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## Council sets lighting rate

The Westland City Council has adopted a resolution designating a special assessment roll for major road street lighting.

The resolution was adopted at the Nov. 21 regular council meeting, after 20 minutes of discussion in which there were few negative comments. Councilman Robert Wagner cast the only vote against the resolution. Council members Ben DeHart and Nancy Neal were absent.

"I don't disagree with the substance, I disagree with the legality," Wagner said.

"The city has put itself in a financial burden because of the streetlighting," Councilman Kenneth Mehl said. "I think it's a reasonable assessment, I don't think it's anything out of line. We discussed it at budget time and said something must be done. We have no other alternative."

**PORTIONS OF** 20 major roads are included in the assessment. These roads are: Joy, Ann Arbor Trail, Cowan, Warren, Hunter, Ford, Marquette, Cherry Hill, Palmer, Glenwood, Van Born, Inkster, Middlebelt, Merri-man, Hubbard, Venoy, Wayne, Nankin Boulevard, John Hix and Henry Ruff. The assessment will defray energy costs and/or maintenance of existing

street lighting. The special assessment roll totals \$117,447.70.

Costs are determined by Detroit Edison, based on a study on the current costs of supplying energy to all major road lights, according to City Assessor Robert Matzo. Matzo said each homeowner would be assessed at 54 cents per front foot.

"Edison divided the costs by the amount of front footage, and we took 50 percent of that," he said. "The administration believes that the property owner receives 50 percent of the benefit of the street lighting and the public receives 50 percent."

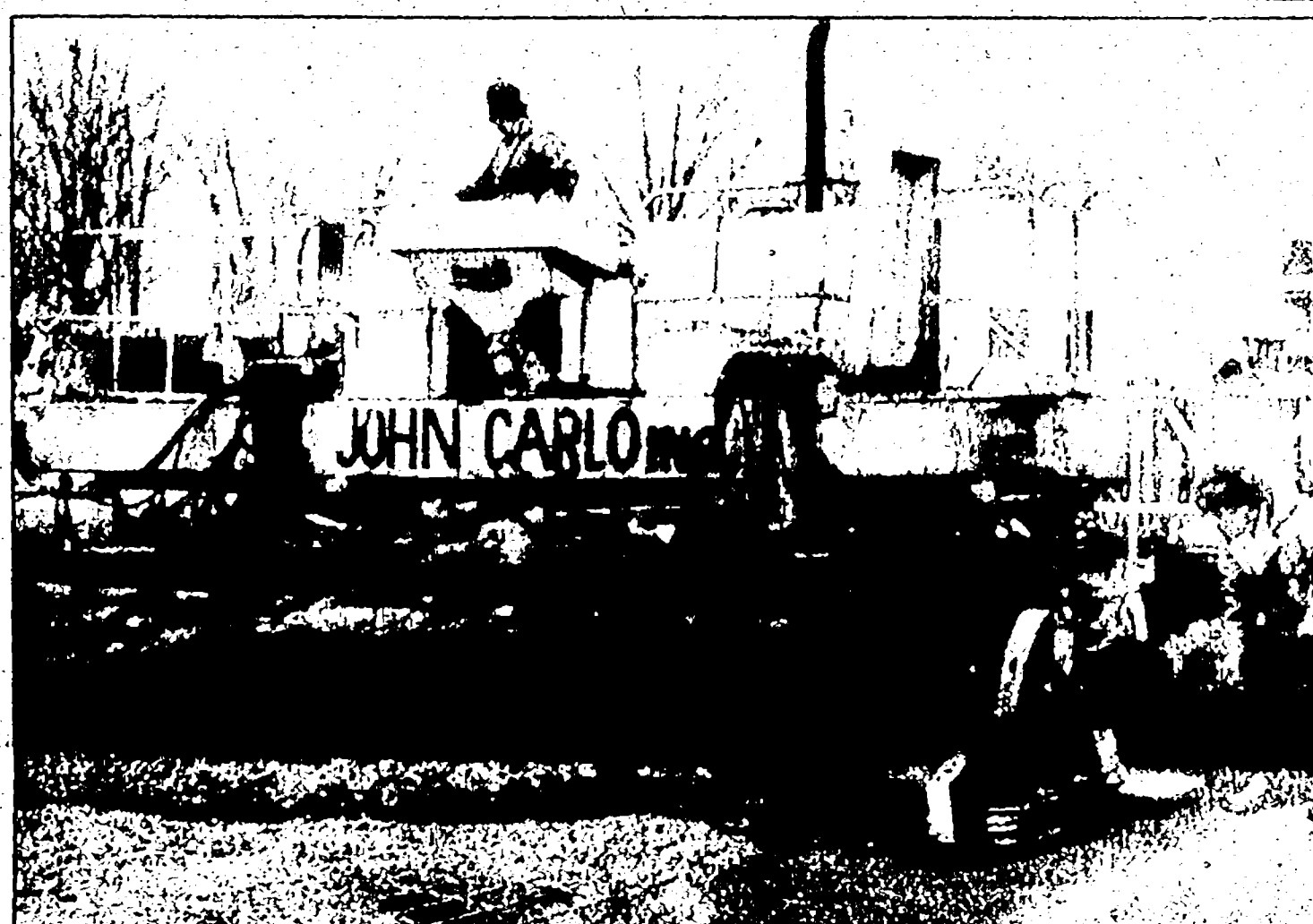
**A RESIDENT OF** the 8000 block of Middlebelt who said he was speaking for a woman told the council that he thought it "wasn't fair" for a resident to pay for lighting a "public highway."

"Why should she subsidize lighting on Middlebelt when it is accessible to the public use?" he asked.

"This is not a subsidy," Herbert responded. "People have had the benefit of street lighting. We felt a portion of that should be paid by residents who are on this major street. If there is a problem as far as taxes being too much, there are the Board of Review and homestead tax credits from the State of Michigan."



A huge machine (right) eats its way over freshly poured cement, packing it into the reinforced grid to form a road bed along Warren between Middlebelt and Inkster. Following behind the machine are construction workers using large scrapers to smooth the road surface. Reconstruction of the road caused some problems for Westland residents. Those problems could continue next year when a section of Warren, between Merri-man and Venoy, is repaved.



ART EMANUELE/staff photographer

## Visiting judge aids case load

By Mary Klemic  
staff writer

The case load at the 18th District Court has been eased somewhat with the hiring of a visiting judge, according to court representatives.

Judge Ben Stanczyk, who formerly served on the Common Pleas Court, has been hearing cases in the Westland court for the past month. The retired judge usually serves Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.

"He has been coming in three days a week, which has helped," Smith said. "We've been able to go back and schedule some cases that we couldn't take before."

These include cases that had been remanded from the Circuit Court, he said. Smith added that the hiring of a visiting judge has given court magistrate Les Hall more time to do administrative work.

**THE COURT** may continue to hire visiting judges on a temporary basis, 18th District Judge Thomas Smith says.

Judge Keith Leenhouts of Royal Oak may be hired as a visiting judge in Westland early next year, according to Smith. Leenhouts, now a visiting judge in Madison Heights, received national attention as director of the Volunteers in Probation program, in which volunteers work with young persons on probation.

Adjustments were made at the Westland court since 18th District Judge

Evan Callanan Sr. stepped down from his post after his indictment on federal charges nine months ago. Callanan was found guilty of case-fixing and mail fraud in September.

Last month, the state Supreme Court granted a petition from the Michigan Judicial Tenure Commission that Callanan be suspended without pay, pending the resolution of a complaint against him by the commission. Gov. James Blanchard will appoint a replacement for the judge until the next general election, if Callanan is removed from office. The judge could be removed through a ruling by the Supreme Court or the denial of his appeals.

"It (the case load) has been pretty heavy," Smith said. "But we've operated pretty well."

**LEENHOUTS** may be hired in February or March 1984, according to Smith.

"It's good to have a different judge as a visiting judge," he said. "They (Stanczyk and Leenhouts) are both good judges."

Visiting judges are selected from a list compiled by the state, and the arrangements of which days they will be available are worked out. They are officially assigned by the state Supreme Court administration office. The city of Westland is paying the visiting judge through vouchers, and will be reimbursed by the state Supreme Court, according to Smith.

## Cities argue over water service

By Sandra Armbruster  
editor

The controversy over who will provide water service for Westland home and business owners along Warren Road may erupt again next spring when construction begins along that stretch of road, from Merri-man to Venoy.

Garden City, which provided water

service to Westland residents years ago when no other service was available, has sent letters to Warren Road homeowners warning that they would be responsible for their own water service if the water lines froze.

"I'm disappointed that Garden City finds it necessary to send those kind of letters," said Hank Lundquist, director of the Westland department of public service.

"The fact is, they are customers of Garden City."

**THE DISPUTE** over who would provide water service to Warren Road customers living in Westland began earlier this year. John Preston, director of the Garden City department of public service, had sent homeowners between Middlebelt and Inkster a letter warning them that their water lines

could freeze. He said those lines would no longer be serviced by Garden City and urged the residents to hook up with Westland water service.

Then last summer, Garden City refused to repair water lines broken during the repaving of Warren. A Wayne County highway construction official said the lines were broken because Garden City had marked only those lines leading to customers in that city.

While homeowners worried that they would be forced to move, Westland's DPS repaired at least one water line

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## Perjury plea nets 6-month sentence

Former Westland resident Louis Perry has been sentenced to six months in prison for lying to a grand jury.

U.S. District Court Judge Horace Gilmore sentenced Perry last week after Perry pleaded guilty to the charge. Perry, 42, is scheduled to begin serving the sentence Jan. 4.

The former Westland resident is the fifth man sentenced on charges that resulted from an FBI investigation. The others are 18th District Judge Evan Callanan Sr.; attorney Evan Callanan Jr., the judge's son; Dearborn Heights businessman Sam Qaoud and former 18th District Court officer Donald Black.

Judge Callanan, his son and Qaoud were found guilty of case-fixing and

conspiracy. The two Callanans also were convicted of mail fraud. Black was found guilty of lying to a grand jury in a separate trial.

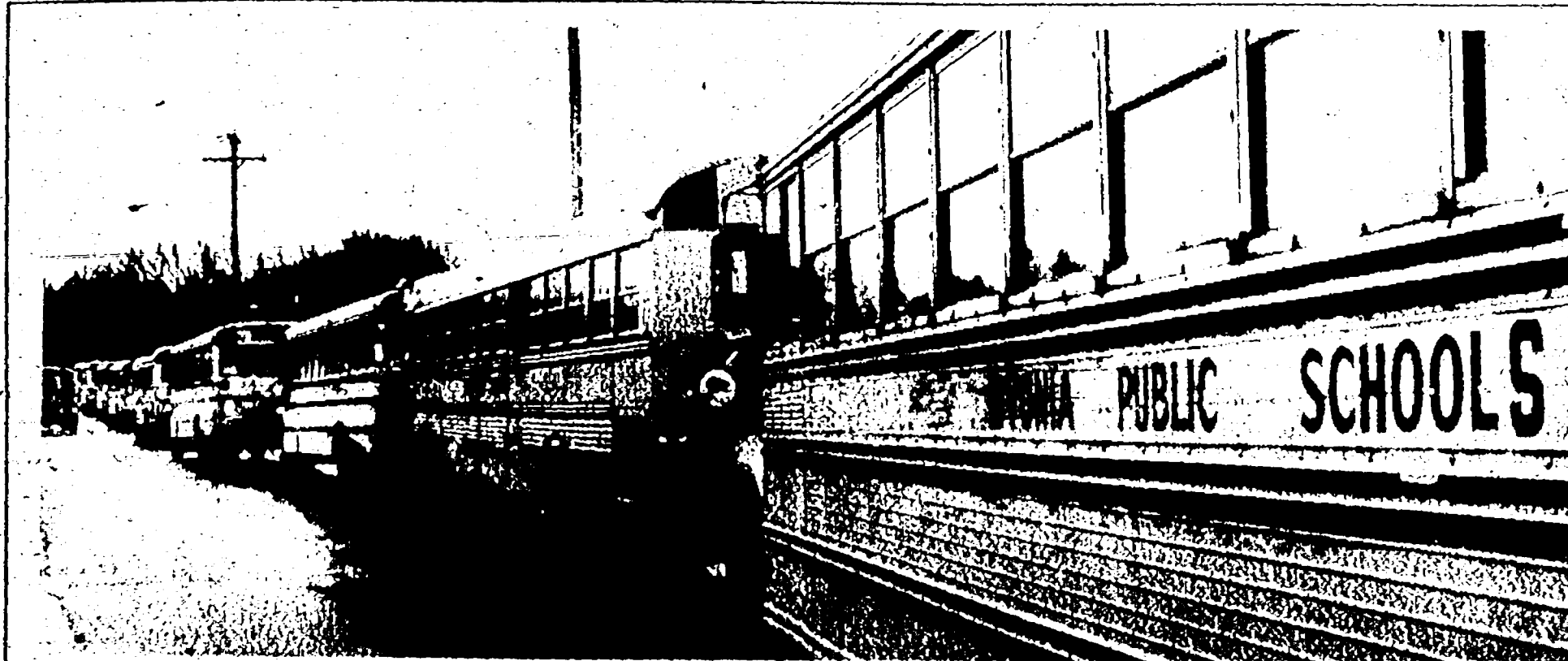
**IT WAS** charged by the government that Perry lied when he told a grand jury in August 1982 that he wasn't familiar with the name of Darrell Kevin. Kevin was charged with issuing a check with insufficient funds over \$50 in May 1978.

The grand jury was trying to determine whether Perry contacted, or tried to contact, Callanan Sr. regarding Kevin's case, and whether Perry told anyone he was going to contact the judge or had contacted him concerning that

case, the government said.

Gilmore sentenced Callanan Sr. to 10 years in prison. Callanan Jr. was sentenced to eight years and Qaoud was sentenced to three years in prison. Gilmore sentenced Black to one year in prison, to be eligible for parole after four months.

Perry had pleaded guilty to the charge Sept. 2, with an agreement that he would be sentenced to not more than 30 days in prison if Gilmore accepted the plea. Gilmore set aside the plea last month, when the four other men were sentenced, and set a trial date for Nov. 15. The trial wasn't held because Perry pleaded guilty, according to court officials.



JIM JAGDFELD/staff photographer

## Gas lines

The problem Wednesday wasn't a gas shortage when about 50 Livonja Public Schools buses lined up at one time to refuel. It was a case of too few pumps and "an experiment that didn't work," according to Robert (Mike) Wagner, the schools' transportation supervisor. Wagner said the policy has been that bus drivers gas up their buses when needed. However, he said, some drivers put off refueling until morning, which means some buses occasionally run late. The one-day experiment involved having the drivers fuel their buses at the end of the day so all the buses would be ready in the morning.

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# City studies road plan to avoid water woes

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and insisted that Garden City repair others that broke later.

A WATER MAIN provided by Westland now exists on that city's side of Warren, between Middle Belt and Inkster. Residents can now connect to that main but are balking, according to Lundquist, because of the cost of putting in a meter, register and the debt payment involved.

"Some people took it as a threat," he said. "When digging started on the Garden City side, there was a broken line to one house. We repaired it, even though we don't get one dime from it."

Several homeowners who qualified for low-cost federal loans opted to connect to Westland water and sewer service. Federal community development

block grant funds were used to run a sewer line behind the homes.

For residents and homeowners on Warren, between Merriman and Venoy, there is no Westland water main to hook up with.

In his letter to nine Westland customers in that area, Preston said that "a lowering of the road grade could cause the water services crossing Warren to be in the freeze line of the pavement sub-grade."

"Because Westland does not have a water main available to service these accounts, it is my recommendation that for your future protection, now would be an opportune time for the

property owners on Warren to request that Westland provide a water main and service your property," he said in his letter.

EVEN IF A water line was put in there, Lundquist said, there is no guarantee that people would connect to it. He added that running a water main along that section would be very expensive.

"I don't know if he's (Preston) getting pressured, but he doesn't realize the emotion involved in this," Lundquist added. "We're starting to try to get answers."

"We're very concerned because we don't want people to be without water service. In our water and sewer divi-

sion, we make sure there are no problems to Westland residents.

"Unfortunately, Garden City keeps stirring this up."

All homeowners, including those served by Westland, are responsible for the "leads" that run from water mains to their houses. Since the water main along Warren is on the Garden City side of the street, the leads there are unusually long, Lundquist said.

Preston earlier had insisted that the road grade was lowered, making water line freeze-ups a possibility.

Lundquist said that, to prevent freezing in the area from Merriman to Venoy, paving plans are being studied to make sure the lines will be deep enough.

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## obituaries

### FRANKLIN A. BURDEN

Services for Franklin A. Burden of Westland were held Nov. 19 in the Schrader Funeral Home. The Rev. Danny Reaves officiated. Burial was in Knollwood Cemetery.

Mr. Burden, 53, died Nov. 16. Survivors are his wife Phyllis; mother, Carrie of Ypsilanti; sister Barbara Montague of Fenton; brother, Marvin of Plymouth.

DOYLE G. MADDOCK  
Services for Doyle G. Maddock of

Westland were held Nov. 18 in the Schrader Funeral Home. Capt. William Harfoot officiated. Burial was in Parkview Memorial Cemetery.

Mr. Maddock, 65, died Nov. 14. He was retired from the Great Lakes Steel Co. where he worked as an inspector and member of the Salvation Army Church of Plymouth.

Survivors are his wife, Eunice; children, Marvel Parent of Lupton, Ilene Maddock of Westland, John of Metropolis, Ill.

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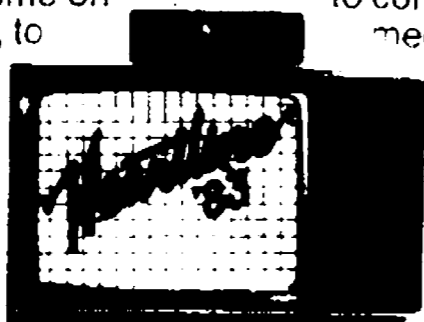
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# Hunger pangs: Area organizations help with food for those in need

By Dan Vecchioni  
staff writer

The last unemployment check has long since been spent, the small cash reserve has dwindled down to nothing, and the baby is crying because it's hungry. What do you do?

Many churches and organizations scattered around western Wayne County have programs to respond to family or individual crises with emergency food or meals.

"I can't think of any individual who'd have a need that there isn't a group to satisfy that need," said Joan Duggan, director of community resources for the city of Livonia. "The key is finding out which group."

For Livonia residents, "the easiest way is to contact our office" at Livonia City Hall (421-2000), Duggan said. "We can sort out their needs. There are all kinds of different programs — some

you have to qualify for by income or age. We can refer them to agencies that can assist and help them qualify."

For other western Wayne County residents, emergency food sources ranging from federally-funded programs to churches relying on contributions from parishioners may be contacted directly.

**THE FOLLOWING** is a list of many of the programs that provide free food and meals in the area:

- The commodity distribution program. Surplus food — such as cheese, powdered milk and rice — is provided by the federal government to local agencies for monthly distribution to people who meet income guidelines. Information on the program may be obtained by contacting city hall in your community or, for residents of Canton and Plymouth, the Plymouth Salvation Army (453-5464).

- Focus:HOPE. Government-funded food programs for senior citizens, pregnant women and children under the age of 6 are available to Wayne County residents who meet income requirements. The agency provides a month's worth of food each month. At this time, there is a waiting list for senior citizens. Further information may be obtained by contacting the agency at 883-7440 or 883-1140.

- Good Hope Lutheran Church, 26880 Cherry Hill, Garden City. The church serves free meals from noon to 1:30 p.m. Monday through Friday to persons in need. No proof of need is required.

- Kirk of Our Savior United Presbyterian Church, Westland. Emergency food — two bags of groceries with a voucher to purchase perishable items — is available free with "no strings attached." Persons are limited to a maximum of three visits before being re-

ferred to another agency. Information is available by contacting 728-1088.

- Livonia Fish. Livonia residents meeting requirements may receive free a month's worth of groceries on a temporary basis. The agency's 24-hour hotline is 427-4040.

- Operation Breadbasket. Westland residents meeting federal criteria may receive free three to four days' worth of groceries. The food is distributed between 1 and 3 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday at the Bailey Recreation Center, 36651 Ford Road (behind Westland City Hall). Further information may be obtained by calling 595-0288.

- People That Love Center, Livonia. Emergency food, as well as clothing and spiritual help, is available to persons in need. Identification is required but no restrictions apply. Further information may be obtained by calling the center at 421-9142.

- Plymouth Salvation Army. Resi-

dents of Canton, Plymouth and Westland (west of Wayne Road) are eligible for emergency food baskets. Applicants are interviewed by Salvation Army staff and must indicate some need, such as being unemployed or having an income below the poverty level. For information, contact the Salvation Army at 453-5464.

- Rice Memorial United Methodist Church, Redford Township. Monthly drives to collect canned goods are held by the church, and the food then is made available to people in need. Information may be obtained by contacting the church at 534-4907.

Wayne County Office on Aging. A free hot lunch program for those age 60 and older is held throughout western Wayne County. Locations include the Canton Township Recreation Center,

4437 Michigan Avenue; the Maplewood Senior Center, 31735 Maplewood, Garden City; Brashear Towers, 17841 N. Laurel Drive, Livonia; Fire Station Center, 10800 Farmington Road, Livonia; the Commission on Aging, 15218 Farmington Road, Livonia; McNamara Towers, 19300 Purlingbrook, Livonia; Tongulsh Creek Manor, 1180 Sheridan, Plymouth; the Redford Community Center, 12121 Hemlingway; the Whittier Center, 28550 Ann Arbor Trail, Westland; Kirk of Our Savior United Presbyterian Church, 36660 Cherry Hill, Westland; Wayne County General Hospital Department of Aging, J Building, 2345 Merriman Road, Westland; and the Friendship Center, 37095 Marquette, Westland. Those attending for the first time are asked to call the location they will visit a day in advance.



Schoolcraft Community College students Sharon Jaster (left), Paul Carter and Margie Jaeger fill boxes with food and other household items for distribution to area needy persons during the holiday season. Schoolcraft, through the campus' Newman House, is one of

several Detroit area organizations currently conducting drives to collect canned goods to help feed persons who are struggling to make ends meet.

## Donations keep programs going

Car sales are up, but then so are soup kitchens.

Call it the trickle-down theory of economics. The persons most in need probably will be the last to feel the effects of the recovering economy. As a result, the have-nots again find themselves relying on the generosity of the haves.

"When the money (from government sources) is gone, we certainly will continue operation, but it will depend on the willingness and ability of people and groups to donate money and food-stuffs and to hold fund raisers," said Gene Hudson, Westland's community programs development director who manages the city's Operation Breadbasket.

Individuals can contribute canned goods, non-perishable items and even money to groups that will distribute food to those in need.

Many of these collection drives are handled locally by churches, which ask parishioners to bring in their donations on a regular monthly basis, and by Goodfellows groups. Others are sponsored by larger organizations.

**SOME OF THOSE** active in the western Wayne County area include:

- Christmas Care and Share. Sponsored by Community Builders Corp., and the United Auto Workers, the effort is aimed at GM employees and retirees who are asked to donate canned foods and money. GM then will match their contribution. The donations will be

turned over to the United Foundation for distribution during the holidays.

- Gleaners Community Food Bank. The Detroit-based agency is assembling 40-pound emergency food baskets that will feed a family of four for three days. The baskets will be turned over to other agencies for distribution. Most of the donations it receives come from corporate sources. Additional information may be obtained by calling 923-3535.

- Operation Can-Do. Several area groups including Elias Brothers restaurants and WXYZ-TV are sponsoring this drive. Individuals are asked to drop off canned food and other non-perishable items in boxes that may be found in area restaurants. Schools also have been asked to provide drop-off points. The food will be distributed to needy families in January, February and March through the Southeastern Michigan Food Coalition.

- St. John Neumann Church, 44800 Warren, Canton Township. Parishioners and others are asked to contribute food items one Sunday a month. The donations then are turned over to the Plymouth Salvation Army for distribution.

- Schoolcraft Community College. Newman House. Students are asked to money to purchase items for food baskets for distribution in the western Wayne County area. Further information may be obtained by calling 464-2160.

## Pride forgotten as many struggle to make ends meet

By Diane Gale  
staff writer

Behind your neighbor's closed doors could be a family privately struggling to make ends meet.

"You have to learn how to survive and roll with what happens," said a Livonia father of eight who asked to remain anonymous. "If you can't do that you'll be defeated."

"A regular menu of hot dogs and soup inexpensively keeps food on the table."

"My kids help a lot, because they don't demand things that other kids have, and they understand when they don't get birthday gifts," he said. "We're not used to living like this, and begging for food by answering a lot of questions (for assistance programs). You have to forget about pride."

"You have to make sure there is gas in the car, especially during the winter, and sometimes you have to count pennies to get a gallon of gas," said the 36-year-old unemployed man.

Many find it embarrassing to think their friends and relatives will discover they are receiving some form of assistance. Parents are especially reluctant to talk about their problems, afraid that their children will be chastised by their friends.

"THIS IS a downstep, and you know children. They'll be saying, 'Oh, your dad's on food stamps,'" said a Livonia father of three, who also asked not to be identified.

This shield of pride was the pattern in Redford Township, Garden City, Plymouth, Canton and Westland. Local officials reported hundreds of families that were receiving some type of federal or state assistance.

The federal government surplus food program draws 500 Livonia families, about 600 Garden City residents and 1,500 Westland people. In Redford some 600-700 persons have received food. In the Plymouth and Canton area, where the Salvation Army administers the federal food giveaway pro-

grams, officials estimate at least 575 families have received food products.

Most of these financially strapped people are reluctant to broadcast their troubles.

"What we are seeing in the people that we help is that it's the first time for them, and they are looking at this as a temporary displacement," said Joan Duggan, Livonia director of Community Resources.

"They don't want to be tagged as needy," she said. "There isn't a pattern of let's look for the poor in the suburbs."

Despite a series of bad blows, the father of three is optimistic about the future. He plans to work on a computer degree to become more marketable.

**THE MAN'S** troubles began in December 1981 when the small auto parts manufacturing company, where he worked as treasurer, went out of business. Even though he has tapped friends and organizations to find work, he has come up dry.

Out of a survival instinct, he headed to state and federal assistance bureaus. He received extended unemployment checks, food stamps and other aid. He hedges on blaming his circumstances on cerebral palsy that limits his manual dexterity. But, he admits it gives him a couple of strikes that other people do not have.

As the months went by and the unemployment checks ran out he applied for food stamps with the Department of Social Services. He said it was a terribly degrading situation, but it was necessary.

"It cuts you down to have to go and apply for it," he said. "They make you feel lower than what you already felt before going to them."

Times have been tough, but he cuts corners by eliminating recreational activities.

"There were times when it was either do this or pay the bill — we paid the bills," he said.

## One unemployed person finds humor in grocery shopping

By Jo-Anne Mason  
special writer

Last Thursday while I was in the bathroom practicing my voice disguises in case a creditor called, it occurred to me that there are probably a lot of people in unemployment land who would like to share the unforgettable experience.

Probably? The lines I've waited in for the last several months could populate Siberia and the Ford plant's parking lot. But every unemployment check has a silver edge. For instance, my kitchen and hallway are no longer cluttered with empty pop and beer bottles. I used them to pay last month's rent.

As a matter of fact, I've started taking up collections of discarded bottles to feed a resident cat. We all know the unemployment check doesn't cover luxuries such as food; and contrary to feline belief, Nine Lives doesn't grow on the back fence. So whenever I shuffle into my corner grocer's with a

leaky paper bag, he smiles knowingly and gets a can of Savory Stew. (Heaven forbid I should force the poor animal to eat anything else.)

Anyway, I keep secretly hoping the old guy will start believing the stuff is for me and offer me a job. Every connection to the working world is a potential application form.

**SHOPPING** for groceries while not working can be an opportunity to be creative. There's a special craft to taking things from the marked-down-for-quick-sale-basket without being observed. Those of you with kids can send them, but we single folks are on our own. I was attempting to slip one into my cart the other day when a neighbor of mine came up behind me and spoke. I held up the damaged soup can with two fingers, made a face and dropped it back on the rack.

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# Ford backs bill to aid school districts

Rep. William D. Ford, D-Taylor, again has endorsed the American Defense Education Act (ADEA), which would provide \$2 billion to local school districts in the first year and double that amount in the second year.

Under the bill, payments to local school districts would be based on 2 percent of the average per-pupil expenditure in the state, but not less than the national average per-pupil expenditure.

"This bill is now gathering momentum," said Ford, whose district includes Garden City and Westland. "However, in the face of the Republi-

can controlled Senate and the Reagan White House, the bill faces an uphill struggle.

"I believe that ADEA is a very positive plan," he said. "It is a welcome relief from the hand wringing, finger pointing and political rhetoric that has too often been the response to the pressing need to provide a high quality and equal educational opportunity for all our citizens."

THE ADEA would provide for local initiative and control in using the funds to improve curricula in mathematics, science, computer technology, foreign

languages and communications.

Payments to school districts in Michigan during the first year of full operation of the ADEA would be approximately \$110 million. The bill also would provide for improved teacher training, particularly in new technologies.

"I am very pleased to be a co-sponsor of the American Defense Education Act," Ford said. "And I am delighted that the Subcommittee on Elementary, Secondary and Vocational Education, on which I serve as the ranking Democratic member, recently held the first hearing on this bill."

## military news

JEFFERY M. CONNOLLE

Pvt. 2nd Class Jeffery M. Connolle successfully has completed basic training at Fort McClellan, Ala. and advanced individual training at Fort Jackson, S.C. in military occupational specialty, unit supply specialist.

Connolle, a 1981 graduate of Wayne Memorial High School, is the son of Patrick and Ann Connolle of Westland. Connolle's permanent change of station is Fort Myer, 1st Battalion, 3rd Infantry, Arlington, Va. The fort's primary mission is to protect the nation's capital as well as the Arlington National Cemetery.

TODD E. WALLBOM

Airman Todd E. Wallbom, son of Erick W. Wallbom of Westland, has been assigned to Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas, after completing Air Force basic training.

During the six weeks at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas, Wallbom studied the Air Force mission, organization and customs and received special training in human relations.

Wallbom, a 1983 graduate of Wayne Memorial High School, now will receive specialized instruction in the communications field.

WILLIAM J. RINALDI

Marine Lance Cpl. William J. Rinaldi recently deployed to the Jungle Operations Training Center, Fort Sherman, Panama, for jungle warfare training.

Rinaldi, son of Charles D. Rinaldi of Westland and Judy A. Rinaldi of Belleville, is a member of 1st Battalion, 6th Marines, 2nd Marine Division, Camp Lejeune, N.C.

Individual training includes jungle living, plants, foods, rappelling, expedient antennas, land navigation, waterborne operations, jungle combat techniques, obstacle course and medical hygiene.

There are also squad, platoon and company training in helicopter operations, squad test lanes, squad movement to contact, combat patrols and live fire exercises.

The training culminates with a battalion field exercise.

DALE J. PATTERSON

Navy Aviation Ordnanceman Airman Apprentice Dale J. Patterson, son of James C. and Mary A. Patterson of Westland, has reported for duty at Naval Air Station, Lemoore, Calif.

JAY T. DAVIS

Marine Lance Cpl. Jay T. Davis, son

of John F. and Beverly A. Davis of Westland, recently participated in "Combined Arms Exercise 9-83" in the California desert.

Davis is a member of the 2nd Battalion 7th Marines, Camp Pendleton, Calif.

Conducted at the Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center, Twenty-nine Palms, Calif., the exercise was designed to provide realistic combat training and coordination between Marine Corps air and ground units.

DONALD P. SIMS

Army Sgt. Donald P. Sims was involved in a NATO-sponsored exercise by participating in the Army's return of forces to Germany (REFORGER) and the Air Force's Crested Cap exercises. He is the son of Michael J. and Barbara N. Sims of Westland.

The exercises are designed to develop uniformity of doctrine, standardize procedures for rapid response to a crisis and demonstrate solidarity in commitment to NATO goals and objectives.

Sims is a power generator repairer with the 3rd Armored Division in Friedberg, West Germany.

His wife, Joanne, is the daughter of Clifford K. and Kathleen Cannon of Westland.

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# Gifts are rolling in to S'Craft

By Tim Richard  
staff writer

In an era of tax revolts and tight state aid, Schoolcraft College is seeking all the private and federal money it can find — and beginning to find it.

President Richard McDowell told trustees the Schoolcraft College Foundation has raised its fund goal to \$40,000 from last year's \$25,000.

"We're pleased with the early results," said McDowell, reporting that \$8,400 has been received from 170 gifts. Foundation funds are used for student aid and for equipment which the college couldn't otherwise afford.

McDowell reported college administrators are seeking \$2,000 from the state in order to revamp the computer program, serving more students and upgrading the quality of the program.

Last month McDowell announced receipt of \$167,000 in federal job training funds and a specific \$34,000 grant to train Ford Motor Co. employees.

THE BOARD voted to accept its biggest list of gifts in years — nearly \$18,500 in cash and materials.

Largest was a 1982 Buick Century worth \$12,000 which General Motors

donated to the college's automotive department. Transportation from Flint, worth \$250, was arranged by Buick dealer Tom Armstrong through Anchor Motor Freight Inc. of Birmingham.

Next were eight 1982 transmissions, which Ford Motor Co.'s Livonia transmission plant donated to the automotive service program.

Plymouth Wayne Welding Co. of Garden City donated nearly \$1,700 in wire and electrode materials to the welding program.

Industrial Metal Fabricators Co. of Detroit donated 8,500 pounds of scrap metal worth an estimated \$850 to the welding program. Metropolitan Alloys Corp., also of Detroit, donated 300 pounds of aluminum alloy worth \$270 to the foundry course.

Johanna Wirbel of Ann Arbor gave a 1978 Volvo station wagon worth \$600 to the automotive program.

Other gifts and donors were: two sets of new soccer goal nets worth \$180, Little Caesar's Western Suburban Soccer League, Farmington, and \$50 cash from Business and Professional Women's Club of Plymouth.

IN OTHER business, the Schoolcraft board of trustees:

- Renewed its membership (\$425) in the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments. The board reappointed trustee Laura Toy as SEMCOG delegate and named trustee Rosina Raymond alternate delegate.

- Dropped its membership in the Association of Governing Boards of Universities and Colleges (AGB). Trustee Harry Greenleaf said he was "appalled" at the 55 percent increase (to \$990) AGB is charging for the year. Raymond said AGB is oriented more toward four-year colleges, and Schoolcraft derives more benefit from the American Association of Community and Junior Colleges.

- Voted 4-2 to pay Burns Sign Co. of Plymouth \$8,685 for design and construction of an announcement sign

readable by passers-by on Haggerty Road. Trustee Sharon Sarris, who voted no, said she was hesitant because there was no clear picture how the sign would fit into the college's forthcoming marketing program. Trustee Laura Toy, the other dissenter, called the project "expensive" and also wanted to wait for completion of the marketing plan.

- Reappointed two members of the four-member college board of canvassers, which by law must include representatives of both major political parties. Reappointed were Marcella Woods, a Democrat from Canton, and Ann L. Wood, a Republican from Livonia.

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## Carrier receives honor

Brad Dropp, 14, has been chosen as carrier of the year for the Westland Observer. Dropp began his route in April 1980. The selection is made on the basis of length of service, amount of collections, organization and record-keeping.

He was honored during the 13th annual carrier of the year night held recently at the Observer's Livonia building.

A ninth-grade student at Churchill High School,

Dropp maintains a 3.3 grade point average. His favorite subjects are math and English. His future plans include attending college.

Dropp's hobbies are playing sports, including baseball, basketball and bowling. He plays in Wayne-Ford Civic Association and Westland Youth Athletic Association leagues.

The son of Robert and Kathleen Dropp, he has two brothers, Rick and Mike.

## Her efforts make ends meet

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"I can't believe they expect anyone to pay for that," I sniffed. As soon as she had gone down the cereal aisle, I sneaked back around and slipped it under some week-old romaine lettuce. What I wonder is, how many of those items have been systematically damaged by hungry unemployed folk? Unemployment is the mother of resourcefulness.

Another blessing to us non-working people are the great Unbranded Foods. It's a lonely aisle, because no one wants to be seen there, but it's worth the trip! I've spent many a noncommittal hour

sauntering up and down between those black and whites, comparing prices and replacing the branded items I had acquired along the way. (I apologize to the little old lady who tripped over the Green Giant Niblets I put on the floor the other day, but the no-brand corn was 30-percent cheaper!) Now if I could just find some generic savory stew.

I have to admit, not having a payroll check weekly has been an educational experience and I've learned a great deal about economizing and budgeting. Let's share some ideas and experiences about unemployment. See you in the lines a week from Tuesday. I'll be in the one in line nine reading last week's newspaper.

## Book outlines GI benefits

Many veterans of the U.S. armed forces are missing out on benefits for which they don't realize they are eligible.

A 72-page book "A Complete Guide to Government Benefits for Veterans, Their Families and Survivors," lists hundreds of areas in which eligible veterans and others may receive financial and other benefits from the federal government. The book is a complete reference, listing and explaining all benefits and eligibility requirements as of 1983.

The book also contains a state by state listing of Veterans Administration installations, including regional offices, insurance centers, hospitals, clinics and nursing homes along with addresses and telephone numbers.

A copy of the manual, "Complete Guide to Government Benefits for Veterans, Their Families and Survivors" is available for \$5 (including postage) from CERC-Veterans Projects, P.O. Box 336, South Orange, N.J. 07079.

## Your dollars help purchase fire prevention

The Westland public fire education division has received a warm response from businesses and civic organizations concerning funding to provide teaching aids for community schools.

A number of businesses and fraternal groups have donated to the cause, according to Joseph Benyo, chief of public fire education. He said the largest contributor to date has been the Bank of the Commonwealth at Ford and Newburgh, which donated \$500 to purchase three sets of "Learn Not to Burn" fire safety curriculum books.

Others who have contributed include Tronic-Ware Co., Inc., the Cherry Hill Chiropractic Clinic and the Westland Firefighters Association.

