) but happy. I think it's great both of us won at the same time."

Davidson, a senior at Harrison High School, had been a runner-up in three previous national tournaments, was third once and fifth twice.

"IF I WAS going to win it anywhere, I wanted to win it here," Davidson said. "My coach when I was little (Bob DeSpirito) and my current coach (Molino) were there, and all my friends and family came to watch. It was awesome to win."

"I've been talking on the phone to all my friends. They wonder 'Why aren't you jumping up and down?' I don't think it's really hit me yet."

Actually, this is Davidson's third title in less than two months. In October, she repeated as Western Lakes Activities Association and Class B state champion.

"No offense to high school tennis, but this is much bigger," she said. "It's national; it's everyone from the U.S."

Davidson, who turned 17 this month, was able to compete in the under-16 tournament because her birthday came after the deadline.

"The only chance I had left to do it was this time," she said. "This summer I won't be playing in any amateur tournaments. I'll be going to college, and I want to spend time with my family and friends. And I might try a couple pro tournaments."

BEFORE DISPOSING of Midland's Miller in the final, Davidson

tennis

met Tiffany Gates of Grandville, the two-time Class A champion in high school tennis, in the semifinals. Davidson coasted 6-0, 6-2 to settle the issue of who is best in that regard.

"I was playing 18s in one tournament, and her mother said she was mad because I wasn't playing 18s and (Tiffany) wanted a shot at me," Davidson said. "I guess she got her shot."

"That kinda made me mad, because I thought she was rude to say that. I was playing 18s all year because I was going to college, and that was the only way I could meet and get to know coaches."

Davidson had probably her toughest match in the quarters, defeating Jane Choi of Idaho 6-4, 6-2.

"All the games went to deuce, and it was really nerve-wracking," she said. "And last year I lost in the quarters and just wanted to get past that round."

Nonetheless, Davidson dominated the opposition just as she did her high school opponents. She didn't lose a set in two years playing for Harrison, and that was the case last weekend, too.

"I DON'T WANT to sound immodest, but I played awesome in this tournament," she said. "I'm still in shock. My forehand: I finally could hit 10 straight. Usually, I hit two in a row and the next one will fly."

"I've been training so hard, and I was so confident. Nothing was

bothering my game at all."

Hoffman, a Class A semifinalist last month, played Thomas of Canton, Ohio, twice previously, winning (6-2, 6-2) in January at the Franklin Junior Championships in Southfield and losing (4-6, 7-5, 5-7) in March at the Western Indoor Championships in Monroe.

Sunday's final was another hard-fought contest.

"I was up 5-2 (in the second set) and dozed off for a couple games," Hoffman said. "He came back and started serving well. That's a big part of his game, because he's pretty fit. He's about 6-5."

"I stood back more on his first serve, and I pressured him more on his second. I tried to make him not hit the first serve so hard, so he'd have to try and get the first one in."

"If he got his confidence going, he could be tough. That's what happened in the second set. I think one was a hundred miles per hour."

HOFFMAN WAS playing in his second national final, having taken runner-up honors last year in the under-14 indoor tournament in Chicago.

"Before I set my sights on getting only so far in a tournament, not winning. I focused on doing well and making the quarters. My goal this time was to take it match by match, and things started to fall into place."

Hoffman thought his third-round match with unseeded Scott Moore of Canada was a key match. Hoffman won 6-1, 6-4, but Moore's game was similar to that of Thomas.

"He was like a no-name who became a force to be reckoned with after he beat the No. 4 seed," Hoffman said. "I expected a super hard match. He warmed me up for Thomas, because he had a strong serve and forehand. I used the same strategy I did against Thomas."

Hoffman then defeated Mashika Washington of Swartz Creek, 6-3, 6-4; Jason Appel of Florida in the quarterfinals, 2-6, 6-0, 6-3; and Jean Paul Vissepo of Puerto Rico in the semifinals, 4-6, 6-3, 6-4.

Hoffman's resolve was tested in the quarters and semis when he had to come back from opening-set defeats.

"I don't think (Appel) missed a shot in the first set," he said. "I realized there was nothing I could do about that and just had to calm down. I think I stunned him by winning the second set 6-0."

Spartans produce

Mike Orris and Eric Kelly stood out for the Livonia-Novi Spartan Aquatic Club over Thanksgiving weekend in the 17th annual Windsor, Ontario, age-group swim invitational.

Orris tied for high-point honors in the Boys 13-14 age division, winning the 200-meter individual medley. He also took second in the 400 IM, third in the 200 butterfly and 100 backstroke, and fifth in the 100 freestyle.

Kelly, competing in the Boys 11-12 category, won the 500 freestyle. He also gained second in the 200 IM, third in both the 100 backstroke and 100 freestyle, and fourth in the 50 freestyle.

OTHER SPARTAN FINISHERS

Girls 9-10 years: Marti McKenzie — first, 50-meter backstroke (B); third, 100 breaststroke (B); fifth, 50 freestyle (B). Becky Peterson — fifth, 100 breaststroke and 50 butterfly. Julie Kern — sixth, 200 freestyle. Marla McKenzie, first, 100 individual medley (B). Katy Nicol — first, 50 butterfly (B).

Boys 9-10: Steve Domin — first, 100 breaststroke (C). Chris Boms — fourth, 100 breaststroke.

Girls 11-12: Ann Aristed — fourth, 200 IM, fifth, 50 butterfly and 100 backstroke. Gina Palmeri — second, 50 freestyle (B); sixth, 200 IM. Mary Corazza — first, 50 freestyle (B). Michele Pantaleo — sixth, 50 butterfly (B).

Boys 11-12: Kalie Martin — third, 200 butterfly; fifth, 400 IM; sixth, 200 IM. Brandon Gary — fourth, 100 backstroke.

Boys 13-14: Randy Cobb — third, 100 breaststroke; sixth, 400 IM.

Girls 13-18 (all B events): Sonya McWhirter, first, 100 backstroke; second, 100 freestyle; sixth, 200 butterfly. Katie McWhirter — third, 50 freestyle; fourth, 100 freestyle. Kalie Kohl — fifth, 50 freestyle; fifth, 200 IM. Lisa Butzall — first, 200 butterfly; Brandi Gary — fourth, 100 breaststroke.

Boys open: Scott DeWol — fourth, 500 and 1,000 freestyle.

RELAY EVENTS

Girls 10-and-under: Kern, McKenzie, Peterson and McKenzie — third, 200 freestyle and 200 medley.

Girls 11-12: Pantaleo, Aristea, Palmeri and Coffen Creehan — third, 200 medley. Aristea, Pantaleo, Corazza and Palmeri — fifth, 200 freestyle.

Girls 13-14: Kalie McWhirter, Martin, Gary and Jill Nowak — first, 200 freestyle.

Boys 13-14: Cobb, Orvis, Drew Sophia and Jason Fisher — first, 200 medley; third, 200 freestyle.

Boys open: Robbin Tenglin, Ditchkoff, Butzall and Lessig — second, 200 free-style and 200 medley.

Boys open: Marin, Cobb, DeWol — and Orvis — third, 200 medley.

Carr at WLAA jamboree

The 12-school Western Lakes Activities Association will conduct its first-ever Sportsmanship Jamboree, beginning at 9 a.m. Saturday at Northville High.

The event is the kickoff for the new sportsmanship program, which will commence with the WLAA's winter sports seasons.

The WLAA's sportsmanship program is a continuation of the Michigan High School Athletic Association's "Good Sports are Winners" campaign, which was initiated by MHSAA executive director Jack Roberts.

"What is being attempted by the athletic directors and principals in the WLAA is to place an emphasis on those positive values that are so beneficial to our student-athletes, student bodies and our communities," said Bob Atkins, director of athletics and physical education for the Walled Lake Schools.

The Sportsmanship Jamboree is

expected to attract between 400 and 500 athletes, coaches, athletic directors and principals.

LLOYD CARR, former head football coach at Westland John Glenn High and currently defensive coordinator for the Gator Bowl-bound University of Michigan football squad, will be the featured speaker. His topic will be, "Sportsmanship does count, even at the major college level."

Other speakers include Northville principal Dave Bolitho ("Welcome to Northville"), Walled Lake Western principal Dennis Champnella ("Why Sportsmanship"), MHSAA associate director Jerry Cveengas ("Good Sports are Winners"), official and Redford Union Schools administrator Milo Karhu ("The Game Official and the Athlete") and Livonia Stevenson athletic director Roger Frayer ("The WLAA Approach").

Following the jamboree, T-shirts and booklets will be distributed.

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Making appearances Sunday, Dec. 2: Willie Horton (noon to 2 p.m.) and Mickey Lolich (2-4 p.m.).

For more information, call 591-5029.

PITCHERS CLINIC

Grand Slam U.S.A., an indoor baseball facility located on 42930 W. Ten Mile Road in Novi, will hold a pitchers evaluation clinic from 10 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 29.

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Slim

Salem routs Niles; King next opponent

By Dan O'Meara
staff writer

Sarah Ruete was a freshman the last time a Plymouth Salem girls basketball team reached the Class A semifinals.

"I was able to watch, but I sat on the bench," she said. "I'm playing in this one and it means a lot to me."

Ruete, now a senior co-captain, and the Rocks are among the Final Four again after trouncing previously undefeated Niles 51-38 in a quarterfinal game Wednesday at Jackson Lumen Christi High School.

It marks the first time since 1987 and third time in five years that Salem (22-3) has advanced to the semifinals. The Rocks are still looking for their first state title, however.

"As a senior, it's fantastic," said Ruete, who was a postseason addition to the varsity three years ago.

"As a freshman, I sort of achieved (the goal of being in the semis), but I wasn't with them through it all to help get them there. I've been a part of all the action this year, and I'll be ready to play my heart out."

THE ROCKS, who lost to Detroit Cass Tech in 1987, will play another Public School League team. This time it will be powerful Detroit Martin Luther King, led by Markita Aldridge, who was named Miss Basketball this week.

The semifinal game will be at 8 p.m. Friday in the Battle Creek Central High School gym, the winner going to the final at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Kellogg Center in Battle Creek.

"King is a great team, Markita Aldridge is a great player and we'll have to play a great game to be in the hunt for that victory," Salem coach Fred Thomann said. "We're going to suit it up and give it a go as best we can."

"We're really going to have to play as a team," Salem senior Betsy McAllister said. "We're just going to have to play incredible team defense."

The Rocks did both of those again Wednesday and looked quite impressive themselves in disposing of Niles (25-1).

The Vikings were totally frustrated by Salem's zone defense, which was largely responsible for forcing Niles into 22 turnovers.

"The key to the game is that we forced them a little farther away than they wanted to shoot, and we didn't give them many second shots," Thomann said.

THAT'S FOR sure. The Rocks seemed to get all of those as they dominated the boards and got the majority of the rebounds.

That is reflected in the number of shots attempted by each team. Salem took 78 shots and gave up just 40 to the Vikings.

"Every offensive rebound was theirs," Niles coach Jim Arnold said. "We weren't strong enough to block out and rebound with them."

"(Forty shots is) a tribute to their zone. We tried to overload and get the shot from the off wing, but we were very reluctant to shoot the ball. We just couldn't get an offensive rhythm we were comfortable with."

The score might have been more one-sided and the Rocks have taken command of the game sooner if they had shot better in the first half.

The Rocks were 10 of 39 in the first half and shot only 27 percent (21 of 76) for the game. Many of the misses occurred on the same possession as putbacks refused to go down.

"I was more disappointed than nervous," Thomann said. "We did a great job executing and worked so hard to get those shots."

SALEM ALSO was going toward the basket at the open end of the cavernous gym in the first half.

"Sometimes you don't finish as well without that depth perception," Thomann said. "We got great shots and put a lot of pressure on them, knowing we could get those shots. And we knew if we kept getting those shots, we were going to make some."

The Rocks did, too. Junior center Darice Miller and sophomore forward Yolanda Jackson scored 13 points apiece as Salem's inside players dominated. McAllister added nine points and Ruete eight.

"We kept shooting the ball and making great passes into the post," McAllister said. "If the shots had fallen in the first half, I don't think it would have been as close."

Allison Arnold, 5-foot-2 guard, had 13 points (including three second-half triples) to lead Niles. But the Rocks held leading scorer Timothea Clemmer to one field goal and six points before she left the game with a twisted ankle in last quarter.

After the Vikings got within 28-24, Salem, taking advantage of eight Niles turnovers in the third quarter, created a 37-24 gap on consecutive points by McAllister, Jackson (3), Giuliani and Miller. Niles had only seven shots at that quarter, due in part to its turnovers.

THE ROCKS got their lead to 43-29 early in the fourth quarter, and it was downhill from there. Salem made five turnovers in the first period but only four more until the game was decided.

Schrot family enjoys banner season

THE SCHROT FAMILY, which has its roots in Bloomfield Hills, had an outstanding opening weekend of the firearms deer season.

Hunting in Stephenson, in Menominee County near the Wisconsin border in the Upper Peninsula, brothers Tom, Steve, John and Mark tagged five deer between Nov. 13 and Nov. 17.

Tom, 39, who resides in Stevenson and works as a forester with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, bagged two bucks. On Nov. 13 he took a 140-pound four-point with his bow and on opening morning of the firearms season he took a 155-pound four-point. Steve, 38, a Bloomfield Hills resident, dropped a 180-pound typcal eight-point at 4 p.m. Nov. 17 from his blind in the middle of a stand of hardwoods. Mark, 33, of Bloomfield Hills, grunted in a doe on opening morning from his blind in a swamp while John, 40, of Birmingham, took a doe on Nov. 16 while still hunting on the edge of a field.

Troy residents Mike Willis and Jim Ferrett each hung up a buck on opening day.

Hunting near Escanaba, Willis shot a 130-pound five-point buck while Ferrett dropped a 120-pound spike horn. Both hunters were hunting in a hardwood forest.

IMPORTANT DATES AND EVENTS

- Nov. 30 — Firearm deer season ends.
- Dec. 1 — Archery deer season reopens statewide.
- Dec. 1 — Ruffed grouse season reopens in Zone III.
- Dec. 1 — Michigan Wildlife Habitat Foundation's "Habitat '90" will be held at the Harley Hotel in Lansing. The program will honor the winners of the Bengal Habitat Awards, including the Observer & Eccentric's nature writer Tim Nowicki. Featured speaker is Mike Ondik, renowned deer expert from State College, Pennsylvania. Tickets are \$30 each and available by calling (517) 882-3110.
- Dec. 5 — The Livonia-based Four Seasons Fishing Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. at the Maplewood Center in Garden City. The public is welcomed. Call Tony Brebler at 477-3816 for more information.
- Dec. 7 — Muzzleloading deer season begins in Zone I.
- Dec. 11 — Winter elk season begins in designated areas.
- Dec. 11 — Dedication ceremony commemorating the reintroduction of elk to the Pigeon River Country begins at 2 p.m. in Atlanta. The Michigan Outdoor Writers Association will erect a bronze plaque as an Outdoor Heritage Marker at a site on M-32.
- Dec. 14 — Muzzleloading deer season begins in Zones II and III.
- Dec. 16 — Winter elk season ends.
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The firearms deer season ends tomorrow for some 750,000 hunters. Certainly, more than the above mentioned area hunters were successful in their quest to tag a buck.

I'd like to hear from other successful hunters. I'll be taking phone calls from other successful hunters Monday evening, 6-10 p.m. Call me at our Birmingham office at 644-1101 if you, a friend or family member bagged a buck this year. I'll report all the success here in a future column.

Elk hunters who participated in the fall hunt should also give me a call.

IF YOU'RE NOT waiting for the second archery season or the muzzleloading season but still have the desire to explore the great outdoors you may want to head to one of the state's rivers and

test your angling ability against a fierce steelhead.

Reports from across the state reveal that steelhead success has been fair to good over the last couple weeks.

In the southwest corner of the state, anglers report good success with steelhead and walleye at St. Joe. Steelhead action is good on the Kalamazoo River and off the piers at Saugatuck. Boat anglers have also had success near shore at Holland in the top 20 feet in 70 to 80 feet of water.

Plugs and spoons have been productive for anglers on the Big Manistee while anglers using spoons and spawn have enjoyed some success on the Betsie and the Platte rivers.

Anglers report good to very good steelhead action around Thunder Bay and a fresh run of steelies recently moved into the AuSable River at Oscoda.

Further south, perch action is picking up around the thumb with fair to good reports coming in from Saginaw Bay, Quanacsee and Sebewainga.

A JUDGE IN Charlevoix County has sent a loud message to individuals who violate the Wetlands Protection Act — Don't do it!