"We commend the effort of all concerned about the safety of the citizens of Westland, and in particular the news media for their help in reaching both the public and businesses by solid and extremely important fire safety education stories," Benyo said.

Bank of the Commonwealth Manager Darlene Peschl recently presented the books to three school principals: Timothy Baxter, of Hamilton School; Frank Lasota, of Edison School and Dr. Jim Jennings, of P.D. Graham.

Some 25,000 classrooms nationwide currently use the "Learn Not to Burn" books, according to Benyo. The books are printed in three levels of instruction, from the kindergarten to the eighth grade level. The book for each level contains lesson plans, illustrations, fire safety background, information, instruction instruments and a reference to supplementary materials.

Benyo said he hopes that every school in Westland will have a set of the books. He has the "Learn Not to Burn" program in four of the city's schools this time.

Contributions still are needed for the books and educational items, Benyo said. These articles include films, video player and tapes, camera, televisions, slide projectors, recorders, literature, informational pamphlets for business people and bumper stickers with fire prevention and emergency telephone numbers.

Anyone who wishes to donate may call 731-6900, ext. 251.

Chief Ted Scott was pleased to report that the department's effort in public fire education has been quite successful in the past. However, any budgeted item is being expended. We hope that a number of civic and business community groups will continue to support our efforts to continue in the reduction of fire deaths and losses.

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# Legislature compromises on state welfare spending

By Tim Richard  
staff writer

The Michigan Legislature settled a months-long argument about what to do with \$43 million in the state welfare budget with "a true compromise."

"No one was completely happy," said state Sen. R. Robert Geake, R-Northville.

The compromise gave Republicans half a loaf — "workfare." House Democrats got the other half a loaf — an increase in home heating aid to welfare recipients.

Only loser was Agnes Mary Mansour, director of the Department of Social Services. She had sought the \$43 million for higher welfare benefits. Her boss, Gov. James J. Blanchard, agreed to the compromise.

THE COMPROMISE came when the Senate gave 25-9 approval to Senate Bill 448.

All Observer & Eccentric area senators supported it: Republicans Geake, Doug Cruce of Troy and Richard Fessler of Union Lake; and Democrats William Faust of Westland, Jack Faxon of Southfield, Philip O. Mastin of Pontiac and Patrick McCollough of Dearborn.

A conservative Democrat who opposed it was Gilbert DiNello of East Detroit. He argued that the "compromise" actually was tipped 60-40 in favor of liberals who wanted more money for home heating.

While the \$43 million of state money was split \$20 million-plus for "workfare" and \$22 million-plus for home heating, DiNello said, the use of federal funds changed the outcome. The federal government will provide only \$5 million for "workfare" but a hefty \$15.5 million for home heating.

Adding federal and state funds gave \$25 million to "workfare" and \$38 million to heating aid.

"I see this bill as a very poor compromise or one heavily weighted in favor of those who want increased state spending," DiNello protested.

BUT GEAKE said he had spent the summer working out the compromise in a bipartisan ad hoc committee that included Senate Minority Leader Harry Gast of St. Joseph, Appropriations Chairman James DeSana, D-Wyandotte, and Lana Pollack, D-Ann Arbor.

Geake and Gast were co-authors of the "workfare" idea. "It gives them (welfare recipients) the alternatives of going to school or community service work," he said.

"Some critics said the utilities were the chief winners, and to a certain extent that's true," said Geake. "But I still supported it because of the workfare component."

Cruce said the final bill gives \$13 million to a "Michigan Community Service Corps,"

\$6 million to job training programs and \$1 million in incentives to private employers to hire welfare recipients.

Geake said the plan covers "employable, able-bodied recipients of Aid to Families with Dependent Children and General Assistance." Those who refused work or training would lose three months benefits.

Excluded would be children, single parents with young children, persons over 55, the disabled and those caring for a disabled relative.

McCOLLOUGH, meanwhile, was elated at the 34-0 passage of his SB 456, a companion measure which permits General Assistance funds to be paid directly to employers of welfare recipients.

"The state is telling employers in Michigan that the money we pay welfare recipients we will now give to the employer if he or she will hire the recipient and provide work and on-the-job training for at least six months," said McCollough.

He added the bill prevents employers from laying off regular employees to hire welfare clients. "We do not want to remove those presently working from their jobs, but rather try to help employers create additional positions for those otherwise on welfare."

He called the companion measures "the legislature's first, solid attempt to end sit-at-home, dead-end welfare programs."



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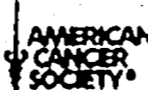
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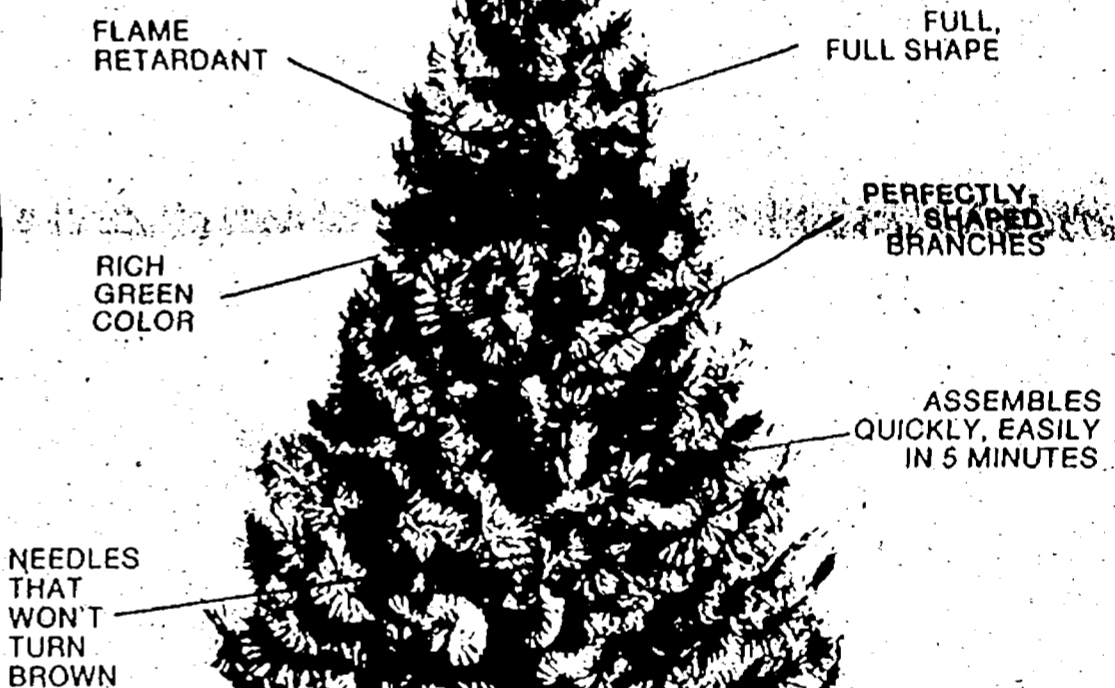
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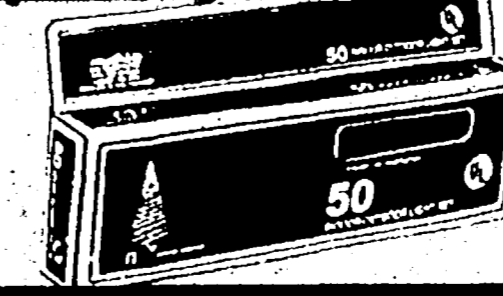
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## Industry, charity make us thankful during rebound

**O**UR OPTIMISM as Thanksgiving 1983 approaches is a good deal more soundly based than in 1982.

That is particularly so in the area of economics. Auto sales are rebounding healthily. People who haven't drawn a paycheck in two years are being recalled to work.

In southeast Michigan, we are beginning to realize we have a burgeoning high-technology belt from Troy to Ann Arbor. These firms may not be producing jobs in the thousands, but they are hiring by the dozens, and there are a lot of them.

In recent years, we had forgotten that Michigan is a midwestern state and heavily agricultural. That asset is becoming more apparent as we realize the potential we have to become a food processing state.

We spend so much time enjoying our Great Lake State, with its rivers and lakes and shorelines, that we need to remind ourselves that those natural resources are excellent economic resources, too. Tourism ranks with agriculture and manufacturing as one of the legs of a tripod supporting this state, and its prospects are improving.

**THERE IS** much to be pleased with even if the economy hasn't fully recovered.

The United Fund set a higher goal for itself this year, and attained 104 percent of its goal in the Torch Drive campaign which ended a couple of weeks ago.

Those who have jobs and food haven't turned their backs on those who have not. Food distribution centers have proliferated all over the metropolitan area. They prove that even if we have unemployment compensation, aid to families with dependent children and general assistance, we still have the capacity to practice personal charity.

The Thanksgiving Day Parade, a longstanding custom that seemed doomed with the demise of the downtown J.L. Hudson

store, is alive for at least another year, thanks to the efforts of a lot of people in public and private life.

**THIS YEAR** marks the 38th in which the world has failed to see a nuclear bomb dropped in anger. The human race may have more civility than it has given itself credit for if it can possess so devastating a weapon and refrain from using it for 1 1/2 generations.

This is the 118th year since the Union was preserved by the end of the Civil War. Considering the internal hostilities in many Middle Eastern and Central American nations, peace within our own borders is something we shouldn't take for granted.

As unsettling as the school strikes in Plymouth-Canton and Walled Lake may have been, the fact is that labor-management relations are maturing when one considers the entire region and state. No longer do we see the fashes of school strikes that we saw in the mid-'60s and '70s.

While it is sad that the suburbs are seeing recall elections over two state senators who aren't even accused of a crime, it is fortunate our political system provides even the right of recall when people are unhappy with their government. Recalls, even for the wrong reasons, are still healthier than assassinations, coup d'etats, martial law and plots.

**FINALLY,** we can be thankful we have a Thanksgiving Day in which each person can express his or her gratitude by a method of choice. There are church services, but no law that anyone must attend an established church. There are parades, but nothing like a martial May Day parade. It is a holiday which has yet to suffer the kind of commercialization that has been inflicted on Christmas.

With all of our fears of war, acid rain, imports and deteriorating morality, on balance we have more to be thankful for than most of the people who have ever lived on this planet.

## Prayer, rain started modern thanksgiving

**WHO STARTED** the celebration of Thanksgiving Day?

No one is quite sure, but it is generally accepted that the American custom started with the Pilgrims when they gathered on the fourth Thursday in November 1621 to celebrate their survival on the strange shores of a new country.

But there is a question whether that was the first "official" celebration. Walking through the yellow pages of history the other evening, The Stroller came upon two very fascinating chapters that left the matter in doubt.

**IN A LETTER** dated Dec. 11, 1621, Pilgrim Edward Winslow told a friend in England about a Thanksgiving celebration.

It is the only eye-witness account of an early Thanksgiving, and most Americans believe it was the first celebrated by a band of hardy Pilgrims grateful they had survived a hard year in the new world.

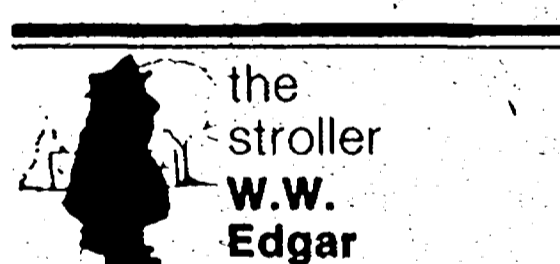
In his letter, Winslow wrote, "Our harvest gotten in, our governor sent four men on fouting that we might have special manner of rejoicing together after we had gathered the fruits of our labors."

He further wrote that the celebration lasted about a week during which time the Indians joined, along with Chief Massasoit.

**WHETHER THAT** was the first Thanksgiving is disputed by a Dr. Richard Hale Jr., who suggests the Pilgrims' Thanksgiving in 1673 may have been the first "official" observance.

He bases his claim on the fact that it was the first religious service to mark the day and was officially called by the governor.

Then he relates the fascinating story of



the observance. He states that the Pilgrims operated under a system in which all shared equally.

It was this system that left some of the Pilgrims with no inducement to extra effort, and the crop suffered.

Because the crop was poor, the Pilgrims took two drastic actions.

First, they calculated how much corn would make a daily ration until the provision ship came from England. Then they came to the unpleasant realization that a Pilgrim would have to live on five kernels of corn a day.

Having made that calculation, they devoted the rest of the day to prayer.

**AT THE END** of the day, a gentle shower caused the corn stalks that had been laying flat to rise again. This greatly impressed the Indians with the power of the white man's God.

That now is looked upon as the official start of our Thanksgiving Day celebration — a combination of a religious celebration and a meal of thanksgiving.

This fascinating chapter could well be repeated when you sit down this year to feast on the turkey and imagine what it would be like if all there was to the meal were five kernels of corn.

The reading of that chapter at the start of the meal would give real meaning to our modern holiday and prove that we moderns have every good reason to be thankful.



## When TV's good, it's very good

**IT'S FASHIONABLE** to criticize television. About 20 years ago, a former Federal Communications Commission chairman called it "a vast wasteland." In the years since, it hasn't improved much.

But when television is good, it is very good. It can be a source of inspiration and even change in our society.

When one thinks of television at its best, two recent programs come to mind: PBS's "The Chemical People" and ABC's "The Day After."

**THE PROGRAM** which generated the most publicity was ABC's Sunday night showing of "The Day After." The movie depicted the devastation which took place when nuclear bombs were dropped near Kansas City. It is estimated that 75 million persons viewed "The Day After."

Throughout this suburban area, churches and schools are holding conferences and seminars this week to discuss nuclear warfare. Christ Church Cranbrook's "The Day Before — Detroit" held on Monday night was only one of many sessions scheduled this week.

Larson Middle School in Troy last week conducted a series of seminars called "Nuclear Awareness Week."

During one portion, Mary Carry of West Bloomfield presented a slide show called "The Last Slide Show," the history of human warfare and weapon development.

Before the show, she dropped a small pellet into a trash can. It made a ping.



Nick Sharkey

"Pretend that's all the bombs in World War II — all the bombs dropped on Germany, all the bombs dropped in Japan, even the two atom bombs."

"Now this is the sound of all the nuclear bombs in the world today," she said. She poured 6,000 pellets into the can. The sound was deafening. The Troy students gasped and then sat in shocked silence.

**NO LESS IMPORTANT** was the suburban discussion started by the airing of "The Chemical People."

Typical of those held in several communities was a town hall meeting conducted Nov. 9 at John Glenn High School in Westland. Parents from Westland and Canton Township attended the session, one of 80 held in the metropolitan area. It is part of a nationwide campaign to draw attention to the continuing problem of drug abuse.

In Westland a panel of educators, drug counselors and law enforcement officials discussed drug abuse with parents.

Sgt. Larry Squires, a narcotics expert with the Westland police department, said, "In the late '60s I remember a time

when you could buy an ounce or two of marijuana on the streets. Now within one mile of John Glenn in any direction, there isn't a drug on the street that you can't buy."

At the end of the session parents and professionals agreed to form a task force to continue to look into the problem of drug abuse.

**LIKE IT OR NOT**, the impact of television on public affairs is profound. It can be debated whether "The Day After" will help those who want a nuclear freeze or those who favor continuing nuclear build-up. The film could be used to make arguments for both sides.

But television was able to depict in color pictures the results of a nuclear war — previously a vague, abstract idea for most persons. In the case of "The Chemical People," it has created at least one local task force on drug abuse.

Henry Booth of Bloomfield Hills best described the impact of "The Day After" — and perhaps of television.

"The important thing to remember . . . is that we haven't the slightest idea of what the answer to the nuclear arms race is. We're all groping in this thing, and maybe by bouncing ideas around we can come up with something which hasn't been tried before."

When it's good, television can help us in "bouncing ideas around" about the most difficult questions facing our society.

## A high-cost growth industry



Tim Richard

**YOU HAVE** your opinion of abortion, no doubt unshakeable, and I won't try to shake it. And you're probably uninterested in my opinion, so I won't bother you with it.

Let's deal only with the state budget question. Some odd things are going on, whether you are "pro-life" or "pro-choice," as the euphemisms go.

Last week the Right to Life folks held a news conference in the State Capitol Building in which they denounced Medicaid abortions as "black genocide, since most of the babies (67 percent) killed by doctors . . . are black babies," according to Rev. Harvey D. Anderson of Flint.

Anderson likened the practice to Nazism and accused unnamed officials of "intentionally trying to foster an attitude of insensitivity to others."

The press corps asked him to name names and groups. Anderson couldn't, thereby making himself look foolish. Columnists who deal only in personalities made mincemeat of him.

**NEVERTHELESS**, the numbers pointed up by him and RTL President Barbara Listing of Shepherd deserve some study.

Using their data from the state and my own calculator, I find:

• Medicaid-funded abortions rose steadily from 14,390 in 1979 to 16,840 in '80, then to 19,400 in '81 and 20,406 in '82. In percentage terms, the increases are 17,

15.2 and 5.2 percent. From 1979 to 1982, the overall increase is nearly 42 percent. Medicaid abortions are a real growth industry.

• As a percentage of all abortions, Medicaid abortions were 38.3 percent of the total in 1980, 44 percent in '81 and 48.9 percent in '82. A corporation president trying to corner the market would be delighted with progress like that.

• Last year, of the more than 34,000 pregnancies among Michigan women on welfare, 20,000 — nearly 60 percent — were terminated by abortion.

**SUPPOSE THE** Michigan Legislature succeeds in banning the use of Medicaid funds for abortions.

RTL cited a research project done in Ohio and Georgia by an arm of Planned Parenthood. It showed that 70-75 percent of low-income women who would have obtained publicly funded abortions manage to find the money to end their pregnancies, even when the states stopped paying for them.

Applying those ratios to Michigan, it would mean that last year 15,000 of the 20,000 women who wanted abortions still would have been able to get them.

In other words, banning use of Medicaid funds for abortions won't stop the practice — just slow it down. RTL can take little comfort in that.

Conversely, the "pro-choice" folks are 75 percent incorrect when they argue that denying Medicaid funds for abortions would deprive poor women of opportunity to exercise a right.

**WHATEVER YOUR** opinion of abortion, it should be abundantly clear that the practice is a very expensive and very messy form of birth control.

Abortion isn't my field of personal expertise. I got into this topic because my study of state spending showed that "social services" grew from 12 percent of the state general fund budget in the early 1960s to the current 40 percent; and the growth was steady.

Currently, Medicaid is half the social services budget. Legislators who are "pro-choice," as well as those who are "pro-life," are all worried about the way social services is steadily eating into education funds.

Our budget situation is a lot worse than most people imagine.

# Blanchard pushes exports, federal work

By Kathy Parrish  
staff writer

Executives of Robert Bosch Corp. looked at 100 sites for its new high tech campus.

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"They're here, and hopefully they'll do well. We're going to make sure they do," said Blanchard, welcoming the firm which produces auto parts ranging from small electric motors to fuel injection systems.

"This is happening around the state. Michigan is on the move."

AT A NEWS conference attended by representatives of several businesses the state has helped, Blanchard last week announced three more parts of his 20-point economic revitalization program.

Through the restructured Department of Commerce, the state will try to:

- Increase Michigan exports through a new Office of International Development.
- Help state businesses gain more federal contracts.
- Renew its commitment to promote Michigan as a good place to do business.

In expanding its business retention effort, the Commerce Department also has started a program to assist women in business.

And it has specialists to work with special sectors of business like automotive, food processing and forestry.

The governor outlined his economic revitalization plan in an address to the Michigan Legislature Oct. 6. He previously announced that a Commerce Department ombudsman will help businesses cut through regulatory red tape, new rules for franchising and simplified requirements for stock sales.

BLANCHARD stressed his determination to "forge a strong, new alliance between government, business, labor and education."

"For the first time in Michigan, major sectors are working together," explained Commerce Director Ralph Gerson, a former Washington, D.C. resident whom Blanchard brought home to Michigan to revamp the department.

"The confrontation mode has gone the way, hopefully, of the Model T. There is a new mode."

Gerson said incorporations are up 10 percent in the state. He added that "a rigorous set of conditions make it much more difficult for business today."

"If they falter, so does Michigan."

BLANCHARD announced new promotional materials for the "Say Yes to Michigan" campaign, which is in its third year. The governor said the campaign helped generate \$10 billion in tourism.

A new product promotion campaign makes "Yes Michigan" stickers available to state manufacturers who want to identify homegrown products for consumers.

"A psychological turnout for the state is crucial," said first lady Paula Blanchard, who is volunteering her time to the product promotion campaign.

"Michigan is the home of products, products, products."

Along with helping "take the mystery out of exporting" for Michigan businesses, the state will also work through its Washington office to bring in more federal contracts.

Gerson said the U.S. spends \$94 billion yearly on procurement. And Michigan — which was the second largest defense contractor during World War II — has the capacity to "do it again."

"We intend to market Michigan as it has never been marketed before," stressed Gerson, adding that the Water Wonderland is "not just a beautiful state with a great shoreline."

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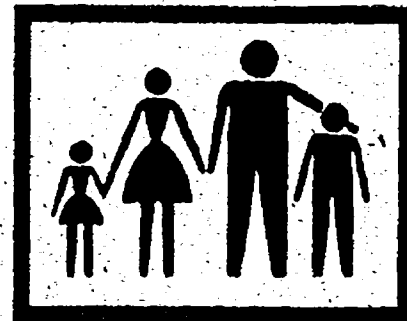


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## Surrogate parenting ban:

## Will it lead to 'black market' babies?

By Tim Richard  
staff writer

**S**EN. PATRICK McCollough, D-Dearborn, thinks the Michigan Senate made a serious mistake in voting to outlaw "surrogate parenting" and is seeking reconsideration of the bill.

"It will result in a black market for children," McCollough warned as the Senate gave 25-12 approval to Senate Bill 63.

The bill would prohibit the practice, most common among white

suburban married couples in their 30s, of paying another woman \$10,000 (typically) to become pregnant by the husband through artificial insemination and then giving up the baby for adoption.

Penalty for first violation would be 90 days in jail and/or a \$10,000 fine; for subsequent violations, five years in prison and/or a \$10,000 fine.

**SUBURBAN SENATORS** split across party and philosophical lines. Supporting the ban were liberal

Democrats like Majority Leader William Faust of Westland and conservative Republicans like Doug Cruce of Troy and Richard Fessler of Union Lake.

Opposed were liberal Democrats like McCollough, whose district includes Garden City, Jack Faxon of Southfield and Philip O. Mastin of Pontiac and conservative Republican R. Robert Geake of Northville.

The bill now goes to the House. Surrogate parenting was denounced as making the child "essentially a commodity to be bought and

sold" by Sen. Connie Binsfeld, R-Maple City, the bill's author. She is one of two women in the Michigan Senate.

McCollough and other opponents prefer House Bill 4114, which would regulate the practice and protect the natural mother and child by making surrogate parent contracts enforceable in court.

"THERE ARE 40 couples now arranging them (surrogate contracts) and there have been about 200 born" in the state, Binsfeld said in floor debate.

Estimates of the number of women now pregnant under surrogate contracts range from 15 (Binsfeld) to 30 (Senate analysis office).

There is agreement about why surrogate contracts are popular: More abortions and more single mothers keeping their babies have reduced the supply of adoptable white babies.

The result is an eight- to 10-year wait — and many childless couples in their 30s feel they can't wait.

"Today Michigan laws prohibit natural parents from giving a child away without the process of Michigan's adoption laws," Binsfeld said. "It is a fact that today Michigan law prohibits the exchange of money, buying or selling of a child."

**BINSFELD OBJECTS** even to the term "surrogate."

"Surrogate" means substitute, and that she (the natural mother) is not. In these arrangements, it is her ovum that is fertilized; her genes; it is her child.

A "true surrogate," she said, oc-

curs in the animal kingdom when "the ovum is taken from the prize cow. The sperm is taken from the prize bull, and it is put into a scrub cow for a gestation period. . . That is true surrogate."

Supporters of Binsfeld's bill argued that surrogate parenting places dangerous emphasis on producing a "perfect child." They cite an outstate case where a deformed child born to a surrogate mother was rejected by the man who had contracted for it. (He later was able to prove the true father was the surrogate mother's husband.)

Supporters also argued there are plenty of older children, children in sibling groups and handicapped children who could be adopted.

**McCOLLOUGH** confessed he had opposed surrogate parenting until he met several surrogate mothers, adopting parents and their "happy, gurgling babies."

It occurred in a hearing conducted by his Health and Social Services Committee last spring on the University of Michigan-Dearborn campus. The mothers, couples and babies were brought in by Dearborn attorney Noel Keane, who handled much of the legal work.

"It was hard for me to persuade myself that what they were doing was criminal," McCollough said.

Other opponents of SB 63 concurred when McCollough said the bill "pretended to solve a problem by making a contract illegal," but which actually "solved no problem at all."

"It didn't deal with the reality of

a modern society where people can travel a few miles to another state and make arrangements to become parents. . .

"All we have done by adopting this ban is deny access to the courts for those involved. I think the process needs regulation, having heard testimony on it. I believe the profit can be eliminated from it, but I do not believe the process should be subverted."

McCollough predicted the ban would result in an interstate "black market" in babies.

**LANA POLLACK**, D-Ann Arbor, the only other woman senator, opposed the Binsfeld bill, arguing that artificial insemination and adoption are twin facts of life that should be faced.

"These people are highly motivated to become parents," Pollack said. "I think it's wrong for government to try to prevent people from having their own children."

"The burden is on the opponents of this procedure. They have not yet shown psychological, emotional or economic damage being done to these children," she said.

Supporting SB 63 were: the Council for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect, Michigan Catholic Conference, Michigan Federation of Private Child and Family Agencies, Probate Judges Association of Michigan and Right to Life of Michigan.

Opposed were the American Civil Liberties Union and Michigan chapter of the National Organization for Women.



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— Patrick McCollough



Sen. Patrick McCollough changed his mind

## Pass the plates—they're hot items

By Sherry Kahan  
staff writer

**A**T ONE TIME plates were something on which to serve food. Today they are placed on walls, viewed as art and bought and sold for mega bucks.

When Harriet Dalaskey arrived at the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers she was carrying with her a plate valued at \$4,000 and another worth \$1,400. She also brought dishes more within the realm of financial possibility for people with modest incomes.

A picture of "Adoration of the Magi" costs \$50, a Norman Rockwell is \$25.50, and "Annie and Sandy" is \$19.

Dalaskey was on a public relations trip for the Bradford Exchange, which she described as "the only totally computerized plate exchange in the country." Buyers and sellers use the company to exchange these limited edition artistic dishes that should not be used for food.

On the tip of her tongue was a wealth of information on the popularity of plates and the history of plate collecting.

"WOULD YOU BELIEVE there are 7.5-million plate collectors in the world, of whom 5.2 million reside in the U.S.?" she asked. "This is the world's most traded art. Last year 600,000 new collectors joined the ranks. More than 300 plate clubs have grown up across the country."

The reasons people collect, she added, are pride of owning a piece of art, potential investment growth and because it is fun.

"The subjects depicted on plates are quite diverse," she said. "There is something there for everyone."

The history of plate collecting began when a firm called Bing & Grondahl, which is still in the business, produced a blue and white, limited edition plate called "Behind the Frozen Window." The company broke the mold and stopped production of it. As a result there are only an estimated 400 of these plates left.

It was one of these \$4,000 plates which Dalaskey brought along on her interview.

**THE BING & GRONDAHL** monopoly was broken in 1908 when Royal Copenhagen jumped in with a Christmas plate, now trading at about \$1,900. Up until 1985 limited edition collector plates were always Danish blue and white. Then a French firm produced a crystal plate.

That broke the dam and today it is possible to buy plates made of such

substances as porcelain, crystal, bronze, alabaster, stone, wood, pewter, silver and damascene. Pictured on the plates are a great range of pictures, buildings, animals, birds, military action, Christmas celebrations, foreign landscapes and people, to name but a few.

The Bradford Exchange works like this. On its computer system are the names of people who wish to sell plates. A buyer calls in and describes what he wants.

"We match buyer and seller and act as a clearing house," said Dalaskey, director of Bradford's trading floor. "We tell the buyer what he may need to pay. Then we contact the seller."

When the price is confirmed, the buyer sends in a check. The seller sends the plate to Bradford.

"We inspect the plate to make sure it is what the buyer wants, and that it is in mint condition," she said. "Then we send the check to the seller and the plate to the buyer. Once the transaction is confirmed, it is accompanied by a Bradford Exchange guarantee."

The Exchange, located in Chicago, can be reached by calling 1-800-323-8078 between 11 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Four Livonia stores are registered dealers for the Bradford Exchange. They are E.J. McDevitt Co., 31177 Schoolcraft; Marlon's Gift Box, 29687 Plymouth Road; Country Peddler, 29512 Seven Mile, and The Plate Lady, 16347 Middlebelt.



DAN DEAN/staff photographer

These less expensive plates range in cost from \$50 for the Adoration of the Magi (front) to \$25.50 for the Norman Rockwell, to \$19 for Annie and her dog Sandy.



DAN DEAN/staff photographer

Harriet Dalaskey displays one of the first collector plates made in this country. Dating back to 1895, it is now worth \$4,000.

# Willens bookish on yule gifts

By Sherry Kahan  
staff writer

Christmas time is the time for lists. Not necessarily "The Book of Lists," but a list of books for the readers among your family and friends.

Such a list was recently brought into the area by Susan Willens, who spoke at the Livonia Town Hall. She is a former resident of the Detroit area, who attended the University of Michigan, and earned a doctorate in English from Catholic University. Her mother, Bertha Popkin of Beverly Hills, was in the audience.

A book reviewer for USA Today, she offered suggestions about good books to read as well as to buy as gifts.

In a humorous aside she even had advice on doing both, sneaking a read before the book was wrapped for friends or family members. She agreed that it was a shocking thing to do, and warned against using marmalade at the breakfast table because suspicious smudges might be left on pages. Mistakenly leaving a piece of newspaper or napkin in the gift book as a bookmark would be unbelievably tacky.

And don't expect to see much of the ones whom you gifted with books, she cautioned. "They'll tear off the wrapping and disappear to read it."

**WHAT ATTRACTS** this high school English teacher, lecturer and reviewer to a book.

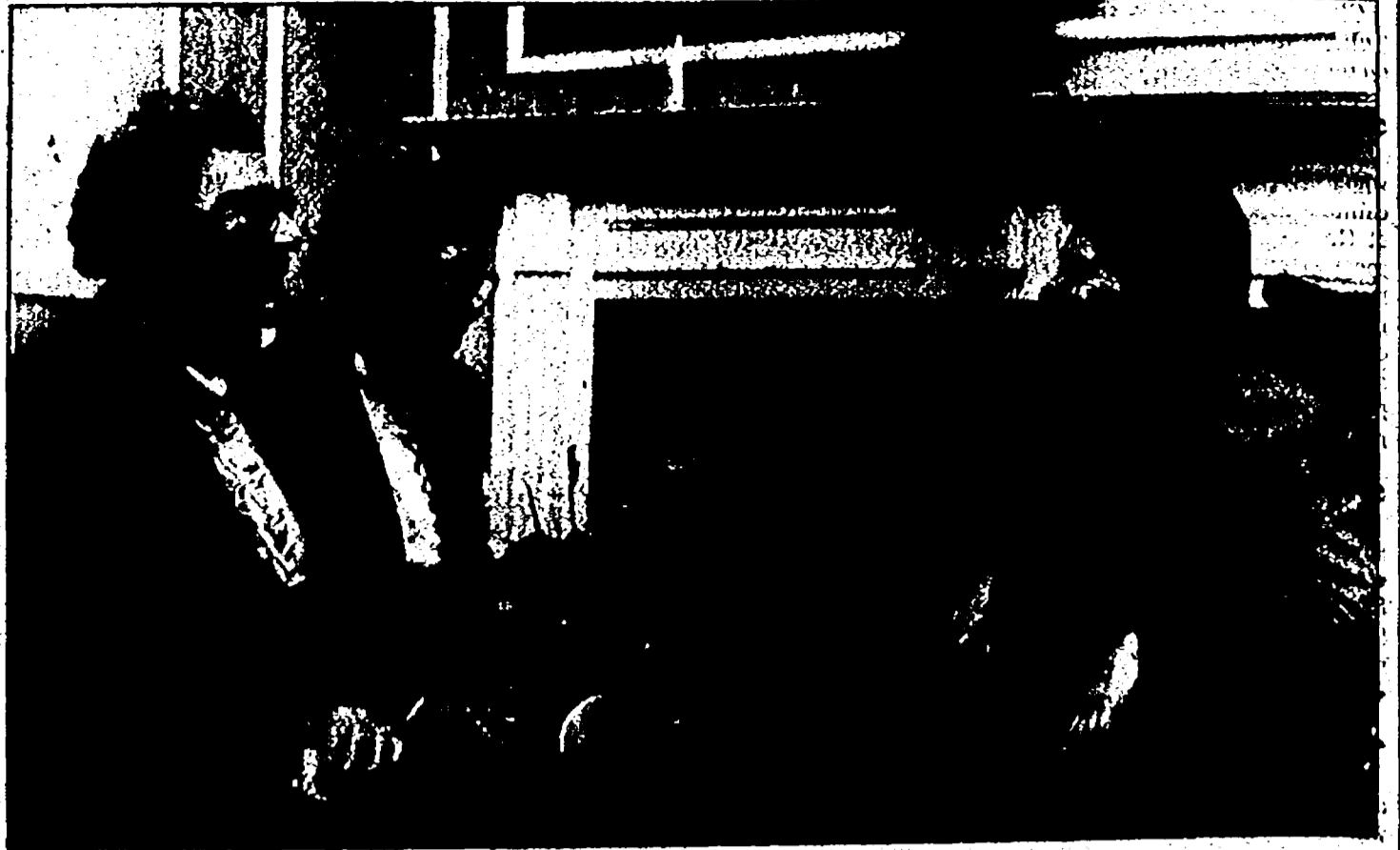
"I always look for something wonderful," she explained. "I like books that let you in on someone else's truth, that bring me a whiff of a world I don't know, like Jacques Cousteau or Henry Thoreau in 'Walden.' I like to peep into other gardens."

She enjoys authors who tell her about the world she lives in as Rachel Carson did or Barbara Tuchman.

"I'm a sucker for beautiful writing," she continued, "and something that makes my scalp crinkle. I like books with originality, knowledge and beauty."

The books she recommended most highly were by individuals named Thomas, Baker, Trevor and Naylor. She wanted her audience to memorize these names as carefully as past baseball fans remembered Tinker, Evers and Chance. It was the Willens solution to the fact that the women in her audience were sitting in the darkened Mal Kai Theatre without pens or paper for list-making.

LEWIS THOMAS, a physician and



Susan Willens (left) is discussing some fun books with two members of her Livonia Town

Hall audience, Myrtle Hawthorne (left) and Eileen Clark. Both are Westland residents.

administrator, is author of a book called "Late Night Thoughts on Listening to Mahler's Ninth Symphony." (Willens parenthesized that book titles are getting longer lately).

"Dr. Thomas meditates on the places where pure science touches human life," she said. "He is human, gentle and decent. He talks about attics, about altruism in ants and bees, and about science and government going about the business of destroying the earth."

"For anyone who enjoys science, buy Thomas."

The Baker she referred to is Russell Baker, columnist for the New York Times and a writer "of wit and humor."

"A great gift for those who loved his book, 'Growing Up' is his essay collection, 'Rescue of Miss Yaskell and Other Pipe Dreams.'"

She read a selection of Baker's writing to her audience, which prompted an appreciative comment later from Dee Dittmar, president of the Livonia Town Hall.

"It's the first time someone has read to us," she said at the celebrity luncheon in the Mayflower Meeting House in Plymouth.

"FOOLS OF FORTUNE" is the name of a book by William Trevor, which was described by the speaker as "a beautiful novel."

"It is time for Americans to have a love affair with William Trevor," said Willens. "It is a gentle, quiet story with terror at its heart. The boy lives an idyllic life but becomes the victim of violence."

It takes place in 1918 Ireland, "and the tone of the early part is the tone of the whole story. It is as gentle and tender as an Irish lament."

A 33-year-old black woman from Brooklyn is author of a book called "Women of Brewster Place." Her name is Gloria Naylor.

"She reassures us there is something terrific in the way women see the world," said the reviewer. "You'll love the women in it. They help us to know ourselves."

She added: "If you buy it now, you'll have time to read it before wrapping it for Uncle Harry."

WILLENS WAS ALSO high on a number of other books. One of them is "Outrageous Acts and Everyday Rebellions" by Gloria Steinem. One of these essays was written many years ago when Steinem accepted a journalistic assignment to be a Playboy Journalist. The experience started with a pep talk by the Bunny Mother, and apparently ended with the feminization of Steinem.

One of the essays is about Steinem as a teen-ager having to care for her paranoid mother. "She regrets as a daughter that she couldn't spare enough sympathy for this mother," noted Willens. "It is a touching essay."

"Politics and Money" by Elizabeth Drew is another book on the Willens list. It tells how the wealthy have come to control votes in this country.

"Children of War" is enough to make a pacifist of the deep-dyed war lover," she said.

It was written by Roger Rosenblatt, a Time Magazine columnist, who visited five war zones to talk to children. "They (children) are inconceivably sane

and forgiving," commented Willens.

One of them remarked to Rosenblatt that, "Nothing is worth killing someone."

JOAN CHASE wrote another favorite, "In the Reign of the Queen of Persia." It involves women living in a house in Ohio with a grandmother who carries herself in a queenly way.

"It's a book that makes you shake your head in wonder at the strength of women," said the speaker.

International intrigue is popular among readers. In this category she picks John Le Carre's "Little Drummer Girl."

She also thinks well of William Manchester's book on Winston Churchill, Stanley Karnow's book based on his TV coverage of Vietnam, and Seymour Hersh's book on Henry Kissinger.

The Hersh book drew a query at the celebrity luncheon. Willens was questioned about Hersh's objectivity.