• Nature's Christmas Decorations, an opportunity for participants to make Christmas ornaments from natural material, begins at 1 p.m. Sunday at Indian Springs.

• Full Moon Walk, a naturalist-led evening hike, begins at 7 p.m. Sunday at Stony Creek and Kensington.

• Animal Habitats, a naturalist-led walk in which participants will discover how and where animals live during the winter months, begins at 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9, at Kensington.

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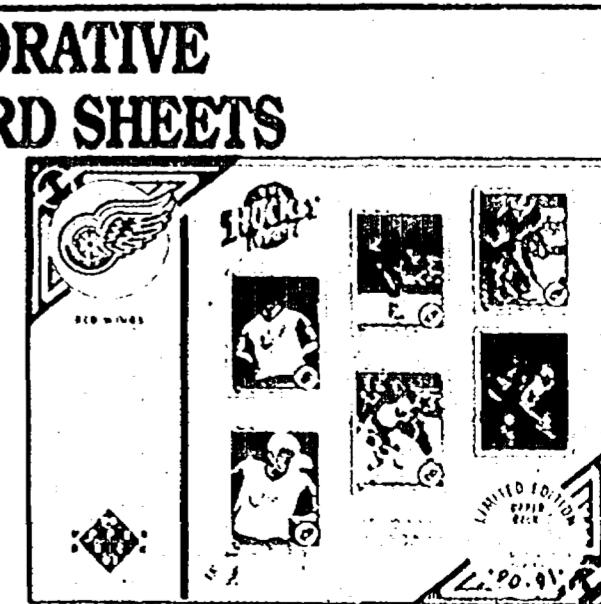
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Lousy planning doomed Ocelots at the NJCAA

THE SEASON'S over, sure. But the doubt remains, and likely will linger for some time.

After all, it had been 10 years since Schoolcraft College's men's soccer team had reached the National Junior College Athletic Association Tournament. If it takes another decade to again travel that distance, the memory of this trip will continue to eat away at those associated with it.

Ending the season with a pair of 3-0 losses in a national eight-team tournament could certainly be tolerated if the Ocelots had been defeated by superior forces. The question is — Were they?

It's a question without an answer.

Coach Van Dimitriou admitted after SC's loss to Lees McRae, which doomed his team to a last-place finish in the tournament, that his players could have been better prepared. Indeed, said Dimitriou, not much went right.

The blame for the problems — and he must be held accountable — is Dimitriou's.

HIS TEAM had the raw talent to make a run at the national title. The team that beat SC in its opener — Passaic County CC — made it to the NJCAA title game before losing.

Still, Passaic was beatable. This squad of mostly foreign players had more speed and an abundance of talent, to be sure. But a disciplined, low-pressure style could have been effective, even successful. The Passaic keeper, Orismon Ci-Juste, looked particularly vulnerable.

SC matched up well with Lees McRae, too. It's true the officiating cost the Ocelots in this match; they had to play with 10 men after losing Jerry Staszek to a red card in the first half.

Afterwards, Dimitriou recounted all the errors. The bus ride took too long, which resulted in no practices the two previous days before the Passaic match; the officiating was too lenient; the opposition had far more players with foreign experience than he anticipated.

Maybe so. But what it comes down to is a lack of preparation.

Dimitriou got no scouting report on the teams he would face. He said he thought he could make adjustments during the first few minutes of play.

NONSENSE. If he had taken the trouble to get some information on Passaic, he might have discovered its sweeper, Keith Thomlinson, played for the Jamaican national team. Thomlinson scored Passaic's

first goal; two others were in SC's net before the match was 30 minutes old. So much for on-the-field adjustments.

If properly prepared, SC would have expected any kind of officiating and adjusted to it. The Ocelots came in as the eighth seed in the tournament, so anticipating favorable breaks from the officials is ludicrous.

And there's no excuse for taking a full day to reach Trenton, N.J. SC left Tuesday afternoon and arrived at dusk on Wednesday; its first match was at 11 a.m. the following day. In the week prior to the tournament, the Ocelots scrimmaged Eastern Michigan Friday, took Saturday and Sunday off, and had a light practice Monday.

That's it. Any momentum they gained in their win over Lewis and Clark in the Inter-regional was lost.

By the end of the Lees McRae match, tempers were hot on the SC sideline, and much of the anger was directed at Dimitriou. Sweeper Dave Dingler, a talented player but a constant source of trouble, got a yellow card and was pulled out of the game.

COACH AND player argued, and when Dingler — whose temper earned him so many yellow cards during the season he shouldn't have been playing in the tournament at all — made a disparaging remark about Dimitriou's coaching, Dimitriou told him to find his own way home.

Dimitriou repeated the same threat to another player late in the match when his orders were disobeyed — play or find your own way home.

Such tactics won't breed harmony on any team. Emotions were certainly running high during the season's final moments, so was disappointment. But a coach shouldn't threaten players with abandonment 600 miles from home, whatever the problem.

(Dimitriou did reverse his position and offered to take Dingler home, but Dingler opted to ride back with another player's family.)

I'm certain some feel such actions needn't be reported. After all, most competitors are not going to take losing well. Arguments are commonplace under such frustrating circumstances. And Dimitriou also has been known to have a short fuse.

Still, his players' disgruntlement was well-founded. All athletes experience losing. They don't like it, but it happens. It's easier to handle when the athlete knows an all-out effort to win has been given.

Winning combination

Catholic League vets spur Holy Cross

By C.J. Risak
staff writer

It's really not that hard to build a championship football program. Just ask Mark Duffner, the coach at Holy Cross College in Worcester, Mass., who took a team that was 4-6-1 in 1985 and — in the next five seasons combined — posted a 49-5-1 mark.

Pretty impressive. And again, it wasn't all that difficult. Duffner was HC's defensive coach for four seasons before taking over the head post, following the death of coach Rick Carter. So his first step in transforming the Crusaders into a top-level squad was to make certain the defense was championship-caliber.

The step proved to be a short one. Duffner merely called Bob English, a solid recruiter in the Detroit area. And English went no further than Detroit's Catholic schools to find the type of defensive stalwarts Duffner wanted.

Stefan Stration, from Orchard Lake St. Mary's, together with Matt Fras (from West Bloomfield), Chris Kovath and Pete Dankert (Plymouth), all Redford Catholic Central graduates, were starters on a Holy Cross defense that yielded just 9.6 points per game this season, second in the NCAA Division 1AA.

OUTSTANDING, EH? This group might not agree, exactly. They aren't accustomed to finishing second in anything. Example: The Crusaders' record since Stration and Fras, both seniors, have been at HC is 39-4-1. For juniors Kovath and Dankert, the team's record is 28-4-1 in their tenure.

Example No. 2, supplied courtesy of Dankert: HC is clopping Brown 55-0 in the waning seconds. The Bears throw a desperation pass in the waning seconds and complete it to HC's 1-yard line. Trying to avoid the shutout, Brown attempts another pass, but it's deflected and Dankert — a middle guard — intercepts.

"We pride ourselves in our defense," said Fras. "It's the same as it was in high school, at CC."

Need more proof? Consider Stration. Two

college sports

weeks into the season, he's sidelined with mononucleosis. An ailment of this sort usually requires a couple of months to overcome. It also leaves one very weak.

STRATION, A SMALL defensive end to start with (6-foot, 220 pounds), missed only two games. And he didn't just return and go through the motions; he came back with a fury. He finished the season with 62 tackles, including a team-high 10 quarterback sacks.

"I was surprised I was able to come back so quickly," said Stration, who was an All-Patriot League first-team selection. "Luckily, I was able to get over it fast. I wanted to get back as quick as I could. I didn't want to miss my senior season."

Quick — that's the best word to use in describing HC's defense. Size certainly is secondary. Dankert anchors the defensive line, but is just 6-1, 225. Fras, another defensive end, is only 6-1, 215.

"They run very well," said Duffner. "Speed has always been a factor for us (in recruiting). We're looking for people who can run."

Which is what Kovath does exceptionally well. An all-state running back at CC, Kovath (6-0, 180), a cornerback, was everywhere for HC this season.

"HE FLIES," said Duffner. "He's a physical, physical player. We just can't keep him away from the ball."

"He plays hard on every play. And he's a great practice player. He plays every play like it's his last."

Kovath's statistics provide all the proof needed. Cornerbacks are usually low on the defensive charts in tackles because they're so far outside they can't get in on many plays. Not Kovath; he was second on the team in tackles with 113. He also led the Crusaders with five interceptions and

seven pass breakups, all reasons why he was an all-Patriot second-team pick.

Then again, Kovath's sideline-to-sideline, kamikaze style is common among HC defenders. As Duffner said about his Catholic League stars, "All four have been just super. (Stration) runs like crazy and is physical as heck."

"Dankert is very, very quick. He's hard to block, he stays on his feet well. Matt Fras, too. I'm sorry to see our seniors, Stration and Fras, going. We're going to miss them."

"But I'm sure happy we'll have Kovath and Dankert back."

BOTH FRAS and Stration are sorry to go, too. Both were recruited heavily by Mid-American Conference teams but ended up at HC for the same reasons: academics, the coaches and ties with other HC players from Detroit.

Stration was friends with Andy Martin, another LSM grad who was a Crusader team captain; Fras knew Chris Sullivan, a former Birmingham Brother Rice quarterback.

Neither had any regrets regarding their choice of college — well, almost no regrets. The Patriot League does not allow conference members to participate in the NCAA 1AA football playoffs because it would interfere with semester finals.

"It did at first (bother me)," admitted Fras, a second-team choice in both the Patriot League and the Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference (a group of 31 schools). Fras was second among the Crusaders in sacks (nine) and tackles for loss (six); he had 104 tackles and caused two fumbles.

"Knowing we were better than a lot of teams in the playoffs . . . yeah, it bothered me at first. I would like to have proved ourselves against some of the better teams."

Stration agreed. "You do regret it," he said. "You think about it, but overall coming here has worked out well."

"I've had some great success. It's been great."

Fras described his four years as a Crusader simply: "I enjoy the success. It's fun to win."

And that's a lesson all four players have learned well.

Poor-shooting Ocelots prevail anyway

Well, at least Schoolcraft College men's basketball coach Dave Bogataj can admire his team's perseverance, if not their accuracy.

The Ocelots did a lot of things right Tuesday against Spring Arbor's junior varsity, which made up for a second-straight poor shooting performance as SC prevailed 85-80 in Spring Arbor.

"We had a Thanksgiving lull," said Bogataj, whose team a night earlier lost for the first time this season, 85-73 to Albion's JV. "As a team, we're not playing well right now. The ball's just not going in for us."

In the win over Spring Arbor's JV, SC hit just 30-of-90 from the floor (33 percent). The Ocelots won with rebounding (49-46), balance (four players in double-figures in scoring) and determination.

"WE KEPT answering all the calls," said Bogataj. Indeed, Spring Arbor — which was tied with SC 43-43 at the half — could never establish much of a lead in the second half. The game was tied for the final time at 72-all; after that, the Ocelots pulled away.

Lynell Collins ignited the win with an exceptional all-around performance. Collins had 22 points, 11 re-

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bounds and seven assists. Kwesi McGill and Randy Watters — Watters, still hampered by a hyperextended knee, played just 20 minutes — got 16 points apiece and Barry Quayle had 12 points and 10 boards.

Spring Arbor's JV was paced by Bob Kelly's 17 points.

The win improved SC's mark to 4-1, which made Bogataj's dissatisfaction

with his team's play more tolerable. "We have eight freshmen playing, so their going to have their ups and downs," he said. "And the kids keep playing so hard."

IN THE LOSS at Albion Monday, the Ocelots went up against a defense that challenged their shooting ability — and lost. SC connected on just 29-of-76 floor shots (38.2 percent) against the Britons' zone; Albion hit 60 percent from the field.

The shooting discrepancy nullified the Ocelots' work on the boards; they outrebounded the Brits 48-39.

"(Albion) did what they had to do," said Bogataj. "They dictated the pace."

Not at first, however. SC led by five after five minutes, but some defensive adjustments by Albion turned the tide quickly. By halftime, the Ocelots trailed 41-34. Twenty-six turnovers and just 10-of-15 free throw shooting (68.7 percent) did not aid SC's cause.

Mitch Fyke, paced the Ocelot scorers with 19 points. Watters was the only other player for SC to reach double-figures: He had 16. Dave Hamilton finished with five points and a team-high eight boards. Gary Parker's 19 points was best for Albion's JV.

SC is idle until Monday, when it hosts Adrian's JV.

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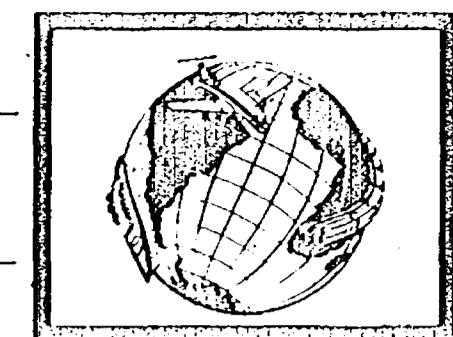
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What's what in skiing

When it comes to skiing, I've flopped on every bunny slope I've ever climbed.

So when I get a letter asking for ski advice, I run for the experts. Sandy Jones of Howell wants to know about cross country skiing. What's the status? Where should we go? Wendy Schwartz of Birmingham wrote for information on local ski clubs, which Ingrid Tomey has covered on this page. She also wants to know about resorts that cater to families, allow kids free in the room or have special rates.

I asked Dick Held, vice president of Bavarian Village ski shops, whether our recent lack of Detroit-area snow adversely affects cross country skiing. "It has to have some effect, because the snow isn't sitting there in your back yard, but people are willing to travel for the pleasure of the trails."

"There are 15 resorts in the Northern Michigan Nordic Ski Council and that they all offer groomed trails, trail maps and other amenities. It's an inexpensive sport. We can put you on skis with bindings and poles for \$99."

Josh Lohmann, Metropolitan Detroit Ski Club president, did Nordic (another name for cross country), downhill and ski jumping when he lived Germany. Nordic was strong here in the mid-1970s, then it flattened out. Last year it picked up again because of a few good racers in the Olympics.

The Boyne saw an increase last year. American Youth Hostel (AYH) does a lot of cross country for people of all ages. They stay in hostels or small hotels. Some upscale resorts are really into it as well.

Families? Josh Lohmann: "Families with young children often go to the mountains around Detroit. Experienced skiers may go there during the week and often go north on weekends. Families like Boyne Highlands and Nubbs Knob. Boyne Mountain is mostly a younger crowd, including singles and racers. A lot of groups go to Schuss/Shanty Creek."

Call the MDSC Hotline at (313) 593-1188 for a guide.

Lou Oles, who is the editor of the Metropolitan Detroit Ski Clubs guide, and their magazine, Mountain Crier, tells me that rising ski prices have stopped some skiers from skiing in Michigan.

"It's almost as (expensive) to ski in Michigan as it is to go west. Lift ticket prices are the same. Not many people go to the UP from here because by the time you drive so far, you can drive a good part of the distance to the west."

Lou says that western resorts have been wooing kids for a long time, and many Michigan resorts now do the same with family programs.

Young and old ski. Bob Hengel, a General Motors retiree, skis Alpine Valley every single weekday morning in season. "They're all suicide hills on weekends so I stay home. I let those who pay my retirement pension ski Saturday and Sunday."

Hengel is a member of the Seven-Plus Ski Club, an international ski organization out of New York. Anybody over aged 70 can join and once you're in you're a member for life!

Here is what some of your other neighbors say about skiing:

Bill Heinz, Milford: "The best thing about skiing? Nobody keeps score." Heinz is a "paramedic of the slopes," a member of the National Ski Patrol.

Mark Bill, Northville: "The only reason I really have a job is so that I can afford to ski." Bill likes hell-skating, because "you ski untouched snow." And he likes racing because "it's the single fastest way to improve your skiing."

Bill says, "We actually have people that belong to the clubs that go on trips but don't ski. It's still a bargain."

Ginnie Uhley, Orchard Lake: "My son skied for the first time last year. He really liked the chairlift because it's so high. He's 2 years old."



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High flying

Ski? Well, they might not be for wimps, but for real excitement Pat Schutte prefers to tackle the slopes on a snowboard. These winter contraptions offer the thrills of surfing

and skateboarding, as Schutte experiences here doing a halfpipe at Mt. Brighton. For more on Schutte and the not-so-gentle art of snowboarding, see story on Page 9D.

It's time to wax up the skis, scan the sky for snow, maybe join a ski club and get ready to

Hit the slopes

By Ingrid Tomey, West Bloomfield

So you're tired of roasting chestnuts on an open fire, bored with sitting around watching the white stuff through plate glass? You're ready for something more bracing? Strap on the old K 2's, pull on your bibs and let's go ski!