"He went into it as a student of Washington power politics," she observed. "He became angry at what he discovered in the high reaches of power."

WILLENS ALSO admires the short stories of Bernard Malamud, a book called "August" by Judith Rossner and another called "Name of the Rose" by Umberto Eco. It's a mystery story that takes place in a 14th century monastery.

Questioned about the romantic books of Danielle Steel, the speaker described her as "the best of the panting bosom writers." Willens is "crazy" about James Michener, who "made palatable many of the great moments we wouldn't have found by ourselves."

She views the work of Jean Auel, author of "Clan of the Cave Bear" and "Valley of the Horses" as a "tour de force," written with "considerable imagination."

WILLENS EXPLAINED that for her the role of the reviewer is to be a go-between. "You have to tell the reader what he needs to know about the book," she said.

## Make a centerpiece

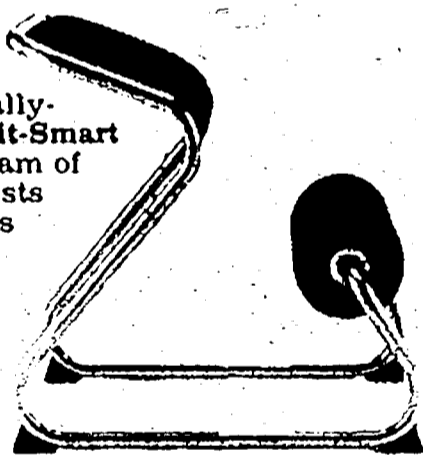
A make-it, take-it Christmas green centerpiece workshop open to all is being sponsored by the Livonia Garden Club at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 6 at St. Andrew Episcopal Church, 16380 Hubbard, Livonia. An \$8 fee covers all supplies and instruction by club members, including Mary Pulick (left) and club vice president Pat Baron. Getting a head start on decorations frees you up for other holiday tasks, the two club members note. The greens centerpiece will last the whole month of December. To register, call 591-1247 (after 5 p.m.) or 591-0236.

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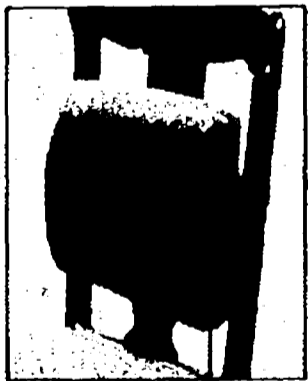


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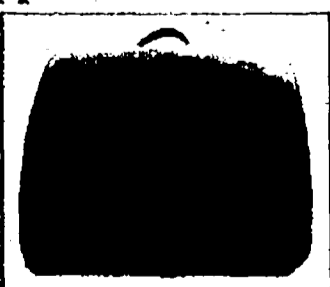
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### PEACE CENTER

Jean Hutchinson, one of the women who is participating in the women's encampment at the U.S. Air Force Base at Greenham Common, England, will speak at a 7:30 p.m. meeting Monday, Nov. 28, at the Peace Resource Center in Newman House on Haggerty, south of Schoolcraft College. She will discuss a cult filed in U.S. District Court in New York which aims to stop deployment of the Cruise missile in England.

### WOMEN'S EXCHANGE

Pat Tinney, hypnotherapist, will give advice on how to cope with the holiday season at a meeting of the Women's Exchange Monday, Nov. 28, in the Chamberlain restaurant, Dearborn. For reservations, call Candy Kidd at 561-4110.

### ZONTA

Mina Knoll, a certified public accountant with Touche Ross and Co., will speak on personal financial planning at a dinner meeting of Zonta of Northwest Wayne County Area on Monday, Nov. 28, in the Livonia Inn, 35780 Five Mile. Her talk will be at 8 p.m. To make a reservation, call Ann Cheamy at 421-2500, Ext. 272.

### DIABETIC SUPPORT GROUP

A meeting of the Western Wayne Diabetic Support Group will start at 7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 28, in the Melvin Bailey Center on Ford west of Wayne Road in Westland.

### BREASTFEEDING

The art of breastfeeding will be discussed at a meeting of the Livonia La Leche League at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 29. The event is open to all pregnant and nursing mothers. For more details, call Diane Knakal at 255-7898.

### LIVONIA MORMON WOMEN

A homemaking meeting sponsored by the Relief Society of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints will be 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 29, at the Livonia Chapel, Six Mile and Merriman. Kathy Bowness will talk on mini cross stitch, Sue Zapinski will discuss calico candle covers and Billie Jo Henretty will speak on dimensional star. For reservations, call Kayleen Saver at 537-9366.

### SECRETARIES

Dr. Brad Sewick will speak on stress at a meeting of the Professional Secretaries International at 5:45 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 29, at the Livonia Inn. A Christmas luncheon will be held by the group at 11:45 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 3, in the Mayflower Inn in Plymouth. For reservations, call Adwenia Roy at 855-1880 or 358-0978.

### SPIN

Participants can learn to evaluate their home by listening to a talk on safety and saving money at a meeting sponsored by SPIN (Single Parent Instructional Network) 8-10 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 29, in room F120 in the Forum building at Schoolcraft College. Representatives of Consumers Power and Detroit Edison will speak. The group will meet again at the same location 6-8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 1, to explore ways of involving children in food preparation for the holidays. Jackie Troutman will speak on "Nutritious Holiday Treats for Kids."

### PARENTS WITHOUT PARTNERS

A holiday dance sponsored by the Farmington-Southfield and Livonia-Redford chapters of Parents without Partners will take place 9 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 30, at Bonnie Brook Country Club at Telegraph south of Eight Mile. For more information, call Barbara Ruck at 476-3298.

## bazaars

### MERCY

Mercy High School, located at 11 Mile Road and Middlebelt in Farmington Hills, will sponsor its third arts and crafts show on Saturday, Nov. 26 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday, from noon to 6 p.m. Approximately 150 tables of juried arts and crafts are expected. Proceeds from the fair, which includes a \$1 admission, will benefit the school's scholarship program.

### LIVONIA CO-OP NURSERY

Handcrafted items, bake sale and a raffle will highlight the Livonia Co-Op

Nursery craft auction and bazaar 6:30-10:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 28 at the nursery, 9601 Hubbard Road, located in Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church.

### HOLY INNOCENTS

The ninth annual Christmas Art Fair benefiting Holy Innocents Academy will be held at the school, 28690 Grandview, four blocks east of Middlebelt on Eastern and six blocks south of Cherry Hill in Inkster. Admission is \$1. The following area artists will be featured:

Livonia: E. Marcella Walton, oils; Pat Reddinger, dried herbs and spices; Bruce Modetz, stained glass.

Westland: Jeannette Raney, quilting; Patricia Storey, dried and silk arrangements; Helen Helgren, fabric bags.

Farmington: Dolores Petachenko, china painting.

Redford: Mary Ann Crandall and Connie Velfling, dried and silk arrangements.

### MAGGOWAN

Table rental space is still available for the annual Christmas crafts show

Dec. 9 at the school, Kinloch and Curtis streets in Redford Township. Call Ginny Garcia at 534-6022 or Cathy Zelak at 532-3604.

### KEELER

Table rental is still available for the Keeler Elementary School bazaar 5-9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 2 at the school, 17715 Brady, Redford Township. Call 537-3169 or 5389-2376. The bazaar will feature a "snack" menu, raffle and silent auction. Handcrafted items will be the only ones sold.

## Barbershoppers stars in 'Stage Door Memories'

"Stage Door Memories" is the theme of the show that will showcase songs from the past sung barbershop style on Saturday, Nov. 26, presented by the Greater Detroit Chapter of Sweet Adelines.

The show, to be held at Orchestra Hall, will feature the Greater Detroit chorus and three award-winning quartets, "The Gentlemen's Agreement," 1971 SPEBSQSA International champi-

ons; "Top Priority," 1983 Sweet Adelines Region 17 champions; and "Yes Indeed!" 1983 Sweet Adelines Region 2 champions.

The Greater Detroit group is under the direction of Sally Whittedge, who has the distinction of being a "queen of harmony," the highest award in the Sweet Adelines organization. Her quartet, "Fourth Edition," won International honors in 1973.

"STAGE DOOR Memories" will feature music from the '20s, '30s and '40s as well as other musical selections.

The chapter performs throughout the year for senior citizens groups, church social and community sponsored events. Proceeds from the show will enable the chorus to continue its benefit performances.

Tickets are \$9, \$7 and \$5 and must be

purchased in advance. Call Mary Ann Fannin at 479-1356 or 283-7520 for further information.

The Greater Detroit chapter meetings Tuesday evenings at 7:30 p.m. in the Gabriel Richard building, U-M Dearborn campus. Guests are welcome. The chapter's 42 members represent 26 communities.

## Driving in darkness has additional rules

Night driving can be stressful, but that condition can be eased with some care. The Automotive Information Council (AIC) has compiled some tips pertaining to the car and to the driver.

It suggests that a driver sit in the car for a minute or two before starting to permit the eyes to adjust to darkness.

Don't look at the lights of on-coming

cars, a practice that will change the focus of the eyes. Instead, look to the right of the lane marker or at the shoulder markings.

Don't wear colored glasses to avoid headlight glare. They reduce needed detail in night vision.

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ing the eyes, arms and legs and take occasional rest stops to reduce eye and body fatigue.

Watch your speed. Don't "over-drive" the distance you can see.

Regarding the car, make sure the headlights and tail lights are clean. Under adverse weather conditions, stop frequently to clean dirt, ice or snow from the lights.

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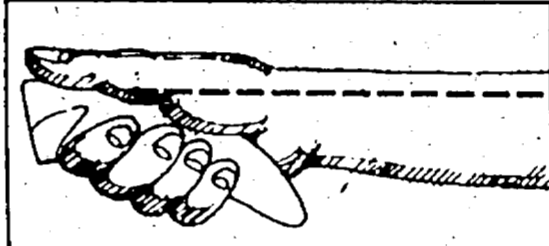
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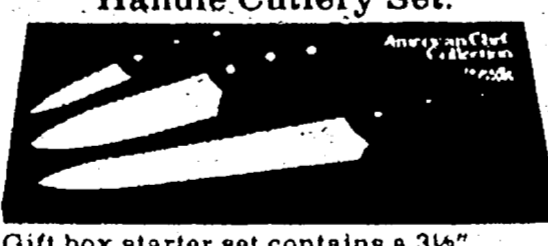
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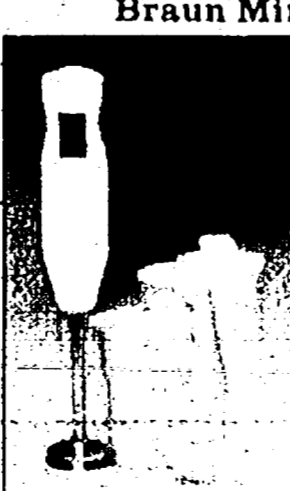
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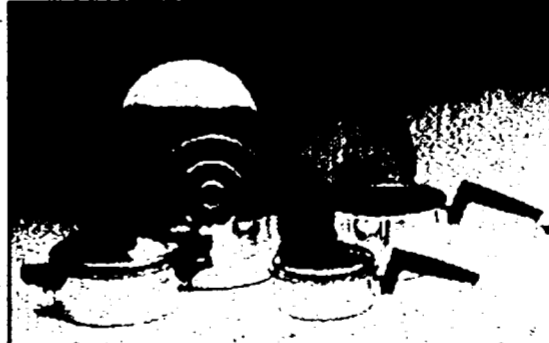
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● **WWCS SENIOR ADULT CLUB**  
Thursday, Nov. 28 — The Wayne-Westland Community Schools Senior Adult Club center will be closed.

● **CHRISTMAS BAZAAR**  
Saturday, Nov. 26 — Douglas School will hold its annual Christmas Bazaar 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the school on Hartel near Maplewood. Table rental is available by calling 421-8351. Rentals are \$10.

● **AFTERSCHOOL MOVIES**  
Tuesday, Nov. 28 — The Garden City Library will present free movies in the library 4 p.m. Tuesdays for school-age youngsters. "Elves and the Shoemaker" and "Seuss on the Loose" will be presented.

● **MILLIONAIRE'S PARTY**  
Saturday, Nov. 26 — Dr. Thomas A. Dooley Council of the Knights of Columbus are holding a millionaire's party 7 p.m. at the Council Hall, 28945 Joy Road in Westland. Donation is \$5. For more information, call 271-1819.

● **BENEFIT DANCE**  
Saturday, Nov. 26 — A Benefit Dance will be 8 p.m. in the American Legion Hall, 2061 Middlebelt. Cost is \$12.50 which includes band, dinner, beer, pop and set-ups. This dance is sponsored by the Garden City Jaycees, American Legion, Police Reserves and the Silver Saloon. For more information, call 522-8069.

● **CRAFT AUCTION/BAZAAR**  
Monday, Nov. 28 — The Livonia Co-Op Nursery will hold a craft auction and bazaar 6:30-10 p.m., 9601 Hubbard in Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church.

● **WESTLAND REPUBLICAN CLUB**  
Monday, Nov. 28 — All Republicans in Westland interested in forming a new Westland Republican Club may attend its second organizational meeting, at 7:30 p.m. in room 1 of the Bailey center, 36651 Ford Road. For more information, call 427-1058.

● **DIABETIC SUPPORT**  
Monday, Nov. 28 — The Western Wayne Diabetic Support Group will meet 7 p.m. in the Bailey Recreation center on Ford Road. For more information, call 552-0480.

● **DRUG ABUSE**  
Monday, Nov. 28 — Livonia Post 3941 and the Michigan State Police will hold a drug abuse program 7:30 p.m. in the Livonia Post, 29155 W. Seven Mile, Livonia.

## 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.

● **ART AUCTION**  
Wednesday, Nov. 30 — The Northwest Clinic of Wayne County will hold an art auction at 7 p.m. in the K of C Hall, 30759 Ford Road, Garden City.

● **PAC MEETING**  
Tuesday, Nov. 29 — The Wayne-Westland Community Schools Special Education Parent Advisory Council will meet 7:30 p.m. in the Board of Education Office, 36749 Marquette.

● **AUCTION BOUTIQUE**  
Wednesday, Nov. 30 — St. Mary's of Wayne Women Society will feature a Christmas auction and boutique, Naney Hall, Michigan Avenue, west of Third in Wayne. There will be a raffle, prizes and refreshments. Donation is 50 cents. Items will be previewed at 6:30 p.m. Auction starts at 7 p.m.

● **BINGO**  
Wednesday, Nov. 30 — An extra bingo fund-raiser will be held 1:45 p.m. in the Dyer Center. Sponsored by the Wayne-Westland Community Schools Senior Adult Club.

● **FIELD TRIP**  
Thursday, Dec. 1 — A yuletide candlelight dinner and decoration tour at Heritage Hall in Greenfield Village will be offered by the Wayne-Westland Community Schools Senior Adult Club. Cost is \$15. Reservations are necessary. Call 595-2161 for more information and reservations.

● **ART EXHIBIT**  
Thursday, Dec. 1 — A juried art exhibit will be held at Maplewood Community Center 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. through Dec. 3. The exhibit will be held by the Garden City Fine Arts Association.

● **CHRISTMAS BOUTIQUE**  
Saturday, Dec. 3 — Lathers PTA is holding its 12th annual Christmas Boutique 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Table rental is still available at \$13.50 each. Call 422-1385 for more information.

● **HOLIDAY BAZAAR**  
Saturday, Dec. 3 — The Easter Seal Society of Wayne County will hold a bazaar in the Melvin Bailey Recreation Center, 36651 Ford Road, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

City offices closed 2 days

Because of the Thanksgiving holiday, offices at the Westland City Hall will be closed Thursday and Friday this week. The records bureau at the Westland police department and the 18th District Court also will be closed on those days.



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● **BREAKFAST AND SANTA**  
Saturday, Dec. 3 — Breakfast with Santa will be 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. at the Senior's Friendship Center, 37095 Marquette. Reservations and a fee for the breakfast should be paid in advance to the Westland Jaycee Auxiliary by calling 326-6061. There will also be door prizes, special guests, movies, gifts for every child and a visit with Santa.

● **LUNCH WITH SANTA**  
Saturday, Dec. 3 — Lunch with Santa will be 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Our Master Lutheran Church, 821 Inkster. Lunch will be \$2 for 12 years and under and \$2.50 for adults. The event is being held by the Tri-City Women's Bowling Association. For tickets, call 728-1670.

● **EPILEPSY SUPPORT**  
Thursday, Dec. 8 — Epilepsy support program, a self-help group, will meet 7:30 p.m. in All Saints Lutheran Church, 8850 Newburgh at Joy, Livonia. Meetings usually are the first and third Thursdays of the month. For information, call Joanne Meister at 522-1940.

● **CHILDBIRTH CLASSES**  
Thursday, Nov. 8 — Childbirth class-

es will be held by the Professional Association in childbirth Education in Johnson Elementary School. To register, call 422-1200.

● **HOLIDAY BAZAAR**  
Thursday, Dec. 8 and 9 — The Livonia Head Start will hold a bazaar at Whitman Center 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tables will be rented for \$25 for both days or \$15 for one day. For more information, call 525-7445.

● **CRIME PREVENTION**  
Wednesday, Dec. 14 — The Garden City Police Department will sponsor its monthly crime prevention discussion 7 p.m. The program is held the second Wednesday of every month at Maplewood Community Center.

● **COATS AVAILABLE**  
The Child and Family Neighborhood Program still has many good coats to give away to area youngsters from size infant to adult. Call 729-2810 or come to the Dorsey Center at 32715 Dorsey in Westland and pick one up.

● **DOG TRAINING**  
Wayne-Westland Family YMCA Obedience Training — Owners are trained how to control their dogs in a Basic class for Beginners. Sessions are every eight weeks. Call 721-7044 for more information.

● **BIRDHOUSE CONTEST**  
Cadillac Memorial Gardens West is holding a bird house building contest. Participants must be 12 years of age or younger. Judging will be 2 p.m. May 20, 1984. First prize is \$100 U.S. Savings Bond, with \$50 bonds awarded to the second and third place. Winning birdhouse will become the property of the cemetery and will be displayed on the grounds. For more information, call 721-7161.

● **DIABETIC SUPPORT GROUP**  
A diabetic support group will meet 7 p.m. in the Melvin Bailey Center the fourth Monday of every month. There are no dues. For more information, call 552-0480.

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## engagements

### Pandel-Frawley

A June wedding in St. John Neumann Church in Canton lies ahead for Candace Pandel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Pandel of Dobson Street, Westland, and Kevin Frawley of Canton. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Frawley of Arlington Street, Canton.

The bride-elect is a 1983 graduate of John Glenn High School, and a freshman at Eastern Michigan University. She works at McDonald's in Westland. Her fiancé is a 1979 graduate of Canton High School and attended Schoolcraft College for two years. He is employed by the McDonald Corp.



### Paris-Deisinger

Dorothy and Stanley Paris of Floral Street, Livonia, announce the engagement of their daughter JoAnn Marie to Louis J. Deisinger, son of Catherine and Frank Deisinger of Lyndon Street, Redford.

The wedding will take place May 25 in St. Priscilla Church.

The bride-elect is a 1971 graduate of Clarenceville High School. Her fiancé attended St. Valentine School and works as a janitor at Park Lane Towers in Dearborn.



### Bevak-Thomas

A June 16 wedding is planned by Lori Lynn Bevak of Livonia and Steven Vincent Thomas of Canton. She is the daughter of Jim and Pat Bevak of Auburndale Street, Livonia. He is the son of Vincent and Dorothy Thomas of New Baltimore, Mich.

The bride-to-be is a 1979 graduate of Stevenson High School and a 1983 graduate of the School of Dentistry at the University of Michigan. She is a dental hygienist at Metropolitan Dental Center.

Her fiancé is a 1979 graduate of Anchor Bay High School in New Baltimore and a 1983 graduate of U-M. He earned a bachelor of science degree in biology. He is in a master's program at U-M, and plans a career in medicine. He is a lab associate in the plastic surgery clinic at U-M.



## bridal register

### Hogan-Kurtz

Canton Township is now the home of Elizabeth Anne Kurtz of Livonia and Patrick Sean Hogan of Livonia, who were married in St. Colette Catholic Church. Their wedding trip took them to St. Thomas in the Virgin Islands.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kurtz of Whitby Street, Livonia. The parents of the bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hogan of Riverside Court, Livonia.

The bride's dress had a high neck with a sheer lace yoke, long puffed sleeves and lace round the hemline and train. She carried a bouquet of cascading minirose, carnations and baby's breath.

The maid of honor was Sheila McNally, and attendants were Sally Kurtz, Jill Sacco and Shannon Hogan. Mike Rae was best man, and attendants were Marty Law, Larry Sacco and Tom Brown. Daniel Kurtz was ringbearer.

The bride graduated in 1980 from Michigan State University, and is administrator for MIS Operations for CBS/Fox Video of Farmington Hills. The bridegroom is service manager of Bob Sellers Pontiac in Farmington Hills.



## Tell your happy news

The Observer Suburban Life section will be pleased to announce the news of your engagement, wedding or anniversary.

Forms are available for weddings and engagements and may be picked up at the Livonia office, 36251 Schoolcraft. All information submitted must include a telephone number so that it can be checked during business hours if necessary.

Pictures submitted with announcements must be clear so that good reproduction is possible. They may be of bride or bride-elect or the bride couple.

Anniversary information forms also are available at the Livonia office.

Pictures will be accepted only for couples married 50 years or more.

In all engagement, wedding and anniversary announcements, at least one of the parties involved must be a resident or former resident of Livonia, Westland, Garden City or Redford Township.

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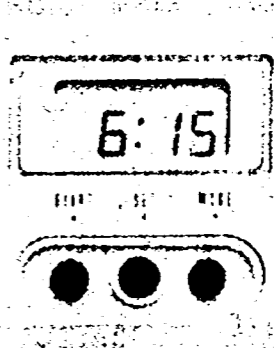
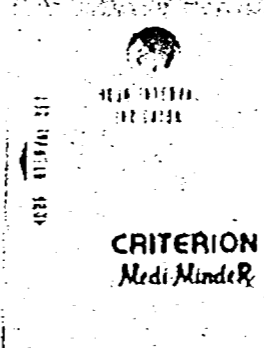


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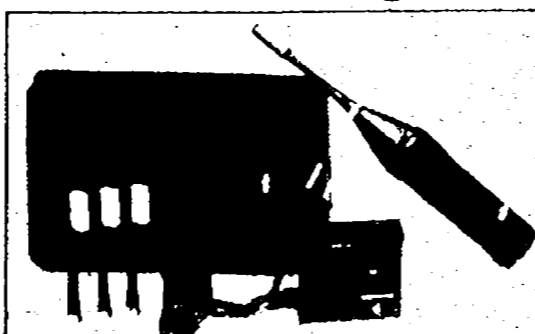


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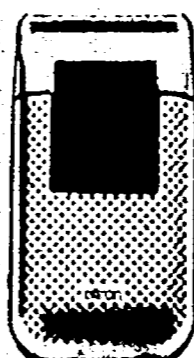
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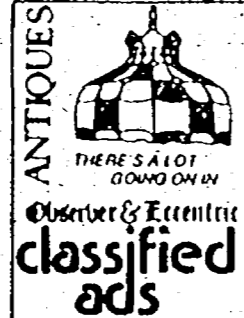
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DEBATE BY MESSAGE BY Mark Baskin



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CALL THE VA OFFICE TODAY  
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# Your Invitation to Worship

Mail Copy To: **OBSERVER & ECCENTRIC NEWSPAPERS**  
**36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150**  
 Church Page: 591-2300 extension 259 Mondays 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

## BAPTIST

**BIBL CENTERED FUNDAMENTAL SOUL WINNING CHURCH**

**BETHEL BAPTIST TEMPLE**  
 29475 W. Six Mile, Livonia

Sunday School 10:00 a.m.  
 Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.  
 Evening Service 6:00 p.m.  
 Wed. Family Hour 7:30 p.m.  
 Bible Study - Awana Club

**NEWS RELEASE**  
**NOVEMBER 27**  
 11:00 A.M. "THE COMMISSION OF THE CHURCH"  
 6:00 P.M. "THANKS FOR THE MEMORY"  
 Thanksgiving Service: Nov. 23 7:30 P.M.

H. L. Petty  
 Pastor  
 525-3664  
 or  
 261-9276

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 VISUALIZED CHILDREN'S CHURCH 10:00 am

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You are cordially invited to worship with  
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Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
 Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.  
 Fellowship 11:30 a.m.

For more information call 455-1509

**GRAND RIVER BAPTIST of LIVONIA**  
 34500 SIX MILE RD. just West of Farmington Rd.  
 (Check along Church West of Six Mile Rd.)

9:30 A.M. Family Bible School  
 10:45 A.M. Morning Worship  
 7:00 P.M. Evening Worship  
 Wed. 7:00 P.M. Family Study & Prayer

261-6950

NURSERY OPEN  
 Adeline Chaney, Min. of Christian Ed. & Youth  
 Interim Rev. Donald Yost

**Redford Baptist Church**  
 7 Mile Road and Grand River  
 Detroit, Michigan  
 533-2300

9:30 A.M. Morning Worship  
 10:45 A.M. Church School  
 5:15 P.M. Fellowship Supper  
 6:00 P.M. Evening Worship

Dr. Wesley I. Evans, Pastor  
 PAUL LANE, Assoc. Pastor  
 Mrs. Donna Gleason, Minister of Music

**First Baptist Church**  
 PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN  
 45000 N. TERRITORIAL RD. 455-2300  
 1/4 Mi. West of Sheldon

9:40 A.M. Sunday School  
 11:00 A.M. "PUTTING THE SCREWS ON SCROOGE"  
 6:30 P.M. "IN THE SAME COUNTRY"

Dr. William Stahl, Sr. Pastor  
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HERALD OF HOPE  
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 FOR YOUR BOUNTIFUL  
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**RIVERSIDE PARK CHURCH OF GOD**  
 NEWBURGH AT PLYMOUTH ROAD  
 464-0990  
 Sunday School 9:30 A.M. Worship 10:45 & 6:30 Wednesday 7:00 P.M.

**NEW LIFE COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
 Dr. J.E. Karl, Pastor  
 422-LIFE  
 34645 Cowan Rd.  
 (just East of Wayne Rd.)  
 Westland

Sunday Service 10:00 A.M. & 6:00 P.M.  
 Wednesday 7:00 P.M.  
 Children's Ministry at all Services

**THE LORD'S HOUSE**  
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 36924 Ann Arbor Trail & Newburgh  
 522-8463

Pastor Jack Forsyth  
 Sunday School 10:00 am  
 Morning Worship 11:00 am  
 Evening Service 7:00 pm  
 Wednesday Service 7:00 pm  
 Open Every Day 9:00 am  
 Until 11:00 pm  
 Children's Ministry at Every Service  
 24 Hour Prayer Line 522-8410

**EVANGELICAL COVENANT CHURCH OF AMERICA**

**FAITH COVENANT CHURCH**

Pastor Michael A. Hallean  
 Associate Pastor Mary Miller  
 Minister of Christian Education Clara Hurd

WORSHIP & SCHOOL  
 9:30 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.

35415 W. 14 Mile Road  
 at Drake  
 661-9191

## LUTHERAN MISSOURI SYNOD

**CHRIST OUR SAVIOR, LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
 MISSOURI SYNOD  
 14175 Farmington Rd. 1/4 Mile N. of Schoolcraft

REV. RALPH G. SCHMIDT, PASTOR

WORSHIP SERVICES EVERY SUNDAY 8:30 & 11:00 A.M.  
 SUNDAY SCHOOL & BIBLE 9:45 A.M.  
 WEEK-DAY SCHOOL, WED. 4:30-6:00 P.M.  
 PRE-SCHOOL, MON.-FRI. MORNINGS  
 NURSERY PROVIDED

464-6554 522-6830

**St. Paul's Lutheran Missouri Synod**  
 20805 Middlebelt at 8 Mile  
 Farmington Hills 474-0675

The Rev. Ralph E. Unger, Pastor

SUNDAY WORSHIP 8:30 & 11 AM  
 SUNDAY SCHOOL AND ADULT BIBLE CLASSES 10 AM  
 CHRISTIAN SCHOOL Grades K-8  
 Wayne C. Berkesch, Principal  
 474-2488

**HOSANNA TABOR LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
 9500 Levee • So. Redford  
 937-2424

Rev. Roy Frankschulte  
 Rev. Glen Kooper

Sunday Worship 8:00 & 11:00 A.M.  
 Sunday School and Bible Classes 9:30 A.M.  
 Monday Evening 7:00 P.M.  
 Christian School Grades K-8  
 Robert Schultz, Principal  
 937-2233

**LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE RISEN CHRIST**  
 Missouri Synod  
 46250 ANN ARBOR ROAD  
 PLYMOUTH

Kenneth Zielke, Pastor  
 453-5252 453-1099

EARLY SERVICE 8:30 A.M.  
 Sun. Sch. & Bible Classes 9:45 to 10:45 A.M.  
 LATE SERVICE 11:00 A.M.

**GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
 MISSOURI SYNOD  
 25630 GRAND RIVER at BEECH DALY  
 REDFORD TWP. 532-2266

SUNDAY SERVICES 9:15 & 11:00 A.M. SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:15 & 11:00 A.M.

Rev. V. F. Halboth, Jr., Pastor  
 Rev. Victor F. Halboth, Sr., Pastor Emeritus  
 Nursery Provided Mr. James Mol, Parish Ass't.

## LUTHERAN (English Synod A.E.L.C.)

**FAITH**  
 30000 Five Mile Road  
 East Livonia  
 421-7248

Worship 8:15 and 10:45 a.m.  
 Bible Classes 9:30 a.m.  
 Nursery Available  
 Education Office 421-7359

**HOLY TRINITY**  
 39020 Five Mile Road  
 West Livonia  
 464-0211

WORSHIP SERVICES 8:30 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.  
 Nursery Available  
 Sunday School - All Ages 9:45 A.M.  
 Wed. Class All Ages 6:45 P.M.

**CHRIST THE GOOD Shepherd**  
 42690 Cherry Hill  
 Canton 981-0286

Sunday School & Adult Bible 9:15 A.M.  
 Worship Service 10:30 A.M.

**ST. MICHAEL LUTHERAN**  
 7003 Sheldon Rd.  
 Canton  
 459-3383

Pastor Jerry Yarnell  
 Asst. Pastor Joseph Dragun

WORSHIP 8:15 & 11:00 A.M.  
 SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:30 A.M.  
 Nursery Provided  
 Prayers & Praise 7 p.m. Wednesday

**FIRST APOSTOLIC LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
 16325 Haledale Rd. at 11 Mile  
 Farmington Hills, Michigan

SERVICES 11:00 A.M. Every Sunday Sept. - May  
 10:00 A.M. Every Sunday June - Aug.  
 7:00 P.M. 1st & 3rd Sunday of each month  
 Sunday School 9:30 A.M. Sept. - June  
 Bible Class 7:45 p.m. Tues. - May  
 Psalm Services Last Sunday of each month Sept. - May

## LUTHERAN WISCONSIN

**Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Churches WISCONSIN LUTHERAN RADIO HOUR**  
 WCAR 1090 SUNDAY 10:30 A.M.

In Livonia - St. Paul Ev. Lutheran Church,  
 17810 Farmington Rd.  
 Pastor Winfred Koelpin - 261-8759  
 Worship Services - 8:30 & 11:00 A.M.

In Plymouth - St. Peter Ev. Lutheran Church,  
 1343 Penniman Ave.  
 Pastor Leonard Koening - 453-3393  
 Worship Services 8 & 10:30 a.m. • Sunday School 9:15 a.m.

In Redford Township - Lola Park  
 Ev. Lutheran Church,  
 14750 Kintoch  
 Pastor Edward Zell - 532-8655  
 Worship Services 8:30 a.m. & 11 a.m. • Sunday School 9:45 a.m.

Our Christmas Directory will be published Monday, December 19, 1983. Mail-in deadline is Friday, December 9, 1983.

## CHURCHES OF CHRIST

**"A Caring & Sharing Church"**  
**LIVONIA**  
 15431 Merriman Rd.  
 SUNDAY WORSHIP 11:00 AM & 6:00 PM  
 Rob Robinson Minister

427-8743

**GARDEN CITY**  
 1557 Middlebelt Rd  
 SUNDAY WORSHIP 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.  
 Bible School 10 a.m.  
 Wed. 7:30 p.m. Worship  
 FREE CLOTHING TO THE NEEDY  
 MON. EVENINGS 7-9 P.M.  
 in Church Building  
 Pastor Dennis Smith  
 422-6660

**MEMORIAL CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
 (Christ an Church)  
 35475 Five Mile Rd.  
 464-8722

MARK MOULDER, Minister  
 CHUCK EMMER, Youth Minister

BIBLE SCHOOL (All ages) 9:30 a.m.  
 Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.  
 Evening Worship & Youth Meetings 8:30 p.m.

See Herald of Truth  
 TV Channel 20 Saturday 9:30 a.m.  
 Call or Write for Free Correspondence Course

**Christ Community Church of Canton** 981-0499

Meeting at: Canton High School  
 Canton Center at Joy

WORSHIP 10:00 A.M.  
 Fellowship - Youth Clubs - Choir - Bible Study

Reformed Church in America

**CHURCH OF THE SAVIOR**  
 Reformed Church in America

WORSHIP 10:30 A.M. SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:30 A.M.

38100 Five Mile Road, West of Newburgh  
 Rev. GERALD DYKSTRA, Pastor 464-1062

## UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

**NATIVITY CHURCH**  
 Henry Ruff at West Chicago  
 Livonia 421-5408

WORSHIP & CHURCH SCHOOL 10:00 A.M.  
 Dr. Michael H. Carman

**SALEM UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
 33424 Oakland  
 Farmington, MI 474-6880

WORSHIP 10:15 A.M.  
 Church School 8:00 A.M.  
 Barrier-Free Sanctuary  
 Nursery Provided

REV. LEE W. TYLER, Pastor  
 REV. CARL H. SCHULTZ, Pastor Emeritus  
 PARSONAGE 477-8478  
 "YOU ARE WELCOME"

## PRESBYTERIAN

**WARD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF LIVONIA**  
 Farmington and Six Mile Rd. 422-1150

**THANKSGIVING DAY 9:00 & 11:00 A.M.**  
 "WHEN DID JESUS CELEBRATE THANKSGIVING?"  
 Dr. Bartlett L. Hess  
 "THE BATTLE HYMN OF THE REPUBLIC"  
 Chancel Choir With The Ward Orchestra  
 Worship & Sunday School 8:30, 10:00 & 11:00 A.M.  
 "WHY WORRY?"  
 Dr. Bartlett L. Hess  
 7:00 P.M.  
 "AS A MAN THINKS"  
 Mr. Timm Jackson

Wed., 7:00 P.M. School of Christian Education  
 Sunday Service Broadcast  
 9:30 a.m., WMUZ-FM 103.5  
 (Activities for All Ages)  
 Nursery Provided at All Services

**GRACE CHAPEL**  
 an Outreach Church of Ward Presbyterian  
 at Western Technical College  
 Tuesday 9:00 and 9:30 P.m.  
 Farmington Hills

9:30 A.M. Sunday School & 10:45 Worship  
 "THE ADVENT SEASONS: PREPARE"  
 Rev. Douglas Lee Klein

Rev. Douglas L. Klein, Pastor 422-1150  
 Mr. Gordon Blitch, Director of Music

**ST. PAUL'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.)**  
 27475 Five Mile Rd. (at Inkster) 422-1470

9:30 A.M. & 11:00 A.M. Worship and Church School

"LOOKING FOR ADVENTURE"  
 Rev. Robert Armstrong

Wed., 9:30 A.M. & 7:30 P.M. Bible Study  
 Rev. R. Armstrong Dr. W. Whittedge Rev. S. Simons

**TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
 10101 W. Ann Arbor Rd., Plymouth  
 at Golfredson & Ann Arbor Rd.

Sunday School for all ages 9:30 a.m.  
 Worship Services and Junior Church - 11:00 a.m.

Rev. William C. Moore - Pastor  
 Nursery Provided Phone 459-9550

**St. Mark's**  
 Presbyterian  
 26701 JOY RD.  
 Dearborn Hgts.  
 Pastor John Jeffrey  
 278-9340

9:30 A.M. Sun. Sch. & Adult Bible  
 11:00 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE  
 Dial-a-ride 278-9340

**GENEVA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.)**  
 5835 Sheldon Rd., CANTON

WORSHIP & CHURCH SCHOOL  
 9:30 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.  
 Kenneth E. Grubbs, Pastor  
 458-0015

**ST. TIMOTHY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.)**  
 16700 Newburgh • Livonia  
 464-8844

Rev. Dickson Forsyth  
 WORSHIP 9 & 11:00 a.m.  
 CHURCH SCHOOL 11:00 a.m.

**ROSEDALE GARDENS UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
 Hubbard at W. Chicago • 422-0494

Gerald R. Cobleigh & David W. Good, Ministers

10:30 A.M. Church School & Worship  
 "JOYOUS ASSURANCE"  
 The Lord's Super and St. Andrew's Day Celebration

**VILLAGE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN**  
 25350 W. Six Mile Rd. 534-7730

Rev. Robert M. Barcus  
 Worship 10:00 Church School 11:15

"LOST IN THE CROWD"  
 Thursday-Weekday Program For All  
 Thurs. Bible Study 7:00 P.M.  
 Professional Nurse in Crib Room

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN FARMINGTON**  
 Farmington Rd. at 11 Mile

WORSHIP & CHURCH SCHOOL 10:30 A.M.  
 Nursery Provided 474-6170

## UNITY

**UNITY OF LIVONIA**  
 26660 Five Mile  
 421-1760

SUNDAY 10:00 & 11:30 A.M.  
 Dial-a-Thought 261-2440

## ASSEMBLIES OF GOD

**CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY CHURCH**

10:00 A.M. School of the Bible  
 11:00 A.M. Morning Worship  
 6:30 P.M. Evening Worship  
 Wed., 7:00 P.M. Family Night

Christian Community Schools Pre-school - 7th  
 Nursery Available at all services Dan R. Sluka, Director of Music

**Brightmoor Tabernacle**  
 26555 Franklin Rd. • Southfield MI  
 (I 696 & Telegraph Just West of Holiday Inn)

Sunday School 9:45 A.M. - Morning Worship 11:00 A.M.  
 Celebration of Praise - 6:30 P.M.  
 Wed. Adult Prayer & Praise - Youth Service 7:30 P.M.