But what if you don't know a K 2 from a 2 by 4? What if you think a bib is something to catch strained applesauce on? What if you've never skied before? What if you don't even want to ski? The answer, according to seasoned skiers Josh Lohmann, Rick Adomitis and thousands of other metro Detroiters is to join a ski club.

Lohmann and Adomitis are president and vice-president of Metropolitan Detroit Ski Council (MDSC), an organization of 38 local ski clubs with a combined membership of 10,000. Lohmann says that members use the slopes at nearby mountains, in northern Michigan and sometimes out west and in Europe.

"Ski clubs offer something for everyone from the never-skied-before to the advanced racer," says Adomitis. "You get a bunch of people together with a common interest and you go on a ski weekend. You ski with people of your same ability, you save money and you know it will be a good time. Even if you don't ski at all you can have a good time."

Adomitis should know about ski clubs. Besides his affiliation with MDSC, he belongs to local clubs — Livonia Ski Club, and Detroit Edison (where his wife is president), as well

as the Toledo Ski Club. His 13-year-old son also belongs to the Hurricane Race Team at Alpine Valley. Adomitis is about to join a fourth club — G.M., one of the larger clubs with a membership of 800. "I want to be able to choose from all the activities, from everything they have to offer."

One of the things ski clubs have to offer is lessons. According to Adomitis, almost every one of the metro ski clubs offers weekend clinics which include lessons for every level of skier. "My son Noel races in the central division of USSA but he started skiing at age 4 and learned to ski with the Livonia Ski Club at Mt. Brighton. The Ski Club offers lessons on everything from using the lift for the first time to downhill racing."

One of the largest ski clubs is the Ford Thunderbirds, based in Westland with a membership of 1,700. The T-Birds, as they are known, not only offer a number of ski clinics, they also have their own ski school with 96 instructors teaching every Monday night at Mt. Brighton.

Mark Bill of Northville is a member of the Thunderbirds and a certified PSIA (Professional Ski Instructor of America) instructor.

"It makes a big difference how you learn the information," Bill emphasizes. "The equipment has changed a lot over the years and so has the approach to teaching. You want to start with where they're at, advance their skill at the rate they want to learn."

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'Rusty' ski patroller shines in races

By Ingrid Tomey

Ginnie Uhley is not what you'd call a fun skier. She's too busy patrolling the hills at Alpine Valley looking for injured skiers. And when she's not doing that, she is pursuing her real passion — racing.

Uhley, of Orchard Lake, is not only a member of the National Ski Patrol, the lifeguards of the slopes, but she is also a member of the only strictly racing club in local Detroit — a squad with the unlikely name of Team Rust.

Team Rust was started some years ago by Ski Patrol members who wanted to race. It

was named after their rust-colored parkas," Uhley explains.

Like many of the 40 members of Team Rust, Uhley serves in Ski Patrol as well, which leaves her little time for recreational skiing. And there are no hot tub parties in Team Rust, no après-ski carousing. But that's OK with Uhley. "I like racing because it fine-tunes your skiing ability. I think a lot of people who have skied for awhile turn to racing."

Apparently, according to Uhley, who is also membership director for the Alpine Competition Committee (the racing arm of Metro De-

troit Ski Council), 450 people turn out for the series of four race weekends held every year at Boyne Mountain. They come from some of the bigger clubs like the Ford Thunderbirds whose serious contingent of racers took national honors in 1988 and 1989 at the United States Ski Association ski week in Vail.

GM, while a smaller club has a larger racing team which took top honors in the 1990 Miller Lite NASTAR Club Grand Prix competition in Aspen. At least a dozen of the smaller clubs have race teams as well.

While the national competitions are generally held out west, most of the racing, accord-

ing to Uhley, is done right in Michigan and by all levels of skiers.

"At the Boyne Mountain weekends, the racing is geared for all abilities. There are Elites, who are at the top in ability. These are usually people who skied in high school and college. Then there are other categories all the way down to D Level, which is for beginning skiers. The level D course is set up to be challenging but so that the skier can just possibly make it through."

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Ski Patrol: helping hands in the snow

By Ingrid Tomey

Back in 1936, when U.S. skiing consisted of an hour or two of huffing and puffing up a big hill for a few minutes of downhill thrills, a skier by the name of Minnie Dole was on his way down when he fell and snapped his ankle bone. A friend stayed with him on the cold, Vermont slope while their wives skied for help.

The first person they encountered was a local farmer who said that anyone stupid enough to ski deserved Minnie's fate. The women finally located two people who helped haul Minnie off the mountain on a piece of corrugated tin roofing.

This small, inauspicious rescue led Minnie Dole into the business of organizing the National Ski Patrol System, now, 52 years later, the largest winter rescue organization in the world. With 25,000 ski patrollers in the United States and Europe, their traditional rusty parkas have become a common sight at even the smallest ski areas. But unless you've had the misfortune to have fractured an ankle or

skied into a tree, you may just take these lifesavers of the slopes for granted.

"Most people don't realize what an intensive training program we go through to qualify," says Bill Heinz of Milford, who joined Ski Patrol in 1969. "Back then I couldn't afford to ski and have my family ski so I looked at Ski Patrol as a way to pay my way and also do a service. It turned out it would have been much easier to buy season passes for all of us."

According to Heinz, the patroller's main responsibility is to care for injured skiers. "We administer first aid, take the wounded to the Ski Patrol room (all ski areas have a designated Ski Patrol shelter), and if necessary send them on to the hospital."

Thus, a critical portion of NSPS training is a 60-hour Winter Emergency Care program which covers anatomy, bandaging, shock treatment, splinting, frostbite and even bee



Kid stuff

Skiing can be a perfect family affair. While the adults make tracks down the slopes, many ski resorts offer races and courses just for the kids. And some offer lessons, such as this group of youngsters are receiving, at Nub's Knob Ski Resort.

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Ski patroller has a passion for competing

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What the skiers are "making it through" are slalom courses with gates (poles) set up in a zigzag course down the hill which skiers have to make turns around. Of the regular slalom, which has many more gates, Uhley says, "you want to go as fast as possible but you're constantly putting the brakes on to turn."

The other course is the giant slalom with fewer gates set wider apart on the hill. "In the GS the skier builds up more speed because there aren't so many gates but he cuts a wider zigzag."

Uhley not only participates in the Boyne Mountain race weekends, but she also practices during the week at Pine Knob, Pine Knob and Mt. Holly.

ski areas are owned by another Team Rust member, Joe Kosik, Jr.

And over Christmas she participates in two three-day racing camps at Alpine Valley, which are run by Bobbie Vial, who runs ski camps all over the country. Describing the camp, Uhley says, "You run gates, they make videos of you and you get a lot of coaching. It really helps me for the season, gives me things to work on."

When she's not racing or training or ski patrolling, Uhley keeps in shape by running and aerobics. If all this sounds like a lot of work, consider that Uhley also teaches nutrition at Wayne State and has a 2-year-old son. But regardless of her busy schedule she's not about to give up racing. "It's great," she says. "It makes skiing more challenging."



Other forms of fun

Not everyone likes to ski, and most resorts are accommodating, offering snowboarding courses and snowmobile trails. It's

good to check out your route before setting out, as this family does at Caberfae Ski Resort.

Ski clubs add to the fun when you hit the slopes

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"You make games up, get students having fun. We have a lot of engineers in this club (originally started by Ford employees, membership in the Thunderbirds and in all the clubs is now open to everyone) and you try to teach them to ski, they want to analyze it."

"So we have them do something absurd, like make the steepest turn they can. They fall — literally — out of their engineering mode and begin to have a good time."

Besides the ski school, the Thunderbirds offer a Beginner's Weekend every January up at the Schuss/Shanty Creek resort in Bellaire, with more than 600 members participating. The three-day package includes lodging, lift tickets, dinner, two breakfasts and several parties as well as lessons for between \$185 and \$215 (depending on accommodations).

According to Bill, this is the ideal initiation. "We get a bunch of people started on the slopes early in the season up north and if they like what they learn, they can join our weekly lessons at Mt. Brighton."

Other weekend offerings include trips to Boyne Mountain, including an end-of-the-season St. Patty's Day Carnival, which includes condo lodg-

ing, lift tickets, dinner, breakfasts and "parties, parties, parties!" for between \$160 and \$180.

With well-priced ski weekends, ski weeks, and ski nights offered by one club or another almost every day of the winter season there is the opportunity to try slopes in every area of the state, as well as out west, out east and as far away as New Zealand. For the Thunderbirds, this was the destination of their most memorable trip of the year, which they made in August.

New Zealand has a very rugged terrain," recalls Bill. "There were no gondolas to take you up the mountain, just a little bus creeping up these winding switchback roads with no guard rails. You ski at the very top — about 300 feet of vertical footage. But it's not crowded. They might have 600 to 1,000 skiers in a day. Compare that to Vail with 40,000 in one day."

Besides the lack of crowds, the cost of the trip was another enticement. Our \$1,800 included round-trip air fare, several days in Honolulu, hotels, plus two weeks of touring in New Zealand and extras like white water rafting and bungee jumping off a 143-foot high bridge in Action, New Zealand. "It was absolutely the most incredible experience ever," says Bill.

In addition to skiing around the globe, the Thunderbirds offer a smorgasbord of non-skiing activities throughout the year — golf outings, ball games, canoe trips, racquetball and parties every month. It is enough to attract a number of non-skiers who just want to get in on the fun.

"I really hate winter sports," says Ann Winslow, a divorced woman in her 50s. "I tried the Beginners Weekend and fell all over the place. But I like the people in Thunderbirds so much. They have picnics in the summer and boating trips. And in the fall there's a square dance and hayride. There's just so much to do."

Smaller than the Thunderbirds, but no less enthusiastic, is the G.M. Club with about 800 members, mostly in Oakland County. Marilyn Green, a retired schoolteacher from Bloomfield Hills stresses that "we're open to anyone who shares our interests. You don't have to be a skier to enjoy the benefits." G.M. has a higher percentage of singles than some of the other clubs, which has earned it a reputation for having a good time.

"We throw the best parties of anyone," says Green, "and they're open to any club in MDSC. So are all of our trips." Like the Thunderbirds, G.M. has a very full calendar with

subsidized lessons at Pine Knob in January and February and three weekend clinics at Schuss/Shanty Creek.

The clinics include lodging, breakfasts, lift tickets, cross country skiing, eight hours of instruction and a Saturday night banquet and Warren Miller (the crazy guy who skis off cliffs) party, a live band, free beer and wine, door prizes, pool and hot tub.

"Those hot tubs turn into great parties," says Green. All this for a mere \$160, double occupancy and even less, \$130, for foursomes. Green stresses that children are welcome to join the weekend clinics at a reduced price.

G.M. also offers plenty of far-flung skiing opportunities — Blue Mountain in Ontario; Jackson Hole, Wyo.; Keystone, Colo.; Sun Valley, Idaho and Courmayeur, Italy. Green, an avid skier, plans her winter schedule around the ski trips.

"I'm not going to Keystone this year. My first trip will be to Shanty Creek, then Jackson Hole. I may go to Shanty in February and then, of course, to Italy. And then, Sun Valley in April. Well, I might take a FAM trip too." (That's a freebie offered by different ski resorts to ski club members to familiarize them with the facilities.) Green adds wistfully,

"This will be the first time I've missed Aspen in years."

Such passion for skiing is typical of ski club members and often infects entire families. Like Livonia's Mario and Joyce Galindo and their Children, Brian, 13 and Andrea, 10. They are four of the 150 members of the Livonia Ski Club and, in spite of the expense, they ski as much as they can.

"The club does a family ski trip every year. This year it's at The Homestead. It's so special because they have special races just for the kids — one race just for fun and then a wide, slalom course. We time the kids and make videos to show them later. There's an awards night and every kid that participates gets a trophy."

The Galindos joined the Livonia Ski Club seven years ago and Brian and Andrea Galindo have been skiing since they were 6 and 3. "My husband grew up skiing in Bolivia," says Joyce, "and he said if we were going to ski we should join a club. We wouldn't ski at all as a family if it weren't for the ski club."

Though all of the larger clubs welcome children and offer special discounts for families, some of the smaller clubs are more specific about their membership. Somerset Singles, for example is open to single

skiers over the age of 21.

Up until recently, any skier that married had to leave the club, but because of so many weddings within the club membership they decided to change the by-laws. A younger club with a reputation for après-ski parties is the Skiwls with an age range of 25-35. There are also the Ski Prix, Skinks, Ski Jets, Ski Dinks and a couple dozen others in metro Detroit.

With so many clubs offering so much skiing, not to mention tobogganing, partying, traveling, dancing and hot tubbing, what's your excuse for sitting in front of the TV, sipping hot chocolate all winter?

For more information about the Metropolitan Detroit Ski Council, and their member clubs, call the MDSC Hotline (313) 593-1188 and ask for their 1990-1991 Ski Club Guide, how to find the club nearest you, etc. The Guide lists the MDSC Social Calendar, businesses that are registered with the Council, and club trips.

Sample MDSC trips open to all club members include a Dec. 7-9 instructional weekend and a Jan. 12-13 Race Weekend and a March 15-17 Spring Carnival, all at Boyne Mountain; a Mid Winter Frolic Jan. 25-27 at Schuss Mountain/Shanty Creek and other events.

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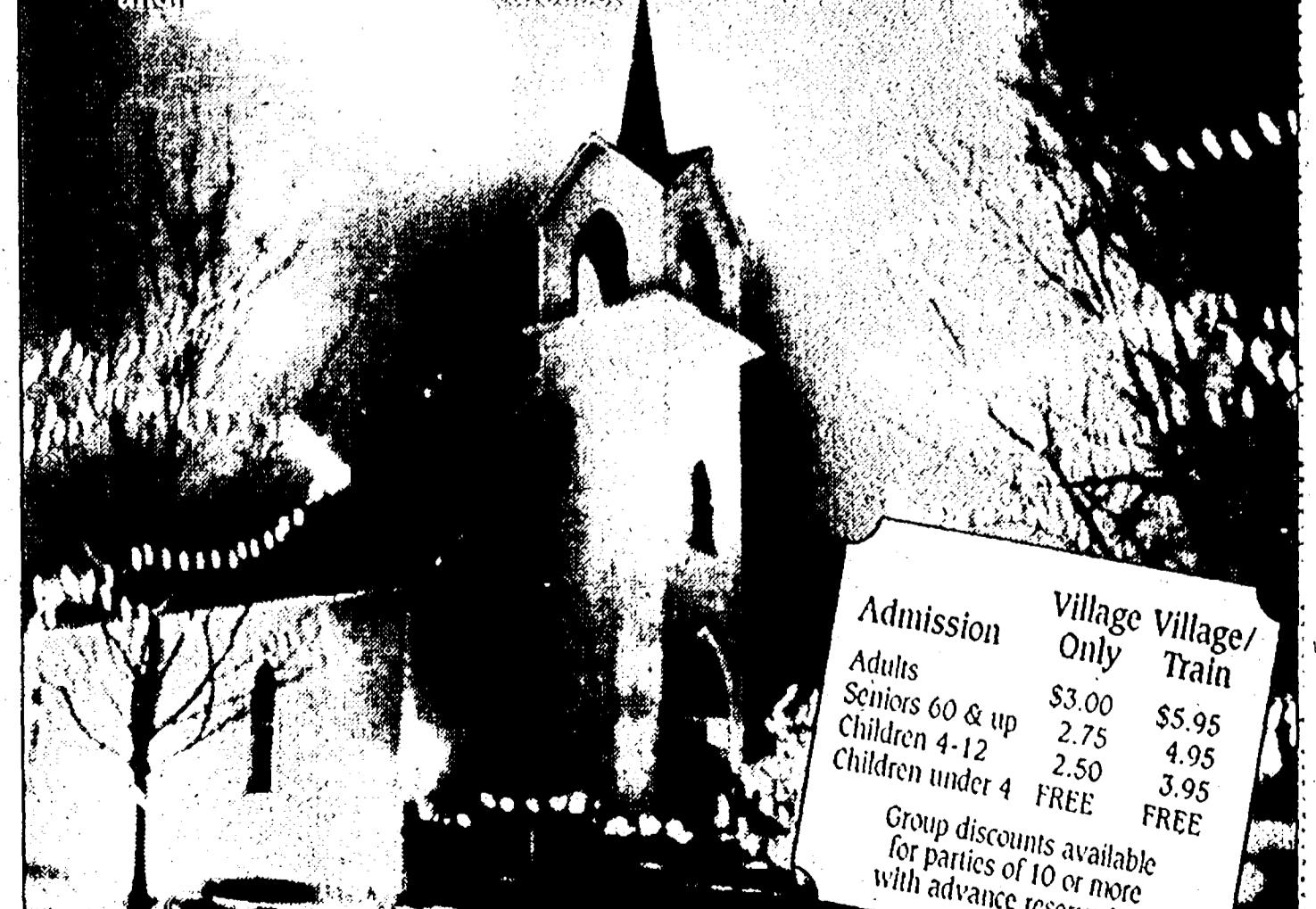
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Snowboarders surf the slopes

By Pat Schutte
Staff writer

Pat Schutte, who coordinates the snowboard school at Mt. Brighton Ski Area, grew up as one of those street wizards who could take a small board with rollers on the bottom and skateboard like a champion. He moved naturally to snowboarding, so his life on the slopes parallels the history of this growing winter sport.