Nursery provided at all Services  
 A Charismatic Church where people of many denominations worship together  
 Thomas E. Trask, Pastor

# St. John's classes open

Weekly sessions of one-, two- and three-hour courses will open the winter term at St. John's Provincial Seminary on Five Mile in Plymouth, Dec. 5.

Most courses are in session two hours a week during the day and evenings. Course credits may be applied toward a graduate degree, career development or personal enrichment.

To avoid late registration fees, inquiries and registrations must be completed by Nov. 30 by calling the academic affairs office, 453-6200. Tuition is \$65 per credit hour or \$37.50 per audit hour.

COURSES REQUIRING no prerequisites are: Christian Anthropology and Reformation History and the Art of Spiritual Direction on Mondays; Introduction to Old Testament and Toward

a Christian Spirituality for the U.S. on Tuesdays; Alcoholism Education, a second section of Introduction to the Old Testament and Medieval Philosophy (a three-hour undergraduate course) on Thursdays.

Students who have completed Fundamental Theology or its equivalent are eligible to register for Fundamental Theology, offered Wednesday evenings or Thursday mornings. The second term of Greek, Hebrew, Moral Principles and Principles of Counseling are also being offered.

Advanced level courses of special interest are: Gospel of Mark, Resurrection: Contemporary Approaches; Four Gospel, Liberation Theologies, and Wisdom and the Search for God. Course schedules are available upon request.

## Your Invitation to Worship

### UNITED METHODIST

**NEWBURG UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
36500 Ann Arbor Trail  
422-0149  
Minister  
Jack E. Bignare  
Roy G. Forsyth  
Director of Youth  
Dave Gladstone  
Director of Education  
Terry Gladstone  
Church School & Worship  
9:15 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

**ST. MATTHEWS UNITED METHODIST**  
30900 Six Mile Rd.  
(at Meridian & Middlebelt)  
David T. Strong, Minister  
422-6038  
10:00 A.M. Worship Service  
10:00 A.M. Church School  
(3 Yrs. - 8th Grade)  
10:00 A.M. & 8th Grade  
11:15 A.M. Adult Study Class  
Nursery Provided

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
Of Garden City  
6443 Meridian Road  
421-8628  
Dr. Robert Grigoreit  
Minister  
9:30 A.M. Church School  
10:45 A.M. Morning Worship  
Sharing Time For Children

**SALVATION ARMY**  
27500 Shawneee  
at Inkster Road  
SUNDAY SCHEDULE  
Sunday School: 10 AM  
Morning Worship: 11 AM  
Evening Worship: 6 PM  
Captain John Crampton

**CHRISTIAN SCIENCE**

**FOURTH CHURCH OF CHRIST SCIENTIST**  
24400 W. Seven Mile  
(near Telegraph)  
HOURS OF SERVICE  
11:00 A.M.  
SUNDAY SCHOOL  
10:00 A.M.  
Nursery Care Provided  
WEDNESDAY  
TESTIMONIAL  
MEETINGS 8 pm



### EPISCOPAL

**HOLY SPIRIT LIVONIA**  
9083 Newburgh Rd.  
Livonia  
691-0211 522-0821  
SERVICES  
8:30 A.M. Holy Eucharist  
9:30 A.M. Christian Education  
10:30 A.M. Holy Eucharist  
The Rev. Emory Gravelle

### CONGREGATIONAL



**CLARENCEVILLE UNITED METHODIST**  
20300 Middlebelt Livonia 474-3444  
Pastor Gerald Fisher  
8:45 am First Worship Service  
10:00 The Church School  
11:15 am Second Service of Worship  
7:00 Sunday Evening Service  
Wed: The Midweek Service 7:00 pm  
Nursery Provided at All Services - Air Conditioning

**ALDRSGATE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
(Redford Township)  
10000 BEECH DAILY ROAD  
Between Plymouth and West Chicago  
MINISTERS  
ARCHIE H. DONIGAN BARBARA MYERS LEWIS  
WORSHIP 9:30 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.  
CHURCH SCHOOL 11:00 A.M.  
"LIFE'S MOST CREATIVE MOMENT"  
Rev. Donigan  
Thanksgiving Eve Service: Wed. Nov. 23, 7:30 p.m.  
Minister of Music: Ruth Madley Turner, Dr. of Ed: Barbara Caldwell

**CANTON FREE METHODIST CHURCH**  
Now worshipping at  
44815 Cherry Hill Road  
Canton, MI  
Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship ..... 11:00 a.m.  
Junior Church ..... 11:30 a.m.  
Praise and Worship .... 6:00 p.m.  
Fellowship ..... 7:00 p.m.  
Wed Family Night ..... 7:00 p.m.  
C. Harold Weiman, Pastor  
Home Phone ..... 453-7366  
Church Phone ..... 981-5350

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF PLYMOUTH**  
Worship & Church School 9:15 a.m.  
Worship & Children's Church 11:15 a.m.  
Nursery Care Provided  
Ministers  
John N. Oranell, Jr. - Stephen E. Wenzel  
Dr. Frederick Voeburg  
453-5280

**NARDIN PARK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
29857 West Eleven Mile Road  
Just West of Middlebelt  
9:15 & 11:00 A.M.  
Worship Service and Church School  
476-8860  
Farmington Hills  
Dr. William A. Fuller, Pastor  
Judy May, Dir. of Christian Ed.  
Mr. Mahyn Rookus, Dir. Music

**SAINT ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
16360 Hubbard Road Livonia, Michigan 48154  
421-8451  
Wednesday 9:30 a.m. - Holy Eucharist  
Saturday 9:00 p.m. - Holy Eucharist  
Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Holy Eucharist  
9:00 a.m. - Christian Education for all ages  
10:00 a.m. - Holy Eucharist  
Sunday Morning - Nursery Care Available  
The Rev. Kenneth Q. Davis, The Rev. Gary R. Seymour,  
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CLAS Players are Livonia college students Mark Daly (left, back), Ron Moon, Lisa Sielski and Darlene Stanfill.



Carlette Horn pins Ron Moon. Horn is the troupe's costume designer.



Joan Velis stitches up a CLAS costume.

*'What we are offering the community is a 45-minute revue on subjects that prove more interesting when presented with a little pizzazz.'*

—Pat Hutchison

Photos by Larry Caruso

## A CLAS act College troupe debuts on school circuit

By Marie McGee  
staff writer

IT IS NO coincidence that the troupe of musical performers Pat Hutchison has organized is called CLAS Players.

Hutchison for years has been putting out class acts in her role as a teacher and musical director.

A large measure of her success has come as musical director at St. Paul Presbyterian Church, Livonia, and as director of the junior high division of the Livonia Youth Choir.

An even bigger chunk came as a music teacher in the Livonia Public

Schools that includes a recent stint at Bentley High School.

At a time when musical productions at Bentley were at a low ebb, Hutchison stepped in and brought about a revival with such shows as "Hello Dolly" and "Camelot."

Pink-slipped recently by the school district, she now does the Bentley musicals on a contract basis. This year, she's slated to do "Carousel."

SOME OF THE students she coached at Bentley are part of CLAS Players. One of them is Jeff Vells who has signed on as technical director and business manager of the troupe that has four members in front of the footlights while he performs

backstage. Hutchison is accompanist.

Like Vells, who is studying business and music at the University of Michigan, the four performers, Mark Daly, Ron Moon, Lisa Sielski and Darlene Stanfill, are students at area colleges.

"What we are offering the community is a 45-minute revue on subjects that prove more interesting when presented with a little pizzazz," said Hutchison. At the moment, schools are a primary target for the presentations, she said. The shows are offered on Tuesdays and Thursdays after 1:30 p.m.

Show offerings include: "All Across America," "That Broadway Beat," "Free to be You and Me" and "It's

Christmas All Around the World." All are original shows except for the Marlo Thomas show "Free to be You and Me."

THE TROUPE APPEARS in costumes appropriate to the theme of the show. Those are being made by several St. Paul parishioners, including Jeff Vells' mother, Joan. Chief costume designer is Carlette Horn, who also helps Hutchison with costumes for the Bentley shows.

CLAS — If you haven't figured it by now — stands for Community Live Acting and Singing.

For more information, call Hutchison at 427-5372 or Joan Vells at 427-7689.

## church bulletin

● **HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN**  
A Thanksgiving Eve service with holy communion will be celebrated 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 23, in Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 39020 Five Mile, Livonia.

The choir, under the direction of Ernest Brandon, will lead the sing. The Thanksgiving liturgy will be based on the Apostle's Creed.

Preaching will be the Rev. Robert C. Seltz. The officiant will be the Rev. James T. Spilos and the organist is Barbara Crute.

● **WARD PRESBYTERIAN**  
Thanksgiving Day services at 9 and 11 a.m. at Ward Presbyterian Church, Six Mile and Farmington, Livonia, will be recorded and filmed for broadcasting later. The services will be shown on TV at 5 p.m. Thanksgiving Day on Channel 62. Radio station WMOZ-FM, 103.5, will broadcast the event at 1:15 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 26.

Dr. Bartlett Hess, pastor, will preach, and the 150-voice Chancel Choir will sing "The Battle Hymn of the Republic" with brass accompaniment. The congregation will sing traditional Thanksgiving hymns.

● **UNITED ASSEMBLY OF GOD**  
The Rev. Bernhard Johnson, director

of Brazil Good News Crusades, will speak at 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. services Sunday in United Assembly of God, 42021 E. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth. The event will kick off the church's missions convention services.

Johnson, whose headquarters are in Campinas, Sao Paulo, reports 300,000 public decisions for Christ during the past five years and a record attendance of 120,000 in a single service.

He was raised by missionary parents and has spent 30 years of ministry in Brazil. He is founder-president of the Brazilian Extension Schools of Theology with an enrollment of 7,000 ministers.

● **PLYMOUTH FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN**  
St. Andrew Day named in honor of the patron saint of Scotland, will be observed Sunday in First United Presbyterian Church of Plymouth, 701 Church. A bagpiper will pipe in the choir at 9:15 and 11 a.m., and will accompany the congregation in singing "Amazing Grace." Kilg dancers from Alma College will entertain during coffee hour 10:15-11 a.m. Those attending are encouraged to wear tartans and plaids.

Holy Communion will be celebrated at both services marking the first day

of Advent. New members will be welcomed to the Lord's table at 9:15 a.m.

● **ROSEDALE GARDENS UNITED PRESBYTERIAN**  
A Scottish worship service in honor of St. Andrew will be celebrated 10:30 a.m. Sunday in Rosedale Gardens United Presbyterian Church, 9601 Hubbard, Livonia. The event will also be a tribute to the Scottish heritage of the Presbyterian Church.

A Thrifty Lunch will be held after the services. Tickets are available at the church office. Call 422-0494.

● **WESTLAND CHURCH OF GOD**  
The gospel quartet, Chosen, will sing at the 11 a.m. worship service Sunday at Westland Church of God, 35212 Melton.

● **ALPHA BAPTIST**  
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● **NEW LIFE COMMUNITY**  
The Rev. James Wright, pastor of Maranatha Fellowship in St. Albans, W.



● REV. BERNHARD JOHNSON

Va., will conclude a series of Victory Services Nov. 24 and 25 at New Life Community Church, 34645 Cowan, Westland. Music will be led by David Bess and Joe Davenport.

Children's services are also planned, and there will be nursery care during the meetings.

## Action based on fear destructs

A representative in Lansing won't listen to me. But instead of recall being the solution, it is the problem. It is tragic for elected leaders to make decisions based on fear of recall.

Early in response to me a legislator stopped dialogue by announcing his conclusion. Then in explaining his position, it seemed he invited further response. His closing stopped me cold expressing hope I would understand that his "task is to represent the views of the majority of his people."

That sounds so good and so democratic that it almost hides the fear motivating him. A truism in statecraft and psychology is that action based in fear is eventually destructive.

We are governed by a representative system. It is not a democratic system in which majority rules. The genius of our government is in electing leaders who take state and nation far beyond current majority opinion.



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Rev. Charles Erickson

friends in a community of general agreement on basics. It requires a like-minded citizenry and similar viewpoints on purpose. When the majority is uninformed or when people who disagree on values must make a decision, democracy degenerates to a lowest common denominator.

Representative government is decision making by those elected to study, debate and move to a position far more mature than anyone held when the issue first surfaced. Leaders are expected to do things the majority has not yet thought through. Representatives are charged to seek the best for the whole society and that usually differs from self-serving desires of the majority. If

we all voted on issues, the majority would probably cancel all taxes and society would collapse.

Forms of government first developed in religion. All forms assume that deciders seek truth within the influence of the Holy Spirit. It is believed that divine will guide people to mature understanding during the deciding process. There are no absentee ballots because away from the group isn't informed by the vision developing in the meeting.

SECULAR GOVERNMENT has the same assumption expressed in different language. Legislators are expected to invest in staff, research and hours of committee exploration and

then to engage in energetic full house debate. Wisdom comes only when the deciding process compels breadth of comprehension and depth of insight.

Recall elections seek to impose current majority opinion on society for years to come. They rob us of enriching mixing of heritages and hopes.

Our nation is great when we actually honor, not merely protect minority positions and groups. We need leaders. The nub of the recall problem is that it twists conflict on an issue into attacks on a person.

Referendum is our tried and true method of dealing with issues. Representative government focuses on facing concerns and solving problems. During our seasons of choosing leaders we elect the best people we can find. Then we put them to work on issues rather than on defending their seats.

The clue on how to vote is to stop engaging in a democratic process when we so desperately need leaders in a representative system.

# State invests in 3 area growth firms

Three area firms are among 13 in Michigan which have received venture capital from state pension funds, according to state Treasurer Robert Bowman.

The state plunked \$23 million into high technology, rapid growth firms, Bowman said, adding:

"These investments not only produce a very high return on our capital, but also assist in retaining jobs and create a more diversified business climate in Michigan."

THE FIRMS, their products and the state investments are:

- Photon Sources, Livonia, laser welders — \$3.3 million in January 1983. This was the second largest of the 13 investments.
- Percepton, Farmington Hills, machine vision systems — \$2 million in December of 1982 and \$1 million in October 1983. Gov. James J. Blanchard used a dedication ceremony at Percepton last week to announce plans to reduce state red tape for business. Bowman said that at Percepton "we expect to earn five times our initial investment in under five years."
- Lexitel Corp., Birmingham, telecommunications, \$2 million in July.

OTHER FIRMS in which the state invested are:

- Printer Inc., Benton Harbor; Neogen Corp., East Lansing; Synthetic Vision Systems, Concor Computer Corp. and Irwin Magnetics, all of Ann Arbor; Meridian Instruments; SMC Technology Corp.; Quantum Composites, Midland; and Prab Robotics, Kalamazoo.

One chunk of money went to Michigan Investment Fund of Midland, which invested in three computers firms.

State law (PA 55) allows the Michigan Retirement Systems pension fund to invest up to 5 percent of its assets in venture capital financings for Michigan-based companies.

Two of the 13 investments were made by the administration of Gov. William G. Milliken but had not been announced by the governor's office.

## Transportation manager named

Carmine Palombo has been named manager of transportation programs by the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG).

With a staff of 12, the Livonia resident directs and coordinates SEMCOG's transportation programs, including planning in southeast Michigan — particularly in the areas of highway and mass transit.

Prior to his appointment, Palombo was a transportation engineer for four years with SEMCOG. He also was technical coordinator of short-range transportation planning for four years.

A graduate of the University of Detroit with a bachelor of civil engineering degree, Palombo is a registered professional engineer with the state. He graduated from Catholic Central High School.

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# Swimming, rope skipping are strenuous

"Which exercise is best for improving physical fitness?" Cardiac patients and persons with low cardiovascular fitness often ask us that.

Exercise programs can employ a variety of physical conditioning activities. But it is important to note activities which might be too strenuous for those persons.

Swimming and skipping rope long have been recognized as excellent cardiovascular conditioners. Recent research, however, tells us these activities impose extremely high energy demands, and regulation of the exercise intensity may be difficult.

**SWIMMING**, EVEN at comfortable speeds, may require near-maximal expenditures of energy and heart rate.

A recent comparison of various physical conditioning activities revealed the highest energy requirements for swimming. These ranged from six to eight times the resting metabolic rate. Even higher levels of energy expenditure may be attained among individuals with less efficient swimming skills.

## Barry Franklin

Rope skipping is another activity often used in physical conditioning programs. It is inexpensive, requiring minimal space and equipment.

Proponents often cite an early 1980s study which implied that a daily 10-minute bout of rope skipping was equal to 30 minutes of jogging.

Recent research, however, suggests this claim may be exaggerated and unfounded.

It appears that rope skipping is no more magical than other physical conditioning exercises. Furthermore, the high cardiovascular demands of rope skipping may exceed the fitness capacity of many persons.

**THE ENERGY** cost of jumping rope, apparently unaffected by the skipping rate, ranges from nine to 13 times above resting levels. It is equivalent to

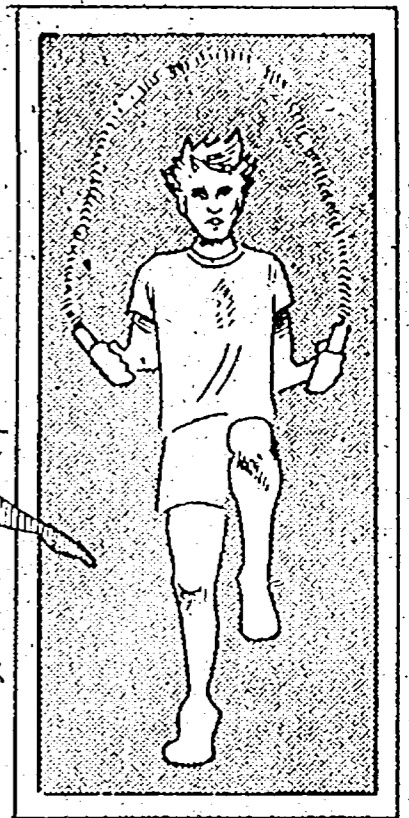
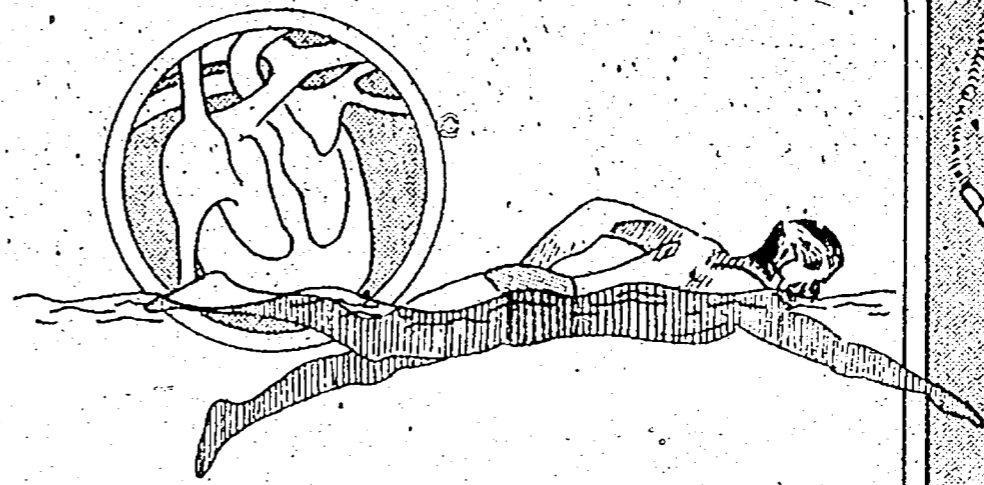
running at a 6-8 mph pace.

Interestingly, as the skipping rate increases, the person's vertical or jump height decreases, so that the total energy expenditure remains relatively constant. Thus, the cardiovascular stress placed on the individual will be almost the same, no matter how fast you skip.

In summary, extremely high energy requirements and the inability to carefully regulate exercise intensity preclude the general recommendation of swimming or rope skipping for cardiac patients or normal persons with low fitness.

Instead, walking, jogging, stationary bicycling and vigorous calisthenics are more appropriate cardiovascular conditioners, particularly during the early phase of an exercise program.

A Farmington Hills resident, Barry Franklin, Ph.D., teaches in the Wayne State University medical school and is co-director of cardiac rehabilitation at Sinai Hospital.



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**SEMTA**

# Week of peace protests begins

By Kathy Parrish  
staff writer

For most Christians, Sunday starts the countdown to Christmas. Ahead is a month of hectic, but happy activity.

But Advent will have a different meaning this year, for peace advocates who expect to spend the holiday season in Oakland County jail for blockading a defense supplier's driveway.

"People who wage war are called to make sacrifices like being away at Christmas," said Ken Berger, speaking for Covenant for Peace, which is organizing Monday's blockade.

"Why not those who wage peace?"

AN INTERFAITH prayer service at 2 p.m. Sunday on the public easement outside Williams International will kick off a weeklong protest at the 60-acre research, development and manufacturing facility, 2280 W. Maple, Commerce Township.

Founded in 1955 in Birmingham, the maker of small gas turbine engines is a target of peace groups because its product powers cruise missiles.

Williams' 1,450 employees also manufacture turbine engines for cars and trucks, industrial gas turbines and low pollution turbines for generating electric power from natural gas and coal. A version of the cruise missile engine is used in WASP II, a small one-person flying device.

From Nov. 28 to Dec. 3 peace groups intend to block the firm's entrance each morning as employees arrive for work. One of several American and Canadian anti-nuclear protests planned for next week, the action is expected to result in confrontation between Oakland County Sheriff's deputies and the protesters — who intend to be jailed.

"We are taking any and all necessary steps in the interest of all concerned — including the general public," said Sheriff Johannes Spreen, whose staff members met earlier this month with the organizers.

WHILE ANTI-WAR protesters have prayed outside Williams each Monday since Jan. 17, members were jailed only once for trespassing. On Aug. 9 they jumped the defense supplier's fence, threw red dye and floated candles in a pond to commemorate atomic bomb destruction at Nagasaki.

But next week, they will flaunt daily a court injunction by Oakland Circuit Judge James Thorburn forbidding trespassing, blocking egress or ingress or inviting anyone else to do so. Each morning, protesters will block the Williams driveway when employees arrive for work.

"We're not asking the workers to leave their jobs; that would be unconscionable on our part to do that," said Berger, a member of Lansing-based Covenant for Peace.

"What we're about is changing hearts and minds." Covenant for Peace, a nine-member Christian faith group, requested a meeting with Williams International executives a year ago. The purpose was to get the firm to cease making cruise missile engines and switch to "other products beneficial to the human family."

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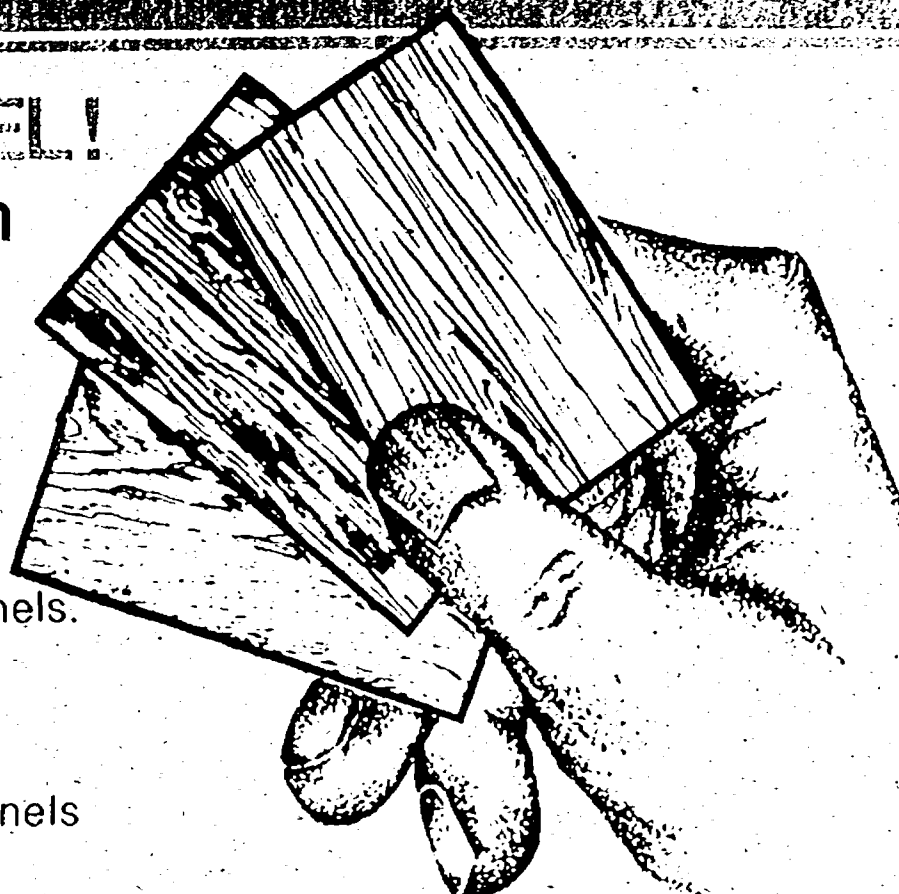
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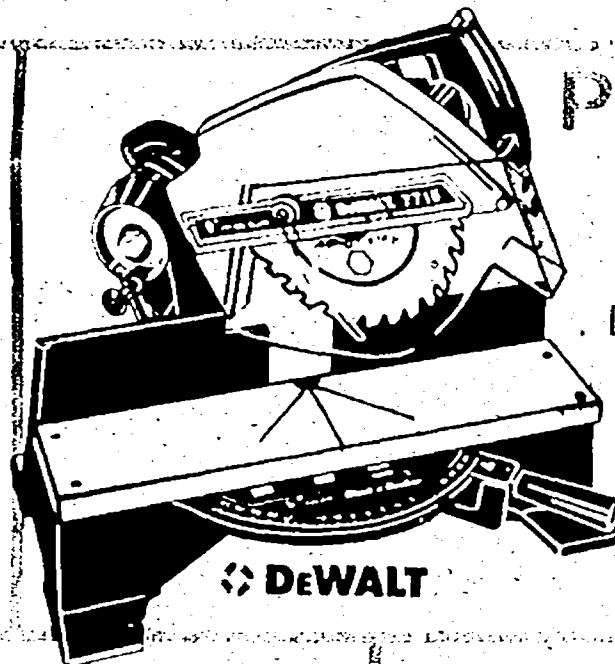
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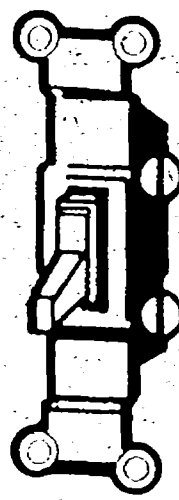
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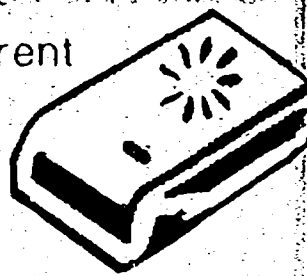
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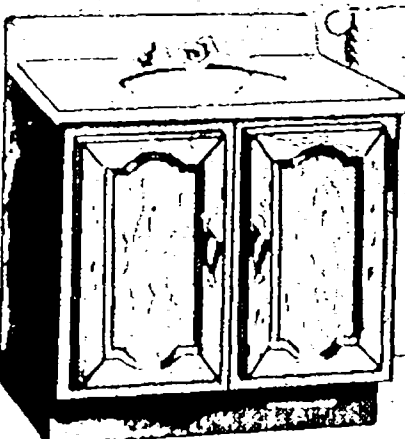
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## New Agenda renews spirit for old battle

**I**T WAS LABELED the New Agenda. But, really, what was on the agenda wasn't all that new.

Women and sports was the topic. Boiling it down, the resolutions generated from the three-day conference included a reaffirmation of Title IX, which is being challenged in courts in several states (including Michigan), and a commitment to get to work at the grass roots level on problems facing women athletes.

That's it? That's all the 600 delegates from around the nation got out of their weekend stay at the Capitol Hilton in Washington, D.C.?

Not exactly. The look in Cathy Dritsas' eyes told a different story.

**THE NEW AGENDA** was more than a rallying cry for women athletes. It sought direction for so many diverse women's groups, a chance to "get rid of vested interests," as Billie Jean King said.

Yes, Billie Jean King, famous tennis player, was there. So were Carol Mann, Donna DeVerona, Dick Schaap, Janet Guthrie, Diana Nyad and lots of others, including Vice President George Bush and wife.

The conference was 20 months in the planning. And while direction may have been the No. 1 purpose, what was accomplished was something a bit different.

Perhaps something more.

**DRITSAS SPOKE** quickly, throwing out words like "dynamic" and "relate" and "competitive enrichment." The athletic director at Bloomfield Hills Academy of the Sacred Heart was the only representative from the state in attendance.

"Before this conference, I thought about phasing in other younger women to take over," she said. "But I got recommitted. I came back with the thought that, 'Hey, these women are putting themselves on the line. I've got to keep working.'"

The women "putting themselves on the line" were former athletes who faced the problems females face in sports and shared their experiences at the conference. It proved to be pretty heavy stuff.

"I was inspired, personally," Dritsas admitted.

**TRUE ENOUGH**, women still face lots of problems in the world of sports. And true enough, it was much worse 10 years ago. "You've come a long way, baby" is correct enough, but "You've still got a ways to go" is equally accurate.

The reinspired Dritsas knows this. She's seen the problems girls face in sports and the struggles that lie ahead. And at the New Agenda she was able to share the problems she's encountered and find not a sympathetic ear but a lot of shared experiences.

"It's unconscionable!" was her reaction after relating a story of how University of Michigan uses its field hockey area for a parking lot during football games.)

Although men receive the bigger piece of the athletic pie, Dritsas insists this isn't a man-vs.-woman conflict.

"Women don't want to take away from men," she said. "To me, a good athlete should be able to play no matter what the sex."

Once outside of educational institutions, the chance for women to compete is extremely limited, Dritsas said. And it isn't because men are in a conspiracy against them.

**INDEED, THE BIGGEST** problem women face in sports is other women.

"I find men very supportive because they know the value of competition," Dritsas explained. "I always felt the biggest problem is with other women."

The value of competition: If Dritsas has a goal, it would be making the rest of the female population understand how healthy competition is.

"If you believe in the concept of competition, then you should believe it's good for all children," she said in convincing style. "But nothing is going to be accomplished until parents say, 'My little girl is as good as my little boy.'"

"When parents get involved, school administrators will listen."

This "second-class" syndrome is another problem Dritsas sees confronting the woman athlete. People "think what girls do is less significant," she said.

How to fight a concept is the query. And there are lots of wayward concepts surrounding women's sports that need to be dispelled.

"You know," Dritsas related as we walked to the door, "one of the hardest things I have to teach the girls is how to win. That trying to win is important, instead of just playing."

That was the aim of the New Agenda. To provide new answers to old problems. And to re-inspire people who care into carrying on the battle.

Because it isn't over yet.

## Bentley seizes district title

By Brad Emons  
staff writer

It always seems somebody different rises to the occasion when Livonia Bentley wins a girls' basketball game.

But Tuesday night it was a collection of stars as the Bulldogs won the Class A district title at Southfield with a 53-37 victory over Detroit Redford.

You could start with little Bridget Nicol, who riddled the Huskies with her deadly baseline shooting, finishing with 16 points.

Or you could single out the usually steady Sheri Wolfe, who drilled home six of her 16 points in the decisive third quarter.

Then there was the defense of Lonnie Payne, who forced All-PSL guard Cherry Wilks into numerous turnovers, and center

Theresa Aragona, who controlled the backboards.

Or how about the play of Amy Weber off the bench? The quick sophomore picked up the slack for the team's leading scorer, Laurie Day, who suffered a rare off night (four points and four personal fouls).

**BENTLEY**, behind Nicol's shooting, opened a 14-2 lead after a furious, fast-paced first quarter. At that stage it looked like a blowout. But the Bulldogs went cold in the second quarter, going without a basket for almost seven minutes.

That enabled Redford to close the gap to 18-12 at halftime.

But in the third period, Bentley got untracked and took command, taking a 36-22

lead into the final quarter.

"I was not happy with how we played in the second quarter," said Bentley coach Tom Lang. "We blew too many opportunities."

"We used the half to make a couple of adjustments offensively and it seemed to work. We wanted to spread out their zone (defense) and make them come out and play us."

The Huskies never were able to break the Bentley's full-court press.

"Pressure defense was the thing," Lang said. "We were geared to pressure their guards. We put Lonnie on No. 32 (Wilks) and she made her go left (with the dribble). And we wanted Laurie to really pressure the other guard as well."

"**THEY MADE** a ton of turnovers, but we didn't capitalize. I think our kids were a little

tired during the second quarter. We needed that 10-minute rest at the half."

Wilks finished with 15 points and point-guard Angie Jackson netted 11 for Redford (12-4), but they were overshadowed by the overall play of Bentley.

"Amy did a job defensively and was good offensively — she was all over the court," said Lang, whose team carries a 20-2 record into next week's regional. "One of the things we've had all year is that we've had people come off the bench and play great."

"And I don't think teams take Bridget for granted. She plays that role. She's a baseline player — an excellent shooter from both corners."

Tuesday's result signaled that you can't key on just one Bentley player.

## Patriots stonewalled by tenacious defense

By Chris McCosky  
staff writer

The greased fastbreaking Livonia Franklin girls basketball machine ran into a Rock Tuesday night. The result: a 43-27 win and a berth in the state regional tournament for Plymouth Salem.

Franklin (16-7) rolled into the district finals on the strength of its fast-paced, run-and-gun style of play, and the phenomenal scoring of Alicia Lectka, who scored 42 points in the two previous district games.

Salem (19-4) fought its way to the finals with a tenacious man-to-man defense and the equally phenomenal scoring of Pam McBride, 32 points in two contests.

When the two teams squared off in the Plymouth Canton gym Tuesday, a loud bunch of Franklin rooters and an out-numbered but enthusiastic contingent of Rock fans, saw Salem completely shut down the Patriot fastbreak and thus, completely take away their offense.

**BUT IT DIDN'T** look like it was going to be that way early.

Franklin came out smoking and threatened to run the Rocks out of the gym in the first quarter. Led by eight points from Sue Johnson, the Pats roared ahead 12-4.

"We knew that the emotion level was going to be a factor in this game," said Salem coach Fred Thoman. "We knew they would be real fired up, and we kind of based our game around that. We felt if we could hang in there that they would come off that high and we could start playing our game."

The Rocks hung in there. When Mary Beth Weast came off the bench in the second quarter and canned two long jumpers, the momentum swayed drastically. Salem went on to shut out the Pats 15-0 in the second quarter.

McBride, who had missed her first four shots, sandwiched a hoop between Weast's two bombs to pull Salem close.

Reggie Rojas, who has been playing superb

both offensively and defensively for the Rocks, blocked a shot and made a layup with 4:50 left in the half, and the game was tied 12-12.

**THEN, AFTER THREE** straight misses, Dawn Johnson connected to give the Rocks the lead. They never trailed after that.

"We knew that we couldn't get into a half court game with them," said Patriot coach Tim Newman. "If we don't score, press and run, we aren't going to win."

**IN THE SECOND** quarter, Franklin was limited to just seven shots, attesting to the Rocks' stingy defense. Franklin went 14 and a half minutes without a field goal through the second and third quarters.

By the end of the quarter Salem was ahead 31-19. But you don't win 16 ballgames by giving up after three quarters, and the Pats fought their way back into the game.

Sue Johnson, who led the Pats with 15 points, scored two quick baskets to pull within eight.

**A BASKET** by Carolyn Smith, her only points of the night, pulled the Pats within eight again with 4:28 to play, but the Rocks, hitting seven of eight free throws, pulled away down the stretch.

McBride led all scorers with 17 points. For Franklin, the co-champions of the Northwest Suburban League, the season comes to an end. And, according to Newman, it was a good year.

"I'm just tickled to death the way these kids played," he said. "We were picked to finish third in the league. I'm just so proud of these kids."



JIM JAGOFFELO/staff photographer

Salem's Dawn Johnson fires up a jumper in the lane against a host of Franklin defenders.

## Ladywood storms into 'B' regional

It was a tougher-than-expected Class B state district final for Livonia Ladywood Tuesday night at Novi.

Perhaps because the Blazers made it tough on themselves.

Ladywood started the game with five straight turnovers — an inauspicious beginning for a team aiming for bigger and better things. But talent will tell, and it did against outmanned host team Novi as the

Blazers advanced to the state regionals with a 59-38 triumph.

Ladywood, now 18-3, will make a return trip Tuesday to the Chelsea regional.

## S'craft women: Big cage year?

By C.J. Risak  
staff writer

Certainly no one connected with Schoolcraft College sports wants to be reminded of this, but there's no better way to gauge how far a program has progressed than by looking back.

In 1982, the Ocelots' women's basketball team finished with a dismal 3-18 record. Following the season, Ed Kavanaugh was hired as coach.

After a short recruiting campaign, Kavanaugh put together a team that finished the year with just seven girls suiting up for games. But the final record was 16-6, including nine wins in 12 Eastern Conference games, good for third place.

Kavanaugh has his program organized and running smoothly and, despite just two returnees, the outlook for Schoolcraft women's basketball is bright.

"**WE'RE VERY** confident we'll do better than last year," said Kavanaugh, who has also had great success coaching Livonia Ladywood High School's team. "We have good depth, so we'll be doing a lot of subbing."

Which means the Lady Ocelots will be on the move.

"Oh yeah," Kavanaugh confirmed. "We'll be doing a lot of running. Our main goals are to run the ball and to pressure everywhere on defense."