It all started out as a picture in a magazine. There was this shot of a guy carving a turn through some deep snow on a surfboard-like plaything. It was just one picture, but it was to foreshadow something that has taken Michigan winters by storm.

The picture, published in the winter of 1978 in the now defunct Skateboarder magazine, inspired alternative-thrill enthusiasts from Detroit to the U.P.

I was one of those enthusiasts.

Snowboarding in the 1990s is an accepted mega-million dollar sport. Virtually all of the ski areas now accommodate snowboarders by building special ditch-like runs called "halfpipes" and allowing snowboarders to ride the chairlifts with the skiers. Technology, adapted from the ski industry, permits snowboarders to travel as fast as skiers, and with proper instruction, with just as much control.

In Michigan, snowboarders have only six to seven months of good snowboarding weather, so they have taken to snowboarding with enthusiasm.

David Seelbinder, 27 of Ortonville, has snowboarded since the late

1970s and is now a snowboarding instructor at Alpine Valley in Milford. Also a skier, Seelbinder compares the two sports.

"With snowboarding you're always hitting lumps, bumps, and jumps, flying around and having a blast. It's like surfing in the snow," he said. "Skiing is up and down and old."

Ben Knaak, 18, of Brighton is also a skier-turned-snowboarder with a skateboard background. He finds the sport of snowboarding to be much more wide open than skiing.

"I found that with skiing I couldn't go the distance that I wanted to, probably because I wasn't that good," said Knaak, a top area snowboard competitor. "I tried snowboarding and found that it was the sport for me. Skiing was limiting ... you had to go out West to get the full effect. With snowboarding you can have a blast in your own backyard."

Twelve years ago we didn't have the luxuries that riders have today. Wherever you wanted to ride, you had to hike to get there. Ski areas would have nothing to do with snowboards back then. And the boards we rode would crack up a Third World boarder today.

My first board was a Snurfer (a wooden, water-ski-like contraption that in its very rudimentary form was the grandfather of the snowboard) with a skateboard deck, minus the wheels, mounted on top. The bindings consisted of rubber garbage can straps or bent metal hooks with athletic tape for padding.

If we were dropping down a steep, gravel-faced gorge in a sand pit during the summer, we wore tennis

shoes. If we climbed through deep snow to "catch a ride," we wore two pairs of socks with our tennis shoes.

The first board you could actually purchase back then was a snappy, pressed yellow plastic version of the skateboard we had so cheaply, and crudely modified. We had to dish out a whole 60 bucks at Don Thomas Sporthaus in Birmingham for this board. But once you had one, you could hang out with the area's top riders.

In Michigan, snowboarding took a dive when skateboarding suffered its first death in the early 1980s. Many of the original riders had gone off to college, left the state to find work, or headed to Colorado to ski. It was as if someone had pushed the pause button on Michigan snowboarding. And though it laid dormant for a couple of years, everyone who knew the thrill first hand also knew that snowboarding would become the popular sport that it is today.

Snowboarding has given the ski industry a shot of adrenaline. For the first time in the history of skiing in North America, ski areas allow a new recreational tool on their runs. Sleds, toboggans, inner tubes, rolled up sheets of plastic. You can name a bunch of snow gadgets, but none of them have been allowed at ski areas other than in special events.

"Snowboarding has created more excitement and enthusiasm due to the difference of the sport," said Joe Bruhn, general manager of Mt. Brighton ski area in Brighton. "We promote snowboarding as if it were just another aspect of skiing. We rent boards, provide instruction, and appreciate the people who come to Mt. Brighton to snowboard."

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Snowboards have also taken a firm hold on the retail skiing business. "We see the people who came in here in the 1970s and '80s to purchase skateboard equipment and they now to try out snowboarding," said Bob Thomas, manager of Don Thomas Sporthaus in Birmingham, the store which played the lead role in introducing skateboarding and snowboarding to Michigan.

"Snowboarding's very popular with the 10-24 year olds, but we're also starting to see quite a few adventurous upper 20s and 30 year olds giving it a wing."

Bill Parent of Sun and Snow sports in Ann Arbor has been in the snowboard market for several years and is confident that snowboarding has made a niche for itself in the ski industry.

"Over the last several years we've gradually increased the lines of snowboards we carry and are confident that this sport will maintain its popularity for many years to come," he said.

Some skiers view snowboarders as a nuisance, but most tolerate them. Some look to the snowboard with curiosity. For these skiers, the snowboard has opened up a whole new toy box in a state that produces some of the nation's greatest skiers on some of the nation's smallest hills.

One skier who is in the process of picking up the sport of snowboarding is Scott Hoag, 30, of Novi. Hoag, a part-time ski instructor at Mt. Brighton, says that snowboarding has brought some added excitement to Detroit area hills.

"In this particular part of Michigan the terrain is not typically challenging to an advanced skier," he said. "Snowboarding has introduced a different aspect so the local terrain can now be considered challenging."

K2 ski and snowboard representative Greg Stebbins of Petoskey agrees. "It makes even the most gradual run exciting."

Snowboarders might have started as skiers, transplanted surfers or windsurfers, but most have some kind of skateboarding background. In coastal states, where skateboarding began, skateboarders can surf when they're not skateboarding.



Party time

After a morning of risking their necks on the slopes, many skiers like to take a break. In fact, ski parties are so popular that many people who don't even ski love the lodges. And whatever you prefer, fancy dress or puffy parkas, there is something for all tastes. This group of happy downhillers found their thrills at the Winter Carnival at Boyne Mountain.

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Nature recycles waste material

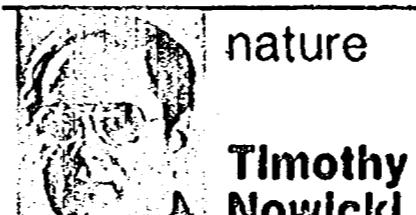
A student recently asked me the life span of some species of birds. She was surprised, as most people are, that small birds like chickadees average only one to two years. Banding birds have been recorded as old as 10 years, but that is not the norm. Slightly larger birds like robins live a couple of years longer.

The next question was, if wild animals have such a short life span, why don't we find more dead animals around? This is a very good question and allows us to think about the small, forgotten animals that answer this question.

If the natural world did not have the decomposers, as they are called, we would be up to our armpits in waste and dead bodies. Several different kinds of animals help to prevent this.

First, most wild animals are eaten by other animals as food. The atoms and elements from one body are recycled into the predator. What little may be left of the prey animal will be decomposed by bacteria or insects.

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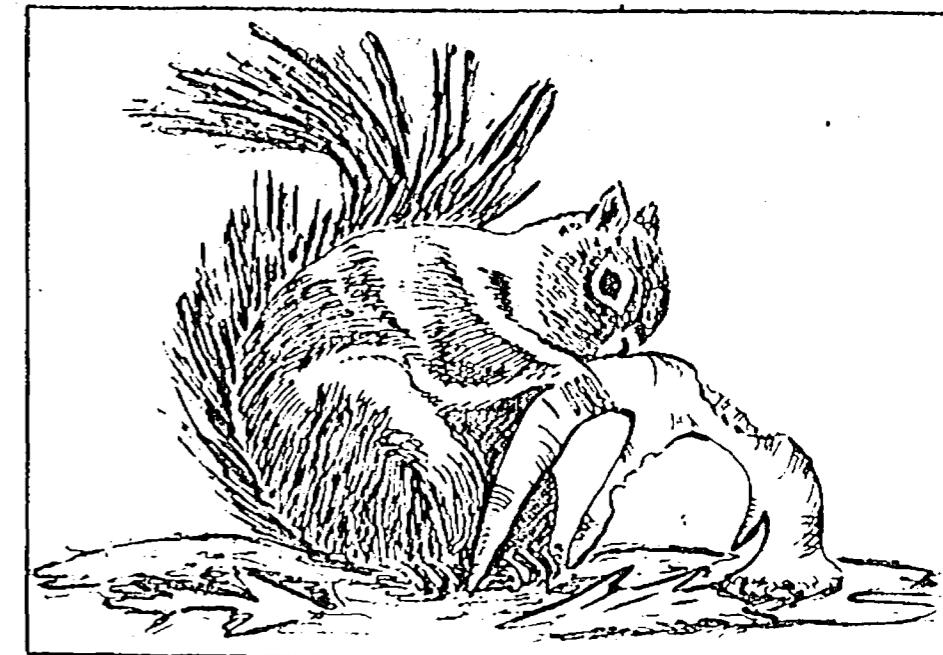


nature
Timothy Nowicki

It is buried by dung beetles. Dung beetles use it as a place in which to lay their eggs. Larva feed on the remaining foodstuffs while protected underground from many predators.

Bodies of animals that may die of old age may be buried by carrion beetles. They undermine the carcass and bury the body so it is protected from other scavengers. I happened to see a common carrion beetle on the trail just the other day.

Ants, beetles, flies, bacteria, fungi and scavengers such as shrews, crows, skunk, opossum and raccoon are all part of nature's clean-up crew. If they were not around, I suspect that there would be many more diseases. Their impact can be seen in



TIM NOWICKI/illustration

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Because they are small, though entirely quite numerous, decomposers go unnoticed, except for their noticeable effects.

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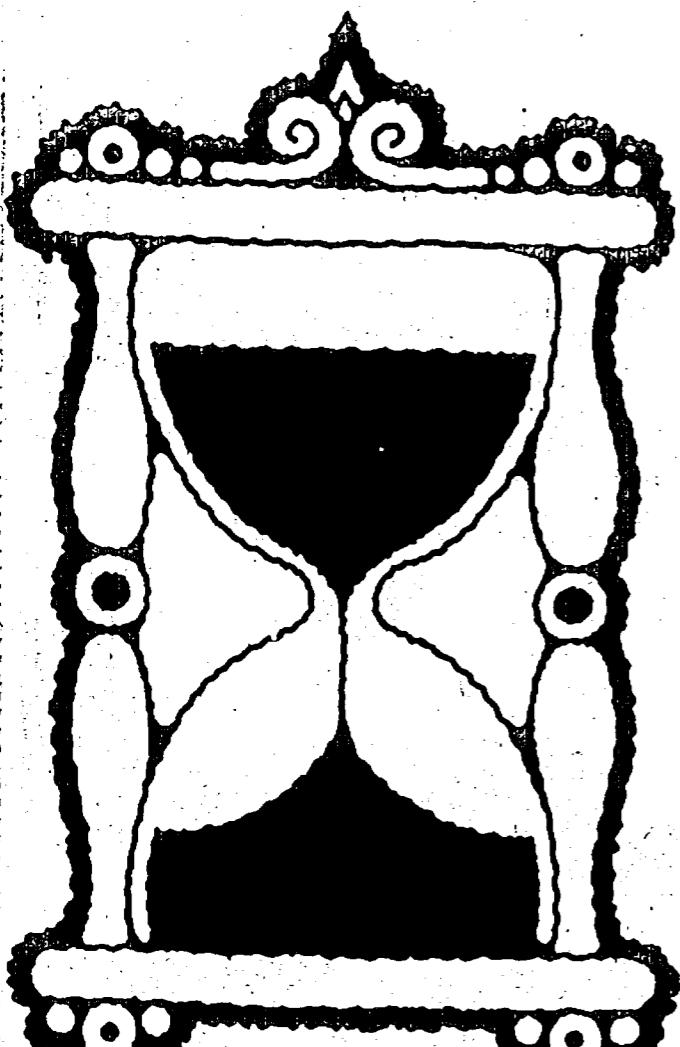
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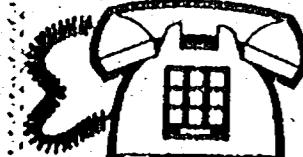
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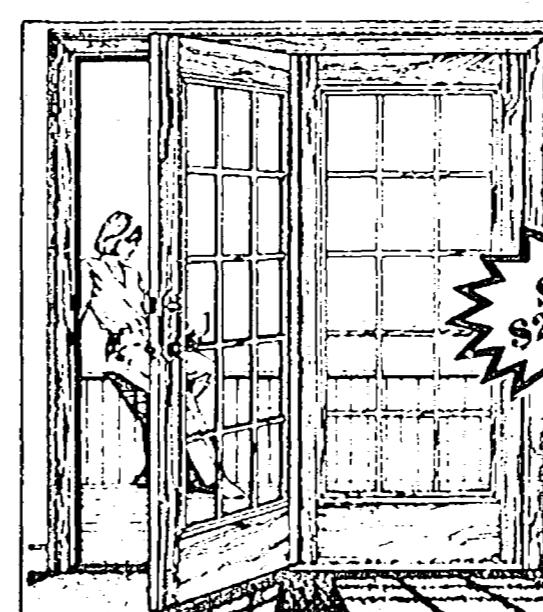
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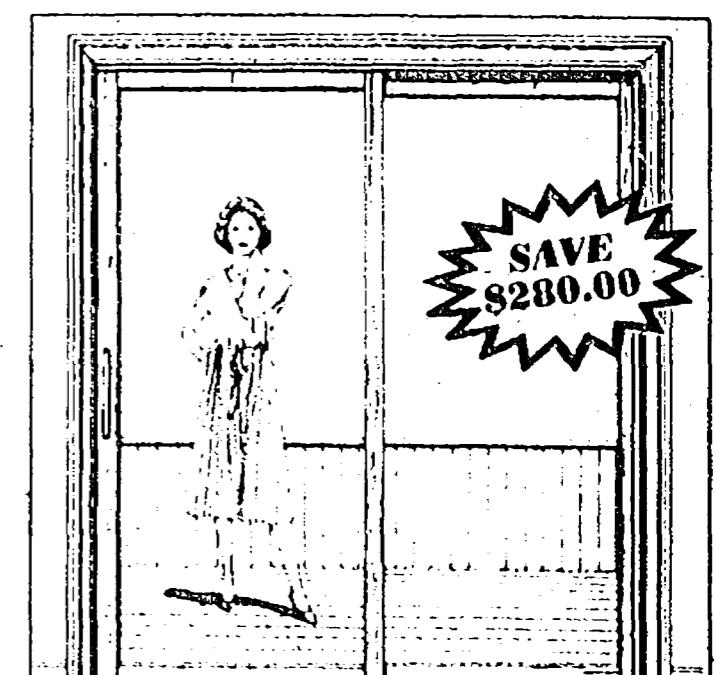
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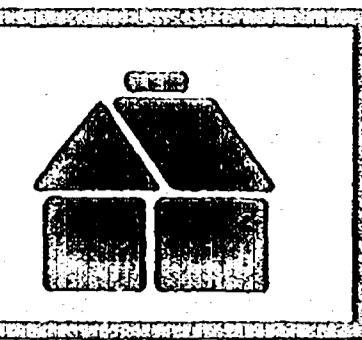


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Engineer-artist enjoys graphite portraits

By Linda Ann Chomin
special writer

THOMAS DYER uses graphite pencils to portray people who are lost in thought, inquisitive or just plain delighted with the wonders of nature.

His lively depictions capture the subject's emotion, and touch the viewer with their sensitivity.

Dyer's one-man exhibition of the graphite portraits opened Nov. 16 at Nelson's Gallery in Livonia. The heart-touching show continues through Dec. 31.

Dyer began drawing the portraits 3½ years ago in Florida, after working full days as a design engineer for Martin Marietta at Orlando Aerospace.

"They're drawn mostly from photographs," Dyer said. "I take three or four photographs then combine a conglomeration of ideas."

Dyer estimates that he spends 20 to 30 hours on a drawing. Because he can only work at night, he said, "It takes a week or two to finish a drawing."

Dyer, who "never had a drawing class," said with the completion of every drawing, he becomes "more confident."

HIS WORK is free of commercialism. He believes "by not worrying about (selling) them, the more people enjoy them."

"Playground" is originally from an article on child abuse," he said.