Returning for Schoolcraft is Redford Union alumnus Cathi Hengy, a 5-foot-7 guard who led the Ocelots in scoring a year ago with a 19 points-per-game average.

Also back is Gina Johnson, a 5-6

guard from Redford St. Agatha who Kavanaugh said "improved 100 percent from her high school days. She's much more confident."

Newcomers who will contribute heavily are 6-0 center Sheri Evans, from Livonia Stevenson; 5-9 forward Karen Swereski, from Madison Heights Bishop Foley; 5-10 forward Missy Alken, from Plymouth Canton; and 5-11 forward Caryn Lamb, from Walled Lake Central.

Evans is "very strong. We're working her a lot at the post," Kavanaugh said. Swereski was All-Catholic and is rated as "one of the best pure shooters" on the team. Lamb, too, has "good range on her shot," while Aikens is "very aggressive, a good defensive player."

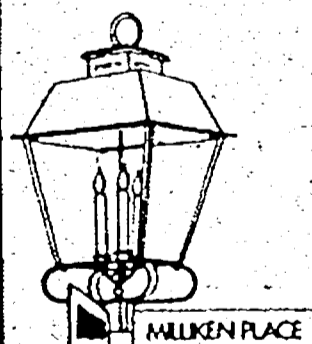
**JOINING HENGY** and Johnson in the backcourt are a pair of 5-5 Redford St. Mary grads: Sonya Smith, who Kavanaugh called "very quick," and Jane Hart, a "good shooter." Ann Lukens, a 5-8 guard who played for Kavanaugh at Ladywood last year, also adds depth.

"We got an outstanding group of freshmen," Kavanaugh said. "I think many of them were overlooked by bigger schools."

If there is a weakness, it's youth. "Nine of 12 are freshmen," Kavanaugh said. Just how well they stand up to pressure will be determined in the Roane State (Tenn.) Superstar Classic this weekend.

Oakland CC and Henry Ford, the top two teams in the Eastern Conference a year ago, are expected to challenge for the title again. But Kavanaugh already has his sights, and his team's, set for that championship.

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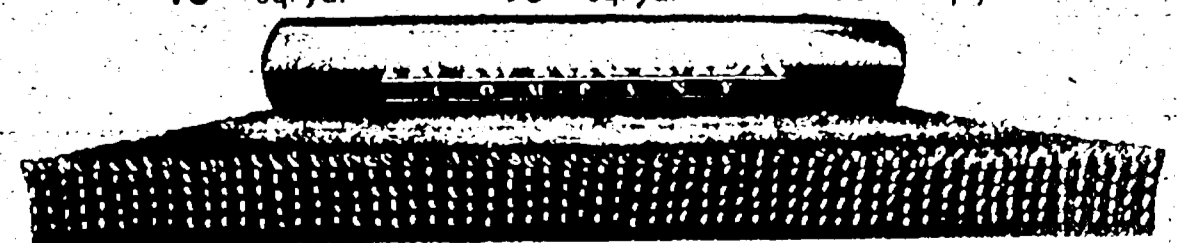
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## North rules swim field

By Chris McCosky  
staff writer

"And how do you feel North Farmington?"

"We feel so-o-o-o good!"

The dynasty continues.

For the fourth straight year, the Northwest Suburban League swim title belongs to the Raiders from North Farmington. They ran away from the five other NSL teams in Saturday's league meet which took place at Redford Thurston.

For North, which went 5-0 in the NSL dual meet season, the championship was its 11th since 1971.

"THIS IS GREAT because this may be my last year," said North coach Jordy Hatch, who will be getting married soon and may be leaving the state. "It's also special for my seniors. They have been champions for four straight years. That's nice."

Hatch's post-meet comments were cut short. He had an appointment under water and his swimmers made sure he kept it — they threw him into the pool.

North's 338 team points were far ahead of the rest of the pack. Westland John Glenn, led by the speedy Robina Gow, was second with 277. Garden City, despite several superb performances by Kim Dorsey, was a distant third with 157 points. Thurston, Livonia Franklin and Redford Union rounded out the field in that order.

The tone of the meet was set in the first event. North's 200-yard medley relay team of Kathy Pierog, Colleen Carey, Marge Cramer and Mary Manderfield, broke a pool and NSL record with their winning time of 1:58.7.

Seven pool records and four conference records were broken and another conference mark was equaled in the meet.

DORSEY SWAM in three events for Garden City. She set the pool and conference record winning the 100-free style with a 1:58.67, nosing out North freshman Jennifer Rowe by three-tenths of a second. She set a pool record winning the 100-butterfly in 1:03.488.

Then Dorsey swam the final leg of the 400-freestyle relay. When she dove into the pool, Garden City was trailing John Glenn by about two yards. When it was over, Dorsey finished two seconds before Glenn — giving the Cougars a winning time of 3:57.8.

Gow set a pool record and tied the conference mark with her winning time of 1:05.66 in the 100-backstroke. She also took second in the 200-individual medley.

But it was the Raiders' meet. They broke four pool records and three conference marks en route to the championship. Seven of 11 NSL records are held by North.

Carey, a junior, set a pool and conference record with a 2:16.20 in the 200-IM. She also won the 100-breaststroke, finishing one second ahead of teammate Marge Cramer, with a 1:11.47. That time is .18 seconds off the conference record.

Cramer set a pool and conference mark in the 100-free with a 55.41.

MANDERFIELD, A SENIOR, won the 50-free with a 26.158. She just nosed out teammate Helen Sue Howard.

Rowe established a pool record in the 500-free with a 5:15.76. She had swam a 5:14.73 in the preliminary round which was better than Dorsey's NSL record time of 5:15.36 set last year.

Thurston's Karen Krzywada dominated the diving competition, amassing 336.40 points, three shy of the league mark.

The prep hockey season is already under way.

That includes the four Livonia schools, members of the nine-team Suburban Prep Hockey League (SPHL).

Last year's champion was Bloomfield Hills Andover, but most of the league coaches are keeping their eyes on Southfield and Wyandotte Roosevelt for the 1983-84 season.

Here is a preseason look at the four Livonia teams.

### LIVONIA BENTLEY

The Bulldogs will have a slightly different look this season.

Fifth-year coach Gord Anderson is implementing a flippie game with assistant Jack Kaumeyer orchestrating the new look.

"I think we'll have a pretty nice little team," said Anderson, whose club captured the title two years ago. "We don't have the big gun-type guys. We're small in stature, but we skate well."

"We'll be a hard-checking, fast-skating team. I think we'll be a more balanced team than in the past."

Anderson returns eight players and calls them a "pretty good nucleus."

The veterans include All-Area center Paul Marderosian, who had 15 goals and 17 assists a year ago. He is joined up front by holdovers Dave Lentz, Mark Hennessy, Mark Scott and Bob Hachigian.

The defensive line is proven with the return of Scott McDonald, Jim Brady and Monty Horn.

"We had 37 kids come out, and I think that's a good omen," said Anderson, whose team is trying to improve upon last year's third place finish.

## hockey

### LIVONIA CHURCHILL

The Chargers "could be a sleeper" according to more than one SPHL coach.

But the key to the Chargers' success, says second-year mentor Rudy Varvari, is how many times they are able to put the puck in the net.

"We are going to have to score more goals. We're going to have to open up the offense. You are not going to see many 3-2, 2-1 games from us. It'll be more like 5-4, 6-5. If we can do that we'll be successful," Varvari said.

The reason for the added emphasis on offense is the loss of two goalies. Churchill's starting goaltender from last year is playing junior hockey and his back-up opted not to come out.

The Chargers remain stable along the defense with assistant captain Steve Larson back.

The offense will be led by talented forward Eddie Shepler, Matt Wiljanen and captain Kevin Gagnon.

Other contributors should include Tim Sheridan, Rusty Lynch, Nick Talovich, Eric Donahue, Dave Martzloff, Todd Baumann and Jay Doyle.

Varvari said his team should improve upon its three-victory season of last year.

### LIVONIA FRANKLIN

The season hasn't even started and Patriots aren't getting much re-

spect, "according" to second-year coach Terry Jobbitt.

"Over at Ford Rink on the board they predicted us to finish dead last," he said. "I feel we're a lot stronger than people believe."

"Other teams should beware if they believe what's on the board."

Jobbitt lost three All-Area performers — goalie Mike Vasilco, defenseman John Chmielewski and forward Scott Williams — off a team which won four games.

But No. 1 scorer Ed Zajdel, a senior right winger, returns from a 20-goal, 21-assist season.

Zajdel, an alternate captain, is joined by sophomore brother Paul and senior captain Jim Barnes in what should make for a formidable line.

Other veterans include defensemen Glenn Bleim and Kevin Sharkey along with wingers John Ronchetto and Tom Isom.

Jobbitt also has three promising newcomers — Marc and Darren Mills, and Tony Merlino.

"I feel we're solid on the blue line," Jobbitt said. "We're solid in the net I feel, but we don't have a Vasilco."

Freshman Jeff Vaden is the heir apparent in goal with senior Paul Ross starting out as his back-up.

### LIVONIA STEVENSON

The Spartans, second to Andover

last year with a 12-4 SPHL record, return six players.

"All the players back are solid," said seventh-year coach Jerry Kestner. "We have a lot of sophomores and freshmen and that's a new thing for us."

"If enough of the seniors make things happen, we could be there by the end of the season."

Kestner is high on last year's back-up goaltender, senior Phil Bryant.

"He's the guy we'll look to, and he should really have an excellent season," said the Stevenson coach. Bryant's back-up is junior Kent McKenzie.

Kestner, however, must fill the gaps left by All-Area picks E.J. Perault and Dave Cox.

Junior left winger Brian Cox, the team's third leading scorer, returns along with senior center Phil Lann and senior defensemen Pat Tavolacci, Al Buchanan and Mike Flevaris.

"It will be a learning process for awhile," Kestner said, "but we have the talent to be competitive. We have some good hockey players who haven't played high school hockey before."

Seniors expected to contribute include Jeff O'Meara, defense; John McPhee and John Nagle, centers; Mike Kobylarz and Ken Michniak, right wingers.

Sophomore candidates include Bill and Hugh Griffin, left wing; Joe Conway, center; Greg Burrell, right wing; and Greg Laho, defense. Freshman Sean Skinner, a left winger, rounds out the team.

## Catholic Central eyes elusive state crown

By Brad Emone  
staff writer

Don't the rent-a-car guys say: "When you're No. 2, you try harder?"

That may be the driving force this season for the Redford Catholic Central Shamrocks, last year's state Class A tournament runner-up to Fraser, when they take the ice Saturday in their opener against Birmingham Brother Rice.

"We've got some good boys," said CC's John Gumbleton, coach of the team some hockey experts pick to win it all. "They say we're No. 1, but I don't know about that. Potentially we might be better."

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The defense is solid with the return of All-Area pick Eric Socia, the team captain; Dan Whelan and Steve DeMattos.

DAVE MORSE last year's MVP and team scoring leader (14 goals, 13 assists), returns. The All-Area pick is joined up-front by veterans Dan Michaels, Mike Cannon, Scott Bozyk, Tim Landino, Jeff Steffes and Jim Peterson.

The forward line, however, got a jolt when All-Area pick Joe Hamway, who would have been a senior, bolted for Junior A hockey in Fraser.

All-Area goaltender John Bebes graduated, but Gumbleton is confident sophomore Mike Gilmore can do the job along with Junior Dave Gaskey.

Promising newcomers include left wingers Tony Esser, a sophomore, and Todd Hohl, a junior. Defensive help should come from Jim Kuznar, John King and freshman Dave Hale.

Chris Peter, another freshman, Dave Szczepanic and Andy O'Brien should shore up the middle ice situation.

ALTHOUGH CC is a strong contender for the state title, the Shamrocks hope to win their division in the Michigan Metro Hockey League.

Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook, last year's state Class B champion, finished ahead of CC.

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## Blazers cage Ravens

They played without the services of starters Sue Laliberte (injured thumb) and Trish White (flu), but Livonia Ladywood had little trouble with Detroit Benedictine Monday night in its state district girls' basketball semifinal match at Novi.

Led by Emily Wagner's 18 points and Char Govan's 16 points and 10 rebounds, the Blazers burned Benedictine 73-10.

The score was 42-8 at the half. Ladywood coach Ed Kavanaugh substituted freely the rest of the way. The Blazers held the Ravens to two second-half points.

NOVI 59, CLARENCEVILLE 23: Livonia Clarenceville (4-16) ended its season on an unhappy note as Novi's Sue Rasinske poured in 24 points Monday night in a state district semifinal

game.

FLAT ROCK 48, ST. AGATHA 44: Close but no cigar. The Aggies, despite 15 points from freshman Maryann Kik, ended their season with a loss Friday night at Detroit Lutheran West. The Aggies finish with a 4-16 mark.

Toni Richardson led the winners with 18, including a pair of key free throws with 1:30 to go.

WAYNE 48, GARDEN CITY 27: After upsetting Northwest Suburban League co-champs North Farmington, the Cougars (10-10) finished with two losses in a row to Wayne Memorial.

The most recent loss came Saturday night in the state district tournament at Dearborn. The Cougars couldn't stop the inside scoring from Wayne's Julie Cabrera who finished with 18 points.

## Gemma gridders win

The St. Gemma Shamrocks ended a perfect 9-0 football season with a come-from-behind 22-12 victory over St. Clement's of Centerline to earn the Detroit-area CYO championship.

The championship game, played as part of the Prep Bowl extravaganza at the Pontiac Silverdome, pitted the Eastern and Western Division champions for the first time since 1957. St. Gemma advanced to the championship game by defeating CYO powerhouses St. Michael's and St. Alfred's in the playoffs.

The Shamrocks, unscored upon in their first eight games this season, fell behind early when the formidable St. Clement's team marched 60 yards on its first possession to open the scoring.

St. Gemma's game back late in the quarter on quarterback Steve McKee's 12-yard scoring strike to tight end Jim Slowinski. Both teams missed the extra point, and the score was tied 6-6.

St. Clement's scored again in the second quarter to take a 12-6 halftime lead.

THE EAST-SIDE team threatened to blow the game wide open in the third quarter, but the Shamrocks, playing in-

spired defense, forced a fumble near the goal line, and Scott McKee recovered. It proved to be the turning point in the game.

The Shamrocks went ahead for the first time moments later when McKee connected on his second touchdown pass of the game, a 20-yarder to tailback Ken Grandon. Paul Dresslinski kicked the extra point, and St. Gemma's was ahead to stay, 13-12.

St. Gemma's added an insurance touchdown in the fourth quarter on Jason Estronza's one yard plunge.

ROUNDING OUT this year's championship squad were: Bob Laura, Bert Truax, Mark Guldner, Chuck Vockler, Jim Matti, Kevin Danner, Matt Rindfleisch, Ron Cosman, Ken Cosman, Matt Guldner, Tony Mastironni, Peter Caurso, Kurt Zachman, Shawn Sinicola, Chris Velti, Bryan Wilson and Ray Louitt.

Randy Taylor, Dan Burke, Jim Sasala, Mike Donnelly and Joe Chartier served as McKee's assistant coaches, while John Truax and Brian Laura served as team managers.

## soccer

### ALL-WESTERN LAKES SOCCER TEAM (Selected by coaches)

Goalie — Terry Harshfield, Livonia Stevenson; Backs — Chris Banyal and Dan Divens, Livonia Stevenson; Mike Duckworth, Livonia Churchill; Scott Gale, Northville; Midfield — Chris Wagel, and Chris Gembs, Livonia Stevenson; Steve Starcevic, Northville; Forwards — John Gemal, Livonia Stevenson; Mario Said, Farmington; Tom Wright, Plymouth Canton; Dennis Patchett, Livonia Bentley.

### ALL-LAKES DIVISION

Goalie — Jeff Winkson, Livonia Bentley; Backs — Bob Bowring and Steve Moran, Plymouth Salem; Randy Gahnger, Farmington; Pete Lones, Livonia Bentley; Midfield — Jeff Naschich, Plymouth Salem; Abe Valfat, Livonia Bentley; Alex Juncal, Farmington; Forwards — Eric Pence, Livonia Stevenson; Randy Johnson, Plymouth Salem; John Gregory and Chris Hackman, Farmington.

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Goalie — Jeff Melz, Northville; Backs — John Luce, Plymouth Canton; John Spaccarotella, Livonia Churchill; Bob Guldberg, Northville; Graham Crockett, Livonia Franklin; Midfield — Brad Neville, Plymouth Canton; Phil Lussier, Livonia Churchill; Doug May, Northville; Forwards — John Neff and Dave Guth, Livonia Churchill; Steve Morel, Plymouth Canton; Joe Mackie, Northville.

### HONORABLE MENTIONS

Plymouth Salem — Paul Weber and Mark Fowler; Livonia Bentley — Gene Puccio and Brian Schonfeld; Farmington — Andrew McEnderick and Mark Pingree; Livonia Stevenson — Steve Karis and Dave Barnes; Northville — Joe Arwady and Dave Yarnuth; Northville — Livonia Churchill — Sam Matovski and Scott Hiden; Plymouth Canton — Bryan Whiteley and Tim Mueller; Livonia Franklin — Bill Carrot and Gerry McWilliams.

### ALL-CATHOLIC Central Division First team

Forwards — Andy Rama, Redford Catholic Central; Joe Huck, Warren DeLaSalle; Ken Israel, Birmingham Brother Rice; Midfield — Greg Boukis and John Watkins, Harper Woods Notre Dame; Eric Liposky, Birmingham Brother Rice; Striker — Paul Slawsky, Redford Bishop Borgess; Defense — Alvaro Sanhueza, Harper Woods Notre Dame; Anthony Minelli, Harper Woods Bishop Gallagher; Jeff Cline, Birmingham Brother Rice; Goalie — Tom Jones, Warren DeLaSalle; Coach of the year — Thaler Mukhtar, Warren DeLaSalle.

## girls basketball

### ALL-NORTHWEST SUBURBAN GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM

First team — Amy Austin, sr. guard, North Farmington; Leanna Shaw, soph. guard, North Farmington; Carolyn Smith, jr. guard, Livonia Franklin; Michele McCullen, jr. forward, Westland John Glenn; Julie Marchand, soph. center, Redford Union; Tammy Naramore, sr. forward, Garden City.

Second team — Suzanne Howley, sr. center, North Farmington; Sue Johnson, sr. center, Livonia Franklin; Alicia Leckie, sr. forward, Livonia Franklin; Sophie Castonguay, sr. forward, Westland John Glenn; Julie Pucci, jr. guard, Westland John Glenn; Kellie Szabo, sr. guard, Redford Union.

### Honorable mention

North Farmington — Alisa Mummert; Livonia Franklin — Tracy Leckie and Jill Phillips; Westland John Glenn — Cheryl Dozier.

Garden City — Jennifer Waldron and Sue Tankersley; Redford Union — Kelley Kennedy and Marie Becker; Redford Thurston — Patty Geng, Julie Engle and Sara Arney.

### ALL-WESTERN LAKES GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM

All-Conference — Laurie Day, Livonia Bentley; Pam McBride and Dawn Johnson, Plymouth Salem; Patti Fitzgerald, Walled Lake Central; Val Hat, Walled Lake Western; All-Lakes Division — Lonnie Payne and Sheri Wolfe, Livonia Bentley; Sheri Strohs, Walled Lake Central; Rhonda Lancaster, Farmington; Lisa Bokovoy, Livonia Stevenson; All-Western Division — Amy Brown, Livonia Churchill; Tricia Ducker, Northville; Lou Ann Hamblin, Plymouth Canton; Betty Gross and Nancy Leach, Walled Lake Western.

## swimming

### WESTERN LAKES ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION GIRLS SWIM MEET at Plymouth Salem

Team results: 1. Livonia Stevenson, 247; 2. Plymouth Canton, 171; 3. Plymouth Salem, 165; 4. Livonia Bentley, 156; 5. Farmington Harrison, 134; 6. Northville, 110; 7. Livonia Churchill, 72; 8. Walled Lake Central, 50; 9. Farmington, 45; 10. Walled Lake Western, 30.

100-yard medley relay: 1. Stevenson (S. Bodek, K. Sullivan, M. Schoenle, C. Schmitt, 1:54.9; 2. Canton, 1:57.7; 3. Salem, 2:00.3; 4. Northville, 2:00.9; 5. Churchill, 2:01.9; 6. Bentley, 2:06.7.

200-yard freestyle: 1. Sherry Sudek (LS), 1:57.4; 2. Kristal Taylor (PS), 2:02.7; 3. Robin Lauts (LB), 2:04.9; 4. Melissa Joy (FH), 2:05.6; 5. Sherry Thompson (N), 2:05.6; 6. Margaret Gilligan (PC), 2:06.9.

200-yard individual medley: 1. Mary Schoenle (LS), 2:11.9; 2. Gayle Gorgas (LC), 2:16.3; 3. Ginnie Johnson (PC), 2:17.3; 4. Kathy Sullivan (LS), 2:20.2; 5. Chris Westhaus (LB), 2:20.9; 6. Laura Shaffer (PS), 2:22.6.

50-yard freestyle: 1. Shella Taormina (LS), 25.3; 2. Lynn Massey (PC), 26.0; 3. Diana Raddatz (FH), 26.2; 4. Ann Schaefer (LB), 26.3.

## swimming

### NORTHWEST SUBURBAN LEAGUE SWIM MEET at Redford Thurston

Team results: 1. North Farmington, 338; 2. John Glenn, 277; 3. Garden City, 157; 4. Thurston, 137; 5. Franklin, 144; 6. Redford Union, 43.

200-yard medley relay: 1. North Farmington (K. Pterog, C. Carey, M. Cramer, M. Manderfield, 1:57.3; 2. John Glenn, 2:04.5; 3. Franklin, 2:11.6; 4. Thurston, 2:13.9; 5. Redford Union, 2:29.3; 6. Garden City, disqualified.

200-yard freestyle: 1. Kim Dorsey (GC), 1:58.67; 2. Jennifer Rowe (NF), 1:58.9; 3. Jill Menelliey (NF), 2:07.4; 4. Shelly Pitaraki (JO), 2:10.20; 5. Chris Cabrera (JO), 2:11.42; 6. Suzette Greenberg (NF), 2:14.6.

200-yard individual medley: 1. Colleen Carey (NF), 2:18.20; 2. Robin Gow (JO), 2:24.9; 3. Katie Haroden (NF), 2:28.66; 4. Nancy Szeromski (GC), 2:29.46; 5. Elena Drake (JO), 2:31.0; 6. Thurston, disqualified.

50-yard freestyle: 1. Mary Manderfield (NF), 26.16; 2. Helen Sue Howard (NF), 26.31; 3. Debbie Ruehle (JO), 26.45; 4. Diane Hilliard (GC), 26.99; 5. Danielle Miller (RT), 27.27; 6. Lauren Sherman (JO), 27.40.

Dividing: 1. Karen Krywada (RT), 336.40; 2. Patti Kilneek (JO), 292.75; 3. Nicole Roy (LP), 251.75; 4. Alzaley Green (LP), 226.95; 5. Tracey Graves (RT), 193.55; 6. Lisa Dominato (LP), 181.40; 7. Jennifer Smith (NF), 167.80; 8. Beth Gasa (GC), 159.60; 9. Sharon Semon (GC), 109.03.

100-yard butterfly: 1. Kim Dorsey (GC), 1:03.49; 2. Katie Haroden (NF), 1:06.02; 3. Kathy Pterog (NF), 1:06.4; 4. Nancy Blasko (JO), 1:10.98; 5. Lauren Sherman (JO), 1:10.95; 6. Amy Montette (NF), 1:15.03.

100-yard freestyle: 1. Marge Cramer (NF), 55.41; 2. Shelly Pitaraki (JO), 58.4; 3. Chris Cabrera (JO), 1:00.31; 4. Diane Hilliard (GC), 1:00.6; 5. Debbie Ruehle (JO), 1:00.68; 6. Paige Edwards (RT), 1:02.03.

500-yard freestyle: 1. Jennifer Rowe (NF), 5:15.76; 2. Nancy Szeromski (GC), 5:39.1; 3. Jill Menelliey (NF), 5:39.2; 4. Elena Drake (JO), 5:43.85; 5. Julie Joyce (JO), 5:56.46; 6. Karen Helwig (RT), 6:00.4.

100-yard backstroke: 1. Robin Gow (JO), 1:05.66; 2. Helen Sue Howard (NF), 1:07.59; 3. Kathy Pterog (NF), 1:08.4; 4. Danielle Miller (RT), 1:10.7; 5. Cheryl Knechtges (RT), 1:13.84; 6. Amy Lotero (LP), 1:21.0.

100-yard breaststroke: 1. Colleen Carey (NF), 1:11.47; 2. Marge Cramer (NF), 1:12.3; 3. Carol Hillard (GC), 1:18.74; 4. Kasia Wilson (JO), 1:18.67; 5. Sue Murray (JO), 1:23.4; 6. John Glenn, disqualified.

400-yard freestyle relay: 1. Garden City (D. Hillard, N. Sacronski, J. Wilcox, K. Dorsey), 3:57.6; 2. John Glenn, 3:59.45; 3. North Farmington, 4:00.31; 4. Thurston, 4:20.46; 5. Franklin, 4:20.47; 6. Redford Union, 4:35.26.

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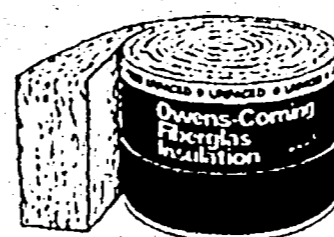
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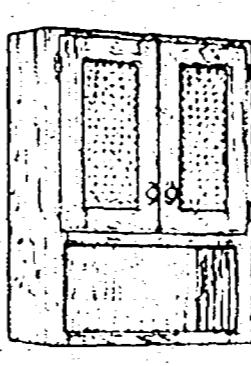
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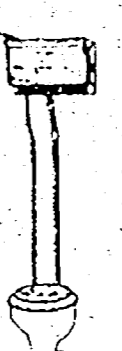
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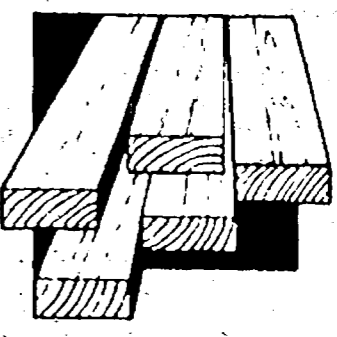


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MON., NOV. 28

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## KENNY ROGERS AS "THE GAMBLER"



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9-11PM NBC (8Cent./Mountain)  
**GIRLS OF THE WHITE ORCHID** Ann Julian in anything is pretty and usually good.

TUES., NOV. 29

9-11PM CBS (8Cent./Mountain)  
Kenny Rogers as **THE GAMBLER**  
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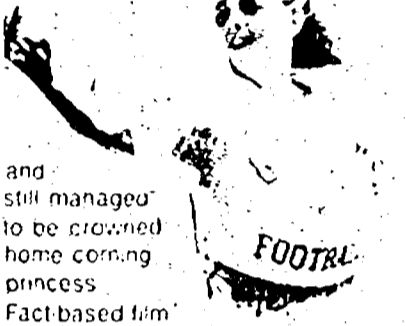
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9-11PM CBS (8Cent./Mountain)  
**AN UNCOMMON LOVE** A sensitive romantic story about a college professor's love affair with one of his marine biology students... who, after class, majors in a massage parlor. Barry Bostwick and Kathryn Harrold.



SAT., DEC. 3

9-11PM CBS (8Cent./Mountain)  
**DON MURRAY HELEN HUNT BARBARA BABCOCK DANA ELGAR JOHN STOCKWELL QUARTERBACK PRINCESS** The remarkable story of a Canadian teenager who threw a small Oregon town for a loss when she tried out for the high school football team, won a berth as quarterback, and then led the team to a winning season.



9-11PM NBC (8Cent./Mountain)  
**CHOICES OF THE HEART** Moving personal story of Jean Donovan, the young woman who gave up family and fiancé to become a deeply committed Catholic missionary in war-torn El Salvador, where on December 2, 1980, along with three other American church women, she was raped and murdered by local Government troops. A powerful drama filmed entirely on location in Mexico. Melissa Gilbert, Martin Sheen, Mike Farrell, Rene Enriquez and Pamela Bellwood.


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THUR., NOV. 24

12:30PM-7 ABC (11:30AM Cent./Mt.)  
**PRO FOOTBALL** The once mighty Pittsburgh attempt to recapture past glories beneath the Michigan Silverdome as the Detroit Lions host their traditional Turkey Day encounter.

1:30PM-7 CBS (12:30Cent./Mount.)  
**NCAA FOOTBALL** Alabama's Crimson rolls up to Massachusetts for a battle with Boston College.

2:30PM-7 ABC (1:30Cent./Mount.)

## ARMY-NAVY

**NCAA FOOTBALL** The traditional year-end inter-service rivalry between the Cadets of West Point and the Midshipmen of Annapolis moves from the familiar confines of Philadelphia for the first time since 1945 as the Rose Bowl in Pasadena plays host to the Army-Navy game.

4PM-7 CBS (3Cent./Mountain)  
**PRO FOOTBALL** St. Louis Cardinals at Dallas Cowboys

9-11PM NBC (8Cent./Mountain)

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SAT., NOV. 26

NOON-7 ABC (11AM Cent./Mount.)  
**NCAA FOOTBALL** Intrastate rivalry as the Texas Longhorns travel across the Lone Star to Texas A&M Aggies.

1PM-7 CBS (NoonCent./Mount.)  
**NCAA BASKETBALL** Kansas Jayhawks at Houston Cougars

2:30-4PM NBC (1:30Cent./Mt.)  
**SPORTSWORLD** An analysis of last night's Holmes-Frazier title fight in Las Vegas.

3:30PM-7 CBS (2:30Cent./Mount.)  
**NCAA FOOTBALL** Top ranked Nebraska Cornhuskers battles Big Eight rival Oklahoma Sooners.

4-6PM NBC (3Cent./Mountain)  
**GOLF** The Skins Game.

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SUN., NOV. 27

12:30PM-7 NBC (11:30AM Cent./Mt.)  
**NFL** Regional telecasts starting at



1PM NYT: New England at New York  
Houston at Tampa Bay  
Baltimore at Cleveland

4PM NYT: Buffalo at Anaheim  
Kansas City at Seattle  
Denver at San Diego

12:30PM-7 CBS (11:30AM Cent./Mt.)  
**NFL** Regional telecasts starting at...

1PM NYT: Minnesota at New Orleans  
Philadelphia at Washington  
San Francisco at Chicago

4PM NYT: New Jersey at Los Angeles  
Green Bay at Atlanta

4-6PM NBC (3Cent./Mountain)  
**GOLF** The Skins Game: Final round

MON., NOV. 28

9PM-7 ABC (8Cent./Mountain)  
**PRO FOOTBALL** Cincinnati Bengals at Miami Dolphins, matching the last two Super Bowl losers.

THUR., DEC. 1

9PM-7 ABC (8Cent./Mountain)  
**PRO FOOTBALL** Los Angeles Raiders at San Diego Chargers

SAT., DEC. 3

12:30PM-7 CBS (11:30AM Cent./Mt.)  
**NCAA FOOTBALL** Intrastate rivals Florida State versus Florida in Gainesville.

2PM-7 NBC (1Cent./Mountain)  
**NCAA BASKETBALL** UCLA Bruins at Notre Dame Fighting Irish

3:30PM-7 ABC (2:30Cent./Mt.)  
**NCAA FOOTBALL** Alabama versus Auburn from Legion Field in Birmingham, Alabama.

4PM-7 NBC (3Cent./Mountain)  
**NCAA BASKETBALL** Indiana at Kentucky.

4:50PM NBC (3Cent./Mountain)  
**SPORTSWORLD** World finals of drag racing from Englishtown, New Jersey. International Pro Ski Championship from Heavenly Valley, California.

5:30-6PM NBC (4:30Cent./Mt.)  
**NCAA BASKETBALL PREVIEW** Al McGuire previews and predicts about the upcoming college basketball season.

SUN., NOV. 4

12:30PM-7 NBC (11:30AM Cent./Mt.)  
**NFL** Regional telecasts starting at

1PM NYT: Buffalo at Kansas City  
Miami at Houston  
Cincinnati at Pittsburgh

4PM NYT: New York at Baltimore  
Cleveland at Denver

12:30PM-7 CBS (11:30AM Cent./Mt.)  
**NFL** Regional telecasts starting at...

1PM NYT: St. Louis at New Jersey  
Atlanta at Philadelphia  
Chicago at Green Bay

4PM NYT: Tampa Bay at S.F.  
Dallas at Seattle

MON., DEC. 5

9PM-7 ABC (8Cent./Mountain)  
**PRO FOOTBALL** Minnesota Vikings travel to the Silverdome in Pontiac for a "Black and Blue" divisional showdown with the Detroit Lions.

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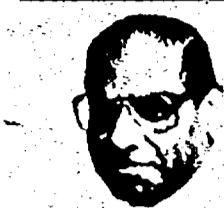
## Include these to ease the pain of '83 tax bill

In this article, we will provide additional tax tips that may help you soften the tax collector's bite.

**MEDICAL EXPENSES.** A change in the law makes it harder to claim deductions for unreimbursed medical costs, but careful timing of spending may help. For 1983 and later, you can include in itemized deductions only that portion of medical bills in excess of 5 percent of your adjusted gross income. To help yourself, try to combine medical outlays into one year. Items that often can be speeded up or delayed include dental work, elective surgery and new eye glasses or hearing aids. It will be

easier in 1984 to include medicine in your overall medical deductions. Unlike 1983, drug deductions won't be limited to expenses in excess of 1 percent of adjusted gross income.

**GIVING TO CHARITY.** One way to jockey deductions is to combine two years' donations into one. For example, make all or part of 1984's gifts later this December. Remember, a pledge is deductible only when paid. You can get a big break by donating stock that has risen in value. If you held the shares for more than a year, you deduct the full value and also avoid capital-gains on the profit. The yearly deduction in such cases,



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**Sid Mittra**

though, is generally limited to 30 percent of your adjusted gross income.

**INTEREST.** You generally cannot prepay interest to speed deductions, but homeowners may benefit by making next January's mortgage payment late this December. Most early-January payments in-

clude interest for December, and that amount can be deducted for 1983 if paid this year.

**BUSINESS EXPENSES.** As Christmas nears, remember that business gifts are deductible to the giver for up to \$25 per recipient. Buying a home computer for business use can yield investment cred-

its and depreciation write-offs. If you use one for managing your investments, you may be able to write off all or part of the costs over five years.

There still may be time to travel partly at the IRS's expense. New this year: An individual can deduct up to \$2,000 for attending a convention on a U.S. ship calling only on ports in the U.S. or its possessions.

**KEY DATES FOR TAX PLANNING.** Dec. 30, 1983: Last day to sell stocks for a capital gain or loss for 1983.

Dec. 31, 1983: Last day for self-

employed persons to set up KEOGH retirement plans qualifying them for 1983 deductions.

Jan. 1, 1984: Social Security benefits become taxable for the first time.

**SEMINAR:** The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers and I will conduct our next financial planning seminar Wednesday, Dec. 7, 1983, from 8-9:30 p.m. at the Michigan State University Management Education Center, Troy. Topics will include year-end tax planning, tax shelters, retirement and comprehensive planning. The seminar is free, but registration is required. For more details, call 643-8888.

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**Gillow**  
Al Thompson of Redford has been named vice president of Franchise Operations with Little Caesar Enterprises Inc. Thompson began working for the chain as an hourly employee in 1971 and most recently was area director for Indianapolis.

**Thompson**  
Robert L. Jones of Plymouth has been elected a charter member of the Wayne State University College of Engineering Hall of Fame. Jones is group vice president of the Michigan-Wisconsin Pipeline Co.

**Jones**  
Bob Gillow, owner of Action Olds in Livonia, has been elected ad chairman of the Greater Detroit Oldsmobile

Dealers. Gillow, who has been an Oldsmobile dealer for eight years, began his business career in the computer industry.

Paul M. Garner, a 1977 graduate of Livonia Stevenson High School, has joined the Westinghouse Corp. in the technical marketing area.

Please submit black-and-white photographs, if possible, for inclusion in the business people column. While we value the receipt of photographs, we are unable to use every photograph submitted. If you want your photograph returned, please enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope. Indicate in a margin on the front of the photograph that you want it returned. We will do our best to comply with your request. Send information to business editor, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150.

## business briefs

### NEW PIZZA HUT

Redford Township's third Pizza Hut restaurant has opened at 14349 Telegraph Road. The grand opening will be 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 10. Registration for the grand opening sweepstakes also will take place. Prizes include a 19-inch color TV, camera and hourly drawings for other prizes.

### TOP SELLER

Carol Casaden of Tennyson Chevrolet in Livonia was honored by the Chevrolet Motor Division of General Motors for her sales presentation Nov. 2. Casaden won the Detroit Zone competition and will compete in the national finals. She has worked at Tennyson seven years.

### HOME IMPROVEMENT LOANS

Low-interest home improvement loans financed by the Michigan State Housing Authority are available to homeowners through Comerica Bank-Detroit. These loans carry an interest rate of 3-10 percent, depending on the borrower's adjusted annual income. Loans will be given to improve houses more than 20 years old. Applications are accepted at Comerica bank offices in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties.

### CERTIFICATION EXAMS

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tified Manufacturing Technologist will be given Saturday, Dec. 3. For further information concerning application procedures, fees and study assistance, call William McLean at the Society of Manufacturing Engineers' Manufacturing Engineering Certification Institute at 271-1500 Ext. 408 or 409.

### SOFTWARE DEALER

J. Malcolm Flora Inc. of Plymouth has been named a sales representative for Great Plains Software's Hardisk Accounting Series, a software program for small-business accounting and financial management.

### SECURITIES LICENSING

The Real Estate Securities Licensing course, to help prepare for the National Association of Securities Dealers Inc. limited representative examination, will be offered Sunday-Thursday, Dec. 4-8, in Livonia by Schoolcraft College Community Services and the Michigan and National Associations of Realtors. Tuition is \$245 for members of the National Association of Realtors, \$295 for non-members. For further information, call 591-8400.