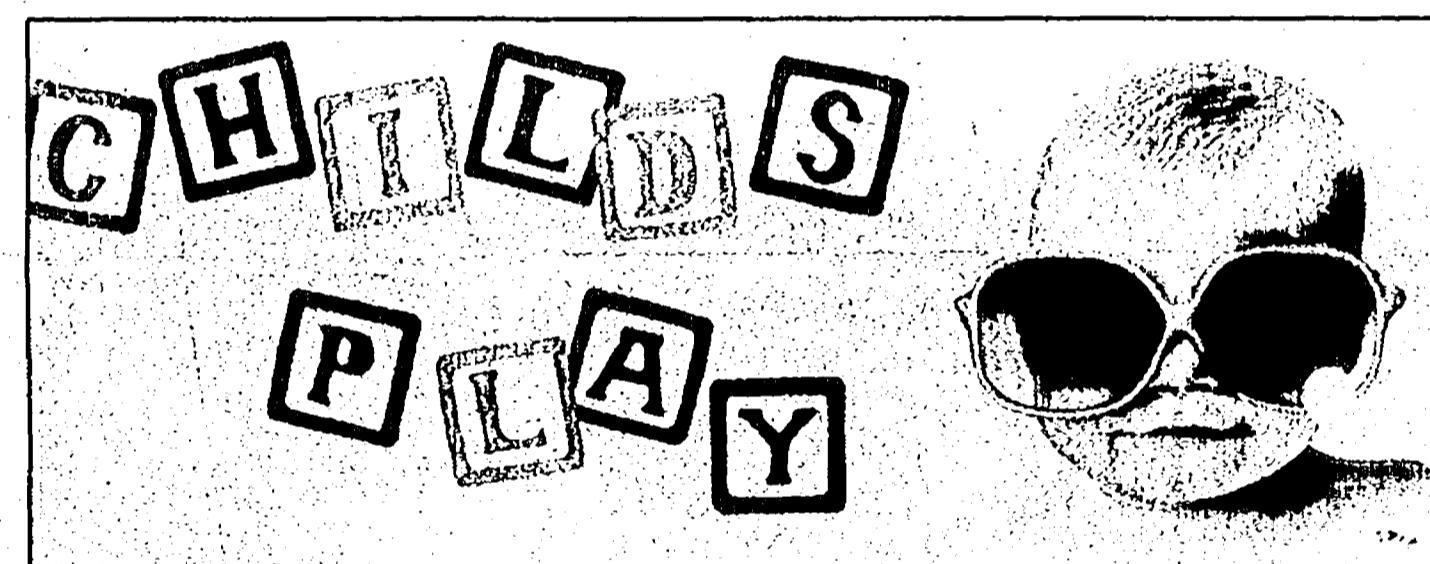
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"Butterflies" is the title of this portrait by Thomas Dyer. The butterfly sitting on the little girl's nose is free of all detail. The artist said the reason he created the surreal butterfly was "to try to keep the emphasis on the person." "Butterflies" is priced at \$1,200.



This portrait of an inner-city girl is titled "Playground." Thomas Dyer placed wire fencing behind the glass to give the viewer the impression of looking through an urban playground fence. He got the idea for "Playground" from an article he read on child abuse. The pensive piece is priced at \$525.



"Child's Play" is the title of the Thomas Dyer graphite portrait exhibition at Nelson's Gallery in Livonia. The exhibition runs through Dec. 31. This piece of art is priced at \$425.

Competitive edge inspires pianist

By Linda Ann Chomin
special writer

Fired by a competitive spirit, Tomoko Mack-Brzozowski practices a Chopin piano concerto in preparation for a young artists competition sponsored by the Federation of Musicians.

The competition will be in November 1991.

"My goal is competition," Mack-Brzozowski said during an interview from her West Bloomfield home. "I spend four to five hours a day practicing."

Since 1980, she has won a dozen competitions for pianists. In the background, her husband, Kazimierz, who has a doctorate in music from the University of Michigan, practices on a Baldwin grand piano.

Tomoko won the piano in the 1989 Baldwin National Fellowship competition in Ohio.

She was the 1987 first place winner in the Livonia Symphony Concerto competition. The Livonia Symphony was then known as the Oakley Symphony.

In January, Tomoko will judge the Livonia Symphony Orchestra Young Artist Competition, which offers \$3,000 in prizes along with the opportunity to appear with the orchestra.

Mack-Brzozowski stressed her training as the reason for her competitive edge. Born in Tokyo, she said her "serious training began" when she was 7.

"After my family moved to New Jersey," she said, "I studied with Madame Yamaguchi of Julliard."

IN 1983, Mack-Brzozowski won a scholarship to Oakland University, where she earned a bachelor of music degree. While at the university, she studied with Flavio Varani.

"I owe a lot of my musical train-

ing to Flavio Varani," she said. Varani was her instructor in piano performance. "Flavio was not just my mentor, but my guiding light."

"Flavio taught me about listening to yourself," she said. "He reinforced, over and over, you must listen to yourself as you play."

In 1989, Tomoko completed her graduate studies at the University of Michigan. During her studies, she met Kazimierz.

The piano duo married three years ago. "In the next two or three years," she said, "we plan on organizing an international music camp in Poland."

Teaching piano is yet another of her priorities. Over the last two years, she has attracted 35 private students ranging in age from 4 to 55. One of her piano students travels from Indiana once a week for a one-hour lesson.

ALONG WITH the private studies

she gives private instruction part-time at Schoolcraft College in Livonia.

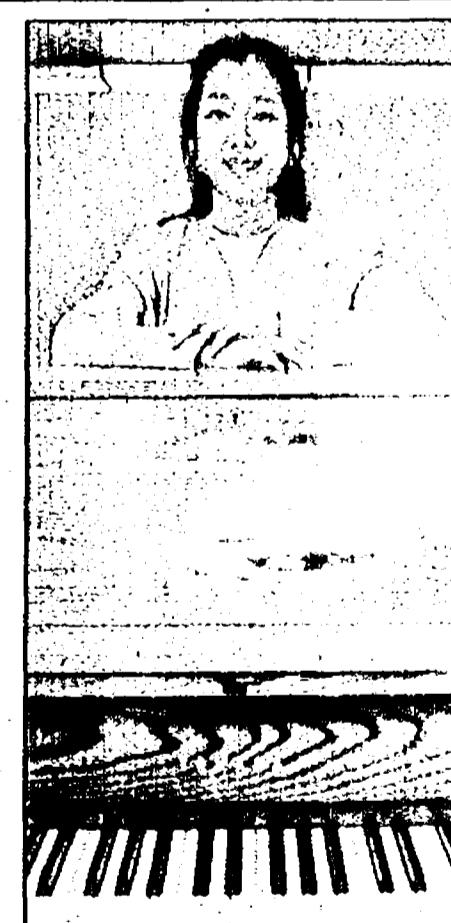
In 1990, Tomoko and Kazimierz spent the summer in Warsaw, Poland. They performed solo recitals at the Mozart Festival there. "I want to be seen as a mature artist," Tomoko said.

In 1991, Tomoko plans to perform a series of solo concerto recitals.

In judging the Livonia Symphony competition, Tomoko said, "I'm definitely looking for artistic ability, but with the pressure of 15 minutes, I'll have to look at other concerns, such as show stage manner."

She believes "music is definitely analytical."

"In their general studies, students achieve so much more when they study music," Tomoko said. "If they are absorbed in the music, they are playing. For me that's a winner."



JIM JAGDFELD/staff photographer

Says accomplished pianist Tomoko Mack-Brzozowski (left), who teaches piano at Schoolcraft College in Livonia: "My goal is competition. I spend four to five hours a day practicing." Since 1980, she has won more than a dozen piano competitions.

Nankin Mills holds storied past; help out Greenmead

PEERING INTO the creative per-

sonal scope:

• "The small plant in a village or in the country makes for better working conditions because it permits a more natural life," said Henry Ford I about his village mill industries in western Wayne County in the '20s and '30s.

One such mill complex was Nankin Mills, on Ann Arbor Trail in then Nankin Township, now Westland.

In 1918, Ford, ever the innovator, bought the 19th-century grist mills as part of a grand plan to build village mill industries along the Rouge and other small rivers.

Equipped with a turbine generator, Nankin Mills produced engravings, carburetor parts, rivets and bearings.

Ford believed farmers working in an atmosphere of cleanliness and tranquility would restore a proper balance between the industrialized city and rural communities.

During the slack season, the Plymouth Historical Museum quotes Ford as saying, the farmer "could work in the small plants in the farming communities, thus resulting in year-round work, providing the security of farm life with the increased income afforded by industry."

Ford's experiment intrigued American and European planners. But it proved unprofitable.

After World War II, Nankin Mills closed, a Michigan historic marker on the site tells us.

Nankin Mills gained a new lease on life in 1986, when the site became a Wayne County parks nature center.

It's a chance to tour seven charming homes in a variety of architectural styles cheerfully decorated for the holidays — and benefit Livonia's Greenmead Historical Village.

All proceeds from the Friends for Development of Greenmead's annual Christmas walk Saturday, Dec. 8, will go toward restoring the 19th-century Alexander Blue House at Greenmead. Plans call for the 13-room house to be used as a confer-

ence center and as a reception hall for Greenmead's chapel.

The walk will start at Greenmead. The Livonia Historical Society will decorate the Hill House, the 149-year-old, Greek Revival-style farmhouse of Greenmead founder Joshua Simmons, in a patriotic theme. The house will be open for tours.

The private homes range from a new, 6,700-square-foot home with an indoor swimming pool and whirlpool, to a 4-year-old English Tudor with a sunken great room and circular staircase, to a five-bedroom, three-story house with nine-foot ceilings built in 1917.

The homeowner will decorate the English Tudor. Livonia florists will donate their time to decorate the rest.

Walk tickets are \$5 in advance at

the Greenmead office, Livonia City Hall and all Livonia libraries, or \$6 the day of the walk at the Hill House.

• Perched on a rise at 14 Mile and Farmington Road, it tells the story of a once bustling village in then Farmington Township.

The Farmington Hills historic marker explains that in 1850, the village boasted a post office, a blacksmith shop, general stores, 10 homes and a cheese factory. It was a collecting point for milks from nearby farms.

A 163-year-old cemetery a half mile south of the intersection is still owned and controlled by a private association. It's still an active burial grounds.

It's the only cemetery in the city in which a veteran from each U.S. war is buried: Revolutionary War

soldier Levi Green plus soldiers from the War of 1812, the Civil War, the Spanish-American War, World War I, World War II, the Korean War and the Vietnam War.

The village didn't fare as well as the cemetery. Rural free delivery doomed the post office. Better transportation killed local commerce. And by 1930, the marker tells us, "North Farmington was a ghost town."

But like the Phoenix, the mythical bird that miraculously rose from its own ashes, that "ghost town" became rejuvenated. The crossroads now lies amid one of western Oakland County's prime residential areas.

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GUY WARREN/staff photographer

Barbara Framke of Livonia sits amid some of her most prized collectibles made of ceramic and porcelain. The horse (center) dates back 30 years.

Antique fair Saturday at Livonia Elks Lodge

By Moran Flack
staff writer

Bob and Jan Lomas of Wyandotte will host their first antique and collectibles show in Livonia Saturday, Dec. 1.

The Lomas' have hosted shows in Southgate for four years, with shows every month from October to April.

Bob & Jan's Antique & Collectible Show & Sale will be from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 1 at the Livonia Elks Lodge, 31117 Plymouth Road, one block east of Merriman Road, a half mile west of Wonderland Mall.

After four seasons of successful winter-running Southgate shows, Bob and Jan decided to add a show in Livonia.

"We're expecting an exceptional turn out for the Livonia show," Bob said. "We have been booked with collectors for a couple of months now."

AFTER THE Dec. 1 show, Livonia shows will continue to run once a month at the Elks lodge on Saturdays: Jan. 19, Feb. 16 and March 16.

There will be 43 dealers at the

show, many of them local, others are from Traverse City, Toledo, and Bowling Green, Ohio.

The show has a range of antiques and collectibles from china, glass, porcelain, pottery, jewelry, silverware. "The whole gamut," Bob said, "but no new stuff."

"No arts and crafts," Jan said. "We're really strict on that. Just antiques."

Admission to the show is \$1.50. There is a snack bar and free parking.

Bob has been buying and selling for more than 20 years. But Jan admitted, "I'm not even a collector. I like promoting, I enjoy the people. We have a group of collector friends. You see the same dealers and collectors so much during the shows, you get to know each other very well. That's the part I like."

Shows running in Southgate are held at the Southgate Civic Center, 14400 Dix-Toledo Road, one block north of Eureka Road. Upcoming shows are from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sundays: Jan. 13, Feb. 10 and March 10. Admission is \$1. Free parking and a snack bar.

For more information, call Bob or Jan Lomas, 281-2541.

Gardener's work not over; pomanders fun to make

The Thanksgiving turkey is now but a memory, but there is still work to be done in the garden before the north winds blow and cold weather really set in.

Cold, dry winds can quickly exhaust the supply of moisture in the leaf surface of many small trees and shrubs, causing the leaf cells to dry out and possibly kill the plant.

A spray with an anti-transpirant at about this time of year and again about mid-January or February (when we have the so-called winter thaw) can do so much to help alleviate this problem. The spray will help hold in moisture and prevent windburn. When applying, be sure the temperature is above 40 degrees F.

Another good use for these sprays is to apply a fine mist to fresh green wreaths to prolong their freshness.

Winter mulch is best applied after the soil freezes, so watch the temperatures and be ready to protect those precious plants, when the time is right.

If an organic mulch is used, the nitrogen in the soil may be depleted; as a precaution, apply a 10-8-4 fertil-

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izer prior to mulching. Some organic mulches are shredded bark, newspaper, grass clippings, compost, pine needles, and other natural materials that break down into the soil. If pine needles are used, they lower the pH balance in the soil so must be used with this in mind.

The very substantial rain that we had early this month certainly gave our trees and shrubs a good long drink of water before early winter weather actually arrives. Although the day was gloomy, let's give a big thank you to Mother Nature for this welcome and necessary rainfall.

I recently attended a program at

down to earth
Marty Fligley

Goldner Walsh Nursery, Pontiac, and heard Tim Treadaway of the Michigan United Conservation Clubs explain the role of wetlands in our environment.

WETLANDS, THOSE areas which are either swamp, a wooded area that looks like a flooded forest, or marsh, open lands covered by standing or slow-moving water with reeds and cattails, support the most diverse number of wildlife animals. These areas also filter out impurities in water that eventually reach our lakes and rivers.

The animals and plants have their special place in the scheme of things.

Treadaway brought several wild animals so that we could see their beauty and uniqueness close-up, and explained their role in the environment.

A wood duck, mink, snapping turtle and an Eastern Fox snake were shown.

Wood ducks nest in trees, especially inside dead ones, and prefer to be in those that are 60-70 feet tall. They eat acorns, hickory nuts, berries and fruits and some aquatic plants. Ducks need these special areas on their migrations.

Muskats play an important part in that they eat and make their homes with cattails, thereby keeping this plant under control helping to keep the marshes, channels and pools clear, providing more open water for migrating ducks.

THEN, IN turn, minks eat muskats, turtles, ducks, squirrels, groundhogs and other small animals to help control their populations.

The top predator is the snapping turtle, which also eats dead animals that sink to the bottom, and that keeps the water from being fouled. Snakes eat mice, frogs and other small rodents and snakes are food for other animals. These reptiles like the rich bottom mud of the wetlands, which supports vegetation.

There used to be 11 million acres

of wetlands in Michigan. Now, as the result of agriculture, developments, pollution and golf courses, we have only three million.

Treadaway reminded us that an injured or sick wild animal should be left alone . . . nature takes care of the situation. It is also illegal to handle them. If you have a pet and see a wild animal in trouble, keep your pet indoors.

This program is excellent and would be a fine presentation for any school or group interested in ecology.

ALSO THIS time of year, pomanders are fun to make. They will scent the room while they are curing and drying. And the scent lasts for many years. I have made them from apples, oranges, kumquats, limes, crabapples and even pears and kept them in a pretty basket.

Select firm apples and pears, and citrus fruit with a thick skin. If the stems are attached, consider it a bonus. Insert cloves into the skin, placing them very close together.

Don't circle the fruit with cloves before you have filled up other por-

tions, because it may split. Citrus may need to be punctured with a darning needle or ice pick so that the cloves can be inserted easily.

IF YOU wish, carefully apply narrow tape to the fruit to section it into quarters before sticking in the cloves, then after the curing process is over, the tape can be removed and ribbon tied in the grooves, with enough left to make a hanger.