### EXHIBITOR

Plastipak Packaging of Plymouth will be one of 300 companies from 36 states to participate in the International Beverage Industry Exposition and Conference Dec. 5-7 in Houston, Texas.



today's investor

**Thomas E. O'Hara**

of the National Association of Investment Clubs

## Preferred is OK

I am a lady of 66, whose combined company pension and Social Security amount to \$390 a month.

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I probably should be asking Detroit Edison this, but I understand your column better.

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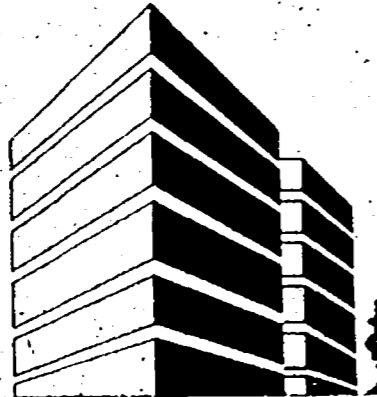
Edison pays the dividend on preferred issues at quarterly intervals. You will have to buy the stock from a broker.

Thomas E. O'Hara of Bloomfield Hills is chairman of the board of trustees of the National Association of Investment Clubs and editor of Better Investing magazine.

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Kim Minasian and Mark Vondrak will sing with the Oakway Symphony Orchestra at 7 p.m. Friday at the Livonia Mall.

## upcoming things to do

- 'OLIVER' EXCERPTS**  
 The Oakway Symphony Orchestra will give a free concert from 7-8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 25, at the Livonia Mall. Featured will be excerpts from "Oliver" with Kim Minasian and Mark Vondrak, plus the Northern Ballet of Livonia. The program also includes a singalong to the "Sound of Music" and other selections.
- GALA PARTY**  
 Mitch Housey's will present a Gala Party for Easter Seals from 6 p.m. to 2 a.m. Monday, Nov. 28, at the restaurant and night spot at 28500 Schoolcraft, Livonia. Featured will be celebrity look-alikes including John Williams as Tom Selleck. Also in the show will be music by the host band Dennis Rome & Co. Maverick, Laredo, and Larry Frank. There will be a fashion show, male and female dancers, and entertainer George Young. The \$2 cover charge will be donated to Easter Seals.
- INK SPOTS**  
 The performance by the Ink Spots at Somerset Mall, originally scheduled for Sunday and then postponed to a later date, has been rescheduled for the original date. For the fifth straight year, the Ink Spots will sing at the Holiday Kick-off, in two free shows at noon and 3 p.m. despite construction work going on at the mall. Peg DuBois, Somerset Mall's managing director, said the program was moved back to Sunday after many complaints from the public and merchants about the change.
- OPEN HOUSE**  
 The Westland Chapter of SPEBSQ-SA Inc., will hold a get-acquainted Open House at 8 p.m. Tuesday at the Plymouth Elks Lodge No. 1780, BPOE, 41700 Ann Arbor Road (west of Haggerty Road), Plymouth. Quartets will perform and guests will be invited to join in group singing. A film presentation will explain the many facets of the society. For more information call Larry King in Farmington Hills at 477-7499.
- DIRECTS REVIVAL**  
 Charles Nolte, who adapted "A Christmas Carol" for Meadow Brook Theatre last December, also will stage this year's revival of the famous Dickens classic, which opens a four-week run at 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 1, on the Oakland University campus near Rochester. Performances will run through Sunday, Dec. 25.
- 'GOD'S FAVORITE'**  
 The Neil Simon comedy "God's Favorite" will open Friday, Dec. 2, for a run of 14 performances at Will-O-Way Repertory Theatre, 775 W. Long Lake Road, between Telegraph and Lahser roads, Bloomfield Township. The run will end with a gala New Year's Eve fund raiser and party. Curtain time is 8:30 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays and 4:30 p.m. Sundays. Holiday performances will be at 8:30 p.m. Dec. 21 and 28-30. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$3.50 for senior citizens and children under 12. For reservations call 644-4418.
- BUGS BEDDOW**  
 Detroit jazz group Bugs Beddow will be featured in concert at 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 3, in the new Wallace Smith Performing Arts Theatre on the Orchard Ridge Campus of Oakland Community College in Farmington Hills. Music will range from contemporary jazz and pop-jazz to rock 'n' roll. Admission is \$8 at the door. Advance tickets and tickets for students and senior citizens are \$5. For more information, call the box office at 471-7700.
- MIME ARTIST**  
 Detroit mime Scott McCue will present the "ABZ Show" at 11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 3, at Andover High School Auditorium, 4200 Andover, Bloomfield Hills, and 2 p.m. that day at the Southfield Civic Center Auditorium, 28000 Evergreen, Southfield. This is the second show in the 1983 season of "Lively Art for Little Ones," a professional performance series for children aged 3-10. Tickets at \$3.50 per person may be purchased at the door. For further information, call the Bloomfield Hills Schools Department of Parks and Recreation at 334-3578 or the Southfield Cultural Arts Division at 354-4717.
- TRIBUTE DINNER**  
 FocusLife will celebrate its 10th anniversary with a tribute dinner honoring Walker Cleser at 6 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 7, at the Gourmet House, 25225 E. Jefferson, St. Clair Shores. The evening, hosted by WXYZ-TV anchorman Bill Bonds, also will feature "As Time Goes By," a nostalgic musical revue of the 1940s produced by Bloomfield Hills resident Karen DiChiera of the Overture to Opera Company. Tickets are \$75 per person.

## Play's premiere continues

The world-premiere production of "Whitetail" by William Sonnega, who is originally from Plymouth, continues through Dec. 31 at the Fourth Street Playhouse, 301 W. Fourth, Royal Oak. Performances are at 8:30 p.m. Thursdays and Fridays; 6 and 9 p.m. Saturdays; and 7:30 p.m. Sundays. For ticket information call the box office at 543-3888.

"Whitetail" is set in the Michigan north woods during deer-hunting season. It depicts small-town family life in a story about growing family tension arising from the accidental hunting death of the father five years earlier.

Playwright Sonnega was born in Ann Arbor and raised in Plymouth. He has studied theater at the University of Michigan and Colorado College (BFA) and received his MFA in Dramatic Writing from New York University. He also is the author of "Fashion, the Fisherman" (Playwrights Forum Award) and "Carp Lake" (first place, Tisch School of the Arts Festival) and a staged reading at Attle Theatre's New Playwrights Forum).

Currently, Sonnega lives in New York City where he is working on a new play, "Farming."

## Troupe offers comedy improv

Improvisation comedy with the Detroit Times Theatre Co. is offered at 8:30 p.m. Mondays through Dec. 26 at the Fourth Street Playhouse, 301 W. Fourth, Royal Oak. A benefit performance is scheduled during December. The 16-member troupe directed by

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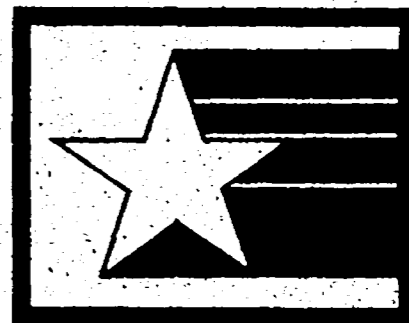
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## Musical 'Chicago' moves at fast clip

Performances of the Theatre Guild of Livonia-Redford production of the musical "Chicago" continue at 8 p.m. Friday-Sunday and Dec. 1-4 at the Theatre Guild Playhouse, 15138 Beech Daly, just south of Five Mile, Redford. For ticket information, call 522-8057.

By Bob Weibel  
Special writer

You've had a tough week, you say? And you need a little diversionary entertainment? Well, have I got something for you.

"Chicago" is your kind of show. Your eyes will be riveted to the stage for two fast-paced hours as the cast, crew and musicians of the Theatre Guild of Livonia-Redford take you back to the raunchy, hip-swinging, gun-slinging, honky-tonk days of the Roaring Twenties.

The story? Well, it's not much. I mean, there are no great truths to be learned. Which is OK because "Chicago" is a jazzy, no-holds-barred satire of grotesque corruption in the bootleg era. There is a bit of Brecht in the air (as in "Cabaret"). In this high-camp soap opera of women gone wrong.

Our heroine, Roxie Hart, is a sassy chorus girl who fills a faithless lover full of holes, then enlists the help of her not-too-bright husband to take the rap. When that doesn't work she retains a slick-talking, shyster lawyer to take her case. She avoids punishment and goes on to fame and fortune. End of tale.

THE STORY IS carried forward in the style of a vaudeville revue complete with a master of ceremonies. Tony Mattar plays the emcee with the presence and panache of one who has

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Just stepped from center ring at a circus. But it is the dancers, singers and staging that make "Chicago" work. And do they work as director/choreographer Jim Posante expertly guides his energetic cast in a cascade of sexy moves, rhythmic images and unlady-like poses.

Heading the cast are Collene Hackney as Roxie Hart and Adrienne Rollet as Velma Kelly who strut their stuff with wanton abandon and belt out the songs with gusto. Hackney is a diminutive but dynamite performer. And Rollet performs flawlessly as the lead dancer and looks stunning in a variety of elegant, colorful costumes. In fact,

costumes for the complete show are exceptionally well done in the 20s fashion.

These two floozies and a chorus of killer cuties (Maxine Parshali, Darlene Heard, Carol Ziemba, Lisa Akey and Lara Fisher) really get the show moving with a Cell Block Tango that details how they bumped off their men.

Akey shows the poise and polish of a veteran performer, although she's a junior at Churchill High School. Before leaving the jail, let it be known that Shirley Hulet as Mama Morton can play Sophia Tucker any time she wants.

The male chorus (Dean Napolitano,

Robert Douglas, David Leiboldt and Tim Christensen) are also very good. Special praise goes to Dean who doubles as Fred Casely, a dastardly, two-timing creep who got what he deserved from Roxie.

DEAN MARTELL AS Billy Flynn, the defense attorney who specializes in getting guilty women in silky dresses off scot-free, makes a grand entrance and continues to make the right moves in a very smooth professional performance.

And then there is Charles Sutherland as Amos Hart. To see his name in a program is to know you're in for a treat. His reading of the forlorn husband, especially his one song, "Cellophane," is a gem.

"Chicago" is not noted for commercially popular numbers, but musically it works in terms of the show. The on-

stage band with music director Pierson at the keyboards has a speakeasy quality that provides a nice atmosphere without overwhelming the performers.

Contributing to the atmosphere and mood of the time is an unusual set design consisting of sepi-like photo murals of Chicago in the '20s. Congratulations to designer Robert Oris for the idea and execution.

There is one other performer — Dee Wrubel as Mary Sunshine. Her effervescent sob-sister character and comic-opera voice are delightful, but let me warn you, things are not always what they appear to be.

Which, on final analysis, is the one truth you may indeed learn from this show. For example, how did two hours pass so quickly when everyone was having so much fun?

## Young violinist proves captivating soloist

By Mary Jane Doerr  
Special writer

Local symphonies are providing audiences with opportunities to hear the new and exciting young talent emerging on the national scene.

A few weeks ago Canadian cellist Ofra Haras performed with the Oakway Symphony. Sunday afternoon violinist George Marsh, an exciting and captivating young artist, soloed with the Plymouth Symphony playing Brahms Violin Concerto in D Major.

Marsh graduated from the University of Michigan as a student of Paul Mekanowitzky and is a former member of the Plymouth Symphony. He has studied with the Guarneri String Quartet.

With that background he won a spot in the violin section of the National Symphony Orchestra, which is under the direction of famous cellist Mstislav Rostropovich.

BRAHMS' "Violin Concerto in D Major" is considered by some to be one of the two greatest violin concertos ever written (the other

is the Beethoven). At Sunday's concert, Marsh gave it a splendid performance with an intensity that brought interest and excitement to the work.

Marsh is at his best during the fast-moving and rhythmical first and third movements. The conclusion of the first movement was one of the most beautiful and touching moments of the concert. In the second movement, he had a tendency to lose the intensity of the music during the long phrases that typify Brahms.

So many performers are good technically but are unable to inspire an audience in performance. It was a pleasure to hear an artist who not only could play well but could also give an exciting stage performance.

This is the Plymouth Symphony's 38th season. On Sunday the Plymouth Symphony Society honored 19 of the symphony's 69 instrumentalists who have been members of the symphony for 20 years or more. Two of those 19 people have been with the orchestra since it was founded 37 years ago. That makes Plymouth one of the oldest community symphonies in the world.

Under the baton of Johan van der Merwe, the first half of the program was as interesting as the second half. Robert Williams,

### review

principal bassoonist of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, joined the orchestra in the contrabassoon part of Prokofiev's Suite No. 2 from the Ballet "Romeo and Juliet."

USUALLY ballet music is dull without the visuals of the dancing, but this suite is captivating, with solos from many of the principals of the orchestra. Solos of flutist Glennis Stout, oboist Kristy Meretta and concertmaster Kevin McMahon were particularly interesting.

Allen Warner's piccolo solo brought the work to an unusual close.

The concert opened with Mozart's Overture to the "Marriage of Figaro" which the orchestra played with spirit.

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"Capricorn One" (1978), 2:30 to night on Ch. 4. Originally 124 minutes. TV time slot: last program on Ch. 4 schedule.

How many movies have we seen lately that start with one good idea and then don't know where to go from there? "The Osterman Weekend," "National Lampoon's Vacation," "9 to 5" — previewed in this space recently — and a host of others come to mind. Now add "Capricorn One," which abuses the premise that the U.S. faked the first lunar landing, to the list. A fine cast, including Elliott Gould, Telly Savalas, James Brolin, Hal Holbrook and O.J. Simpson, enhance the promise of the first hour or so of the film, but you're better off tuning out after that and imagining your own conclusion.

Rating: \$2.

"Mister Roberts" (1955), 9 a.m. Sunday on Ch. 4. Originally 123 minutes. TV time slot: 150 minutes.

Director John Ford and star Henry Fonda, who had played "Mister Roberts" on Broadway for seven years, physically fought over changes that Ford introduced to the play during filming. Ford, so distraught over Fonda's "interference" and the breakup of what had been a wonderful friendship, proceeded to drink himself sick. He

### WHAT'S IT WORTH?

A ratings guide to the movies

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suffered a gall bladder attack and Mervyn LeRoy was brought in to finish the picture. Yet "Mister Roberts" holds up as a sensitive, poignant story of war and personal conflict. James Cagney, William Powell, newcomer Jack Lemmon (as Ensign Pulver) and Fonda accomplish the unusual blending of comedy and drama in such a way that we can laugh at characters and still be concerned about them. Perhaps more films should be born out of such antagonisms.

Rating: \$3.30.

"National Velvet" (1945), 2:30 and 6:45 p.m. Sunday, and "The Black Stallion" (1979), 4:40 and 9 p.m. Sunday at the Punch & Judy Theatre, 21 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms, \$1 for adults, \$1.50 for children under 12 and senior citizens. Running times 123 and 118 minutes.

A lithe Elizabeth Taylor stars as a

budding equestrienne in the first of these two family films. "National Velvet" also features Mickey Rooney overacting as a fear-struck jockey, and an excellent supporting cast headed by Donald Crisp, Anne Revere and Angela Lansbury.

Mickey's back 34 years and many more pounds later opposite Kelly Reno in "The Black Stallion," a film that's lovely to look at but very slowly paced.

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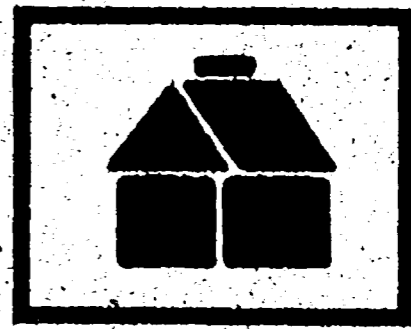
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Working from the basement of his Canton home, Jerry Van Dusen makes a variety of objects out of pewter, including candlesticks and inkwells. A mallet with leather at one end is one of the tools he uses.

## The pewtersmith: A colonial man is he

By Mary Klemic  
staff writer

The young craftsman is hard at work, using a wooden mallet to pound molten pewter into the shape of a plate. An old wooden bench holds an assortment of other tools nearby.

It's a scene from colonial America. But it also takes place often in the Canton home of Jerry Van Dusen.

Van Dusen teaches business communication at Wayne State University and science and technical writing at Wayne County Community College. And he is one of the few pewtersmiths in the Midwest, he said.

VAN DUSEN creates pewter works to fill custom orders and on consignment in art shops. Working in a small part of his basement, he tries to design and make the pewter according to colonial techniques.

"I encourage people to use it, as it would have been used in the 18th and 19th centuries," he said. "I'm trying to make it without electricity — I've gotten rid of my lathe, pulled the plug."

Van Dusen, who appears at the Plymouth Fall Festival, makes some 15 different pewter objects, including napkin rings, inkwells, candlesticks, candle snuffers, coasters, plates, mugs and porringers. A porringer is a shallow cup with a handle.

"People used to use porringers to spoon soup or gruel from the cooking

pot, and they would eat right from the porringer," Van Dusen explained. "But since people don't do that anymore, the porringers can be used as mint or candy dishes, or as ashtrays if there are glass liners in them."

Some works can be used today the same way they were used hundreds of years ago, Van Dusen said.

"I made my aunt an inkwell, and she wrote me a thank you note entirely with the quill and ink," he said.

MANY THINK of colonial times when they see pewter objects, but the material dates back to ancient China, Van Dusen said.

Pewter is an alloy of three metals: tin, copper and antimony. As tin isn't mined in the United States, pewter has become expensive, according to Van Dusen. His handmade pewter objects range in price from \$7 to \$100.

"We import from South America, England and Malaysia," he said. "The cost is expensive. It depends on speculation and on import rates."

Van Dusen purchases 50-pound bars of pewter and melts them into small

ingots to work with, using a hotplate heated to 550 degrees.

"It has an advantage over brass or copper, as it can be melted at relatively low heat," he said.

Using a plumber's ladle, Van Dusen pours the pewter into molds made of hard wood, brass, aluminum or silicone rubber. After the pewter has set, Van Dusen smooths it by filing or with a buffing wheel. He pounds the pewter with a wooden mallet that is covered with leather on one end. Van Dusen may spray the work with graphite to give it an antique look.

"It's time consuming," Van Dusen said. "I can make a plate in a couple hours. An inkwell takes the better part of a day. Some works take half a week."

AN ADVANTAGE of pewter is that it's "something serviceable," Van Dusen said. He said that pewter without lead can be used as eating utensils.

"It's decorative but has a functional use," he said. "It's intended to be used. It's practical and attractive."

"In colonial days, if you damaged a plate, for example, the resident pewtersmith would melt the plate down and pour it into a mold and make a new one."

Pewter doesn't require special care, according to Van Dusen. He prefers what he calls the "natural antiquing" of pewter works. To brighten pewter, he recommends brushing concentric circles onto it with four-zero steel wool that had been rubbed into a bar of Ivory soap.

Van Dusen became interested in pewter when he saw it at an art show five years ago. He was one of three persons who apprenticed under Swedish pewtersmith John Groot. Van Dusen watched pewter demonstrations at Greenfield Village and further researched and practiced the craft.

"There are few in the Midwest doing it," he said. "No one is teaching it."

Van Dusen teaches the craft and also does repair work. He has more complicated pewter projects in mind:

"My next goal is a service delectable or a coffee or tea service," he said.



Van Dusen, who makes pewter following colonial techniques, fashions a plate out of pewter using a mallet and a hard wood mold.

## How to put a price tag on your works of art

This is another in a series of lessons on art and drawing by special columnist David Messing. He has taught for eight years and operates an art store, Art Store and More, 18774 Middlebelt, Livonia. Messing encourages questions and comments from readers. You may write him at his store or c/o Observer Newspapers, 23352 Farmington Road, Farmington MI 48024.

By David Messing  
special writer

When holidays, birthdays or special occasions approach, many artists are asked to draw pictures.

Being asked to draw or paint a picture is truly a compliment, but to many a commission brings anxiety-filled moments. The word anxiety is being fearful of the outcome.

For many artists the request for their abilities comes unexpected and usually they are unprepared mentally to handle the request. If we could hear the inner thoughts of many artists when asked to draw a picture, it might go something like this:

INTERESTED PERSON: Hi, I've seen some of your drawings and I was wondering if you would consider doing a pet portrait of my snazzer-poo?

FLUSTERED ARTIST (thinking): Oh, no! I mean, sure! Wait a minute, do I charge? Sure, I charge. What does he think I am? ... How much? \$10. ... No, \$15. ... No, \$10. ... I wonder if I'm blushing. ... Help!

WITH A LITTLE mental preparation you will be able to handle the situation with no anxiety and in a friendly, professional way.

First of all there are those who feel that asking you to draw their whatever is a compliment and they have no intention of payment. Imagine this type of person approaching you and saying, "I've noticed how well you wash your car and I thought I would let you wash my new one for free."

Well, you wouldn't consider that request too long, so why be upset by such a person's request of your talents?

Remember, a laborer gets paid for what he will do and an artist gets paid for what he can do. You wouldn't wash his car for free simply because you can wash cars well and certainly you wouldn't do art work for free simply because you are asked.

Art requires time — a commodity that slips through our fingers like sand. Your time is precious to you, and if your time is coupled with your talent and both are directed towards the request of another person, then payment is certainly expected.

## Artifacts

But what if it is for Aunt Peggy or sister Sue? How can you charge them?

Of course only you know who you can charge and from whom you would not consider payment. But relatives can't all be "freebies" or you might be painting the rest of their lives and most of yours.

THERE IS A WAY to handle the request for your talents with strangers, friends and even some relatives.

Setting a minimum fee is what I recommend. What your minimum fee is, however, is up to you.

I recommend \$15 to \$25 to begin with. Believe me, there is nothing worse than begrudging the person you are drawing for. The flattery of being commissioned fades fast as the hours pass, everyone is in bed, and your eye bags are beginning to swell.

After several twilight hours that nice guy who commissioned you becomes a ripoff artist and you become the artist he ripped off. But who's fault is it?

Let's say you went into a store to buy a steam iron and when you asked the owner if the price was really \$25 he said, "Yes, but if you think that is too much, pay me \$15." Now what would you do? Insist on paying the other \$10?

Of course not. You would take his best offer. And your best offer is what your customers will take. Here is where a minimum fee becomes a good opener for negotiations.

Let's say you quote a minimum fee of \$25. To this quote there are usually three answers. The first is "OK, I'll think about it and get back with you." Better not count on it. They might be the type that would let you wash their new car for free.

The second response is, "\$25, well that's about what I figured." This person had given some thought to the commission and is probably prepared to go another \$15 or so.

The third response is, "Oh, of course I intended to pay much more than \$25." This response is not as odd as it sounds and is more frequent. This tells you that this person wants a work of art and not just a sketch.

So after that response you need only say, "Of course that quote is only a pencil sketch, but if you want full color it will be a little higher."

Many times I will ask a customer how much he or she intends on spending. This tells me what kind of a job they are looking for. I recently quoted a job and the customer raised the fee \$100 more than I quoted. I knew exactly what kind of a job he wanted and that extra \$100 was, needless to say, "inspiring."

HOW PRECIOUS is the moment when you receive your first check for art work commissioned by a complete stranger. How awesome is the moment when the check bounces.

So welcome to the commercial field of art. That is why cash is always best from customers you don't know personally.

Another problem is when the impulse buyer commissions you and changes their mind after you have already done the art work. To remedy this you require sufficient amount down to cover your time before you even begin.

One other famous culprit customer is the one who wants you to make changes. Changes in the finished piece are very difficult and often require half the time it took to draw the original.

What I would recommend is to do a pencil sketch and let the customer see this and ask them if there are any changes they would like made. If not, then you will be all set to finish.

Best or worst of all is the last-minute commission customer. There you are trying to organize your life and doing fine. Then out of the clear blue comes an "as soon as possible" commission and when you receive a down payment. But for every corks, kook and problem customer there are 100 sincerely wonderful people who appreciate your abilities and show it by their conduct and payment.

AS YOUR WORKS increase in demand, you may find yourself looking for that 25th hour in the day and the eighth day of the week. So you either reserve a bed in emergency and keep up the "artathon" life style, or raise your minimum fee.

I am pleased to find that once you increase your fee, your attitude changes. Instead of them telling you what they want you to charge, you are telling them what you must receive.

Remember, you set the mood. There are some pushy people out there, so just let them push right on past you. Stay busy with the clientele. Bend over backwards for those you like doing art for and give them your best price per job.

Those you do not like to do work for are easy to lose: simply increase or even double your fee. If they continue to return, then you may be more content to deal with them since they are paying you well.

Before receiving any commission, be sure of what the customer wants. Clearly discuss amounts desired for the work and when the work is to be completed. Also be sure to secure a sufficient down payment. Then with your mind off business you'll be amazed how expressive you can be.

## exhibitions

## ● DETROIT FOCUS

Clay/10 presents the first invitational group show of the season. Reception to meet the 10 members of the group 6-8:30 p.m. Saturday. Open to the public free of charge. The artists all teach at area universities or centers for ceramics. Continues through the year. Regular hours are noon to 6 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, 743 Beaubien, Detroit.

## ● PEWABIC POTTERY

Annual invitational Christmas show and sale continues through Jan. 10. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily, Thursdays until 9 p.m. and Sundays noon to 5 p.m., 10125 E. Jefferson, Detroit.

## ● DETROIT ARTISTS MARKET

Annual holiday show continues through Dec. 27. Included are fashion accessories for both men and women, Christmas ornaments, leaded and etched boxes and panels and many other gift ideas. There's a show by Douglas Semivan, professor at Wayne State University, and well-known printmaker in the Upper Gallery. Gallery manager Mary Grimes will present a talk, "Highlights of the Holiday Show" at noon Friday, Nov. 25. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 1452 Randolph, Detroit.

## ● I. IRVING GEIDMAN GALLERIES

New works by Charles Hinman include shaped canvases and cast paper pieces in lucite boxes. The artist will be present for the 4-7 p.m. reception Friday. Continues through Jan. 7. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Saturday, Thursday until 8 p.m. and Sunday 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The gallery has a new

address, 6917 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield.

## ● BIRMINGHAM BLOOMFIELD ART ASSOCIATION

Sunday, Nov. 27 — Holiday Sales Show continues through Dec. 10 and includes handcrafted items by more than 100 artists. Some of the newcomers to the venerable roster are Gloria Fregona, coiled fiber baskets, Diane Blas, ceramic jewelry, Karen Slack, hand stenciled hobby horses and Mark Mueller, forged steel flowers. Sunday reception is 2-5 p.m., by reservation only. Regular hours, no charge, are 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday-Thursday, Friday and Saturday until 4 p.m., 1516 S. Cranbrook, Birmingham.

## ● MEADOW BROOK ART GALLERY

Sunday, Nov. 27 — Gary Bandy, originally from Orionville and Tom Hale, another local artist, known for landscapes and watercolors of automobiles, are the guests at this third part of Meadow Brook II Invitational. Reception to meet the artists and open to the public is 2-5 p.m. Sunday. Continues through Dec. 23. Hours are 1-5 p.m. Tuesday-Friday, 2-6:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday and evenings when there is a Meadow Brook Theatre performance, Oakland University campus, Rochester.

## ● ORCHARD LAKE SCHOOLS

Works by Sylvia Majewski are on display at the Galeria on the campus through November. Hours are 12:30-1:30 weekdays, Sunday afternoons and by appointment. This well-known area artist has taught, published and shown extensively in Michigan. The campus of

Orchard Lake Schools is at Commerce and Orchard Lake roads, Orchard Lake.

## ● GALLERY ART CENTER

Contemporary works by Mac Jamison, Dall, Appel, Calder, Chagall, Miro, Maxwell, Yamagata, Agam, Dus and Moss are on display. Hours are 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Saturday, 18831 12 Mile, Lathrup Village.

## ● TOWN CENTER GALLERY

Original acrylics in grid patterns by Grace Gardner are shown for the first time in this area. Gardner was the subject of a feature article in October Deter Homes and Gardens. Show continues through Dec. 10. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday-Friday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, 3000 Town Center, Suite 45, Southfield.

## ● MERCY CENTER

Farmington Artists Club is holding its semiannual art exhibit with both juried and open sections. William Tall, artist and teacher was the judge. The show continues through Sunday. Hours are 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday and Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, 11 Mile east of Middlebelt (use Gate 4), Farmington Hills.

## ● ART EXCHANGE

Pottery by Christopher Anthony of Pontiac is front and center through November — beer steins with cast pewter lids, plates, salt-glaze jugs, wine urns and redware plates. Hours are 10:30 a.m. to 5:50 p.m. Monday-Friday, Thursday and Friday until 9 p.m., 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Saturday, 415 S. Washington, Royal Oak.



photography

Monte Nagler

# Make self-portraits interesting with unusual props and poses

Painters Rembrandt and Van Gogh did it. Photographers Steichen and Kertész did it. And you, with your camera, can do it too.

The common denominator, perhaps the ultimate form of self-expression, is the self portrait.

In taking a self portrait, you have the advantage of being both the subject and the photographer, thereby being in total control of the final result.

Self portraits can be challenging yet gratifying and can have a more personal quality than any portrait made by another person.

There are many ways to make self portraits. The easiest is to stand in front of a mirror while you take a picture of your reflection.

**WATCH FOR** items in the viewfinder you may not want in the final shot. Plan to wear clothing or use props that will complement your portrait.

Be sure to focus on the reflection itself, not the mirror, and don't use flash or the glare will wash out the image.

If you want to use a mirror but want

to exclude your camera from the shot, mount the camera on a tripod to the side of you, angled so that it doesn't appear in the viewfinder. A cable release or the self-timer will enable you to trip the shutter.

Don't overlook other reflective surfaces for expressive self portraits, too. Your reflection in a pond of water, a store window, or a chrome bumper will produce an unusual self portrait.

Without a mirror, you may need to create the picture entirely in your mind before you begin.

**HAVE YOUR** pose and expression in mind and have any props or other objects already set in place for an environmental picture.

With your camera on a tripod, compose carefully and know exactly where you want to be when the self-timer activates the shutter.

Using your own shadow can be another creative self portrait method. Taking a picture of your shadow on a road, against a building, or with some other subject can reward you with

symbolic self portraits.

The time of day dramatically affects the size and shape of your shadow, consequently many creative possibilities exist.

As in all good photographs, if a self portrait is to be effective, it should convey a strong feeling or idea. Strive to show a certain mood or emotion in your shot. Try to say something about yourself.

Don't limit yourself to facial shots. Be creative — consider a shot of yourself looking out the window or performing an exercise.

Try a photo of just your hands, or your feet, or even just your eyes. What is important is to be expressive and to say through your self portrait "this is me!"

• 1983, Monte Nagler

## short shots

An exhibit of Monte Nagler's large-format black-and-white landscape photography is at the I Browse Bookstore, 33088 Northwestern Highway, West Bloomfield, now through Christmas. The show contains many new images being exhibited for the first time. Hours are Monday-Saturday, from 10 a.m. until 9 p.m. and Sunday, from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m.

The West Bloomfield Photo Club will meet at 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 17, at the United Methodist Church, 4400 Walnut Lake Road, West Bloomfield.

The club meets the first and third Thursdays of each month at the same time and place. For more information, call 559-6818, from noon to 9 p.m. weekdays.



Late afternoon at Hoover Dam was the time and setting for this shadow self-portrait. The extra camera slung over his shoulder is Monte Nagler's signature as a photographer.

## exhibitions

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### ARTSPACE

This studio/gallery used by six area artists is the site of a studio sale on Saturday and Sunday. The artists involved are Eileen Aboulafia, Barbara Dorchen, Sybil Mintz, Lun Parker, Barbara Roy and Marilyn Schechter. Hours are noon to 4 p.m. both days, 31505 Grand River at Orchard Lake (in the old winery). Park in rear and enter door No. 2, Farmington.

### YAW GALLERY

"Figures in Clay" by Lizbeth Stewart, Mark Burns, Judy Moonells and Nancy Carman continue through Dec. 18. Regular hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 550 N. Woodward, Birmingham.

### HILL GALLERY

Sculpture and drawings by Jay Wholley continue through Dec. 3. This, the artist's third one-man show with Hill Gallery, is

marketed by strength and a kind of sculptural minimalism that is both intriguing and at times awe-inspiring, 163 Townsend, Birmingham.

### SHELDON ROSS GALLERY

Gallery regulars are being shown through the month including Beckmann, Gross, Kollwit, Jerzy and Mardrosian. Hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 250 Martin, Birmingham.

### CANTOR/LEMBERG GALLERY

Books and Objects by nine artists illustrate the transformation of books into art objects that has taken place in the last 15 years. Among those represented is Lynne Avadenka of Birmingham, Nat Dean, Myra Herr, Allison Saar, Jill Sebastian, Keith Smith, Buzz Spector, Stephen Spera and Erica Van Horn. Continues through Dec. 10. Hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 538 N. Woodward, Birmingham.

### PIERCE STREET GALLERY

"Explorations" is an exhibit of works by Linda Raskin, Allan Janus, Ruth Thorne-Thomsen and Maria Martinez-Canas. Hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, 217 Pierce, Birmingham.

### RUBINER GALLERY

Recent works by Michigan's nationally known sculptor, Glen Michaels. These bas reliefs and free-standing works are a continuation of his use of tiles, stone, wood and metal elements and for the first time, bronze castings. Continues through Dec. 6. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday-Saturday, 7001 Orchard Lake, West Bloomfield.

### XOCHIPILI GALLERY

Drawings, photography and the installation of her complete studio should make this show by Rita Dibert a highlight of the fall gallery season.

Originally from Flint, now an assistant professor at Pomona College of California, Dibert's work is shown throughout the country. Continues until Dec. 10, 568 N. Woodward, Birmingham.

### ROBERT L. KIDD ASSOCIATES

Paintings by Valentina Dubasky are on display through Dec. 8. Her large abstracted images are of stags, horses and other animals seem slightly reminiscent of prehistoric cave paintings. Hours are 10:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 107 Townsend, Birmingham.

### DETROIT FOCUS

Works by more than 50 Detroit artists, a show with one of the largest entry fields for painting and drawing, continues through Nov. 19. The gallery is at 743 Beaubien, Detroit. Hours are noon to 6 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday.



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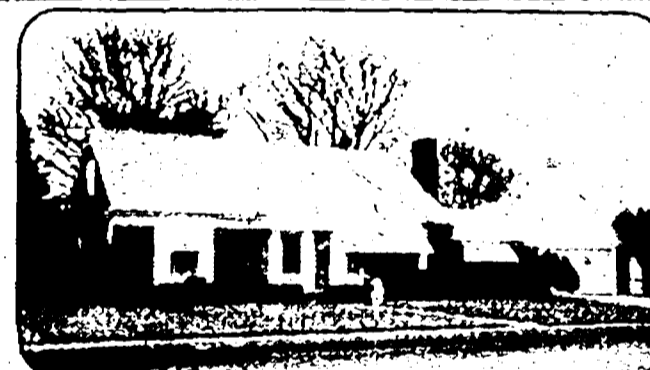
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Yuletide foods, singers and performances on antique musical instruments will provide a festive atmosphere throughout the museum's great hall. Children will be invited to play with reproductions of 19th-century toys, and everyone in the family can enjoy making their own period ornaments and greeting cards.

PREPARATIONS FOR the holiday will be shown in more than a dozen of historic buildings at Greenfield Village, showing the range of activities during the 19th century.

In the house of Thomas Edison's grandparents, cooking and family activities of an 1860s holiday will promise a

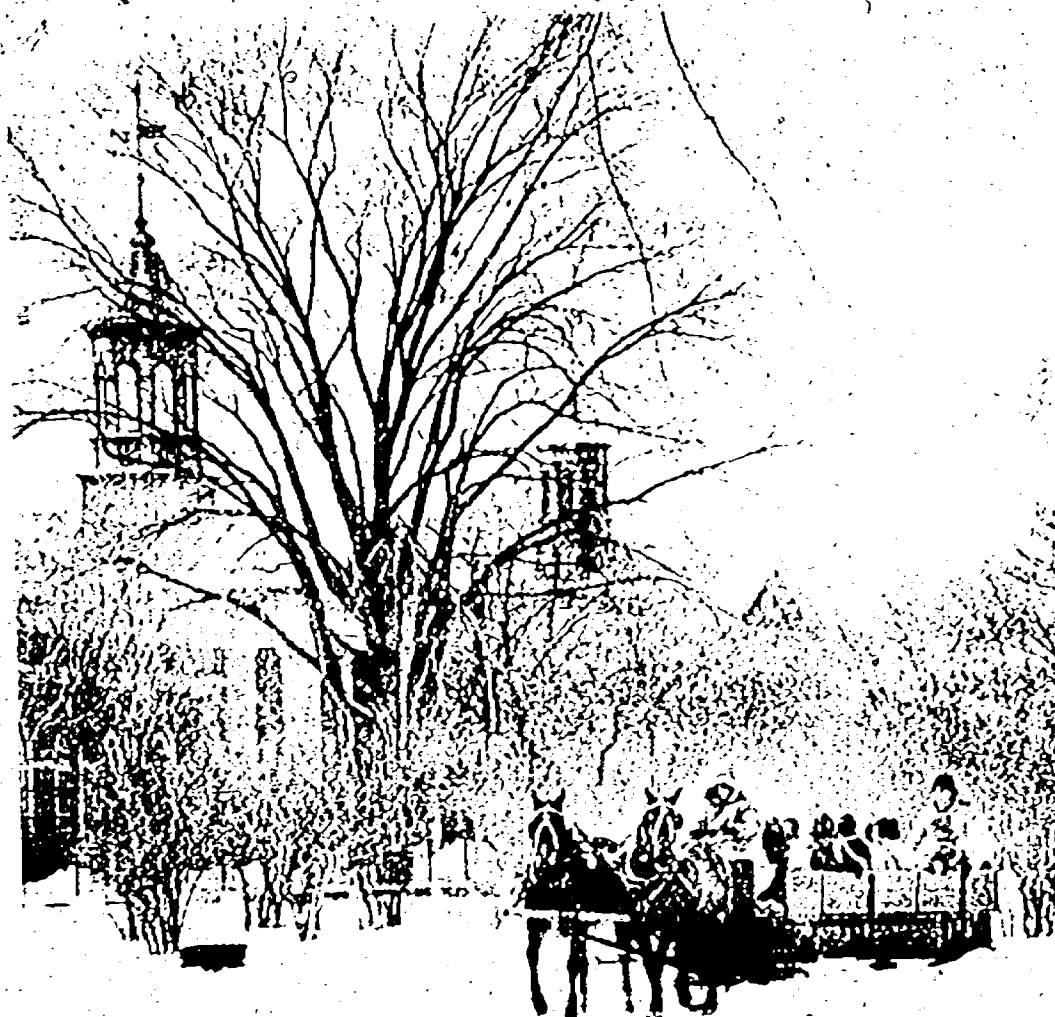
warm respite from December's chill. Candies are made in the 19th-century home where H.J. Heinz produced the first of "57 kinds" of condiments.