Ribbon can also be tied around the fruit completely studded or run through the center with a long needle. Completed pomanders can also be wrapped in nylon net and secured at the top with a ribbon.

Make a mixture of ground cloves, cinnamon, nutmeg and orris root or a combination of them and roll the studded fruit into this mixture. Place them on a paper towel in a basket and rearrange them every three or four days, so that they are evenly coated. In several weeks, they will shrink and dry, ready to be wrapped in tissue and given as gifts, hung in a closet or placed in a basket or bowl.

All-Russian concert: It's a treat

By Linda Ann Chomin
special writer

The Livonia Symphony Orchestra, under conductor Francesco DiBlasi, opened the second concert of the 1990-91 season with a lively rendition of the "Overture to Russian and Ludmilla" by Mikhail Glinka on Nov. 17 in the James P. Carli Auditorium at Churchill High School, Livonia.

Guest artists for the all-Russian program were the 78 members of the Wayne State University Chorus, under the direction of Dennis J. Tini.

For the second selection of the evening, the orchestra performed romantic excerpts from "Scheherazade" by Nicholas Rimsky-Korsakoff. The first excerpt was filled with the beauty of strings as they tugged at the emotions.

The second excerpt was, at times, dramatic, at times, sad, especially during the echoing solos between concertmaster James Kujowski and pianist Dianne Lord.

For the third selection of the evening, Igor Stravinsky's "Symphony of Psalms," Tini conducted the Wayne State University Chorus. The remaining Livonia Symphony Orchestra members, after the violins, violas and clarinets, left the stage.

Tini asserted near-perfect control over the orchestra and choruses for this piece, considered by many to be the major work of Stravinsky's maturity.

AFTER INTERMISSION, the full orchestra returned to the

review

stage for a dramatic performance of the ballet "Romeo and Juliet" by Sergei Prokofiev.

The orchestra's heart-rending strings were followed by melodic drama as Romeo dies at the grave of Juliet. The crescendos of death were strong as Romeo's last, low, dying breaths prevail until all life was gone.

The hit of the evening were the Polovetian Dances from the opera "Prince Igor" by Alexander Borodin.

For this last selection, the Wayne State University Chorus joined the Livonia Symphony Orchestra, under the direction of DiBlasi. The orchestra and choruses were at their best for this stirring composition, a moving piece of music that the ensemble displayed in all its glory.

After an ovation, DeBlasi returned to the podium to say:

"We were all saddened by the death of Leonard Bernstein. In his honor, we chose to give an encore, which was one of Lenny's most favorite, a march, the third movement from Tchaikovsky's Sixth Symphony, Pathetic."

DiBlasi said he made two tours with Bernstein.

"We're gonna play it for Lenny," DiBlasi said.

And play it in tribute they did.

Register now for winter art classes

Registration for the winter term at the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Association starts Monday, Dec. 3, for members and Monday, Dec. 10, for the general public.

The term will run Jan. 14 to March 23. Ninety-five classes for youths and adults will be offered in a variety of media, including jewelry, drawing, pastel, art history, painting and pottery.

Japonism, the influence of Japanese culture on Western art during the 19th and 20th centuries, will be explored by Hope Palmer in the art history class.

During March a seminar, "Experiencing Architecture," with local architects Michael Kirk, Rainy Hamilton, Daniel Redstone and Jerry Van Dine, will take place. Each session will include a slide lecture and an on-site visit with the architect to a current project. Joyce LeBan is the seminar coordinator.

The Art Association is at 1516 S. Cranbrook, Birmingham. Hours are 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday-Saturday. For information, call 644-0866.

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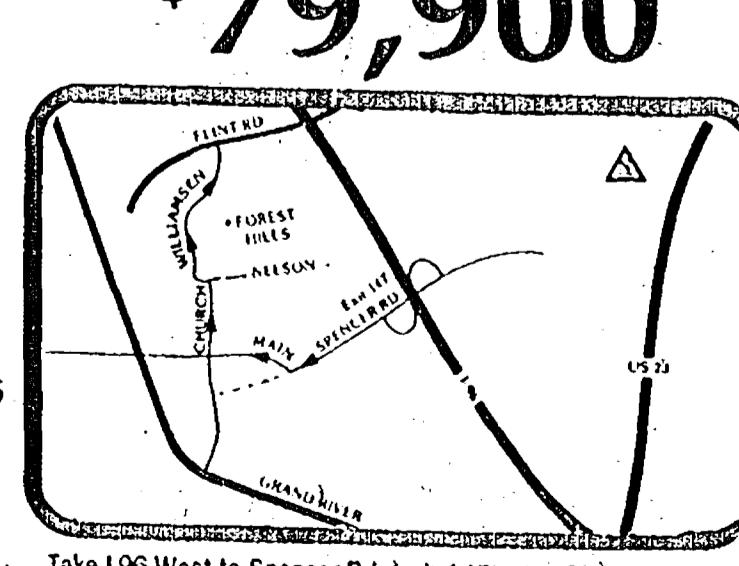
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Kentucky vacation turns into career as a novelist

"government men" say she must. The book is based on a true story.

COLE WROTE something like a half-dozen novels before putting together "The Final Tide" and finally meeting with the success she'd been pursuing all those years.

"All along, I'd been receiving pretty good comments from editors I'd submit my books to. And even though the books were rejected, I understand that, when you receive such comments, you're on the right track."

"Finally, I sent a book to Margaret McElberry. From my years of reading to children, I knew the kinds of things she liked, and as far as I'm concerned, she's the creme de la creme (of children's publishing).

"Like all the rest, I got the manuscript back, but there was a difference this time. There was a note enclosed, asking me to send her something else I was working on. So I packed up 'The Final Tide' and mailed it off."

"In a few months, I got it back with another note: 'We like this. If, without any promises from us, you'll work on it further, here's what's wrong.' So I either did what she suggested or justified why I didn't want to."

"She mailed it back to me again, with still another note: 'We do like this, but this and this and this are still wrong.'

"I worked on it some more and mailed the manuscript back to her the first part of November last year. The day before Christmas, I received an acceptance letter."

"All the rest is history."

Cole recently returned to Michigan where she autographed copies of "The Final Tide" at Borders Book Shop in Novi.

Surrounded by old friends, colleagues, former students and new fans, she appeared to enjoy the literary limelight on her old stomping grounds. Still, though, she looked forward to getting back to her writing desk and a new novel in that cozy log cabin on the side of Molehill Mountain.

This is a success story. Years ago, in Farmington Hills, there lived an aspiring writer. Her name was Norma Cole, and she was a long-time, dedicated teacher in Livonia Public Schools. She was also the mother of three children.

One fine spring morning about 15 years ago, she loaded her kids into the family car and set off for an Easter vacation in Kentucky. Though Norma and none of her children knew it at the time, it was a trip that would change her life.

The adventurous group didn't head for any particular spot in Kentucky. They just headed for Kentucky, more or less following their noses, you might say. They ended up near a small town called Monticello (pop. 5,000).

"We drove all around the country roads out there," Cole said. "It was spring, and I remember thinking that everything looked just like a park."

"Finally we stopped the car, and began walking through the woods and down a mountain road, admiring all the wild violets and the spring flowers and the new leaves on the trees. Eventually, we came upon a meadow, and there in the meadow was a log cabin. It all looked like something out of the last century."

Somehow, Norma Cole felt she belonged in that place. By week's end, she had bought 16 acres of land along that mountain road (for the grand sum of \$1,400). "TODAY, SHE lives there (yes, in a log cabin) and pursues her lifelong dream of writing. This month, her first novel, "The Final Tide," a set-in-Kentucky story for young adults, was brought out by McElberry Books.

It wasn't all that easy, of course.

"For a number of years, we'd just go down there and camp out. Then, as the kids got older, I'd go by myself. I was divorced by that time. Then, in the summer of '78, I realized I wanted to take an early retirement from teaching and write. "One week, I went down, and just sort of sat out there in the woods for three days, deciding what I was going to do."

It would be another five years before she "got that last kid to college," retired from teaching and settled down in her own log cabin on Molehill Mountain.

"I had been writing for years," said Cole, who's never seen the inside of a formal writing class. "And I had collected a mass of rejections during those years. What I had to learn was how to publish — to write the story good enough to publish."

"Anybody can write, of course. You just let it pour out. It's learning to rewrite that's the basic secret to all good writing."

She's learned, she said, most of the essentials of revision and good writing through a small Monticello writers' group to which she belongs.

"WE MEET twice a month, and

Portraits exhibited

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The portrait is of a little inner-city girl, lost in thought with a basketball under her arm. The pensive portrayal, like all of Dyer's work, is uniquely framed by the artist.

Behind the glass, Dyer placed wire mesh fencing with a hole raggedly cut out of the middle to give the impression that the viewer is looking through an urban playground fence. The "Playground" is priced at \$525.

"Butterflies" is a depiction of a little girl with a butterfly lighting on her nose. Dyer's butterfly is free of detail. It is basically a blank form of a butterfly, superimposed on the little girl's face, which is awestruck by this miracle of Mother Nature.

The artist said the reason behind the surreal butterfly was "to try to keep the emphasis on the person."

"Butterflies" retails for \$1,200.

ON SEPIA-TONED paper, Dyer created the sensual piece entitled "Backdrop." This portrait is the back view of a very, seductive lady.

"Backdrop," one of his recent works, is priced at \$850. Dyer, who for the last 18 months has been employed as a suspension development engineer at the Ford Motor Co. test track facility in Dearborn, said, "there are definitely two sides to me: the mechanical engineer, and the artist."

The Thomas Dyer exhibition continues through Dec. 31 at Nelson's Gallery, 16376 Middlebelt, Livonia. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. weekdays, and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturdays.

Thomas Dyer created this piece, "Face Mask Fitting Room," before a one-man exhibition of his graphite portraits opened at Nelson's Gallery Nov. 16. The piece retails for \$925.



This lighthearted portrait is entitled "Just Like Dad." The artist captures the light and shadows at play in the folds of the oversized shirt. The piece isn't for sale.

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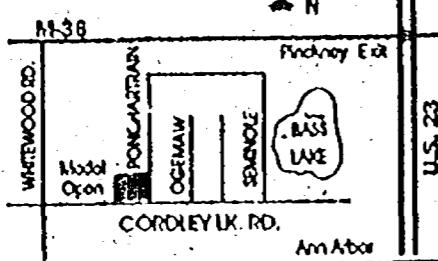
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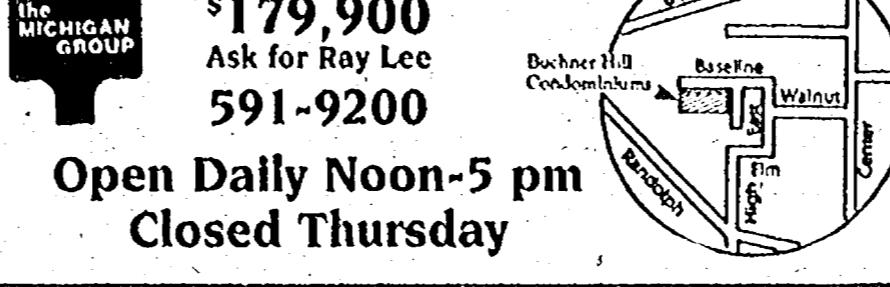
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"Finally, I sent a book to Margaret McElberry. From my years of reading to children, I knew the kinds of things she liked, and as far as I'm concerned, she's the creme de la creme (of children's publishing).

"Like all the rest, I got the manuscript back, but there was a difference this time. There was a note enclosed, asking me to send her something else I was working on. So I packed up 'The Final Tide' and mailed it off."

"In a few months, I got it back with another note: 'We like this. If, without any promises from us, you'll work on it further, here's what's wrong.' So I either did what she suggested or justified why I didn't want to."

"She mailed it back to me again, with still another note: 'We do like this, but this and this and this are still wrong.'

"I worked on it some more and mailed the manuscript back to her the first part of November last year. The day before Christmas, I received an acceptance letter."

"All the rest is history."

Cole recently returned to Michigan where she autographed copies of "The Final Tide" at Borders Book Shop in Novi.

Surrounded by old friends, colleagues, former students and new fans, she appeared to enjoy the literary limelight on her old stomping grounds. Still, though, she looked forward to getting back to her writing desk and a new novel in that cozy log cabin on the side of Molehill Mountain.

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• YULE PARTY

"Christmas Fantasy," a Christmas baile to celebrate the season while supporting the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra and Plymouth Symphony League, will be Saturday, Dec. 1, in the Mayflower Meeting House, Plymouth.

Cocktails, with a cash bar, are at 6:30 p.m. Dinner is at 7:30 p.m. Dancing will follow.

Cost is \$65 per couple (single tickets are \$32.50). Tickets are available at Evola Music Center, 215 W. Ann Arbor Road, and Me and Mr. Jones, 827 W. Ann Arbor Trail. Or call Pat Conrad at 459-0978.

• GARDEN WALK

The monthly Sunday trail walk at the Matthaei Botanical Gardens will be 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 2. Meet the docents at the garden steps. Dress for the weather and wear warm, waterproof shoes.

The walk is 90 minutes. The gardens are at 1800 N. Dixboro, Ann Arbor, a half mile south of Plymouth Road.

• DSO CONCERTS

Conductor Raymond Leppard leads the Detroit Symphony Orchestra in four performances of Holst's Ballet Music from The Perfect Fool

and Mendelssohn's Symphony No. 1 in C minor.

DSO concertmaster Emmanuel Balsert is the featured soloist for these concerts. She'll perform Stravinsky's Violin Concerto in D major.

Performances are 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 29, 10:45 a.m. Friday, Nov. 30, 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 1, and 3:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 2, at Orchestra Hall.

Overtures, a group of metro Detroit professionals organized to support development of younger audiences for DSO concerts, will have its second event of the 1990-91 season in conjunction with the Dec. 2 concert at Orchestra Hall. At 1 p.m. at the University Club, the Wild Game Room provides the setting for a brunch. The concert follows.

THE 1990 DSO Christmas Festival opens with performances of Handel's "Messiah" at 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 6; 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 8; and 8 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9.

Conductor Nicholas McGegan leads the DSO with soloists Julianne Baird, soprano; Patricia Spence, mezzo-soprano; Jeffrey Thomas, tenor; and William Parker, baritone.

The DSO Chorale, directed by Eric Freudigman, joins McGegan for these performances, sponsored by the Detroit Edison Foundation. On Dec. 8, audience members are urged to bring their scores and sing the choral portions.

SINGER, PIANIST and composer Marvin Hamlisch comes to Orchestra Hall for the third program in the DSO's Weekender Pops series at 8:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 7; 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 8; and 3:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9. DSO associate conductor Leslie Dunner will wave the wand.

STEFAN KOZINSKI, conductor and creator of the SymFunnies Concerts for Kids, joins the DSO for a special young people's holiday program, "Santa Koz's Young People's Music Fest," part of the Detroit News Young People's concert Series and the DSO's 1990 Christmas Festival.

Performances are 11:30 a.m. and 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 8.

The program includes fresh renditions of holiday favorites and will end with a holiday sing-along. An audience play-along will involve audience members bringing toy instruments from home and joining the orchestra in performing excerpts from Mozart's Toy Symphony.

WINNERS OF the Detroit Symphony Orchestra Hall's new fellowship program have been announced: clarinetist Stephen Mullen of Detroit and violist John A. Madison of Ann Arbor. Both have performed with the DSO as substitute musicians.

The fellowship program was developed as part of the DSO's long-term commitment to providing significant opportunities for the career

development of African-American classical musicians.

Both winners will play alternating weeks with the DSO, receive private coaching from a DSO member and participate in the civic orchestra.

FOR TICKETS to any DSO concert: 833-3700.

• THE NUTCRACKER

The music, color, and excitement of the holiday favorite, "The Nutcracker," will be presented by the Michigan Classic Ballet Company.

The production features Mary Celeste Geiger, former principal dancer from the Royal Ballet of Flanders; Jaydr Picciano, principal dancer with the Egleyevsky Ballet, New York, and James Hohmeyer conducting the full Michigan Classic Symphony Orchestra.

Two performances will take place at Novi's Feuer Auditorium, 24062 Taft: 7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 1, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 2.

Prices for reserved seating are \$14 for adults and \$11 for seniors and children younger than 14. For ticket information, call 661-2430 between 9 a.m. and 8 p.m. daily.

• MUSIC GUILD

The Fair Lane Music Guild will present the Asbury Brass Quintet in concert in The Pool at the Henry Ford Estate on the University of Michigan-Dearborn campus at 8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 4.

The concert follows the guild's annual wine reception and holiday dinner beginning at 5:30 p.m. Area florists will decorate the dinner and concert setting.

The Asbury Brass Quintet produces sounds ranging from smooth and rich to brilliant and sassy. Members are Neal Bernstien and Kevin Hartman, trumpets; Gregory Flint, horn; Mark Fisher, trombone; and Charles Schuchat, tuba.

Tickets for the dinner, priced at \$25, must be ordered in advance. Concert tickets are available at the door or in advance at \$10 regular, \$9 seniors and \$6 students. Call Carol Ann Ligienza, 593-5097.

• ARTS FORUM

Michigan Council for the Arts will sponsor a free information forum Thursday, Dec. 6, in the Parks and Recreation Building, Southfield Civic Center, 26000 Evergreen, Southfield.

Registration begins at 9 a.m. The first session, an overview of council programs, runs 9:30-10:30 a.m. Workshops on individual grant programs will be repeated twice during the day.

Individual workshops on the council's Creative Artist Program, Arts Projects Support, mini-grants, Artist

In Schools/Arts In Education and Arts Organization Support Program will run 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and again 2:30-5:30 p.m.

For reservations, call the Southfield Cultural Arts Division, 354-4717.

• YULE PLAY

The Theatre Street Players of the Performing Arts Academy of Novi will present "Our Christmas Care Benefit" at 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 8, at Mercy Center's Dublin Hall, 11 Mile, between Inkster and Middlebelt, Farmington Hills.

The benefit includes a Christmas play entitled "Requiem for the Innkeeper" by Betty Andrews and "Toy Soldier" performed by the Theatre Street Dance Company.

Tickets are \$5 per person or \$25 per family and include refreshments and a visit with Santa. Tickets are on sale at the Performing Arts Academy, 4165 W. 10 Mile in Novi. Advanced orders are suggested.

For more information, call 349-2728.

• GREAT BOOKS

The Great Books Foundation, a Chicago-based nonprofit educational organization, will have a two-day basic leader training course 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursday-Friday, Dec. 6-7, in Troy.

The course is open to all teachers and volunteers committed to starting a Great Books reading and discussion group for students in K-12. It's also recommended for people who'll be leading adult Great Books groups.

The course teaches a method of discussion that actively involves both young people and adults in reading, understanding and enjoying literature.

To register, call Corrine Alonso: 680-8855. To call the foundation, call toll-free, 1-800-222-5870.

• POTTERY SALE

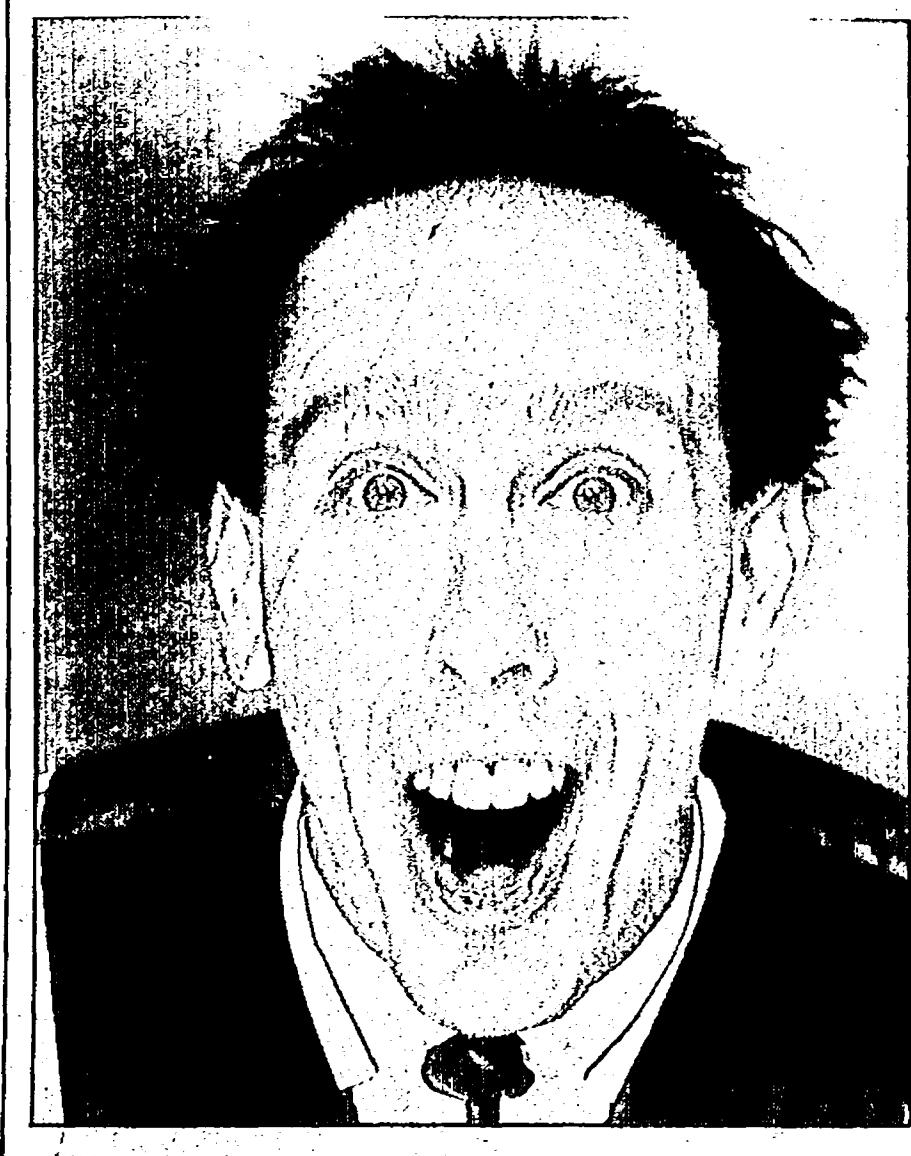
Oakland Community College Orchard Ridge Campus' student pottery sale will be Thursday-Saturday, Dec. 6-8, at Orchard Mall, 15 Mile and Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield.

Hours are 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Dec. 6-7 and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Dec. 8.

• ANTIQUE SHOW

Depression glassware, jewelry, toys, "Star Wars" memorabilia and Barbie dolls will be among the fare at an antiques and collectibles show Sunday, Dec. 9, at the Livonia Holiday Inn, 17123 Laurel Park Drive at I-275 and Six Mile, near Newburgh.

Hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission: \$2; children free. Tables, \$25. Call 562-3841.



Happy holidays

The Livonia Arts Commission presents "Happy Holidays with O.J. Anderson," a program celebrating the December holidays, at 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 15, at the Livonia Civic Center Library Auditorium, 32777 Five Mile. Admission is \$1. Tickets are available at the library. O.J. Anderson, a mime and performance artist, transforms the ordinary aspects of life into a holiday show for parents and school-age kids. The program is a showcase presentation of Crossroads Productions Ltd., in its 12th season as a professional, non-profit touring theater company.

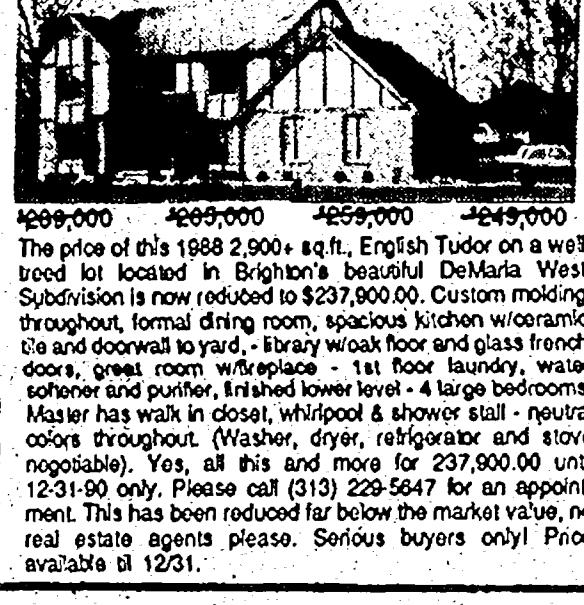
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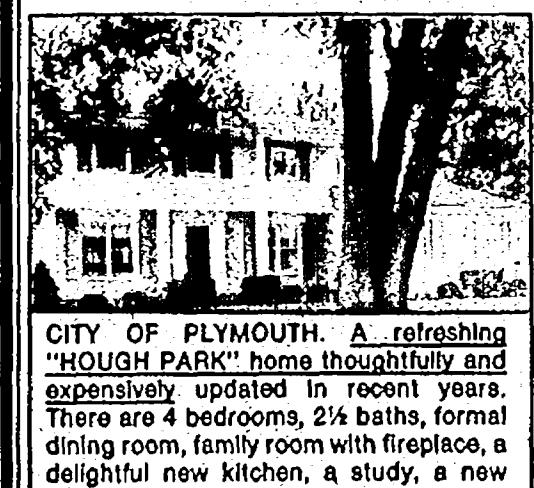
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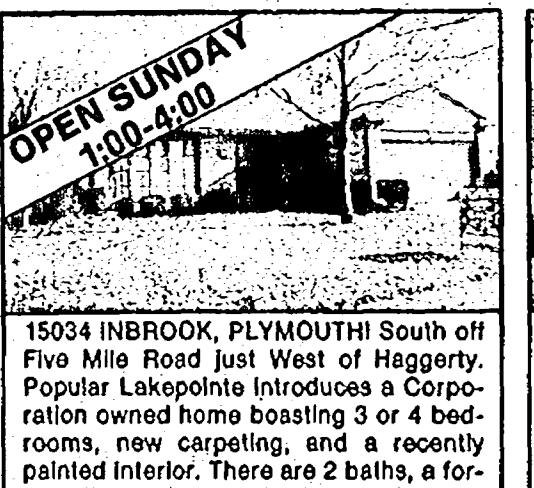
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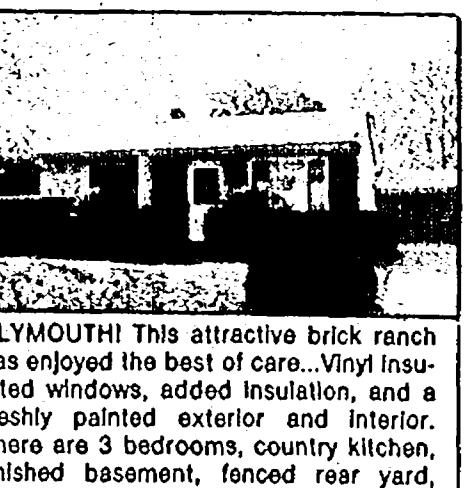
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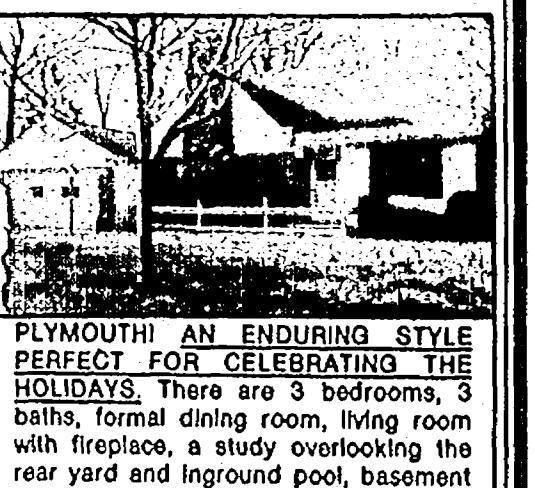
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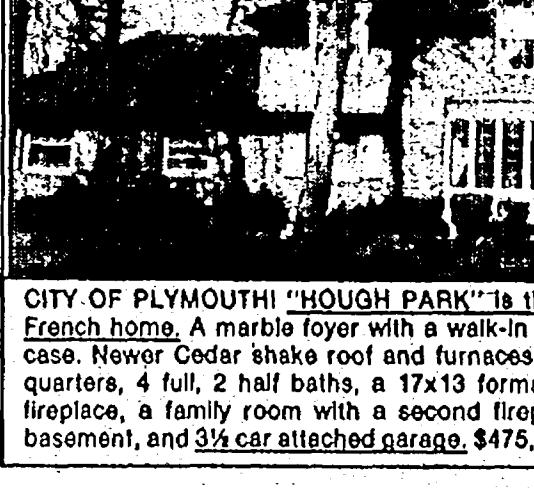
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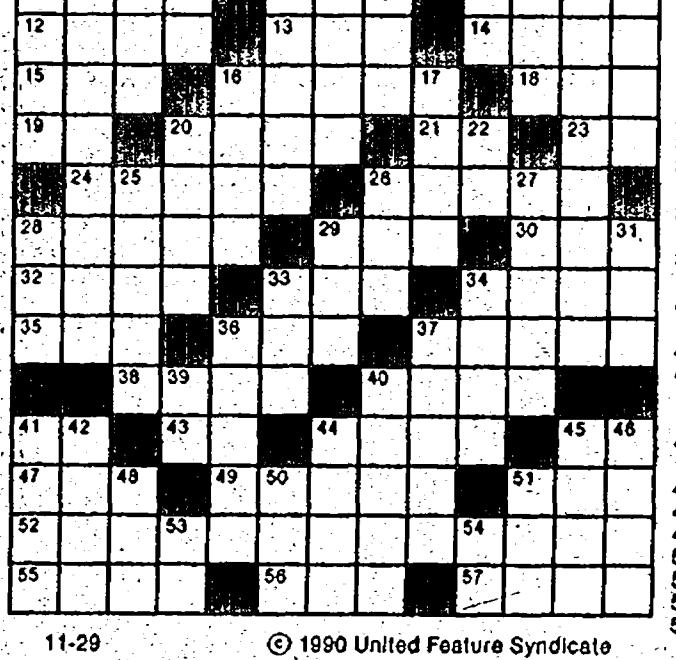
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"Lease with option to buy" is available on this dramatic Farmington Hills Contemporary. Striking exterior, custom built-in garage, central air, basement, 4 bedrooms, 1½ baths, 2 car garage, never furnished. Call before it's too late \$88,500.

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The Prudential Harry S. Wolfe, REALTORS 462-1660 Independently Owned and Operated	LIVONIA 2 NEW SUBS Cepe Code, Ranchos, Colonials 427-3295	OPEN SUN. COVENTRY GARDENS CONTEMPORARY, 34100 Oaklawn, study & large master bedroom up- stairs, 2 car attached garage, 2 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths. Premium lot, professionally landscaped, tastefully decorated. In neutral tones with lots of extra spaces on and on \$29,000.	ABSOLUTELY AMAZING Imagine living in Canton starting at \$98,800	GREAT LOCATION and outstanding floor plan. Large master bedroom up- stairs. Formal dining room, spacious family room with brick fireplace for cold winter nights and central air for hot summer days. \$114,900 (L1979) 400 sq ft. lot.	HUGE 4 CAR GARAGE Plus a very nice house, new carpets, freshly painted, walk to town, fine schools. Large master bedroom, 2 walk-in closets, 2 additional bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths. Kitchen, family room with brick fireplace, formal dining room, large eat-in kitchen, breakfast room, sunroom, 2 car attached garage. Excellent condition. Colonial \$150,000. Stoneleigh Village, 522-1554	Be In the beautiful condo for the low price of \$139,000. Located in a quiet neighborhood. Don't miss this one! IMMEDIATE OCCUPANCY. Or \$89,000 (L787) Call 452-2950.	\$139,000
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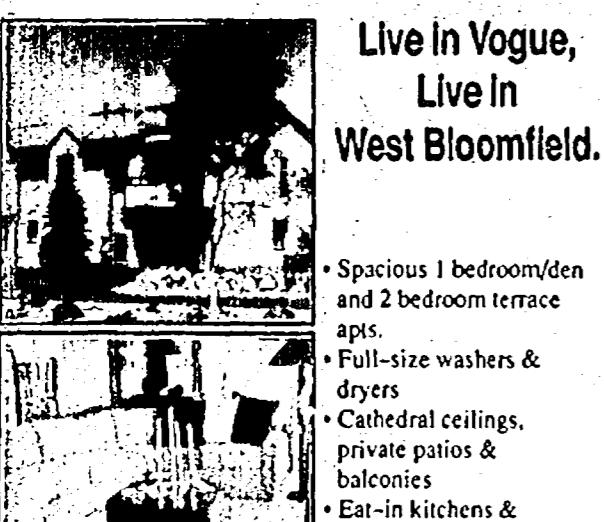
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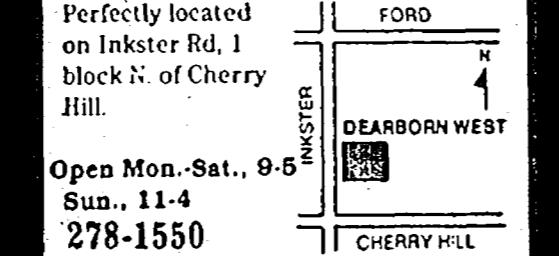
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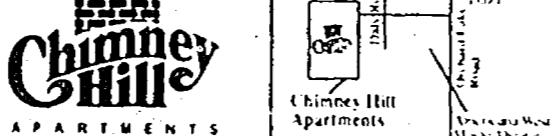
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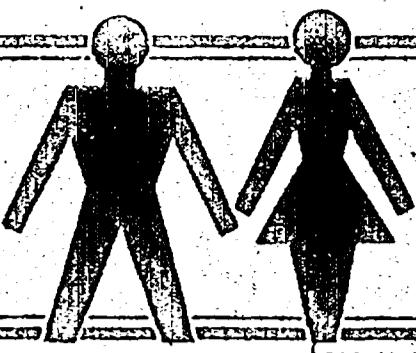
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PRESSER - NEED
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Scott Jacobson stands in front of the Berkshire model in Mission Springs in West Bloomfield.