A rural Christmas of the 1870s is portrayed at the boyhood home of Henry Ford, decorated with ornaments of natural materials and a simple tabletop tree trimmed with handmade flags reminiscent of the centennial.

In contrast, the nearby urban home of Orville and Wilbur Wright will celebrate a Christmas of 1909. A full-size tree with paper and store-bought ornaments, surrounded by gaily wrapped presents is the centerpiece. Similar decorations deck the halls throughout.

Yuletide Evening at Greenfield Village offers another holiday experience for visitors. The after-hours event features a candlelight dinner with musical entertainment at either the Eagle Tavern or Heritage Hall in Henry Ford Museum. The highlight of the evening is a sleigh ride and walking tour through the village, with hot spiced cider as a warm ending to the occasion. Yuletide Evenings are scheduled for Dec. 1-31, except Dec. 24-25, and require advance reservations by calling 271-1620.

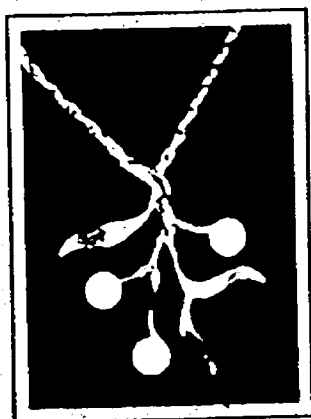
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## Picture this: an album of holiday photos

**I**F YOUR HOLIDAY photos are disappointing, maybe you need to change attitudes and not equipment.

Is there only one family member who takes the holiday pictures each year? Do most of the pictures show kids opening gifts? If so, this is year to change your habits and let others enjoy the fun of photography and to begin your children's photographic education.

Children will love being able to take pictures of their parents opening the gifts they gave them or being able to photograph their friends, pets or prized possessions. With many newer cameras, the flash is automatically fired when it is needed and the film is advanced after each shot, leaving the photographer free to concentrate on the basics of a picture.

Try to involve more adults in the picture-taking too. If the same person is missing from most of the holiday pictures in your photo album, the odds are that's the person who does most of the photography. By passing the camera among the whole family, you can get pictures of everybody enjoying the holidays.

Make the most of your seasonal picture-taking by following these tips.

- Have plenty of film and fresh batteries on hand. Check your flash unit.

- The more spontaneous your photos the better. When taking group or individual portraits, make your subject look comfortable. Avoid unnatural poses and talk to your subjects to help them relax.

- Start taking photos early in the season. The trimming of the tree, baking of cookies — all are subjects you'll want to capture on film.

- Work with natural light when you can. But the holidays aren't the time to experiment with conditions you're unsure of. Rely on your flash when in doubt.

- Know how your camera works. If it's been awhile since you've taken photos or if you're using a new or borrowed camera, take a practice roll of film.

- Study your surroundings. Windows and mirrors can ruin your pictures if the flash is aimed directly at either. It's best to aim the flash at a reflective surface on an angle to avoid having the reflections come back directly to the camera lens.

- Get close to your subjects to capture their expressions. Faces, not feet, make for the best photos. Instead of stepping back, the photographer should step forward for good, tight photos.

- Watch the background for distracting objects that may appear to "grow" from someone's head in the actual picture. Our eyes are sometimes selective, but the camera sees everything.

- Try to photograph kids with presents they receive from relatives. These pictures make excellent thank-you notes.

- Plan your photos ahead of time. Make a list of the photos you want to be sure to get. Then, tape the list on the back of the camera.

- Avoid trying to put too much into one photograph. The trick is to take several pictures, zeroing in on a single activity at a time.

- Vary the angles, distances and styles of your pictures. Don't forget that you can shoot with the camera held horizontally or vertically. Try both before selecting your composition.

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A family portrait made by a professional photographer can be as creative and varied as your lifestyle. For a formal, traditional look, you can arrange to have a portrait made in the studio with dramatic lighting and background. For a photograph that captures a more informal lifestyle, consider a portrait made in your home or outdoors in a park or other suitable location.

Because the holiday season may be the photographer's busiest during the year, it is wise to plan ahead for an appointment.

When you make the appointment with the photographer, select the style and setting for the portrait session. The professional will be able to answer any questions you may have about coordinating clothing colors and styles for each member of the family.

Generally, it is best for women to select outfits with long or three-quarter

length sleeves, flattering — not bulky — necklines and a minimum of jewelry and accessories. Black and stark white should be avoided except as accent colors. Men can opt for conservative business suits — again, avoiding solid black — or coordinated slacks, sweaters and shirts for an informal portrait. Children should be dressed in appropriate outfits, but avoid T-shirts and jeans, which will soon look outdated.

Your photographer will probably advise bringing two or three choices of outfits for each person to the portrait session.

If you have a treasured family pet, you may wish to have it in the group portrait. Alert your photographer ahead of time so he is prepared to handle and pose the pet.

If your children are grown and away at school, try to arrange a portrait session for the Thanksgiving weekend when they will all be home to celebrate. Be sure to let the photographer know you wish the portrait ready for holiday gift-giving.

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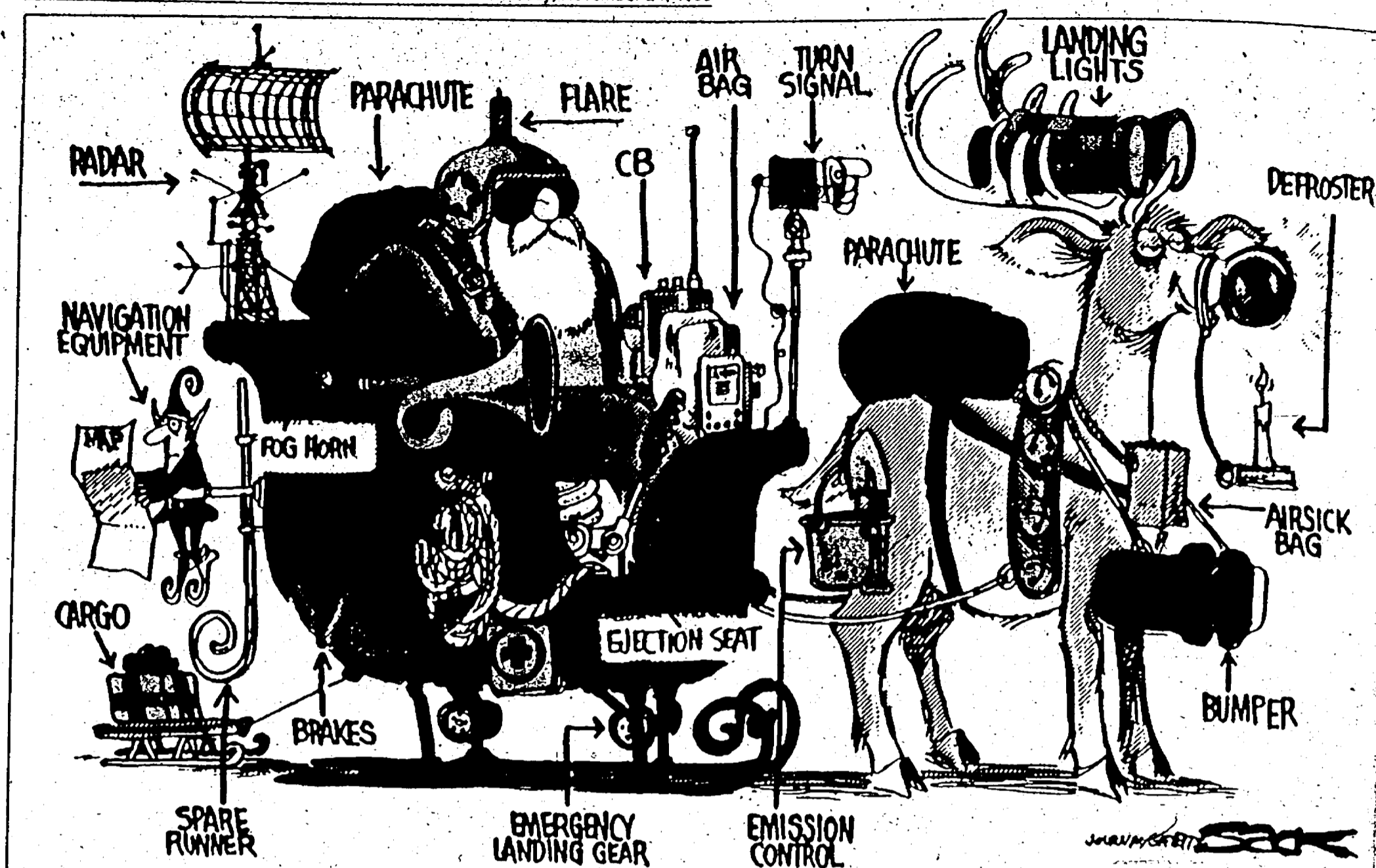
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"Never in the history of Wall Street was the country more at the mercy of bears than it is today," cried the toy industry's trade magazine, Playthings, in 1906. "Stuffed plush Teddies are fairly rampant, and indications show prospects of a long and continued reign."

How right they were. Fleeting fame has come to other stuffed animals. Lions and tigers have tried on occasion to push Teddy off center stage in the toy store window. One year, unicorns, true to type, tried to horn in on Teddy's act. Nonetheless, "our retailers tell us the Teddy Bear is still number one," Donna Leccese, Playthings' current associate editor, says. Douglas Thomson, president of the Toy Manufacturers of America, agrees. "There's no decline in this species. The Teddy is on the increase."

First among equals perhaps because each bear owner naturally thinks his or her Teddy is best is a seldom seen Teddy Bear who lives at the Smithsonian's National Museum of American History in Washington D.C. This delightful chap, with his honey-colored coat covering a rather rotund belly, has bright black shoe button eyes and a wisdom-of-the-ages (if slightly smug) expression. He only meets his public occasionally.

We've had lots of requests for him, and he's been on view of a number of times," Herb Collins, formerly the Smithsonian's chief curator of political history, says. "But we have to be careful; his joints loosen with handling and his coat fades in the light." Actually, for a bear who's been around since the turn of the century, he's in excellent condition. And the Smithsonian Institution wants him to stay that way because he's one of the first teddy bears made in America.

It was Herb Collins, now the executive director of the Smithsonian's National Philatelic Collection, who personally brought this teddy to the Smithsonian in 1964. President Theodore Roosevelt's grandson, Kermit, his wife and their children had been presented with the Teddy Bear, one of the originals from the Ideal Toy Co., by Benjamin Michtom, son of Ideal's founder. Michtom dated the bear to 1903, the year his parents went into the toy bear-making business. The Roosevelts decided that the teddy bear, named for the president, should go to the Smithsonian.

He almost didn't make it. A letter from Mrs. Roosevelt to Michtom advised: "I was about to get in touch with the Smithsonian about presenting them with the original bear when the children decided they didn't want to part with it yet." Happily, Mark and Anne Roosevelt, the president's great-grandchildren, changed their minds. Several months later, the Smithsonian and the American people got their bear.

Theodore Roosevelt, however, didn't

always get his. On Nov. 14, 1902, the president was on a hunting expedition in Smedes, Miss., and had no luck. Anxious that the president bag a bear, some of his party chased down and stunned a 235-pound black bear. The hunters roped the bear and tied it to a tree. A messenger was dispatched to summon the president so that he might shoot the animal and go home with a trophy. When the president arrived, he refused to shoot the exhausted and tethered creature.

The shot not fired was heard around the land. Three Press Association representatives were with the hunting party and a small army of reporters was following the president's trail. On Nov. 16, 1902, a cartoon by Clifford Berryman of the incident appeared on the front page of the Washington Post. The American public immediately responded to the story and the cartoon, presumably finding in them the heroic and sportsman-like qualities it saw in the president.

Shortly, however, the whole matter took on a more whimsical tone. A subsequent Berryman cartoon of the same hunting episode, dated 1902, depicted the bear as smaller than the one in the first cartoon a worried looking and very appealing cub. Berryman's little bear was a great success and appeared in his cartoons of Theodore Roosevelt for years afterwards. In fact, Teddy's bear was everywhere. Observed historian Mark Sullivan:

The "Teddy Bear," beginning with Berryman's original cartoon, was repeated thousands of times and printed literally thousands of millions of times. Toy-makers took advantage of its vogue; it became more common in the hands of children than the woolly lamb.

Legend and family oral history have it that Brooklyn candy store owners Rose and Morris Michtom, gave America its first stuffed bear toy and named it for Theodore Roosevelt. According to their son, Benjamin (who died in 1980), Morris Michtom was inspired by the Berryman cartoon and wrote to the president, asking his permission to make a small bear cub and call it "Teddy's Bear." As Benjamin Michtom heard the story from his father, the president agreed, although T.R. was said to have expressed doubt that his name would mean much in the toy bear business.

Despite the skepticism, Rose Michtom made a few samples of the new teddy bear. In 1903, Butler Brothers, a large wholesaler, agreed to distribute it, and the Ideal Novelty and Toy Co. was born. "I've been hearing the story since I was a tiny child," Mark Michtom says. Currently a senior vice president of Ideal Toy Corp., Morris Michtom's grandson heartily appreciates the fact that a teddy bear started a multimillion dollar business.

The teddy bear has, in fact, started several multimillion-dollar businesses, although they prefer to think they started him. Another firm famous for its teddy bears is the Steiff Co. of Giengen-on-the-Brenz, West Germany, headed today by Hans-Qtto Steiff, great-grandnephew of its founder. Noah had nothing on the



RANDY BORST/staff photographer

Kathy Churilla clutches a modern day version of Teddy.

Steiff Co. menagerie — everything from a peacock with real feathers to a life-sized giraffe. "But the teddy bear is still our most popular animal," says Steiff, himself a kindly bear of a man. According to the Steiff bear tale told and retold by family members over the years, an American buyer brought several thousand of their toy bears to America in 1903. In 1907, a vintage year for teddy bears, Steiff sold nearly a million toy-bear immigrants.

By then, practically every large American city boasted two or more teddy bear factories. There was a teddy bear whose eyes lighted up, one who whistled, one who played music, one who tumbled and one who laughed, revealing a set of teeth (like the president's), the better to "bare them at his critics."

In this same bearish year, young women regularly were seen driving through Central Park in Columbia electric victorias and other fancy vehicles, their teddies the only passenger. But teddy bears were not just for the rich. By 1908, the Sears and Roebuck catalog advertised a family of three bears for 25 cents. (Parents provided the Goldilocks.) The growing teddy bear population so alarmed a Michigan minister that he warned that replacing dolls with toy bears would destroy the maternal instinct in little girls.

Teddy was not to blame. If klaw were to be laid, good old American know-how was the culprit. "Hardly a day passed but that a new teddy article is brought before the public..." Playthings trumpeted. The tiny "Humpty-Dumpty" teddy came apart, revealing a miniature compact. Teddy bears were on automobiles, buttons and china, as well as on linens, stationery, jewelry, postcards, sheet music and even hot water bottles.

In this year's gift catalogs, teddies are turning up once again — including a teddy bear sleeping bag and a furry teddy bear hot-water bottle. For that extra special someone, there's a natural ranch-mink teddy. Stores selling only teddy bears and related bear-mobilia are springing up all over America, and antique teddies sell for hundreds of dollars.

Clearly, America is experiencing a new teddy-bear awareness. Last year the 108-year-old Zoological Society of Philadelphia, America's first chartered zoo, held "America's First Great Teddy Bear Rally." For two days 25,000 people and an undetermined number of bears marched in parades, entered contests, attended bear-care clinics and swapped bear tales.

Arctophilists, as collectors of bear-like models are known, abound. Matthew Murphy, board chairman of the Republic Bank of Plano, Texas started at the age of 5, back in 1935, with three dozen four-inch teddies. First they were soldiers and later they became football players with numbers and records. "Today they are retired bank executives," Murphy says. He owns 1,257 bears, but "only" 230 of them are teddies.

The Good Bears of the world, with 7,000 members, is a non-profit organization dedicated to donating bears to children and older people in hospitals, institutions or wherever they are needed. Through their dens in many states, the Good Bears have given away 75,000 teddies and other bears since the group was founded in 1973. So far, 11 states have proclaimed Theodore Roosevelt's birthday, Oct. 27, as Good Bear Day. The group is urging the United Nations to declare 1985 "The Year of the Teddy Bear."

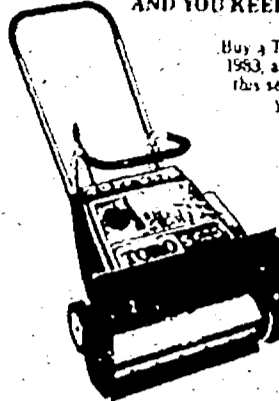
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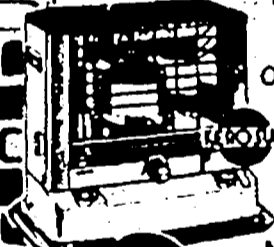
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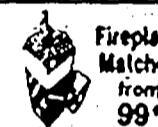
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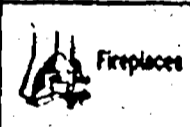
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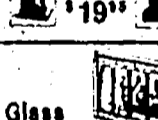
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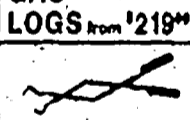
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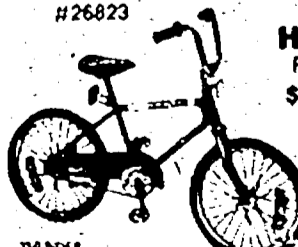
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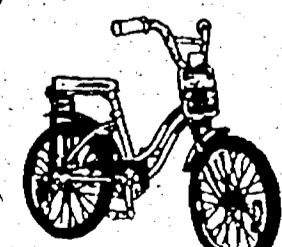
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## It's a bear market

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Why all the fuss over a stuffed furry creature? New York City's Big Apple Bear Den put it this way: "We have an enduring affection for the teddy bear, finding it to be a universal symbol of love, comfort and joy."

Psychiatrist Dr. Paul Horton of Meriden, Conn., agrees, applauding the therapeutic value of the teddy bear as a "solacing object." Horton is the author of "Solace: The Missing Dimension in Psychiatry" (University of Chicago Press, 1981). The solacing object might be a teddy bear or any other stuffed animal, a security blanket, a sailboat or a live pet, so long as it gives comfort in times of stress or change.

Horton often "prescribes" teddy bears for both children and adults as a supplement to an overall treatment program. One 12-year-old boy who suffered from nightmares received a tiny teddy from Horton with instructions "to talk with it every night and put it under his pillow to protect him when he went to sleep." The nightmares stopped.

*The growing teddy bear population so alarmed a Michigan minister that he warned that replacing dolls with toy bears would destroy the maternal instinct in little girls.*

So Teddy has a serious side. He is a willing listener who can share good times and bad. He's also huggable, clean around the house and cheap to feed. No wonder America is going crazy over him once again.

At least one person, however, was immune to his charm Theodore Roosevelt's daughter Alice Roosevelt Longworth. When offered one of the original teddy bears in exchange for posing with the teddy on the occasion of the bear's 60th birthday, she refused, asking tartly, "What does a 79-year-old doll want with a 60-year-old teddy bear?"



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Despite the best of intentions, the holidays can sometimes be disorienting and confusing to a child. To help fully enjoy the wonderful things this season has to offer, here are some tips to consider.

A major concern parents have during the holiday season is selecting toys for their children that are safe. This is especially true for first-time parents who may be less familiar with appropriate toys and how to judge a toy's safety features.

According to Dr. Paula Abrams-Smith, staff child psychologist for Fisher-Price Toys, evaluating toys for possible safety hazards is something every parent should do. "It's not complicated once you know what to look for," she says.

Abrams-Smith advises parents to watch for thin walls, small parts, long pull cords, sharp points, flimsy construction, pinch points and unprotected edges.

"Of course, all types of projectiles, such as darts and rubber bands, should be avoided especially for infants. Try to anticipate how any toy you are consider-

ing for your child can be misused," she says.

If this is your baby's first Christmas or Hanukkah, Abrams-Smith suggests a few basic toys that almost all infants find interesting and stimulating. Huggable, cuddly soft toys help provide a secure, comfortable feeling (no matter what your baby's sex) and can be used in almost any play environment. Musical mobiles are ideal for encouraging young infants to listen as well as track movement and color. In bright, eye-catching colors, rattles and teethingers are for mounting, holding, shaking and watching.

Make bath time exciting with floating water toys. Babies love to experiment with pouring and splashing. The use of puppets can help initiate play with other members of the family. Toys with suction-cup bottoms can be played with but stay in place when attached to high chairs, and simple shape sorters begin to teach discrimination skills at an early age.

Toys that can be played with immediately after unwrapping usually go over best with small children, according to Abrams-Smith. Consequently, seasonal gifts such as pool toys aren't appropriate for the winter season. Keep in mind that giving a child a toy, then taking it away moments later will only serve to frustrate and confuse him or her.

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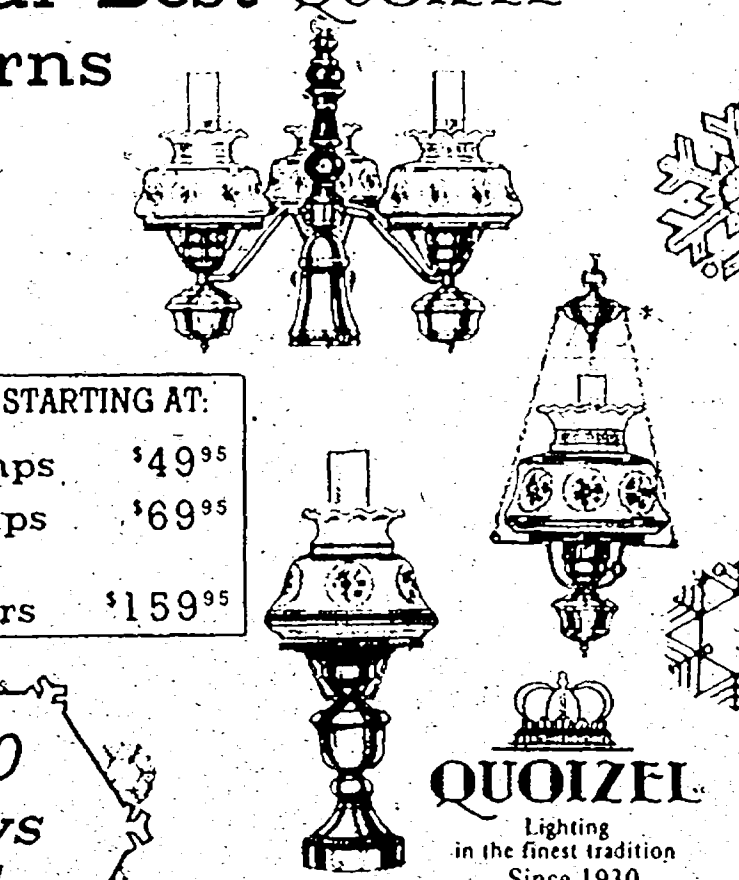
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Models vary from handhelds — pocket-size machines with single-line displays — to 20- or 30-pound systems, called transportables, that are no easier to lug than a portable typewriter. In between are notebook-size computers that fit into a briefcase but still have capabilities similar to larger desk-top machines. And among those in the notebook-size category alone, prices range from \$800 to \$8,000.

"You need to begin shopping with a list of features the owner will need of the computer," said Ron Ockander, director of sales for Epson America Inc. "If you match the tasks he or she needs to accomplish with the computer, you're much more likely to spend your money on the right kind of system."

First, he advises, determine where the computer will be used. Someone who travels frequently and needs the machine to work and communicate on the road needs a lightweight, compact system. Transportables have a full-size screen and keyboard, but they're heavy and bulky.

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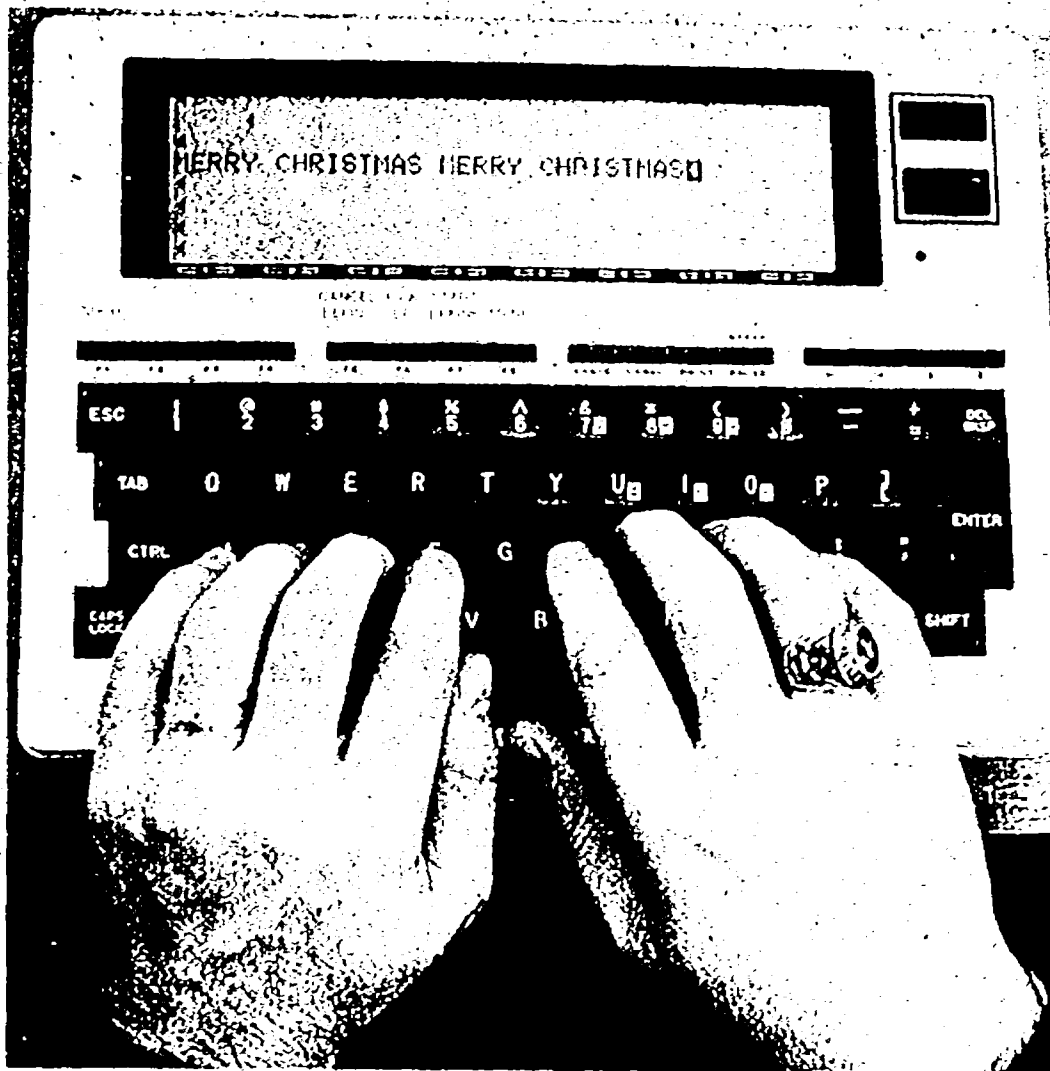
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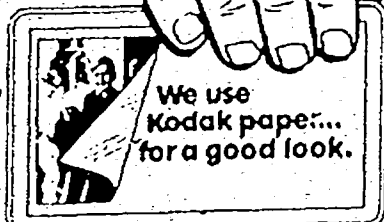
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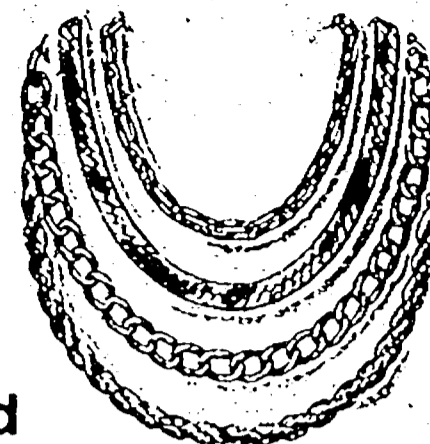
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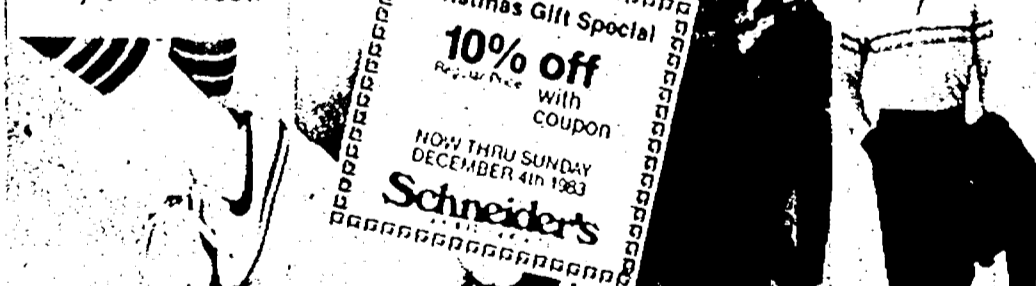
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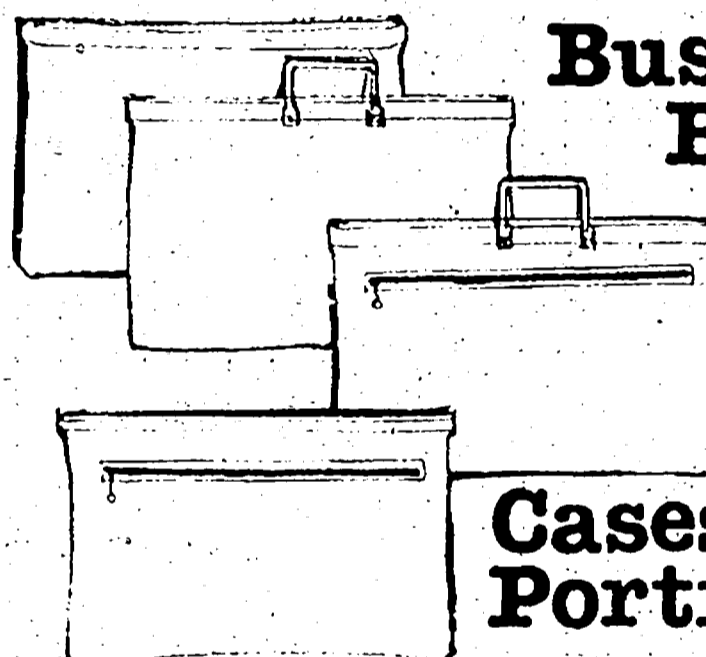


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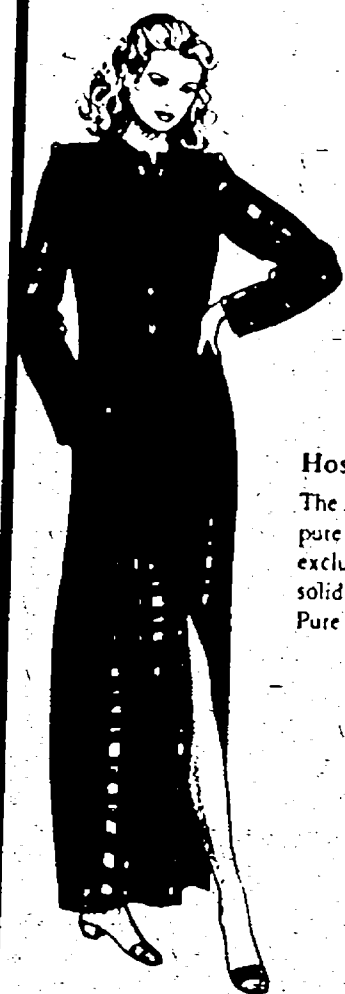
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# Beta, VHS, VCR

## Variety is the name of video equipment

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Michael Thaller, a distributor of TV programming for World Communications in Los Angeles, says it is important to learn all that you can, not only about the different kinds of equipment available and their uses, but also the types of stores that want to sell to you.

• **VIDEO CASSETTE** recorders (VCRs) — The most important thing to learn is that they come in both Beta and VHS models. The two types of tape are similar but cannot be interchanged.

"The main consideration is finding out what system your friends have in the event you trade tapes," Thaller said. "VHS is more popular since more titles are available on VHS, but the waiting lines are also longer to rent or purchase the tapes."

Some VCR manufacturers offer machines with stereo capability, but since your TV doesn't have stereo sound whatever you tape off the TV will still come through in mono.

• **VCR OPTIONS** — VCR units range from \$400 to over \$1,100 with options causing the vast price spread.

"The basic model usually has a 24-hour timer and a mechanical tuner," Thaller said. "You can record any one show in 24 hours and usually that's all

you need." Otherwise, he said, you'll get a stockpile of unviewed tapes that you won't have time to see if you didn't have time to watch the original broadcasts.

Programmable timers and electronic tuners cost hundreds of dollars.

The one feature Thaller believes worth the money is the search-cue and review button.

"You can search through the tape while you're watching it and get through the commercials."

• **VIDEO DISCS** — Discs are played on machines that look like record players and include movies and entertainment specials as well as sports, cartoons, rock music, travel and other features. The machines are less expensive than VCRs — priced about \$300-\$500 — but they can be used only for playback, not recording.

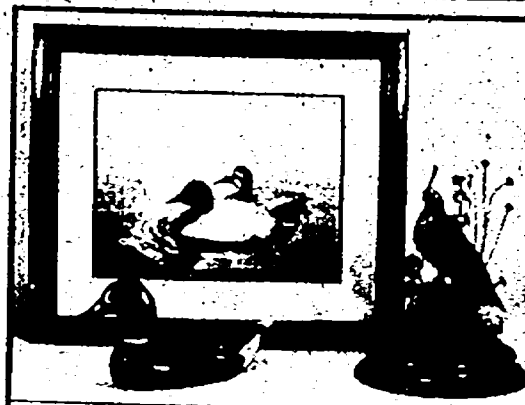
"The advantage to the disc is that it has somewhat better picture quality, much better sound quality and costs one-third that of a prerecorded movie tape," Thaller said. But you can tape four two-hour movies off the TV onto a VHS tape for the cost of a video disc. The most likely customers for video discs are those who can't get cable programming or have no desire to tape conventional television shows.

• **CAMERAS** — Picture quality varies little from the least expensive to the most expensive models, according to Thaller. "What you are paying for is the electronic viewfinder, color capability and picture tube, and instantaneous playback ability."

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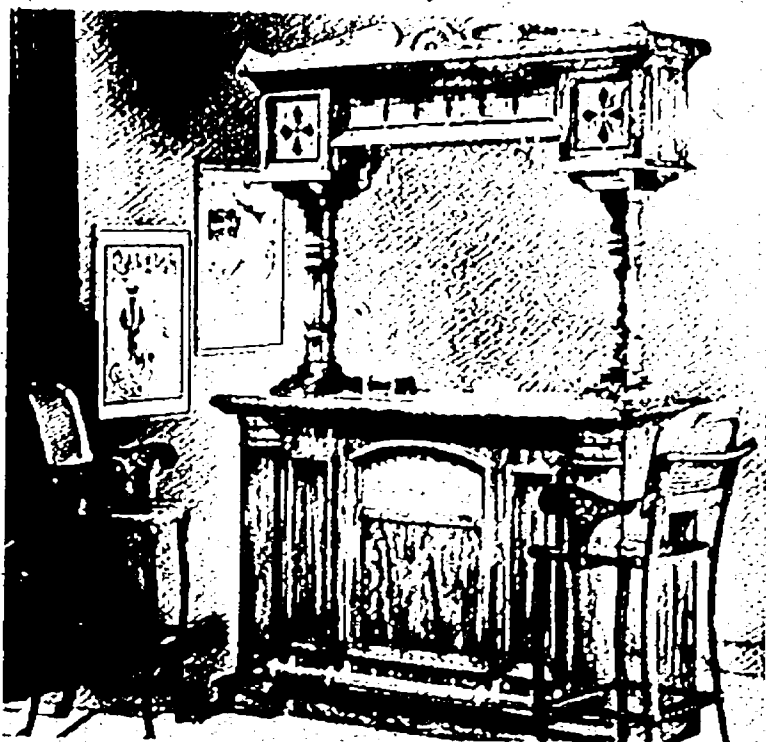
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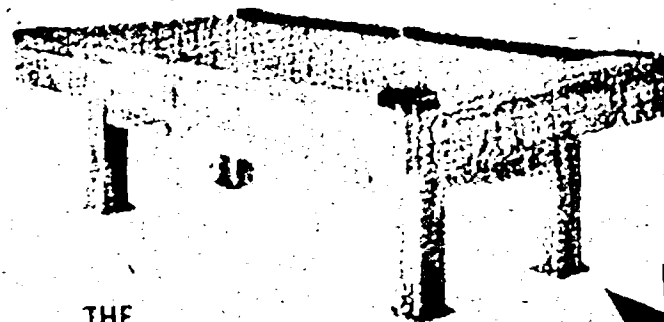
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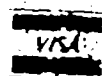
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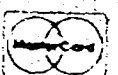
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# Hanukkah: a festival of freedom

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In 175 BC, Antiochus IV became the king of Syria, the land to which Israel had been annexed. He tried to force the Jews to renounce their faith and their customs, to worship Greek idols so that the kingdom would be composed of one people, all uniform, all believing and doing the same things.