Hall of famer: builder's role model

By Gerald Frawley
staff writer

Donald Van Every has been in the building business a long time, but it isn't only time served that warrants his being selected to the Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan Hall of Fame.

Van Every, 68, a resident of Bloomfield Hills, has been a member of BASM since World War II, a past president of the association, and a vice president of the state home builders association. He is president of the Streamwood Development Co.

He's built affordable and luxury homes from Detroit to Oakland County, has developed tracts of vacant land for other builders, and has seen the farms and swamp land of Oakland County and western Wayne change into a thriving metropolitan center.

Builders themselves have changed, he said. From novices with more chutzpah than business acumen to highly educated, sophisticat-

ed entrepreneurs, the builders of today are providing better housing in a tougher environment.

"People always say, 'They don't build them like they used to,'" Van Every said. "Well, I'm old enough to remember the 'used to,' and I can tell you they're building them a lot better than they used to."

From the materials to the plans to the code inspections to the people doing the building — everything about today's homes is better than its counterpart of 40 years ago, Van Every said.

"The whole package is better. The younger guys are all better educated and know more than I did when I started," he said.

VAN EVERY began building in a simpler time. It was after World War II. A war veteran himself, Van Every recalls the time.

"We were all sitting around and all the guys were saying, 'The first things I'm going to do when I get home is get married and buy a



Donald Van Every

house,'" he said. "I knew there would be opportunities."

"When I got home, I started immediately because I knew everyone was going to be looking," he said.

Van Every began as a real estate agent selling new homes for other builders, but quickly moved into the building end.

"It was one of those situations where the grass is always greener," he said of his move from real estate agent to builder. "It was the same thing with developing."

Van Every does very little building these days, he said, and instead focuses on developing vacant land and then selling lots to individual builders here and in Florida.

Like other builders, Van Every laments the demise of less restrictive days. "The labyrinth of regulations and controls you have today has made building more difficult and more expensive."

"I used to apply for a building permit in the morning, go get a cup of coffee, come back and pay for it, and start work the next day," he said. "Now it takes two months just to get a building permit."

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Scott Jacobson: Builder of Year

By Gerald Frawley
staff writer

Scott Jacobson really loves to build.

That much is apparent to anyone sitting down with him for more than a minute. Ask him about himself and he will hem and haw, stammer, balk, look away, change the subject, cough, fidget, and look at the ceiling.

Ask him about building and his face relaxes, his eyes brighten, and it's off to the races.

Scott Jacobson, 38, of Birmingham was chosen by the Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan (BASM) as Builder of the Year. He will be honored for his commitment to the organization and for his contributions to the single-family housing market at BASM's annual awards banquet tonight. (For a complete list of honorees, see Page 4.)

Jacobson, president of S.R. Jacobson Development Corp. in Birmingham, said being a builder is a demanding career. He works six or seven days a week, deals with a myriad of people from tradesmen to customers, and combats invariables like weather, local regulations and public opinion.

"Building in Northville and West Bloomfield is like building in two different states," Jacobson said. "You have to pretty much eat, drink and sleep building."

"But I enjoy what I'm doing and wouldn't ever consider anything else," Jacobson said.

AND FORTUNATELY, he happens to be good at his chosen profession.

"I think we do some things pretty well," Jacobson said, stressing his successes have come from being aggressive, innovative and industrious when it comes to finding good building sites.

But his firm's success comes from Jacobson's studied approach to building, he said. "I don't want to sit still and build the same house I built 10 years ago."

A studied approach to building includes — but isn't limited to — extensive traveling to other parts of the state and country to see what other builders are doing, re-evaluating past products to see where improvements can be made, and building a team around him that he can rely on.

Different elevations inside and

out, different room orientations, more variety in home styles, two-story rooms — builders have to provide unique homes because buyers, especially in move-up homes, are discriminating.

"There is a thrill to seeing a piece of raw property, building on it, and then seeing people live there," Jacobson continued. "I really enjoy driving through a subdivision. I worked in and seeing people living there."

Trying to put into words the feelings a builder gets after seeing a thriving community he helped start and had an impact on is something few outside the trade could understand.

For Jacobson there is a sense of accomplishment ("I did that"), a sense of pride ("It still looks great") and perhaps even a sense of purpose ("Where would these people live if I hadn't built that house?").

JACOBSON WAS first exposed to building as a youngster when he accompanied his father to work sites, and later as a teen when he worked summers for his father's company, Mark Jacobson and Associates, Birmingham.

Like many other builder's sons and daughters, Jacobson remembers his first job on a building site — sweeping floors. But even though he worked for his father while still in high school, Jacobson wasn't planning on building as a career until he was already in college.

"At 18 or 19, I was like a lot of kids — I didn't know what I wanted to do. But when I was around 20 years old, I decided to give it a try," he said, and he began enrolling in business and building management classes at Michigan State University.

But not all the education in the world could have prepared him for the real world. Jacobson returned to work for his father's company after leaving college, but after several years decided to venture out on his own.

"I started in 1979 during the recession," he said. "I built a home in Rochester Hills and sat in a model for two years and lost money."

But finally he did sell the home, and using the knowledge he gained from the first sale, he built another . . . and another . . . and another. Even he didn't foresee he would some day build between 75 and 100.

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Lawyer returns to building roots

By Gerald Frawley
staff writer

This year's Young Builder of the Year, Terry Nosan of Nosan/Cohen Associates Inc. in West Bloomfield, never saw himself as a builder while he was growing up.

Although Nosan comes from a long line of builders and building tradesmen, Nosan thought he would pursue a career in law.

Nosan, 36, of West Bloomfield, was chosen by the Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan as Young Builder of the Year. He will be honored for his commitment to the organization and for his contributions to the single-family housing market at BASM's annual awards banquet tonight.

Nosan's great-grandfather was a carpenter, his grandfather was a carpenter/builder, and his father Harold "Manny" Nosan, president of the Nosan Building Corp. in West Bloomfield, has been active in residential construction since World War II.

"I was practically born into it," Nosan said.

But Nosan became a lawyer instead and for two years worked as an assistant attorney general for the state of Michigan. And he hated it.

"A time comes when you see you realize you're either going to be an assistant attorney general for the rest of your life or you have to try something else," Nosan said.

So he tried something else — building, a career that he wasn't totally unfamiliar with since he had worked for his father since he was a young man.

NOSAN HAD been exposed to building since he was a young boy from the days of picking up wood scraps on work sites, to riding the bulldozers with an operator, to doing rough carpentry and framing in a home.

It wasn't surprising then, that he returned to work for his father as a construction supervisor in 1978. And although he was happy there, Nosan decided to set out on his own and formed

much more fulfilling than other jobs," he said. "Legal work, that was all pushing papers (and) spending more time tearing things down than building them up."

"But building, (with) building you drive up in the morning and there's a pile of wood and iron, and when you leave at night there's (part of) a building there," he said.

"It's almost a monument," he said. "Anyone involved in it — from the rough carpenter to roofing guy, can point to it and say, 'I had a part in that.'"

Of course not every building deserves to be a monument, he said, but they are always something substantial that represents something accomplished.

"Some (buildings) are sins and some are wonderful, (and) hopefully there are more wonderful ones," Nosan said.

Nosan said being awarded Young Builder of the Year is gratifying because it's a reflection of his peers' esteem. That esteem from other members of BASM is important, not only because it shows others have noticed his efforts, but because the association is important.

"The building industry, unlike the auto industry or manufacturing, is made up mainly of small businesses," Nosan said. Large corporations or manufacturing interests generally have influence they can use when outside agencies seek to impose restrictions on them; small business does not.

"We need a voice," he said. At the local level, builders fight their own battles with planning commissions and community officials, but as development has grown as an issue, state and federal legislation is having a larger impact.

"We need an organization that's active and brings issues to light, that lets us know when we have to rally (for builder interests)," he said.

The builders association, he said, also provides a forum for builders to work out ideas amongst themselves, he said.

Nosan said being selected as the Young Builder of the Year shouldn't change his position in BASM much. Granted, new members and young

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"There are a lot of days when you ask

yourself Is it really worthwhile?" Nosan

said, but then he'll think about it and answer, "yes."

"We're really the quarterbacks that guide all that's happening," Nosan said. Orchestrating a construction site requires timing, planning and organization, Nosan said, and when it all comes together it's really an accomplishment.

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Jacobson: satisfaction in building homes

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homes a year in the \$150,000 to \$375,000 range.

Unlike some builders, Jacobson remains optimistic the boom times of the past decade will return. "There are certainly some nice growth areas (remaining)."

JACOBSON SAID while new home sales are down, there has been less than a 5 percent decrease from last year — hardly, he says, a reason to panic.

"We're sitting back a bit," he acknowledged, pointing to uncertain-

ties in the economy and in the Middle East, but closing up shop would be a mistake.

Interest rates are expected to drop, he said, and just because housing values have dropped in the East and West, doesn't mean the Midwest will suffer as well.

There is not one housing market in the country, but many, Jacobson said. What is happening in the East and West, where property values have been overvalued, does not have to spell doom for other areas of the country.

Jacobson said building has

changed since he chose it as a career more than 15 years ago.

From the deep recession in the early part of the decade to the boom time as the decade ended, from a time when communities welcomed growth with open arms because of the tax revenues, prestige and jobs to a time when the slow-growth/no-growth communities shut the doors, builders have been on a roller coaster of a ride.

Such a tumultuous decade would have been impossible to predict, Jacobson said.

Builders are no longer the rulers

of their own destinies, he said. Instead their projects are subject to the sometimes capricious whims of public opinion.

AND HE BELIEVES that most of these changes are unnecessary.

People fail to realize builders are much better at what they do than they were a decade ago, Jacobson said. Wetlands restrictions, woodland protection, low density — most of the rules communities develop are unnecessary.

Ten years ago, it wouldn't be unusual for a builder to strip a lot of its

trees and squeeze every square foot of home possible on it, Jacobson said. "(Today) you'd be foolish to do that."

"Builders are more sensitive than they were in the past," he said. People want natural settings, they want wetlands and woodlands — the less a site is disturbed, the more the home can be sold, Jacobson said.

When it comes down to what's good for an area, builders are a pretty savvy group of people and they know how to do their job, Jacobson said. Certainly some builders are careless, perhaps even reckless, but

all builders should not be judged — and restricted — because of a few bad apples.

The pendulum has swung from "come here and build" to "go away," he said, and that doesn't benefit anyone. Jacobson predicted the slow-growth/no-growth movement itself will yield to a more accepting time once people realize that no growth means no jobs, no tax base, and most importantly, the end of aspirations of owning a home.

"Without builders, you're cutting out the American dream," Jacobson said.

Van Every defends today's 'better' builders

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A FULL-SCALE subdivision development, he added, will take up to two years after planning begins until the final home is built.

Van Every said nothing good has come from the regulations and controls. "It's all bad — it loads front end costs."

Minimum lot sizes increases the value of land, building regulations inflate the cost of building and the permit process magnifies the time spent per project, he said.

"What we've done is created a sit-

uation where affordable housing can't be built," Van Every said. People have to ask whether the tradeoff is worth it, he said.

True, housing is better today, but when all is said and done, the buildings of yesterday are still providing excellent homes.

"All the subdivisions of 45 years ago are still good, they're still functional.

Beyond their impact on new development, the increased regulations also impact existing housing. The high-cost new housing increases the value of property in a community,

which then increases the assessments on all homes.

"It looks nice on a personal balance sheet to say I bought my house for \$125,000 and now it's worth \$250,000, but wait until the tax bill comes."

BUILDERS ARE combating an unjustified image problem, Van Every said. They're considered the bad guys in the development process. "(No-growth proponents) have the

feeling we're dragging people out to the developments.

"But we don't create the people or the market — we satisfy the need that's there," he said. "If we build a subdivision and no one moves there, all we could do is sit there and look at it."

Van Every said his induction into the hall of fame is an honor — because it shows his colleagues think highly of him — and a responsibility

— because it casts him as a role model for younger builders.

Although not something he has sought over the years, Van Every said he has accepted the mantle of role model. Even before he won the award, he said he has always been approachable to the younger mem-

bers of the organization.

But being a reputable builder means more than being a role model for young builders — it also means talking to community groups about building interests and young people about building and business in general.

From lawyer to builder

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builders may seek him out more, but then Nosen said he hopes he has always been approachable.

"If people want to talk about something, I've always been an open book," he said. "I would hope they would come to me regardless."

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Builders to honor their own

By Gerald Frawley
staff writer

As November comes to a close and summer building season begins to ebb, builders take time out from their planning, bustling and scurrying from site to site to honor their own.

The Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan, one of the nation's largest building organizations, will recognize many of its members tonight at a gala event at the Ritz Carlton in Dearborn.

The builder of the year award will be presented to Scott Jacobson, president of S.R. Jacobson Development Corp. in Birmingham for his service to BASM and contributions to the single-family home building market.

A BASM board member and vice president on the association's executive committee, Jacobson also serves as chairman of the Rochester Hills builder community forum.

BASM will also honor Norman Cohen, president of Baltimore Properties in Troy, as the Developer of the Year.

The young builder of the year award goes to Terry Nosan, vice president of Nosan/Cohen Associates Inc. in West Bloomfield. Nosan is active in the builder community task forces and other BASM functions.

Receiving the highest honor bestowed upon a member, Donald Van Every will be inducted into the BASM Hall of Fame. A BASM board member, he is president of Streamwood Development Company Inc. in Rochester.

BASM will also grant a special award this year to builder association president James Bonadeo, president of Bonadeo Builders, who served an unprecedented two years in that capacity.

Other honorees include:

Associate Members of the Year to Jack Rogers, who is retired from Pete Pullum Company in Detroit, and Fred Restum, sales manager for Automatic Apartment Laundries, Inc. in Livonia;

Associate Member of the Decade to Roy Maly, retired from the Detroit Edison;

Remodeler of the Year to Anthony Bellomo, president of Black Forest Building Co. in Roseville;

Spike of the Year (which is awarded to the most successful builder association recruiter) to Paul Hoenke with Sears Contract Sales;

Women's Forum Leadership Award to Earlene Bonadeo;

Sales Manager of the Year award to Dennis Dickstein, president of Ralph Manuel Associates Inc. in Birmingham and chairman of the 1990 Homearama in Brighton;

Salesperson of the Year and New Salesperson of

the Year to Gall Sandweiss and Wendy Bratt, respectively, of the Selective Group in Farmington Hills.

The association will also grant distinguished service awards this year to many people who have contributed to the building industry, including:

Wayne County Executive Edward McNamara, who will receive the award for service in government;

Bruce and Douglas Etkin, chairman and president, respectively, of Etkin Equities Inc. in Southfield, for service to the Building Owners and Managers Association;

Joseph Slavik, president of The Slavik Co. in Farmington Hills and a BASM board member, for service to the building industry;

Craig Smith, executive vice president of Lewis-Ton-Smith Realty Corp. in Oak Park and a vice president of the Apartment Association of Michigan, for service in political action and

Esther Winer, administrative assistant to the president of the Mike Building Co. in Farmington Hills, for service to the professional Women in Construction Council.

Customer service topic of seminar

Jane Handly, a Dallas business consultant, will discuss customer service at a Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan seminar 8:11:30 a.m. Wednesday at the Kingsley Inn, 1475 N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills.

Why customers leave, how to recognize customer response, and why suppliers will no longer be able to trade on product names alone for sales will be her topics.

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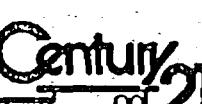
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