Antiochus decreed that any Jew caught observing the Sabbath or having in his possession the Torah Scroll, the Five Books of Moses, or who in any way maintained Jewish ceremonies and did not worship the Greek gods, many of whose statues bore the features of Antiochus — would be killed.

The flag of rebellion was raised in Modin, a small town northwest of Jerusalem by Mattathias and his five sons, who rallied Jews from the entire country to join their guerilla forces. After the death of Mattathias, the fight was continued under the leadership of Judah Maccabee. Maccabee is Hebrew for hammer and symbolizes that Judah and his Maccabees were the "hammer of the

Lord" as they fought against the Syrians.

Through brilliant military tactics, Judah and Maccabee and his small group of followers, won a series of victories against the well equipped Syrian legions in 168 BC. The last victory at Emmaus opened the road to Jerusalem in 165 BC. Following that, they gained possession of Jerusalem and began to clean and rededicate the temple.

After the cleansing and restoration, preparations were made to rededicate the temple. But ritually prepared oil could not be found. After much searching a little cruse of oil was found, bearing the priestly seal. This quantity of oil might normally have been expected to last for one day. But the oil lasted for eight days and was called the miracle of Hanukkah, which is the Hebrew word for dedication.

SINCE THAT TIME, Hanukkah lights have been lit in Jewish homes in all parts of the world. These lights commemorated the relighting of the eternal light or the "Nehr Tomid" in the ancient Temple in Jerusalem by the Maccabees. They have come to signify the right of people to freedom of religion and to loyalty to one's traditions. It represents the triumph of democracy over tyranny.

So it is that Hanukkah is a happy Jewish holiday that is essentially celebrated at home. It is marked by the lighting of candles. Beginning with one candle on the first night, an additional candle is lighted each successive night of the holiday until on the final evening, eight candles will be lit. A special pilot candle or "shammas" is used to light the candle which are placed in a menorah, an eight-branched candelabra reminiscent of the candelabra in the ancient temple.

The candle lighting is accompanied by the chanting of blessings and is followed by songs. Prayers of praise and thanksgiving hymns are recited in every service throughout the eight days.

HANUKKAH IS OFTEN marked by the giving of gifts. In some instances, a child is given a different gift after the blessing of the candles each night of the holiday. One of the favorite games played on Hanukkah is that of dreidel. This is a four-sided top, on each side of which a Hebrew letter is marked signifying whether the child is to put in a nut or other object, take the entire kitty, or half, or pass. The four Hebrew letters are the initial letters of the the Hebrew words, "Nes Gadol Hayah Sham," which means, "A great miracle happened there."

Among the special foods prepared on Hanukkah, latkes or potato pancakes are the most popular. Kuglen or potato pie and the loaf of bread called Chollaare also served.

Hanukkah is a time to receive guests, as well as a family reunion. Jewish homes are decorated with candles and flowers. It is also the occasion for community celebrations. There are parties, concerts, dramatic presentations in gaily decorated settings. Synagogues and religious schools and other Jewish institutions usually arrange special events in celebration of Hanukkah. But with all the festivity, the poor are not forgotten. They are usually recipients of Hanukkah gelt, gifts of money, or other necessities.

IN RECENT YEARS, another Hanukkah custom has been created in Israel. It is the torch relay. In Modin, where Mattathias initiated the fight for freedom, a torch is lit and in relay it is passed from hand to hand until the final runner presents the torch to the president of the state amidst waiting and cheering people.

Jews believe the ceremony relights anew the inspiration and the courage of the modern Israeli Maccabees who persist in their struggle for human liberty, religious freedom and the existence of the state of Israel.



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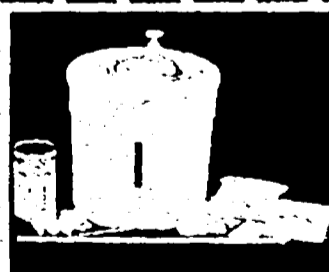
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# Holiday partying

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We overspend and many of us overimbibe all under the guise of holiday spirit.

However, those who overimbibe this season may get more than the resulting hangover. Tough new drunk driving laws are going to be strictly enforced and those caught driving while intoxicated may be spending the holidays in jail.

In 1981, more than 2,000 people died on the nation's highways — victims of drunk drivers. But the loss of life in accidents caused by drunk drivers is something party-givers can do something about.

Today's wise party-givers know that the state's tough drunk driving laws will be doubly enforced this holiday season and are planning their parties to be lively but their guests sober.

The nation's CareUnit program and the National Institute of Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism suggest the following holiday tips for the host and hostess who are planning on serving alcohol at their party.

- Offer more than drinks. When the focal point is liquor, the party is definitely slipping. Stir up conversation, draw out a talented guest or play games, video or otherwise.

- Always have a jigger available when guests mix their own drinks. Guests who try to "eyeball", a jigger of booze will often end up drinking more than they had planned.

- If you plan on having a bartender, select one you know who will make the drinks "light" and will quietly "cut someone off" when they've had too much.

- If you're passing around glasses of champagne, do so at regular intervals. The body can handle about two-thirds of an ounce of alcohol an hour.

- Don't double up. Many people pace their drinks, so don't serve doubles. The body can usually handle one drink an hour, a double is the equivalent of two.

- Don't push drinks. Let a glass become empty before you refill. And then, don't rush; especially if someone comes up empty too often. When a guest says "no" to an alcoholic drink, don't insist.

- Provide something non-alcoholic to drink. While canned soda is fine, it is not as festive or budget-wise as a punch.

- Serve food. Many hosts and hostesses serve a late dinner so that guests eat something substantial before leaving the party. Food slows down the rate at which alcohol is absorbed by the body.

- Push snacks. Snacking slows down the rate at which people drink.

- If you notice one of your guests drinking too much, do what you can to slow him or her down. Offer some food, ask for their help in the kitchen keeping them occupied or volunteer to make



Don't allow your holidays to turn to tragedy because of an overconsumption of alcohol. Every year drunk drivers are responsible for loss of life on the highways.

their next drink and make it light.

- Encourage your guests to carpool to the party, designating a specific driver who will stay sober for the evening.

- Many party-goers arrange with friends to take a cab or rent a limousine. Splitting the costs can make this less expensive and safe.

Every year we hear statistics on holi-

day fatalities. No host or hostess wants a guest to become a fatality, but every year some do. To avoid it, party-givers must be part diplomat, part psychologist and most of all, part police officer. Never let anyone drive home from your party who is not sober. Take their keys, call them a cab, drive them home yourself. The extra effort is worth it.



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So says Jack Matthews, a Washington D.C. communications lawyer, who has a different impression of the toy soldiers of his boyhood. So different, in fact, that he has spent nearly 20 years of his adult life amassing a collection of 7,000 of them.

Matthews is not unusual in the world of toy soldier collecting. His friends, Neal Crowley, a construction firm executive, recently flew from his Los Angeles home to Washington for a lecture by Peter Johnson, curator for the Forbes Museum of Military Miniatures in Tangier, Morocco.

"I lose myself in them for hours," Crowley says of his armies.

The number of collectors is growing. Frank G. Frisella, director of the American Model Soldier Society and the American Military Historical Society, founded in 1960, says his group's roster recently topped 500, and there are many similar groups. A fair staged in Philadelphia by collectors has drawn more than 5,000 visitors.

SO WHAT IS the appeal? Why do grown men fly thousands of miles, spend thousands of hours and dollars on these childhood relics?

"Nostalgia is the most telling appeal," says Johnson. "They're attractive, nice

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# Holiday happenings

The jolly gentleman from the frozen north will have elegant surroundings this year. Santa Claus is taking residence at the Detroit Institute of Arts' Kresge Court cafe.

Activities for Santa at his new home are part of a score of area festivities for the year-end holidays.

After receiving the keys of the city from Detroit Mayor Coleman Young at the annual downtown parade, Santa Claus will host "Breakfast with Santa" 9:45-11 a.m. Tuesdays through Fridays, through Dec. 23. The program is especially for families with preschool children. The breakfast includes a fruit-topped "Wassail Waffle" with milk at \$2.50 for children under 12 and filled Danish and coffee at \$1.75 for adults. Advance registration is required and may be made by calling the Art Institute ticket office, from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., at 832-2730.

Weekend visitors of all ages may "Snack with Santa" on Saturday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sundays 1-4 p.m. Cookies, milk and other snacks will be available, as well as soup and sandwiches, salads, hot menu selections and desserts, at prices ranging from 75 cents to \$5.

## ● HAPPY FEET

Rochester holds its 32nd annual Christmas parade beginning 2 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 4. Christopher Rush, national poster child for the Muscular Dystrophy Association, is the parade marshal for "It's a Small World." Floats, clowns and marching bands will move down Main Street. Sponsored by the Greater Rochester Chamber of Commerce.

Garden City welcomes St. Nick 11 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 26, with its annual parade from Middlebelt and Maplewood down Middlebelt to Ford, west to Merriman and south into City Park where Santa will receive the keys to the city. A Santaland in City Park is sponsored by the Jaycees through December.

## ● O, HOLY NIGHT

The Cranbrook Institute of Science presents "Holiday Skies and the Christmas Star" at the planetarium beginning Dec. 3 Saturdays and Sundays and weekdays Dec. 26-30. For information, call 645-3134. Admission.

## ● THE YOUNG AT HEART

The annual Christmas Carnival at Cobo Hall runs 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Dec. 9-18. Animated figures, decorated trees, reindeer and playground equipment create a fantasyland. A variety of entertainment is presented throughout the period. Admission is free.

The Detroit Youththeatre presents master puppeteer Paul Vincent-Davis' production of "Beauty and the Beast" for ages 5 and above.

Saturday, Nov. 26, 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. at the Detroit Institute of Art. Admission \$3.

A rod puppet production of "Hansel and Gretel" by Bob Brown Puppet Productions for the Detroit Youththeatre for ages 3 and above is Saturday, Dec. 17, 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. at the Detroit Institute of Art. Admission \$3.

Sara Crewe's Christmas Surprise is a musical riches-to-rags-to-riches story for ages 5 and older. A special Brownie-Girl Scout salute. Saturday, Dec. 10, 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. at the Detroit Institute of Art. Admission \$3.

The Prince Street Players present "Sleeping Beauty" at the Detroit Institute of Art 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Dec. 27-30. Admission \$3.

"The Wizard of Oz" is the holiday offering at the Henry Ford Museum Theater with Dorothy, Scarecrow, Tin Woodsman and Cowardly Lion at 2 p.m. Dec. 3, 10, 17, 26-31.

## ● THE PLAY'S THE THING

"Scapin," Moliere's riotous comedy, will be staged by the Actors Alliance Nov. 18-Dec. 18 at Lycee International, Evergreen at 13 Mile in Southfield. Curtain at 8:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, 6:30 p.m. Sundays. Tickets \$8 Fridays, \$9 Saturdays and \$7 Sundays.

The world premiere of the musical "Shot Thru the Heart" runs Nov. 16-Dec. 18 at the Birmingham Theater. The acclaimed drama "Agnes of God" runs Dec. 28-Jan. 22. For information on times and ticket prices, call 644-3533.

Scrooge, Tiny Tim and Bob Cratchit come alive again in the Meadow Brook Theatre production of "A Christmas Carol" Dec. 1-25. For ticket information, call 377-3300.

A darker vision takes over at the Meadow Brook Dec. 29-Jan. 22 when the theater presents Eugene O'Neill's masterpiece "Long Day's Journey into Night."

The Spotlight Players present a "Christmas Cabaret" Friday and Saturday, Dec. 9-10 offering a variety of Broadway show tunes. Curtain at 8 p.m. at John Glenn Auditorium, 36105 Marquette, Westland. Tickets, adults \$4, students and senior citizens \$3. For information, call 595-6117.

The musical "Chicago" continues at the Theatre Guild of Livonia-Redford, 15138 Beech Daly, Nov. 26-27 and Dec. 2-3. For reservations and information, call 522-8057.

Anton Chekhov by way of Neil Simon is offered in the Will-O-Way production of "The Good Doctor" beginning for 14 performances on Dec. 2. Curtain time is 8:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays and 4:30 p.m. on Sunday. Special holiday performances are planned at 8:30 p.m. Dec. 21, 28 and 29. Tickets are \$5, senior citizens \$3. For information, call 644-4418. Will-O-Way is at 775 Long Lake Road, Bloomfield Hills.

## ● NOEL NIGHT

Wednesday, Dec. 7, is the date for this annual Cultural Center event. The Detroit museums offer a variety of festive evening activities. The Detroit Institute of Art features the Choirs of the Archdiocese of Detroit in the Great Hall at 6:30, 7:30 and 8:30. Three selected choirs will perform in Kresge Court at 7, 8 and 9. Tony O'Brien will give an organ recital in the auditorium at 6:30, 7:30 and 8:30. Self-

guided tours of the galleries are available and children under 12 are invited to shop for presents at the museum store. The Detroit Historical Museum will feature the St. John Presbyterian Male Choir, the Cornerstone Choir and the First Christian Reformed Choir. The puppet Mona from television's "Hot Fudge" will entertain children. Craft demonstrations and letters to Santa Claus will be other features. Some free refreshments will be served. Other Cultural Center museums will also participate.

## ● AN OLD-FASHIONED CHRISTMAS

A Victorian Santa Claus will greet visitors to Henry Ford Museum in Dearborn Dec. 3-31. Cartoonist Thomas Nast, writer Clement Moore who wrote "The Night Before Christmas" and Sarah, Rorer, food editor of the Ladies' Home Journal in the 1890s, will also come magically to life to explain the beginning of some happy Christmas traditions. In Greenfield Village, the many historic buildings will be appropriately decorated to fit the different periods presented. Candy making, cooking, decoration, Christmas card printing, choirs and the Wright Brothers preparing for their historic day at Kitty Hawk all will be part of the fun. Admission. The village also offers special Yuletide Evenings from Dec. 1-31. Advance reservations are required.

The Troy Museum buildings will be decorated for the season. An 1820s' log cabin and an 1840s' farmhouse will be appropriately presented. An exhibit of antique toys will be displayed. Visitors are invited to decorate the museum tree at the annual Hanging of the Green, noon to 4 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 4.

Farmington Community Center and Farmington Historical Museum will hold an open house 1-9 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 7, with holiday entertainment and refreshments in the two historical homes that have been decorated by professional florists to appear as they may have looked in the Christmas season of the late 19th century. Tickets are \$3, \$1 for children, for both houses at either door. The community center is on Farmington Road, north of 10 Mile. The museum is on Grand River west of Farmington Road.

Greenmead, Livonia's 100-acre historical site at the corner of Eight Mile and Newburgh, will hold a Victorian Christmas. Hill House Museum and several restored buildings will be decorated and open during the season. Special holiday, hours run from Dec. 3-28, Wednesdays and Saturdays, 2-4 p.m. by appointment. For information, call 477-7375. Donations \$1 adults, 25 cents for children 10-18.

## ● YULETIDE SETTINGS

A Christmas Walk through seven homes in Farmington-Farmington Hills begins with tea and a boutique shopping in Farmington Center on Farmington Road, north of 10 Mile. Maps are provided with tickets for \$7 donation at the center from noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 11. Walk is sponsored by Hill and Dale Garden Club to support garden therapy lessons in 28 special education classrooms.

The elegant Meadow Brook Hall is decorated for a Victorian Christmas by various flo-



artists and exhibitors. Wednesday, Nov. 30, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 1 through Sunday, Dec. 11, 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Admission weekdays \$5, Saturday and Sunday \$6, seniors and students and children under 19 \$4.

Cranbrook House and Gardens Auxiliary presents "Holiday Magic" featuring a collection of festive decorations and table settings, tea and a boutique. Dec. 11-13, noon to 4 p.m. Sunday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday and Tuesday. Admission.

#### ● CRAFTS, ETC.

Plymouth Parks and Recreation annual Christmas Arts and Crafts Sale, Nov. 25-27 and Dec. 2-4 at Plymouth Cultural Center. Different artists at each show 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday.

The Plymouth branch of the Women's National Farm and Garden Association holds its annual greens mart in Forest Place Mall, For-

est Ave., Friday, Dec. 9, beginning at 9:30 a.m. Baked goods, fresh holly and other holiday greens will be on sale as well as handmade Christmas decorations.

Plymouth Symphony holds a luminaria sale at Westchester Mall, Forest Ave., Plymouth, Saturdays, Dec. 3, 10 and 17 during mall hours. The symphony holds its annual Christmas ball Saturday, Dec. 3 from 7:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. Reservations at \$45 a couple must be made in advance. For reservations call, 459-3469 or 453-6346.

#### ● MUSICAL MERRIMENT AND INSPIRATION

The Detroit Symphony Orchestra offers three holiday series. A Weekender Pops series featuring traditional Christmas carols will be held Friday and Sunday, Dec. 16 and 18, at Ford Auditorium. Tickets range from \$12 to \$18.

The Symphony and the Kenneth Jewel Choral with soloists perform Handel's Messiah Thursday and Friday, Dec. 22-23, for three performances at Orchestra Hall. Tickets range from \$10 to \$15.

The Nutcracker Ballet will be performed by Dance Detroit with the Symphony for 14 performances: Dec. 21-31 at Ford Auditorium. Tickets range from \$10 to \$25. For information and tickets, call 567-9000.

The Plymouth Symphony Orchestra and the Northern Ballet Co. of Livonia present "The Nutcracker" 1 and 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 11, in Plymouth Salem High School Auditorium, Joy

Road west of Canton Center Road. Tickets \$6 for adults, \$3.50 for senior citizens and all students.

Plymouth Community Chorus presents "All Our Best" Christmas concert, 7 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 3 and 4, at Plymouth Salem High School Auditorium, Joy Road west of Canton Center Road. The 130-voice chorus marks its 10th anniversary. Tickets \$4 for adults, \$2 for students and senior citizens.

The Cranbrook Music Guild presents a Christmas songfest featuring the Eastern Michigan University Madrigal Singers in the Cranbrook House library, 8:30 p.m., Wednesday, Dec. 7. Admission.

The baroque orchestra and chorus of Ars Musica perform parts one and two of Handel's "Messiah" inside Christ Church, Cranbrook 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 9. Admission.

Christ Church, Cranbrook carillonneur Beverly Buchanan performs Christmas music 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 18. Free.

Farmington Community Band with the Hand Bell Choir of Nardin Park United Methodist Church perform "Bells Are Ringing" 8 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 13, Harrison High School's Center for the Performing Arts, 12 Mile between Middlebelt and Orchard Lake Road. Tickets at the door, \$2 adults, \$1 students and senior citizens, \$5 for a family.

The Troy Community Chorus performs Vivaldi's "Gloria" 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 2, at Troy Athens High school. Tickets \$2.50 for adults, \$1 for students. For information, call 899-0101.

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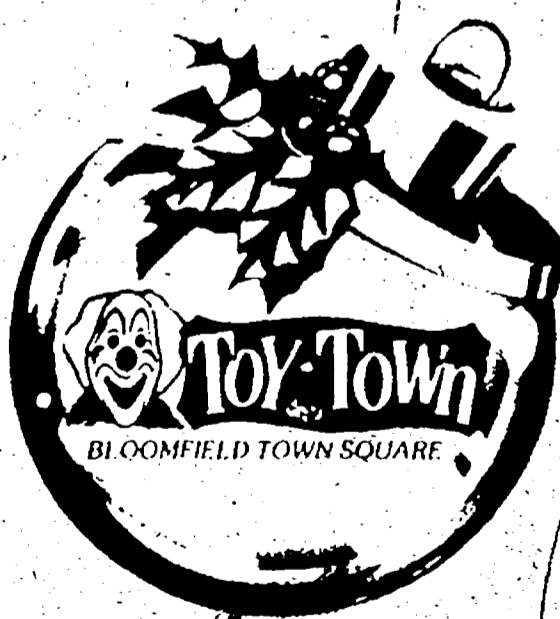
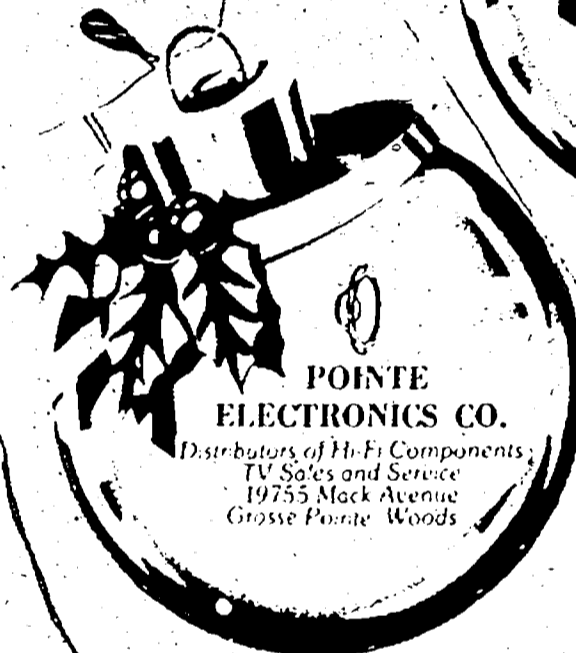
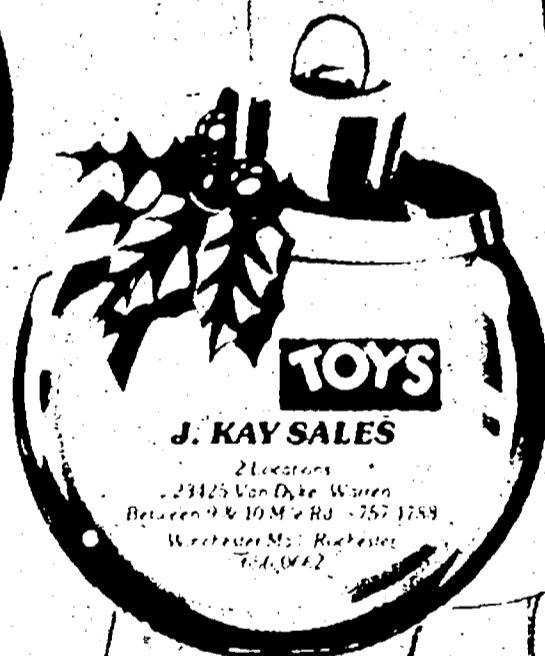
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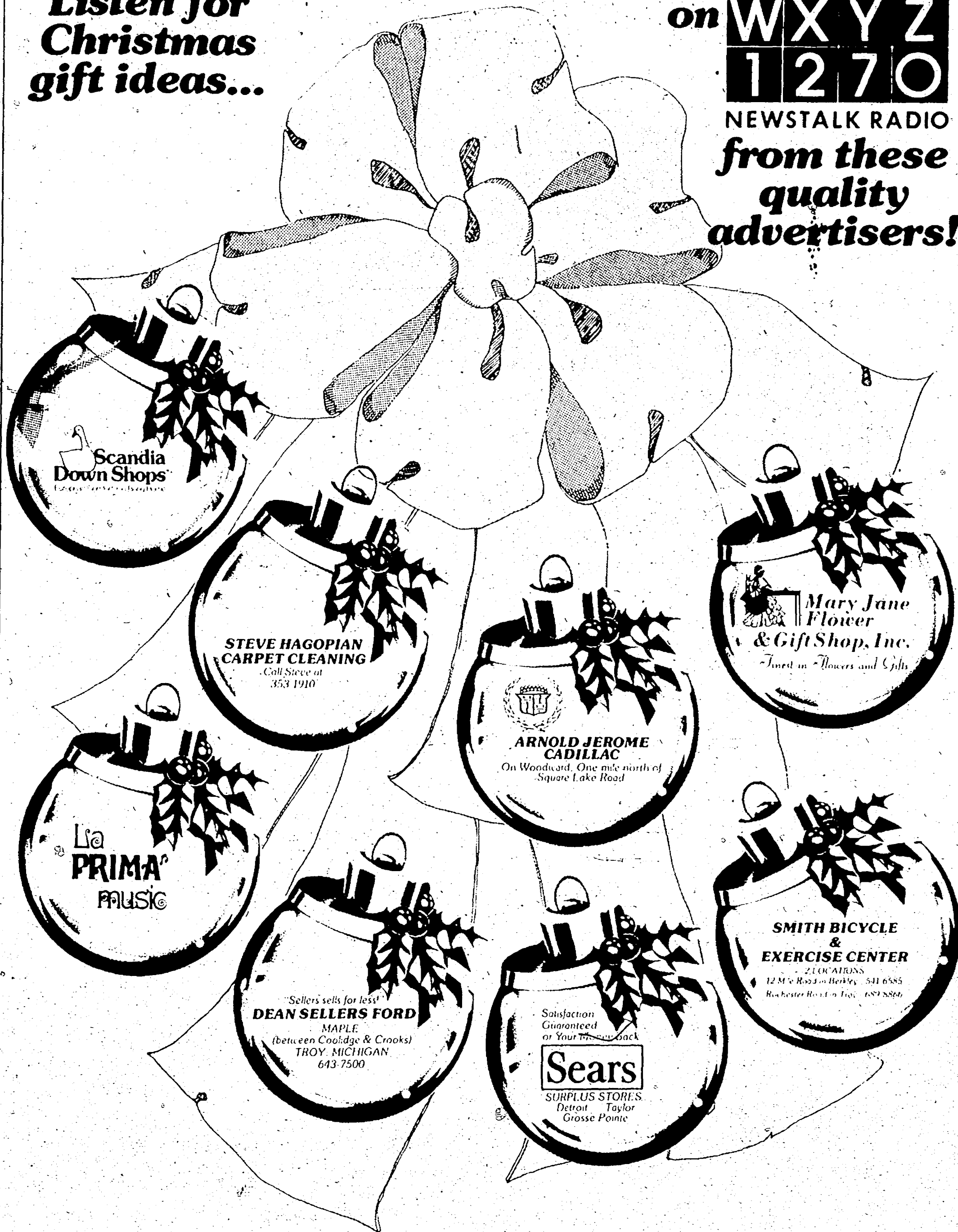
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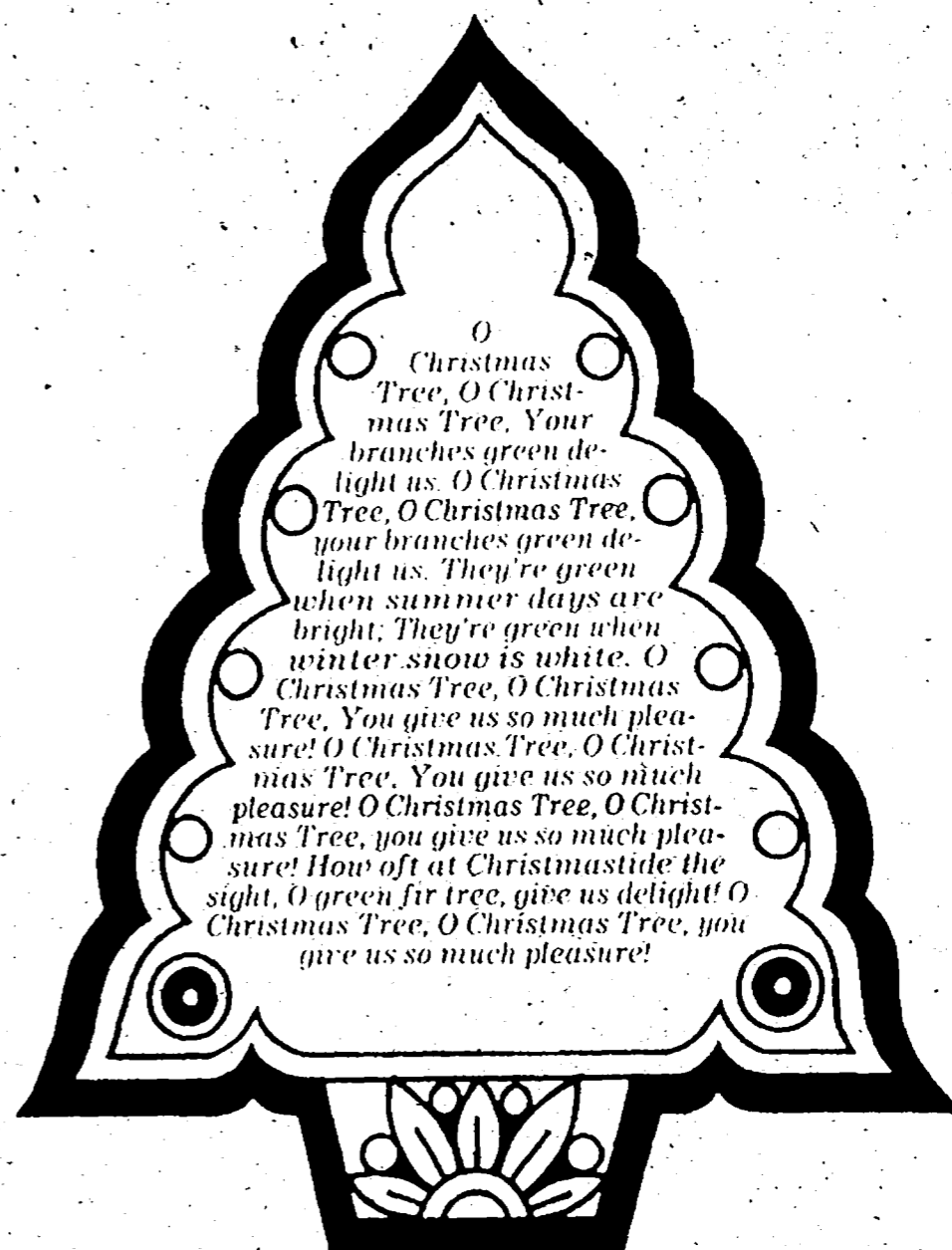
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It is difficult to trace the beginnings of the custom. Many myths and ancient stories surround it.

One of them is that Martin Luther started the tradition. The story goes that he was attempting to explain to his wife and children the beauty of the snow-covered forest under a glistening star-speckled sky.

According to the legend, he went into a garden, cut down a fir tree, dragged it into the nursery and put some candles onto the branches.

A picture of Martin Luther and his family surrounding "the first Christmas tree" has been prominently displayed in Protestant religious books throughout the years.

What is known is that in ancient times trees were worshipped by many people, and gifts were placed on the branches as sacrifices to the deities.

The practice of giving gifts to others was later introduced by the Christians. Hence, gifts were hung on "Christian trees" or Christmas trees.

The earliest written record of Christ-

mas trees is from 1521 in the province of Alsace in the upper Rhine in Germany. Another reference is from Strasburg in 1605.

"At Christmas, fir trees are set up in the rooms and hung with roses cut from paper of many colors, apples, wafers, etc.," it is written.

Until the early 1800s, the use of Christmas trees was mainly a custom only in Germany. Historians cannot determine why in about 20 to 30 years, the practice spread throughout Europe. These Europeans later brought the tradition to the new land, the United States.

It is believed that tree trimming may have been an outgrowth of a practice adopted by early dwellers in the forest. They placed foodstuffs in trees during the night so they could be out of the reach of prowling animals.

Later pictures or replicas of foodstuffs such as ham and bacon were used as substitutes for the real items in order so they could be held by slender tree branches.

Cookies were soon added to the trees in the shape of flowers, bells, stars, angels, hearts and animals.

Then came the candles, ribbons, a star for the top, nuts, fruits covered with strings of beads, and other ornaments.

Before the introduction of electric lights, wax candles caused serious fire hazards in most homes. For this reason, candles were only placed on the Christmas tree for a few hours during the holiday season.

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**Bavarian Village**

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to handle and look at, and they're a good investment.

Toy figures have covered the gamut from Alexander the Great to Hitler, from William Tell to Kaiser Wilhelm, from George Washington to Queen Elizabeth.

Toy Egyptian soldiers have been found in the tombs of the pharaohs, and Roman and ancient Greek examples have cropped up too. But it wasn't until the late 18th century that they became toys for ordinary children.

This happened round Nuremberg, Germany, when artisans used excess tin to make two-dimensional, "flat" soldiers for their children. The first to see the commercial potential was Johann Gottfried Hilpert, who marketed tiny flat versions of the armies of Frederick the Great.

The flats, made of an alloy of tin, lead and antimony, developed into a three-dimensional "round" soldier perfected by French and German firms. But the breakthrough came in the 1890s when an English firm, Britains, invented a means of making hollow-cast soldiers that could be sold for a penny apiece.

"They took the world's nurseries by storm," Johnson says.

Britains produced a variety of basic soldier models which were hand-painted in the uniforms of every British Army unit. Whenever a new conflict broke out, Britains would issue a new set featuring the combatants. It also marketed an English village scene in 1923 which led King George V to ask: "But where is the village idiot?"

The omission was soon remedied; the



The detail of a toy soldier can be seen in this hand-held miniature.

"village idiot" was sold for 15 years until it was removed for reasons of poor taste.

Britains stopped making lead-based soldiers in the 1960s due to the cost and pressure over the use of lead. Although Johnson notes, "I never heard of a kid having problems, short of swallowing a Bengal Lancer."

The German industry was wiped out in World War II, and American figures never amounted to much, except for the dime store models which dominated the low end of the market.

It was the end of production of high-quality pieces that spurred the collecting market, so that individual pieces now sell at auction for as much as several hundred dollars.



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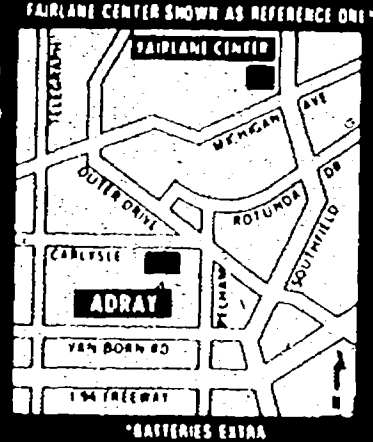
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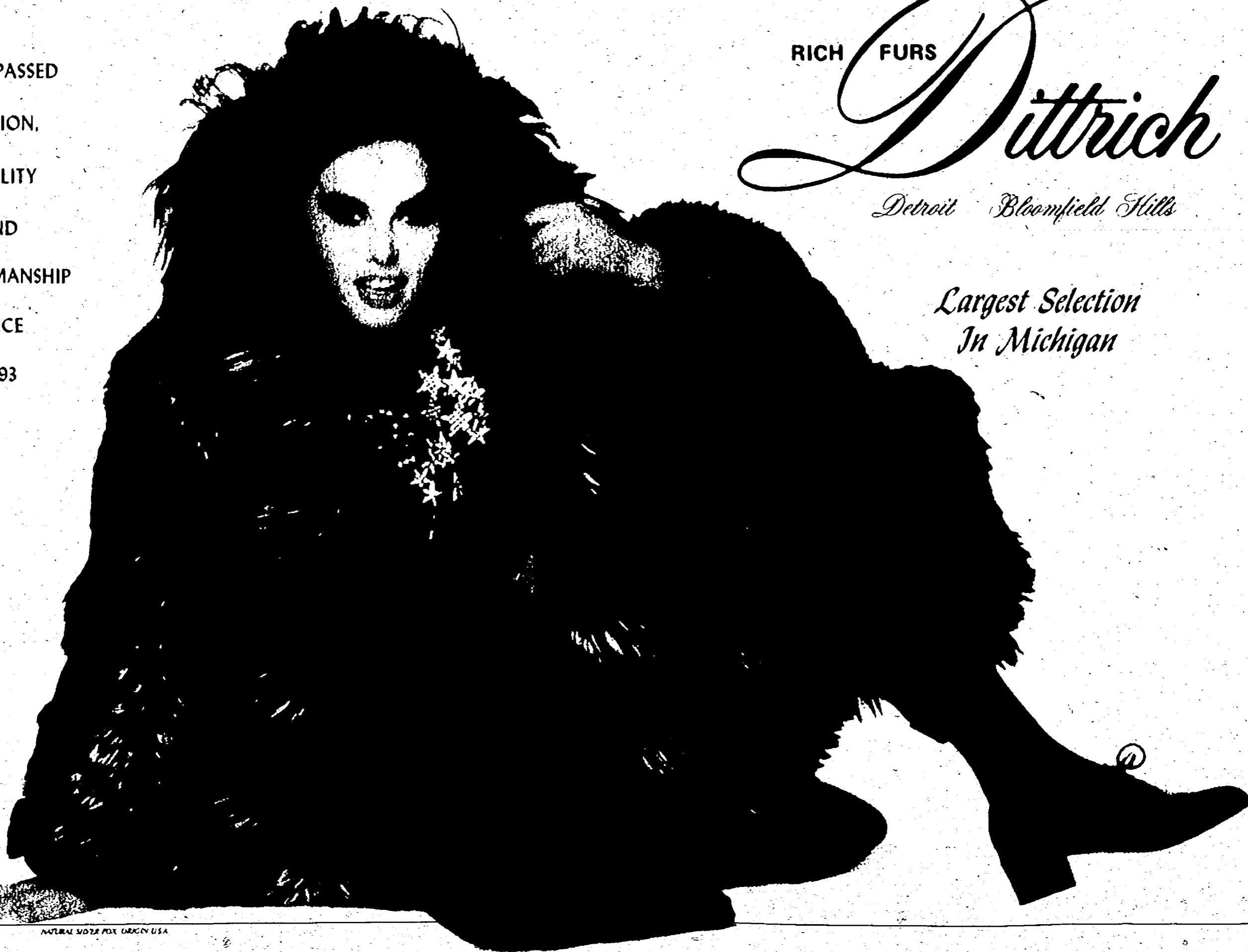
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